

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF KINGSTON,

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 29, 1878.

WITH THE

Report of the Superintendent of Schools,

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1877-8.

PLYMOUTH:

AVERY & DODS, STEAM BOOK AND JOB PRINTERS.

1878.

REPORT.

ASSESSMENT OF TAXES.

Valuation of real estate,	\$725,593 00
Valuation of personal estate,	673,238 00

Total valuation,	\$1,398,831 00
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Rate of taxation, .012—\$12 per \$1,000.

Number of polls, 151. Poll-tax, \$2.

Town tax,	\$11,000 00
County tax,	1,841 15
State tax,	1,395 00
Overlays,	157 01
Unpaid school books,	39 77

Total for collection,	\$17,732 96
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Number of dwelling houses taxed,	352
Number of acres of land taxed,	10,509
Number of horses taxed,	192
Number of cows taxed,	173
Number of sheep taxed,	74

TAXES FOR 1877.

Adams, Abigail H.	\$277 50	Adams, Charles H.	\$2 00
Adams, George T.	114 05	Ames, William L.	2 00
Adams, Horatio	51 20	Ames, Benjamin F.	2 00
Adams, F. C., estate of	157 20	Andrews, Mary	11 10
Adams, Mrs. F. C.	7 20	Atwell, Samuel, Jr.	2 00
Adams, William S.	1,054 26	McAune, John	13 55
Adams, Henry L.	19 70	Atwood, Elbridge E.	3 50
Adams, Eleanor	25 20	Atwood, George S.	1 70
Adams, Joseph	2 00	Atwood, Horace	3 50
Brewster, George, heirs of	9 60	Bryant, Edgar W.	2 00
Brewster, C. D., heirs of	25 50	Bryant, Nathaniel	18 90
Brewster, Henry	5 00	Bryant, Warren L.	2 00
Brewster, Spencer	31 40	Bryant, Sylvanus	19 91
Brewster, Ernest E.	3 20	Bryant, James H.	7 22
Bartlett, Lyander	35 00	Bryant, Dolly B.	22 11
Bartlett, Clement D.	2 00	Bryant, Peleg E.	10 40
Bartlett, George B.	2 00	Bryant, George B.	5 00
Bartlett, Lloyd G.	20 60	Bryant, Oliver H.	2 00
Bartlett, Erish	6 90	Bryant, William B.	2 00
Bartlett, Cornelius A.	17 00	Bryant, Lewis D.	2 00
Bartlett, W. S., heirs of	21 60	Beance, John	13 70
Bartlett, Walter J.	2 00	Beance, Ichabod	5 60
Bonney, John	6 50	Bailey, Nahann, heirs of	19 20
Bonney, Charles F.	9 20	Bailey, Nahann, Jr.,	17 10
Bonney, Wallsee	2 00	Bailey, Cynthia C.	17 10
Bonney, George H., Jr.,	8 00	Bailey, Frederic C.	2 00
Bryant, Charles E.	8 90	Bailey, Justus A.	36 36

Bailey, Caleb E.	\$52 4	Beal, Joseph S.	\$172 58
Beytis, Antonio M.	7 20	Beal, Joseph S., trustee	150 19
Bisbee, Daniel, heirs of	11 10	Brooks, Nathan	23 30
Bisbee, Daniel	8 90	Brooks, Peleg T.	12 20
Bradford, Abden S.	17 90	Bagnell, Frederic	7 10
Bradford, Lydia F.	5 10	Bagnell, John C.	18 20
Bradford, William	19 10	Burges, William H.	50 60
Bradford, George B.	2 00	Burges & Keith	151 50
Bradford, Amos P.	2 00	Burgess, Charles, heirs of	7 20
Bradford, Honace S.	36 10	Brown, David	17 00
Bradford, Rebecca M.	43 50	Brown, David, Jr.	8 30
Bradford, George A.	2 00	Brown, Edward G.	2 00
Bicknell, George T.	1 20	Brown, George	2 00
Bates, Caleb	128 30	Blanchard, Harriet N.	13 20
Baker, Otis,	129 50	Blanchard, Henry N.	2 00
Baker, Otis, Jr.,	2 00	Blanchard, Elliott W.	1 20
Baker, Manlius	2 00	Bosworth, Daniel M.	2 00
Banker, Edward	11 60	Butler, John	2 00
Banker, Nathaniel H.	2 00	Bampus, Charles A.	2 00
Banker, Edward F.	2 00	Berry, James F.	2 00
Bowker, Davis W.	1 70	Bishop, Charles	6 20
Baris, Ebenezer E.	20 20	Brackett, Fred G.	15 60
Berry, Roscoe G.	11 60		
Cook, Martin, heirs of	511 40	Cobb, Benjamin G.	\$2 00
Cook, Martin	26 12	Cobb, Martin, heirs of	23 70
Cook, Edwin	15 08	Cobb, Benj., admin., est. of	96 66
Cook, Benjamin	13 88	Cobb & Drew	257 40
Cook, Lucy, heirs of	6 12	Cobb, Philander	108 26
Cook, Josiah T.	37 40	Cobb, Philander 2d	2 00
Cook, Mary W.	8 70	Cobb, Clarence O.	4 70
Cook, Henry T.	43 10	Cobb, Herbert W.	5 00
Cobb, Seth	8 60	Cobb, Henry	17 48

Cobb, John	\$2 00	Churchill, Otis	\$14 00
Collins, William	7 70	Churchill, George L.	13 10
Corey, Gustavus	22 70	Chandler, John S.	11 24
Cushman, Daniel	7 55	Chandler, Horace J.	27 80
Cushman, Joseph S.	12 95	Chandler, Ira	53 72
Cushman, George 2d	19 28	Chandler, Nathan	35 15
Cushman, Alonzo M.	2 00	Chandler, Mary	6 00
Cushman, Josiah	136 25	Chandler, Edward D.	19 25
Cushman, Arthur L.	2 00	Chandler, Abigail	6 00
Cushman, George	29 15	Chandler, Albert W.	2 00
Cushman, John	9 20	Chandler, David	35 15
Cushman, Lyman T.	2 00	Chandler, Algernon S.	60 56
Cushman, Joseph T.	12 95	Chandler, Abbot	9 20
Cushman, James H.	11 90	Cunningham, Hannah T.	10 20
Cushman, Asa	16 10	Cunningham, Theodore B.	1 80
Cushman, Edwin	3 95	Cole, Samuel P.	16 70
Cushman, Frank D.	2 00	Cole, Thomas P., estate of	31 50
Cushman, George W.	13 10	Cole, Leander S.	15 80
Cushman, Caroline	65 10	Cole, Charles H.	20 15
Cushman, Samuel E.	15 56	Childs, Abner P.	2 00
Cushman, Job	26 00	Carey, Dennis	11 42
Cushman, George E.	8 00	Clark, George H.	31 70
Cushman, Sylvia, heirs of	1 50	Cushing, S. W., ex. est. of	90 00
Callahan, Thomas	12 95	Cushing, Sam'l W., heirs of	13 20
Callahan, Dennis J.	13 70	Clifford, Luther	25 10
Churchill, Albert S.	2 00	Church, Matthias	2 00
Churchill, Henry, heirs of	3 30	Carr, Michael	3 60
Churchill, James T.	9 50	Crossen, John C.	2 00
Churchill, Mercy, heirs of	5 70	Carr, John	2 00
Churchill, Henry	9 35		
Drew, Spencer	\$2 00	Drew, Charles H.	\$2 00
Drew, Seth	45 05	Drew, Christopher P.	51 05

Drew, Job W., heirs of	\$43 60	Delano, Joshua	\$363 64
Drew, Eli C.	37 40	Delano, Joshua, Jr.	11 60
Drew, John N.	2 00	Drake, Martin	8 30
Drew, John	26 70	Drake, Frank T.	2 00
Drew, Nathaniel D.	11 30	Drake, Nathaniel M.	17 12
Drew, Frank A.	2 00	Dawes, James H.	166 50
Drew, Charles C.	2 00	Dawes, John C.	2 00
Davie, Solomon	18 80	Doten, Isaac	2 00
Davis, Lucy, heirs of	7 20	De Normandie, C. Y.	39 20
Denham, Benjamin	10 20	Dary, James W.	13 40
Donley, John	15 80	Devine, Patrick	14 00
Donley, William H.	2 00	Dowd, John	2 00
Delano, David	21 25	Douglass, Albert E.	2 00
Delano, Charles C.	7 40	Dix, Henry S.	2 00
Delano, Leander S.	3 80	Davis, James	2 00
Delano, Lewis S., heirs of	11 40		
Everson, Oliver, heirs of	\$10 50	Eldridge, David G.	\$15 20
Everson, James O.	2 45	Eldridge, John	2 00
Everson, Henry S.	6 50	Eldridge, Freeman R.	2 00
Everson, Warren N.	14 00	Evans, Green	21 03
Everson, Nancy	10 50	Evans & Atwood	53 20
Everson, Lois	10 20	Eager, Robert	21 50
Ellis, Wylie R.	36 05		
Farrington, Martin	\$7 40	Faunce, Linus	\$2 00
Faunce, Elizabeth	45 30	Faunce, Winslow	2 00
Faunce, Cornelius A.	2 00	Faunce, Myron	2 00
Faunce, George	31 00	Faunce, Sarah	19 74
Faunce, Albert	14 50	Faunce, Ann E.	30 90
Faunce, Seth W.	13 10	Faunce, Sewall A.	1 20
Faunce, Charles T.	16 70	Faunce, Walter H.	42 50
Faunce, Charles C.	94 40	Faunce, Eliezer	29 96

Panace, Martin	\$12 02	Fuller, Frank W.	\$2 00
French, Timothy, heirs of	12 90	Fuller, Chester H.	2 00
Finney, William A.	11 00	Fuller, James	23 60
Fuller, John A., Jr.	2 00	Fuller, Smith	4 10
Fuller, Frank	10 10	Foster, Asenath	15 60
Fuller, Sophia, heirs of	3 00	Foster, Alex. B., heirs of	17 40
Fuller, Truman H.	4 40	Foster, James	35 90
Fuller, Alexander, heirs of	15 60	Fitzpatrick, Michael	19 22
Fuller, John	30 50	Freeman, David G.	2 00
Fuller, John A.	22 20	Ford, Lemuel K.	11 60
Fuller, Ezra	30 62	Ford, Sidney	4 10
Fuller, Samuel	3 50	Ford, Levi E.	2 00
Fuller, Daniel W.	2 00	Folsom, John F.	6 03
Gray, Edward, estate of	\$41 28	Gray, John, heirs of	\$27 60
Gray, Edward, trustee	16 50	Graves, George A.	2 00
Gray, Lydia	1 50	Griffin, John	2 00
Gray, Samuel W.	27 70	Grozzenger, George	21 50
Hernandez, Jose	\$2 00	Holmes, Robert W.	\$9 20
Haney, Dennis	12 50	Holmes, Samuel	21 50
Hennessey, John, admin. of	6 00	Holmes, Ira	11 90
Haggerty, William	7 40	Holmes, John P.	41 51
Haggerty, Margaret	3 00	Holmes, George	39 50
Hall, John, heirs of	35 40	Holmes, Elnathan	2 00
Hall, John F.	47 48	Holmes, Stephen, heirs of	1 50
Hall, William G.	4 10	Holmes, Joseph A.	650 00
Holmes, Allyn, heirs of	1 50	Holmes, Stephen	10 53
Holmes, Gains	10 58	Holmes, Frank H.	577 97
Holmes, Lothrop T.	57 50	Holmes, Eliza A.	201 00
Holmes, Joseph	23 30	Holmes, Edward K.	47 60
Holmes, Ephraim	2 70	Holmes, Paraclete W.	3 62
Holmes, Richard E.	28 10	Holmes, Alex., heirs of	117 66

Holmes, Edward	\$636 31	Hunt, Maria O.	\$10 50
Holmes, Frank B.	2 00	Hunt & Sampson	\$2 44
Hayward, Lucius	6 50	Hart, Dennis	3 50
Hayward, Lucia	6 90	Hickey, James	2 00
Howland, Daniel F.	12 74	Hyde, James F.	4 10
Howland, Charles F.	3 80	Harlow, James M.	2 00
Howland, Perez A.	3 80	Harlow, George L.	2 00
Hammond, Walter C.	5 00	Harlow, Marcus H.	2 00
Hammond, Eugene H.	2 00	Howe, Flornmond	2 00
Hammond, Asa C.	27 68	Howe, Wallace F.	7 31
Hunt, Henry	97 16		
Johnson, F. M. and others	\$ 60	Jones, P. M. C.	\$25 10
Joyce, John A.	2 00	Jones, Albert	2 00
Joyce, Walter J.	2 00	Josselyn, John E.	2 00
Jones, Henry N.	78 50	Jameson, Francis A.	2 00
Kennedy, James	\$22 70	Keith, Henry K.	\$59 00
Kennedy, James, Jr.	5 00	Keith, Lewis H.	740 66
Kennedy, Frank M.	7 10	Kelly, John	2 00
Kingston Iron Foundry Co.	70 50	Keely, Hannah E.	24 00
King, Rufus	2 00		
Lauman, Thomas	\$46 28	Lovering, John P.	\$2 00
Leonard, Henry	5 60	Low, Samuel	19 40
Low, Charles E.	2 00	Long, Albert W.	4 40
Lane, George F.	2 00	Long, Henry	2 00
Lucas, Adoniram B.	5 30	Loffendale, Joseph	2 00
Langton, Augustus	2 00	Lane, James F.	2 00
McDonald, Allen	\$2 00	McGrath, Michael	\$16 16
McGuire, William	9 50	McGrath, Thomas	2 00
McGrath, Robert	23 18	McGrath, Michael, Jr.	2 00

McCraty, William	\$7 70	Merit, Ellery	\$2 00
McLauthlen, George W.	26 00	Morse, George	11 60
McLauthlin, Onslow W.	2 60	Morse, Francis	2 00
McLauthlen, O.W. & others	1 20	Myrick, William H.	39 70
McLauthlen, P. W., heirs of	9 30	Malony, John	17 60
McLauthlen, Horace B.	1 20	Malone, James T.	2 00
McLauthlen, Simeon W.	52 68	Malone, Patrick	4 00
McLauthlen, Herbert W.	2 00	Mahra, Patrick	2 00
McLauthlen, Philimon W.	1 10	Maunder, Pollam	2 00
McLauthlen, Elisha, heirs of	6 30	Marshall, Horace B.	2 48
McSweeney, Felix	2 00	Mitchell, Harvey, heirs of	9 30
McCurry, Charles	2 00	Mitchell, Ransom	5 50
McManus, Michael	9 50	Murray, John	5 30
Newcomb, Thomas	\$571 08	Nutter, Samuel W.	\$2 00
Newcomb, Marcello	50 78	Norton, Andrew	13 00
Nichols, P. L., wfr. est. of	19 50	Norton, John	2 00
Nichols, P. L., heirs of	36 60	Nolan, Thomas	7 70
O'Brien, Patrick H.	\$2 00	Oldham, John	\$12 50
O'Brien, Patrick W.	11 18	Oldham, Adoniram J.	2 00
O'Brien, Michael E.	2 00	Owens, George E.	3 80
O'Rourke, Margaret	3 60	Ormand, Michael	2 00
Old Colony Co. Association	12 60		
Pierce, James B.	\$9 50	Peterson, Ichabod	\$12 50
Pierce, Moses N.	2 00	Peterson, Esias	14 90
Phipps, Jos., admin. est. of	18 30	Peterson, Henry R.	2 00
Phipps, Jos., heirs of	15 60	Peterson, Herman J.	2 00
Phipps, Laura M.	21 00	Peterson, Albert O.	2 00
Perkins, Ezra	11 00	Peckham, Joseph	19 40
Paine, Reuben C.	15 08	Prince, Daniel	8 00

Prince, Thomas	\$13 10	Phillips, George	\$2 00
Prince, Noah	11 18	Pendergast, Edward	2 00
Quinn, Thomas	\$3 90		
Reed, Franklin	\$4 10	Ring, Daniel, heirs of	\$21 72
Reed, Porter C.	36 98	Ring, Daniel	7 70
Reed, Edwin	61 88	Ring, Samuel, heirs of	13 02
Reed, Joseph E., heirs of	17 70	Ransom, Harvey	17 00
Russell, C. D. and sister	15 60	Ransom, Winslow H.	2 00
Robbins, Joseph S.	21 98	Ransom, Edward A.	11 60
Robbins, William A.	20 82	Richardson, Ebenezer P.	6 80
Robbins, Charles	26 00	Richardson, Edwin W.	2 00
Ripley, Cyrus W.	18 20	Ryan, John	10 10
Ripley, Lewis	32 30	Reinhart, Henry	22 40
Ripley, Henry L.	2 00	Reckinbiel, Henry	2 00
Ripley, Obed	31 10	Raymond, Adoniram J.	2 00
Ripley, Nathaniel	25 20	Ridder, Charles E.	2 00
Rickard, Giles	2 00		
Stevens, James H.	\$15 80	Sampson, Clement H.	\$21 50
Sproul, Francis	20 30	Soule, Henry, Jr.	2 00
Sampson, George H.	2 00	Soule, Henry	\$1 50
Sampson, Constant, heirs of	6 60	Soule, Herbert	15 80
Sampson, Azel H.	38 00	Soule, William F.	5 90
Sampson, William A.	7 10	Soule, James C.	2 00
Sampson, Edwin L.	2 00	Soule, Samuel E.	3 80
Sampson, Peleg W.	6 80	Smith, Patrick W.	2 00
Sampson, Oliver	18 80	Smith, Patrick	5 18
Sampson, Benjamin	23 60	Smith, John	12 68
Sampson, Wendell A.	2 00	Smith, Richard J.	4 10
Sampson, Huldah	24 00	Symmes, William	61 10
Sampson, Hiram	7 10	Symmes, Hannah	9 00

Stutavant, John S.	\$2 00	Stetson, Henry T.	\$2 00
Stutavant, Henry	36 90	Stetson, Charles	51 50
Stutavant, Henry, Jr.	2 00	Stetson, W. S., heirs of	10 20
Sever, James N., heirs of	56 10	Stetson, Joseph	19 55
Sever, Jane R., ex'r of	41 40	Stranger, Joseph A.	23 15
Simmons, Naham	25 60	Stranger, Andrew R.	2 00
Simmons, Wendell	1 70	Stranger, William A.	2 00
Simmons, Edmund F.	2 00	Society, Baptist, treas. of	16 20
Simmons, Francis O.	17 15	Society, First Cong., treas.	6 60
Simmons, Augustus	11 75	Sheehan, Thomas	5 00
Simmons, Parker P.	2 00	Sherman, Ebenezer	8 00
Simmons, Melvin, heirs of	3 00	Souther, Frederic	27 00
Simmons, Mary A.	41 40	Stodley, Stillman S.	2 00
Simmons, Henry	7 40	Stodley & Delano	12 00
Stetson, Kimball W.	72 20	Stidles, John O.	2 00
Stetson, James H.	17 30	Savery, Nehemiah L.	3 50
Stetson, Arthur A.	2 00	Silver Lake Co. Associa'n	7 20
Stetson, Elisha	16 52	Sanders, Charles W.	16 40
Stetson, Marcia D.	12 00		
Tupper, Seth	\$6 00	Thompson, James S.	\$20 30
Thomas, Augustus	35 45	Tobin, John	1 00
Thomas, William A.	160 40	Taylor, Thomas	2 00
Thomas, William R.	2 00	Tout, Thomas	30 95
Thomas, Elisha D.	2 00	Trow, Charles W.	2 00
Thompson, James H.	3 50	Tiernan, James	2 00
United States Lock Co.	\$263 70		
Wixon, Oscar F.	\$3 80	Willis, William H.	\$3 50
Willis, Jonah	50 90	Willis, Jonah, Jr.	3 50
Willis, Edward	61 10	Willis, Sarah T.	28 50

Willis, Bethiah H.	\$28 80	Waterman, Nathaniel	\$6 00
Willis, Everett W.	2 00	Waterman, John	18 50
Winsor, Elbridge G.	62 00	Waterman, Eleazer E.	10 40
Winsor, William D.	21 92	Waterman, Thomas E.	1 10
Washburn, Melvin S.	2 00	Waterman, Austin B.	3 20
Washburn, George L.	20 42	Waterman, Amanda F.	35 70
Washburn, Charles H.	7 10	Wright, John L.	7 82
Washburn, Francis	30 20	Wright, Newland S.	2 00
Washburn, Azel W.	2 00	Wilson, Eli	19 10
Washburn, W. D., heirs of	15 60	Wadsworth, William A.	11 60
Washburn, George	1 40	Wadsworth, Arthur	2 00
Washburn, John	2 00	Wadsworth, George	2 00
Washburn, Martin P.	1 85	Watson, Nathan B.	6 20
Washburn, Charles	1 80	Wilcott, William	8 00
Washburn, Nath'l, heirs of	14 10	Whiteler, Albert C.	2 00
Washburn, Mary C.	3 60	Warden, Henry H.	178 48
Washburn, Waldo	2 00	Warden, Henry P.	8 50
Weston, Timothy R.	10 01	Ward, William G.	15 80
Weston, Daniel	6 50	Wade, Perez	2 00

NON-RESIDENTS.

Adams, Nathaniel	\$16 20		
Blake, George H.	\$2 10	Bradford, W. H., heirs of	\$12 60
Beal, Thomas P.	3 60	Barnes, E. and J. C.	76 20
Beal, Alexander	7 50	Brewster, Pelham	9 90
Barker, Sally	5 10	Briggs, Seneca	2 10
Bradford, Gershom	53 22	Bryant, Lemuel	5 25
Bradford, Andrew L.	4 80	Bonney, James S.	42
Bradford, Thomas B.	1 95		

Crocker, Walter	\$ 60	Chase, Sylvanus	\$ 60
Chandler, George	1 20	Clarke, Zeph C.	1 50
Chandler, Horatio	90	Clarke, Robert	60
Cobb, Charles	18 30	Clarke, Stephen, heirs of	90
Cobb, Franklin B.	19 62	Clonchall, Charles O.	2 70
Carl, Hannah	1 20		
Dunbar, William H.	\$2 10	Drake, Zeuma A.	\$ 90
Dinan, Ezra S.	60	Deane, Charissa	65
Faunce, Ichabod W.	\$ 90	Ford, Baker	\$ 60
Faunce, Zenas, heirs of	6 00		
Glass, Daniel P.	\$1 50	Gray, Frances A.	\$1 50
Glass, Stephen P.	3 60		
Hall, James L.	\$16 20	Holmes, Nathaniel	\$2 10
Hall, William	1 20	Holmes, James W.	5 10
Hall, James, heirs of	1 92	Holmes, Peter	28 20
Holmes, Charles H.	90		
Loring, Harison	\$13 20	Lanman, Mary E.	\$2 10
Loring, Samuel	36 18	Lanman, Henry T.	13 80
Lyon, Sarah B.	1 80	Lincoln, Levi P.	90
Maglathlen, Henry B.	\$5 10	McLouthlin, Samuel	\$2 70
Nelson, Elisha	\$1 20	Nelson, George W.	\$ 60
Nelson, Charles and others	60		
Pickard, Ida	\$1 50	Pratt, Lucius	\$2 10
Perkins, Jacob, heirs of	1 20	Pratt, William B.	3 60
Plymouth Conlage Co.	7 80	Plymouth, Town of	3 60
Russell, Wm. G., guard.	\$111 00	Ring, Samuel A.	\$ 60
Russell, John J.	19 20	Rickard, Martin	1 20

Sampson, Thomas	\$3 00	Sherman, Eleazer C.	\$3 00
Sprague, Betsey	2 10	Sherman, Henry	5 40
Snell, Benjamin	3 90	Sherman, Nelson	2 10
Sever, Charles	46 80	Simmons, William	5 10
Stetson, William	1 80		
Thompson, Zador	\$ 60	Thompson, Josiah W.	\$6 00
Thompson, Sally	1 20	Thomas, Gamaliel	90
Thompson, Renben, heirs of	12 00	Thomas, William	3 60
Vaughn, Thomas	\$1 20		
Wright, Samuel C.	\$3 60	Warren, Lucia A.	\$18 60
Wright, Rufus	60	Willis, George F.	9 00
Waterman, Charles	1 50	White, Daniel	1 20
Waterman, Betsey, heirs of	3 00	White, Otis	1 20
Whiting, Benjamin	1 80	White, Alden	19 20
Washburn, Philip, heirs of	60	Wadsworth, Wait	30 96
Washburn, Cephas	60	Witherell, Alden	6 00

ORDERS PAID.

REPAIR OF HIGHWAYS.

District No. 1.—Joshua Delano, Surveyor.

Robert A. Drew,	\$6 00	John Griffin,	\$17 02
Richard J. Smith,	13 00	Joseph A. Holmes,	6 50
John Washburn,	6 00	Oscar F. Wixon,	5 37
John Ahearn,	65 55	N. L. Savery,	1 70
Joshua Delano,	41 87		
G. H. Washburn,	22 20		\$225 93
Thomas Callahan,	10 90	Assignment,	200 00
Albert T. Douglass,	11 25		
Nathan Chandler,	18 57	Overdrawn,	\$25 93

District No. 2.—Lewis Ripley, Surveyor.

Robert A. Drew,	\$13 73	Marcello Newcomb,	\$2 05
John Abetne,	3 90	Edward Holmes,	13 29
John Dorsey,	2 70	Lewis Ripley,	50 13
Joseph S. Robbins,	8 38	Thomas Tobin,	8 63
John Oldham,	11 55	John Griffin,	5 25
Edward D. Chandler,	5 18	James Eager,	2 78
David Delano, Jr.,	7 58	Stephen Holmes,	5 00
John Washburn,	1 05	Andrew Norton,	5 10
Michael McManus,	5 63	John Murray,	2 70
Freeman R. Elbridge,	18 53	John Smith,	5 10
Dennis Haney,	1 35	William McCrate,	10 50
Robert Eager,	1 35	Thomas Callahan,	6 82
Francis Sproul,	13 73		
Henry Holmes,	1 35		\$281 31
Richard J. Smith,	10 56	Assignment,	275 00
Nathan Chandler,	13 92		
John Oldham,	6 90	Overdrawn,	\$6 31

District No. 3.—Joseph A. Stranger, Surveyor.

Luther Clifford,	\$26 70	John Smith,	\$3 50
Joseph A. Stranger,	136 16	Andrew Norton,	3 33
Chauncy R. Stranger,	8 00	John S. Chandler,	5 09
Winslow Faunce,	3 33	Marcellus Day & Co.,	3 60
Robert Eager,	19 33	James Foster,	8 61
Dennis Haney,	22 21	Warren N. Everson,	5 00
Josiah Cushman,	3 33	George Faunce,	3 33
Nathan Chandler,	5 67		
Horace J. Chandler,	21 09		\$331 08
George Churchill,	5 50	Assignment,	275 00
Roscoe G. Berry,	20 33		
Eli G. Drew,	11 17	Overdrawn,	\$59 08
Seth W. Faunce,	15 83		

District No. 4.—Augustus Simmons, Surveyor.

Augustus Simmons,	\$88 20	P. W. McLauthlen,	\$19 33
Oliver Sampson,	\$1 92	Charles Bishop,	5 10
Charles Low,	15 30	Frederic Southey,	10 81
Algernon S. Chandler,	102 18	John Bouney,	9 79
William A. Finney,	31 08	Ephraim Holmes,	3 57
Elijah T. Ford,	19 01	Elizabeth Faunce,	10 92
William G. Ward,	32 13	C. P. Howland,	9 79
Esaias Peterson,	31 31		
Ira Holmes,	36 89		\$618 15
John F. Hall,	\$7 33	Assignment,	650 00
Samuel Low,	9 30		
Charles Washburn,	5 10	Unexpended,	\$31 85

District No. 5.—Francis O. Simmons, Surveyor.

John F. Hall,	\$27 75	John Kelly,	\$30 09
Francis O. Simmons,	130 20	Oliver S. Bryant,	45 05
Ira Holmes,	7 76	George B. Bryant,	6 80
J. S. Sturtevant,	32 31	Samuel Holmes,	21 88
Michael Fitzpatrick,	48 62	Estate J. P. Reed,	5 76
Edmund F. Simmons,	21 05	Frederic Southey,	13 48
John Bearce,	73 41	Thomas Tout,	10 40
Ichabod Bearce,	25 16	Franklin Reed,	3 40
Nathaniel M. Drake,	33 40		
Marlin Drake,	25 50		\$658 66
Frank T. Drake,	23 46	Assignment,	650 00
Peleg E. Bryant,	42 55		
William B. Bryant,	30 69	Overdrawn,	\$8 66

District No. 6.—Frank H. Holmes, Surveyor.

George Faunce,	\$31 16	Walter H. Faunce,	\$27 00
Josiah T. Cook,	77 84	Estate F. C. Adams,	27 40
Myron Faunce,	16 74	Frank H. Holmes,	91 22

District No. 6.—Continued.

James C. Soule,	\$17 12	Linus Faunce,	\$3 91
Thomas E. Waterman,	4 25		
William H. Manbey,	13 60		\$343 99
Charles C. Faunce,	1 00	Assignment,	350 00
Patrick Malone,	85		
Andrew Norton,	33 80	Undrawn,	\$6 01

District No. 7.—Asa C. Hammond, Surveyor.

James T. Churchill,	\$37 70	Joseph S. Cushman,	\$11 90
Daniel Bisbee,	39 10	Richard J. Smith,	18 70
Samuel Fuller,	18 70	Patrick W. Smith,	6 80
Smith Fuller,	15 30	John Smith,	10 20
George Cushman,	53 38	Sylvanus Bryant,	35 60
James H. Cushman,	42 60	Reuben C. Paine,	2 81
Joseph T. Cushman,	19 30	Edward Holmes,	7 81
Fred. L. Cushman,	8 50	Patrick Smith,	56
Mercy Cushman,	12 00	Lyman T. Cushman,	1 70
John Cushman,	33 15	William A. Wadsworth,	3 10
Otis Churchill,	19 30	George Cushman 2d,	6 80
Eliezer Faunce,	19 20	Elisha Stetson,	5 00
Henry T. Stetson,	9 18	Josiah T. Cook,	40
John F. Holmes,	45 05		
Chester E. Hammond,	31 85		\$631 05
Asa C. Hammond,	73 20	Assignment,	650 00
Henry T. Cook,	13 50		
William R. Thomas,	3 40	Unexpended,	\$15 95
Richard E. Holmes,	25 50		

District No. 8.—Daniel Weston, Surveyor.

Edwin Cooke,	\$45 21	Daniel W. Ring,	\$5 95
Timothy R. Weston,	5 75	Henry Sturtevant,	4 25
James O. Everson,	35 93	Estate Henry Sturtevant,	7 81

District No. 8.—Continued.

Martin Cooke,	\$70 52	Rebecca M. Bradford,	\$2 10
Dennis J. Callahan,	11 90	Deborah Everson,	68
Estate of Martin Cooke,	11 01	George Brackett,	6 68
Ransom Mitchell,	11 50	Noah Prince,	36 70
George Morse,	5 10		
Edward Holmes,	7 00		\$352 28
Daniel Weston,	17 49	Assignment,	350 00
Rufus King,	13 60		
Edward Sherman,	6 00	Overdrawn,	\$2 28
Fred G. Brackett,	13 91		

District No. 9.—Henry T. Cook, Surveyor.

Henry T. Cook,	\$15 20	William R. Thomas,	\$15 30
Martin Faunce,	20 10	John F. Holmes,	3 10
Joseph S. Cushman,	10 20		\$91 50
		Assignment,	100 00
		Unexpended,	\$5 50

REMOVING SNOW.

District No. 1.

James B. Pierce,	\$3 12	Michael McManus,	\$1 30
Samuel W. Gray,	3 30	William Bradford,	1 45
Arthur W. Pierce,	2 37	Philander Cobb 2d,	1 00
Charles C. Delano,	2 22	Herbert Cobb,	70
Frank D. Cushman,	1 30	William Carr,	60
H. N. Blanchard,	2 17	William H. Donley,	1 40
Obed Ripley,	1 47	James Kennedy, Jr.,	1 30
John Smith,	50	William Collins,	2 80
Dennis Haggerty,	50	N. L. Savery,	2 70

District No. 1.—Continued.

Charles H. Washburn,	\$10 95	Richard Devine,	\$1 35
Hiram Sanapson,	2 32	Oscar F. Wixon,	1 40
A. T. Douglass,	1 92	Chester H. Fuller,	1 30
J. C. Crossen,	2 80	John Griffin,	1 50
Michael Callahan,	2 80	F. Hayward,	1 30
Patrick O'Brien,	75	Charles Lapham,	1 40
William Haggerty,	1 30	James Fuller,	20
Patrick Haggerty,	1 30	Joshua Delano, Jr.,	1 30
Thomas Tobin,	1 30	J. M. McGrate,	1 30
Giles Rickard,	90	E. E. Hayward,	1 30
Dennis Carey,	1 10	E. G. Brown,	1 20
J. C. Callahan,	1 30	Henry Brewster,	90
Edwin Cushman,	1 30		
Patrick Smith,	1 95		\$78 24
Allen McDonald,	90		

District No. 2.

Dennis Hawey,	\$6 61	Lewis Ripley,	\$4 50
Robert Eager,	2 04	Charles McCarty,	1 35
Edward Holmes,	7 74	John McGrath,	90
Michael McManus,	2 43	Edward D. Chandler,	90
N. D. Drew,	1 00	John Abearne,	60
Dennis Carey,	1 00	William McGuire,	50
John Obblum,	1 35	David Delano,	60
John Murray,	2 40		
Eli Wilson,	2 63		\$39 21
Martin Farrington,	2 18		

District No. 3.

Horace J. Chandler,	\$2 25	Seth W. Faunce,	\$2 75
Robert Eager,	75	Lutlier Clifford,	2 70
George T. Adams,	50	Albert Faunce,	3 50

District No. 3.—Continued.

A. L. Faunce,	\$5 30	J. A. Stranger,	\$11 40
S. W. Faunce,	2 60	Nathan Chandler,	50
C. D. Bartlett,	2 60	Abbot Chandler,	80
Samner Bradford,	2 80	William Eldridge,	80
Eli C. Drew,	1 80		
J. H. Stetson,	1 00		\$12 05

District No. 4.

William A. Finney,	\$1 72	Herman J. Peterson,	\$2 00
Charles Washburn,	1 00	Daniel F. Howland,	2 40
Charles E. Low,	3 40	P. W. McLaughlin,	2 00
Darius Westgate,	1 00	John Bonney,	1 60
Wendell Simmons,	80	John F. Hall,	80
Augustus Simmons,	1 00		
Esaias Peterson,	2 00		\$25 72

District No. 5.

Frank T. Drake,	\$2 55	Oliver S. Bryant,	\$2 40
Marlin Drake,	1 42	Everett Bryant,	2 40
J. S. Sturtevant,	1 50	Charles Bryant,	1 70
John F. Hall,	2 40	William B. Bryant,	2 40
John Kelly,	2 80	P. O. Simmons,	3 50
James Donahue,	2 80		
E. F. Simmons,	3 20		\$32 87
Franklin Reed,	80		

District No. 6.

George Faunce,	\$2 65	E. E. Waterman,	\$1 00
Andrew Norton,	7 11	Eugene O'Brien,	90
Josiah T. Cook,	8 22	Jose Hernandez,	2 60
Walter H. Faunce,	1 00	F. H. Holmes,	2 77
J. C. Soule,	2 20		
W. H. Maubey,	1 00		\$30 65
Linus Faunce,	90		

DISTRICT No. 7.

J. H. Cushman,	\$1 65	C. E. Hammond,	\$1 40
J. T. Churchill,	1 40	Ephraim Pratt,	50
Otis Churchill,	1 40	A. M. Cushman,	1 20
J. H. Bryant,	1 40	A. C. Hammond,	1 40
George Cushman,	1 40	Fred. Cushman,	1 20
S. W. Nutter,	1 40	George Bryant,	1 40
John F. Holmes,	1 40	Daniel Bisbee,	50
Henry T. Cook,	1 40	Eliezer Farnce,	40
Richard E. Holmes,	50		
William R. Thomas,	1 40		\$21 35

DISTRICT No. 8.

Martin Cook,	\$1 75	George Brackett,	\$1 00
L. T. Hayward,	1 50	W. B. Wright,	1 25
Rufus King,	1 50	D. W. Ring,	1 50
R. W. Holmes,	1 50	Daniel Weston,	2 50
J. O. Everson,	1 50		
Neah Prince,	1 75		\$20 00
G. F. Cook,	1 25		

SPECIAL REPAIRS.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Robert Eager,	\$2 40	Charles McCarty,	\$1 12
Edward Holmes,	5 00	William McGuire,	1 12
M. McManis,	2 40	Stephen Holmes,	3 00
John Murray,	2 40		
Lewis Ripley,	3 60		\$24 04

DISTRICT No. 3.

Thomas Newcomb,	\$6 48	Day & Collins, pipe,	\$36 00
Luther Clifford,	2 50	Old Colony R. R., freight,	5 60
J. A. Stranger,	7 50		
			\$58 08

Amounts brought forward,—

Highway District No. 1, snow,	\$78 21
" " " 2, snow,	39 21
" " " 3, snow,	42 05
" " " 4, snow,	25 72
" " " 5, snow,	32 57
" " " 6, snow,	30 65
" " " 7, snow,	24 35
" " " 8, snow,	20 00
" " " 2, special repairs,	24 04
" " " 3, special repairs,	58 08

Expended,	\$375 21
Appropriation,	500 00

Unexpended,	\$124 79
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SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

WAGES OF TEACHERS.

C. E. Riddle,	\$1,400 00	N. F. Bosworth,	\$312 00
C. D. Russell,	380 00	C. A. Bryant,	112 00
M. B. Burgess,	342 00	O. M. Simmons,	192 00
M. H. White,	342 00	J. A. Hammond,	108 00
N. F. Harrub,	231 00		
			\$3,452 00

Appropriation,	\$3,000 00
State school fund,	175 00
Dog licenses,	125 15
Tuition of non-residents,	63 00
	\$3,363 15
Overdrawn,	\$58 85

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Burges & Keith, books and stationery,	\$101 96
John Eldridge, labor at school houses,	6 67
C. E. Bidler, frames for drawings,	16 91
W. H. Fauce, cash paid for sundries,	1 31
Elmer Fauce, minerals for High school,	10 00
H. C. Kendell, filling diplomas,	1 75
Robert Torrey, lettering diplomas,	2 00
Stephen Holmes, labor and stock,	7 10
M. McManus, mat,	3 00

\$150 73

Appropriation, 150 00

Overdrawn, 73

FUEL AND CARE OF SCHOOL-ROOMS.

Robert Eager, care of fires and school-rooms,	\$3 50
C. H. Stetson, " " "	7 00
L. E. Wanl, " " "	3 00
G. K. Marshall, " " "	7 00
Hiram Eldridge, " " "	7 50
S. B. Sampson, " " "	3 25
Jose Hernandez, " " "	60 00
Charles McCarty, cleaning outhouse,	1 50
Mrs. McCarty, cleaning school-room,	2 00
Susan Bryant, " " "	3 50
Eli C. Drew, wood,	2 00
C. C. Fauce, "	13 50
Asa C. Hammond, wood,	11 50
J. T. Cook, " "	3 00
P. W. McLaughlin, wood, sawing and housing,	22 05
P. Cobb, " " "	21 63
J. A. Stranger, " " "	22 50

John Eldridge, sawing and housing wood,	\$3 75
Willie Cook, " " "	4 87
C. R. Stranger, " " "	1 00

\$207 06

250 00

Appropriation,

Unexpended, \$12 94

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

William H. Myrick, stock and labor,	\$41 44
H. B. Marshall, " "	40 00
P. W. McLaughlin, " "	11 53
P. Cobb, " "	24 99
Lewis Ripley, " "	13 60
C. T. Fauce, " "	4 00
J. S. Robbins, " "	10 20
J. S. Thompson, " "	9 11
G. H. Clark, " "	3 26
George Phillips, " "	1 50
Lambert, Brothers, glass,	5 60
Burges & Keith, paints,	7 12
Wallace Bonney, repairing blackboards,	11 55
W. A. Martin, hinges for High school house,	10 00
Stephen Holmes, hanging doors,	3 00
J. A. Stranger, labor on lot,	2 00
Asa C. Hammond, labor,	12 76
C. E. Hammond, " "	7 65
Daniel Bisbee, " "	5 95
John Cushman, " "	3 40
William A. Wadsworth, painting,	7 50

\$236 44

250 00

Appropriation,

Unexpended, \$13 56

CONVEYANCE OF CHILDREN.

C. H. Sampson,	\$206 40
	200 00
4	Overdrawn, 86 40

SUPPORT OF POOR.

ALMSHOUSE EXPENSES.

Edward Holmes, supplies,	\$63 23
J. H. Stetson, "	2 62
Hunt & Sampson, "	38 65
Burges & Keith, "	5 07
Edwin Powers, "	95
G. A. Whiting, "	11 96
Evans & Atwood, "	20 55
Old Colony Co. Association, supplies,	189 47
F. B. Washburn, "	16 45
Francis Spraul, "	13 06
Philander Cobb, "	50 72
Edward Willis, "	7 55
Stephen Holmes, "	4 50
Maria Powers, services as house-keeper,	35 75
Mrs. F. Spraul, "	62 70
Lucy B. Everson, "	63 32
William H. Myrick, hardware,	2 35
N. D. Drew, labor,	1 00
Edwin Cushman, cutting wood,	13 00
Hiram Sampson, "	12 50
George W. Cushman, shoes,	4 65
George H. Clark, repairs,	12 81
D. G. Eldridge, sharpening saws,	50
Sarah A. Sampson, cleaning house,	4 00
A. B. Watnman, repairing shoes,	1 00
William C. Hall, medical attendance,	16 00
H. N. Jones, " "	5 00
	\$650 92

EXPENSES OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Hunt & Sampson, supplies for R. A. Drew,	\$11 78
Evans & Atwood, " "	1 90
Philander Cobb, " "	11 95
Burges & Keith, " "	7 66
Old Colony Co. Association, supplies for R. A. Drew,	43 72
George W. McLaughlin, supplies for P. Sullivan,	2 00
Burges & Keith, " "	1 00
Hunt & Sampson, " "	10 00
Old Colony Co. Association, supplies for P. Sullivan,	32 43
Philander Cobb, " "	9 00
Burges & Keith, supplies for Mrs. Smith Fuller,	5 57
Old Colony Co. Association, supplies for Mrs. Smith Fuller,	21 80
Burges & Keith, supplies for F. A. Pratt,	15 00
Edward Gray, wood for Eli Joyce,	9 50
P. Cobb, " "	5 00
W. H. H. Bryant, supplies for Carroll Washburn,	7 93
Town of Pembroke, " Mrs. William Churchill,	27 25
Town of Abington, " Joseph Pratt,	123 00
George H. Clark, stove for Mrs. O'Brien,	5 00
Old Colony Co. Association, supplies for Mrs. O'Brien,	1 28
Town of East Bridgewater, supplies for Mrs. Fitzpatrick,	21 92
William C. Hall, medical attendance on Laura Westgate,	10 00
Edwin Powers, expenses to Boston,	2 50
Lunatic Hospital, Brattleboro, support of D. Lucas,	225 00
Lunatic Hospital, Taunton, " Sarah H. Faunce,	198 96
Lunatic Hospital " " Nathaniel Cobb,	97 55
Expenses out of Alms-house,	\$953 63
Alms-house expenses,	650 92
Expended,	\$1,604 55
Appropriation,	1,600 00
Overdrawn,	\$4 55

TRAMPS.

The number of tramps lodged at the "Poor Farm" during the year ending March 1, 1878, was 128, being a reduction of about twenty-three per cent. from last year. Probably one cause of this result may be found in the fact that the Overseers have declined to furnish them with accommodations superior to those within the reach of some of our own citizens who pay taxes, as we think has been done in previous years.

POLICE.

George H. Sampson, services in 1876-7.	\$100 00
George H. Bonney, " in 1877-8, in part,	25 00
Cyrus W. Ripley, " " "	25 00
Joseph S. Robbins, " " "	25 00
Patrick O'Brien, " " "	25 00
	\$200 00
Appropriation,	200 00

While there continue to be in our midst even a few individuals so ill-taught as to deem rowdyism manly, and so ill-bred as to find pleasure in disturbing the peace of quiet people, or in insulting unprotected women by profanity and obscenity, an annual appropriation for Police seems to be a necessity. The town having made no appointment of officers in connection with the appropriation made at the last annual meeting, the Selectmen, after repeated appeals, and in accordance with the statutes, designated Messrs. Bonney, Ripley, Robbins and O'Brien to act as policemen during the year, for the same aggregate compensation formerly paid to one. We think they have endeavored to discharge faithfully the unpleasant duties of their office, and that they have succeeded in doing so to the general acceptance of all order-loving citizens.

FISHERIES.

E. E. Waterman, labor on fishways,	\$11 50
T. E. Waterman, " "	5 00
Marcello Newcomb, " "	3 15
Samuel Fuller,	3 00
Oliver S. Bryant,	2 00
Able S. Bradford, services on committee,	5 00
John F. Holmes, " "	2 50
	\$31 15
Appropriation,	100 00
Unexpended,	\$68 85

In accordance with a vote of the town, the alewife fishery in Smelt Brook was sold at public auction to Cobb & Drew, for five years, at one hundred and one dollars per year, the lessees to stock the pond with not less than ten thousand (10,000) living alewives annually. The rent for the first year has been duly paid to the Treasurer.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

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

TOWN HALL.

Paid—	
Contractors, as per original contract,	\$1,822 54
For steam heating, strengthening floor, and other extras,	627 79
James T. Churchill, labor grading lot,	16 50
Edward D. Chandler, " " "	16 62
John Oldham, " " "	9 37

Edward Holmes, team grading lot,	\$2 50
Nathan Chandler, team and labor,	14 00
George H. Clark, stove, pipe, tinning steps, etc.,	13 15
William H. Myrick, stove, pipe and ware,	19 10
L. Morse & Sons, twenty settees,	112 00
A. G. Whitecomb, settees,	70 00
Binges & Keith, chairs, tables and other furniture,	100 31
Whidden & Co., office table,	15 00
A. H. Allen, office chairs,	13 50
Old Colony Railroad, freight bills,	9 23
Brooks' Express,	1 40
E. Robinson, duplicate keys,	3 00
J. A. Holmes, labor, stock, and cash paid,	50 50
Joseph Holmes, labor furnishing Hall,	8 00
Thomas E. Waterman, labor furnishing Hall,	3 50
Stephen Holmes, " " "	2 00
M. W. Pierce, lamps and fixtures,	112 00
C. E. Bailey, iron-work,	1 00
C. P. Drew & Son, iron-work,	1 10
Hunt & Sampson, brackets,	1 65
W. A. Martin, hooks,	1 05
George W. Bonney, painting hearse-house, desks, etc.,	18 31
C. G. Grant, printing specifications,	12 00
Avery & Doten, advertising,	5 00
M. McMann, door mats,	12 00

 \$6,133 65

Appropriation for hall,	\$5,000 00
Appropriation for heating, furnishing, etc.,	1,000 00
Received for old materials sold,	51 71

 \$6,051 71

Ovenhau,

\$81 91

The committee appointed at the last annual meeting to raise, move, enlarge and remodel the Town Hall, report: That, on raising the Hall, the floor-timbers were unexpectedly found insufficient to sustain safely a full audience over a ten-foot basement story, and it became necessary to so strengthen them that the floor of the main hall should be perfectly safe under any possible pressure. This has been fully accomplished, but at an expenditure of upwards of fifty dollars, for which, and for the cost of moving and repainting the hearse-house, no provision was made in the appropriation.

In grading and fencing the lot and furnishing the building, we endeavored to avoid all questionable outlays, and we have accordingly left undone some things which might have been wisely done had the appropriation been larger.

As the bill of the architect, Mr. Briggs, for drawings, plans, specifications, etc., was mainly contracted under a vote passed in 1876, a year before the appropriation was made for building the hall, we have not included it in the foregoing account of expenditure of appropriations of 1877.

We annex a copy of the certificate accompanying the heating apparatus.

We think it safe to say that the town has now a public building, finished, furnished and paid for, which in respect to capacity and convenience, will compare favorably with any, in any town of its size in the State.

JOSEPH S. BEAL,
ALDEN S. BRADFORD,
JOSEPH A. HOLMES,
HORATIO ADAMS,
GEORGE FAUNCE,
L. H. KEITH,
A. H. SAMPSON,
JOSHUA DELANO,

Committee.

EAST BOSTON, NOV. 6, 1877

This is to certify that we have made one boiler, 36 inches in diameter, 6 feet high; containing 60 tubes 2 inches in diameter, 4 feet long. Outside $\frac{1}{4}$ thick; furnace $\frac{5}{8}$ thick. Said boiler when completed was tested to 150 pounds cold water pressure, and with proper care is safe at a working pressure of 100 pounds steam.

The boiler was made for C. R. Blackman & Co., of Lynn, and was shipped direct from our works to Town Hall, Kingston, Mass.

E. HODGE & CO.,

Builders of Boilers

STATE AID.

Eliza B. Sherman, twelve months,	\$48 00
Mary L. Taylor, "	48 00
Margaret O'Rourke, "	48 00
Mary McGuire, "	48 00
Nancy Harlow, "	48 00
Laura Westgate, "	48 00
John C. Bagnell, "	54 00
Sarah Bagnell, "	24 00
Joseph S. Robbins, "	72 00

\$438 00

Appropriation, 400 00

Overdrawn, \$38 00

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

W. R. Ellis, services as Superintendent of Schools, 1876-7.	\$250 00
Cyrus W. Ripley " Constable, "	600
Spencer Drew, " Overseer of Poor, "	9 00
Edwin Powers, " " " "	100 00
William F. Soule, " ringing bell, "	2 00

Edward Gray, services and expenses as Selectman, 1876-7.	\$110 00
Alden S. Bradford, " " " "	110 00
John F. Holmes, " " " "	105 00
Nathan Brooks, " " as Town Clerk, "	40 00
Henry Brewster, balance of account as Fish Committee,	39 75
Nathan Brooks, care of Town house,	3 00
Mrs. A. B. Foster, housing carts,	2 00
Avery & Doten, printing town reports,	\$6 75
Avery & Doten, printing bills, orders, posters, etc.,	17 00
Doane & Greenough, blank books for Treasurer,	10 50
Henry B. Paine, blank book for list of voters,	50
Alden S. Bradford, services as Assessor,	100 00
John F. Holmes, " " " "	100 00
William S. Adams, " " " "	100 00
William S. Danforth, insurance on Town house,	125 75
William S. Danforth, " on High school house,	\$8 25
Peleg T. Brooks, express bills,	10 35
S. W. McLanthen, rent and fuel,	25 00
Burges & Keith, school books,	58 65
A. H. Sampson, services as auctioneer,	3 00

\$1,502 80

Appropriation, 1,400 00

Overdrawn, \$102 80

TOWN TREASURY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in the treasury, March 1, 1877,	\$3,721 96
Outstanding taxes, of 1877, collected,	131 49
Nathan Chandler, use of Town house,	50 00
A. S. Bradford, sale of carts, harnesses, etc.,	143 40
George B. Fuller, pedler's license,	6 00

Plymouth National Bank, temporary loan,	\$3,000 00
Joseph S. Beal, temporary loan,	750 00
Nathan Chandler, stone sold,	45 29
Town of Wareham, relief of T. A. Pratt and family,	72 00
State Treasurer, Corporation tax,	2,021 27
State Treasurer, National bank tax,	2,470 03
State Treasurer, State aid,	412 50
State Treasurer, school fund,	175 00
County Treasurer, dog fund,	125 15
Cobb & Drew, rent of fishery,	101 00
P. Cobb, windows sold,	3 50
W. R. Ellis, tuition of non-resident scholars,	63 00
Assessment of taxes and school books,	17,732 96
	\$31,030 55

EXPENDITURES.

John Morrissey, County tax,	\$1,511 15
Charles Endicott, State tax,	1,395 00
Highway District, orders,	3,542 95
Snow and special repairs, orders,	375 21
Frank H. Holmes, road, "	1,482 55
Ford road, "	412 03
Wages of teachers, "	3,452 00
School incidentals, "	160 01
Fuel and care of school rooms, orders,	207 06
Repairs of school houses, "	236 44
Conveyance of children, "	206 40
Alms-house expenses, "	650 92
Support of outside poor, "	953 63
Building trap house, "	117 59
Police, "	200 00
Fisheries, "	31 15
Treasurer and Collector, "	275 00

Town Hall, orders,	\$6,133 65
State aid, orders,	138 00
Contingent, orders,	1,502 80
L. Biggs, plans &c., for Town hall,	198 90
Plymouth National Bank, loan and interest,	3,037 50
Joseph S. Beal, loan,	750 00
Charles Endicott, error in Corporation tax,	22 01
Abatement of taxes and school books,	27 19
Uncollected taxes of 1877,	130 76
Bounties on crows, hawks and woodchucks,	74 40
Balance in treasury, March 1, 1878,	\$28,151 69
	2,575 86
	\$31,030 55

For the ensuing year we recommend appropriations as follows:

Repairs of highways,	\$3,000 00
Removing snow, and special repairs,	500 00
Repair of Green road,	300 00
Wages of teachers,	3,000 00
Repairs of school houses,	250 00
Fuel and care of school houses,	250 00
School incidentals,	150 00
Conveyance of children,	200 00
Contingencies,	1,500 00
Support of poor,	1,600 00
State aid,	150 00
Treasurer and Collector,	275 00
Police,	200 00
Fisheries,	50 00
	\$11,725 00

The receipts into the treasury from the Corporation and Bank taxes proved to be less than the estimates made a year ago by about seven hundred dollars, and we see no reason why the receipts from these sources will not continue to diminish. We think it unsafe to estimate the amount for the ensuing year at more than four thousand dollars. Deducting that sum from the amount recommended as above, and there will remain to be raised by taxation seven thousand seven hundred and twenty-five (\$7,725) dollars, giving a probable rate of about eight dollars per thousand.

Annual meeting for 1878, March 25, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

ALDEN S. BRADFORD, } *Selects*
JOHN F. HOLMES, } *of*
WILLIAM S. ADAMS, } *Kingston.*

MARRIAGES.

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KINGSTON IN 1877.

- Jan. 6. Wilbur T. Keene of Pembroke and Emma M. Collins of Kingston.
Feb. 1. Barker Baker of Abington and Helen A. Maglathlin of Kingston.
March 16. George W. Holmes and Hattie M. Peterson, both of Plymouth.
May 2. Josiah Cushman and Cynthia Freeman, both of Kingston.
June 19. Alden W. Chandler and Corinna A. Peterson, both of Duxbury.
Oct. 29. George S. Low and Mary W. Chandler, both of Duxbury.
June 21. George S. Atwood and Angeline Holmes, both of Kingston.
Aug. 1. Frederick L. Wright and Jessie F. Nesmith, both of Plympton.
Oct. 24. Clarence O. Cobb of Kingston and Alice T. Alden of Duxbury.
Nov. 3. Seth Wilber and Edna E. Pratt, both of Plympton.
Nov. 8. Samuel Stephens of Boston and Maria A. Cook of Kingston.

Number of deaths recorded in Kingston in 1877. 29

Males, 14

Females, 15

Number of births registered in Kingston in 1877. 23

Males, 13

Females, 10

NATHAN BROOKS, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KINGSTON IN 1877.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.	Sex or Person.
		Y.	M.	D.		
January 1st.	Thimble French.	66	6	11	Old age.	Female.
January 20.	Blair S. Brown.	71	11	6	Old age.	Male.
February 21.	John Mitchell.	71	11	6	Consumption.	Male.
March 1.	William S. Bartlett.	50	3	8	Erysipelas and apoplexy.	Male.
March 1.	Alvin Miller.	70	6	10	Apoplexy and paralysis.	Male.
March 1.	Sarah Lamm.	77	10	27	Pneumonia.	Female.
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April 21.	Frank J. Washburn.	20	11	11	Consumption.	Male.
April 21.	Anna E. Washburn.	20	11	11	Consumption.	Female.
May 10.	John Drew.	87	10	24	Old age.	Male.
May 18.	Amie L. Keith.	70	2	12	Paralysis and dropsy.	Female.
May 21.	Henry Sturtevant.	70	2	12	Hyperemia of the heart.	Male.
June 6.	John A. Fuller.	66	8	7	Infantile.	Male.
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June 9.	Sarah Myrick.	17	1	1	Colic.	Female.
July 11.	Lach A. Warren.	60	7	28	Apoplexy.	Male.
July 11.	Mary Carr.	26	4	23	Paraperic convulsions.	Female.
August 10.	Madison Holmes.	24	6	3	Paraperic convulsions.	Male.
August 25.	Sarah Cobb.	61	5	18	Organic disease of stomach.	Female.
August 25.	Evelyn Bradford.	22	11	2	Old age.	Female.
August 25.	John M. Fuller.	22	11	2	Consumption of the blood.	Male.
September 13.	Ruth Cushman.	82	8	27	Diarrhea.	Female.
September 24.	Albert Chandler.	29	5	26	Disease of the liver.	Male.
October 15.	Harriet Chandler.	81	5	26	Paralysis.	Female.
October 22.	Harriet Chandler.	81	5	26	Paralysis.	Female.
November 14.	Asa Cushman.	70	6	10	Typhoid fever.	Male.
November 22.	Frederic C. Bryant.	48	7	10	Scurvy.	Male.

NATHAN ALCOCK, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
OF THE
Town of Kingston,
FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1877-78.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

	Term Expires.
VANZER E. FAUNCE, <i>Chairman</i> , - - -	1880
PHILEMON M. LAUTHLIN, - - -	1880
WILLIAM E. MYRICK, <i>Librarian</i> , - - -	1878
JOHN C. HAMMOND, - - -	1878
PHILANDER COBB, - - -	1879
E. E. HOLMES, - - -	1878

Superintendent of Schools,
WYLLIE R. ELLIS.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR
ENDING MARCH 9, 1878.

APPROPRIATIONS.

For teachers' wages:—	
Amount raised by tax,	\$3,000 00
Massachusetts State fund,	175 00
Dog licenses,	125 00
Tuition from non-resident scholars,	10 00
	\$3,310 00
For fuel and care of rooms,	200 00
Repairs,	300 00
Conveyance of children,	
Incidentals,	150 00
Expended for teachers' wages,	\$3,297 00
Expended for fuel and care of rooms,	251 65
Expended for repairs,	221 19
Expended for conveyance,	197 90
Expended for incidentals,	188 83
Balance unexpended,	54 22

The expense attending each school is as follows:

HIGH SCHOOL.

C. E. Bidler, teaching,	\$1,296 00
Fuel and care of house,	62 00
Repairs,	43 78
Incidentals,	83 49
	\$1,485 27

CENTER GRAMMAR.

Miss C. D. Russell, teaching,	\$370 00
Fuel and care of house,	62 00
Repairs,	11 15
Incidentals,	13 04
	\$456 19

CENTER PRIMARY.

Miss Marion B. Burgess, teaching,	\$333 00
Fuel and care of house,	34 25
Repairs,	17 20
Incidentals,	15 54
	\$399 99

ROCKY NOOK.

Miss Nellie Harrah, teaching,	\$216 00
" Isabel Hammond, "	108 00
Fuel and care of house,	24 63
Repairs,	33 24
Incidentals,	18 54
	\$400 41

STONY BROOK.

Miss Marians White, teaching,	\$333 00
Fuel and care of house,	28 75
Repairs,	16 88
Incidentals,	6 21
	\$384 84

INDIAN POND.

Miss E. F. Bosworth, teaching,	\$333 00
Fuel and care of house,	18 87
Repairs,	58 37
Incidentals,	24 94
	\$435 18

NORTH WEST.

Miss Olive Simmons, teaching,	\$309 00
Fuel and care of house,	17 15
Repairs,	14 27
Incidentals,	27 07
	\$397 49

CONVEYANCE ACCOUNT

C. H. Sampson,	\$197 90
	\$1,156 57
Balance unexpended,	54 22
	\$1,210 79

That the fuel account is overdrawn is occasioned by the appointment of a janitor for the High school building, and items heretofore charged to incidentals and repairs—for mowing, grading, care of out buildings, cleaning the house, etc., etc.—have been included in his bill.

The incidental account includes pens, ink, crayons, furnished to the several schools, books furnished to those children whose parents are unable to purchase—those charged to be returned to the Assessors. \$10 paid for geological specimens, \$24 attending the art exhibitions in Boston and Bridgewater. (At the latter the High school was awarded the first prize of \$10 for the best drawings, and one boy the prize of \$4 as a pupil.) It also includes such bills as have been charged in past time to the contingent account in the Selectmen's report.

The school accounts of the School Committee and Selectmen will not correspond, as the fiscal year of the town and the school year do not cor-

respond—the one ending with the month of February, and the other with the close of the Winter term of the schools.

We see no reason why the expenses of the ensuing year will not be about the same as in the past year, and recommend the following appropriations :

For teachers' wages.	\$3,000 00
For fuel and care of buildings.	250 00
For repairs.	250 00
For conveyance.	200 00
For incidentals.	200 00
Total.	\$3,900 00

WALTER H. FAUNCE.

Chairman of Committee.

REPORT.

FELLOW-CITIZENS :

The School Committee, through the Superintendent, offer the following report :

It is very gratifying to us to be able confidently to state that we consider the schools of Kingston in good condition, both as regards discipline and that general improvement which well governed schools usually make. There has been no necessity during the year for making any change in our corps of teachers, except in one case of resignation—a fact that speaks favorably for their faithfulness and efficiency in the performance of their duties.

In some of our schools we see a marked improvement in reading, which is showing itself on the part of pupils in greater attention to emphasis, clearness of enunciation, and a more natural rendering of what is read. This plainly indicates that the teacher does not sit idly listening to droning, indistinct, lifeless utterances—making no corrections, except it may be where a word is mispronounced, and giving no examples of a better rendering. On the contrary, it shows us that the teacher, fully alive to the importance of the work, intends to make the reading exercise such a lesson in elocution that, sooner or later, the pupil shall catch a portion, at least, of the spirit exhibited in the careful and faithful training, and thereby come to realize that reading is something more than simply repeating words as if they were columns in a spelling

book. May we continue to see such attention paid to this very important branch of education, that the improvement now somewhat long shall become *general*.

We are happy to say, also, that we see in our schools evidence of that teaching which is not confined to the text-books merely, but what is the result of that *general culture* which every progressive teacher should zealously strive to acquire. We cannot too earnestly call the attention of teachers to this subject of full and thorough preparation for the important duties they are called on to perform. If they keep view the responsibility which rests upon them, and the power they have for good or evil, they will strive to bring to the school room cultivated, disciplined minds, capable of executing a powerful and lasting influence over those entrusted to their charge.

They will thus be able (while they fail not to demand thorough work from their pupils) so to interest and *EDUCATE* them, that *TRUE PROGRESS* will be made. Under the beneficent guidance of such instructors, how often have we seen the puzzled, listless expression of the child in a school give place to a prompt, confident, careful attention that insures rapid and *real progress*!

If teachers would give this subject their best thought and persistent effort, much of the parrot-like routine of the school-room would disappear; and we feel assured that nothing would so much contribute to this desirable change as the fixed determination on the part of the teacher to become the wise, competent *guide* of those whom they are called upon to instruct.

The school buildings throughout the town we consider to be in good condition. It has been our aim to make such improvements and repairs as were absolutely necessary, in as economical a manner as possible. The plan adopted by the Committee of employing one person to take charge of the High school building is, in our opinion, a great improvement upon the method pursued in former years. The effect is plainly visible in the neat appearance of the rooms and the orderly condition of things, both inside and out of the building. This has been done at an

expense not exceeding that which has been incurred in former years for the same service.

We think our teachers generally have rendered good and efficient aid to our efforts to keep the school buildings in such a state that they shall be pleasant and comfortable for our children.

The pupils of Wapping still continue to be carried to the Indian Pond school, at an expense much less than would be incurred were we to employ a teacher for Wapping. This arrangement still meets with our unqualified approbation; and we consider the school—numbering some twenty-six pupils—in a highly prosperous condition.

At the State exhibition of drawings held last June, where the High schools of the larger cities and towns were represented, and few, if any, of the small towns, Kingston received the *second grade of award*.

The Kingston High school also received the premium of ten dollars for the best collection of drawings exhibited at the agricultural fair held at Bridgewater last September, the High schools of the county of Plymouth competing for the prize. C. C. Adams, a member of the school, received the premium of four dollars "for the best drawing in the collection." These are gratifying proofs of the excellence attained by the school in this department.

We would here call the attention of our *teachers* to a subject that we consider of great importance to the successful administration of a school. While we are decidedly opposed to any high-pressure system that demands of the pupils an effort that is so burdensome that it discourages some and injures others, and can only be endured by the best scholars of a school, we yet feel that it is possible, judiciously, to assign to a class such portions of the subject under investigation that *all* may acquire a fair amount of knowledge relative to it. A reasonable portion of the subject thus having been assigned to a class, it seems to us fair and proper that the pupils should be made to feel that, *individually*, they have duties to perform that they *must* not ignore.

We would urge, therefore, upon our teachers the *necessity of holding each member of a class responsible for a good, honest amount of work and*

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a *respectable recitation upon the subject under consideration*. We fully realize the differences of capacity that exist among the pupils of a school, and expect a fullness and clearness from some to which others cannot attain; but, simply rising in the seat and responding to the call of the teacher, in such a manner as plainly to show that little, if anything, has been done in the way of preparation, while the pupil's face seems to show—from the absence of the blush that *should* accompany failure—that there is no realizing sense of accountability there—*this* should not be tolerated.

We would have teachers aim, in *some* manner, to overcome this difficulty wherever it exists, and strive to make each pupil realize that *work must be done!* We can remember when a good wholesome *fear* of the consequences of idleness and inattention was a great incentive to *effort* on our part.

We wish it were possible for us to influence parents to take more interest in the success of the schools, and that we could create that unity of action between teacher and parents so very essential. It frequently happens that, in the struggle for the mastery that must sometimes take place in a school, the teacher is compelled to act without any moral support from the parents, and to surmount the difficulties that occur under an unjust weight of misrepresentation or exaggeration. It seems to us a duty incumbent on the parents to know all the *facts* in any case of discipline, so that no injustice may be done to pupil or teacher.

It is no slight task that the teacher is called on to perform to govern a score or two of thoughtless children, to endure idleness, inattention, restlessness, and wilfulness of temper, frequently expanding into absolute rebellion, to wholesome restraint; and it seems to us that all the moral support that it is possible for parents to render should be cheerfully given. Our teachers, too, should feel that they have a duty to perform, by striving to put themselves as much as possible in communication with parents, and doing all in their power to *create* an interest in the success of the school. The idle or indifferent pupil can frequently be aroused when he sees his teacher in communication with his parents,

and feels that all his movements at school are well known and understood at home. The importance, therefore, of sympathy and unity of action between teacher and parents should be well understood and appreciated.

At the close of the Summer term of the High school the following pupils received diplomas:

Miss Marilla Barlow,	Walter B. Ames,
Miss Minnie E. Sampson,	R. M. Jones,
Miss M. A. Bailey,	R. A. Simmons.

The amount due for tuition by non-resident pupils, sixty-three (\$63) dollars, a part of which was unpaid at the close of last year, has been collected and paid to the Town Treasurer.

The Spring term of the schools will commence Monday, April 8.

In conclusion, fellow-citizens, we see no reason why a generous measure of success should not attend our schools in the future. With teachers animated by the spirit of progress, not feeling that they have *attained unto perfection*, but zealous in their determination to correct whatsoever may be faulty in their methods of teaching; with liberal appropriations, enabling us to employ teachers of skill and experience, the schools of Kingston should be, in all respects, a cause of pride to our citizens, and an ever increasing source of improvement and blessing to our children.

For the Committee,

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

KINGSTON, March 4, 1878.

APPENDIX I.

STATISTICS OF ATTENDANCE IN THE KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR TEN YEARS.

YEAR.	NAMES OF PRINCIPALS.	FROM WHAT COLLEGE GRADUATED.	NUMBER ATTENDANCE						PER CENT.		
			Sp'ring	Fall	Win.	Sp'ring	Fall	Win.	Sp'ring	Fall	Win.
1867-68....	Benjamin Worme	Amherst.....	35	40	44	45	42	36	32	31	32
1868-69....	Benjamin Worme	Amherst.....	49	26	37	31	32	27	20	20	23
1869-70....	Adrian G. Smith	Harvard.....	50	28	40	48	31	22	27	21	22
1870-71....	George L. Chandler	Bowdoin.....	44	28	37	39	34	23	20	20	20
1871-72....	{ George L. Chandler { Horatio B. Lawrence	{ Bowdoin..... { Bowdoin.....	{ 39 5	{ 41 5	{ 45 5	{ 37.5 5	{ 38 5	{ 31 5	{ 26 5	{ 23 5	{ 21 5
1872-73....	C. C. Sheldon	Harvard.....	29	33	38	25	47	41	26	28	25
1873-74....	{ C. C. Sheldon { G. E. Fowler	{ Harvard..... { Bowdoin.....	{ 31 5	{ 35 5	{ 16 5	{ 27 5	{ 31 5	{ 40 5	{ 28 5	{ 26 5	{ 27 5
1874-75....	C. E. Rider	Tufts.....	53	51	58	47	46	49	28	30	25
1875-76....	C. E. Rider	Tufts.....	45	38	44	41	37	41	31	27.5	23
1876-77....	C. E. Rider	Tufts.....	50	50	53	47	49	50	35	36	35
1877-78....	C. E. Rider	Tufts.....	40	53	51	58	50	47	34	35	32