

REPORTS
OF THE MAINE STATE LIBR
SELECTMEN
AND
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
OF THE
TOWN OF ALBION,

For the Year ending March 1, 1870.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Albion, submit the following Report:

PRESENT FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Liabilities.

Due on outstanding orders,	\$1,385 17
Due as interest on same,	180 50
Due several School Districts,	38 37
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Resources.

In hands of Francis Shorey, Collector and Treasurer,	\$1,244 80
Balance against the town,	<hr/> \$359 24

In this report no mention is made of bonds received from the State on account of municipal war debt, amounting, with accrued interest, to \$8,200.

Expenditures.

Paid State tax	\$2,137 37
County tax,	570 99
Support of Schools,	1,472 67
Blank books and stationery,	24 45
Selectmen's bills,	—
S. S. Committee's bills,	62 85
Collector and Treasurer's per centage,	100 09
Town Clerk,	7 00
Printing Town Reports of 1867 and 1868,	28 67
Liquor Agent's salary,	25 00
Bills incurred prior to last annual meeting,	117 98
Repairing hearse and burying-ground fences,	48 19
C. Hinds, for road damage,	37 00
Making roads and repairing bridges,	139 06
Plank for bridges,	41 43
Abatements on money taxes of 1868-9,	92 27
" highway " "	3,182 29
Doctoring town's poor,	2 25
Blacksmith's bill,	12 00
Interest on outstanding orders,	202 00
G. B. Wood, for three years' use of pound.	5 00
Support of poor, not paid by town farm.	187 20

Town Officers' Bills.

H. Jaquith, Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor,	—
Same, for cash expenses, horse and carriage,	\$23 60
George M. Webb, same offices,	42 30
Lorenzo Shorey, same offices,	34 50
Otis Meader, S. S. Committee,	27 85
William L. Palmer, "	—
Llewellyn Libbey, "	35 00
William R. Skillin, Town Clerk,	7 00
Francis Shorey, Collector and Treasurer,	100 09

Report of the Superintending School Committee.

DISTRICT NO. 2.—TRISTRAM FALL, Agent.

Summer Term—by Annie F. Palmer. This was Miss P.'s first attempt at teaching in town. We liked the appearance of her school very much, and feel safe in calling it a profitable school. We would be happy to meet Miss P. in the school-room again.

Winter Term—by Mr. William Varney of Albion. This school was not visited at all, but we understand Mr. V. failed somewhat in discipline.

DISTRICT NO. 3.—GEORGE HANSCOMB, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Alice Stacy of Benton. This being her first attempt at teaching, she lacked that confidence in herself which is necessary to insure success; consequently the school was not so profitable as it otherwise would have been.

Winter Term—by Mr. Edward E. Wiggin—with success, as in No. 6.

DISTRICT NO. 4.—DENNIS MUDGETT, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Mary Lincoln. At our first visit, we found this school progressing finely, and it bid fair for good improvement. We have no doubt Miss L. labored hard to accomplish the good work, but at the close of the term the scholars did not come quite up to the mark.

Winter Term—by Mr. Strout of Freedom. Mr. S. is perfectly at home in the school-room, and we think that is the right place for him. The order was good and the scholars showed good improvement. We would recommend Mr. Strout to any district in town wishing for the services of a good teacher the coming winter.

DISTRICT NO. 5.—NATHANIEL BRADSTREET, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Ellen Clifford of Freedom. We found the order good in this school, but we failed to find the interest which we consider indispensable to the improvement of a school.

Winter Term—by Mr. Clifford of Freedom. This was Mr. C.'s second term in this district. We think he labored diligently in this school for the improvement of the scholars, but they failed to bear a good examination at the close.

DISTRICT No. 6.—ALMON SHOREY, Agent.

Summer Term—by Hattie J. Shorey. This school was quite small, but the scholars seemed to be interested in their studies and passed a good examination at our last visit.

Winter Term—by Mr. Edward E. Wiggin. This school was visited only at the close. We found everything in its place. The scholars spoke well for the school and teacher by their examination. We consider Mr. W. one of our best teachers.

DISTRICT No. 7.—J. STINSON, Jr., Agent.

No Summer Term. *Winter Term*—by Mr. Llewellyn Libbey, one of the board, who is perfectly at home in a school-room, and master of his business as well as of his scholars, and whose principal object is to have his scholars improve, which they cannot fail to do under his instruction.

DISTRICT No. 8.—J. B. BESSEY, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Tarbel of Benton—with fair success.

Winter Term—by Miss Mary Lincoln, who worked hard for the interest of her scholars, but owing to sickness among the scholars, and some other disadvantages under which she labored, there was not that improvement that is desirable.

DISTRICT No. 9.—ABISHA B. SHAW, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Louisa Fall of Albion, who is one of our best teachers, and under whose charge this school made good progress.

Winter Term—by Miss Sarah Worthen of Albion. This school was not visited.

DISTRICT No. 10.—ROBERT E. RIDER, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Harmon of China, who, though young and inexperienced, was quite successful in the management of this school.

Winter Term—commenced by Miss Nellie Clifford of Freedom, who, after keeping some three or four weeks, left for some cause unknown to us, and the remainder of the term was kept by Mr. D. Blin Fuller, Jr., giving general satisfaction.

DISTRICT No. 11.—JOSEPH TAYLOR, Agent.

Summer Term—by Miss Sarah Worthen. This school was not visited.

Winter Term—commenced by Miss Key of Winslow, who gave promise of keeping an excellent school, but, we are sorry to say, she was obliged to leave after keeping five weeks, on account of injuries received by accidentally slipping on the ice, and the term was finished by Olney Worthen, who was not visited.

Town Farm.

Inventory of Stock, Produce and Provisions on Farm, March 1, 1870.	
2 oxen, \$200; 5 cows, \$250; 5 two-year olds, \$125,	\$575 00
1 one-year old, \$12; 26 sheep, \$95; 2 swine, \$30,	137 00
18 tons hay, \$216; 175 bush. potatoes, \$55; 335 lbs. pork, \$80,	351 00
115 lbs. ham, \$19; 3 1-2 bbls. cider, \$18; 1-2 bbl. vinegar, \$6,	43 00
48 lbs. lard, \$12; 3-5 bbl. flour, \$5.50; 1 bush. meal, \$1.40,	18 90
25 bush. oats, \$16.25; 30 bush. barley, \$27.00; 4 bush. beans, \$9,	52 25
3 bush. peas, \$7.50; 20 bush. corn, \$22; 25 lbs. dried apple, \$3.25,	32 75
3 bbls. soap, \$12; increased value of farming tools, dairy utensils and bedding, \$35,	47 00
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	\$1,256 90

Support of Poor in Poor House.

Bills paid for Town Farm, from March 1, 1869, to March 1, 1870.	
Paid Nathan B. Wood, Overseer,	\$350 00
Store bill,	162 16
Farming tools, \$11.70; tin ware, \$14.43,	26 13
Pigs, \$13; grass seed and seed grain, \$24.75,	37 75
Doctor's bill, \$2.25; blacksmithing, \$12,	14 25
Service of bull, \$6.75; repairs, \$1.35; miscellaneous, \$4.77,	12 87
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	\$603 15
From which deduct increased value of farming tools, dairy utensils and bedding,	35 00
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	\$568 15

Articles sold from Town Farm, from March 1, 1869, to March 1, 1870.

3 veal calves, \$31; oats, \$3; wool skins, \$14.80,	\$48 80
372 1-2 lbs. butter, \$181.75; lumber, \$34.80; wool, \$44.02,	260 57
Pork, \$34.14; peas, 75c.; eggs, \$2.62; paper rags, \$1.47,	38 98
Lambs, \$36; dried apple, \$1.92; pasturing, \$3,	40 92
Poultry, \$6; hemlock bark, \$22.75, miscellaneous, \$1.83,	30 58
Difference received in exchanging stock,	52 00
Received for board of John Robinson and wife,	32 00
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	\$505 85
Expenses of poor not paid by farm,	\$64 30

Support of Poor out of Poor House.

Cynthia Davis,	\$40 00
Joanna Glidden,	80 00
Josiah Danforth,	2 90

