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ASSESSMENT OF TAXES.

Valuation of real estate,	\$679,233 00
Valuation of personal estate,	675,601 00
Total valuation,	<u>\$1,372,834 00</u>
Rate of taxation, .0068—\$6.80 per \$1,000.	
Number of polls, 158. Poll tax, \$2.00.	
Town tax,	\$6,400 00
County tax,	1,674 00
State tax,	1,841 18
Overlayings,	336 12
Unpaid school books,	37 16
Total for collection,	<u>\$10,288 46</u>
Number of dwelling houses taxed,	346
Number of acres of land taxed,	10,485
Number of horses taxed,	192
Number of cows taxed,	170
Number of sheep taxed,	86

TAXES FOR 1876.

Adams, Abigail H.	\$137 02	Ahearn, John	\$8 29
Adams, George T.	197 77	Ames, William L.	2 00
Adams, Horatio	23 08	Ames, Benjamin F.	6 76
Adams, F. C., estate of	257 89	Amsden, Fayette M.	2 00
Adams, Eveline	1 42	Andrews, Mary	6 46
Adams, William S.	517 37	Atwell, Samuel, Jr.	2 00
Adams, Henry L.	12 03	Atwood, E. E.	2 00
Adams, Eleanor	11 28	Atwood, George S.	3 57
Adams, Joseph	2 00	Atwood, Horace	3 02
Badger, Edward Y.	2 00	Bosworth, Daniel M.	2 00
Bagnell, John C.	11 18	Bowker, Davis W.	3 53
Bagnell, Frederic	5 06	Bradford, Alden S.	12 17
Bailey, Nahum	10 88	Bradford, Lydia	2 59
Bailey, Nahum, Jr.	30 73	Bradford, William	11 86
Bailey, Cynthia C.	9 69	Bradford, Horace S.	19 51
Bailey, Justus A.	20 35	Bradford, George B.	2 00
Bailey, Frederic U.	2 00	Bradford, Amos P.	2 00
Bailey, Caleb E.	33 11	Bradford, Rebecca M.	24 99
Baker, Otis	68 13	Bradford, George A.	2 00
Baker, Otis, Jr.	2 00	Bradford, Gershom	47 63
Baker, Manlius	2 00	Brewster, George, heirs of,	5 44
Bartlett, Lyxander	19 55	Brewster, C. D., heirs of,	14 45
Bartlett, Clement D.	2 00	Brewster, Henry	3 70
Bartlett, George B.	2 00	Brewster, Spencer	20 36
Bartlett, Uriah	3 91	Brooks, Nathan	6 97
Bartlett, Cornelius A.	10 50	Brooks, Peleg T.	3 70
Bartlett, Walter S.	15 26	Brown, David	10 50

Bartlett, Walter J.	\$2 00	Brown, David, Jr.	\$5 57
Bartlett, Lloyd G.	11 86	Brown, George	2 00
Bates, Caleb	70 56	Brown, Edward G.	2 00
Beal, Joseph S.	233 98	Bryant, Charles E.	6 08
Beal, J. S., trustee	70 29	Bryant, Edgar W.	2 00
Beauce, John	8 63	Bryant, Nathaniel	10 71
Beauce, Ichabod	1 38	Bryant, Warren L.	2 00
Berry, Roscoe G.	7 44	Bryant, Sylvanus	31 61
Berry, James F.	2 00	Bryant, James H.	1 72
Beytis, Antonio M.	1 08	Bryant, Dolly B.	12 75
Bicknell, George T.	8 42	Bryant, Peleg E.	6 76
Bisbee, Daniel, heirs of	7 99	Bryant, George B.	5 40
Bisbee, Daniel	6 25	Bryant, Oliver S.	2 00
Bishop, Charles	2 00	Bryant, William B.	2 00
Blanchard, Harriet N.	7 48	Bumpas, Charles A.	2 00
Blanchard, Henry N.	2 00	Bunker, Edward	7 11
Blanchard, Eliot W.	2 00	Bunker, Nathaniel H.	2 00
Bliss, Frank	2 00	Bunker, Edward F.	2 00
Bliss, Warren R.	2 00	Butler, John	2 00
Bonney, John A.	2 68	Burgess, Charles, heirs of	1 08
Bonney, John	1 72	Burges & Keith.	81 53
Bonney, John F.	5 74	Burges, William H.	25 46
Bonney, Wallace	2 00	Burns, Ebenezer E.	10 50
Bonney, George H., Jr.	5 40		
Callahan, Thomas	7 44	Cook, Benjamin F.	2 00
Callahan, William	2 00	Cook, Lucy	10 61
Callahan, Dennis J.	8 63	Cook, Josiah T.	21 72
Carey, Dennis	7 44	Cook, Mary W.	1 93
Chandler, Nathan	21 96	Cook, Henry T.	25 97
Chandler, Mary	3 40	Clark, George H.	19 17
Chandler, Edward D.	26 82	Cole, Samuel P.	9 99
Chandler, Abigail	3 06	Cole, Thomas E., est. of	16 49

Chandler, Albert W.	\$2 00	Cole, Leander S.	\$9 18
Chandler, David	22 10	Cole, Charles H.	12 51
Chandler, Algernon S.	29 71	Collins, William	5 23
Chandler, Albert	6 08	Cory, Gustavus	13 05
Chandler, John S.	8 29	Covell, Charles	2 00
Chandler, Horace J.	16 62	Cunningham, Hannah T.	22 10
Chandler, Ira	30 05	Cushing, Sam'l W. ex'r of	17 60
Childs, Abner P.	2 00	Cushing, Sam'l W., heirs of	7 18
Churchill, Albert S.	2 00	Cushman, Daniel	5 10
Churchill, Henry, heirs of	1 87	Cushman, Joseph S.	7 00
Churchill, James T.	1 61	Cushman, George, 2d	11 86
Churchill, Henry	6 52	Cushman, Josiah	80 71
Churchill, Otis	8 80	Cushman, Arthur L.	2 00
Churchill, George L.	8 80	Cushman, George	17 23
Clifford, Luther	16 15	Cushman, Alonzo M.	1 38
Clinch, Matthias	2 00	Cushman, John	6 08
Cobb, Seth	5 71	Cushman, Lyman T.	2 00
Cobb, Benjamin G.	2 00	Cushman, Joseph T.	8 32
Cobb, Martin, heirs of	12 75	Cushman, James H.	6 66
Cobb, Benjamin, est. of	52 19	Cushman, Asa	9 99
Cobb & Drew,	155 38	Cushman, Edwin	3 19
Cobb, Philander	77 20	Cushman, Frank D.	2 00
Cobb, Henry	8 95	Cushman, George W.	2 00
Cobb, Nathaniel	2 89	Cushman, Caroline	37 06
Cobb, Herbert W.	3 36	Cushman, Samuel E.	29 06
Cook, Martin, heirs of	6 16	Cushman, Job	15 60
Cook, Martin	14 92	Cushman, George S.	2 00
Cook, Edwin	8 80	Cushman, George E.	5 10
Cook, Benjamin	26 11	Cushman, Sylvia, heirs of	1 02
Darey, James W.	6 12	Donley, William H.	2 00
Davie, Solomon	11 52	Doten, Isaac	2 00
Davis, Lucy, heirs of	4 08	Douglass, Albert T.	2 00

Dawes, John C.	\$2 00	Dowd, John	\$2 00
Dawes, James H.	94 01	Drake, Maiden	5 57
Dehman, Benjamin	5 78	Drake, Frank T.	2 00
De Normandie, C. Y.	23 25	Drake, Nathaniel M.	26 11
Delano, David	12 20	Drew, Spencer	2 00
Delano, Charles C.	1 72	Drew, Seth	28 18
Delano, Lewis S., heirs of	8 16	Drew, Charles H.	2 00
Delano, Leander S.	2 00	Drew, Christopher B.	25 80
Delano, Joshua	211 76	Drew, Job W., heirs of	26 06
Delano, Joshua, trustee	2 89	Drew, Eli C.	22 71
Delano, Joshua, trustee	8 67	Drew, John N.	2 00
Delano, Joshua, Jr.	2 00	Drew, John	17 13
Devine, Patrick	5 80	Drew, Nathaniel D.	7 27
Dix, Henry	2 00	Drew, Frank A.	2 00
Donavan, William F.	2 00	Drew, Charles E.	2 00
Donley, John	9 18		
Eager, Robert	10 50	Everson, Oliver, heirs of	6 12
Eldridge, John	2 00	Everson, James O.	2 34
Eldridge, Freeman R.	2 00	Everson, Warren N.	8 80
Eldridge, David G.	9 18	Everson, Henry S.	3 19
Ellis, Wylie R.	21 18	Everson, Nancy	7 48
Evans, Green	12 88	Everson, Lois	6 78
Evans & Atwood	34 31	Ewell, Charles H.	13 56
Farrington, Martin	5 06	Ford, Lemuel K.	2 00
Faunce, Elizabeth	27 37	Foster, Asenath	15 39
Faunce, Cornelius A.	2 00	Foster, Alex'r B., heirs of	9 86
Faunce, George	17 30	Foster, James	24 61
Faunce, Winslow	2 00	Freeman, David G.	2 00
Faunce, Myron	2 00	French, Timothy	12 17
Faunce, Linus	2 00	Fuller, Sophia, heirs of	1 70
Faunce, Sarah	11 19	Fuller, Frank	26 78

Faunce, Albert	\$8 12	Fuller, Chester H.	\$2 00
Faunce, Seth W.	8 39	Fuller, Timman H.	3 36
Faunce, Charles T.	10 33	Fuller, James	14 21
Faunce, Charles C.	50 35	Fuller, Alexander	10 03
Faunce, Ann E.	20 91	Fuller, John	18 15
Faunce, Sewall A.	2 68	Fuller, John A.	16 58
Faunce, Walter S.	21 72	Fuller, Ezra	23 32
Faunce, Eliezer	17 91	Fuller, Samuel	2 92
Faunce, Martin	7 78	Fuller, Daniel W.	2 00
Fitzpatrick, Michael	11 15	Fuller, Smith	3 19
Finney, William A.	2 00		
Gray, Edward	26 65	Gray, Samuel W.	5 23
Gray, Edward, trustee	9 52	Graves, George A.	2 00
Gray, Lydia	1 02	Griffin, John	2 00
Gray, John, heirs of	15 30	Grozier, George	11 19
Haggerty, William	5 06	Holmes, Stephen, heirs of	85
Haggerty, Margaret	1 70	Holmes, Stephen	9 48
Hall, John, heirs of	20 06	Holmes, Allyn, heirs of	1 70
Hall, John F.	27 81	Holmes, Gains	6 93
Hammond, Asa C.	17 17	Holmes, Lothrop T.	33 62
Hammond, Eugene H.	2 00	Holmes, Joseph	14 17
Hammond, Walter C.	2 00	Holmes, Ephraim	1 53
Haney, Dennis	7 95	Holmes, Richard E.	16 79
Hanson, William G.	2 00	Holmes, Joseph A.	302 46
Harlow, James M.	2 00	Holmes, Frank H.	279 81
Harlow, George L.	2 00	Holmes, Eliza A.	81 60
Harlow, Marcus	2 00	Holmes, Edward K.	29 23
Hart, Dennis	2 00	Holmes, Alexander, heirs of	66 67
Hayward, Lucius	4 72	Holmes, Edward	373 70
Hayward, Lucia	3 91	Holmes, Paraclete W.	3 02
Hennessey, John, adm'r of	3 40	Howland, Charles F.	3 02

Hernandez, Jose	\$2 00	Howland, Daniel F.	\$11 11
Hickey, James	2 51	Howe, Wallace F.	4 72
Holmes, Robert W.	6 08	Howe, Florimer	2 00
Holmes, Samuel	12 88	Hunt, Maria O.	5 95
Holmes, Ira	7 61	Hunt, Henry	47 05
Holmes, John F.	25 02	Hunt & Sampson	46 97
Holmes, George	21 72	Hyde, James P.	3 19
Holmes, Elnathan	2 00		
Jameson, Francis A.	2 00	Jones, Albert	2 00
Johnson, Judith	6 97	Jones, P. M. C.	5 06
Johnson, F. M. and others	31	Josselyn, John E.	2 00
Jones, Henry N.	10 08	Joyce, John A.	2 00
Keely, Hannah E.	13 60	Kennedy, James, Jr.	3 70
Keith, Lewis H.	488 51	Kennedy, Frank M.	3 36
Keith, Henry K.	32 43	Kingston Iron Foundry	8 81
Kennedy, James	12 37		
Lane, George F.	3 02.	Low, Samuel	11 69
Lanman, Thomas	24 48	Lucas, Henry T.	8 50
Leonard, Henry	4 04	Lucas, Adoniram B.	3 19
Long, Albert W.	4 85	Lucas, Ivory B.	2 00
Lovering, John P.	2 00		
Mahony, John	10 81	McLauthlen, O. W. & others	68
Malone, Patrick	4 00	McLauthlen, P. W., heirs of	5 98
Manter, Pelham	2 00	McLauthlen, Simeon W.	35 83
Mara, Patrick	2 00	McLauthlen, Herbert W.	2 00
Marshall, Horace B.	2 00	McLauthlen, Philemon W.	2 85
McCarty, Charles	2 00	McMannus, Michael	6 42
McCrate, William	6 72	McSweeney, Felix	2 00
McGrath, Robert	12 37	Merritt, Ellery	2 00
McGrath, Michael	9 65	Mitchell, John	7 10

McGrath, Michael, Jr.	82 00	Mitchell, Ransom	86 25
McGuire, William	6 12	Mitchell, Harvey, heirs of	5 27
McGrath, Thomas	2 00	Morse, George	9 11
McLauthien, Elisha, heirs of	3 57	Morse, Francis	2 00
McLauthien, George W.	19 61	Murray, John	3 57
McLauthien, Ouslow W.	2 31	Myrick, William H.	19 51
Naughten, Andrew	7 58	Nolan, Thomas	5 06
Newcomb, Thomas	329 18	Nutter, Samuel J.	7 10
Newcomb, Marcello	29 71	Nutter, Samuel W.	2 00
Nichols, P. L., estate of	31 96		
O'Brien, Patrick	7 41	Oldham, John	7 95
O'Brien, Patrick, 2d	2 00	Owens, George E.	3 02
O'Rourke, Margaret	2 01	Ormond, Michael	2 00
Oldham, Adeniram J.	2 00		
Paine, Reuben C.	9 18	Phipps, Joseph H., heirs of	8 81
Peckham, Joseph	12 51	Phipps, Joseph H., adm'r of	16 50
Pendergast, Edward	2 00	Phipps, Laura M.	13 60
Perkins, Ezra	7 78	Pierce, James B.	6 25
Peterson, Ichabod	8 12	Pierce, Moses N. &	2 00
Peterson, Esaias	9 31	Powers, Edwin	2 00
Peterson, Henry R.	2 00	Powers, Charles H.	2 00
Peterson, Herman J.	2 00	Prince, Noah	25 29
Peterson, Albert O.	2 00	Prince, Daniel	2 00
Phillips, George	2 00	Prince, Thomas	5 46
Quinn, Thomas	2 21		
Randall, James F.	2 00	Rickard, Giles	2 00
Randall, William	2 00	Ridder, Charles E.	2 00
Ransom, Harvey	10 50	Ring, Daniel W., heirs of	13 67
Ransom, Winslow H.	2 00	Ring, Daniel W.	4 89

Ransom, Edward A.	6 76	Ring, Samuel, heirs of	6 02
Raymond, A. J., Jr.	2 00	Ripley, Nathaniel	13 60
Reckenbiel, Henry	2 00	Ripley, Cyrus W.	11 01
Reed, Edwin	35 66	Ripley, Lewis	19 68
Reed, Jones & Co.	6 80	Ripley, Henry	2 00
Reed, Porter C.	20 19	Ripley, Thomas	2 00
Reed, Franklin	2 00	Ripley, Obed	18 49
Reed, Edwin T.	2 00	Robbins, Joseph S.	13 22
Reed, Edgar	2 00	Robbins, William A.	14 48
Reed, Joseph E., heirs of	10 03	Robbins, Charles	19 00
Reinhardt, Henry	2 00	Russell, C. D., and sister	8 81
Richardson, Ebenezer P.	4 72	Ryan, John	6 76
Richardson, Edwin W.	6 76		
Sampson, George H.	2 00	Soule, Henry	47 22
Sampson, Constant, heirs of	3 47	Soule, Henry, Jr.	2 00
Sampson, Azel H.	2 00	Soule, Herbert	24 41
Sampson, William A.	8 59	Soule, William F.	4 21
Sampson, Oliver	11 72	Soule, Samuel E.	2 00
Sampson, Benjamin	14 21	Soule, James C.	2 00
Sampson, Wendell A.	2 00	Souther, Frederic	15 30
Sampson, Huldah	13 60	Sprout, Francis	12 37
Sampson, Clement H.	13 05	Stetson, Kimball W.	40 93
Sampson, Hiram	1 59	Stetson, James H.	10 33
Savery, Nehemiah L.	3 02	Stetson, Arthur A.	2 00
Sever, James N., heirs of	31 79	Stetson, Elisha	10 33
Sever, Jane R.	55 45	Stetson, Henry T.	2 00
Sheehan, Thomas	3 70	Stetson, Wiswall, heirs of	5 75
Sherman, Ebenezer	2 00	Stetson, Charles	31 75
Silver Lake Co-operative Co.	6 46	Stetson, Marcia H.	23 80
Simmons, Nahum	16 79	Stetson, Joseph	24 61
Simmons, Wendell	2 00	Stidles, John O.	2 00
Simmons, Edmund F.	28 00	Stranger, Joseph A.	14 07

Simmons, Francis O.	\$10 84	Stranger, Andrew R.	\$2 00
Simmons, Augustus	7 61	Stranger, William A.	2 00
Simmons, Parker P.	2 00	Sturtevant, Henry	18 32
Simmons, Melvin, heirs of	1 70	Sturtevant, Henry, Jr.	2 00
Simmons, Mary A.	23 46	Sturtevant, John S.	2 00
Simmons, Henry	2 00	Stodley, Stillman S.	2 00
Smith, Patrick	4 01	Stodley & Delano	6 80
Smith, John	7 78	Stevens, James H.	9 82
Smith, Richard J.	3 19	Stewart, David	2 38
Smith, Patrick W.	2 00	Symmes, William	31 30
Society, Treas'r Baptist	9 18	Symmes, Hannah	5 10
Society, Treas'r First Cong'l	3 71		

Taylor, Thomas	2 00	Thompson, James S.	12 51
Thomas, Augustus	22 71	Tiernan, James	2 00
Thomas, William A.	71 08	Tobin, John	2 00
Thomas, William R.	2 00	Tout, Thomas	18 66
Thomas, Elisha D.	2 00	Tout, James R.	2 00
Thompson, James H.	2 00	Trow, Charles W.	2 00
Thompson, Webster	2 00	Tupper, Seth	3 10

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Wadsworth, William A.	2 00	Waterman, Amanda F.	20 23
Wadsworth, Arthur	2 00	Watson, Nathan B.	3 70
Wadsworth, George	2 00	Weston, Timothy R.	6 42
Warden, Henry H.	515 23	Weston, Daniel	4 04
Washburn, George H.	1 36	Whittier, Moses	2 00
Washburn, George L.	2 34	Wheeler, Albert C.	2 00
Washburn, Francis	17 30	Wilcof, William	5 40
Washburn, Azel W.	2 00	Willis, Jonah	30 56
Washburn, Wm. D., heirs of	7 14	Willis, Edward	35 49
Washburn, George	3 36	Willis, William H.	6 76
Washburn, John	2 00	Willis, Jonah, Jr.	3 70

Washburn, Martin P.	\$3 70	Willis, Sarah T.	\$16 39
Washburn, Charles H.	2 00	Willis, Bethiah H.	16 39
Washburn, Charles	2 38	Willis, Everett W.	2 00
Washburn, Nath., heirs of	8 16	Wilson, Eli	10 60
Washburn, Caleb F.	5 91	Winsor, Ellbridge G.	31 92
Washburn, Waldo	2 00	Winsor, William D.	15 67
Washburn, Melvin S.	2 00	Witherell, Elijah C.	2 00
Waterman, Nathaniel	3 10	Wixon, Oscar P.	2 00
Waterman, John	11 35	Woodman, Aurin P.	17 61
Waterman, Eleazer E.	6 76	Wright, John L.	5 10
Waterman, Thomas E.	3 36	Wright, Newland H.	2 00
Waterman, Austin B.	2 68		

Young, Frederic H. 2 00

NON-RESIDENTS.

Adams, Nathaniel	9 18		
Barker, Sally	2 72	Bradford, Thomas B.	1 12
Barnes, E. & J. C.	13 69	Bradford, Wm. H., heirs of	7 14
Barrett, Benjamin	17	Brewster, Pelham	5 61
Beal, Thomas P.	1 70	Briggs, Seneca	1 19
Beal, Alexander	1 25	Bryant, Lemuel	2 96
Bracket, William F.	2 04	Bonney, James S.	24
Bradford, Andrew L.	3 10		
Crocker, Walter	34	Carl, Hannah	68
Chandler, George	68	Clark, Zonth C.	1 02
Chandler, Horatio	51	Clark, Robert	34
Cobb, Charles	27 88	Clark, Stephen, heirs of	68
Cobo, Franklin B.	12 48	Churchill, Charles O.	1 53
Chase, Sylvanus	34		

Dunbar, William H.	\$1 19	Drake, Zenina A.	\$0 51
Ditman, Ezra S.	31	Deane, Clarissa	37
Faunce, Ichabod W.	51	Ford, Baker	34
Faunce, Zenas, heirs of	3 40		
Glass, Daniel P.	55	Gray, Francis A.	55
Hall, James L.	26 18	Holmes, Charles H.	51
Hall, William	2 38	Holmes, Nathaniel	1 36
Hall, James, heirs of	2 79	Holmes, Peter	15 98
Hathaway, Benjamin	2 72	Holmes, James W.	3 06
Jenkins, Isaiah, trustee.	46 92	Jackson, Thomas	1 02
Lamman, Henry T.	7 52	Loring, Harrison	24 48
Lamman, Mary E.	1 36	Loring, Samuel	31 96
Lincoln, Levi P.	51	Lyon, Sarah B.	1 02
McLauthlen, Samuel	1 53	Maglathlen, Henry B.	68
Nelson, George W.	34	Nelson, Elisha	68
Nelson, Charles and others	34		
Packard, Ida	55	Plymouth, Town of	2 04
Perkins, Jacob, heirs of	2 38	Pratt, William B.	2 04
Plymouth Cordage Co.	1 42	Pratt, Lucius	1 36
Rickard, Isaac, heirs of	34	Russell, William G., guard.	74 \$0
Ring, Samuel A.	34		
Sampson, Thomas H.	2 04	Simmons, William	2 89
Sherman, Henry	3 06	Snell, Benjamin	1 53
Sherman, Nelson	1 19	Sprague, Betsey	1 36
Sherman, Eleazer C.	1 70	Stetson, William	68

Thomas, William	\$2 01	Thompson, Zadoc	\$0 31
Thomas, Gamaliel	51	Thompson, Reuben, heirs of	7 18
Thomas, Vaughn	68	Thompson, Josiah W.	3 40
Wadsworth, Wait	17 54	White, Otis	68
Ward, William G.	7 82	Whiting, Benjamin	1 02
Warren, Lucia A.	8 81	Willis, George F.	5 10
Washburn, Cephas	2 04	Witherell, Alden	3 40
Waterman, Charles	85	Wright, Samuel C.	2 01
White, Alden	10 88	Wright, Rufus	31
White, Daniel	68	Washburn, Philip	31

ORDERS PAID.

REPAIR OF HIGHWAYS.

John Ahearn,	\$27 46	Algernon S. Chandler,	\$113 57
Evans & Atwood,	50 26	Henry T. Cook,	22 10
Horace Atwood,	17 00	Josiah T. Cook,	49 30
Est. F. C. Adams,	66 72	Joseph T. Cushman,	38 40
O. C. Co-operative Ass'n,	3 90	Edwin Cook,	16 42
Caleb E. Bailey,	15 26	Dennis J. Callahan,	87 71
Charles B. Beytis,	2 68	John Cushman,	7 99
Daniel Bisbee,	33 49	Day, Collins & Co.,	48 85
Peleg E. Bryant,	22 65	O. C. Railroad Co.,	6 72
Oliver S. Bryant,	24 22	Henry Churchill,	9 35
William B. Bryant,	18 10	Charles F. Cook,	3 40
E. & J. C. Barnes,	51 00	Nathan Chandler,	3 40
Clement D. Bartlett,	2 89	William Collins,	21 26
Pelham Brewster,	7 00	Gustavus Covey,	16 49
John Bisbee,	1 50	Philander Cobb,	35 97

Charles E. Bryant,	\$1 25	Benjamin Cook,	\$2 51
Walter S. Bartlett,	1 60	George Cushman,	1 00
Herbert Blanchard,	8 30	Frank D. Cushman,	1 70
Alden S. Bradford,	1 15	Philander Cobb, 2d,	1 70
Edgar Bryant,	3 23	Herbert W. Cobb,	2 01
Gershon Bradford,	10 55	Ira Chandler,	1 25
Davis W. Bowker,	1 50	Est. Thomas E. Cole,	3 00
Nathaniel H. Banker,	2 21	Edward D. Chandler,	2 50
Henry Brewster,	30 25	Robert A. Drew,	55 21
Sylvanus Bryant,	3 40	Joshua Delano,	21 07
Josiah Cushman,	20 70	Eli C. Drew,	6 95
Martin Cook,	411 25	Frank T. Drake,	16 06
Horace J. Chandler,	202 10	Martin Drake,	18 95
Lutlier C. Bifford,	50 30	Nathaniel M. Drake,	3 40
Spencer Drew,	1 00	Charles McCarty,	11 03
Seth Drew,	2 38	Ransom Mitchell,	16 15
James O. Everson,	48 16	Robbins & Morton,	8 47
Warren N. Everson,	2 50	George Morse,	5 95
Robert Eager,	5 62	William McGuire,	5 08
Timothy French,	181 18	William Maubey,	85
William A. Finney,	28 90	Andrew Norton,	198 80
George Faunce,	110 26	Samuel J. Nutter,	4 00
Samuel Fuller,	16 21	Thomas Newcomb,	1 70
Eliezer Faunce,	2 55	Noah Prince,	23 46
Michael Fitzpatrick,	43 00	Daniel Prince,	2 55
Alexander Fuller,	22 78	Est. of Samuel Ring,	4 41
Walter H. Faunce,	20 40	Daniel W. Ring,	10 03
Frank Fuller,	1 20	Obed Ripley,	5 31
James Foster,	10 16	Edward Sherman,	13 00
James Fuller,	3 06	Richard J. Smith,	158 49
Samuel W. Gray,	31 79	Joseph A. Stranger,	59 15
Asa C. Hammond,	91 90	Henry Sturtevant,	38 98
Lucius Hayward,	100 09	Francis O. Simmons,	10 20

Dennis Hauey,	\$120 51	Augustus Simmons,	\$21 86
Joseph A. Holmes,	27 13	Hunt & Sampson,	6 48
Elnathan Holmes,	35 70	Clement H. Sampson,	13 60
Frank H. Holmes,	221 21	Oliver Sampson,	10 00
Stephen Holmes,	62 72	Mary A. Simmons,	75
Richard E. Holmes,	11 90	William A. Sampson,	17 72
John F. Holmes,	1 53	Stillman S. Studley,	60
Edward Holmes,	24 80	John Smith,	2 61
Ira Holmes,	68	Nehemiah L. Savery,	19 72
John F. Hall,	57 82	Patrick W. Smith,	50 37
Thomas Hayward,	1 60	James C. Soule,	30 60
Burges & Keith,	2 50	Thomas Sturtevant,	1 80
L. Webster Thompson,	12 19	Timothy R. Weston,	19 60
James Tiernan,	3 00	John L. Wright,	5 10
William R. Thomas,	22 10	Caleb F. Washburn,	10 51
Daniel W. Totman,	13 68	Newland H. Wright,	1 70
Martin P. Washburn,	9 60	Jonah Willis, Jr.,	5 10
Daniel Weston,	41 57	Charles H. Washburn,	10 20
Eli Wilson,	21 25		

\$1,015 85

Appropriation, 4,000 00

Overdrawn, \$15 85

EVANS ROAD.

Horace J. Chandler,	\$13 70	William A. Sampson,	\$2 40
Henry T. Cook,	85	Joseph A. Stranger,	5 10
Martin Cook,	12 00	Richard J. Smith,	12 80
Dennis Hauey,	22 81	John Smith,	7 65
Edward Holmes,	3 40	William R. Thomas,	85
Charles McCarty,	4 25	Eli Wilson,	6 80
Andrew Norton,	7 10		

\$99 74

Appropriation, 100 00

Unexpended, \$0 26

SNOW.

John Alcarne,	\$1 25	Herbert Blanchard,	\$0 75
Clement D. Bartlett,	1 50	Henry Brewster,	1 25
Charles E. Bryant,	50	Charles Bishop,	56
Everett Bryant,	1 00	Sarena Biggs,	50
Oliver S. Bryant,	1 75	Edwin Cook,	1 00
William B. Bryant,	3 50	Charles F. Cook,	1 00
George B. Bryant,	1 75	Martin Cook,	11 00
Peter E. Bryant,	2 37	Honore J. Chandler,	18 50
Daniel B'shee,	7 37	George L. Churchill,	1 00
William Bradford,	1 00	Luther Clifford,	7 60
Henry N. Blanchard,	87	Henry T. Cook,	2 62
George Cushman,	2 50	John F. Holmes,	47
Joseph S. Cushman,	50	Richard E. Holmes,	62
Joseph T. Cushman,	1 12	Chester Hammond,	2 25
John Cushman,	1 37	Peter A. Howland,	1 12
Lyman G. Cushman,	62	Frank H. Holmes,	7 58
Otis Churchill,	2 25	James Kennedy,	1 12
James T. Churchill,	3 00	William Mauley,	1 00
Cassius Collins,	1 00	Charles McCarty,	7 50
Herbert W. Cobb,	75	Michael McManis,	75
Seth Cobb,	75	William McGuire,	1 50
Frank D. Cushman,	1 00	Edwin L. McLanthen,	1 62
Algernon S. Candler,	6 62	Andrew Norton,	2 25
Nathaniel D. Drew,	50	Edward Pendergast,	3 50
Frank T. Drake,	1 00	Ephraim Pratt,	3 62
William H. Dingley,	2 37	James B. Pierce,	2 75
Charles G. Delano,	1 00	Arthur W. Pierce,	1 12
Albert T. Douglass,	2 25	Henry R. Peterson,	1 87

SCHOOLS.

WAGES OF TEACHERS.

Marion B. Burgess,	\$117 00	Isabel A. Hammond,	\$216 00
Catharine D. Russell,	300 00	Olive M. Shonous,	108 00
Mariana H. White,	333 00	Nellie F. Hannub,	108 00
Rachel M. Hannub,	231 00	Norah F. Bosworth,	108 00
Clara A. Bryant,	301 00	Harvey D. Reed,	100 00
C. E. Bidler,	1,330 00		
			\$3,318 00

Appropriation,	\$3,000 00
State school fund,	190 69
Dog licenses	127 63
Tuition of non-residents,	60 00
	\$3,378 32
	\$30 32

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

J. L. Hammett, books, maps, &c.,	\$33 12
Burges & Keith, clock and sundries,	67 88
Philander Cobb, sundries,	15 15
Walter H. Fauce, cash paid for organ,	15 00
H. B. Marshall, " "	3 00
Benjamin Adams, book binding,	2 50
Rand, Avery & Co., printing diplomas,	14 00
C. H. Edwards, books,	1 50
Walter S. Bartlett, water for schools,	3 00
	\$155 15
Appropriation,	150 00
Excess,	\$5 15

Robert Eager,	\$10 87	Herman J. Peterson,	\$1 12
James O. Everson,	1 81	Obed Ripley,	87
George Faunce,	8 75	Edmund F. Simmons,	2 50
Lloyd Faunce,	2 00	Francis O. Simmons,	3 37
Eliezer Faunce,	37	John Smith,	3 50
Samuel W. Gray,	2 50	Patrick W. Smith,	75
John Griffin,	87	Richard J. Smith,	75
Edwin Hunt,	1 00	Arthur Stetson,	1 37
John F. Hall,	5 00	Peter Sampson,	2 00
Jose Hernandez,	25	William A. Sampson,	6 00
William Haggerty,	1 50	Nehemiah L. Savery,	2 00
Dennis Hauey,	17 22	Hiram Sampson,	1 25
Edward Holmes,	5 25	Wendell A. Simmons,	1 00
Elmthau Holmes,	37	Augustus Simmons,	2 87
L. Webster Thompson,	1 00	Charles H. Washburn,	5 91
William R. Thomas,	3 75	Winslow B. Wright,	1 00
Timothy R. Weston,	2 00	Daniel Weston,	2 25
Martin P. Washburn,	2 37		
			\$246 30
		Appropriation,	1,000 00
		Unexpended,	\$753 70

The above-named sum of one thousand dollars was assigned for removing snow, and for the repair of unexpected defects in the highways and bridges. Under the latter head no expenditure has been necessary.

FUEL AND CARE OF SCHOOL-ROOMS.

Mrs. McManus, cleaning rooms,	\$3 25
Mrs. R. A. Drew, " "	2 50
Mrs. Mahoney, " "	12 50
Albert E. Holmes, " "	5 50
Mrs. J. H. Bryant, " "	1 75
Hiram H. Butts, care of rooms and fires,	1 00
G. K. Marshall, " " "	7 50
Cyrus H. Stetson, " " "	15 10
Albert E. Holmes, " " "	7 50
G. W. Bryant, " " "	1 00
Lester E. Ward, " " "	3 00
Seavey R. Sampson, " " "	3 00
Philander Cobb, " " "	3 50
G. K. Marshall, " " "	1 50
W. D. Bryant, " " "	1 00
Asa C. Hammond, wood, and sawing,	23 30
Philander Cobb, " "	20 65
William H. Myrick, wood,	5 50
E. & J. C. Barnes, " "	5 00
Charles C. Faunce, " "	25 00
Nathan Chandler, " "	26 50
N. F. Faunce, sawing and housing wood,	1 75
Willie Cook, " " "	1 50
Jose Hernandez, " " "	16 50
Michael McManus, sawing and housing wood,	1 00
George F. Lane, " " "	8 25
Joseph A. Stranger, " " "	5 00
C. R. Stranger, " " "	2 00
Richard J. Smith, labor,	2 00
Hunt & Sampson, soap,	52
	\$232 08
Appropriation,	200 00
	\$32 08

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

William H. Myrick, labor and materials,	\$35 68
Albert Fauce, " "	52 19
George H. Bonney, Jr., labor and materials,	50 15
Joseph S. Robbins, " "	11 75
Henry Simmons, " "	6 12
John Eldridge, " "	10 80
Asa C. Hammond, " "	1 50
Walter S. Bartlett, " "	7 91
George F. Lane, " "	9 79
Philander Cobb, " "	5 11
J. A. Swasey, " "	29 90
Joseph T. Cushman, " "	7 00
United States Lock Company, locks,	1 30
	\$232 56
Appropriation,	300 00
	\$67 44

CONVEYANCE OF CHILDREN.

Clement H. Sampson,	\$180 25
Appropriation,	250 00
	\$69 75

The foregoing account of payments for support of schools will not correspond with the account made up by the School Committee, for two reasons: first, there is no recognized classification of expenditures common to the Selectmen and School Committee, or common to different Committees from year to year; and, second, the Selectmen's account shows the payments from the Town Treasury during the financial year ending February 28, while the Committee's account shows their expenditures for the school year ending with the close of the winter terms of the schools, usually about March 10.

SUPPORT OF POOR.

ALMSHOUSE EXPENSES.

Burges & Keith, supplies,	\$77 01
Hunt & Sampson, "	69 01
Evans & Atwood, "	63 32
O. C. C. Association, "	73 21
Edward Holmes, "	26 31
G. A. Whiting, "	31 50
George Billings, "	4 42
Edwin Powers, "	3 17
P. B. Washburn, "	9 21
Robert Eager, "	9 69
L. R. Wood, "	1 02
Mrs. E. E. Burns, "	56
Timothy French, wood,	5 50
Robbins & Morton, lumber,	1 59
H. N. Jones, medical attendance,	71 25
Wm. H. Myrick, furniture and cash paid,	37 81
Maria E. Powers, services as housekeeper,	148 90
Maria E. Powers, cash paid for washing,	6 88
Ishabed Peterson, labor,	9 00
Spencer Drew, labor and supplies,	14 83
Nathan Chandler, manure and teaming,	21 25
Josiah D. Randall, care of E. Witherell,	5 00
C. E. Bailey, wheelbarrow and iron work,	5 30
Benjamin Dendham, cutting wood,	11 37
	\$716 20

The number of tramps lodged and fed at the Almshouse during eleven months, ending March 1, 1877, is 605, being at the rate of about 650 per year, not quite equal to half the number of inhabitants in Town.

EXPENSES OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Burges & Keith, supplies for R. A. Drew,	\$130 66
Evans & Atwood, " "	28 17
Walter H. Fancee, " "	3 50
Hunt & Sampson, " "	30
George W. Cushman, " "	1 00
Wm. H. Myrick, " "	53
Burges & Keith, supplies for Mrs. Smith Fuller,	12 76
Hunt & Sampson, " " "	3 76
Burges & Keith, supplies for Patrick Sullivan,	18 35
Hunt & Sampson, " " "	6 00
William H. Myrick, " " "	1 72
Evans & Atwood, " " "	12 11
Burges & Keith, supplies for F. A. Pratt,	51 09
Hunt & Sampson, " "	6 00
Hunt & Sampson, supplies for J. Rooney,	42 12
Old Colony Railroad, freight for J. Rooney,	1 61
Lunatic Hospital, Taunton, support of Sarah Fancee,	197 50
Lunatic Hospital, Brattleboro, support of D. Lucas,	228 00
City of Boston, relief of family of J. H. Drew,	42 12
Town of Waltham, relief of Michael Hughes,	168 19
Patrick Smith, " " "	6 61
Town of Hanson, relief of family of J. Fitzpatrick,	21 00
Town of Abington, relief of Joseph Pratt and family,	188 01
Edward Gray, wood for Eli Juice,	10 00
Wm. H. Myrick, expenses to Boston, case of C. Drew,	1 75
Edwin Powers, fare and expenses in sundry cases,	11 20
M. P. Washburn, horse hire to Pembroke,	2 50
Expenses out of Almshouse,	\$1,203 52
Almshouse expenses,	716 20
Expended,	\$1,019 72
Appropriation,	1,350 00
Overdrawn,	\$569 72

Partial support has been furnished outside the Almshouse to eight families, consisting of twenty-seven persons. The amount paid F. A. Pratt and family, \$57.09, is due from the Town of Carver.

POLICE.

Paid George H. Sampson,	\$200 00
Appropriation,	200 00

BURYING GROUND.

James T. Churchill, labor,	\$14 25
Henry Churchill, " "	19 50
Otis Churchill, " "	35 25
Lewis Ripley, " "	30 29
	\$99 29
Appropriation,	100 00
Unexpended,	\$0 71

FISHERIES.

Oliver S. Bryant, services on committee,	\$13 00
Samuel Fuller, " "	19 30
E. E. Waterman, " "	5 50
Obed Ripley, rent of land,	12 00
	\$49 50
Appropriation,	100 00
Undrawn,	\$50 20

We are informed that there is an outstanding claim on the above appropriation of upwards of one hundred dollars, which the committee decline to approve, and that the larger part of the proceeds of the fisheries during the year has not been paid over to the Treasurer.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

Paid Nathan Brooks, services,	\$275 00
Appropriation,	275 00

STATE AID.

Eliza B. Sherman, twelve months,	\$18 00
Mary L. Taylor, " "	48 00
Margaret O'Rourke, " "	48 00
Mary McGuire, " "	18 00
John C. Bagnell, " "	51 00
Sarah Bagnell, " "	30 50
Joseph Robbins, " "	72 00
Nancy Harlow, " "	43 00
Laura Westgate, five months,	20 00
	<u>\$116 50</u>

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

Burges & Keith, school books,	\$12 91
W. R. Ellis, services as Superintendent of Schools,	250 00
Avery & Doten, printing Town Reports,	92 61
Avery & Doten, printing bills, orders, &c.,	2 00
William F. Soule, ringing bell,	2 00
George H. Bonney, injury on highway,	2 00
John N. Drew, services as Overseer of Poor,	91 00
Edward Gray, Selectman, services and expenses,	105 00
Alden S. Bradford, Selectman, services and expenses,	103 00
John F. Holmes, Selectman, services and expenses,	100 00
Cyrus W. Ripley, Constable, services,	6 00
George H. Sampson, Constable, services,	12 00
S. W. McLauchlen, rent and fuel,	15 00
Edward Gray, Assessor, services,	85 00

Alden S. Bradford, Assessor, services,	\$85 00
John F. Holmes, Assessor, services,	85 00
Nathan Brooks, Town Clerk, services,	38 50
Stephen Holmes, for gravel, 1871,	62 00
Ivory B. Luens, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
D. C. Freeman, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
John N. Drew, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
Samuel P. Cole, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
Daniel Bisbee, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
George A. Graves, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
Albert Fanner, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
Henry Brewster, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
James F. Hyde, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
Obed Ripley, services at anniversary celebration,	3 00
George H. Bonney, Jr., painting guide boards,	6 75
Kimball W. Stetson, repairs on bridge,	25 00
Jonah Willis, Jr., trimming hedge,	8 50
Nathan Chandler, care of Town Hall,	6 00
Nathan Chandler, returns of deaths,	5 25
Nathan Chandler, coffin rests,	5 00
Peleg T. Brooks, express bill,	6 05
Edwin Powers, superintending tramp labor,	12 70
Edwin Powers, services at Poor House,	50 00
Charles G. Davis, legal services for Road Commissioners,	25 00

	<u>\$1,331 27</u>
Appropriation,	1,400 00
Unexpended,	<u>\$68 73</u>

TOWN TREASURY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in the Treasury, March 1, 1876.	\$1,020 92
F. H. Holmes, tuition of non-resident scholars.	60 00
Henry A. Bradford, pedlar's license.	6 00
Samuel Fuller, fish sold.	5 00
Plymouth National Bank, temporary loan.	2,000 00
State Treasurer, corporation tax	2,416 15
State Treasurer, bank tax.	2,761 17
State Treasurer, reimbursement of State aid.	114 00
State Treasurer, school fund.	190 69
County Treasurer, dog licenses.	127 63
Nathan Chandler, use of Town House.	31 50
Outstanding taxes of 1875 collected.	75 31
Assessment of taxes and school books, 1876.	10,288 46
	<u>\$22,396 86</u>

EXPENDITURES.

John Morissey, County tax.	\$1,811 18
Charles Endicot, State tax.	1,674 00
Plymouth National Bank, temporary loan and interest.	2,034 17
Highways, orders.	4,045 85
Evans road, "	99 74
Snow, "	246 30
Wages of teachers, "	3,348 00
School incidentals, "	155 15
Fuel and care of school-rooms, orders.	232 08
Repairs of school houses, "	232 56
Conveyance of children, "	180 25
Support of poor, "	1,919 72
Police, "	200 00

Burying ground, orders,	\$99 29
Fisheries, "	49 80
State aid, "	416 50
Contingent, "	1,331 27
Treasurer and Collector.	275 00
Bounties on crows, hawks, and woodchucks.	125 75
Abatements of taxes and school books.	36 80
Uncollected taxes of 1876.	131 19
	<u>\$18,674 90</u>
Balance in the Treasury, March 1, 1877.	3,721 96
	<u>\$22,396 86</u>

For the ensuing year we recommend appropriations as follows:

Repair of highways.	\$1,000 00
Removing snow and unexpected defects.	500 00
Wages of teachers.	3,000 00
Repairs of school houses.	250 00
Fuel and care of school-rooms.	250 00
School incidentals.	150 00
Conveyance of scholars	200 00
Contingencies.	1,100 00
Support of poor.	1,500 00
State aid.	400 00
Treasurer and Collector.	275 00
Police.	200 00
Fisheries.	100 00
	<u>\$12,325 00</u>

The receipts from the corporation and bank taxes for 1876, owing to business depression, were only \$5,177.32, being a decrease from the previous year of \$818.48: and there is no apparent reason for anticipating any considerable increase during the present year. Deducting, say

\$5,200, from the amount recommended as above, there will remain to be raised by taxation \$7,125; to which must be added such sums as the Town may see fit to appropriate for building the new road located on the petition of Frank H. Holmes and others, and for widening and straightening the road as ordered on the petition of Robert B. Ford and others, both of which the Town is required to complete on or before the first day of October next.

As complaint has been frequently made that half a day is insufficient for the considerate transaction of the business of the annual meeting, we have deemed it advisable to try the experiment of opening the meeting at an earlier hour than has been customary.

Annual meeting for 1877, March 26, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

ALDEN S. BRADFORD,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
EDWARD GRAY,	
JOHN F. HOLMES,	
	} <i>of</i>
	} <i>Kingston.</i>

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KINGSTON IN 1876.

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| Jan. | 2. | D. Clifton Freeman of Kingston, and Katie P. Tolman of Scituate. |
| Jan. | 3. | Frank M. Sprout of Brockton, and Ella J. Geary of Duxbury. |
| March | 2. | George H. Washburn and Katie P. Reed, both of Kingston. |
| April | 25. | Elijah T. Ford of Duxbury, and Hattie M. Reed of Kingston. |
| May | 5. | John Carr and Mary McCrate, both of Plymouth. |
| May | 18. | J. Nelson Faulkner of Billerica, and C. Isabelle Ellis of Kingston. |
| June | 17. | Edgar Reed and Mary T. Soule, both of Kingston. |
| July | 3. | Rufus H. Churchil and Louise M. Paine, both of Boston. |
| July | 25. | Frank W. Deane of New Bedford, and Cornelia R. Cushman of Kingston. |
| Aug. | 7. | Paraclete Webster Holmes and Alice Maria Bradford, both of Kingston. |
| Aug. | 17. | William N. Alden of Fairhaven, and Annie J. Blane of New Bedford. |
| Sept. | 21. | Marcus Munlock and Mary E. Lyman, both of Venice, N. Y. |
| Sept. | 23. | Edgar E. Simmons of Duxbury, and Susie L. Drake of Pembroke. |
| Oct. | 9. | Lemuel B. Marsh and Laura Curtis, both of Duxbury. |
| Nov. | 30. | Frank Goddard and Fannie B. Keith, both of Plymouth. |

Number of Deaths registered in Kingston in 1876, 21; 7 males and 14 females.

Number of Births registered in Kingston in 1876, 21; 11 males and 10 females.

NATHAN BROOKS, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KINGSTON IN 1876.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
		Y.	M.	D.		
1876.						
July 16,	Asenath Mitchell,	68		28	Consumption,	Nathaniel and Asenath Holmes.
July 17,	Anna B. Bradford,	26	3	4	Consumption,	Samuel and Lydia Bradford.
July 18,	Lynna B. Bradford,	1	10	6	Convulsions,	H. E. and Loretta Bradford.
July 19,	John A. Burgess,	57	4	3	Disease of Brain,	Charles and Anna Burgess.
July 20,	John Burgess,	84	10	6	Apoplexy,	John and Betsey France.
April 21,	Mary Sullivan,	73			Consumption,	Alphonso and Helen Reed.
April 22,	Ann E. Reed,	22	10	13	Consumption,	Patrick and Nancy Smith.
May 23,	Elizabeth Cook,	21	6	3	Consumption,	Samuel and Hubbal Stetson.
July 24,	Merry Churchhill,	71	11	24	Excoriolas and Paralysis,	Asa and Abigail Keene.
July 25,	William E. Washburn,	74	6	26	Dysentery,	Charles E. and Fanny Washburn.
Sept. 26,	Anneta Washburn,	33	4	27	Dysentery,	Prince and Ann Doten.
Oct. 27,	Thomas Ripley,	80	2	28	Consumption,	Daniel and Jenny Ripley.
Oct. 28,	George S. Cushman,	64		6	Typhoid Fever,	David and Betsey Cushman.
Oct. 29,	Betsey S. Cushman,	77		8	Consumption,	Job and Patience Cushman.
Oct. 30,	William A. Robbins,	74		8	Consumption of Stomach,	Benjamin and Esther Robbins.
Nov. 1,	Samuel J. Sutter,	82	9	25	Consumption of Stomach,	Benjamin and Martha Bailey.
Nov. 2,	Larry Cook,	68	6	35	Paralysis and Old Age,	Elizer and Susan Faunce.
Nov. 3,	June R. Sever,	78	10	31	Paralysis and Old Age,	James and Jane Sever.
Dec. 4,	Abbie K. Chandler,	74		1	Apoplexy and Paralysis,	A. W. and Abbie Chandler.

NATHAN BROOKS, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF KINGSTON

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1876-7.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

	Term Expired.
WALTER H. FAUNCE, <i>Chairman</i> ,	1877
GEORGE F. LANE,	1877
WILLIAM H. MYRICK, <i>Librarian</i> ,	1878
ASA C. HAMMOND,	1878
PHILANDER COBB,	1879
REV. H. B. MARSHALL, <i>Secretary</i> ,	1879

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

WYLIE R. ELLIS.

REPORT.

In the following report of the expenses of each school, all bills not belonging strictly to the account of teachers' wages, or repairs, have been charged to incidentals. In addition to the ordinary charges for pens, ink, crayons, maps, books for reference for teachers' desks, &c., &c., books to the value of \$20 are included, which have been charged to parents, and a list of the same returned to the Assessors for collection.

The Spring and Fall terms of the schools were each twelve weeks, and the Winter term fourteen, making an aggregate of thirty-eight weeks the schools have been kept.

The expense attending each school is as follows:

HIGH SCHOOL.

C. E. Ridler as Principal,	\$950 00
C. E. Ridler, teaching college class,	380 00
Fuel and care of room,	31 55
Repairs,	40 31
Incidentals,	66 46
	\$1,471 62

CENTER GRAMMAR.

Miss Catharine D. Russell, teaching,	\$380 00
Fuel and care of room,	37 25
Repairs,	38 68
Incidentals,	32 13
	\$488 06

CENTER PRIMARY.

Miss Isabel Hammond, teaching,	\$216 00
Marion B. Burgess, "	126 00
Fuel and care of room,	21 50
Repairs,	11 94
Incidentals,	16 86
	\$392 30

ROCKY NOOK.

Miss Olive Simmons, teaching,	\$108 00
Nellie Harub, "	234 00
Fuel and care of room,	24 16
Repairs,	5 14
Incidentals,	7 63
	\$378 93

STONY BROOK.

Miss Mariana H. White, teaching,	\$333 00
Fuel and care of room,	7 00
Repairs,	107 52
Incidentals,	13 93
	\$461 45

INDIAN POSE.

Miss Rachel M. Harub, teaching,	\$108 00
Elnora Bosworth, "	234 00
Fuel and care of room,	18 50
Repairs,	1 50
Incidentals,	30 87
	\$392 87

NORTH WEST.

Miss Clara Bryant, teaching,	\$301 00
Fuel and care of room,	8 25
Repairs,	9 79
Incidentals,	29 05
	\$348 09

WAPPING SCHOOL.

C. H. Sampson, for services of self and horse,	\$190 00
Repairs on wagon and harness,	9 25
	\$199 25

RECAPITULATION.

Appropriation for teacher's wages:

Amount raised by tax,	\$5,000 00
Received from State fund,	190 69
Dog licenses,	127 63
Tuition from non-resident scholars,	63 00
Total appropriation for teacher's wages,	\$5,381 32
Appropriation for fuel and care of school-room,	200 00
Repairs of school-houses,	300 00
Incidentals,	150 00
Conveyance of scholars,	250 00
Amount expended for teacher's wages,	\$5,373 00
Fuel and care of rooms,	151 51
Repairs,	214 88
Incidentals,	190 93
Conveyance of children,	199 25
Balance unexpended,	151 75
	\$4,251 32 \$4,251 32

Generally the same policy has been pursued as last year. The same teachers were employed, as far as possible, and the same wages paid. As our teachers have never received the large salaries paid in other places, so we think they should not be subjected to the deductions being made in those places.

Mr. Ridler has been paid the salary of Principal and Assistant, and has done the work of instructing the college class outside the regular school hours.

The West and Southwest Schools are united, and the children taken by carriage from the one to the other at an annual saving of nearly \$200, and, at the same time, improving both schools, and we see no reason why this should be discontinued.

The Stony Brook School House has been repaired and painted at an expense of \$107, and nearly as large a sum will be required to repair the house and grade the lot at Indian Pond this year.

The Centre Primary and Northwest houses will need some repairs also.

In view of these facts we recommend the following appropriations for the support of schools by the Town for the coming year:

For wages and board of teachers,	\$3,000 00
fuel and care of school rooms,	200 00
repairs,	300 00
incidentals,	150 00
conveyance of children,	250 00

The School Committee have voted the Superintendent the usual salary of two hundred and fifty dollars.

WALTER H. FAUNCE, *Chairman.*

REPORT.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

The School Committee, in making (through the Superintendent) their annual report, feel that the prosperous condition of our Schools is a matter of much congratulation. During a period of financial embarrassment and depression seldom equalled in the history of our country, we have not been called upon, through any lack of support from you, to reduce what seems to us the fair compensation paid to our Teachers, or in any other manner to lower the standard of usefulness and efficiency to which our Schools have attained. And while we feel that your generous appropriations have given us the means, on our part, to act efficiently, we are gratified to be able to state that, in our opinion, we have had a corps of industrious, energetic and competent Teachers to carry on the work of instruction.

In but three of our Schools has there been any change of Teachers during the year, viz.: in Indian Pond, from the resignation of Miss Harrub, who would have been retained, had it been possible, by the unanimous assent of Parents, Committee and Superintendent; in Rocky Nook, by the completion of the engagement of Miss Olive Simmons, a pupil of the Normal School, who took the position for one term; and in the Centre Primary, from the illness of Miss Marian Burgess, whose place was filled acceptably by Miss Hammond. After an ab-

sence of two terms, Miss Burgess at the commencement of the Winter term returned to the post she has occupied so successfully for many years.

This continuation of so many of our Teachers in their several spheres of labor, while it speaks most unequivocally in *their* favor, cannot fail to benefit the children placed under their charge. Teacher and pupils thus become intimately acquainted. At the commencement of a new term the children quietly take their seats; and the effective discipline, which has been one of the elements that has secured the Teacher's re-engagement, begins to act from the first call to order. No battle is to be fought for the establishment of authority on the part of the Teacher; no victory is hoped for on the part of troublesome pupils; and the school work commences with the first day of the term, with none of that loss of time that so often attends a change of Teachers.

It is with great gratification that we make the statement, that throughout the Schools of the Town there has been no instance of a failure in *government* during the past year! The affectionate, wise, but firm, discipline of the *parent* stands first in importance in forming the character of the child. But even when this essential element in the child's proper growth and development is found wanting, the faithful and judicious Teacher, (though acting under great disadvantages,) can yet do much in remedying the evils of parental negligence and inefficiency. It is, therefore, a matter of great congratulation when any community can feel a reasonable confidence that their children are, for six hours of the day, under the influence of discreet, but firm, disciplinarians.

We also take pleasure in communicating to you our belief that (as a natural consequence following from the quiet and orderly character of our Schools), they have, during the year, made good and solid progress in the branches of study pursued.

This is exhibiting itself in the better preparation that is made by those pupils who offer themselves as candidates for admittance to our High School. It is to be hoped that there will be still greater improvement in this particular in the future; and we would ask the Teachers of

our Grammar Schools to give this matter of preparation for the High School their earnest and careful attention. It is much more to be desired, for instance, that the pupils fitting for the High School should go *thoroughly* and *understandingly* as far as Involution in Arithmetic, showing their ability to work with rapidity and correctness all ordinary problems to that point, than that they should strive to "go *thorough*" the book—spending, it may be, a large amount of time upon the demonstration of the Principles of Square and Cube Root when the practical questions of every-day life, requiring an accurate knowledge of Fractions for their solution, are answered incorrectly. The fact that some of our Teachers have adopted the system of monthly reviews, and that the answers to questions are, to some extent, written by the pupils, is a step in the right direction. Those members of the Committee who, with the Superintendent, have had the charge of the examination of pupils for admittance to the High School, and who have conducted those examinations by questions requiring written replies, feel very sensibly the necessity of asking the Teachers of ALL our Grammar Schools to give as much attention as time will permit to some drill that will insure a reasonable amount of neatness and correctness in the preparation of the examination papers. It necessarily places a pupil in a position of great disadvantage when called upon to make the replies in writing, if there has been no previous training for such an exercise.

The fact that the Schools in the centre of the Town are, in a certain degree crowded, while some of those in other localities are but thinly attended, calls for wise action on the part of our citizens to remedy the difficulty. A fourth School, located as near to the centre as practicable, would relieve this pressure, and render the grading of our Schools much more satisfactory than it now is. There are certain objections to a change of this kind, which might render it not a desirable one; but it is very certain that, could a satisfactory arrangement be effected, so that a fourth grade could be introduced, not only would our High School be greatly benefited, but the more rapid advancement of a LARGE number of our pupils would be greatly promoted.

The arrangements of last year in regard to carrying the children of Wapping to the Indian Pond School remain unchanged. The two Schools are progressing admirably, and their union meets with the unqualified approbation of your Committee, and is, we believe, duly appreciated by our citizens generally.

The Committee procured and planted, in 1876, a Centennial Tree in front of the High School building. May it live and flourish, sheltering beneath its wide-spreading branches the children of Kingston one hundred years from now!

Specimens of the school work of our children from all parts of the Town, consisting of Drawings, Dictation Exercises, Solutions of Arithmetical Problems, etc., etc., were collected and bound into a substantial volume, and forwarded to Philadelphia in 1876. The volume is at present at the High School room, and is well worthy the careful examination of our citizens.

The exhibition of the Drawing of the pupils of the High School, (upon the Wednesday preceding the close of the term), was a most creditable one, affording us ample proof of the care and attention bestowed on the pupils, and of the ability of Mr. Rädler, the Principal of the school.

The following pupils of the High School received diplomas at the close of the Summer term of 1876:

Class of 1876.

EMMA F. HOLMES,
 CORA A. WADSWORTH,
 ANNIE A. FULLER,
 HIRAM A. BEUNS,
 CYRUS H. STEINSON,
 ROBERT EAGER, JR.

Class of 1875.

GEORGE FAUNCE, JR.

The school property of the Town is in a most excellent condition. With perhaps a single exception, no exhibition of recklessness or injury to school furniture, or buildings has come to the knowledge of the Superintendent. This is good testimony in favor of the care and watchfulness of our Teachers, and of the generally quiet and orderly demeanor of our pupils in and around our school buildings.

We have thus, Fellow Citizens, while avoiding the routine of a minute report upon each particular school, endeavored to give you a fair and impartial statement of the success that has attended our administration of the Schools during the year that is now about to close. We feel well satisfied with the work that has been done, and with the progress that has been made. We wish that it were possible to see a more general exhibition of INTEREST on the part of our citizens in the school exercises, and that this interest might exhibit itself in more frequent visits of parents to the School, that by personal observation they might learn how their children are progressing. A reference to the School Registers very plainly shows that this powerful influence for good,—this incentive and encouragement to both teachers and pupils, is not made use of by parents as it should be! The common blessings of life,—frequently because they ARE so common,—do not receive from us that attention, or excite that gratitude which they seem to demand. Our system of Schools, with its inestimable advantages to the whole community,—free to all as the air and the sunlight, is somewhat in danger of being regarded by us as one of the natural consequences of our existence! But we have only to leave New England and those portions of our land where the free school, through the wisdom and foresight of the pioneers of settlement and civilization, was interwoven in all the early life of the people, and pass into those sections where no such wise provisions were made for posterity, (and where to-day a portion of the people look with suspicion upon the free school as a species of charitable organization,) to see the wide difference, social, physical, intellectual and moral, between a community who have been long blessed by the influences of the common SCHOOL, and one where

no such institution exists, except; it may be, in an embryo state of miserable inefficiency.

We cannot, Fellow Citizens, be too earnest in our efforts to do all that is in our power to add to the prosperity and increase the usefulness of our common schools!

We subjoin here a statement, furnished by Mr. Ridler, of the work done in the High School during the last year, in Drawing, etc. This statement, and the exhibition of Drawings alluded to in another part of the Report, show the thoroughness of the instruction that has been given upon this subject, and we are pleased to be able to add, that in our opinion, the attention paid to this important branch of education in no way conflicts with, or decreases, the other work of the High School.

Exhibition of Drawings, Kingston High School, March 7 and 9, 1877.

Three courses of Drawings in the school.

1. Elementary for entering class.
2. Perspective.
3. Designing and coloring, which has the approval of Prof. Walter Smith, State Director of Drawings for Massachusetts. Size of Drawings exhibited, $15 \times 21\frac{1}{2}$ inches, except in fourth class.

Exhibition chiefly the work of one term only.

ELEMENTARY.—Drawings in *frechand*, from blackboard, and flat copy, original work: maps ($15 \times 21\frac{1}{2}$ inches) in ink. *Instrumental*, problems in Geometry; examination papers.

PERSPECTIVE.—Problems in perspective; examinations: plan of school-house.

DESIGN AND COLOR.—Original designs to fill geometric forms, and application of same to common objects, as cups and saucers; wall

paper and the like; natural foliage; botanical analysis with design; and problems in Geometry in ink and colors.

Number of pupils at present in class in color,	9
Number of Drawings, ($15 \times 21\frac{1}{2}$ inches), shown,	24
Number of maps, ($15 \times 21\frac{1}{2}$ inches), shown,	8
Total number of large Drawings,	32

C. E. RIDLER, *Principal of High School.*

Kingston, March 3, 1877.

The Spring term of our schools will commence Monday, April 2.

In closing this Report we trust that our youth will *appreciate* the liberality of our citizens, and the inestimable advantages that are afforded them, and by honest, manly efforts on their part, will strive to fit themselves for the STERN REALITIES of life that will soon be crowding upon them.

For the Committee,

W. R. ELLIS, *Superintendent of Schools.*

Kingston, March 9, 1877.

APPENDIX I.

STATISTICS OF ATTENDANCE IN THE KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR TEN YEARS

YEAR.	NAMES OF PRINCIPALS.	FROM WHAT COLLEGE GRADUATED.	NUMBER OF MEMBERS.		AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.				PER CENT. OF ATTENDANCE.		PER CENT. OF ATTENDANCE.	PER CENT. OF ATTENDANCE.
			Spring.	Fall.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Summer.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Summer.
1867-68	Benjamin Wornelle....	Amherst....	19	46	45	42	36	32	31	32	31	30
1868-69	Benjamin Wornelle....	Amherst....	35	36	37	31	32	27	30	29	23	24
1869-70	Adelson G. Smith....	Harvard....	50	38	40	48	31	32	35	32	32	33
1870-71	George L. Chandler....	Bowdoin....	41	38	37	39	34	33	30	30	30	30
1871-72	George L. Chandler....	Bowdoin....	39	41	45	37	35	41	36	33	31	31
1872-73	Heratio B. Lawrence....	Bowdoin....	29	53	48	25	47	41	36	35	35	37
1873-74	G. C. Sheldon....	Harvard....	31	35	16	27	31	40	38	38	37	36
1874-75	G. B. Towle....	Bowdoin....	53	51	58	47	46	49	38	39	35	38
1875-76	C. E. Ricker....	Tufts....	45	38	44	41	37	41	31	37	33	33
1876-77	C. E. Ricker....	Tufts....	50	50	53	47	48	50	35	35	35	35

APPENDIX II.

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1876-7.

NAMES OF TEACHERS.	NAMES OF SCHOOLS.	Whole Attendance.			Average Attendance.			Per cent. of Attendance.			Per cent. of Attendance.	Length of School in Weeks.	Of Teachers		
		Sum.	Fall.	Win.	Sum.	Fall.	Win.	Sum.	Fall.	Win.					
Mr. C. E. Ricker.....	High School.....	50	50	53	47	48	50	95	96	95	95	29	12	12	8,339
Miss C. D. Russell.....	Centre Grammar....	40	11	46	31	37	43	85	79	91	89	137	12	12	380
Miss L. Hammond.....	Centre Primary....	55	58	49	46	52	43	87	79	88	88	56	12	12	216
Miss M. J. Burgess....	Rocky Nook.....	34	28	37	27	33	20	79	87	81	82	136	12	12	126
Miss Olive Shannons ..	Indian Pond.....	32	30	26	26	26	22	91	87	85	87	28	12	12	108
Miss Nellie Harrub....	North West.....	31	31	23	26	25	17	85	81	73	80	25	12	12	254
Miss B. M. Harrub....	Shady Brook.....	26	23	19	19	19	16	85	82	81	84	132	11	14	108

A Full English and Classical Course of Study of Kingston High School, adopted Sept., 1876.

S U M M E R T E R M . P R E P A R A T O R Y W O R K O F G R A M M A R S C H O O L .

FOURTH CLASS.	THIRD CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	OUTER CLASS.
1. Orthography of Grammar. 2. Reading and Vocal Practice. 3. Spelling and Rules. 4. Common School Geography. 5. Arithmetic, Review to Percent. 6. Writing—Copy. 7. Drawing—Linear.	4. 1. Analysis of Grammar, (completed). 2. Reading and Sentences. 3. Declinations, (optional). 4. Plots, Geography, (completed). 5. Arithmetic, (completed). 6. Writing—Copy. 7. Drawing—Design.	7. 1. Natural Philosophy. 2. American Literature. 3. Review of Arithmetic, (optional). 4. United States History, (completed). 5. Algebra. 6. Latin, (recommended). 7. Greek Lessons, EXAMINATION.	10. 1. Geometry, three books. 2. Zoology. 3. Euclid—First Principles, or French. 4. Latin—Caesar. 5. Greek Lessons. 6. Greek, (optional). 7. Sallust, (optional). EXAMINATION.	13. 1. Virgil, three books. 2. Greek Etymology and Lessons. 3. Review of Arithmetic, (with third class). 4. Choice of Studies, (with first class).

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F A L L T E R M .

FOURTH CLASS.	THIRD CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	OUTER CLASS.
1. Grammar and Parsing. 2. Geography and Map Drawing. 3. Arithmetic, (completed). 4. Arithmetic, through Compound Interest. 5. Reading and Study of Words. 6. Writing—Copy.	5. 1. Rhetoric and Prose, (completed). 2. Physiology. 3. Book Keeping, with Filled Blanks. 4. Reading in Shakespeare. 5. Selections, (optional). 6. Drawing—Geometrical. 7. Writing—Copy. EXAMINATION.	8. 1. Natural Philosophy, (completed). 2. Algebra to Square Root. 3. English History. 4. English Literature. 5. Latin Grammar and Reader. 6. Botany. 7. Greek Lessons, EXAMINATION.	11. 1. Geometry, (completed). 2. Chemistry. 3. Intellectual Philosophy, or French. 4. Latin—Sallust. 5. Caesar, (completed). 6. Greek Lessons, EXAMINATION.	14. 1. Virgil, (completed). 2. Greek—Syntax and Reading. 3. Greek, (finished). 4. Algebra reviewed with second class.

W I N T E R T E R M .

Topics of Study very full to accommodate Winter Pupils

FOURTH CLASS.	THIRD CLASS.	SECOND CLASS.	FIRST CLASS.	OUTER CLASS.
3. 1. Grammar—Syntax, Rules and Application. 2. Phys. Geography. 3. Arithmetic, through Squares and Cubes. 4. Reading and Miscellaneous. 5. Spelling—Dictation, (carefully written). EXAMINATION.	6. 1. Rhetoric, (completed). 2. History of United States. 3. Book Keeping, (completed). 4. Reading in Shakespeare, and Selections. 5. Review of Arithmetic, (optional). EXAMINATION.	9. 1. Algebra, (completed). 2. English or Ancient History. 3. French Lessons. 4. Latin—Syntax and Reader, (optional). 5. Any Study of third or fourth class, (optional). EXAMINATION.	12. 1. Astronomy. 2. Moral Science. 3. Latin—Sallust. 4. Greek—Syntax and Reader, (optional). 5. French or German, (optional). EXAMINATION.	15. 1. Cicero and Sallust, Reviewed. 2. Greek Anabasis. 3. Algebra reviewed with second class. 4. Any Study with other classes.

**Latin, for next term — Greek, for next term — Geography.

M A R G I N A L N O T E S .

- * Numbers repeated mean, studies may be taken alternately. A number not repeated denotes a Principal Study.
- † Composition and Dictation alternating bi-weekly through the course.
- ‡ A course of Drawing from this time may be optional. It is recommended.
- § The Classical Course, viz., Latin, Greek, French, and German, is optional.
- ** Another (the next) term is allowed for pursuing same studies and for entering college.
- 1. A weekly lesson in Music and Calligraphy, and daily practice, are at the option of the teacher.
- 2. Scholars may enter my class at any time if found proficient in the studies completed by the class which they propose to enter. But it is desirable, when possible, to enter at the opening of the Fall term.

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