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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

AND

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS,

OF THE

TOWN OF HEBRON,

For the Year ending Feb. 17,

1885.



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TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

SAMUEL P. CUSHMAN. AUGUSTUS C. TUBBS.
HENRY C. BERRY.

Clerk and Treas. *Collector and Constable.*
ZIBEON L. PACKARD. JAMES D. STURTEVANT.

Supervisor of Schools.
REV. S. D. RICHARDSON.

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REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

The valuation of the town of Hebron, as taken by the Assessors on the first day of April, 1884, was as follows:

Number taxable polls, 121.

Real Estate,	\$151,875 00
Personal Estate,	29,162 00

Town raised at their annual town meeting, held March 3, 1884:

For Schools,	\$ 480 80
Support of poor,	300 00
Town officers bills,	200 00
Town debt,	1,000 00
Roads and bridges,	100 00
Contingent expenses,	100 00

Total amount raised by town,	\$2,180 80
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State tax,	\$757 92
County tax,	217 48
Overlay on tax,	86 43
Unpaid highway,	66 10

Total,	\$1,127 93
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Total amount committed for collection,	\$3,308 73
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Rate per cent on valuation, 16 mills.

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SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Town raised for support of schools,	\$480 80
State school fund,	306 10
Unexpended last year,	39 72
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Total school resources for 1884,	\$826 62
Money expended in the several districts as follows:	
Dist. No. 1, Amount to be expended,	\$48 58
Expended,	38 25
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Unexpended,	10 33
" No. 2, To be expended,	86 18
Expended,	88 20
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Overdrawn,	2 02
" No. 3, To be expended,	94 74
Expended,	76 25
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Unexpended,	18 49
" No. 4, To be expended,	151 71
Expended,	151 49
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Unexpended,	22
" No. 5, To be expended,	90 01
Expended,	85 05
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Unexpended,	4 96
" No. 6, To be expended,	122 27
Expended,	107 21
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Unexpended,	15 06
" No. 7, To be expended,	72 64
Expended,	60 56
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Unexpended,	12 09
" No. 8, To be expended,	111 04
Expended,	32 00
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Unexpended,	79 04
" No. 9, To be expended,	62 80
Expended,	62 80
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Unexpended,	00 00
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Total amount unexpended,	\$138 17

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SUPPORT OF THE POOR.

John Gurney for Daniel Bumpus,	\$110 00
Clarinda Bumpus for Del. Cox,	40 00
City of Lewiston for S. A. Cox,	24 25
Poland for S. A. Cox,	4 50
City of Auburn for Wm. Pratt,	5 00
Doctor Caldwell for Charles DeCoster,	15 00

Total pauper bills for 1884, \$198 75

Pauper bills reported last year as unknown :

Doctor's bill of Charles Brown,	\$20 00
City of Lewiston for Coxes,	64 58
City of Auburn, for S. A. Cox,	10 90
Paris for William Pratt,	5 00

Total, 100 38

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Amount expended in 1884,	\$83 68
Abatement of taxes,	25 93

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

S. P. Cushman, Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor :

March. 7, One day writing highway limits and orders,	\$1 50
“ 22, Writing pauper bond,	25
“ 25, One-half day at S. R. Gurney's on account of Daniel Bumpus,	75
“ 26, Recording road limits,	75
April 10, One-half day on school returns,	75
“ 12, Two and one-half days taking valuation,	3 75
“ 18, Four days recording valuation and assessing highway tax,	6 00
“ 21, One-half day on account of Del. Cox,	75
“ 25, Writing pauper bond,	25
May 8, One-half day on statistics of valuation, as per blank from Sec. of State,	75

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May 14,	One day at County Commissioner's meeting,	\$1 50
Aug. 9,	Two days assessing money tax etc.,	3 00
" 29,	One-half day, Warrant and Collector's books,	75
" 25,	One-half day, Warrant,	75
Feb. 13, 1885,	Three days on town report,	4 50
	One-half day, Warrant,	75

Total, \$26 75

Augustus C. Tubbs, Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor:

March, 7,	One day writing highway limits and orders,	\$1 50
" Mar. 25,	One-half day at Mrs. Gurney's on account of Daniel Bumpus,	75
April 12,	Six days taking valuation,	9 00
" 18,	Four days assessing highway tax,	6 00
May 14,	One day County Commissioner's meeting,	1 50
Aug. 9,	Two days assessing money tax, and apportioning school money,	3 00
	Looking up school returns,	25
" 29,	One-half day on warrant and Collector's books,	75
Oct. 25,	One-half day, warrant,	75
Feb. 13,	Three days on town reports,	4 50
	One-half day, warrant,	75

Total, \$28 75

Henry C. Berry, Selectman Assessor and Overseer of Poor:

March 7,	One day writing highway limits and orders,	\$1 50
April 1,	Five and one-half days taking valuation,	8 25
" 18,	Four days assessing highway tax,	6 00
May, 14,	One day at County Commissioner's meeting,	1 50
Aug. 9,	Two days assessing money tax, and apportioning school money,	3 00
Oct. 25,	One-half day, warrant,	75
Feb. 11,	One day on town reports,	1 50

Total, \$22 50

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Zibeon L. Packard, Clerk and Treasurer,	\$25 00
Rev. S. D. Richardson, Supervisor,	30 00
J. D. Sturtevant, collecting in full,	61 30
J. D. Sturtevant, notifying town officers, writing and posting warrants,	6 00
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	\$122 30

Total town officers bills including \$14.87
due J. D. Sturtevant, last year, \$200 30

CURRENT AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Printing town reports,	\$15 00
Stationery and postage,	80
Highway, Collector's and valuation books,	3 50
Geo. A. Wilson,	18 00
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Total,	\$37 30

RECAPITULATION OF EXPENSES.

Support of the poor,	\$ 198 75
Roads and bridges,	83 68
Current and contingent expenses,	37 30
Support of schools,	688 45
Abatement of taxes,	25 93
Bonds,	1,350 00
Interest on bonds,	487 50
Interest on Brown order,	15 00
Town officers' bills this year,	185 43
Pauper bills unknown last year and paid this year,	100 48
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Total,	\$3,172 52
Town raised for town purposes,	\$2,180 80
Overlay,	86 43
Unpaid highway,	66 10
Total amount committed for collection aside from State and County tax,	2,333 33
State school fund,	306 10
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Total,	\$2,639 43
Leaving a balance in the expenditures of this year against the town above the amount raised by the town,	\$533 09

STANDING OF THE TOWN.

Liabilities of the town are as follows :

Town bonds,	\$8,400 00
Interest on bonds, six months,	210 00
Mrs. Brown's order,	203 35
Interest on the same,	6 11
Orders not on interest,	6 42
Outstanding school orders,	5 40
Due the several school districts.	138 17
Town officers' bills,	200 30
Pauper bills,	81 25
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Total liabilities,	\$9,251 00

To meet these liabilities we find :

Cash in the treasury,	\$ 22 89
Taxes secured by deeds,	245 37
Non Resident taxes,	158 34
Due from School District No. 2.	2 02
Due on tax bills of 1875,	10 04
Due on tax bills of 1879,	14 52
" 1880,	35 29
" 1882,	445 04
" 1883,	1,882 24
" 1884,	2,031 33
State School Fund,	306 10
John Gurney for rent,	30 00
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Total resources,	\$5,183 18
Leaving a balance against the town of	4,067 82

Respectfully Submitted,

SAM'L P. CUSHMAN,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
AUGUSTUS C. TUBBS,	
H. C. BERRY,	

of
Hebron.

We recommend the raising of the following sums :

To pay on the town debt,	\$1,000 00
Roads and Bridges,	150 00
Town Officer's Bills,	200 00
Schools,	480 80
Support of the Poor,	300 00
Contingent expenses,	50 00

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TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Z. L. PACKARD, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Dr.	
To amount in the Treasury at last settlement,	\$150	73
Received from State Treasurer for State Pension to A. P. Brown,	72	00
Received from settlement of tax deeds,	75	52
" John Gurney, rent in full of D. Bumpus farm for 1883,	20	00
" Frank Purington for Maine Reports,	9	25
" Non-resident taxes,	318	65
" J. D. Sturtevant, Collector,	2,611	84
Total,	\$3,257	99
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Paid Bonds,	\$1,350	00
Interest coupons,	487	50
Orders of Selectmen, for printing reports of Supervisor of Schools and town Officers,	1,212	62
the city of Lewiston, pauper bill,	15	00
the city of Auburn, pauper bill,	64	58
the town of Paris, pauper bill,	23	40
A. P. Brown, State Pension,	5	00
books and blanks,	72	00
postage and express bills,	4	00
Cash in the Treasury,	1	00
Total,	22	89
	\$3,257	99

We have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 13, 1885, and find them correctly cast and vouched for, and hereby approve the same.

SAMUEL P. CUSHMAN, } *Selectmen of*
AUGUSTUS C. TUBBS, } *Hebron.*

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

Fellow Citizens:

Having attended to the duties assigned me by law, as your Supervisor during the past year, I would respectfully submit the following report:

DISTRICT No. 2.—V. A. Bumpus, Agent.—Whole number of scholars in the district, 20. The summer term was taught by Miss Addie M. Marshall, with her usual good success. Length of school, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars attending, 7; average number, 7; number not absent one-half day, 6; daily recitations, 19. This was Miss Marshall's fourth term in this district, and no one had reason to regret the agent's selection. The winter term was taught by Mr. James M. Pike, and though this was his first experience in teaching he gave good satisfaction. The school appeared well, and good progress was evidently made. I was especially pleased to mark the carefulness in reading. Length of school, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars attending, 15; average number, 13; number not absent one-half day, 3; daily recitations, 33.

DISTRICT No. 3.—H. K. Bearce, Agent.—Whole number of scholars in the district, 25. Miss Ella M. Berry had charge of the summer term. Length of school, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 15; average number, 14; number not absent one-half day, 9; daily recitations, 18. This was

Miss Berry's second term in this district, and it was evidently a profitable one. At my last visit the examination would doubtless have been more satisfactory to the teacher as well as myself had certain visitors been absent at the time; especially one not belonging in the district. No one has a right to go into a school, and do that which will take away the students' attention from their studies and recitations, and it is the teacher's privilege which they ought to exercise, to rebuke those who do. The winter term was taught by Mr. Dana Harlow. Length of school, 10 weeks; whole number attending, 19; average number, 16; number not absent one-half day, 5; daily recitations, 22. Mr. Harlow has had considerable experience in teaching, having taught nine schools before, and I was pleased with the appearance of the school at both visits. There was good attention to the studies, and the recitations were satisfactory. A class of beginners in arithmetic did finely, as well as the more advanced classes.

DISTRICT No. 4.—Baker Phillips, Agent.—Whole number of scholars in the district, 41. Miss Rose E. Irish had charge of the summer term. Length of school, 9 weeks; whole number attending, 20; average number, 17; number not absent one-half day, 1; daily recitations, 27. Miss Irish labored under the disadvantage of poor health; yet good work was accomplished. There did not seem to be all that interest usually observable in this school, but certainly, the recitations evidenced thoroughness, and faithful work. She may have been a little too strict to please all, but that is better than to be too slack in discipline. There will be but little complaint, however, respecting either, if the proper interest is awakened. The winter term was under the charge of Mr. George F. Chesley, whose former success made his presence very welcome, again. Length of term, 11 weeks; whole number attending school, 23; average number, 19; number not absent one-half day, 2; daily recitations, 35. The school was such as might have been expected under Mr. Chesley's instruction. His experience and qualifications guaranteed success. The school was well taught and disciplined; the scholars well disposed, hence a profitable term.

DISTRICT No. 5.—Sylvanus Bearce, Agent.—Whole number of scholars in the district, 21. Miss Minnie A. Davy, teacher of summer term. Length of school, 6 weeks; whole number attending school, 9; average number, 8; number not absent one-half day, 2; daily recitations, 20. The school made satisfactory progress under Miss Davy's instructions. She secured the good will of the scholars, and they evidently tried to make the school a success and it was so. I was pleased with the general appearance and with the progress made. For the winter term, the Agent was fortunate in securing the services of Miss Lizzie P. Hammond. Length of school, 8 weeks; whole number attending, 14; average number, 13; number not absent one-half day, 2; daily recitations, 22. Miss Hammond came to the school well qualified, and with the needed tact to insure success. She at once won the affections and confidence of the scholars, and seldom have I seen so good an interest manifested by all, as was there seen throughout the term. The reading and recitations gave evidence of thorough work. It was a very profitable term. At the close, under the direction of the teacher, an exhibition was given by the pupils, in which all participated, that reflected great credit upon each.

DISTRICT No. 6.—Z. L. Packard, Agent.—Whole number of scholars in the district, 29. Miss Bertha L. Packard taught the summer term. Length of school, 9 weeks; whole number attending school, 17; average number, 14; number not absent one-half day, 8; daily recitations, 30. Miss Packard had taught this school several terms, and always with good success, and this was no exception. She manifests a deep interest in her scholars, and they are naturally attracted toward her, consequently the school under her instruction always moves along pleasantly and profitably. It was so in this case, and satisfactory to all. For the winter term, Miss Anna Crooker was engaged, but about the time the school was to commence, she had the offer of a position in the school at South Paris, and the agent with reluctance gave her up, in view of the better position, and secured the services of Miss Minnie A. Davy. Length of school, 8

weeks; whole number attending, 20; average number, 18; number not absent one-half day, 4; daily recitations, 26. Miss Davy taught with her usual good success. I was much pleased with the reading and especially with the recitations in all the classes. The classes in History did remarkably well. Evidently good, faithful work had been done. At the close, as in district No. 5, a very interesting exhibition, consisting of recitations, declamations, select readings, &c., was given, which was a credit to the school. I hope such exhibitions will become more general.

DISTRICT No. 7.—J. M. Farris, Agent.—Whole number of scholars in the district, 23. This includes those in Oxford. The summer and winter terms were taught by Miss Lizzie M. Washburn. Length of summer term, 6 weeks; whole number attending, 13; average number, 11; number not absent one-half day, 4; daily recitations, 20. Length of winter term, 10 weeks; whole number attending, 17; average number, 15; number not absent one-half day, 2; daily recitations, 26. Both terms were pleasant and evidently profitable. The scholars seemed well disposed, attentive to their studies, and evidenced good improvement.

DISTRICT No. 8.—Lemuel Gurney, Agent.—Whole number of scholars in the district, 27. Miss A. Bertha Everett, teacher of summer term. Whole number attending, 16; average number, 15; number not absent one-half day, 7; daily recitations, 40. It needed great patience and peculiar tact to successfully manage such a company of little folks as daily assembled in the school room, but Miss Everett was equal to the demands. She did well in conducting the school, and the scholars made commendable progress. We are glad to see the number of scholars increasing in this district. The winter term was taught by Miss Apphia J. Parsons. Whole number attending, 22; average number, 17; Miss Parsons was one of our most energetic and successful teachers. She was well qualified for, and adapted to the

school, and the scholars, most of whom are small, made gratifying progress. Following the example of districts No. 5 and 6, the school closed with declamations, recitations, select readings, &c., in which all or nearly all participated—a new feature in this district. Such exhibitions awaken a deeper interest both in the scholars and parents.

Amount of money raised by the town the past year for the support of Schools,	\$480 80
Amount apportioned by the State,	306 10
Making a total of	<u>\$786 90</u>
Whole number of scholars in town between the ages of 4 and 21, 196. Dividing the amount of money by the number of scholars, it gives to each, \$4.01 1-2.	
Whole length of all summer schools,	54 weeks.
Average “ “ “	7 5-7 “
Whole “ winter “	65 “
Average “ “ “	9 2-7 “
Whole number of scholars attending summer schools,	97
Average number attending summer schools,	86
Whole number “ winter “	130
Average number “ “ “	111
Average wages of teachers of summer schools, per week,	\$4 27
Average wages of teachers for winter schools, per week,	6 20

Such, fellow citizens, is the report I have to present, respecting our schools during the past year, and though to some of you it may seem too flattering, I have endeavored to give a fair and impartial statement. To say the least, the schools have been fully up to their usual standard, and most of them have been unusually successful. This is very largely due to the wisdom of the agents, in securing good and efficient teachers. Too great carefulness cannot be exercised in this respect, and it is very desirable that those

who have been the most successful, may be secured for the coming year. One who has given good satisfaction, can do better, as a general thing, in the same school, than a stranger. We hope that this matter, and whatever tends to secure the most profitable results for our schools, may receive your favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

S. D. RICHARDSON,

Supervisor.

Hebron, Feb. 28, 1885.