

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

NAMES OF TEACHERS.	WHOLE ATTENDANCE.		AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.		PER CENT. OF ATTENDANCE.				MAY 1 (1884) DAILY.	MAY 1 (1884) WEEKLY.	WAGES.
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Both.				
Charles E. Hibler	47	4	26	26	55	33	44	26	26	\$1,110 00	
Catherine D. Russell	25	38	26	26	55	52	54	27	27	270 00	
Marion B. Burgess	41	42	40	41	55	55	55	25	25	375 00	
Susan B. Robertson	41	41	39	39	55	49	52	25	25	286 00	
Mary L. Whitchee	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	105 00	
Alair F. Bouney	1	55	26	1	1	1	1	23	23	250 00	
Mary B. Crocker	31	31	31	31	55	55	55	31	31	333 00	
Isabella A. Hammond	13	13	12	12	45	45	45	12	12	133 00	
Totals	227	221	222	222	53	50	51	21	21	\$2,270 00	

The schools, with one exception, have been kept thirty-seven weeks each.

Aggregate, sixty-four and one-half months.

The whole number of children in Town, May 1, 1887, between the ages of five and fifteen was 127.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Town of Kingston

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28TH

1884.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF KINGSTON

FOR THE

Financial Year Ending February 28th,

1884.

WITH THE REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1883-84.

BOSTON:

GEO. B. KING, PRINTER,

105 SUMMER ST.,

1884.

REPORT.

ASSESSMENT OF TAXES

Valuation of Personal Estate	\$824,720 00
Valuation of Real Estate	754,320 00
Total Valuation	<u>\$1,579,040 00</u>

Rate of Taxation per \$1000, \$5 80.

Number of Polls, 484.

State Tax \$1 00	} Poll Tax \$2 00.
County 1 00	

Town tax	\$6,500 00
County tax	1,787 13
State tax	1,665 00
Overlay	<u>158 80</u>
Total for Collection	<u>\$10,110 93</u>

Number of horses taxed	222
Number of cows taxed	174
Number of dwelling houses taxed	361
Number of acres of land taxed	<u>10,377</u>

Taxes for 1883.

Adams, William S.	\$655 14	Adams, Joseph	\$2 50
Adams, Abigail H.	211 12	Ames, Benjamin F.	2 50
Adams, Geo. T. Est. of	235 28	Atwell, Samuel Jr.	2 50
Adams, Horatio	59 71	Atwell, Charles F.	3 16
Adams, Eveline	32 59	Ahearne, John	5 47
Adams, Horatio and A. H. Sampson, trustees		Atwood, E. Elbridge	4 61
Est. of F. C. Adams,	176 32	Atwood, Horace	2 72
Adams, Henry L.	11 28	Allen, George H.	1 50
Adams, Charles H.	2 00	Allen, Albert L.	2 50
Brewster, Eliza	\$7 40	Bryant, Nathaniel	\$ 7 95
Brewster, Henry	3 01	Bryant, Warren L.	3 16
Brewster, C. D., heirs of	5 22	Bailey, Nahum	30 71
Brewster, Ann, heirs of	4 06	Bailey, Cynthia C.	8 47
Brewster, Spencer	17 66	Bailey, Justus A.	10 09
Brewster, Ernest E. W.	6 64	Bailey, Frederic C.	4 90
Bartlett, Lysander	17 23	Bailey, Caleb E.	31 41
Bartlett, Clement D.	2 00	Bailey, Ellsworth C.	2 00
Bartlett, Isabel	6 38	Bradford, Alden S.	12 15
Bartlett, Susan	11 02	Bradford, Lydia, heirs of	1 45
Bartlett, Lloyd G. est. of	11 60	Bradford, George B.	2 50
Bonney, John	4 17	Bradford, Ames P.	2 00
Bonney, Charles F. A.	5 48	Bradford, William	5 12
Bonney, Wallace	2 00	Bradford, Horace S.	14 16
Bonney, George H. Jr.	5 48	Bradford, Sumner	2 00
Bryant, Charles E.	4 81	Bradford, Rebecca M.	7 25
Bryant, Edgar W.	2 00	Bradford, George A.	4 32

Bradford, Edmund	2 00	Brooks, Peleg T.	20 27
Bradford, Cornelius	8 96	Buck, Frederic W.	2 00
Bates, Caleb	47 68	Badger, Edward Y.	2 00
Baker, Otis	48 98	Baker, Otis Jr.	2 00
Bryant, Sylvanus	14 73	Baker, Manlius	2 00
Bryant, George W.	2 00	Baker, Thatcher	8 38
Bryant, James H.	4 17	Baker, Sidney	2 00
Bryant, Dolly B.	8 70	Baker, Granville	10 99
Bryant, George B.	4 84	Bagnell, John C.	10 12
Bryant, Oliver H.	2 00	Barker, Sally	7 11
Bryant, William B.	2 58	Barnes, John	2 23
Beare, Ichabod	3 45	Brackett, Fred. G.	14 76
Beare, John heirs of	4 35	Blanchard, Harriet N.	2 90
Beyles, Antonio	1 74	Blanchard, Henry N.	2 87
Beyles, Antonio Jr.	2 00	Blanchard, Herbert	2 00
Beyles, Charles B.	2 00	Blanchard, Elliot W.	6 64
Beal, Joseph S. and wife	407 56	Berry, Roscoe G.	5 48
Beal, Joseph S. trustee of Walker Estate,	119 19	Benson, Stephen	2 00
Beal, Joseph S. trustee Est. of C. W. Shipherd,	19 72	Breach, Henry F.	2 00
Bisbee, Daniel	4 32	Burges, William H.	17 95
Bisbee, Daniel heirs of	5 07	Burges, William T.	2 00
Becknell, George S.	58	Burges & Keith,	115 42
Brown, David	18 68	Burgess, Marion B. & sister	3 48
Brown, William	2 00	Bumpus, Charles A.	2 00
Brown, Robert A.	2 00	Bunker, Edward	8 09
Brown, Edward G.	13 60	Bunker, Nathaniel H.	2 00
Bowker, Davis W.	3 74	Burns, Ebenezer E.	6 35
		Burns, Hiram H.	2 00
Chandler, Nathan	22 47	Chandler, Claude M.	2 00
Chandler, Edward D.	42 89	Chandler, John S.	7 65
Chandler, Horace J.	19 63	Chandler, Abigail	2 64

Chandler, John F.	\$ 2 00	Cook, Benjamin, Est. of	5 12 76
Chandler, Algernon S.	48 75	Cook, Josiah T.	16 76
Carey, Dennis	5 25	Cook, Josiah	2 00
Clark, George H.	16 79	Cook, Mary W.	4 25
Callahan, Thomas	13 46	Cook, Henry T.	17 37
Callahan, William	2 00	Cobb, Martin, heirs of	8 41
Callahan, Michael T.	2 00	Cobb, Herbert W.	2 29
Callahan, James	2 00	Cobb, Philander, 2nd	2 00
Childs, Abner P.	2 00	Cobb, Benjamin, Est. of	93 67
Childs, Charles H.	2 00	Cobb & Drew,	111 41
Clifford, Luther	5 25	Cobb, Philander	34 60
Cunningham, Hannah B.	24 94	Cobb, Marcia R.	14 79
Cunningham, Theodore B.	2 32	Cobb, Clarence O.	2 00
Cushman, Daniel	5 65	Cobb, Henry, Estate of	7 71
Cushman, Joseph S.	7 80	Cobb, John W.	2 00
Cushman, George	18 93	Cobb, Charles, heirs of	27 09
Cushman, George, 2d	10 35	Collins, Henry	2 00
Cushman, John	5 93	Collins, William	7 51
Cushman, Lyman T.	2 00	Collins, John	2 00
Cushman, Joseph T.	7 36	Corey, Gustavus	13 02
Cushman, Fred. L.	2 58	Cole, Samuel P.	14 73
Cushman, James H.	7 19	Cole, Ann E.	18 27
Cushman, Lydia	4 64	Cole, Leander S.	14 19
Cushman, Edwin	4 32	Cole, Charles H.	15 34
Cushman, George W.	11 28	Cole, Waldo	2 29
Cushman, Caroline	39 73	Cole, Orrin B.	17 37
Cushman, Samuel E.	20 94	Copeland, Elmer P.	2 00
Cushman, George E.	8 38	Churchill, Henry, heirs of	1 30
Cushing, S. W., executor,	60 90	Churchill, Henry	15 10
Cook, Edwin	10 29	Churchill, James T.	5 19
Cook, Charlie F.	2 00	Churchill, Otis	2 14
Cook, Martin, heirs of	5 80	Churchill, George L.	2 58
Cook, Martin Jr., heirs of	5 80		

Davis, Solomon	\$1 700	Delano, David	\$11 5
Daves, James H.	41 44	Delano, David, Jr.	2 00
Daves, John C.	23 17	Delano, Charles C.	2 00
Drake, Mardin	4 61	Delano, Lewis, heirs of	6 38
Drake, James T.	2 00	Delano, Leander S.	4 18
Drew, Spencer	2 00	De Normandie C. V.	10 21
Drew, Christopher P.	22 01	Devine, Patrick	12 59
Drew, Seth	13 89	Devine, Daniel	2 00
Drew, Charles H.	8 09	Devine, John C.	2 00
Drew, Eli C.	25 93	Devine, Patrick, Jr.	2 00
Drew, Job W., heirs of	16 53	Diman, Erastus	2 00
Drew, Mary	58	Douglass, Albert T.	2 29
Drew, Elmer L.	2 00	Dowsett, James M.	2 00
Drew, C. H. & Co.	37 70	Dorsey, John	2 00
Drew, John N.	12 44	Donley, John	9 83
Drew, Frank A.	2 00	Donley, William	2 00
Delano, Joshua	127 86	Donley, James	2 00
Delano, Joshua, trustee	8 00	Duggan, John	2 00
Delano, Joshua, Jr.	2 00		
Evans, Green	\$14 18	Everson, Warren N.	\$ 7 94
Evans, Willis	2 00	Everson, Henry S.	3 16
Evans & Atwood,	44 43	Everson, Nancy T.	1 45
Eager, Robert	30 27	Eldredge, John	2 00
Eager, James T.	2 00	Eldredge, David G.	8 09
Faunce, Walter H.	\$56 52	Faunce, George	\$12 87
Faunce, Charles T.	35 41	Faunce, Myron	2 00
Faunce, Cornelius A.	4 00	Faunce, Winslow,	12 44
Faunce, Elizabeth F.	20 30	Faunce, Sarah	7 60
Faunce, Seth W.	5 92	Faunce, Ann E.	10 87
Faunce, Albert	6 44	Faunce, Eliezer	12 30
Faunce, Albert L.	2 00	Farrington, Martin	6 06

Farrington, John P.	2 00	Ford, Charles H.	2 00
Faulkner, James N.	13 60	Foster, Lucretia D., guard.	6 96
Freeman, Clifton D.	2 00	Foster, Charles J.	8 38
French, Sally, heirs of	5 65	Fuller, Ezra	9 14
Finney, William A.	6 35	Fuller, Truman H.	13 60
Finney, Ezra	2 00	Fuller, Rebecca	3 19
Finney, Stephen W.	2 00	Fuller, James	7 10
Fitzpatrick, Michael	14 76	Fuller, Chester H.	2 00
Fitzpatrick, John	2 00	Fuller, Smith	5 8
Ford, Levy E.	12 73	Fuller, Samuel	2 87
Ford, Lemuel K.	2 00	Fuller, Frank	21 43
Ford, James H.	2 58	Fuller, Frank W.	2 00
Gray, Lydia	1 16	Graves, George A.	7 22
Gray, John, heirs of	13 05	Groenger, George	10 52
Gray, Samuel W.	2 58	Glover, Elizabeth F.	11 31
Glass, George O.	2 00		
Hayward, Lucius	5 74	Haney, Dennis	8 67
Hall, John F.	47 32	Haggerty, William	6 64
Hall, James L.	17 08	Haggerty, Patrick	2 00
Hall, William C.	13 02	Hernandez, Jose	2 00
Hall, Frederic	2 00	Hennessey, John, estate of	2 90
Hall, Frank	2 00	Henrich, Jacob	7 80
Harlow, James M.	2 00	Hill, Frank	2 00
Harlow, Marcus H.	2 00	Hickey, James	7 51
Hart, Dennis	7 53	Howland, Perez A.	2 00
Hatch, Charles R.	2 00	Howland, Daniel F.	6 35
Hazard, John	2 00	Hobart, George H.	2 00
Hammond, Asa C.	13 90	Holmes, Edward	329 42
Hammond, Eugene H.	2 00	Holmes, Edward K.	22 14
Hammond, Walter C.	10 70	Holmes, Paraclete	12 44
Hammond, Chester E.	2 00	Holmes, Alexander, est. of	61 08

Holmes, Joseph A.	\$485 87	Holmes, Frederic U.	\$ 2 00
Holmes, Frank H.	485 32	Holmes, George B.	2 00
Holmes, Cynthia D.	9 28	Holmes, Gaius	3 48
Holmes, John F.	20 42	Holmes, Lothrop T.	13 74
Holmes, Caroline W.	50	Holmes, Joseph	11 13
Holmes, Samuel S.	7 39	Holmes, Albert E.	2 00
Holmes, Ira	8 24	Holmes, Ephraim	87
Holmes, Marcia D.	11 02	Holmes, Richard E.	13 02
Holmes, Elnathan	2 00	Hunt, Henry	117 42
Holmes, Stephen	7 80	Hunt, Maria O.	5 22
Jameson, Francis A.	\$ 2 00	Jones, Henry M.	\$ 2 00
Joyce, Urban	2 00	Jones, P. M. C.	14 18
Jones Henry N.	67 11		
Kennedy, James	\$ 19 54	Keeley, Hannah	\$11 60
Kennedy, James Jr.	3 45	Kelley, John	2 72
Kennedy, Frank	7 51	Keene, Briggs O.	2 00
Keith, Henry K.	124 96	King, Rufus A.	2 00
Keith, Lewis H.	139 03	Kingston Co-op. F'dry Co.	25 52
Keith, Israel	2 58		
Lauman, Eliza	\$ 5 22	Lane, George F.	\$18 82
Lauman, Mary E.	1 45	Lane, Walter A.	2 00
Lauman, Henry T.	16 79	Leonard, Henry	4 90
Lauman, Edward T.	2 00	Lovering, John P.	2 00
Lapham, Charles	12 58	Lowe, Samuel	12 70
Lapham, Oliver	2 87	Lowe, Charles E.	2 00
Lapham, Elbridge W.	2 00	Loring, Edwin	2 00
Lapham, Albert	2 16	Lucas, Adoniram B.	16 50
Lapham, Frederic	2 00		
Maglathlin, Henry B.	\$10 12	Martin, Charles	\$ 3 02
Mahoney, John	10 41	Martin, Thomas	2 00

Malone, James T.	\$ 2 00	McLauthlen, Frances A.	\$46 82
Malone, John	2 00	McLauthlen, Fanny B.	
Malone, Patrick H.	2 00	and others.	3 43
McGrath, Robert	11 14	McCarty, Charles	2 00
McGrath, John J.	2 00	McCarty, Charles, Jr.	2 00
McGrath, Michael	9 54	McManns, Terience	2 00
McGrath, Michael, Jr.	2 00	McManus, Michael, heirs of	3 77
McGrath, Thomas	2 00	Merriam, Charles L.	2 00
McCrate, William	4 90	McSweeney, Felix	2 00
McCrate, James	2 00	Mitchel, Ransom	6 35
McCrate, John	2 00	Morse, Francis	3 16
McLauthlen, George W.	30 07	Morse, George	6 09
McLauthlen, Elisha	2 00	McDonald, Allen	2 00
McLauthlen, P. W., heirs of	6 96	McDonald, Francis	2 00
McLauthlen, Onslow	2 87	Murray, John	4 32
McLauthlen, Edwin L.	14 47	McGuire, William	5 77
McLauthlen, Horace B.	19 11	Myrick, William H.	56 52
McLauthlen, Philemon W.	6 35	Myrick, William W.	3 74
Newcomb, Thomas	\$57 77	Norton, Andrew	\$9 22
Newcomb, Marcello	70 62	Norton, Andrew, Jr.	2 00
Nichols, Ann & sister	20 88	Nolan, Thomas	6 64
O'Brien, Patrick	\$ 8 78	O'Connor, Dennis	\$2 00
O'Brien, Michael E.	2 00	Oldham, John	7 22
O'Brien, Joseph E.	2 00	Oldham, Adoniram J.	2 00
O'Brien, Eugene	2 00	O'Neal, James	2 00
O'Brien, Dennis W.	2 00	O'Rourke, Margaret	1 74
Old Colony Rivet Co.	75 40	Ormonde, Michael	2 00
O. C. Co-op. Association,	23 87	Owens, George E.	2 00
Padelford, Theodore	\$2 00	Pratt, Ephraim	\$2 00
Paine, Irene	5 51	Perkins, Ezra	1 45

Peckham, Joseph	\$13 60	Prince, John T.	\$ 1 59
Peterson, Ichabod	7 51	Prince, Daniel	3 74
Peterson, Esaias	5 19.	Pierce, James B.	7 77
Pendergast, Edward	2 00	Pierce, Edgar	2 00
Plapps, Laura M.	33 64	Powers, Edwin	2 00
Piorer, Charles	2 00	Powers, Charles T.	2 00
Phillips, George L.	2 53	Potter, Marcla	3 48
Prince, Noah	12 70	Poole, Benjamin	11 86
Prince, Thomas	8 53	 	
Quinby, Byron C.	\$2 00	 	
Ransom, Harvey	\$8 38	Ridler, Charles E.	\$ 2 00
Ransom, Edward A.	6 64	Ripley, Lewis	15 77
Raymond, Adoniram J.	2 00	Ripley, Henry L.	2 29
Randall, Robert F.	2 29	Ripley, Cytus W.	14 47
Reed, Adelaide	5 80	Ripley, Obed	16 68
Reed, Joseph E., heirs of	1 74	Richardson, Edwin P.	4 90
Reed, Edwin	24 04	Richardson, Edwin H.	2 00
Reed, Edgar	2 00	Ring, Daniel W.	3 16
Reed, Porter C.	22 30	Ring, Daniel, heirs of	12 59
Reed, Isaac T.	10 12	Ring, Samuel, heirs of	6 64
Reed, Frank H.	2 00	Rickard, Giles	2 00
Reinhardt, Henry	16 62	Robbins, Joseph S.	13 02
Reinhardt, Louis	2 00	Robbins, Martha	8 41
Reinhardt, Henry	2 00	Russell, C. D. & sister	7 83
Reckenbiel, Henry	9 04	Ryan, John	3 16
Sampson, Azel H.	\$80 56	Sampson, Oliver, Est. of	\$ 5 22
Sampson, William A.	5 04	Sampson, Benj., heirs of	7 40
Sampson, Francis A.	2 00	Sampson, Huldah	17 98
Sampson, Edwin L.	2 00	Sampson, Hiram	3 88
Sampson, Albert H.	2 00	Sampson, George H.	4 32

Sampson, William Alden	\$ 2 00	Simmons, Frederic	\$ 2 00
Sampson, Clement H.	8 62	Simmons, Mary A.	17 40
Shaw, Charles W.	2 00	Simmons, Melvin, heirs of	58
Stranger, Joseph A.	11 43	Simmons, Henry	1 61
Stranger, Andrew R.	2 00	Smith, John	8 52
Stranger, William A.	2 14	Smith, Richard J.	2 00
Stranger, Elwin N.	2 00	Smith, Patrick W.	2 00
Stranger, Charles	2 00	Smith, Patrick	7 19
Sprague, Nath'l D. W. C.	2 00	Smith, Phillip W.	2 00
Stetson, Joseph	43 33	Sproul, Francis, heirs of	8 84
Stetson, Kimball W.	106 55	Soule, Henry	39 85
Stetson, James H.	7 80	Soule, Henry, Jr.	2 00
Stetson, Arthur A.	2 00	Soule, Herbert	54 20
Stetson, Elisha	5 07	Soule, William F.	1 45
Stetson, Henry T.	2 00	Soule, James C.	11 28
Stetson, Charles	2 00	Soule, Samuel E.	2 29
Stetson, Marcia H.	23 20	Soule, Charles E.	9 69
Sever, James N., heirs of	24 62	Sloan, Martin B.	2 00
Stevens, James H.	8 67	Society, Baptist Treas. of	7 83
Sheehan, Thomas	3 45	Society, 1st Cong. Treas. of	4 20
Sherman, Ebenezer	10 70	Society, 2nd Cong. Treas. of	5 22
Sherman, Frederic	2 00	Studley and Delano	4 93
Snell, William	2 00	Sturtevant, Henry	11 57
Stegmaier, John	3 16	Sturtevant, Nancy W.	5 22
Simmons, Nahum	12 58	Sturtevant, Helen S.	5 22
Simmons, Wendell	2 29	Sturtevant, John S.	2 00
Simmons, Francis O.	8 38	Symmes, William	30 64
Simmons, Edmund F.	2 00	Symmes, Hannah	3 48
Simmons, Augustus	7 22		
Taylor, Thomas	\$2 00	Thomas, William A.	\$108 43
Thayer, William L.	4 90	Thomas, Linus	2 87
Tiernan, James	2 00	Thomas, George S.	2 00

Thomas, William R.	\$ 2 00	Thompson, Charles L.	\$8 67
Thomas, Sally	12 33	Tobin, John	4 00
Tout, Thomas, heirs of	7 10	Tobin, John, Jr.	2 58
Thompson, James H.	4 76	Tobin, Thomas S.	2 00
Thompson, James S.	8 55	Trow, Charles W.	2 00
Thompson, Webster	2 00	Towne, John H.	2 00
United States Lock Co.	\$9 72		
Volk, Reinhardt	\$2 00		
Washburn, Francis	\$16 94	Warden, Henry H.	\$265 89
Washburn, Azel W.	2 00	Watson, Nathan B.	3 45
Washburn, George L.	9 25	Walker, George H.	5 51
Washburn, George H.	3 02	Ward, William G.	8 09
Washburn, Wm. D., heirs of	6 96	Weston, Daniel	5 10
Washburn, George	2 58	Willis, Jonah	10 79
Washburn, John	2 00	Willis, Edward	33 03
Washburn, Martin P.	2 58	Willis, William H.	7 80
Washburn, Lora	2 00	Willis, Jonah, Jr.	2 87
Washburn, Nath'l, heirs of	3 19	Willis, Sarah T.	29 49
Washburn, Waldo	13 60	Winsor, Elbridge G.	33 90
Waterman, Eleazer E.	5 48	Winsor, Hannah	6 96
Waterman, Thomas E.	3 02	Wright, Newland H.	2 00
Waterman, Austin B.	2 00	Wilson, Eli	11 28
Waterman, Amanda F.	15 08	Willcott, William	6 64
Waterman, John	9 97	Witherel, Jairus	2 00
Wadsworth, William A.	6 93	Whitney, George H.	2 00
Wadsworth, Arthur	2 00	Woodward, William C.	2 00
Wadsworth, William E.	2 00	Woodward, Frederic E.	2 00

Non-Residents.

Tupper, Jane, heirs of	Braintree,	\$ 2 03
Drake, Nathaniel M.	Brockton,	20 83
McLauthlen, Samuel	"	1 74
Bagnell, George	"	2 32
Adams, Nathaniel, executor.	Boston,	43
Wheeler & Wilson, Sewing Machine Co.	"	1 16
Saunders, Charles W.	"	8 55
Sherman, Eleazer E., Estate of	"	58
Russell, William G., Guardian of S. W. Sever,	"	121 80
Loring Harrison G.	"	1 16
Beal, Thomas P.	"	2 03
Beal, Alexander	"	3 77
Wright, Samuel C.	"	2 32
Bradford, William H.	"	2 61
Bossert, Andrew	"	1 74
Crocker, Walter	Bridgewater,	29
Holmes, Charles H.	"	58
Leonard Lewis, heirs of	"	1 74
Snell, Benjamin	"	1 89
Pratt, William H.	Carver,	1 94
Sherman, Henry	"	2 61
Sherman, Nelson	"	1 16
Vaughan, Thomas	"	72
Sever, Charles	Cambridge,	22 04
Whiting, Jasper	Charlestown,	15
Lanman, John	Chelmsford,	3 77
Harlow, James W.	Cohasset,	11 02
Bradford, Gershom	Duxbury,	3 10
Chandler, David	"	20

Chandler, George	Duxbury,	\$ 1 31
Chandler, George H.	"	4 64
Chandler, Horatio	"	2 03
Chandler, Nathaniel L.	"	1 45
Loring, Samuel	"	8 41
Glass, Daniel P.	"	1 16
Simmons, William	"	2 90
White, Daniel	"	58
White, Otis	"	58
White, Alden	"	11 02
Deane, Clarissa	Groton,	1 01
Washburn, Cephas	Halifax,	58
Thompson, Zadock	"	29
Lyon, Sarah B.	"	87
Perry, E. Y.	Hanover,	1 45
Bourne, William H.	Hanson,	58
Bishop, Charles	"	2 03
Stetson, William	Marshfield,	87
Ring, Samuel A.	"	29
Martin, Harriet	No. Easton,	58
Cushman, Josiah	Petersham,	9 28
Ford, Baker	Pembroke,	29
Sampson, Thomas H., Estate of	"	2 03
Carl, Hannah	Philadelphia, Penn.	58
Willis, George F.	Putnam, Conn.	4 66
Bates, James C.	Plymouth,	3 48
Barnes, E. & J. C.	"	40 60
Carr, Michael	"	1 74
Chase, Sylvanus	"	58
Clark, Zoath C.	"	1 45
Clark, Robert	"	29
Churchill, Charles O.	"	2 32
Davis, Charles G.	"	58

Diman, Ezra S.	Plymouth,	\$ 44
Holmes, Peter, heirs of	"	11 60
Holmes, Nathaniel	"	1 16
Nelson, Charles and others	"	34
Nelson, George	"	1 45
Morton, George E.	"	6 38
Pratt, Lucius	"	87
Plymouth Cordage Co.	"	4 23
Gamaliel, Thomas, heirs of	"	58
Town of Plymouth,	"	29
Wadsworth, Wait	"	11 17
Whiting, Benjamin	"	1 16
Washburn, Philip, heirs of	"	87
Flynn, John	"	2 03
Rickard, Martin	"	29
Thompson, Josiah W.	"	1 74
Wright, John L.	"	2 18
Souther, Frederic	Quincy,	12 48
Southworth, Deborah J.	Rockland,	58
Gray, Frances A.	Rockford, Ill.	73
Dumbar, William H.	So. Abington,	1 02
Drake, Zeuma A.	Stoughton,	73
Sampson, Wendell A.	Taunton,	58
Faunce, Ichabod W.	Wollaston,	58
Fuller, John A., heirs of	Worcester,	8 99
Holmes, James W.	"	2 61
Parker, Frank H.	"	2 90
Bryant, Lemuel	Plympton,	2 11
Bonney, James S.	"	29
Clark, Hiram H.	"	3 91
Clark, Stephen, heirs of	"	44
Ford, Elijah	"	58
Fuller, Lewis	"	29

ORDERS PAID.

Support of Schools.

TEACHERS' WAGES.

Charles E. Ridler,	\$1,230 00
Catharine D. Russell,	394 00
Marion B. Burgess,	130 00
Susan B. Robertson,	418 00
Adair F. Bonney,	290 00
Isabel A. Hammond,	333 00
Mary R. Crocker,	117 00
Lydia S. McLauthlen,	216 00
Lena P. Holmes,	216 00
Jennie Drew,	72 00
Henrietta Hatch,	30 00
Total,	\$3,446 00
Appropriation, {	
By the Town,	\$3,000 00
Dividend from the County,	146 54
State School Fund,	173 20
Total,	3,319 74
Overdrawn,	\$126 26

CONVEYANCE OF CHILDREN.

Clement H. Sampson,	\$192 00
Austin B. Waterman, repairing wagon,	3 00
Charles W. Shaw, " "	3 75
David G. Eldredge, " "	1 25
Total,	\$200 00
Appropriation,	200 00

FUEL AND CARE OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Jose Hernandez, Janitor of High School Building,	\$85 00
Melzar P. Delano, " Primary " House,	15 95
Philander Cobb, cash paid " R. N. " "	6 00
Susan B. Robertson, " "	11 16
R. E. Berry, Janitor of S. D. School House,	11 00
Clarence Cushman, " Indian Pond,	9 50
Walter F. Simmons, " N. W.,	16 75
Jose Hernandez, wood and sawing, H. S.	15 00
Charles T. Faunce, " "	15 00
Charles T. Faunce, " Indian Pond,	4 50
James H. Cushman, " "	7 00
Gaius Holmes, sawing wood, "	1 00
George F. Lane, wood and sawing, N. W.	25 25
Philander Cobb, " R. N.	21 12
Joseph A. Stranger, wood and sawing, S. B.	21 00
Elisabeth Reckenbiel, Labor, R. N.	1 40
Charles Martin, " Primary,	7 42
Nathan Chandler, wood, "	15 75
Total,	\$300 80
Appropriation,	250 00
Overdrawn,	\$50 80

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

George F. Lane, labor and fixtures,	\$2 76
George L. Phillips, " "	2 50
Obad Ripley, " "	7 10
Leavit T. Robbins, lumber for High School House fence,	45 30
Misses A. & E. Nichols, posts for fence,	9 16
Joseph S. Robbins, building fence,	24 52
Eli C. Drew, " "	2 55
James H. Stetson, labor,	1 10
Cyrus W. Ripley, " "	3 20
Joseph A. Stranger, " "	5 80
George H. Bonney, " "	12 90
Total,	\$118 19
Appropriation,	200 00
Unexpended,	\$81 81

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT.

Mrs. Thomas Bailey, repairing well,	\$10 00
John Waterman, water,	6 00
William G. Ward, " "	3 00
Job F. Bailey, glass doors for book case, H. S.	7 50
Joseph Holmes, building " "	12 00
Supt. of School, cash paid in securing teachers,	5 00
Philander Cobb, clock and other fixtures,	10 91
Garrison & Co., Encyclopedia,	15 00
New England News Co., books,	22 64
Burges & Keith, books and stationery,	111 35
Robert Torrey, preparing diplomas,	1 75
Total,	\$205 18
Appropriation,	150 00
Overdrawn,	\$55 18

State Aid.

Eliza B. Sherman,	\$48 00
Mary L. Taylor,	48 00
Margaret O'Rourke,	48 00
Nancy Harlow,	48 00
Laura Westgate,	48 00
Hannah J. Holmes,	48 00
John C. Bagnell,	22 50
Joseph S. Robbins,	6 00
Edmund F. Simmons,	22 50
Patrick Smith,	15 00
Oscar F. Wixon,	9 00
William L. Thayer,	12 00

Total,	\$375 00
Appropriation,	400 00

Unexpended,	25 00

Military Aid.

Otis Parrott, of Lynn,	\$82 00
John F. Hartin, of Plympton,	24 00
John F. Perkins, of Hanson,	60 00
Andrew R. Stranger, of Kingston,	50 00

Total,	\$216 00
Appropriation,	350 00

Unexpended,	134 00

Highway Orders.

Aicarne, John	\$32 65	Cushman, George, 2nd,	\$ 3 40
Atwood, Horace	110 08	Cushman, James H.	53 70
Bryant, James H.	26 85	Cushman, John	3 40
Bryant, Sylvanus	17 74	Cushman, Joseph T.	29 95
Bryant, Charles E.	30 18	Cushman, Joseph S.	6 80
Bryant, William B.	13 97	Cushman, Edwin	6 22
Bailey, Caleb	4 55	Drake, Martin	9 00
Bisbee, Daniel	12 58	Drew, Eli C.	49 23
Blanchard, Elliott W.	6 80	Drew, Christopher P.	2 80
Brackett, Fred. G.	139 85	Delano, Joshua	2 00
Barges & Keith,	42	Douglass, Albert T.	5 78
Bates, Caleb	21 72	Everson, Warren N.	14 62
Blake Crusher Co.,	84 85	Eager, Robert	70 03
Brewster, Henry	43 78	Faunce, Charles T.	9 35
Brewster, E. E. W.	12 07	Faunce, Elizabeth F.	47 60
Chandler, Edward D.	45 67	Faunce, N. Frank	20 23
Chandler, Algernon S.	23 60	Faunce, Walter H.	50 00
Chandler, Nathan	43 87	Faunce, George	34 75
Chandler, Horace J.	53 26	Frazer, George Y.	3 04
Chandler, John F.	14 10	Finney, Stephen W.	32 82
Chandler, Fred. W.	8 00	Finney, William A.	23 80
Callahan, Thomas	5 68	Fuller, Samuel	14 45
Callahan, Michael T.	1 70	Gray, Samuel W.	6 80
Cobb, Philander	143 03	Holmes, Frank H.	191 02
Cook, Henry T.	60 50	Holmes, Joseph A.	31 97
Cook, Edwin	74 98	Holmes, Edward	71 29
Cook, Charles F.	63 32	Holmes, Richard E.	79 90
Cook, Josiah T.	55 81	Holmes, Stephen	10 68
Cushman, George	67 38	Holmes, Gaius	7 13

Holmes, John F.	\$175 00	Pierce, James B.	52 67
Holmes, Ira	30 46	Ring, Daniel W.	18 70
Haggerty, Patrick	36 80	Ripley, Lewis	11 36
Haney, Dennis	39 10	Sampson, Eliza C.	5 20
Hickey, James	4 24	Sampson, Hiram	2 64
Hernandez, Jose	7 65	Sampson, Azel H.	1 50
Hall, John F.	36 58	Sheehan, Thomas	4 60
Howland, Daniel F.	5 20	Simmons, Nahum	19 50
Jackson, H. C.	12 08	Simmons, Augustus	42 41
Keith, Henry K.	28 56	Simmons, Edmund F.	1 70
Loring, Wilfred B.	23 68	Simmons, Henry	21 58
Leonard, Henry	36 70	Stranger, Joseph A.	60 35
McLauthlen, Philemon W.	51 18	Smith, John	79 10
McLauthlen, Onslow W.	6 57	Smith, Patrick	96 90
McLauthlen, Horace B.	10 80	Smith, Patrick W.	13 20
McLauthlen, Fanny B.	5 88	Shute & Co., Frank	3 91
Mitchel, Deborah	3 40	Soule, James C.	11 90
Mitchel, Ransom	17 00	Soule, Charles E.	3 40
McCarty, Charles	19 51	Sturtevant, John S.	8 27
McGrath, John J.	10 20	Souther, Frederic M.	11 60
McGrath, Robert	10 20	Symmes, William	6 40
McManus, Terrence	24 99	Tobin, James E.	42 76
Malone, Michael	2 96	Willis, Sarah	1 44
Malone, Patrick	11 52	Wadsworth, William A.	19 30
Newcomb, Marcello	9 45	Washburn, Waldo	13 60
Norton, Andrew	72 62	Weston, Daniel	19 12
Norton, James C.	22 62	Ward, William G.	33 93
Old Colony Rivet Co.,	21 33	Witherel, Jairus	12 75
Old Colony Co op. Assn.	9 30		
Old Colony R. R. Co.	7 62		
Prince, Noah	19 55	Total,	\$3,507 45
Peterson, Esaias	5 78	Appropriation,	3,500 00
Powers, Edwin	3 40	Overdrawn,	\$7 45

Snow and Special Highway.

OUTSTANDING SNOW ORDERS, MARCH 1, 1883.

Edward T. Lanman,	\$ 1 40	Charles E. Soale,	2 50
Albert T. Douglass,	1 60	George Washburn,	90
John Murray,	1 40	Philemon W. McLauthlen,	1 00
Henry Brewster,	3 55	William G. Ward,	1 60
Charles McCarty,	1 00	Esaias Peterson,	80
Asa C. Hammond,	1 60	Fred. W. Chandler,	1 40
Daniel Bisbee,	80	Algernon S. Chandler,	4 00
John Cushman,	1 00	Charles Low,	40
James H. Cushman,	3 35	Henry Dicknell,	40
George Cushman, 2nd,	65	William A. Finney,	1 00
Lester B. Drew,	60	Martin Drake,	1 20
Eli C. Drew,	80	Edwin L. McLauthlen,	10 08
Quincy D. Bowker,	60	Frank C. Hill,	1 50
Clement D. Bartlett,	2 00	Elliott W. Blanchard,	6 70
Lysander Bartlett,	90	Ira Holmes,	80
William E. Wadsworth,	1 30	Parmenius Pierce,	1 20
Granville Baker,	50	John S. Sturtevant,	90
Joseph A. Stranger,	1 00	John Fitzpatrick,	1 40
Dennis Haney,	1 00	Edward Dempsey,	1 40
William McCrate,	50	Smith Fuller,	1 00
Charlie F. Cook,	1 00	Chester H. Fuller,	90
Albert Holmes,	80	Henry T. Lanman,	1 50
Caleb E. Bailey,	60	Edwin Powers,	1 00
Augustus Simmons,	1 40	Robert Eager,	2 03

REPAIRING AND COVERING THE BRIDGE AT THE HOLMES
UPPER FORGE PRIVILEGE.

John F. Hall, for lumber and labor,	\$11 30
Hiram H. Clark, for covering stone, and labor,	84 00
Frank H. Holmes, labor, stone and lumber,	38 20

INCIDENTALS.

William H. Myrick, for drain pipe,	\$88 83
Leavitt T. Robbins, for lumber,	6 10
Algernon S. Chandler, fence posts,	3 96
Edward Holmes, " "	2 25
John F. Holmes,	50 00
Philander Cobb,	20 00
Walter H. Faunce,	25 00
Clement D. Bartlett,	13 60
George Y. Frazer,	2 28

REMOVING SNOW, &c., 1884.

Jonah Willis,	\$4 00	Edwin Cushman,	80
E. Everett Waterman,	3 50	James B. Pierce,	1 10
Jairus Witherell,	2 50	Obed Ripley,	5 80
Charles McCarty,	2 20	Gustavus Corey,	1 10
Edwin Cook,	2 50	William A. Finney,	1 60
Elliott W. Blanchard,	5 60	Frank H. Holmes,	5 00
John F. Hall,	2 20	Charles Bagnell,	30
Jose Hernandez,	1 45	James Tobin,	2 50
Terrence McMannus,	30		
Total,	\$462 33		
Appropriation,	500 00		
Unexpended,	\$37 67		

EXPENSE OF BUILDING NEW ROAD AT ROCKY NOOK.

William Bradford, land damage,	\$150 00
Josiah P. Hammond, fence posts,	4 17
Gustavus Corey, painting fence,	10 22
Obed Ripley, labor on the fence,	10 99
Leavitt T. Robbins, lumber,	8 40
Cobb & Drew, making the road,	193 34
Total,	\$377 12
Land damage re-imbursed by Messrs. Cobb & Drew,	125 00
Balance,	\$252 12
Appropriation,	200 00
Overdrawn,	\$52 12

On account of Mr. Bradford's misfortunes the Selectmen accepted a proposition made by him, that if they would pay him \$25 00 more than was awarded to him, and put up a fence, he would rest satisfied with the taking, and quietly accept his award.

The laying out of this road, though of advantage to all parties owning lands in the vicinity of Smelt Pond, is of greatest advantage to the Cobb & Drew Manufacturing Co. The latter however are under but little obligation to the Town for this improvement, since their Corporation Tax returned to the Town by the State, this year, amounts to \$187 00, leaving the actual expense to the Town at about \$60 00, to say nothing of their Town tax. These facts should be borne in mind by others desirous of being accommodated with new roads, that are largely for private interest.

The Town has always been slow to aid in forwarding projects of this kind, unless parties to be benefited are willing to share the burden of expense, or the Town is satisfied that the amount of taxable property is to be enhanced thereby.

Support of Poor.

ALMSHOUSE.

	Supplies,	
O. B. Cole,		\$ 2 15
Old Colony Co-op. Association,	"	39 88
A. H. Sampson,	"	86 00
Philander Cobb,	"	118 60
Burges & Keith,	"	143 77
Evans & Atwood,	"	174 97
Lora Washburn,	"	36
Joseph A. Holmes,	"	3 50
Nathan Chandler,	"	3 00
Charles Perkins,	"	56
Charles B. Towns,	"	7 20
Edward Willis,	"	10 00
Robert Eager,	"	41 04
George W. Cushman,	"	5 05
Darius Holmes,	"	4 75
Joseph A. Stranger,	"	22 50
Charles T. Faunce,	"	15 00
James H. Stetson, travelling expenses,		6 55
Charles Jenkins, labor,		1 20
Henry N. Jones, medical attendance,		15 75
William C. Hall, " "		55 25
Daniel Bisbee, watching,		2 00
Mrs. Stephen Benson, house-keeping,		144 50
Green Evans, cash paid for supplies,		1 35
Total,		\$978 93

OUTSIDE POOR.

Treasurer of Danvers Hospital, care of Ellen Rooney,		\$175 76
" Taunton Insane Asylum, care of Sarah H. Faunce,		183 44
" " " " Caleb F. Washburn,		196 17
" Town of Hanson, support of Mrs. Prince Churchill,		63 50
" " " " M. J. Fitzpatrick,		78 75
H. O. Thomas, of Hanson, medicine for " "		38 13
Treasurer Town of E. Bridgewater, supplies for W. O. Nutter,		2 98
" City of Brockton, support of Patrick O'Brien,		125 80
" " " " Mrs. Nathan T. Fuller,		204 00
" City of Boston, aid to Augusta H. Drew,		6 00
Evans & Atwood, supplies for Mrs. J. O. Everson,		16 89
O. C. Co-op. Association, " "		10 96
Burges & Keith, " "		24 44
Evans & Atwood, " Robert A. Drew,		7 34
O. C. Co-op. Association, " "		69 25
Burges & Keith, " "		1 55
A. H. Sampson, " "		10 70
Henry N. Jones, medical attendance, " "		12 50
Evans & Atwood, supplies for Mrs. Benjamin Sampson,		34
Burges & Keith, " "		5 75
A. H. Sampson, " "		3 32
O. C. Co-op. Association, " "		11 66
Philander Cobb, " "		2 83
Marcello Newcomb, " "		2 07
William C. Hall, medical attendance, " "		28 00
Samuel Atwell, Jr., supplies for Mrs. Smith Fuller,		1 25
William C. Hall, medical attendance, " "		20 00
Evans & Atwood, supplies for Mr. & Mrs. Rufus A. King,		3 97
Burges & Keith, " "		2 05
A. H. Sampson, " "		3 00
William C. Hall, medical attendance, " "		75 00
Nathan Chandler, burial of Rufus King,		4 50

Edgar C. Raymond, Undertaker,	16 00
Henry A. Grow, supplies for Wm. O. Nutter,	18 50
Henry N. Jones, attendance upon P. Devine, Jr.,	6 50
J. H. Stetson, expenses to Boston, Charlestown, at different times,	11 52
Home for Little Wanderers,	28 75

Total expense for Outside Poor, \$1,173 17

Total expense in Almshouse, 978 93

Total expenditure, \$2,152 10

Appropriation, 2,100 00

Overdrawn, \$52 10

Police Account.

Cyrus W. Ripley,	\$25 00
Patrick O'Brien,	35 00
Samuel Atwill, Jr.,	15 00
Henry Brewster,	9 00
D. Clifton Freeman,	9 00
Charles F. Atwell,	3 00
Elnathan Holmes,	3 00
Jose Hernandez,	4 50
Total,	\$103 50
Appropriation,	150 00
Unexpended,	\$46 50

Treasurer & Collector.

Daniel Prince,	\$275 00
Appropriation,	275 00

Memorial Services.

Joseph S. Robbins,	\$50 00
Appropriation,	50 00

Town House.

But little has been expended in repairing this building since it was re-modelled in 1877, and its preservation required an immediate outlay. The tin roofs were red with rust, the basement floor, from lack of proper ventilation, had rotted away and broken through.

The Law Library belonging to the Town had outgrown the accommodations. The library consists of a number of valuable law books and books of record, and nearly a full set of the Massachusetts Law Reports. Few small Towns have a better collection. A new book case has been constructed and charged to this account, for which there is no special appropriation. It would be wise economy to make an appropriation for other repairs the coming year and for painting the outside of the building.

There has been paid to	
George H. Bonney, for painting the roof,	\$7 63
Joseph S. Robbins, for repairing windows,	2 70
Joseph Holmes, for lumber and labor,	28 00
Leavitt T. Robbins, for lumber,	10 90
Job F. Bailey, windows for book case,	14 70
Burgess & Keith, locks and keys,	3 12
Treasurer of Aqueduct Company, water,	10 00
Charles F. Faunce, wood,	4 50
Philander Cobb, wood and oil,	19 46
There has been expended on the green for fertilizer and labor,	6 44

Total, \$107 45

REPORT OF THE JANITOR.

The house has been used for sixty-three different public or private gatherings.

The receipts are as follows:

8 Religious meetings,	\$8 00	
9 Concerts,	32 00	
19 Dances,	78 00	
4 Fairs or festivals,	23 00	
5 Times by the Grand Army,	12 50	
1 Lecture,	2 00	
16 Temperance meetings, free;		
		----- \$155 50
There has been paid for sundry articles,	\$22 06	
Washing and Cleaning,	28 50	
Services of Janitor,	84 50	
Balance paid to Town Treasurer,	20 44	
		----- \$155 50

A. B. WATERMAN, *Janitor.*

Fisheries.

The five years lease of the Smelt Brook Herring fishery expired in the Spring of 1882, and the Town voted to lease anew to the highest bidder. The committee in whose hands the fisheries were placed offered the same at Public Auction after giving due notice. None seemed anxious to buy and the former lessees exhibited no disposition to buy at any price. The Committee decided therefore to sell for one year, and Mr. Cobb being the highest bidder was declared the purchaser—rather against his will—for the sum of \$20.00 with the conditions that he should pay all expenses and stock the pond. He, like those who preceded him, did not find it a very profitable investment.

This year a new departure has been made, the fish that were caught—after reserving enough to stock the pond—were sold to the people of the Town at 25 cents per hundred and after they had been supplied, a few were sold to other parties. The whole catch amounted to thirty-nine thousand one hundred and twenty-five and they were disposed of as follows:

There was sold to citizens of the Town 30,300	
at 25 cents per hundred,	\$75 75
There were sold to others, 1,725 at 40 cents	
per hundred,	6 90
7,100 were put into the pond.	
	----- \$82 65

There has been paid to

L. T. Robbins, for lumber,	\$5 92
Philander Cobb, nails and labor,	4 18
Obed Ripley, for rent of land,	12 00
“ “ labor,	2 85
Philander Cobb, 2nd, “	1 50
Adoniram Raymond, “	50
Samuel Gray, “	1 70
Henry Brewster, “	29 00
Balance paid to Town Treasurer,	25 00
	----- \$82 65

A larger run of the young fish never went down into the bay than that of last August and October.

There has been paid to the Treasurer \$14 60, the entire proceeds from the Indian Pond fishery, no charge having been made for services.

PHILANDER COBB, *for the Committee.*

Contingent Account.

Avery & Doten, printing,	\$116 55
Alfred Mudge & Son, "	17 75
E. L. Pratt & Co., "	1 00
Walter H. Faunce, services as Selectman,	140 00
John F. Holmes, " "	120 00
Philander Cobb, " "	120 00
Joseph S. Robbins, " Town Clerk,	44 11
Green Evans, " Overseer of the Poor,	25 00
James H. Stetson, " " "	75 00
Samuel Atwell, Jr., " " "	25 00
Walter H. Faunce, " Assessor,	100 00
John F. Holmes, " "	100 00
Philander Cobb, " "	100 00
Joseph Peckham, Superintendent of Schools,	250 00
Cyrus W. Ripley, Constable,	12 00
Nathan Chandler, returning deaths,	3 25
James C. Soule, ringing bell,	1 00
Doane & Greenough, tax books,	1 50
David G. Eldredge, repairing the hearse,	13 00
M. R. Warren, books and stationery,	5 56
Peleg T. Brooks, express,	8 76
A. T. Douglass, perambulating town line,	6 00
Total,	\$1,291 81
Appropriation,	1,300 00
Unexpended,	\$8 19

Treasury.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand March 1, 1883,	\$4,826 57
Uncollected Taxes of 1882,	28 18
William S. Adams, temporary loan,	1,000 00
State Treasurer, income of State School fund,	173 20
" " Corporation tax,	4,429 71
" " Bank tax,	2,603 22
" " Re-imbusement of State Aid,	522 00
" " " Military Aid,	175 00
" " " Pauper Aid,	36 57
County Treasurer, dividend from dog licenses,	146 54
Assessment of taxes,	10,110 93
Messrs. Cobb & Drew, re-imbusement of land damage,	125 00
Income from fisheries,	39 60
Rent of Town Hall,	20 41
Estate of David Lucas,	25 25
Peddler's license,	6 00
Auctioneer's license,	2 00
Total,	\$24,270 21

TOTAL EXPENDITURE.

State Tax,	\$1,665 00
County Tax,	1,787 13
Temporary loan and interest,	1,007 84
Teachers' wages, orders,	3,446 00
Repairs of School Houses, orders,	118 19
School Incidentals, "	205 18
Conveyance of Children, "	200 00
Fuel and Care, "	300 80
State Aid, "	375 00
Military Aid, "	246 00

Police,	orders,	\$103 50
Almshouse,	"	978 93
Outside Poor,	"	1,473 17
Highway,	"	3,507 45
Special Highway,	"	462 33
New Town way at Rocky Nook,	"	377 12
Decoration Services,	"	50 00
Burying Ground,	"	51 20
Contingent,	"	1,291 81
Town Hall,	"	107 15
Abatement of Taxes of 1882,		10 00
Abatement of Taxes of 1883,		108 29
Uncollected Taxes of 1882,		1 24
Uncollected Taxes of 1883,		24 49
Bounty on Woodchucks,		31 00
Treasurer and Collector,		275 00
Balance on hand March 1, 1884,		6,066 09
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Total,		\$24,270 21

From the balance in the treasury there is to be paid, in the month of March, for teachers' wages, \$864 00; for fuel and care of school houses, \$80 00; for conveyance of children, \$67 00; for school incidentals, \$75 00; for snow and special highways, \$20 00; and for town officers, \$700 00; making about \$1,800 00. This deducted from the said balance, will leave over \$4,200 00 to meet current expenses till the taxes of 1884 shall be collected.

The amount of taxes abated is greater than usual, by reason of an abatement of \$87 00 of a tax assessed upon property which was afterwards found to belong to a corporation, and which had been taxed by the state authorities. There was \$187 00 returned to the town by the state, as a tax upon the same property.

This illustrates the advantage this town has over others whose rate of taxation is equal to, or greater than the average or state rate. It will be seen by reading the treasury receipts, that \$7000 has been received from the state. This is the tax upon about \$300 000 invested in 33 different corporations, taxed at the rate of \$14 98 per \$1000, and the tax upon over 1600 shares invested in 29 National Banks, on a value of \$150,000, after deducting the value of the real estate of the banks as taxed in the towns where they are located. The importance of this income to the tax payer is not generally appreciated, but should it be discontinued, the sum raised by the town from year to year would become burdensome to the owners of real estate, and particularly so, should future legislation increase the State and County taxes. Probably the State tax will be increased the coming year, and this town will be called upon to pay \$2,220 00 instead of \$1,665 00.

The following appropriations are recommended for the ensuing year.

Highways,	\$3,500 00
Snow and special highways,	500 00
Wages of Teachers,	3,000 00
Repairs of school houses,	150 00
Fuel and care of school houses,	250 00
School Incidentals,	200 00
Conveyance,	200 00
Contingencies,	1,300 00
Support of Poor,	2,400 00
State Aid,	400 00
Soldiers' Aid,	250 00
Police,	150 00
Burying Ground,	50 00
Treasurer and Collector,	275 00
Memorial Day,	50 00
Town Hall, repairs,	200 00
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Total,	\$12,875 00

Should the above recommendations be adopted, and the returns from the State remain the same, a tax of \$3500 will be sufficient to meet the expenses of the year for town purposes, since the amount in the treasury may be safely reduced, \$2400. This added to \$2200, the probable State tax, and the County tax, \$1787, would make the total to be raised about \$7500. If however, all of the various schemes should be adopted which are now being agitated, those who pay taxes upon property, may as well be prepared to contribute towards a much larger sum.

The following is a list of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen for revision and acceptance by the Town at the Annual Meeting, which will be held March 31st.

Henry N. Blanchard,	Joshua Delano, Jr.,
Edward G. Brown,	Jonah Willis, Jr.,
Daniel Bisbee,	George B. Holmes,
George H. Clark,	Asa C. Hammond,
Henry T. Cook,	Henry K. Keith,
Algernon S. Chandler,	George F. Lane,
Abner P. Childs,	Obed Ripley,
Leander S. Cole,	Cyrus W. Ripley,
David Delano,	Herbert Soule,
James H. Dawes,	John H. Towne,
Charles H. Drew,	Daniel Weston.

WALTER H. FAUNCE, } *Selectmen*
 JOHN F. HOLMES, } *of*
 PHILANDER COBB, } *Kingston.*

Articles of the Warrant,

FOR TOWN MEETING, MONDAY, MARCH 31, AT 10 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON.

1. To choose a Moderator.
2. To choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year.
3. To hear and act upon reports of Town officers and Committees.
4. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for defraying Town charges the ensuing year.
5. To act on a list of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen.
6. To act on the petition of Horace B. McLauthlen and others, "to see if the Town will make a special appropriation for the repair of the highway from the Plympton line, on the road to Silver Lake Grove, to Witherel's, so called."
7. To act on the petition of Edwin Reed and others, "to see if the Town will vote to take one of S. Pennock & Sons' road machines on trial, and if it proves satisfactory, to buy the same."
8. To vote upon the question, "shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"
9. To act on the petition of Henry K. Keith and others, "to see if the Town will choose a Committee to consider the matter of introducing water into the Town for domestic and Fire purposes and to raise a sum of money not to exceed \$300 00, for that purpose, said Committee to report to the Town at the next annual meeting, or at a special meeting for that purpose."
10. To see if the Town will take any action for the protection and preservation of the Clam fishery.

Marrriages Registered in Kingston,

FOR THE YEAR 1883.

- January 1. John G. Nichols of Gainsville, Florida, and Sarah V. Cunningham of Boston.
- January 1. Michael T. Callahan and Eliza S. Nevins, both of Kingston.
- January 1. Henry N. Blanchard and Mertie R. Cobb, both of Kingston.
- March 25. Nathaniel T. Wright of Plympton, and Cora E. Tiffany of Kingston.
- March 28. Edwin L. Sampson of Kingston, and Lydia O. Staudish of Plymouth.
- April 21. Joshua V. Peck of Duxbury, and Christiane McFalyon of Kingston.
- April 25. Josiah D. Churchill and Jemima Grigg, both of Plymouth.
- May 3. Albert Lloyd Faunce of Kingston, and Jessie B. Northey of Duxbury.
- May 6. Charles W. Shaw and Abbie L. Evans, both of Kingston.
- May 10. George F. Jackson of Plymouth, and Clara Alden Keene of Kingston.
- June 6. George M. Church of Abington, and Ellen Randall of Duxbury.
- June 9. Otis Churchill and Abbie C. Cushman, both of Kingston.
- June 16. Joseph A. Ford of Duxbury, and Cora A. Wadsworth of Kingston.
- June 17. John F. Murphy of South Abington, and Margaret T. Smith of Kingston.
- June 26. Charles L. Merriam of Kingston, and Alice P. Davis of Andover.
- June 27. Arthur C. Holmes and Florence G. Delano, both of Duxbury.
- June 30. Benjamin F. Ford of Duxbury, and Alice L. White of Plympton.
- July 5. Benjamin Pool of Kingston, and Elizabeth A. Cordingley of Lawrence.
- July 28. Edmund Bradford and Alice Maglathlin, both of Kingston.

- September 1. Benjamin F. Ward and Abbie B. Edes, both of Plymouth.
- September 2. Charles F. A. Bonney of Kingston, and Georgiana M. Duckworth of Bridgewater.
- September 9. Walter A. Lane of Kingston, and Eva T. Wright of Plympton.
- September 25. Cromwell Padelford of Kingston, and Annie E. Tolman of Bridgewater.
- November 8. John F. McArdle of Plymouth, and Mary E. Mahoney of Kingston.
- November 11. Thomas J. Taylor and Marcia F. Bryant, both of Kingston.
- November 11. Wendell Phillips and Lizzie A. Randall, both of Duxbury.
- November 15. Bartlett W. Maglathlin of Duxbury, and Mary A. Cummings of Pembroke.
- November 20. Charles H. Ford and Lucinda B. Snell, both of Kingston.
- November 27. John B. Morgan of Plymouth, and Edith F. Lucas of Kingston.
- December 15. Granville E. Baker and Emeline K. Drew, both of Kingston.
- December 15. Obed Ripley and Emma B. Harding, both of Kingston.
- December 16. Joseph A. Tripp and Lizzie Howard, both of Hanover.
- December 25. James T. Matone and Katie E. Smith, both of Kingston.

Deaths Registered in Kingston, 1883.

Males,	9
Females,	10
Total,	19

Births Registered in Kingston, 1883.

Males,	10
Females,	11
Total,	21

DEATHS REGISTERED IN KINGSTON

For the Year 1883.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	NAME OF PARENTS.
		Y.	M.	D.		
1883.						
February 16,	Lacy Trigg	69	1	9	Heart trouble & Pneumonia	Joseph and Lucy Bartlett.
" 20,	Caroline E. Chandler	56	11	29	Paralysis	Jedediah and Polly Barton.
March 18,	Almira Lewis	78	3	5	Old Age	Benjamin and Susanna Keene.
" 26,	Sally D. French	82	5	3	Old Age	Martin and Nancy Brewster.
" 26,	David Lucas	57	3	14	Intestinal Cancer	David and Mary Lucas.
April 19,	Emily F. Drew	56	3	6	Bright's Disease & Dropsy	Charles and Emily Robbins.
May 26,	Almon Day Sturtevant	2	4	6	Scarletina	Henry & Caroline Sturtevant.
" 30,	Abigail Bowd	83	4	6	Old Age	Isaac & Temperance Thomas.
" 30,	Chandler W. Jones	1	11	6	Convulsions	W. L. and Asenath Jones.
August 7,	Patrick Malloy	55	10	8	Cholera of the Liver	Michael and Mary Maloye.
" 12,	William Callahan	39	10	6	Fracture of the Spine	Thomas and Mary Callahan.
September 4,	Carl F. Cushman	29	10	6	Cholera Infantum	Frank and Mary A. Cushman.
October 4,	William Bradford	73	11	13	Paralysis of the Brain	Ellis and Lady Bradford.
" 8,	Nancy Denham	81	4	6	Paralysis	Silas and Mary Denham.
November 5,	Edwin A. King	67	6	6	Bright's Disease & Dropsy	Elijah and Polly King.
" 22,	Almira B. Simmons	31	9	6	Pneumonia	Elisha & Miriam McLaurhien.
December 6,	Mary T. Bradford	33	8	2	Burned to Death	Charles and Bethia Delano.
" 10,	Spencer Brewster	23	8	1	Paralysis	Spencer & Cynthia Brewster.
" 10,	Emmie Wilson	23	1	1	Old Age and Paralysis	John and Hannah Randall.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASS.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1884.

* SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF 1883-84.

WALTER H. FAUNCE, <i>Chairman</i> ,	1886
JAMES L. HALL, <i>Secretary</i> ,	1886
WILLIAM H. MYRICK, <i>Librarian</i> ,	1884
ASA C. HAMMOND,	1884
PHILANDER COBB,	1885
GEORGE F. LANE,	1885

Superintendent of Schools, - JOSEPH PECKHAM.

SCHOOL TERMS.

- Spring Term begins April 7, and continues twelve weeks.
- Fall Term begins September 1, and continues twelve weeks.
- Winter Term begins December 1, and continues fourteen weeks, including one week of vacation from December 22 to December 29.

REPORT.

FELLOW CITIZENS:—

It is the just requirement of the Statutes of the Commonwealth, that those entrusted with the Superintendence of the Public Schools should make an ANNUAL REPORT; yet ordinarily you cannot expect them to claim any very marvellous progress within the brief period of thirty-seven weeks. There can be no inventions here, as in mechanics, by which to revolutionize the whole business in a trice: no labor-saving machine, or natural agent as steam, electricity, or water-power can be attached to the human brain for energizing its faculties or helping out its reasonings. If there are bicycles in learning, these must severally be propelled by the will and skill of the rider himself. True, we hear of the Quincy system, and of other new departures in education, but we strongly suspect that in these there is not so much a discovery of new principles and methods, as a more earnest and pliant application of old ones. The very best system ever devised, has not sufficient inherent power to go of itself, but always requires teachers of a special training, magnetism and good sense, to impart to it their own vitality, and to give it the true success. If you put sharp tools in the hands of a bungler, more likely he will both wound his own person and mar the material upon which he is working. Nothing can be more absurd than for the young teacher to attempt wearing the harness of the old and experienced one, until at least he has fairly proved it. Really to succeed, he must act both naturally and freely; this however, does not preclude the necessity of much personal preparation, since no one ever had too much learning and discipline to instruct the merest child. He governs and teaches best, who has first governed and taught his own heart and life.

Were we to look over the history of education for a term of years, say fifty, twenty, or only ten, the progress would be very perceptible and even striking; yet there are elderly people, able as none else can, to compare in a practical way, the past with the present, who claim that the progress has been all backward and that the old is always better. Now it is natural for us, who are somewhat advanced in life, to cling closest to the familiar things of our youth: we have the affection for them that we have for our birth-place; they have been incorporated into our very beings and "have grown with our growth and strengthened with our strength." But laying aside as far as we can, all prepossessions of this sort, is it possible that all the extraordinary investigations, discussions and experiments of the last half century, the vast amount of intelligence conveyed through reports, lectures and periodicals, to say nothing of the increased expenditures in time and money, have been worse than futile? If there has been progress in the world in any of its departments (and we don't believe everything is going to the bad) must it not have been preceded and promoted by progress in education? Stagnation and barbarism are the products of ignorance. Inventions, enterprise and business activity come from the schools.

We are aware of the severe taunt, frequently uttered at this day, that our public schools do not carry the youth far enough to admit them into the learned professions, but too far to leave them contented with a life of manual labor. They are sufficiently taught to become very nice young gentlemen and ladies, dependent upon their fathers and mothers for the means with which to live and to keep up appearances, and nothing more. Now to remedy this alleged defect (and doubtless there is very much in it), the attention of educators is being earnestly directed to the inquiry, whether honest labor may not be made more honorable in the eyes of our youth by introducing into the schools, rudimentary instruction in various arts and handicrafts. Some even advocate the establishment of workshops in connection with the school-houses, and the employment of skilled artisans to teach in a

practical way, the use of the hammer, the saw and the anvil, and to give lessons in respect to some of the more complicated forms of machinery. In some of the countries of Europe, technical instruction has been introduced into the schools, to the extent that "the pupils receive orders from industrial firms in practical business," and that "competitive problems for practical execution are given at regular intervals." The pupils are permitted to visit the neighboring art museums, workshops and manufactories, and thus to become familiarized with the various processes of the world's work.

But here the objection arises, "There is not time for this with the multifarious book-studies, which are claiming so much attention. True, as we used to write in our copy-books, "Time is short," and "Art is long." If we could only stretch the former and compress the latter, we might crowd one into the other and so equalize things. But suppose we take time just as it is, with all its brevity and fleetness, is not that education best, though bound up in a small parcel, which is well balanced, snug and complete? Shall our children be like cakes unturned? or shall not the hands be trained as well as the head? In an intellectual conflict, it is the man of one book who is to be feared far more than he, who has read all the trashy literature of the circulating library, or who has a smattering of every ology in the encyclopaedia. "Multum, non multa" is the Latin, which very liberally translated, reads, An ounce of good sense is worth a ton of nothings. The hand-work may be only as a shell to the sweet meat, but it certainly has its uses as a strengthener and a preservative. "Mens sana in sana corpore."

But without venturing any suggestions as to the best way of reaching the desired end in our own town, except to urge upon parents the importance of home training, we believe the general movement is in the right direction. Ere long, successful experiments will be reached for our safe guidance in this matter, and legislation will be adopted, by which a certain kind and degree of technical education will be made as compulsory as any other form.

Closely connected with all this, is instruction in the distinguishing, naming and mixing of colors. The perception and the taste may be improved by careful training in childhood. The ability to select and mingle colors, so as to produce the most agreeable effects, is particularly desirable at this day, when variety and oddity are so much sought in the painting of our homes. If we are to have the seven prismatic colors on the same street, and perhaps on the same building, let there be the same pleasing proportions and harmonies as in the rainbow. It might be an advanced step, if some Angelo or Titian were to arise, who would take jobs in painting whole villages at the same time. If the children are inspired with the love of nature, alike of the variegated carpet of earth, and of the beautiful tints and glows of sky, they will be made both more accurate in their perceptions and purer in their tastes.

But the chief reason for this study in the schools is the early detection of color blindness. Several per cent of the people in every community are deficient here. It assumes a very important turn, when we remember that many lives may be sacrificed by the inability of an engineer to distinguish the color of a signal upon a railroad or upon dangerous rocks and reefs at sea.

Another of the practical questions of special interest at the present time is, whether the text books used in the schools, should not be purchased, and in some instances at least, be owned by the town. By the law as it now is, when new books are introduced, the town must pay the entire cost, and so, in such case, it would cost nothing to retain the ownership. It purchases the books at a greatly reduced price, and probably might continue to do so after introduction. The cost of books is often a great burden to the individual parent, and a source of vexation to the assessor and collector. All this might be avoided by the proposed plan. Moreover, we may ask, Is our school system perfectly free, where the public does not furnish the books as well as the school-houses and teachers?

We would specially suggest, that many of the books used in the High School might well become the property of the town. As a rule,

being more expensive and durable and more carefully kept, they might answer for several generations of scholars. We have been informed, that numbers of young persons have been prevented from coming to the school, because unable to meet this particular expense. The town can no more afford to lose their attendance than they themselves can afford to be absent.

Another important matter receiving special attention at the present time is the "No Recess Question."

Three essential things as preliminary, are proposed by those in favor of abolishing the general recess, namely:—to have every school-room well ventilated; to allow of individual recesses according to propriety and necessity, and to shorten each daily session the usual time of the general recess.

Among the alleged advantages are the following:—There will be less danger to health from being over-heated by violent exercise with insufficient clothing, and then a return to the room, which in the mean time has been purposely cooled.

Most of the collisions and troubles of school arise during the recess and these will be prevented.

There will be less liability of moral contamination, of injuries to the school building and its appurtenances, and fewer complaints from the neighbors.

There will be the benefit of more unbroken and continuous study.

By earlier dismissals, the parents can have the longer presence and aid of their children at home.

The plan has been quite extensively tried and has received the approval of physicians, parents, teachers and committees, wherever fairly tested.

In the smaller schools, and in those of smaller children, it may make less difference, but we think it may remedy some of the difficulties, which have been experienced between the two departments in the High School building. It has been understood from the first, that the Master is to have general supervision during the recesses, as it is

impracticable for both teachers to do this well, without the fullest harmony of feeling and action. And yet there is a difficulty, as the Master cannot always be on the play-ground or be looking from the windows to attend to what is transpiring outside. He might indeed by standing in or near the entry, as the scholars go out or come in, prevent many of those disturbances, which we are sorry to say, have not unfrequently occurred. Or what is better still, the older pupils especially, ought to be so thoroughly imbued with those principles of order and honor as to need no watching. We are yet in favor, as far as practicable, of the removal of all temptation. This may be done in a good degree by making the recesses individual instead of general. If the experiment with us does not succeed, it will be easy to return to the former custom.

It may be seen by the School Registers that the Superintendent has been credited with seventy-eight visits during the year. By these opportunities, it has been his privilege, first of all, to learn much himself, and then to carry from one school to another what he has thus learned. No one with half an eye open, can make these monthly rounds without having his deep interest awakened and his discrimination sharpened, both in respect to the children's needs and the best ways of meeting them. The very comparisons he must make between different methods and successes quicken his thoughts and help him to right conclusions.

It is increasingly evident that young children are not mere puppets to be moved only by the pulling of wires in the hand of the teacher, but that they are human beings, ever active and sensitive, and to be governed by intelligent motives. If during the comparatively reasoning period of childhood, some punishments are necessary, we are happy to believe, through the increased tact of teachers in interesting and governing, these both in frequency and severity, are growing "beautifully less." We are also glad to see that some of the methods of the Kindergarten have been introduced into the primary and other schools, so that what once was a weariness is now an exhilarating pleasure.

One of the most delicate duties of the Superintendent has been to mediate between parents and teachers, and between teachers and scholars. While in no instance has the right been intentionally sacrificed, the suggestion of a little mutual yielding and forbearance has usually sufficed. Cheerfulness and charity are the two sweet oils for promoting the easy play of our school machinery. If parents would oftener visit the schools themselves, instead of wholly listening to the complaints of their punished children, they might sometimes find occasion for approval rather than for censure. If there are any persons in the world, who can rightfully claim their co-operation and sympathy, it is those who jointly with themselves have the care and instruction of their offspring. But no school can be properly conducted, where the teacher is liable at any moment to be controlled by the perulit notions of the several parents.

School government is intermediate between the home and the civil, and is therefore an important step towards good citizenship. We rightfully expect as the field broadens, an increasing restraint and a higher degree of order. There is indeed debateable ground between the home and the school, where the question is as to the superiority of authority. Let there be a hearty compromise between the parent and the teacher, then this debateable ground shall become common ground. In days of yore, as some of the older people will remember, Master Parris not only "took children to do" for what they did by the way, in coming to and going from the school, but sometimes by the tacit consent of the parents, for their disobedience at their homes. How much Kingston owes, even at this day, to this faithful disciplinarian. The appointment of truant officers indicates that every child is "due to the school," and that authority other than parental is not wholly confined to the school hours and the school house.

Suppose a teacher, *for a reasonable time*, detains a scholar after school to study and recite the words missed in spelling, or to supplement a poor lesson in grammar or geography, is it not much better for the child that he is made actually to learn what had been properly assigned, than that he be let off with a simple reprimand or a lowering

of his standing in the class? The voluntary adoption of the former course on the part of the teacher, does not favor the suggestion, that her main object is an easy time with the fullest pay. Really however, the final result is a compensation of approval from both parents and children, as well as from her own conscience, more valuable than any present case or any sum of money. It is fitting to add, that the highest success is reached, where every lesson is well learned in school-hours, and there is no necessity for either reproofs or detentions.

Your committee wish to reiterate and emphasize all they said in their last report upon the importance of moral instruction. Learning becomes an actual evil, when not coupled with goodness. Let the lessons of temperance, purity, honesty, truth and reverence be imparted with such earnestness, that they shall take firm hold of the consciences, affections and lives of all our youth.

It is with much hesitation that we depart from all our later usage to speak a little in detail upon the several schools.

We entered upon the school year with the loss of two of our former excellent teachers, and since then, we have also been made sorry with the loss of two more, one at Stony Brook, who was released in the midst of the spring term, to accept what she deemed a more eligible position nearer her home; and the other at Rocky Nook, at the close of the Fall session. But we are happy to believe that these vacancies thus suddenly created, have been filled by very competent successors, and to general satisfaction.

The Primary School, than which none is more important, continues to maintain its high standing and is a fine model of its kind.

So backward and in many respects difficult a school as the North West, has not been the most favorable position for a beginner. It is a sufficient commendation of the teacher employed to say she has done what she could. The final examination was regarded by the committee present, as very creditable.

The few pupils at Indian Pond, under the faithful instruction of one, who has for several years had them in charge, have as usual done well, very well.

Only a lady of peculiar tact, energy and perseverance could have sustained herself so long and so acceptably at the head of the Grammar School, as Miss Catharine Drew Russell. Her protracted and efficient service in town, of a quarter of a century, deserves the recognition of her full name in the body of this report.

The Master of the High School has completed his tenth year in this relation, and this may properly be put down as most honorable mention. But when we think of the grand possibilities of our young people, we can but express the hope that this school on which so much thought, money and time are annually bestowed, may take a much higher stand still in wide-awake earnestness, in good scholarship and order, as well as in moral tone.

A class of seven for 1884 have graduated with very interesting exercises and the usual honors, in the presence of a large audience of interested spectators, and we do most heartily bespeak for them each and all, in all their future, the truest happiness and success.

The names of those receiving diplomas at the public exhibition are as follows:—

Alexander Holmes,	Joseph Byron Holmes,
Fred. Baker Cole,	Melzar Parker Delano,
Mabel Thomas Bryant,	Martha Robbins Finney,
and Abbie Louisa Glass, of Plympton.	

Respectfully submitted,

In behalf of the School Committee,

JOSEPH PECKHAM, *Superintendent.*

KINGSTON, MARCH, 1884.