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Teague Publishing Company, Machias, Maine

ASSESSOR'S REPORT FEBRUARY 21, 1948
Valuation of Town

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Resident Valuation | \$2,981.88 |
| Non Resident Valuation | 38,360.63 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$41,342.51 |
| Assessed on the Valuation of Town | \$3,327.52 |
| 6 Polls at \$3.00 | 18.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Assessment | \$3,345.52 |

Appropriations 1947-48

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| State Tax | \$435.08 |
| County Tax | 270.00 |
| Fire Tax | 135.00 |
| School | 726.23 |
| Town Debt | 50.00 |
| Insurance | 25.88 |
| Roads and Bridges | 150.00 |
| Maintenance S. A. Road | 157.50 |
| Maintenance 3rd Class Roads | 18.00 |
| State Aid Construction | 450.00 |
| Support of Poor | 300.00 |
| Tuberculosis Fund | 10.00 |
| Snow Removal | 300.00 |
| Administration | 200.00 |
| Repairs on Town Buildings | 75.00 |
| Cemetery | 10.00 |
| Overlay | 32.83 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$3,345.52 |
| Resident Tax | \$255.53 |

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|------------|
| Non Resident Tax | 3,089.99 | |
| | | |
| Total Tax | | \$3,345.52 |
| Tax Rate .080 Mills | | |

W. L. FARNSWORTH,
W. H. FARNSWORTH,
ELI OAKES,
Assessor's Town of Beddington

ROADS AND BRIDGES

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Raised by Town | \$150.00 | |
| Unexpended 1946 | 5.86 | |
| | | |
| Available | | \$155.86 |
| | Expended | |
| Wallace Farnsworth | \$30.00 | |
| Ella Schoppee | 60.00 | |
| Wallace Farnsworth | 45.24 | |
| George Ricker | 8.40 | |
| Ella Schoppee | 60.00 | |
| George Ricker | 4.05 | |
| Wallace Farnsworth | 12.00 | |
| Fred Grant | 13.52 | |
| Leanard Willey | 7.20 | |
| | | |
| Total | | \$240.41 |
| Overdrawn | | 84.55 |
| | | |
| | | \$155.86 |

Maintenance 3rd Class Roads

| | | |
|-----------------|---------|----------|
| Raised by Town | \$18.00 | |
| Unexpended 1947 | 90.00 | |
| | | |
| Total | | \$108.00 |
| Unexpended | | \$108.00 |

Maintenance of S. A. Road

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Raised by Town | \$157.50 |
| Expended | 210.00 |
| Overdrawn | 52.50 |

SNOW REMOVAL

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Raised by Town | \$300.00 |
| Received from State | 330.20 |
| Unexpended 1947 | 515.40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,145.60 |
| Expended | |
| Clyde Merritt | \$528.32 |
| Unexpended | 617.28 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,145.60 |

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Raised by Town | \$450.00 |
| Expended | \$450.00 |

SPECIAL MAINTENANCE

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Received from State | \$272.40 |
| Expended | \$272.40 |

REPAIRS ON TOWN BUILDINGS

| | |
|-------------------|----------|
| Raised by Town | \$75.00 |
| Balance 1947 | 80.51 |
| | <hr/> |
| Available | \$155.51 |
| Expended | |
| Fred Grant | \$49.00 |
| H. F. Nickerson | 3.15 |
| Charles Wakefield | 48.00 |
| R. B. Strout | 5.60 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$105.75 |

| | |
|------------|---------------|
| Unexpended | 49.76 |
| | <u>155.51</u> |

CEMETERY

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Raised by Town | \$10.00 | |
| Balance from 1947 | 10.00 | |
| | <u>20.00</u> | |
| Amount Available | | \$20.00 |
| | Expended | |
| Eli Oakes | \$10.00 | |
| Unexpended | 10.00 | |
| | <u>20.00</u> | |

BANK NOTE

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Received from Union Trust Co. | \$500.00 |
| Paid with Interest | \$503.00 |

INTEREST ACCOUNT

| | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| Raised by Town | \$50.00 | |
| Received from Bank Stock | 3.60 | |
| Interest on School Fund | 12.06 | |
| | <u>65.66</u> | |
| Amount Available | | \$65.66 |
| Transferred to School Account | | \$65.66 |

INSURANCE

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| Raised by Town | \$25.88 |
| Expended | \$25.88 |

ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| Raised by Town | \$10.00 |
| Paid State | \$10.00 |

SUPPORT OF POOR

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Raised by Town | \$300.00 | |
| Unexpended 1947 | 43.24 | |
| Received from Lyndon Small | 28.50 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Amount Available | | \$371.74 |
| | Expended | |
| State Treasurer, Milo Oakes | \$336.00 | |
| Town of Columbia, Milo Oakes | 32.09 | |
| Maurice Worcester, Milo Oakes | 1.75 | |
| Foster Strout, Lyndon Small | 13.00 | |
| Wallace Farnsworth, Lyndon Small | 15.00 | |
| L. A. Betteridge, Lyndon Small | 3.00 | |
| Mrs. J. K. West, Lyndon Small | 2.00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total | | \$402.84 |
| Overdrawn | | 31.10 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$371.74 |

WALLACE FARNSWORTH,
Overseer of the Poor

ADMINISTRATION

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Raised by Town | | \$200.00 |
| | Expended | |
| Teague Publishing Co., Reports | \$24.60 | |
| Union Trust Co., Service Charge | 4.61 | |
| Marks Printing House, Supplies | 5.05 | |
| Allan Sawyer, Audit | 32.30 | |
| W. H. Farnsworth, Selectmen | 6.00 | |
| Octavia Hart, Treasurer | 34.78 | |
| Flora Farnsworth, Clerk | 12.00 | |
| Dorothy Farnsworth | 33.00 | |
| Wallace Farnsworth | 50.00 | |

 Selectmen, Assessor and Overseer
 of Poor:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Roland Leach, Superintendent | 27.05 | |
| Frances Strout, Superintendent | 30.94 | |
| Division of Sanitary Engineer | 3.25 | |
| Overdrawn 1946 | 4.42 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total | | \$268.00 |
| Overdrawn | | 68.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$200.00 |

TAX ACCOUNT

| | | |
|------------|--|----------|
| State Tax | | \$435.08 |
| Paid | | 435.08 |
| County Tax | | \$270.00 |
| Paid | | 270.00 |
| Fire Tax | | \$135.00 |
| Paid | | 135.00 |

ABATEMENTS

| | | |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| Unexpended 1946-47 | | \$16.16 |
| Edward Nickerson | \$10.00 | |
| Error in Assessment | 4.00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Unexpended | | \$14.00 |
| | | 2.16 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$16.16 |

SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

| | | |
|----------------|--|---------|
| Roland Leach | | \$27.05 |
| Frances Strout | | \$30.94 |

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--|------------|
| Amount Committed for Collection | | \$3,345.52 |
|---------------------------------|--|------------|

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Amount Collected on | |
| Commitment | \$3,330.92 |
| Excise Tax 1947 | 8.00 |
| Excise Tax 1948 | 54.00 |
| Taxes 1946 | 3.00 |
| Supplementary Tax 1946 | 3.00 |
| Supplementary Tax 1947 | 15.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Paid Treasurer | \$3,413.92 |
| Delinquent Taxpayers | |
| Louis Farnsworth | \$.60 |
| John Willey | 2.00 |
| Pleasant River Lake Camp | 4.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$6.60 |
| Error in Assessment | \$4.00 |
| Abatement | 4.00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$14.60 |
| | <hr/> |
| Abatement 1945-46 | \$3,345.52 |
| Edward Nickerson | \$6.00 |

DOROTHY FARNSWORTH,
Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending, February 20, 1948

| | |
|--|----------|
| Balance on Hand | \$740.99 |
| Received from Dorothy Farnsworth, Collector | 3,413.92 |
| Snow Removal | 330.20 |
| Special Appropriation | 272.40 |
| State School Fund | 308.87 |
| Union Trust Co. | 500.00 |
| Union Trust Co., Interest on | |

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Preferred Stock | 3.60 | |
| Interest from Machias Bank | 12.06 | |
| Lydon Small Account | 28.50 | |
| | | \$5,610.54 |
| Town Warrants | \$4,734.93 | |
| Due State Dept. of Education | 3.20 | |
| | | \$4731.73 |
| Balance in Bank | 878.81 | |
| | | \$5,610.54 |

OCTAVIA S. HART,
Treasurer

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
of Beddington 1947-48

To The Superintending School Committee And
Citizens of Beddington:

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the
Beddington School.

Superintending School Committee

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Mrs. Octavia Hart | Term Expires 1948 |
| Mrs. Dorothy Farnsworth | Term Expires 1949 |
| W. H. Farnsworth | Term Expires 1950 |

Financial Statement

Credits

| | | |
|-------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$726.23 | |
| State School Fund | 308.87 | |
| Interest on Town Debt | 50.00 | |
| Interest on School Fund | 12.06 | |
| Interest on Bank Stock | 3.60 | |
| | | \$1,100.76 |

| <i>Debits</i> | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Mrs. Lena Torrey | \$782.69 |
| Clerk's Salary | 18.12 |
| Fuel | 28.00 |
| Janitor | 14.00 |
| Rent | 2.00 |
| Textbooks and Supplies | 22.26 |
| Overdrawn 1946-47 | 23.98 |
| | <hr/> \$891.05 |
| Unexpended | <hr/> \$209.71 |

Estimated Budget 1948-49

| <i>Debits</i> | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Teacher's Salary | \$700.00 |
| Clerk's Salary | 25.00 |
| Fuel | 80.00 |
| Cleaning | 10.00 |
| Textbooks and Supplies | 30.00 |
| Rent | 2.00 |
| | <hr/> \$847.00 |
| <i>Credits</i> | |
| Unexpended 1947-48 | \$209.71 |
| State School Fund | 305.00 |
| Interest on Town Debt | 50.00 |
| Interest on School Fund | 12.06 |
| | <hr/> \$576.77 |
| Necessary Appropriation | <hr/> \$270.23 |
| Recommended Appropriation | \$300.00 |

The enrollment in the school at the opening in September was: Grade I, 1; Grade II, 1.

In submitting his first Annual Report the Superintendent wishes to state that it has been a pleasure

to work in a school union where he formerly attended the public schools.

The school financial statement shows total credits of \$1,100.76 with expenditures of \$891.05 and an unexpended balance of \$209.71. The unexpended balance is due to a combination of several things, the most important of which is the fact that your teacher, Mrs. Torrey, was willing to accept a contract for less than the minimum salary law required. The Town of Beddington was also exceptionally fortunate in being able to secure special permission through the State Department of Education to operate the school on a half-time basis because of the small enrollment. These two facts alone enabled your School Committee to operate your school at a greater saving. Under present conditions there is no Equalization for the Town of Beddington to maintain their school.

The budget estimates for the coming school year have been carefully prepared. The amount of money recommended by your Superintendent and School Committee should take care of the school expenses for the year 1948-49 providing we operate this coming year with a similar set-up. You will notice that the estimated expenditures for next year calls for \$847.00 with anticipated credits of \$576.77. This makes a necessary appropriation for the citizens of Beddington to raise \$270.23. Your Superintendent and School Committee are recommending an appropriation of \$300 in order that they may have a little extra to work with in case of need. This figure of \$300 is considerably less than last year's appropriation. Another year it will of necessity be greater as the budget has been figured at a minimum and there will probably be very little in an unexpended balance left to carry forward to another year. If it is your desire to ease the tax burden over a period of years, you would do well to

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STATE OF MAINE
COLLECTION

appropriate as much in excess of \$300 that you would feel able to thereby accumulating an anticipated unexpended balance for another year of a sizable amount.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the School Committee, teacher, school employees, citizens, and pupils for the cooperation they have accorded me during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS L. STROUT,
Superintendent of Schools

WALLACE FARNSWORTH,
W. H. FARNSWORTH,
ELI OAKES.

Selectmen of Beddington