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ANNUAL REPORT

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

— AND —

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— OF THE —

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 2, 1889.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury, February 29, 1888,	\$3,776 75
Assessments, state tax,	1,327 50
" county tax,	743 74
" town grants tax,	8,760 00
Overlayings of taxes,	285 83
Poll tax of fifteen women,	7 50
Additional poll tax, three males,	6 00
Abated taxes collected,	4 00
Interest on taxes,	4 06
Sale of cemetery lot,	1 75
State treasurer, corporation tax 1888,	638 10
" " National bank tax	546 83
Income of state school fund,	155 90
State aid refunded,	255 00
Adjustment of corporation tax 1887,	39 75
County treasurer, dog licenses refunded,	174 84
Geo. Goodnow cemetery fund,	400 00
Estate of Lois Hunt " "	500 00
Income of Plympton " "	231 88
Income of Geo. Goodnow charity fund,	429 75
Overdrawn on account of schools,	1 80
	<hr/> \$18,290 98

EXPENDITURES.

Paid state tax of 1888,	\$1,327 50
county tax of " "	743 74
interest of library fund	800 00
" state loan,	160 00
deposit in bank,	400 00
abatment of taxes 1886,	16 66
" " " 1887,	16 66
" " " 1888,	74 02
orders of the selectmen,	9,040 19
Balance in treasury, March 2, 1889,	5,712 21
	<hr/> \$18,290 98

Respectfully submitted,

LUMAN F. PARMENTER, *Treasurer.*

The undersigned have examined the above report, with the proper vouchers and receipts in the hands of the Treasurer, and hereby accept and approve the same.

JONAS S. HUNT,
 ATHERTON W. ROGERS, } *Selectmen*
 JOHN M. CONANT, } *of*
 } *Sudbury.*

SUDBURY, March 2, 1889.

The following is a statement of the appropriations for the year 1888 (including balances of previous year), the amounts expended and balances remaining, viz. :

For incidental expenses,	\$2,098 53	
Expended,	1,749 08	
Balance in treasury,		\$349 45
For Support of Schools	\$3,514 49	
Expended,	2,388 00	
Balance in treasury,		\$1,126 49
For School Apparatus,	\$100 00	
Expended,	15 93	
Balance in treasury,		\$84 07
For Repairs of Roads and Bridges,	\$2,003 03	
Expended,	1,960 24	
Balance in treasury,		\$42 79
For Support of Poor,	\$1,340 59	
Expended,	1,340 59	
(Unsettled balance against the town, \$296.51.)		
For payment of Interest on Debt and Funds, \$2,229 46		
Expended,	1,647 00	
Balance in treasury,		\$582 46
(Of the above balance \$71.68 is to credit of Income of Charity Funds, balance to general interest account.)		
For Care of Town Cemeteries,	\$333 63	
Expended,	49 83	
Balance in treasury,		\$283 80
For Care of Town Clock,	\$50 00	
Expended,	25 00	
Balance in treasury,		\$25 00
For Expenses of Memorial Day,	\$195 05	
Expended,	168 05	
Balance in treasury,		\$27 00

For Expense of Road near C. A. Wright's,	\$60 00	
Unexpended, in treasury,		\$60 00
For Enforcement of Tramp Laws, &c., .	\$100 00	
Unexpended, in treasury,		\$100 00
National Bank and Corporation Taxes, .	\$2,535 75	
Expended,	200 00	
Balance in treasury,		\$2,335 75
Overlayings of Taxes, &c.,	\$481 21	
Expended,	285 81	
Balance in treasury,		\$195 40
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		\$5,712 21

The only appropriation over-drawn the past year was that for expense of new fence on school house lot in District No. 6, \$75.00, for which \$112.47 was expended.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES IN DETAIL.

ACCOUNT OF SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Amounts paid teachers and care of buildings :

DISTRICT NO. 1—GRAMMAR.

Paid Miss Jennie P. Hunt, spring term, .	\$130 00	
“ “ “ fall “ .	127 40	
“ A. E. Hitchcock, winter “ .	156 00	
	<hr/>	\$413 40

DISTRICT NO. 1—PRIMARY.

Paid Miss Lucie D. Welsh, spring term, .	\$88 20	
“ “ “ fall “ .	90 00	
“ “ “ winter “ .	107 10	
	<hr/>	\$285 30
care of house one year,		24 00

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Paid Miss Elinor M. Walker, spring term, .	\$90 00	
“ “ “ fall “ .	90 00	
“ “ “ winter “ .	108 00	
	<hr/>	\$288 00
care of house one year,		12 00

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Paid Miss L. K. Battles, spring term, .	\$90 00	
“ “ “ fall “ .	90 00	
“ “ “ winter “ .	109 80	
	<hr/>	\$289 80
care of house one year,		20 00

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Paid Miss S. A. Andrews, spring term, .	\$90 00	
Miss Hattie J. Goodnow, fall “ .	90 00	
“ “ “ winter term, .	108 90	
	<hr/>	\$288 90
care of house one year,		12 00

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Paid Miss A. F. Comey, spring term, .	\$90 00	
“ M. S. Wright, fall “ .	90 00	
“ “ “ winter, “ .	109 80	
	<hr/>	\$289 80
care of house one year,		12 00

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Paid Miss M. A. White, spring term, .	\$90 00	
“ “ “ fall “ .	90 00	
“ Jennie P. Hunt, winter term, .	106 20	
	<hr/>	\$286 20
care of house one year,		12 00

Paid D. W. Parmenter for conveying children from District No. 2 to District No. 7, one year,	\$150 00
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Note.—By mistake \$4.60 was drawn from the school appropriation, which was not expended, and will be carried to credit of next year's account,	\$4 60
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	\$2,388 00

Accounts for REPAIRS, PAINTING,
SAWING WOOD and SUPPLIES for
school houses :

Dist. No. 1.	Repairs and supplies, . . .	\$17 85	
	Sawing wood, . . .	11 00	
	Insurance on piano, . . .	6 00	
	Repairs of fence, . . .	5 06	
		<hr/>	\$39 91
Dist. No. 3.	Repairs and supplies, . . .	\$11 42	
	Sawing wood, . . .	5 25	
		<hr/>	\$16 67

Dist. No. 4.	Repairs, papering, whitewash- ing, &c.,	\$17 92	
	Sawing wood and supplies,	7 85	
		<hr/>	\$25 77
Dist. No. 5.	Repairs, supplies and sawing wood,	\$13 60	
		<hr/>	\$13 60
Dist. No. 6.	Repairs, supplies and sawing wood,	\$7 79	
	Pump and setting,	14 00	
		<hr/>	\$21 79
Dist. No. 7.	Repairs and supplies,	\$9 68	
	Sawing wood,	5 25	
		<hr/>	\$14 93
Paid for "Week's Current," for use of schools,		\$27 00	
		<hr/>	\$27 00
Account of SCHOOL APPARATUS :			
Paid bills approved by school committee,		\$15 93	
		<hr/>	\$15 93
Account of SCHOOL BOOKS and SUP- PLIES for all schools :			
Paid Harper & Brothers,		\$67 86	
Greenough, Hopkins & Cushing,		24 85	
Thorpe, Adams Manufacturing Co.,		199 60	
C. H. Whiting,		6 89	
A. S. Barnes & Co.,		52 75	
Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co.,		25 74	
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn		18 34	
F. M. Ambrose,		5 00	
Harrison Hume,		4 80	
Ginn & Co.,		1 94	
Express bills,		9 35	
		<hr/>	\$417 12
Paid J. S. Hunt, agent's salary for purchasing and delivering books, &c.,		\$25 00	
		<hr/>	\$25 00
Account of FENCE, School District No. 6 :			
Paid for lumber,		\$52 02	
45 posts, at 15c.,		6 75	
200 feet of capping,		6 00	
275 bolts,		7 56	
nails and spikes,		2 71	
sawing posts and planing boards,		8 83	
labor and teaming,		28 60	
		<hr/>	\$112 47

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Paid R. H. Hurlbut, moderator, 2 days' service,	\$5 00	
		\$5 00
J. S. Hunt, town clerk's services, recording warrants, doings of town meetings, reports, &c.,	\$25 00	
Notifying officers, committees and administering oaths,	10 00	
Making returns of elections, reports, soldiers, licenses, &c.,	12 00	
Meeting of clerks at Marlboro and expenses,	4 50	
Collecting and recording births, marriages and deaths,	19 70	
Cash for books, stationery, postage and express,	6 60	
		\$77 80
Chas. O. Parmenter, treasurer and collector's salary, 1887,	\$50 00	
		\$50 00
Geo. A. Oviatt, school committee, 12 days' service,	\$30 00	
Cash for postage stamps,	20	
" supplies for school house,	1 50	
		\$31 70
F. F. Walker, school committee, 15½ days' service,	\$38 75	
1½ days on school house committee,	3 75	
		\$42 50
F. M. Bowker, school committee, 14 days' service,	\$35 00	
		\$35 00
Ida N. Haynes, school committee, 19¾ days' service,	\$49 37	
		\$49 37
J. S. Hunt, selectman, 23 days' service in town,	\$57 50	
2 days at Boston, acct. of water hearing,	7 00	
2 " " " State Aid,	7 00	
1 day at Waltham, acct. of dead body,	2 50	
1 " Watertown, " " " "	3 50	
Cash for telegrams, " " " "	2 24	
2 days at So. Framingham, acct. of fire inquest,	6 00	
Cash for advertising reward offered,	2 50	
3 days' attendance at inquests,	7 50	
2 days at Soldiers' Home and expenses, acct. of M. Sweeney,	8 50	

1 day at State House, acct. of petition, .	3 50	
Paying State Aid and making returns, .	12 00	
Correcting registers and voting lists, .	2 50	
Cash for printing registrar's notice, .	1 50	
1 day running line, Stow and Sudbury, .	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$126 24
A. W. Rogers, selectman, 23½ days' service,	\$58 50	
	<hr/>	\$58 50
John M. Conant, selectman, 18 days' service,	\$45 00	
	<hr/>	\$45 00
John Goodnow, assessor, 20½ days' service,	\$51 25	
Use of horse, 8 days,	10 00	
Trip to Boston,	2 00	
Books, stationery, postage, &c.,	8 45	
	<hr/>	\$71 70
Hubbard H. Brown, assessor, 21 days' service,	\$52 50	
	<hr/>	\$52 50
Luman F. Parmenter, assessor, 21 days' service,	\$52 50	
1 day's use of horse,	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$53 75
Frank E. Bent, constable, cash for printing and posting warrants,	\$18 75	
	<hr/>	\$18 75

ROADS AND BRIDGES ACCOUNT.

Paid Dana W. Hayden's bill for personal service in March, 1889,	\$ 31 89	
D. W. Hayden, cash for labor and team,	220 38	
Account of J. E. Bent, road com., labor and team,	205 25	
Cash for 24 loads gravel at 10c.,	2 40	
702 " " 6c.,	42 12	
plank and teaming,	35 31	
4 posts, at 10c.,	40	
50 lbs. spikes,	1 75	
laborers and teams,	295 72	
blacksmith work,	6 50	
	<hr/>	\$589 45
Account of Ira T. Moore, road com., labor and team,	\$257 97	

Cash paid for 45 loads gravel, at 15c., . . .	6 75	
84 " " " 6c., . . .	5 04	
plank, joist and posts, . . .	14 38	
nails and lanterns, . . .	4 24	
drain pipe, . . .	27 67	
sewer cap, . . .	2 05	
blacksmith work, . . .	3 45	
laborers and teams, . . .	271 78	
	<hr/>	\$593 33
Account of Hiram Haynes, road com., labor, . . .	\$99 25	
Cash paid for 188 loads gravel, at 6c., . . .	11 28	
tools and blacksmith work, . . .	5 57	
lumber, . . .	1 78	
laborers and teams, . . .	407 51	
	<hr/>	\$525 39

ACCOUNT FOR PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Paid J. S. Hunt, preparing town reports, . . .	\$12 50	
Marden & Rowell, printing town reports, . . .	31 25	
Paper and printing for use of town officers, . . .	4 87	
Record book for selectmen, . . .	2 13	
Express on reports, . . .	25	
	<hr/>	\$51 00

INSURANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid E. O. Ballard, reinsurance of town house, . . .	\$75 00	
	<hr/>	\$75 00

ACCOUNT OF FIRE INQUESTS.

INQUEST ON BURNING OF RAILROAD STATION.

Paid Willis A. Kingsbury, justice, . . .	\$13 30	
E. P. Kingsbury, clerk, . . .	6 00	
F. E. Bent, constable's fees, . . .	6 60	
8 jurors, fees and travel, . . .	44 30	
19 witnesses, fees and travel, . . .	13 70	
	<hr/>	\$83 90

INQUEST ON BURNING OF HOUSE OF CHAS. L. GOODNOW.

Paid Willis A. Kingsbury, justice, . . .	\$5 70	
F. E. Bent, constable, . . .	3 60	
6 jurors, fees and travel, . . .	18 60	
7 witnesses, fees and travel, . . .	4 20	
	<hr/>	\$32 10

EXPENSES ON ACCOUNT OF FIRES.

Paid A. D. Collins, 1 night watching, . . .	\$1 50	
G. J. Eaton, " " . . .	1 50	
R. H. Hall, " " . . .	1 50	
Hiram Haynes, service and cash paid, . . .	3 88	
	<hr/>	\$8 38

CEMETERY ACCOUNT.

Paid E. Arnold, repairing wall, for labor, . . .	\$16 70	
James McLaren, labor, . . .	10 62	
Cement, sand and teaming, . . .	4 51	
H. M. Noyes, cutting grass, . . .	11 00	
J. S. Hunt, 3½ days labor, . . .	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$49 83
Paid Albert Perry, labor on Wadsworth mon- ument grounds, . . .	\$3 00	
	<hr/>	\$3 00

TOWN CLOCK ACCOUNT.

Paid S. B. Taylor, care of clock 1 year, . . .	\$25 00	
	<hr/>	\$25 00
H. A. Thomas, labor on dials, . . .	\$34 25	
Stock for painting, gilding, etc., . . .	17 41	
Use of swing staging, . . .	5 00	
S. B. Taylor, for labor and stock, . . .	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$64 66

ACCOUNT OF MEMORIAL DAY EXPENSES.

Paid for printing posters, . . .	\$ 2 40	
Use of 6 barges, . . .	33 00	
J. G. B. Adams, address, . . .	20 00	
Framingham drum corps, . . .	30 00	
So. Framingham Quartette, . . .	12 00	
Masten & Wells, flags, &c., . . .	7 27	
F. C. Fisher, flowers and baskets, . . .	9 18	
F. E. Bent, horse keeping, . . .	2 00	
Expenses of supper, . . .	52 20	
	<hr/>	\$168

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS.

Paid G. H. Smith for gravel pit, bought by road commissioners,	\$75 00	
F. B. Howe, surveying do.,	1 50	\$76 50
Mrs. Rouse for water trough at No. Sudbury,	\$4 50	\$4 50
A. D. Holt, repairs of stove at town house,	\$1 75	\$1 75
Willard Hunt, hanging lanterns at wash- out,	\$0 50	\$0 50
Geo. A. Oviatt, return of births,	\$2 75	\$2 75
A. W. Rogers, six frames and glass for town warrants,	\$3 90	\$3 90
L. P. Bent, balance of acct. for hay de- livered at Poor Farm,	\$15 22	\$15 22
Hubbard H. Brown, on acct. publication town history,	\$200 00	\$200 00

TOWN HOUSE ACCOUNT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1888.

Received from Home Circle, 12 nights, . .	\$18 00	
Grange, 20 "	30 00	
Good Templars, 35 "	52 50	
Royal Arcanum, 23 "	34 50	
5 concerts,	15 50	
1 school fair,	2 50	
1 dancing party,	5 00	
Hall opened free 26 times.		\$158 00
Paid W. H. Parmenter, janitor, for opening hall 123 times,	\$123 00	
90 gals. oil,	10 80	
3½ cords wood,	15 75	
Lamps, chimneys and fixtures,	8 22	
Other supplies,	3 55	
		\$161 32

ACCOUNT FOR SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid to overseers, town grant of 1888, . . .	\$1000 00	
to overseers, balance town grant of 1887, . . .	340 59	
to overseers, income of J. Howe fund, for wood,	40 00	
		<u>\$1380 59</u>
See Report of Overseers of Poor.		

STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT, TOWN FUNDS AND INTEREST.

The debts of the town are as follows:

Note of state treasurer payable April, 1892, for amount of	\$ 4,000 00	
Goodnow library fund,	20,000 00	
Jerusha Howe fund,	1,000 00	
S. D. Hunt fund,	1,000 00	
Elisha Goodnow funds,	4,000 00	
Ancient donation funds,	453 00	
		<u>\$30,453 00</u>

The assets to balance are the above named funds, amounting to	26,453 00
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Leaving the net debt of the town the item first above named,	\$4,000 00
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In addition to the above named funds the town has invested the "Geo. Goodnow Charity fund" of \$10,000.00. (\$4000 of the above is in 1st mortgage town bonds at 4 per cent. semi-annual interest and \$6000 in 1st mortgage of real estate at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. semi-annual.)

The Plympton fund, deposited in the North End Savings Bank,	250 00	
The Geo. Goodnow cemetery fund,	400 00	
The Lois Hunt cemetery fund,	500 00	
		<u>\$1,150 00</u>

The income of the three funds last above-named is to be applied to the care and improvement of town cemeteries and lots of the donors therein.

The income of the "charity funds" for the past year has been as follows:

Balance from account of 1887, . . .	\$ 70 81	
Income of Jerusha Howe fund, . . .	40 00	
S. D. Hunt fund, . . .	40 00	
E. Goodnow fund, . . .	120 00	
Geo. Goodnow fund, . . .	429 75	
Donation fund, . . .	6 12	
	<hr/>	\$706 68

From the above named amount the Selectmen have distributed in fuel, provisions and money, to individuals and families numbering seventy-five persons, the sum of . . . \$630 00

The expense of collecting and distributing has been . . .	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$635 00

Leaving balance to credit of next year's account of . . .		\$71 68
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SUMMARY OF INTEREST PAID.

To H. H. Brown, treas. Goodnow library, .	\$800 00	
State treasurer, . . .	160 00	
Interest of charity funds distributed, .	635 00	
Donation fund to school acct.,	12 00	
E. Goodnow fund for books, .	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$1647 00

ACCOUNT OF STATE AND MILITARY AID.

Paid during the year ending March 1, 1889.

STATE AID.

To Francis Garfield, 12 months, . . .	\$60 00	
Persis M. Sanderson, 12 " . . .	48 00	
James McClaren, 12 " . . .	48 00	
Robert Arnold, 12 " . . .	36 00	
Patience E. Smith, 9 " . . .	36 00	
	<hr/>	\$228 00

MILITARY AID.

To William Bailey, 12 months, . . .	\$72 00	
Josiah Gleason, 7 " . . .	40 00	
Michael Sweeney, 5 " . . .	20 00	
Henry A. Thomas, . . .	36 00	
	<hr/>	\$168 00

The military aid of Henry A. Thomas ceased at the month of September on account of his decease; and that of Michael Sweeney was discontinued at the 1st of August on account of his admission to the Soldiers' Home at Chelsea, where he now remains.

All the above respectfully submitted by

JONAS S. HUNT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
ATHERTON W. ROGERS,	
JOHN M. CONANT,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Sudbury.</i>

ASSESSORS' ANNUAL REPORT, 1888.

Number of persons assessed on property,	398
Number of persons assessed for poll tax only,	129
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	527

Number of polls assessed, males,	352
" " females,	15
Tax on each poll, male,	\$2 00
" " female,	50

Value of assessed personal estate,	\$239,890 00
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	\$239,890 00
Value of assessed real estate—	
Buildings excluding land,	\$380,485 00
Land excluding buildings,	472,970 00
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	\$853,455 00
Total valuation of assessed estate,	<hr/>
	\$1,093,345 00

Total tax for state, county and town	
purposes, including overlayings,	\$11,084 77
Rate of total tax per \$1000,	9 50
Amount of money at interest assessed,—	
Secured by mortgage,	\$27,710 00
Unsecured,	15,840 00
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	\$43,550 00

Money on hand, including deposits taxable,	\$ 5,540 00
Public stocks and securities,	28,895 00
Stocks in corporations without the state,	39,875 00

Number of horses assessed,	352
“ cows “	1,372
“ sheep “	1
“ neat cattle other than cows assessed,	162
“ swine “	59
“ dwelling houses “	264
“ acres of land “	14,828

JOHN GOODNOW, } *Assessors*
H. H. BROWN, } *of*
L. F. PARMENTER, } *Sudbury.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1889.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury March 1, 1888,	\$ 424 52
Town grant,	1,000 00
Wood for industrious poor,	40 00
Burial expenses of Geo. Allen,	13 25
For lumber,	138 43
milk,	718 04
cattle,	177 00
calves,	9 75
pigs,	23 00
pork,	27 36
peddlers' entertainment,	5 50
eggs,	7 82
stock,	14 00
barrels,	4 00
posts,	11 25
apples,	7 32
corn,	1 00
potatoes,	165
Balance against the town,	296 51
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	\$2,920 40
Due from State Board of Charities,	\$70 60

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Tuttle, Jones & Wetherbee, . . .	\$299 46
J. K. Harriman, . . .	209 57
A. F. Bowman, for meat, . . .	158 68
J. W. Garfield, . . .	10 15
James Higgins, . . .	33 24
N. L. Pratt, sawing lumber, . . .	25 70
A. Powers, . . .	31 00
A. D. Holt, . . .	7 90
J. Austin, on account, . . .	119 46
F. E. Bent, to Weston, . . .	3 50
Expenses to Brighton, . . .	5 59
Burial expenses of G. Allen, . . .	13 75
State Board of Charities, for Edw. Howard, . . .	36 04
State Board of Charities, for Alfred Reed, . . .	34 56
Paid for grain, . . .	413 14
fish and soap, . . .	38 55
pasturing cattle, . . .	14 12
paper and box rent, . . .	2 25
filing saws and labor, . . .	4 80
horse doctor, . . .	5 50
repairing boots and harness, . . .	2 65
phosphate, . . .	45 00
brooms, tubs, etc., . . .	5 74
moving Mrs. Kelly, . . .	4 00
butter, . . .	12 65
rye, . . .	3 40
pigs, etc., . . .	29 75
painting wagon, . . .	16 20
cattle, . . .	240 00
labor, . . .	124 00
medical attendance, . . .	4 50
Paid T. E. Hunt, . . .	137 83
Mrs. Smith, . . .	120 00
Mrs. Doyle, . . .	8 28
Jane Craven, . . .	169 92
E. H. Willis, for Mrs. S. Smith, . . .	107 00
City of Fall River for John Hanlon, . . .	16 12
Andrew Wright, . . .	1 20
Overseers' Bills, . . .	105 20
Balance due Warden, . . .	250 00
C. A. Austin for labor, . . .	50 00
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	\$2,920 40

The following persons have been assisted from the town farm, the account of which is not included in the above report, viz. :

Mrs. Smith, 5½ cords wood,	\$22 00	
Mrs. Doyle, 1 cord wood,	4 00	
" " beans,	40	
Mr. Hunt, 1 cord wood,	4 00	
		<hr/> \$30 40

The number of tramps lodged and fed at the almshouse for the year ending March 1, 1889, was 711, at an estimated expense of		\$142 20
The valuation of the town farm is	\$5,710 00	
" " personal property,	2,225 00	
		<hr/> \$7,935 00

The following persons are inmates of the almshouse, March 1, 1889 :

Charles H. Wright, aged 35 years, (blind)	
Andrew J. Wright, " 31 " "	
George W. Smith, " 58 " "	
Nancy J. Moore, " 65 " "	
Susanna Parmenter, " 41 " "	
Frances D. Barker, " 42 " "	
Mrs. Ann O'Neil, " 63 " "	
George Allen, died Sept. 28, 1888, aged 86 years, 5 months.	

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. CONANT,	} Overseers of the Poor.
FRANK W. GOODNOW,	
FRANK E. BENT,	

REPORT OF REGISTRAR FOR YEAR 1888.

BIRTHS REGISTERED.

Jan. 9.	Charles A. Jordan, son of Charles A. and Lilla H.
Feb. 24.	Newton Meriam Bent, son of James E. and Keziah C.
Apr. 6.	Myrtie Sherburne Atwood, daughter of Elmer C. and Annie.
Apr. 9.	Chester Ashley Noyes, son of Hobart M. and Helen.
May 9.	John Flood, son of Lawrence and Mary.
May 18.	Walter Raymond Dakin, son of Willie H. and Lizzie L.
May 25.	George Palmer Allen, son of Johnston P. and Lizzie.
May 27.	Florence Cora Willis, daughter of Charles P. and Cora.
June 17.	Frank B. F. Porter, son of Charles W. and Mary F.
June 19.	Edna Haynes, daughter of Hiram 2d and Carrie.
June 20.	Ralph John Eaton, son of Charles F. and Mary A.
Oct. 3.	Bernhard Oviatt Stone, son of Waldo L. and S. Emma.

- Oct. 12. George Hansen, son of Christian and Hattie.
 Nov. 21. Sarah Edna Garfield, daughter of Thomas F. and Abbie.
 Dec. 13. Amelia Evelyn Smythe, daughter of Abiel B. and Anna.

MARRIAGES RECORDED.

- Jan. 1. Dexter C. Jones and Lizzie P. Hurlbut.
 Jan. 11. James Cole and Millie Langhill.
 Jan. 21. Ellsworth L. Parmenter and Alice L. Burbidge.
 Feb. 2. William M. Moore and Ellen F. Thompson.
 Apr. 10. Thomas J. Dowe and Susan E. Maynard.
 June 2. Archie R. Garfield and Mary E. Hagar.
 June 7. Geo. F. Kendall and Helen F. Richardson.
 Sept. 4. William Lyons and Olive Harrington.
 Oct. 3. Geo. C. Parmenter and Della M. Dickie.
 Oct. 17. Wm. H. Goodnow and Mary L. Fairbanks.
 Nov. 29. Marshall J. Haynes and Lizzie L. Dakin.
 Dec. 1. Watson E. Barker and Mary E. Seamens.
 Dec. 20. Levi S. Jones and Emily E. Brigham.
 Dec. 25. Elliot E. Bruce and Mabel Hunt.

DEATHS.

- Jan. 20. Mrs. Harriet H. Burnett, aged 82.
 Mar. 14. Willard Wheeler, aged 83.
 Apr. 7. Mrs. Nancy Noyes, aged 59.
 Apr. 8. Dana W. Hayden, aged 53.
 Apr. 28. John Murray, about 30.
 July 10. Alfred Reid, aged 31.
 July 12. Mrs. Sarah Haynes, aged 81.
 July 12. Mrs. Joanna Moynihan, aged 48.
 July 24. Anna L. Haynes, aged 22.
 Sept. 28. George Allen, aged 86.
 Oct. 10. Henry Puffer, aged 32.
 Nov. 4. Mrs. Abigail R. Brown, aged 86.
 Nov. 18. Mrs. Susan Smith, aged 69.
 Nov. 25. Emory Hunt, aged 70.
 Nov. 26. Arnold Farr, aged 84.

It will be seen that the age of the youngest named above was 22 years and of the oldest 86. Six of the 15 were over 80 years of age, and the average age of the whole number was 60 years and 10 days. In addition to the above the following persons were interred in town who died elsewhere: Asahel Wheeler, died in Lincoln, aged 75; Causten Harms, died in Boston, aged 65; Mrs. Catherine Smith, died in Newton, aged 61; Mrs. Melissa Grant, died in Mansfield, aged 45; Mrs. Amanda F. Hayden, died in Ware, aged 42; Asa B. Bacon, died in Framingham, aged 65.

J. S. HUNT, *Registrar.*

SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS :

As we present this report, allow us to say that to all those interested in schools, we believe this year's work to have been, in many ways, of more than ordinary excellence. It is true there was a good foundation upon which to build, for, without exception, the schools at the beginning of the year were in a "flourishing condition," and once *started* in the right way, victory seems almost at hand. However, a careful examination reveals the fact that other school years have begun with as good prospects as this, but ended in a way not nearly as satisfactory. Progress and improvement have been found in all the schools this year, to the amount of being noticeable and pleasing, and especially is this true of Nos. 5 and 6, both of which are well deserving the credit of having made *true* progress, both in deportment and studies. It has been the leading thought of the committee to place in the hands of the scholars those things that would best enable them to get a clear and thorough understanding of those subjects which they were studying, and to this end several charts, books of reference, etc., have been added to those schools which apparently could use them with benefit. So it is with much satisfaction that we review the work of the year, and report honestly of the marked improvement and general merit of the schools under our supervision. Last spring the town did a very creditable thing in erecting a new fence at No. 6, in place of the old tumble down one, which evidently had been very annoying to the scholars for a long time. The new one is certainly much more desirable than the old and will, we trust, meet the approbation of all concerned. It was while the matter of a new fence was being discussed that our attention was first called to the fact that the pump in this district was entirely out of order and water for all purposes had to be brought from the neighbor's well. Knowledge of this fact, and others relating to the same, resulted in an investigation and decision that No. 6 needed a new pump about as much as a new fence; and as this old one had done good service for fifteen years or more, and had been repaired until there was

nothing left to be repaired, it was thought best not to consider it a case of extravagance to have a new top log and a good substantial platform to cover the well. For a number of years this well covering has been faulty in the extreme, and we are glad now to see a new pump here, finely inclosed by a good, sound platform. Altogether, with the exception of paint, which is needed on some of the buildings, we believe for the present the outdoor arrangements to be all that could reasonably be expected or desired.

No. 1 Grammar school commenced the year with Miss J. P. Hunt in charge, but on account of failing health and strength she resigned her position at the end of the fall term. We were sorry to learn of her decision, which came quite unexpectedly, and made it doubly hard to fill the vacancy with any degree of satisfaction. Miss Hunt had been in the school for so long a time that she understood her scholars thoroughly and knew just the right course to take with them. She knew the possibilities of each, as well as the natural tendency and ability, and the best methods of bringing out and developing the good, and although we had no examination of her two term's work, we have every reason to believe that it equalled the excellent work of previous years. The hardest term of the year was to commence with a new teacher. Very many applications for this grade were received, but the number of really desirable candidates was unusually small. However, we were fortunate enough at last to secure the services of Miss A. E. Hitchcock of Foxboro', whose ability as a teacher was unquestionable, and whose ten years successful experience in teaching was of itself a most valuable recommendation. She took up the methods formerly used by Miss Hunt as far as possible, and introduced much that was new and practical, and in spite of discouragement and opposition succeeded to a remarkable degree in convincing the people of her superior knowledge of school work in all its branches. The examination was a strictly honest one, arranged by the teacher and approved by all, showing admirable taste and judgment. All who understand the difficulty of her task during the winter were much pleased, not only with the amount of work performed but the apparent understanding of the ground which they had been over. In natural philosophy, civil government and English literature, the scholars gave specially pleasing recitations, and, according to the examiner's account, the arithmetic classes, including algebra, were found to have been well drilled and evidently doing very good work. On the whole, the

examination was a very creditable one, showing hard, conscientious work on the part of the teacher and many of her scholars.

No. 1 Primary has been steadily advancing during the year and was found to be, at the close of the Winter term, in wonderfully good working order. The success of this school is due largely to the careful and persistent training given by the teacher, Miss L. D. Welsh, whose interest is always in the children. The recitations, on the day of closing, were exceptionally good, from the very little folks just learning to read to the older ones, whose prompt and intelligent answers were fully appreciated by all who heard them. Comparing the report of this school for 1886 with the one for this year, the result is most encouraging to the teacher who has so faithfully labored here since then.

Miss Elinor Walker has become a most efficient teacher and discharges her duties at No. 3 in a very acceptable manner.

We cannot speak too highly of the good things which we have seen at No. 4. Miss Battles, who has taught here for so long, has completely won the confidence and love of her pupils and has every reason to be proud of her school.

For the Spring term at No. 5 we were able to re-engage Miss S. F. Andrews, whose good teaching in past time rendered her return desirable. At the end of this term she refused the offer of the school, and Miss Hattie Goodnow was secured to fill the vacancy. This is her first year and has been very acceptable thus far. She had excellent training at Framingham, and with much tact and good sense she has, by faithful attention to duty, made a pleasant beginning in what bids fair to be a life of successful teaching.

The smallest school in town at the present time is the one in District No. 6, which numbers only 17; but in some respects it is the hardest one to teach in a really pleasing manner. Miss Comey, who taught here last year, was recalled, and had charge of the school during the Spring term; but although the scholars were much attached to her and did very nicely in their studies, she became discontented, and at the end of the term gave up her position here for a better one elsewhere. Miss Wright of Fitchburg was then offered the school. This was her first experience in teaching, and much consideration is due her for the patient, untiring efforts made for those under her care. It is with pleasure that we speak of the improvement in this district during the year.

Miss White continued her labors at No. 7 until the Winter term, when a change having been made at the Center, it was thought best

by each member of the board to make a change here also. There were several reasons, which seemed important ones, why this should be done, and we believe on the whole there is no cause for regret in having acted upon principle. Miss Hunt finished the work of the year in this school to the entire satisfaction of all, and we hope to secure her for another season.

Hoping this report may meet your approval, it is respectfully submitted by

GEO. A. OVIATT,	} <i>School</i> <i>Committee.</i>
F. F. WALKER,	
F. M. BOWKER,	
I. N. HAYNES,	

SUMMARY.

TEACHERS AND SALARIES.

TEACHERS.	WHERE FITTED.	Dist.	No.	Weeks.	Salaries.
Jennie P. Hunt,	Framingham Normal,	1,	19+		\$257.40.
Annie E. Hitchcock,	Bradford Academy,	1,	12,		156.00.
Lucie D. Welsh,	Framingham Normal,	1,	31+		285.30.
Elinor Walker,	" "	3,	32,		288.00.
Leonora K. Battles,	" "	4,	32+		289.80.
Hattie J. Goodnow,	" "	5,	22+		198.90.
Sara F. Andrews,	Salem Normal,	5,	10,		90.00.
Annie F. Comey,	South Hadley,	6,	10,		90.00.
Mattie S. Wright,	Fitchburg High,	6,	22+		199 80.
May A. White,	Framingham Normal,	7,	20,		180.00.
Jennie P. Hunt,		7,	11+		106.20.
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					\$2141.40.
Care of school houses,	.	.	.	\$ 92.00.	
Conveying children,	.	.	.	150.00.	
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					\$242.00.
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					\$2383.40.

ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE.

Whole number enrolled, 218.

District.	SPRING TERM.		FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.	
	No. of Sch'l'rs.	Average At'd'n'ce.	No. of Sch'l'rs.	Average At'd'n'ce.	No. of Sch'l'rs.	Average At'd'n'ce.
No. 1. Grammar,	39,	32+	39,	32.	33,	25+
No. 1. Primary,	36,	32—	38,	31+	37,	32+
No. 3.	20,	18—	24,	18+	24,	21+
No. 4.	21,	15.	17,	15.	20,	18—
No. 5.	28,	19.	25,	19.	25,	21+
No. 6.	18,	16.	18,	14.	17,	16.
No. 7.	26,	20.	19,	16.	29,	25—

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF GOODNOW LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library was made February 28, 1889.

The trustees find everything in good condition. 177 families have availed themselves of library privileges during the past year, and 13306 books have been taken from the library, 1169 more than in 1887-8.

The number of books added to the library in 1888-9, is about 200. As the expenses of our new catalogue have been met, and no extras are contemplated, we hope to purchase a larger number during the present year.

The trustees feel that there may be just cause for criticism in the selection of books made to place in our library and would say that it is impossible to please every one, but any suggestion made that will tend to increase the usefulness of our large library will be welcomed.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Interest on town note,	\$800 00
Interest on mortgage note	18 00
Received for magazines and books, . .	15 93
“ fines on books,	12 00
“ sale of grass,	12 00
“ interest on building fund,	28 34
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	\$886 27

EXPENDITURES.

Paid balance due treasurer March 1, 1888, .	\$186 55
for books,	137 70
magazines,	110 34
coal,	22 82
librarian,	110 00
insurance policy,	30 00
express bills,	3 86
for paper and printing,	15 25

Paid for labels, &c.,	3 50	
trustees,	100 00	
for oil, &c.,	13 78	
work on road and gate,	6 17	
rebinding,	36 15	
miscellaneous bills,	16 52	
Balance in treasury March 1, 1889,	93 63	
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		\$886 27
Unpaid bills for books,		59 60

The funds of the library are invested as follows:

Note against inhabitants of Sudbury,	\$20,000 00
Note secured by first mortgage on real estate,	300 00
Deposits in savings banks,	2,018 47
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	\$22,318 47

H. H. BROWN, *Treasurer.*

Examined and approved,

H. H. BROWN, <i>Treasurer,</i>	} <i>Trustees.</i>
ATHERTON W. ROGERS,	
EDWIN A. POWERS,	

TOWN OFFICERS.

ELECTED FOR 1889.

Town Clerk:

JONAS S. HUNT.

Selectmen:

ATHERTON W. ROGERS, JOHN M. CONANT, GEORGE
A. HAYNES.

Assessors:

J. S. HUNT, ELMER R. SMITH, HIRAM HAYNES.

Overseers of Poor:

JOHN M. CONANT, FRANK W. GOODNOW, FRANCIS
HAYNES.

Auditor:

RUFUS H. HURLBUT.

Constable:

FRANK E. BENT.

Road Commissioners:

HIRAM HAYNES, 1 year, IRA T. MOORE, 2 years, JAMES
E. BENT, 3 years.

School Committee:

J. S. HUNT, 1 year, IDA N. HAYNES, 2 years, FRANK
M. BOWKER, 3 years.

Trustees Goodnow Library:

E. A. POWERS, 1 year, A. W. ROGERS, 2 years,
H. H. BROWN, 3 years.

Board of Health:

THE SELECTMEN AND DR. GEO. A. OVIATT, M. D.