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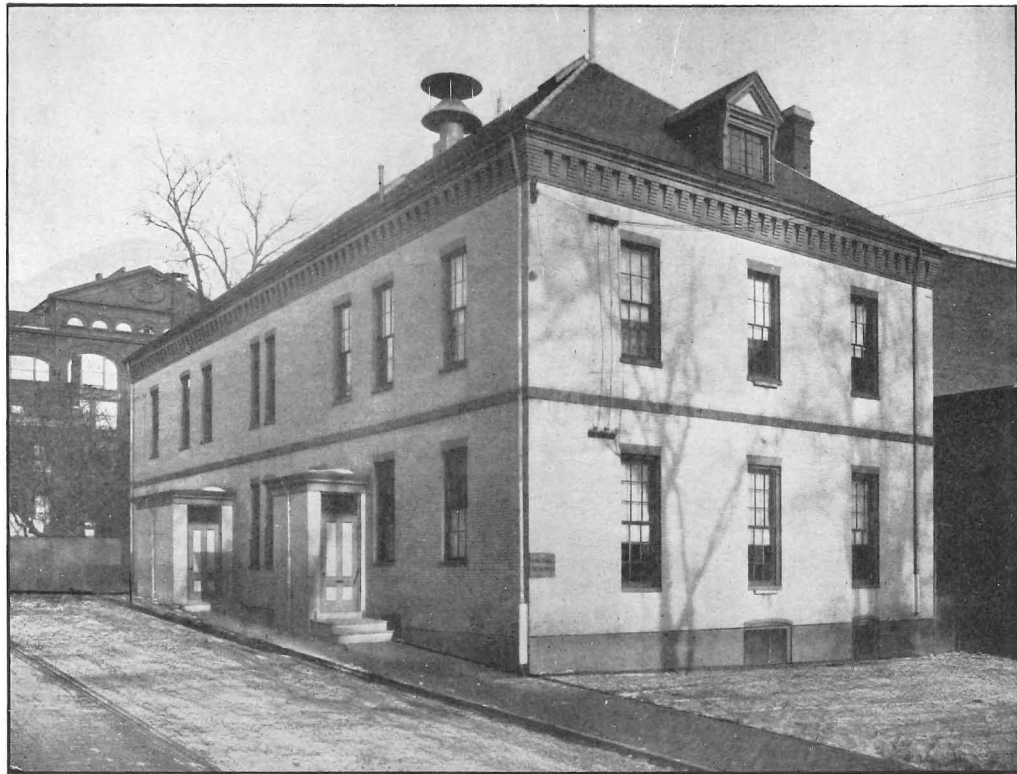
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MAINE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.





BROWNSON HALL—BOY'S DORMITORY.





GIRLS' DORMITORY.

REPORTS

OF THE

TRUSTEES AND PRINCIPAL

OF THE

MAINE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

IN PORTLAND

From December 31, 1900, to December 31 1902

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WILLIAM H. BROWNSON.  
President Board of Trustees.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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Estella M. Draper, Teacher.  
Grace E. Armstrong, Teacher.  
Annie L. Patrick, Teacher.  
Mabel J. Libby, Teacher.  
Alice Armstrong, Teacher.  
Martha M. Taylor, Teacher.  
Eva M. Anderson, Teacher.

PHYSICIAN.

ADDISON S. THAYER, M. D.

INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

Estella M. Draper, Teacher of Manual Training.  
George E. Fister, Teacher of Printing.  
Frances E. Coe, Teacher of Cookery.  
C. W. Girdler, Teacher of Sewing.  
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C. W. Girdler, Supervisor of Girls.  
Annie Harmon, Assistant Supervisor.  
George E. Fister, Supervisor of Boys.







GIRLS' SITTING-ROOM.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED  
AND NINETY-SEVEN.

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An Act Establishing the Maine School for the Deaf.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

SECTION 1. The Maine School for the Deaf is hereby established to be devoted to the education and instruction of deaf and dumb children.

SECT. 2. Said school shall be located at Portland, in the county of Cumberland, and the governor and council are hereby authorized, on behalf of the state, to accept a conveyance from the city of Portland of the school lot, building and fixtures now used as a school for the deaf in said Portland upon the condition that the state shall hereafter assume the entire charge, responsibility and expense of maintaining said school.

SECT. 3. The government of said school is hereby vested in a board of five trustees, to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, to hold office for a term of five years except, however, that the trustees first appointed shall hold office, one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years and one for five years.

SECT. 4. The trustees shall have charge of the general interests of the school and see that its affairs are conducted in accordance with law and such by-laws as they may adopt; they may adopt by-laws which shall be valid when sanctioned by the governor and council; they may employ a principal and such

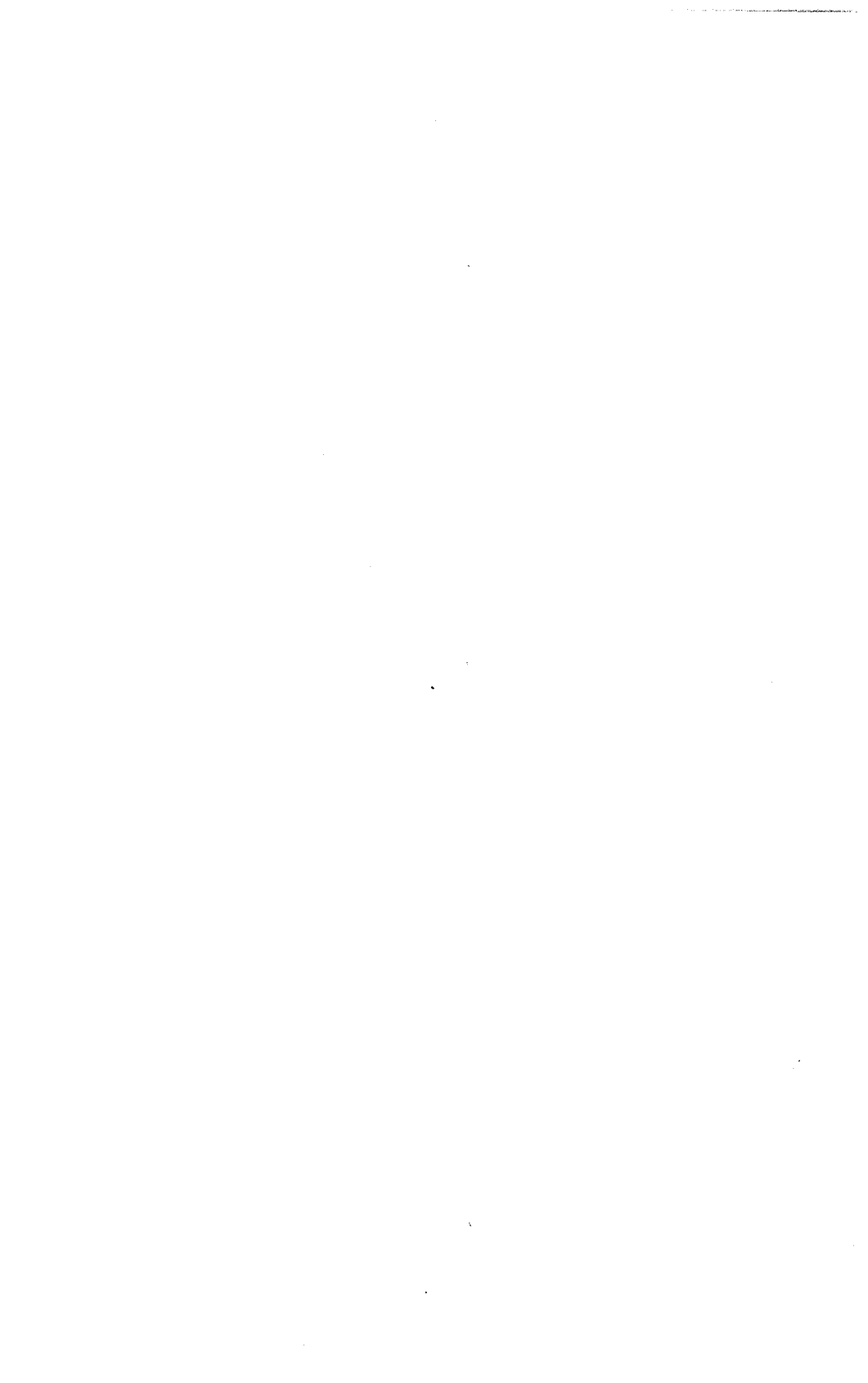


teachers and other employes as they may deem advisable, and fix the compensation of the same subject to the approval of the governor and council; they may from time to time prescribe the system of education and course of study to be pursued in the school and shall be allowed for their services their actual expenses and two dollars a day when actually employed.

SECT. 5. With the consent of its parent or guardian, the trustees may admit to said school for a term not exceeding twelve years, any deaf or dumb child residing in this State and not less than five years of age, who shall not be withdrawn or discharged from said school, except with the consent of the trustees or the governor and council, and the sums necessary for the support and instruction of such children while attending said school, shall be paid by the State.

SECT. 6. Deaf and dumb children residing in other states, may at the discretion of the trustees, be admitted to said school upon the payment by their parents or guardian of a reasonable compensation to be fixed by the trustees.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1897.





KINDERGARTEN.

## TRUSTEES' REPORT.

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*To His Excellency, John F. Hill, Governor, and the Honorable Executive Council:*

The trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf herewith submit the reports of the institution for the years 1901 and 1902.

The Maine School for the Deaf has completed another two years, the history of which is merely an uneventful record of steady progress and prosperity. It has met the demands of the State for the education of its deaf children, turning no one away and caring well for all who have availed themselves of its advantages. From the founding of the school as a State institution the legislature has provided liberally for its support, never refusing a request of the trustees, and always manifesting the greatest interest in its work and welfare. It has been the earnest aim of the officers and teachers of the school to deserve the commendation of the citizens of Maine. The business management of the institution has been economical, and at the same time, though often after very close calculation, the real needs of the pupils have been supplied. It is evident to us, after due investigation, that the educational advantages of our school compare well with those enjoyed by others of similar size and opportunities. Our teachers are earnest, sincere and competent. They are giving the best part of their energies to this work and there is not one who does not deserve the highest praise. The Principal, Miss Elizabeth R. Taylor, is admirably fitted for the position which she occupies. She is not only an educator of sterling qualities, but she has rare business capacity. It is largely due to her wise administration of the affairs of the school that we have invariably been able to report progress in all directions. The household is under her direct supervision, but she has in Mrs. Frances E. Coe, the Matron, a valuable and experienced assistant. We cannot too highly commend the services of Miss

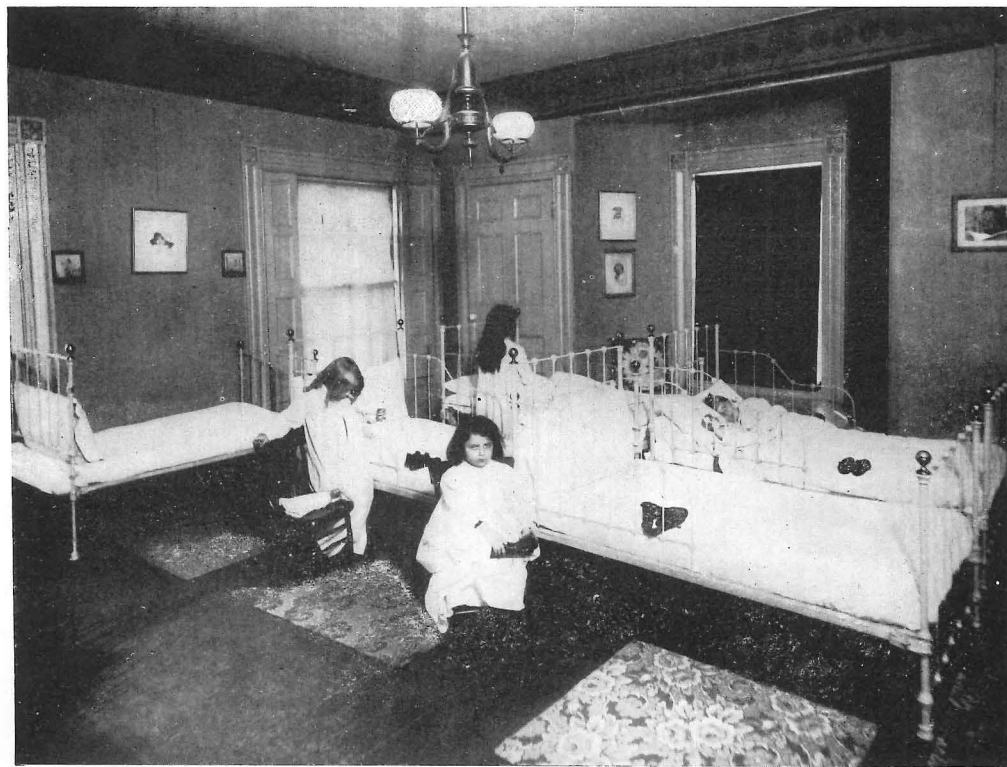
Estella M. Draper, who has charge of the department of manual training, in addition to the duties of a teacher of one of the regular classes. The work of the boys in the carpenter shop and in the printing office shows no relaxation of interest since it was begun. Good practical training is here obtained, which is proving of value to the pupils in their efforts to become self-supporting citizens. The girls, too, have their manual training in the sewing and cooking classes, the instruction here obtained proving ready recommendations for them in many cases when they leave school and take up the active duties of life.

We are aiming not only to give our pupils a good knowledge of the English language and as much speech and lip-reading as they can acquire by faithful instruction and constant practice, but also to make them good men and women, intelligent citizens, capable of grasping the meaning of social problems and solving them with as much benefit to the community as if they were not deprived of their hearing. An education which does not in a large measure accomplish this end for these pupils is worse than none at all.

Two years ago we had 89 pupils; now we have 93, the largest number in the history of the school. During the past two years two pupils have come from New Hampshire and there will be two more the coming year. That state has no school of its own and gladly avails itself of permission given by the trustees to send some of its deaf children to Portland, paying for their board and tuition the same amount pro rata, that it costs us for our own pupils. This permission is given by the trustees in accordance with the last section of the law establishing this school.

We stated to the last legislature the absolute need for increased dormitory accommodations, since we were then taking care of 89 pupils in quarters intended for only 56. It was then thought that we should be able to lease a house and fit it up for temporary use and for this purpose the legislature granted us an additional appropriation of \$2,500 a year, making our total appropriation \$17,500 annually. With the extra money in hand we made the attempt to carry out our plan of hiring a house to relieve the crowded state of our dormitory. This we were unable to do, prices charged being beyond our means, and the owner of the adjacent house, the most desirable for our purposes,

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BED-TIME.

refusing to consider anything except an absolute sale. The price of \$10,000 which he put as the lowest figure on his property was not unreasonable. The idea was then conceived of acquiring this house by a virtual purchase, giving the sum of \$2,000 a year towards the price, the house to become the property of the State when \$10,000, with interest, should have been paid in. This plan was laid before the Governor and Council and was unanimously approved. With this sanction, therefore, and upon the terms stated, we took possession of the house just west of Brownson Hall, numbered 91 Spring street, and have occupied it for more than a year. The land on which it stands is a spacious lot containing 10,708 square feet. The house is built of brick in a very substantial manner, two and one-half stories in height and containing rooms sufficient for our needs for some years to come, at least. The new house has been made a girls' dormitory, the other dormitory being turned over to the exclusive use of the boys. We have furnished it comfortably and the teachers and children have done a large amount of painting and tinting in the different rooms, which now present a very inviting appearance, and are a source of much pride to the pupils whose home is there nine months in the year.

In order to pay the sum of \$4,000 towards acquiring title to the new house, which we have done during the last two years, we have been obliged to suspend all repairs to all the buildings beyond the most pressing demands. The schoolhouse and dormitories need painting and a fire escape must be placed on the new house without further delay. Many other things must be done in the next two years if the institution is to be maintained in a manner creditable to the State and for the best interests of the pupils. More help is necessary for caring for the pupils when they are not in the schoolrooms. We cannot accomplish what we should and what the citizens will demand of us with our present appropriation, and at the same time continue the payment of \$2,000 a year on the new house. The trustees will therefore ask the legislature to grant a special appropriation of \$6,000 to complete the purchase of the girls' dormitory, and the continuance of the same appropriation of \$17,500 a year as at present. We ask that this request be referred to the proper committee and that the committee be directed to visit the institution in person and make due investigation.



At the beginning of the present year Dr. Addison S. Thayer, one of the leading physicians of the State, was elected to the position of house doctor and the physical welfare of the pupils is constantly under his supervision. Beyond the ordinary ailments incident to a family of children of this size there has been no serious sickness in the school. The trustees are able to report that on account of diligent foresight in making contracts for fuel the school is now well supplied with hard coal, which was purchased for \$5.75 a ton.

For the Trustees,

WILLIAM H. BROWNSON,

*President.*





PRINTING OFFICE.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR THE TWO YEARS FROM DECEMBER 15, 1900, TO DECEMBER 15, 1902.

### RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand December 15, 1900.....	\$ 705 55
Received from State January 1, 1901.....	3,750 00
Received from State April 18, 1901.....	4,375 00
Received from state of New Hampshire July 1, 1901.....	400 00
Received from State July 3, 1901.....	4,375 00
Received from State October 2, 1901.....	4,375 00
Received from Mrs. L. D. M. Sweat October 14, 1901.....	25 00
Received from State January 1, 1902.....	4,375 00
Received from State April 5, 1902.....	4,375 00
Received from State of New Hampshire April 28, 1902.....	400 00
Received from Mrs. L. D. M. Sweat June 11, 1902.....	25 00
Received from State July 3, 1902.....	4,375 00
Received from State September 17, 1902.....	4,375 00
	\$35,930 55

### EXPENDITURES.

Houses, grounds, repairs and furnishings.....	\$2,789 58
Milk .....	1,149 19
Meats .....	1,505 93
Fuel .....	1,842 24
Light .....	432 73
Produce .....	1,318 09
Groceries .....	1,874 19
Ice .....	47 62
House employes, physician, etc.....	4,380 81
Manual training .....	596 84
Salaries of teachers.....	12,994 00
Medicines and extra medical attendance.....	109 53
Stationery and school supplies.....	281 05
Services of trustees.....	587 92
Treasurer's compensation .....	200 00
Water .....	269 39
Paid on new house account.....	4,000 00
Insurance .....	250 63
Miscellaneous .....	577 71
Cash on hand December 15, 1902.....	723 10
	\$35,930 55

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. COX, *Treasurer.*

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT.

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*To the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf:*

Gentlemen:—It is a gratifying pleasure and an incentive for future work to note, from year to year, progress and growth.

During the two years just passed the attendance has increased, accommodations have been enlarged, the educational work has been advanced and progression has been the aim all along the line.

### ATTENDANCE, 1901.

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Enrollment January 1, 1901.....	55	+ 34	= 89
Admitted during the year.....	6	+ 5	= 11
Total enrollment for the year.....	61	+ 39	= 100
Left during the year.....	5	+ 3	= 8
Enrollment December 31, 1901.....	56	+ 36	= 92

### 1902.

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Enrollment January 1, 1902.....	56	+ 36	= 92
Admitted during the year.....	8	+ 2	= 10
Total enrollment for the year.....	64	+ 38	= 102
Left during the year.....	7	+ 2	= 9
Present enrollment .....	57	+ 36	= 93

The pupils maintained by the State reside in the following counties:

Androscoggin .....	6
Aroostook .....	8
Cumberland .....	16
Franklin .....	2
Hancock .....	6
Kennebec .....	16





GRADUATING CLASS.

Knox .....	3
Oxford .....	5
Penobscot .....	7
Piscataquis .....	1
Sagadahoc .....	1
Somerset .....	5
Waldo .....	3
Washington .....	4
York .....	6

## HEALTH.

Our health record for the past two years has been almost phenomenal, which is due in no small part to "the ounce of prevention" that has been not only the theory but practice of the physician and nurse.

Children who have good wholesome diet with plenty of exercise in the open air and a regular time for rising and retiring are usually healthy, and our children are no exception to the rule.

Good health adds to happiness and better educational results are always attained when children are healthy and happy. As there has been little sickness, little time has been lost from school.

At the close of the last school year Dr. Addison S. Thayer was appointed to succeed Dr. G. A. Pudor, who had been our physician for eight years. Dr. Pudor retired with the good wishes of all in the school.

Dr. Thayer is well known as a regular practitioner of Portland and as Professor of Diseases of Children in the Medical School of Maine at Brunswick.

## EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

For the first time in the history of the school there will be a class graduated in June and diplomas will be granted to those completing the course. Of the six pupils in the graduating class, several hope to avail themselves of an advanced course offered at Gallaudet College at Washington, D. C. Miss Patrick has charge of this class.

At the opening of the fall term it was decided to have the second, third, fourth and fifth classes rotate and the teachers of



these classes do departmental work, instead of each having charge of one class as heretofore; accordingly, Miss Harris has charge of the Articulation work with special exercises in Lip-reading; Miss Armstrong, Language including Grammar; Miss Alice Armstrong, History and Geography; and Miss Anderson, Arithmetic.

The younger classes each remain under the instruction of one teacher during the entire session, Miss Draper having charge of the sixth class; Miss Divine, the seventh class; Miss Libby, the eighth class; Miss Martha Taylor, the Kindergarten. The Combined System of instruction is used in all classes—all but six pupils are taught speech and speech is the medium of communication, so far as practicable, between teacher and pupil in the schoolroom.

In June, 1901, Miss A. Etta Estabrook resigned to be married and Miss Martha M. Taylor was appointed to fill the vacancy. In September following it was found necessary, because of increased attendance, to form another class and Miss Eva M. Anderson, a graduate of the Portland Training School, was appointed to take charge of this class. Both young ladies show interest in their work and give promise of making successful teachers. And I take this opportunity of thanking all my co-workers for their ready co-operation and cordial acquiescence to any regulation that has been made for the improvement of the work of the school.

#### INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Manual Training Department is still under the capable management of Miss Estella M. Draper. The boys have laid floors, constructed and repaired school furniture, painted walls, beside doing all the repairing and glazing that has been needed about the establishment, showing that their instruction has been decidedly practical.

It is hoped that this branch of the work may be extended in the near future and regular trades taught, each under a competent instructor.

"The News," a small paper, is published weekly and four boys are taught printing, Mr. George E. Fister teacher. In March, 1901, a Golding job press was purchased and since then the





CLASS IN COOKING.

work of the printing office has been greatly facilitated and all printing needed by the school has been done by the boys.

The girls are taught cooking, sewing and the various duties of the household.

#### HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT.

The Household Department under the efficient and patient direction of the matron, Mrs. Frances E. Coe, with the assistance of the supervisors and other household helpers, has been well managed. The care of almost a hundred children, out of school hours, is not a light task and if it were not for the faithful, conscientious attention which the children receive, our health record might be different from that reported.

Parents have much to be thankful for in knowing that the physical needs of their children are looked after by competent, educated people, each of whom shows personal interest in their welfare.

#### ACCOMMODATIONS.

In the last report reference was made to the dangerously crowded condition of the sleeping and living apartments of the pupils. As was then mentioned the dormitories accommodated fifty-six pupils and as there were fifty-six boys in attendance, the remaining thirty-six, equalling the number of girls, were stored anywhere that a bed could be crowded. This congestion was deemed dangerous to the health of the pupils and at an extra session of the Board of Trustees called in September, 1901, it was decided to take steps to obtain possession of the adjoining residence, 91 Spring street. Arrangements were made so that we were allowed the use of the premises and in a few weeks the girls were comfortably housed.

The acquisition thus made affords ample sleeping and living apartments for the girls, with pleasant play-grounds for recreation. There is also a commodious kitchen with pantry and closets, where the girls are taught cookery, ironing, etc. It may be well here to mention that cooking utensils were provided by a donation from our good neighbor and patroness, Mrs. L. D. M. Sweat, who each year has contributed a sum of money for the furtherance of our work.

By the removal of the girls from Brownson Hall, we have two large sunny rooms that are now used as hospitals, with a room for the nurse between; the boys have a pleasant reading-room of which they were much in need; the girls having playgrounds of their own, have left larger grounds for the boys; and the breathing space thus gained makes us feel that we have, in every way, more opportunity for expansion and growth.

#### IMPROVEMENTS.

The buildings have been kept in good repair. In the school-house additional radiators have been placed in two schoolrooms; a hardwood floor laid in the kindergarten room and hall adjoining; and a large schoolroom divided and a window made, so that two classes may be accommodated instead of one.

In Brownson Hall walls have been re-painted, ceilings whitened and a steel ceiling placed in the boys' sitting-room. A dish-washing room was provided by the removal of a wall between the back hall and pantry; a new pantry having been built on one side of the kitchen.

In the house 91 Spring street very little change was necessary. One room was divided so as to make two bathrooms, which with the bath-room already there, gave ample accommodations. Hardwood floors were laid in the parlor, also in the girls' sitting-room and the upper front hall; an additional radiator was placed in a teacher's room; every wall in the house was thoroughly cleansed and given two or three coats of paint. The plumbing throughout the house was put in first-class condition; the appliances for two new bathrooms added and larger conductors to the sewer substituted for the smaller ones already there. The ceilings throughout were whitened and sheathing four feet high was placed around the living rooms and halls.

New furniture was purchased consisting of white iron beds with springs, mattresses, pillows, blankets, etc., together with mirrors, chairs, benches, stools, rugs, carpets, etc.





MANUAL-TRAINING.

## FINANCES.

Our appropriation for the past two years has been \$17,500 annually. Notwithstanding the increased cost of provisions and fuel, such furnishings as were necessary have been purchased; a yearly sum paid as rental; and all bills for improvements and repairs met. This has necessitated no inconsiderable financiering, but a casual observer may see that every dollar has been well spent.

Appreciating the active business life of the members of the board of trustees, may I express to each member the gratitude of the parents of the deaf children of Maine for the personal attention given and prompt action taken to provide comfortable quarters for our school, when the necessity was realized; and with sincere thanks for the many personal favors received and for the hearty words of encouragement which have always lightened the shadows, this report for the years 1901 and 1902 is

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH R. TAYLOR.

December 2, 1902.



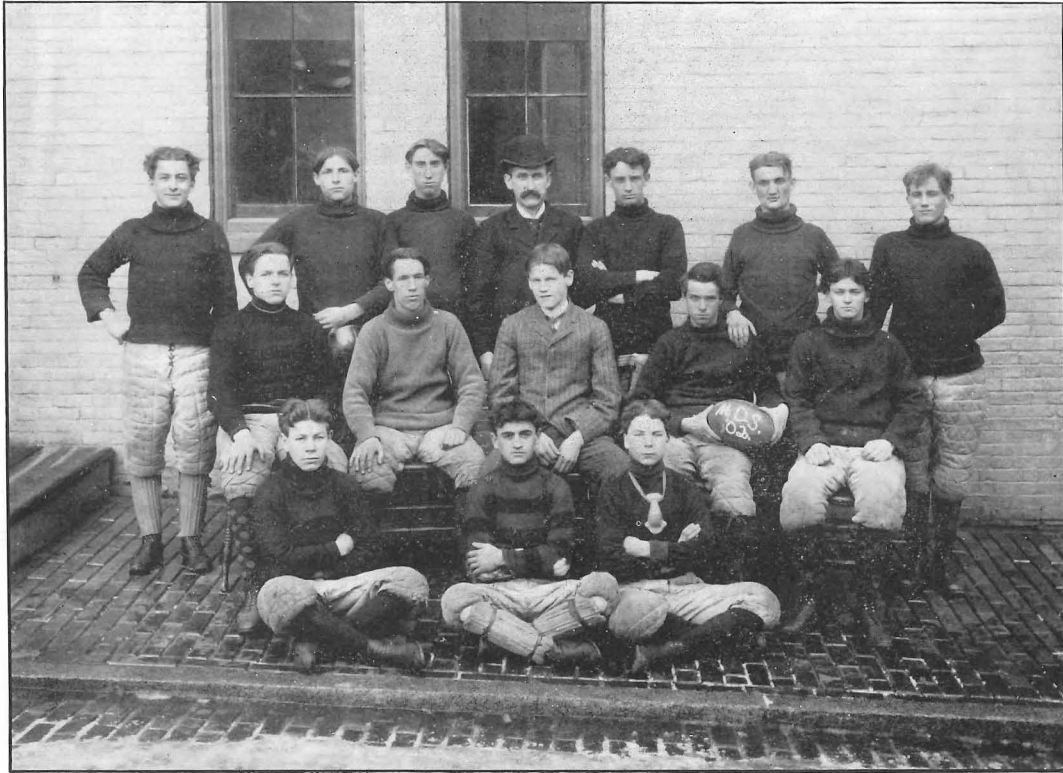
## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

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We return thanks to all who have donated money, clothing, magazines, and in any way contributed to the comfort and happiness of the children; also to the Maine Central, Bangor and Aroostook, Rumford Falls and Somerset Railroad for reduced rates and for the uniform courtesy of employees in the transfer of pupils to and from their homes; to the Argus, Advertiser, Express and Press for notices and copies of daily papers and to the various institutions for the deaf for school papers.

We acknowledge with thanks the kindness of Manager Goding of the Casco Bay Steamboat Company for the conveyance of pupils to Long Island on their annual outing; also to Mrs. Gilman Daveis for ice cream furnished on that occasion and for sums of money at various times for the entertainment of the pupils of the school; also to Mrs. F. E. Boothby, through whom an invitation was received to the presentation of "Evangeline" at the Jefferson Theatre and to the ladies of the Longfellow Memorial Fund to the representation of "Evangeline" at the Armory; also to the managers of the Portland Theatre, the Knights of Pythias, Y. M. C. A., and High School Cadets for invitations to entertainments.





FOOT-BALL TEAM.

PUPILS, 1902.

Boys.

Name.	Residence.	County.
Adams, F. Mayo	York	York.
Berrer, Carl	Portland	Cumberland.
Bradbury, Leon A	Waterville	Kennebec.
Bradbury, Mablon A	Waterville	Kennebec.
Brochu, Joseph	Waterville	Kennebec.
Budden, William B	Greenville	Piscataquis.
Chamberlain, Edwin E.	Belfast	Waldo.
Chipman, Clarence E.	Poland	Androscoggin.
Cole, Clifford R.	Sebago Lake	Cumberland.
Crossman, Alva	Green Lake	Hancock.
Collins, Frank L.	New Sharon	Franklin.
Collins, Lewis V.	Portland	Cumberland.
Collins, Romauld J	Portland	Cumberland.
Corrier, Edward	Lower Grand Isle	Aroostook.
Corrier, Henry	Lower Grand Isle	Aroostook.
Cummings, Dell J.	South Thomaston	Knox.
Curran, Edward	Bangor	Penobscot.
Doughty, George W	Kennebunk	York.
DeVoe, Henry J	Augusta	Kennebec.
Ellis, Forrest	Mt. Desert	Hancock.
Emond, Alfred	Somersworth	New Hampshire.
Fischer, Adolph	Guerette	Aroostook.
Fogg, Elmer D.	Auburn	Androscoggin.
Frazier, Frederick C	North East Harbor	Hancock.
Friend, Ralph H.	Augusta	Kennebec.
Fritz, Charles H.	Portsmouth	New Hampshire.
Gleason, Harry T.	Canaan	Somerset.
Gorson, Carroll A. W	China	Kennebec.
Gordon, Charles M.	Thorn-dike	Waldo.
Hale, Donald T.	Castine	Hancock.
Holmes, Leonard K.	Wade Plantation	Aroostook.
Hopkins, Charles W	Augusta	Kennebec.
Jarvis, Harry V.	Bangor	Penobscot.
Johnson, Charles E	DeBarr	Hancock.
Kimball, Will O.	Gardiner	Kennebec.
Lamb, L. St. Clair.	South Portland	Cumberland.
Leighton, Keith M.	Westbrook	Cumberland.
Le Vasseur, Alfred E.	Van Buren	Aroostook.
Libby, Harold E.	Portland	Cumberland.
Lovejoy, Franklin	Augusta	Kennebec.
Malloch, Charles M.	Buxton	York.
Markee, Jerry	Presque Isle	Aroostook.
Merrill, Wallace A.	Bethel	Oxford.
Morrill, Ernest W.	Lewiston	Androscoggin.
Plummer, Edward	Lisbon Falls	Androscoggin.
Rich, Victor P.	East Bethel	Oxford.
Skidmore, Alfred	Hallowell	Kennebec.
Smalley, George A.	St. George	Knox.
Spear, Fred W.	Portland	Cumberland.
Spiller, Arthur G.	New Gloucester	Cumberland.
Swallow, William	South Portland	Cumberland.
Tarbox, Charles L.	Biddeford Pool	York.
Thibodeau, Patrick	Grand Isle	Aroostook.
Tinkham, Norris E.	Westbrook	Cumberland.
Wadlin, Ernest H.	Centre Belmont	Waldo.
Woodward, Chester A	Jonesport	Washington.
Yokell, Ernest	Jay	Franklin.

## PUPILS—Concluded.

## Girls.

Name.	Residence.	County.
Atwood, Bertha M.	Solon	Somerset.
Ballard, Leona V.	Bangor	Penobscot.
Cassassa, Cora.	Portland	Cumberland.
Clark, Annie M.	Augusta	Kennebec.
Collins, Bernice	Yarmouth	Cumberland.
D'Amour, Yvonne	Lewiston	Androscoggin.
Darrell, Christie H.	Lincoln	Penobscot.
Davis, J. Mildred	Ogunquit	York.
Eustis, Augusta F.	Dixfield	Oxford.
Feeny, Mary	Portland	Cumberland.
Felker, Cora	Strafford Corner.	New Hampshire.
Fowler, Lillian A.	Hallowell	Kennebec.
Greenlaw, Genevieve E.	Robbinston	Washington.
Hadzor, Catherine M.	Portland	Cumberland.
Hersom, Ethel M.	Ripley	Somerset.
Hussey, Marion C.	Albion	Kennebec.
Johnson, Edna H.	Dedham	Hancock.
Kimball, Fannie P.	Gardiner	Kennebec.
Lovejoy, Cora T.	Augusta	Kennebec.
Mayo, Lulu A.	Bradford Centre.	Penobscot.
McSorley, Margaret	East Hampden	Penobscot.
Pinfold, L. Elizabeth	Acton	York.
Pratt, Alice	Waterville	Kennebec.
Rich, Etta M.	East Bethel	Oxford.
Ridlon, Bertha F.	West Paris	Oxford.
Rivard, Bernadette	Manchester	New Hampshire.
Robinson, Bertha M.	North Perry	Washington.
Smith, Fannie A.	Vinalhaven	Knox.
Talbot, M. Lizzie	Lewiston	Androscoggin.
Taylor, Annie M.	Caribou	Aroostook.
Thompson, Lillian M.	Kingman	Penobscot.
Tyler, Mamie S.	Bowdoinham	Sagadahoc.
Watson, Evelyn M.	East Deering	Cumberland.
Whidden, Annie C.	Topsfield	Washington.
Whitehouse, Irene S.	Pittsfield	Somerset.
Whitehouse, Junie M.	Pittsfield	Somerset.

Boys	57
Girls	36
Total	93

## TO PARENTS OF DEAF CHILDREN.

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The Maine School for the Deaf is a public school designed for the instruction of children whose hearing is so seriously impaired as to be incapable of receiving instruction in the common schools.

It is sustained by the State and is open to all deaf children in the State of Maine. The Combined System of Instruction, which includes all known methods of teaching the deaf, is used, especial attention being given to speech and lip-reading. The course of instruction includes all the English branches and every pupil is given industrial training while in attendance.

Applicants for admission must be between the ages of five and twenty-one years, and free from any constitutional malady that may render them incapable of receiving instruction.

The school session is from September 10 to June 15, with one week's intermission at Christmas.

Further information will be given on application to the principal of the school at 85 Spring street, Portland, Maine.