

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF KINGSTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 26th, 1885.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

NAME AND RESIDENCE.	NAME AND RESIDENCE.	ATTENDANCE		ATTENDANCE		ATTENDANCE		ATTENDANCE		WAGES.
		W.	F.	W.	F.	W.	F.	W.	F.	
Charles E. Hight	Hight School	12	20	32	11	33	31	97	94	\$ 1,110 00
Estherine L. Hight	Hight School	11	11	11	28	11	42	93	98	407 00
Louis S. McLambin	Primary	32	24	28	21	24	24	94	95	2221 00
Susan E. Robertson	Brooks School	49	12	78	28	55	50	93	92	2041 00
Helen L. Robertson	Brooks School	15		41						130 00
Abbie F. Bouney		20		27		50				150 00
James F. Brock	North Wood	22		20		94		29	94	72 00
Henrietta Brock	North Wood	21		20		95				130 00
Leona T. Hudson	North Wood	25	19	21	17	16	94	90	88	2222 00
Isabella A. Hammond	North Wood	12	12	14	16	12	83	50	93	2223 00
Total		223	223	280	206	291	207	92	94	\$ 3,272 00

Wages paid to teachers in Town of Kingston for the year ending February 26th, 1885.

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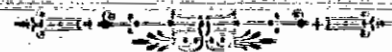
OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE



TOWN OF KINGSTON,



FOR THE

Financial Year Ending February 28th,

1885.

WITH THE REPORT OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1884-85.

BOSTON :

GEO. B. KING, PRINTER,

103 SUMMER ST.,

1885.

REPORT.

ASSESSMENT OF TAXES.

Valuation of Personal Estate	\$810,158 00
Valuation of Real Estate	759,905 00
Total Valuation	\$1,570,063 00

Rate of Taxation per \$1000, \$4 40.

Number of Polls, Male 470. Female 1.

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

Amount assessed on the Polls \$940.50.

Town Tax	\$3600 00
County Tax	1787 13
State Tax	2220 00
Overlay	341 65
Total for Collection	\$7848 78

Number of horses taxed	208
Number of cows taxed	181
Number of dwelling houses taxed	362
Number of acres of land taxed	10 483

Taxes for 1883.

Adams, William S.	\$497 44	Adams, Caleb F.	\$2 00
Adams, Abigail H.	160 16	Adams, Joseph	2 00
Adams, Horatio	215 20	Ames, Benjamin F.	2 00
Adams, Eveline	29 57	Atwell, Samuel Jr.	2 00
Adams, Horatio and A. H. Sampson, trustees		Atwell, Charles F.	3 76
Est. of F. C. Adams,	135 52	Ahearn, John	7 03
Adams, Henry L.	9 48	Atwood, E. Elbridge	4 25
Adams Charles H.	2 00	Allen, Albert L.	3 10
		Amsden, Fayette M.	2 00
Bartlett, Lysander,	13 55	Baker, Granville,	8 82
Bartlett, Clement D.	2 00	Baker, Granville E.	2 00
Bartlett, Isabel	4 40	Baker, Sidney	2 00
Bartlett, Susan	8 80	Beytes, Antonio M.	1 32
Bartlett, Lloyd G. Est. of	7 92	Beytes, Antonio,	2 00
Bailey, Nahum	23 56	Beytes, Charles B.	2 00
Bailey, Cynthia C.	6 27	Breach, Henry F.	2 00
Bailey, Justus A.	8 28	Brewster, Eliza	5 72
Bailey, Frederic C.	4 20	Brewster, Henry	2 77
Bailey, Caleb E.	22 68	Brewster, Clement D.	
Bailey, Ellsworth C.	2 00	heirs of	3 96
Bates, Caleb	34 45	Brewster, Spencer, Est. of	11 88
Baker, Otis	37 64	Brewster, Ann, heirs of	4 40
Baker, Otis Jr.	2 00	Brewster, Ernest E. W.	5 52
Baker, Manlius	2 00	Bisbee, Daniel, heirs of	4 29
Baker, Thatcher,	6 84	Bisbee, Daniel	3 76

Bicknell George S.	\$ 44	Bearce, Ichabod	\$2 99
Bonney, John	3 54	Bearce, John, heirs of	3 30
Bonney, Charles F. A.	4 64	Bonney, George H. Jr.	4 64
Bonney, Wallace	2 00	Bowker, Davis W.	3 32
Bagnell, John C.	8 16	Brooks, Peleg T.	17 84
Barnes, John	2 20	Brown, Edward G.	11 90
Barker, Sally	5 39	Brown, David	14 63
Badger, Edward Y.	2 00	Brown, William	2 00
Barstow, Daniel W.	2 00	Brown Robert A.	2 00
Blanchard, Harriet N.	2 20	Burns, Ebenezer E.	5 30
Blanchard, Henry N.	2 66	Burns, Hiram H.	2 00
Blanchard, Herbert	2 00	Buck, Frederic W.	2 00
Blanchard, Elliott W.	7 02	Bunker, Edward	6 62
Blanchard, Arthur F.	2 00	Bunker, Nathaniel H.	2 00
Brackett, Fred G.	11 68	Burges, William H.	14 16
Bradford, Alden S.	10 80	Burges, William T.	2 00
Bradford, Lydia, heirs of	1 10	Burges & Keith,	87 56
Bradford, George B.	2 00	Burgess, Marion D. and sister,	2 64
Bradford, Amos P.	2 00	Bumpus, Charles A.	2 00
Bradford, William Est. of	6 16	Bryant, Charles E.	3 93
Bradford, Horace S.	11 24	Bryant, Edgar W.	2 00
Bradford, Sumner	2 00	Bryant, Nathaniel	5 28
Bradford, Rebecca M.	5 50	Bryant, Warren L.	2 88
Bradford, George A.	3 76	Bryant, Sylvanus	10 63
Bradford, Edmund	2 00	Bryant, George W.	2 00
Bradford, Cornelius	7 28	Bryant, William D.	2 00
Beal, Joseph S. and wife	310 55	Bryant, James H.	3 76
Beal, Joseph S. trustee of Walker estate,	80 85	Bryant, Dolly D.	6 16
Beal, Joseph S. trustee of C. W. Shepherd	17 60	Bryant, George B.	4 15
Berry, Roscoe G.	4 64	Bryant, Oliver H.	2 00
Benson, Stephen	2 00	Bryant, William B.	2 44

Chandler, Edward D.	\$33 02	Cobb & Drew,	\$246 40
Chandler, Nathan	17 53	Cobb, Henry, Est. of	5 72
Chandler, Algernon S.	26 46	Cobb, John W.	2 00
Chandler, Abigail	1 98	Collins, William	6 18
Chandler, Horace J.	13 22	Collins, John	2 00
Chandler, John S.	6 18	Corey, Gustavus	10 36
Chandler, Claude M.	2 00	Cole, Charles H.	12 78
Chandler, George T.	7 06	Cole, Leander S.	26 64
Chandler, John F.	2 00	Cole, Samuel P.	11 90
Carl, Hannah	44	Cole, Ann E.	15 86
Cate, George F.	5 30	Cole, Orrin B.	11 83
Carey, Dennis	6 53	Copeland, Elmer P.	2 00
Clarke, George H.	13 22	Cushman, Daniel	4 64
Chase, Dorus W.	2 00	Cushman, Joseph S.	6 18
Callahan, Thomas	10 36	Cushman, George, 2d,	8 16
Callahan, Michael T.	2 00	Cushman, John	4 97
Callahan, James	2 00	Cushman, Lyman T.	2 00
Childs, Abner P.	2 00	Cushman, Joseph T.	6 07
Childs, Charles H.	2 00	Cushman, Fred L.	2 00
Cook, Edwin	8 16	Cushman, George	13 68
Cook, Charles F.	2 00	Cushman, James H.	5 74
Cook, Martin, heirs of	3 74	Cushman, Lydia	3 52
Cook, Martin, Jr. heirs of	3 96	Cushman, George W.	8 60
Cook, Benjamin, Est. of	7 48	Cushman, Edwin	3 76
Cook, B. Frank	2 00	Cushman, Frank D.	2 44
Cook, Josiah T.	11 68	Cushman, George E.	6 84
Cook, Josiah	2 44	Cushman, Samuel E.	14 28
Cook, Charles E.	2 00	Cushman, Caroline, Est. of	29 70
Cook, Mary W.	3 19	Cushing, Samuel W. Est. of	46 20
Cook, Henry T.	13 77	Cunningham, Hannah B.	18 92
Cobb, Philander	24 64	Cunningham, Theodore B.	1 76
Cobb, Marcia R.	10 56	Churchill, Henry, heirs of	88
Cobb, Clarence O.	2 00	Churchill, Otis	6 18

Cobb, Martin heirs of	\$7 70	Churchill, Henry	\$10 47
Cobb, Herbert W.	2 44	Churchill, George L.	2 22
Cobb, Philander 2d.	2 60	Churchill, James T.	4 42
Cobb, Benjamin Est. of	75 02		
		Delano, Joshua Jr.	2 00
Davie, Solomon	8 60	Delano, David	9 26
Dawes, James H.	29 28	Delano, David H.	6 18
Dawes, John C.	17 84	Delano, Charles C.	2 00
Drake, Marden	3 98	Delano, Leander S.	3 76
Drake, Frank T.	2 60	Delano, Lewis, heirs of	4 84
Drake, James T.	2 60	De Normandie, Court-	
Drew, Seth	11 02	land Y.	12 78
Drew, Christopher P.	17 18	Devine, Patrick	9 92
Drew, Charles H.	6 62	Devine, Daniel	2 60
Drew, Job W. heirs of	12 54	Devine, John C.	2 00
Drew, Mary	44	Devine, Patrick, Jr.	2 00
Drew, Eli C.	19 27	Diman, Erastus	2 00
Drew, Elmer L.	2 00	Douglass, Albert T.	2 22
Drew, C. H. & Co.	30 80	Dorsey, John	2 60
Drew, Frank A.	2 00	Donley, John	7 94
Drew, John N.	9 92	Donley, William H.	2 00
Delano, Joshua	96 44	Donley, James	2 60
Delano, Joshua, trustee		Duggan, John	2 60
Elizabeth H. Howe	6 67		
		Everson, Warren N.	6 62
Eager, Robert	20 15	Everson, Henry S.	2 88
Eager, James T.	2 00	Eldredge, David G.	8 62
Evans, Green	11 02	Eldredge, Freeman R.	2 00
Evans, Willis	7 50	Eldredge, John	2 00
Evans & Atwood	33 22		
		Finney, Stephen	2 00
Faunce, Walter H.	46 33	Fitzpatrick, Michael	11 90
Faunce, Charles T.	27 30		

Faunce, Ann E.	\$8 25	Fitzpatrick, John	\$2 00
Faunce, Seth W.	4 86	Ford, Lemuel K.	2 00
Faunce, Albert	2 86	Ford, Levi E.	3 76
Faunce, Cornelius A.	2 00	Ford, James H.	2 41
Faunce, N. Frank	2 00	Ford, Charles H.	2 00
Faunce, Elizabeth F.	15 40	Foster, Charles J.	6 84
Faunce, George	10 36	Foster, Horace W.	2 00
Faunce, Myron	2 00	Foster, Lucretia D., guard.	5 28
Faunce, Winslow	9 92	Fuller, Ezra Est. of	5 17
Faunce, Sarah	4 73	Fuller, Truman H.	10 80
Faunce, Eliezer	9 92	Fuller, Rebecca	2 42
Faulkner, James N.	15 20	Fuller, James	5 61
Frazer, George Y.	2 00	Fuller, Chester H.	2 00
Farrington, Martin	5 08	Fuller, Smith	44
Farrington, John P.	2 00	Fuller, Samuel	2 66
Freeman, D. Clifton	2 00	Fuller, Frank	16 74
Finney, William A.	5 30	Fuller, Frank W.	3 32
Gray, Lydia	88	Gibbs, George F.	2 00
Gray, John, heirs of	10 34	Gibbs, Andrew B.	2 00
Gray, Samuel W.	2 44	Glover, Elizabeth F.	8 53
Graves, George A.	5 96	Grozenger, George	9 57
Griswold, George W.	2 00	Gunn, David B.	2 00
Hall, John F.	32 25	Hickey, James	6 18
Hall, James L.	13 44	Holmes, Edward	242 57
Hall, William C.	10 36	Holmes, Edward K.	15 09
Hall, Frederic T.	2 00	Holmes, Paraclete W.	9 04
Hall, Frank S.	2 00	Holmes, Alexander, Est. of	46 11
Hayward, Lucius	3 32	Holmes, Joseph A.	383 26
Hayward, Lucius T.	2 00	Holmes, Frank H.	382 40
Haney, Dennis	7 28	Holmes, Clynthia D.	7 04
Hatch, Josiah P.	2 00	Holmes, John F.	16 30

Hatch, Charles	\$2 00	Holmes, Caroline W.	\$ 50
Haggerty, William	5 52	Holmes, Ira	6 62
Haggerty, Patrick	2 00	Holmes, Marcia D.	8 80
Hammond, Asa C.	11 02	Holmes, Elnathan	2 00
Hammond, Eugene H.	2 00	Holmes, Stephen	6 40
Hammond, Walter C.	8 60	Holmes, George B.	4 64
Hammond, Chester E.	2 00	Holmes, Gaius	2 20
Hart, Dennis	6 18	Holmes, Lathrop T.	6 62
Hazard, John	2 00	Holmes, Joseph	8 93
Harlow, James M.	2 00	Holmes, Albert E.	2 00
Harlow, Marcus H.	2 00	Holmes, Ephraim	66
Hernandez, Jose	2 22	Holmes, Richard E.	10 58
Hennessey, John, Est. of	2 20	Hobart, George H.	2 00
Henrich, Jacob	6 40	Howland, Daniel F.	5 30
Hill, Frank	2 00	Hunt, Henry	93 96
Jackson, Henry C.	6 84	Jones, P. M. C.	10 80
Jameson, Francis A.	2 00	Jones, George A.	2 00
Jones, Henry N.	50 62	Joyce, Urban	2 00
Jones, Henry M.	2 00		
Keith, Henry K.	47 98	Kennedy, James	18 06
Keith, Lewis H.	106 28	Kennedy, James, Jr.	3 10
Keeley, Hannah	8 80	Kennedy, Frank	5 30
Kelly, John	2 66	Kingston Co-op. F'dry Co.	18 04
Laanman, Eliza	3 30	Loring, Wilfred B.	4 20
Laanman, Mary E.	1 10	Loring, Edwin G.	2 00
Laanman, Henry T.	13 22	Lowe, Samuel	8 38
Laanman, Edward T.	2 00	Lowe, Charles E.	2 00
Lapham, Charles	10 47	Lowe, William H.	2 00
Lane, George F.	13 00	Lovering, John P.	2 00
Lane, Walter A.	2 00	Lucas, Adoniram B.	15 86
Leonard, Henry, Est. of	2 64		

Mahoney, John	\$8 38	McManus, Terrence	\$2 22
Malone, James T.	2 00	McGrath, Robert	8 82
Malone, John	2 00	McGrath, Michael	7 91
Malone, Patrick H.	2 00	McGrath, Michael, Jr.	2 00
Malone, Michael	2 00	McGrath, Thomas	2 00
Martin, Charles	3 10	McGrath, William, Est. of	2 24
Martin, Thomas	3 54	McGrath, James	2 00
Maglathlin, Henry B.	11 46	Merriam, Charles L.	2 00
McLauthlen, George W.	23 30	Meade, Lucy	1 76
McLauthlen, Elisha	2 00	Merrick, William A.	1 76
McLauthlen, Onslow	4 42	McSweeney, Felix	2 00
McLauthlen, Edwin L.	16 74	Mitchel, Ransom	4 42
McLauthlen, Horace B.	20 26	Morse, George	4 07
McLauthlen, Philemon W.	5 96	Morse, Francis	2 88
McLauthlen, Peter W.		Morris, John	2 00
heirs of	5 28	Morey, Charles S.	9 92
McLauthlen, Frances A.	12 76	McDonald, Allen	2 00
McLauthlen, Fanny B.		McDonald, Francis	2 00
and others	2 64	McGuire, William	4 64
McCarty, Charles	2 00	Murray, John	3 76
McCarty, Charles, Jr.	2 00	Myrick, William H.	43 36
McManus Michael, heirs of	2 86	Myrick, William W.	3 76
Newcomb, Thomas	41 27	Norton, Andrew	5 96
Newcomb, Marcello	52 58	Norton, Andrew, Jr.	2 00
Nichols, Ann and sister	15 84	Norton, James	2 00
Nolan, Thomas	5 57		
O'Brien, Joseph	2 00	Old Colony Rivet Co.	57 25
O'Brien, Eugene	2 00	Oldham, John	5 85
O'Brien, Michael E.	2 00	Oldham, Adoniram J.	2 00
O'Brien, Patrick	5 63	Ormonde, Michael	6 84
O'Brien, Patrick T.	2 00	O'Rourke, Margaret	1 32

O'Brien, Dennis W.	\$2 60	Owens, George E.	\$2 00
O. C. Co-op. Association	18 11	O'Connell, Dennis	2 00
Paine, Irene	1 76	Prince, Noah	9 30
Padelford, Theodore	2 00	Prince, Daniel	2 00
Pratt, Ephraim	2 00	Prince, Thomas	5 06
Peckham, Mary H.	11 44	Prince, John T.	1 21
Pendleton, Silas P.	12 56	Phillips, George L.	2 44
Peterson, Ichabod	6 18	Piorer, Charles	2 00
Peterson, Esaias	2 31	Philips, Laura M.	25 52
Pendergast, Edward	2 00	Powers, Edwin	2 00
Perkins, Ezra	1 10	Powers, Charles T.	2 00
Pierce, James B.	5 30	Potter, Marcia	2 64
Pierce, Arthur W.	2 00	Poole, Benjamin	12 56
Pierce, Edgar B.	2 00		
Quimby, Byron C.	2 00		
Ransom, Harvey	4 84	Ridder, Charles E.	2 00
Ransom, Edward A.	5 52	Ripley, Lewis	11 90
Randall, Robert F.	2 22	Ripley, Henry L.	13 22
Raymond, Adoniram J.	2 00	Ripley, Cyrus W.	11 46
Reed, Edwin	18 83	Ripley, Obad	13 18
Reed, Joseph E. heirs of	1 32	Ring, Daniel, heirs of	9 57
Reed, Isaac T.	7 94	Ring, Daniel W.	2 88
Reed, Porter C.	17 40	Ring, Samuel, heirs of	5 61
Reed, Frank H.	2 00	Rickard, Giles	2 00
Reed, Adelaide	4 40	Richardson, Ebenezer P.	4 20
Reinhardt, Henry	11 57	Robbins, Joseph S.	10 36
Reinhardt, John	2 00	Robbins, Martha	6 38
Reinhardt, Henry, Jr.	2 00	Russell, Catharine D. and sister	5 94
Reinhardt, Louis	2 00		
Reckenbiel, Henry	7 28		

Sampson, Azel H.	\$60 08	Simmons, Francis O.	\$6 95
Sampson, Henry H.	2 00	Simmons, Edmund F.	2 44
Sampson, William A.	6 31	Simmons, Augustus	6 18
Sampson, Edwin L.	2 00	Simmons, Frederic	2 00
Sampson, Oliver, Est. of	4 40	Simmons, Mary A.	14 08
Sampson, Benjamin,		Simmons, Melvin, heirs of	4 4
heirs of	6 60	Simmons, Henry	3 76
Sampson, Huldah	13 64	Smith, Patrick	4 84
Sampson, Hiram	3 43	Smith, Philip	2 00
Sampson, Clement H.	7 12	Smith, Martin	2 00
Sampson, George H.	3 76	Smith, John	7 94
Shaw, Charles W.	3 32	Smith, Richard J.	2 00
Stranger, Joseph A.	11 04	Smith, Patrick W.	2 00
Stranger, William A.	2 00	Soule, Henry	30 49
Stranger, Charles	2 00	Soule, Henry, Jr.	2 00
Stranger, Andrew R.	5 96	Soule, Herbert	41 60
Sprague, Nath'l D. W.	2 00	Soule, Samuel E.	2 22
Stevens, James H.	7 72	Soule, William F.	1 10
Sever, James N. heirs of	18 81	Soule, James C.	9 04
Sever, Winslow	6 40	Society, Baptist, Treas. of	5 94
Stetson, Kimball W.	85 71	Society, 1st Cong. Treas. of	3 08
Stetson, James H.	6 84	Society, 2d Cong.	
Stetson, Arthur A.	2 00	Treas. of	10 56
Stetson, Elisha	3 85	Sloan, Martin B.	2 00
Stetson, Henry T.	2 00	Sproul, Francis, heirs of	6 82
Stetson, Charles	2 00	Sturtevant, Henry	9 48
Stetson, Marcia H.	19 80	Sturtevant, Nancy W.	3 96
Stetson, Joseph	37 75	Sturtevant, Helen E.	3 96
Stegmaier, John	5 08	Sturtevant, John S.	2 00
Sherman, Ebenezer	11 90	Studley & Delano	3 74
Sheehan, Thomas	3 32	Symmes, William	27 52
Simmons, Nahum	10 14	Symmes, Hannah	2 64
Simmons, Wendell	2 22		

Taylor, Thomas	\$2 00	Thomas, William A.	\$80 32
Thayer, William L.	4 42	Thomas, George S.	3 87
Tobin, John	2 00	Thomas, Linus	2 66
Tobin, John, Jr.	2 44	Thomas, William R.	2 00
Tobin, Thomas S.	2 00	Thomas, Sally S.	9 02
Tobin, James E.	2 00	Thompson, James S.	6 61
Towne, John H.	7 28	Thompson, James H.	6 18
Townes, Charles B.	7 50	Thompson, Webster	2 00
Thom, Robert	2 00	Thompson, Charles L.	6 40
Thom, James	2 00	Trow, Charles W.	2 00
U. S. Lock Co.	6 93	Vaughan, E. N. H.	2 00
		Volk, Reinhardt	2 00
Washburn, Francis	12 12	Warden, Henry H.	210 89
Washburn, Azel W.	2 00	Ward, William G.	6 62
Washburn, George L.	7 50	Watson, Nathan B.	3 51
Washburn, George H.	3 32	Weston, Daniel	4 42
Washburn, Wm. D. heirs of	5 28	Willis, Jonah	8 08
Washburn, George	2 44	Willis, Edward	25 10
Washburn, John	2 00	Willis, William H.	8 60
Washburn, Martin P.	2 44	Willis, Jonah, Jr.	2 66
Washburn, Lora	2 00	Willis, Sarah T.	22 22
Washburn, Nath'l, heirs of	2 42	Winsor, Elbridge G.	26 20
Washburn, Waldo	10 80	Winsor, Hannah	5 28
Waterman, E. Everett	4 64	Witherel, Jairus	2 00
Waterman, Thomas E.	2 88	Wilson, Eli	9 04
Waterman, Austin B.	2 44	Willcott, William	5 52
Waterman, Amanda F.	11 44	Wixon, Oscar F.	2 00
Waterman, John	7 94	Wright, Ezra S.	2 00
Wadsworth, William A.	2 00	Wright, Newland 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,	\$1 54
Drake, Nathaniel M.	Brockton,	15 84
McLauthlen, Samuel	"	1 32
Adams, Nathaniel, executor of	Boston,	44
Saunders, Charles W.	"	6 49
Sherman, Eleazer C. Estate of	"	22
Holmes, Samuel	"	4 18
Russell, William G. Guardian of S. W. Sever,	"	92 40
Wheeler & Wilson Co.	"	88
Heal, Thomas P.	"	1 54
Heal, Alexander	"	1 10
Wright, Samuel C.	"	1 98
Bradford, William H.	"	1 98
Bossert, Andrew	"	1 32
Loring, Harrison G.	"	88
Snell, Benjamin	Bridgewater,	1 54
Holmes, Charles H.	"	44
Crocker, Walter	"	22
Sherman, Henry	Carver,	1 98
Sherman, Nelson	"	88
Vaughan, Thomas	"	66
Pratt, William B.	"	1 32
Sever, Charles	Cambridge,	16 72
Parker, Frank H.	Cambridgeport,	2 20
Whiting, Jasper	Charlestown,	22

Churchill, Charles O.	Plymouth,	\$1 76
Holmes, Nathaniel	"	83
Diman, Ezra S.	"	33
Nelson, Charles, et als.	"	26
Pratt, Lucius	"	66
Thomas, Gamaliel	"	41
Wordsworth, Wait	"	9 13
Plymouth Cordage Co.	"	3 96
Whiting, Benjamin	"	88
Holmes, Peter, heirs of	"	8 83
Washburn, Philip, heirs of	"	65
Clark, Robert	"	22
Morton, George E.	"	4 81
Town of Plymouth,	"	44
E. & J. C. Barnes	"	31 13
Clark, Hiram H.	Plympton,	2 97
Clark, Stephen, heirs of	"	44
Flynn, John	"	1 54
Rickard, Martin	"	44
Thompson, Josiah W.	"	1 32
Wright, Rufus	"	22
Bryant, Lemuel	"	1 65
Fuller, Lewis	"	44
Ford, Elijah	"	44
Souther, Frederic	Quincy,	7 43
Southworth, Deborah J.	Rockland,	44
Gray, Francis A.	Rockford, Ill.	55
Drake, Zeuma A.	Stoughton,	55
Dunbar, William H.	South Abington,	77
Sampson, Wendell A.	Taunton,	44
Holmes, James W.	Worcester,	1 93
Fuller, John A. heirs of	"	6 60
Faunce, Ichabod W.	Wollaston,	44

Lanman, John	Chelmsford,	\$2 86
Harlow, James	Cohasset,	8 36
Glass, Daniel P.	Duxbury,	88
Bradford, Gershom	"	2 35
Chandler, David	"	16
Chandler, George	"	1 10
Chandler, Horatio	"	1 54
Chandler, Nath'l L.	"	1 10
Loring, Samuel	"	6 38
Simmons, William	"	2 10
White, Otis	"	44
White, Daniel, heirs of	"	44
White, Alden	"	8 36
Deane, Clarissa	Groton,	88
Washburn, Cephas	Halifax,	44
Thompson, Zadock	"	22
Lyon, Sarah D.	"	66
Perry, Edward V.	Hanover,	88
Soule, Charles E.	"	66
Bourne, William H.	Hanson,	44
Stetson, William	Marshfield,	66
Ring, Samuel A.	"	22
Martin, Harriet	North Easton,	44
Willis, George F.	Putnam, Conn.,	3 03
Ford, Baker	Pembroke,	22
Sampson, Thomas H. Est. of	"	1 54
Cushman, Josiah	Petersham,	7 40
Nelson, George	Plymouth,	1 10
Carr, Michael	"	1 32
Davis, Charles G.	"	44
Bates, James C.	"	2 64
Chase, George H.	"	22
Clark, Zoath, heirs of	"	1 10

ORDERS PAID.

Support of Schools.

TEACHERS' WAGES.

Charles E. Ridler,	\$1,660 00
Catharine D. Russell,	467 00
Isabel A. Hammond,	225 00
Lydia S. McLaughlin,	357 00
Henrietta Hatch,	340 00
Helen E. Chandler,	382 00
Lena P. Holmes,	117 00
Mary M. Peckham,	216 00
Total,	<u>\$3,104 00</u>

Appropriation,	By the Town,	\$3,000 00
	Dividend from the County,	169 59
	State School Fund,	163 46
Total,		<u>3,333 05</u>
Balance unexpended,		\$229 05

CONVEYANCE OF CHILDREN.

Clement H. Sampson,	\$189 00
John F. Holmes,	25 00
Total,	<u>214 00</u>
Appropriation,	<u>200 00</u>
Overdrawn,	14 00

FUEL AND CARE OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Charles T. Faunce, wood,	\$13 50
George F. Lane, "	10 50
Joseph A. Stranger, "	17 75
Philander Cobb, "	18 75
Nathan Chandler, "	4 50
Marcello Newcomb, "	12 00
Jose Hernandez, Janitor of High School Building,	85 00
Thomas Hart, " Rocky Nook " House,	6 50
Clarence Cushman, " Indian Pond " "	17 00
Edwin F. Simmons, " North West " "	11 50
Walter Simmons, " " " " "	5 75
M. Parker Delano, " Centre Primary " "	6 50
Walter E. Delano, " " " " "	8 50
George F. Sampson, " Stony Brook " "	14 00
Henry C. Bailey, sawing wood,	2 50
Deborah Cushman,	25 00

Total, \$265 25

Appropriation, 250 00

Overdrawn, 15 25

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

George H. Clark,	\$8 75
James H. Stetson,	10 45
Joseph S. Robbins,	9 30
Charles T. Faunce,	3 00
Gustavus Corey,	3 37
George F. Lane,	7 24
George L. Phillips,	21 10
Lester E. Ward,	3 75
William H. Myrick,	77 36
Obed Ripley,	4 79
Algernon S. Chandler,	3 75

Total, \$152 56

Appropriation, 150 00

Overdrawn, 2 56

SCHOOL BOOKS AND INCIDENTALS.

Burges & Keith, books and stationery,	\$398 04
Charles E. Ridler, supplies,	2 85
William H. Myrick, "	25 73
Philander Cobb, "	17 52
John A. Boyle, "	15 19
Prang & Co., "	3 34
New England News Co., "	5 37
George F. Lane, "	19 95
S. Brumgartner, "	6 00
George H. Clark, "	7 58
John Waterman, water,	2 00
Caleb C. Adams, repairing clocks,	3 50
Robert Torrey, preparing diplomas,	75
George B. King, printing diplomas,	19 00
Charles Martin, labor,	2 00
Mrs. Reckenbiel, "	3 50
Mrs. Jenkins, "	3 75
Henry Brewster, "	16 85
Fred C. Cole, cash paid,	1 50

Total, \$554 37

Appropriation, 200 00

Overdrawn, 354 37

The appropriations for schools amount to \$4,133.50. The amount expended is \$4,290.48, showing that the appropriations have been overdrawn by \$157.43. This is occasioned by an Act of the Legislature of 1884, requiring towns to furnish scholars with books at the public expense. The cost of books purchased under this Act is about \$200, and they are the property of the town. Their value is more than the excess of the appropriation.

State Aid.

Eliza B. Sherman,	\$8 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,	18 00
Edmund F. Simmons,	18 00
Patrick Smith,	12 00
Oscar F. Wixon,	36 00
William L. Thayer,	16 00
James H. Thompson,	51 00
E. N. H. Vaughan,	12 00
Total,	\$314 00
Appropriation,	400 00
Overdrawn,	14 00

Military Aid.

Otis Parrott, of Lynn,	\$96 00
John F. Perkins, of Hanson,	72 00
Charles E. Bryant, of Kingston,	10 00
Total,	\$178 00
Appropriation,	250 00
Unexpended,	72 00

Committee on Water Supply.

Whitman & Breck, making survey,	\$220 00
Appropriation,	300 00
Unexpended,	80 00

Police.

Henry Brewster,	\$26 00
Patrick O'Brien,	30 00
Jose Hernandez,	26 00
Total,	\$82 00
Appropriation,	150 00
Unexpended,	68 00

Fisheries.

John F. Holmes,	\$10 00
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Burying Ground.

Edward D. Chandler,	\$18 00
Jonah Willis, Jr.,	18 50
Total,	\$36 50
Appropriation,	50 00
Unexpended,	13 50

Treasurer and Collector.

Daniel Prince,	\$275 00
Appropriation,	275 00

Memorial Services.

Charles L. Merriam, address,	\$12 00
Martha Sever Post, as per bill presented as follows :	
Printing order of exercises,	10 40
Flags for decoration,	3 85
Drum Corps,	16 00
Singing,	6 80
Teams,	2 00
O. C. C. Association,	2 45
A. B. Waterman,	1 50
Total,	\$53 00
Appropriation,	50 00
Overdrawn,	3 00

Town House.

Thompson & Holmes, for painting,	\$157 50
Jones & Co., for paints,	36 47
Philander Cobb, oil and drying,	26 50
Peleg T. Brooks, freight and express,	5 60
J. C. Dawes, Treas. Aqueduct Co.	10 00
William H. Myrick, lamps, etc.	14 30
Philander Cobb, wood and kerosene,	15 69
Lewis Ripley, labor and materials,	17 58
Cyrus W. Ripley, " "	2 75
George H. Clark, " "	4 98
Caleb Bates, repairs on boiler,	7 00
Walworth Mfg. Co. " "	2 95
Burges & Keith, coal,	4 88
O. C. R. R. Co., freight,	1 55
Edward D. Chandler, labor on green,	3 10
Total,	\$311 15
Appropriation,	200 00
Overdrawn,	111 15

The books of the Janitors show that the House has been used eighteen times free and twenty times for which there has been received	\$164 00
There has been paid for incidentals by the Janitors	\$12 00
There has been paid for services of Janitors	70 40
Total,	\$246 40
Leaving a balance of which has been paid to the Treasurer.	\$21 60

Necessary repairs have been made upon the building other than painting, and more must soon be made. The piping is defective, and important changes should be made to render the heating apparatus more serviceable and prevent the disagreeable thumping which so frequently disturbs gatherings there. A complicated method of heating in a place where it is not to be in constant use, is of questionable propriety.

Support of Poor.

ALMSHOUSE.

William H. Myrick,	\$28 11
Evans & Atwood,	112 63
Charles F. Atwell,	93 41
Burges & Keith,	148 89
Azel H. Sampson,	168 90
Philander Cobb,	124 83
Old Colony Co-op. Association,	61 64
Marcello Newcomb,	20 12
George W. Cushman,	8 85
Newland H. Wright,	27 28
William McGuire,	14 16
Charles T. Faunce,	9 00
Robert Eager,	40 69

James H. Stetson,	\$ 4 50
O. B. Cole,	8 09
Edward Willis,	13 75
Tucker Manf. Co.	9 75
Caleb C. Adams,	1 00
Stephen Benson,	5 50
Mrs. Stephen Benson,	171 00
H. N. Jones,	54 50
W. C. Hall,	153 25
Nathan Chandler,	1 50
C. B. Townes,	1 19
Total,	<hr/> \$1,222 56

OUTSIDE POOR.

Treasurer of Danvers Hospital, care of Ellen Rooney,	\$179 05
" Taunton Insane Asylum, care of Sarah H. Faunce,	183 82
" " " " Caleb F. Washburn,	192 93
" Town of Hanson, support of Mrs. Fitzpatrick,	206 50
" " " " Mrs. Prince Churchill,	56 00
" City of Brockton, " Patrick O'Brien and family,	116 84
" " " support of Mrs. N. T. Fuller & family,	190 00
Evans & Atwood, supplies for Mrs. J. O. Everson and family,	24 19
O. C. Co-op. Ass'n. " " "	11 27
Burges & Keith, " " "	11 17
O. C. Co-op. Ass'n. " Robert Drew " "	24 78
Burges & Keith, " " "	50 80
George W. Cushman, " " "	10 40
A. H. Sampson, " " "	12 56
Evans & Atwood, " " "	4 48
Charles F. Atwell, " " "	5 18

Philander Cobb, supplies for Robert Drew and family,	\$2 58
O. C. Co-op. Ass'n. " Mrs. Benjamin Sampson,	3 04
Sylvanus Bryant, " "	2 50
A. H. Sampson, " "	7 00
Philander Cobb, " "	2 10
Joseph A. Stranger, " "	6 00
Burges & Keith, " "	1 87
William C. Hall, medical attendance on " "	33 00
Burges & Keith, supplies for Mrs. King,	4 31
Mrs. S. N. Sturtevant, care of E. Perkins,	21 00
Philander Cobb, supplies for E. Perkins,	73 89
George H. Clark, " " "	14 69
Burges & Keith, " " "	7 45
George W. Cushman, " " "	75
Charles F. Atwell, " " "	9 36
Evans & Atwood, " " "	3 52
Charles C. Delano " " "	2 20
Newland H. Wright, " " "	11 88
William C. Hall, medical attendance upon Mrs. Westgate,	16 00
James H. Stetson, expenses to Hanson,	2 50
Samuel Atwell, Jr. " East Bridgewater,	2 25
Edgar C. Raymond, burial of E. Perkins,	10 00
Nathan Chandler, " " "	4 00
James H. Stetson, " " "	7 40

Total expended for outside poor, \$1,547 56

Total expended on the Alms House, 1,222 56

Total expense of poor, \$2,770 12

Appropriation, 2,400,00

Overdrawn, \$370 12

Highway.

NORTH WEST SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.

Simmons, Francis O.	\$28 82	Ward, William G.	\$ 5 78
McLauthlen, Edwin L.	25 50	Laue, George F.	3 49
Holmes, Ira,	32 56	Ward, Lester,	14 45
Hall, John F.	29 75	Simmons Edmund F.	3 50
Fitzpatrick, Michael,	23 80	Bradford, Edmund,	12 75
Maglathlen, Henry B.	10 37	Drake, Marden,	16 32
Souther, Frederic,	20 19	Drake, Nathaniel M.	1 53
Bryant, Oliver H.	12 07	Sturtevant, John S.	8 33
Bryant, William B.	23 08		
Blanchard, Elliott W.	19 89	Total,	\$513 43
Weston, Daniel,	12 50	Appropriation,	300 00
Drake, Frank T.	8 84	Overdrawn,	\$18 33

There has been paid and charged to General Highway accounts for labor and teams, as follows:

Bryant, Charles E.	\$ 4 59	Ring, Daniel W.	\$ 8 00
Cobb, Philander,	146 25	Haggerty, Patrick,	4 25
Gray, Samuel W.	5 27	Cushman, Geo.	79 08
Blanchard, Herbert,	19 55	Malone, Patrick T.	51 18
Ripley, Obed,	42 06	Smith, Patrick W.	41 33
Buck, Fred W.	3 40	Smith, John,	74 16
Loring, Edwin G.	12 24	Eager, Robert,	91 16
Fuller, Samuel,	12 07	Chandler, Horace J.	80 64
Drew, Eli C.	118 76	Jackson, Henry C.	46 04
Holmes, Richard E.	111 05	Barnes, E. & J. C.	1 20
Washburn, Waldo,	37 46	Loring, Wilfred B.	2 55
Faunce, George,	63 14	Drew, John N.	16 15
Cushman, James H.	94 56	Chandler, Fred,	5 10
Holmes, John F.	125 00	Chandler, John F.	2 00
Smith, Patrick,	122 40	Ahearne, John,	40 60
Callaban, Thomas,	35 70	Bryant, James H.	25 11

Stetson, Elisha,	\$ 2 60	Faunce, Charles T.	\$ 16 00
Cushman, Joseph S.	4 76	Martin, Charles,	11 90
Ripley, Cyrus W.	3 68	Smith, Philip,	3 40
Chandler, Edward D.	31 00	Cook, Edwin,	66 82
Finney, William A.	9 40	Cook, Charles F.	58 36
Pendleton, Silas P.	6 00	Norton, Andrew,	102 44
Weston, Daniel,	1 64	Peterson, Ezaias	5 10
Sampson, Hiram,	18 36	Holmes, Stephen,	3 00
Delano, Joshua,	53 38	Clark, Hiram,	3 75
Thomas, George S.	4 00	Chandler, Algernon S.	39 70
Thomas, Linus,	4 59	Cushman, Joseph T.	50 40
Tobin, James,	12 04	Holmes, Frank H.	100 24
Cushman, Edwin,	22 78	Chandler, Nathan,	35 83
Washburn, George L.	10 37	Brewster, Henry,	32 69
Cole, Charles H.	3 00	Faunce, Walter H.	50 00
Cole, Leander S.	3 00	Bradford, Alden S.	4 68
Devine, Patrick,	3 06	Brackett, Fred G.	65 60
Holmes, Joseph A.	61 00	Simmons, Nahum,	17 06
Holmes, Edward,	226 42	Bryant, William B.	23 94
Simmons, Francis O.	1 36	Reed, Edwin,	10 13
Sampson, William A.	3 91	Ward, William G.	3 06
Stranger, Joseph A.	95 71	Howland, Daniel F.	1 53
Faunce, N. Frank,	34 90	McLauthlen, Philemon W.	1 53
Berry, Roscoe G.	85	Pierce, James B.	25 30
Chandler, John S.	2 00	Griswold, George,	25 42
Drew, Christopher P.	17 90	Towne, Charles B.	6 80
McCarty, Charles,	54 45	Mitchel, Ransom,	2 25
Simmons, Augustus,	55 59	McCarty, Charles, Jr.	9 34
Sampson, A. H.	76	McLauthlen, Elisha B.	38 50
Holmes, Ephraim,	25	Hammond, Asa C.	16 50
Holmes, Gaius,	3 40	Hammond, Chester E.	16 50
Cook, Josiah T.	79 08	Malone, Eugene,	4 50
McLauthlen, George W.	59 77	Wright, Newland H.	57 00

Donley, James,	\$ 6 00	Powers, Edwin,	\$ 3 85
Bryant, Sylvanus,	14 44	Hall, John F.	14 83
Morey, Charles S.	36 32	Rickard, Giles,	6 89
Cook, Henry T.	48 10	Total,	\$3,493 67
Cushman, John,	3 00	Appropriation,	3,500 00
Holmes, Ira,	1 70	Unexpended,	\$6 33
Watetman, E. Everett	7 31		

Snow and Special Highway.

There has been paid and charged for labor and supplies furnished as follows:

Stranger, A. Joseph, labor	\$10 63
Eli C. Drew,	2 80
Henry T. Cook,	5 47
Daniel W. Ring,	2 89
Jonah Willis, Jr.	2 60
William B. Bryant,	1 80
John Smith,	30
Samuel W. Gray,	4 72
James B. Pierce,	5 10
Edmund F. Simmons,	1 40
Horace Atwood,	1 00
Dennis' Haney,	4 18
Elmer P. Copeland,	40
Old Colony Rivet Co.	7 20
C. H. Drew & Co.	2 70
Thomas Sheehan,	1 53
John N. Drew,	3 82
Edwin G. Loring,	1 50
Lewis Ripley,	2 55
Hiram Sampson,	3 06
George Faunce,	9 52
Elliott W. Blanchard,	2 50

William E. Wadsworth,	\$ 1 10
Caleb Bates,	9 02
George Juchau,	60
Linus Thomas,	1 79
Philemon W. McLauthlen,	4 50
Charles T. Faunce,	37 33
Josiah T. Cook,	10 50
Elisha B. McLauthlen,	5 00
Gaius Holmes,	1 00
Edwin Cook,	5 10
Phillander Cobb,	56 82
Walter H. Faunce,	25 00
Charles M. Faunce, fence posts,	10 00
Nathan Chandler, stone posts and setting,	10 45
William H. Myrick, drain pipe,	63 36
Blake Crusher Co., castings,	52 05
Bridgewater Iron Co., shaft,	42 75
Fred G. Brackett, stone for drain,	7 00
Old Colony R. R. Co., freight,	2 94
O. C. C. Association, supplies,	7 40
Frank H. Holmes, labor, power and supplies,	115 00
Burges & Keith, supplies,	3 48
A. H. Sampson, "	95
Total,	\$550 20
Appropriation,	500 00
Overdrawn,	\$50 20

The highway account is slightly overdrawn, occasioned by some special work that it was thought advisable to do late in the Fall, in making drains and in crushing stone before they were frozen, that they might be ready for early spring work. There are 30 or 40 tons of the crushed material on hand ready for use, and as many more tons on hand to be crushed.

Contingent Account.

Walter H. Faunce, services as selectman,	\$150 00
John F. Holmes, " "	120 00
Philander Cobb, " "	120 00
Daniel Prince, " Town Clerk,	40 00
Joseph Peckham, " Supt. of Schools,	210 00
Patrick O'Brien, " Constable,	18 00
Charles F. Atwell, " "	12 00
D. Clifton Freeman, " "	10 00
Charles L. Merriam, " School Committee,	15 00
James H. Stetson, " Overseer of Poor,	75 00
Green Evans, " " "	25 00
Samuel Atwell, Jr. " " "	25 00
Walter H. Faunce, " Assessor,	100 00
John F. Holmes, " "	100 00
Philander Cobb, " "	100 00
Burges & Keith, stationery,	4 05
Ablington Ins. Co., insuring Town Hall,	70 00
" " " High School House,	60 00
James C. Soule, ringing bell,	2 00
Nathan Chandler, returning deaths,	3 50
George B. King, printing,	124 50
A. Mudge & Son, " "	13 75
Alden S. Bradford, copying 1st Book of Records,	48 40
Winkley, Thorp & Dresser, Record Book,	3 75
Henry Brewster,	6 00
Walter H. Faunce, surveying town line,	20 50

Cyrus W. Ripley, surveying town line,	\$10 00
Albert T. Douglas, " " "	4 00
H. N. Jones, returning births,	2 75
Daniel Prince, cash paid for incidentals,	9 25
Walter H. Faunce, " "	10 35
Jonah Willis, Jr., trimming trees,	14 00
Peleg T. Brooks, expressing,	9 25
	<u>\$1,536 05</u>

There has been paid for fees and expenses attending the Fire Inquest held before Charles G. Davis, Esq., upon the destruction of the buildings of the Old Colony Co-operative Association by fire, July 19, 1884, as per bill presented by the said Justice as follows:

Justice's fees and travel,	\$31 00
Officers' fees,	29 54
Witnesses' fees,	16 60
Jurors' fees,	113 76
James L. Hall, examining books and accounts, etc.	100 00
	<u>\$290 90</u>

There has been paid to Stephen Estes for building a part of the new road, laid out by the County Commissioners, on petition of Geo. F. Lane and others.

	<u>\$742 75</u>
	<u>\$2,569 70</u>
Appropriation,	<u>1,300 00</u>
Overdrawn,	<u>\$1269 70</u>

Town Treasury.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury March 1st, 1884,	\$6,066 09
Uncollected Taxes of 1882-3,	25 73
Assessment of Taxes,	7,848 78
State Treasurer, income of State School Fund,	163 46
" " Corporation Tax,	4,764 51
" " Bank,	2,904 96
" " Reimbursement of State Aid,	373 00
" " " Military Aid,	135 00
County Treasurer, Dividend from Dog Licenses,	169 59
Auctioneer's License,	2 00
Joseph S. Robbins, error in former account,	16 91
Fisheries,	48 80
Town Hall,	21 60
Pedler's License,	6 00
Collected Taxes of 1882-3,	11 85
Total,	\$22,558 31

EXPENDITURES.

Wages of Teachers,	orders,	\$3,104 00
Repairs of School Houses	"	152 86
Fuel and care of School Houses,	"	265 25
School Books and incidentals,	"	554 37
Conveyance of Children,	"	214 00
Alms House,	"	1,222 56
Outside Poor,	"	1,547 56
State Aid,	"	414 50
Military Aid,	"	178 00
Highway,	"	3,493 67
Snow and Special Highway,	"	550 20
North West Special Highway,	"	313 43

Committee on Water Supply,	orders,	\$220 00
Town House,	"	311 15
Memorial Services,	"	53 09
Police,	"	82 00
Fisheries,	"	10 00
Burying Ground,	"	36 50
Treasurer and Collector,	"	275 00
Contingent,	"	256 70
Heads of hawks and woodchucks,		57 25
State Tax,		2,200 00
County Tax,		1,787 13
Abatement of Taxes of 1883,		8 00
Abatement of Taxes of 1884,		45 54
Uncollected Taxes of 1882-3,		5 83
Uncollected Taxes of 1884,		41 74
Balance on hand March 2, 1885,		2,822 02
Total,		\$22,558 31

There is due to be paid from this balance in the month of March.	
For Teachers' Wages, about	\$850 00
Fuel and care,	85 00
Conveyance of Children,	65 00
Town Officers and Committees,	800 00
Making a total of	\$1,800 00

After the payment of these bills there will be remaining in the Treasury about \$1,000 with which to meet the current expenses. A loan must necessarily follow at an early day.

At the close of the fiscal year, ending March 1st, 1884, there was in the Town Treasury a balance of \$6,066.00, an unusually large sum, and in making an estimate of the necessary amount to be raised by tax, allowance was made for a reduction of this balance. A glance will show that this reduction has been greater than was anticipated.

To the Acts of the Legislature of 1884, together with unexpected action of our own citizens, must be attributed the small balance now

on hand. Under the Acts of 1884, a new Board of Officers has been created. Towns are also obliged to furnish text books, and in consequence, the appropriations for the Contingencies and School Incidentals must be increased.

The purchase of school books, the Fire Inquest, the copying of our oldest book of records, the re-insuring of the Town Hall and High School building, the increase of expense for the support of the poor, and the payments for the building of a part of the new road laid out by the County Commissioners during the year, have contributed to the depletion of the treasury.

It naturally follows then if we would avoid the calamity with which most of our neighboring towns are struggling, namely, a debt, which has, in most cases, come to stay—we must raise more money for the coming year.

The following recommendations are offered for the consideration of the town at its annual meeting.

For Highways,	\$3,500 00
Special highway,	500 00
Wages of Teachers,	2,700 00
Repairs of School Houses,	150 00
Fuel and care,	250 00
School books and incidentals,	350 00
Conveyance of Children,	250 00
Support of poor,	2,700 00
State Aid,	400 00
Military Aid,	200 00
Police,	100 00
Burying Ground,	50 00
Treasurer and Collector,	275 00
Memorial Day,	50 00
Completion of the new road,	400 00
Contingent,	1500 00
Town House,	100 00
Total,	\$13,475 00

To this add \$2220 for State Tax, and not less than \$2000 for the County Tax, and we have a total of \$17,695. The amount of Corporation and Bank Taxes to be returned by the State will not be more but very likely less than last year. If then \$7000 be received from the State, there will be about \$10,700 to be raised by a direct tax, and tax payers must expect to be assessed upon a valuation which has been reduced by the death of a number of our well-to-do people—and from other causes—and pay at the rate of \$7 per \$1000, instead of \$4.40 as last year. Whether this rate shall be further increased by consent to the adoption of the different projects which are being promulgated, or by neglect to meet them as they arise, is in the hands of the voters of the town to determine.

The following is a list of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen for revision and acceptance by the Town at the Annual Town Meeting, to be held March 30th at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

William H. Burges,	Paraclete W. Holmes,
Henry Brewster,	Asa C. Hammond,
George H. Clark,	William W. Myrick,
Henry T. Cook,	Porter C. Reed,
Abner P. Childs,	Obed Ripley,
Algernon S. Chandler,	Cyrus W. Ripley,
James H. Dawes,	Edward A. Ransom,
John C. Dawes,	Herbert Soule,
Charles H. Drew,	John H. Towne,
Joshua Delano, Jr.	James H. Thompson,
Chester H. Fuller,	Daniel Weston,
George A. Graves,	Nathan B. Watson,

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

Marrriages Registered in Kingston.

FOR THE YEAR 1884.

January 1. Henry Soule, Jr., of Kingston, and Ada H. Currier of Lowell.

January 26. Nathaniel D. W. Sprague of Kingston, and Melvina W. Hill of Pembroke.

February 16. Elmer B. Loring of Plympton, and Alice B. Cushman of Kingston.

April 8. William A. Peck and Catharine McFadyen, both of Plympton.

April 12. Nahum Sampson and Eliza A. Shepard, both of Duxbury.

April 17. Ellsworth C. Bailey of Kingston, and Hope S. Tinkham of Middleboro.

May 8. Andrew Norton, Jr., and Mary Ann Smith, both of Kingston.

July 9. Mercer W. Ford of Duxbury, and Helen E. Weston of Kingston.

August 25. Arthur H. Hodge and Elizabeth M. Dempster, both of Duxbury.

August 27. Albert F. Saunders of Plympton, and Annie Cushing of Plympton.

October 1. C. Fred Howe of Boston, and Lucy Holmes of Kingston.

October 14. Winslow Faunce and Laura A. Stranger, both of Kingston.

October 16. Andrew W. Bates and Fannie H. Bryant, both of Kingston.

October 21. George Faunce, Jr. of Mansfield Valley, Pa., and Mabel W. Mange of Kingston.

October 27. Webster L. Thompson of Kingston, and Ida A. Bradford of Turner, Me.

November 1. Maurice F. McHenry and Jennie O'Brien, both of Plymouth.

November 1. William M. Brown of Kingston, and Maggie A. Morrison of Plymouth.

November 5. Hiram R. Eldridge and Ida B. Webb, both of Kingston.

November 12. William T. McChesney, Jr. of South Boston, and Helen W. Washburn of Kingston.

November 26. Harry Sampson of Duxbury, and Julia M. Chandler of Kingston.

December 25. Warren L. Bryant and Eliza S. Cushman, both of Kingston.

Deaths Registered in Kingston, 1884.

Males,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Females,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
Total,								32

Births Registered in Kingston, 1884.

Males,	19
Females,	10
Total,								29

For The Year-End.

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* SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF 1884-85. *

	Term Expire
WALTER H. FAUNCE, <i>Chairman</i>	1886
FRANK H. HOLMES,	1886
CHARLES L. MERRIAM, <i>Secretary</i> ,	1887
CATHARINE D. RUSSELL, <i>Librarian</i> ,	1887
PHILANDER COBB,	1885
GEORGE F. LANE,	1885

Spring Term begins April 6, and continues
twelve weeks.

REPORT.

FELLOW CITIZENS:—

That facile pen, whose masterly touches were once seen upon these pages, will never again be grasped by the hand of him who served this community so long and so well. The work of the Rev. Joseph Peckham is done; but done with such a faithfulness and devotion as that his life will always furnish an example and an inspiration to those who shall hereafter follow in his steps. The death message came suddenly. It came, bringing with it a deep sense of loss and a sorrow that was heartfelt and true. And although his head was crowned with the white locks of trial and of years, he still kept himself on the field of action. And right there—with his harness still on and his mind girded to his daily and well loved tasks—the silent, swift messenger found him. In his death the town has lost a loyal citizen, a true friend, a wise counsellor, and a trusty guide. Nothing declares his loss with more emphasis than the empty chair of Superintendent, which he filled with such credit to himself and honor to the town, with such helpfulness to the teachers and their schools. To him we owe as citizens no unstinted gratitude for his unselfish devotion, his untiring zeal, and his earnest labors in promoting the best interests of our schools. Space forbids what affection urges in tribute to the memory of him whom we loved and revered. But they who visit yonder earth-made resting place in God's acre cannot but echo in their hearts some thoughts like these,

"Here in the quiet earth they laid apart
No man of iron mould and bloody hands,
Who sought to wreak upon the cowering lands
The passions that consumed his restless heart;

But one of tender spirit and delicate frame
 Gentlest in mein and mind,
 Of gentle womankind,
 Timidly shrinking from the breath of blame ;
 One in whose eyes the smile of kindness made
 Its haunt, like flowers by sunny brooks in May,
 Yet at the thought of other's pain, a shade
 Of sweeter sadness chased the smile away."

With the memory of such a life hallowing our thought and feeling, our work has seemed to gather to itself a sacredness and meaning which it had not possessed before. Forced by the death of our Superintendent to assume the personal oversight and control of the schools, your committee entered upon that work with an earnest desire and determination to help forward the best interests of education in the town.

In looking over the past year's labors, the results compared with what might have been done, may seem very meagre indeed ; but when we consider the neglect and apathy usually coincident with this position we cannot but feel that your committee have shown themselves, for the most part, exceptionally active and faithful.

We desire at this time to emphasize the protest, which is being made by men of influence, against the present machine system which some of our popular educators are attempting to fasten upon our teachers and scholars.

1. This system cancels the individuality of the pupil.

In a notable book* recently issued from the public press, a startling and just arraignment of the machine system has been made. The author says : It is not a system — any set of rules or formulæ — that can make our schools, any more than it is forms and ceremonies that make our churches. If human nature were a fixed quantity, if any two children were alike, or anywhere nearly alike, if a certain act done for a child always brought forth the same result, then it might be possible to form an absolute system of pedagogy, as with fixed elements there is formed the science of chemistry. But the quick atoms of spirit that manifest their affinities under the eye of that alchemist,

*The Evolution of Dodd.

the teacher, are far more subtle than the elements that go into the crucible in any other of Nature's laboratories. And just here is where many educators are at fault. They put their faith in a system, a mill through which all children shall be run, and in passing through which each child shall receive the same treatment, and from which they shall all emerge, stamped with the seal of the institution, "uniformity."

This is the prime idea that lies at the foundation of the popular system of education — to make children uniform. This very thing which God and Nature have set themselves against — no two faces, or forms, or statures ; no two minds, or hearts, or souls being alike, as designed by the Creator, and as fashioned by Nature's hand — to make all these alike is the aim of the system under which many of our children in other towns are being evolved and with which they begin to clash at once. In examining the autographs of the members of one of the most celebrated High Schools in the country, we were astonished to find that the individuality of each writer had been so thoroughly effaced as to convey the impression that the same hand had written them all. This school is run under the machine system. The result attained in penmanship is a lamentable illustration of the ultimate effect of the entire school instruction — individuality sacrificed to a tame and monotonous uniformity. We would not do away with system. Indeed, one of the great hindrances to the proper training of our children is a lack of this very thing. The standing and character of several of our schools — notably those of Rocky Nook, Stony Brook and the North West — are so diverse as to render it extremely necessary that some system should be established that will put these schools on more of an equal footing.

But we would not have any system interfere with the liberty of the teacher to adapt his instruction to the mental peculiarities and needs of the individual scholar. Whatever the system, let it be flexible. Let it exist for the child, a stepping stone to the better assertion of his own true and innate self.

Let us leave to our factories to turn out the monotonous products of the machine tacks; but let it be the endeavor of our schools to bring out the native and varied beauties of that wondrous creation, — the soul.

11. But this excessive use of elaborate systems leads also to the neglect of other important considerations.

1. It neglects the health of the pupil. We say this in the face of the indignant and almost contemptuous denial of scores of educators. Our own observation and experience confirm what Mr. John T. Prince of the State Board of Education, and Dr. Wells maintained at a recent meeting of the Massachusetts teachers, that the health of teachers and of scholars is being endangered by the intense strain of our modern systems.

We know of a lad in Boston who is in every way a faithful scholar and ranks first in his class at school. On making a visit at his home a few days ago, we were surprised to see him sit down to his studies directly after supper and keep at the same until bedtime. The door between our sleeping rooms was ajar during the night and we could hear that boy ceaselessly tossing on his bed, vainly endeavoring to rest his tired brain. The parents informed us that they were thinking of taking their boy from school. This is not an isolated circumstance. All the members of this boy's class are compelled by the school authorities to do much of their studying at home. Says an influential writer in one of our reviews:*

"There is something wrong in an educational system when nearly all scholars in the upper grades, after spending five or six hours in the school room, are in the habit of taking their books home for evening study. Must they carry their fetters with them everywhere? May they not go home in peace? To say nothing of the monotony of such a life, nor of the fatal effects as to habits of study by spreading work over so many hours, it is bad for health to keep young people poring over books from morning till night, and into the night. The brain, even a child's brain, cannot work as it ought such a length of time."

Andover Rev. March 85.

2. It disregards the fact that a child's life is many sided.

Other influences beside those of the school contribute to the true development of the child's nature. Many of our educators coolly assume "that the object of life for everybody, from the seventh to the twenty-first year, is to go to school, that all other interest should go down before this. This assumption is, that children are born and grow up for the express purpose of studying books; that if they reserve any time or strength for other uses, they are thwarting the plan of Divine Providence in their creation." We suspect that these individuals regard even the nursing bottle with some suspicion and would substitute a book for it, if they dared. This is all wrong. A child's life needs to be fed from various sources. One of these sources is the home. Under the present "system" the home has but little opportunity to impress itself directly upon the child. The "system" comes in and arbitrarily claims that portion of the time which the parents ought to have for the enjoyment and improvement of their children. We think that the family is already quite generous enough to the school. It may properly demand that so much of the child's time as is not employed strictly within the school shall be its own. The home has a right to it, and that right should be sacredly guarded against all invasion. Our children should also have time for a limited participation in the social life of the community; time for healthful amusements, obtaining familiarity with practical things, running on errands, helping in the household, fishing, exploring the fields and woods, yes, plenty of time for everything that will nourish the various powers of their natures and develop them into well rounded men and women.

3. It overlooks the fact that the original purpose of the school is study.

The "system" loses the end in the exaltation of means. While insisting strenuously on "methods" it has failed to get the scholar squarely down to the real business of his school life — study. The "system" crams the mind of the child instead of arousing it to intense and active study. It constantly plies him with facts faster than his

mind can assimilate them. But the mind like the body cannot assimilate beyond a certain rate. The result is that the scholar is compelled to take a longer time than the school hours in order to digest the subject matter of his lessons. And then we very much doubt whether that knowledge is permanently woven into the intellectual fabric. It becomes "knowledge stored up as intellectual fat instead of turned into intellectual muscle."

If these educators, instead of spending time and strength on means which serve but to cram the pupil's mind, should employ the school hours in holding him to intense and active study, there would be little occasion for carrying the dull routine of the school room into the home circle. Real, genuine, old-fashioned, hard-bench study—the fixing of the mental activities on the task till it is mastered—is what is sorely needed in our schools today. The great painter Opie was once asked how he mixed his colors, and he replied laconically, "With my brains." We invite those who are so enthusiastic in the worship of "methods" to ponder the above reply. We don't care much about your "methods," but we do care to have our children use their brains. We commend these words to every thoughtful parent. So far as our knowledge extends, we do not think the evils indicated above exist to any great extent in our schools. We simply refer to them at this time in order to define the attitude of your committee upon this important subject, and also to indicate the path along which we shall endeavor to guide our schools in the future.

The condition of our schools can be summed up in a few sentences. Three of our schools—the Grammar, the Primary and the North West—have made marked progress during the year. The Grammar scholars gave abundant evidence that the teacher had lost none of her former proficiency and enthusiasm. The school is in excellent condition.

The teacher of the Primary school, while introducing new and helpful methods, has had the wisdom to hold herself firmly to the traditions of the past. This teacher needs no other tribute than the

exceptionally fine one which her scholars have already given her in their year's work.

Upon the record of the past the North West school has made a decided and commendable advance. The teacher by her faithfulness and devotion has won for herself the confidence of the committee, the affection of her scholars and the warm esteem of the parents.

The rest of our schools have failed to show that general progress which your committee would have been glad to see.

We would call the attention of our citizens to the fact that the late change in the mode of admission to our civil service has had the effect of dignifying and heightening the value of our common schools. Where formerly it was necessary for one to obtain "influence" to secure positions in the civil service—an impossibility for the poor and friendless—under the existing system any lad in the land having a good, common school education, has a fair chance of securing a place. The statistics show, according to the report of the New York Civil Service Commission, that "this competitive system is not identified, as was rashly predicted, with the higher collegiate education, which was confined to the few, but with the common schools, whose advantages were intended for the many."

And the Governor of that State truly says that "The pride and affection with which the people of the State justly regard their common school system, must be enhanced when they remember that the common school opens the way to the knowledge, the character, and the practical experience which will give its pupils an equal chance to compete for employment in the public service." The new laws operate to convert many thousand places in the public service into scholarships for the reward of diligent and capable pupils of our common schools. Of those who have obtained places through competitive examination in the Federal service, 65 per cent were educated in the common schools only.*

We were glad that so many of our teachers availed themselves of the opportunity to be present at the Institute in Plympton. For those

*The Nation, Feb. 5th.

who have not had the advantage of training in the Normal schools, something of the helpful influence of these institutions may be secured, while to those who have had such advantages the Institute will serve to revivify and emphasize what has already been learned.

Each year finds our school houses in better condition and better equipped. To the above statement we would make an exception with regard to the two unoccupied school buildings in Indian Pond and Wapping. They are mournful commentaries on the present condition of our town.

We have found that the old recess system was more helpful to the lower schools. In the upper grades the new system of no recess has been in vogue for the past year and works well.

The attention of the parents is again urged to the necessity of visiting the schools.

1. As a safeguard to the child.

When we consider the amount of time during which our boys and girls are under the influence of the school and the thorough hold which this influence obtains upon the child's nature, is it not the bounden duty, ought it not to be the earnest desire of every true parent to see that that influence is promotive of good to his children?

2. As an inspiration to the teacher.

The country school, as has been said, is too often an isolated, neglected object, and the teacher becomes depressed by the indifference of the very ones who ought to be most interested. What the city teacher derives from association with numbers engaged in the same business, the country teacher will gain from a lively interest in the community in which the school is placed.

3. As a bar to conflict.

Most of the troubles growing out of our schools are due to the fact that parents do not take pains to acquaint themselves with the teacher and the actual working of the school. In this way great injustice is oftentimes done to the teacher and real harm to the child.

In order to have any school develop in a healthy and harmonious

manner, it is necessary that the relationship between the home and the school should at least be intelligent, if not sympathetic. In the coming year we hope the clergymen of the town will show their interest in our schools by personal visitation of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

In behalf of the School Committee of Kingston,

CHARLES L. MERRIAM, *Secretary*.

KINGSTON, MARCH, 1885.



SCHOOL STATISTICS.

NAMES OF TEACHERS.	NAMES OF SCHOOLS.	WHOLE ATTENDANCE.			AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.			PER CENT OF ATTENDANCE.			AVERAGE FOR THE YEAR.	PER CENT FOR THE YEAR.	WAGES.
		Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.			
Charles E. Eidler	High School.....	34	32	32	31	28	28	21	25	27	32	91	\$1,110 00
Catharine D. Russell	Grammar.....	27	43	44	40	27	27	20	23	21	41	29	407 00
Lylla S. McLaughlin	Primary.....	29	55	51	33	43	41	26	29	29	27	75	370 00
Helen E. Chandler.....	Rocky Nook.....	46	45	45	29	45	42	12	20	22	45	75	222 50
Henrietta Hatch	Stony Brook.....	31	20	20	28	21	21	20	23	25	29	92	220 00
Mary M. Peckham.....	North West.....	27	26	27	21	23	23	22	27	27	20	96	223 00
Isabella A. Hammond.....	Indian Pond.....	13	11	11	11	11	11	7	7	7	20	9	108 00
TOTALS.....		227	241	220	201	172	172	127	120	127	274	72	\$2,006 50

Number of Children in Town between the ages of five and fifteen, May 1, 1904, 216.

Articles of the Ordinance.

1. To choose a moderator.
2. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees.
3. To hear and act upon reports of Town Officers and Committees.
4. To determine the mode of repairing highways, townways and bridges.
5. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for defraying town charges for the current fiscal year.
6. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to hire money in anticipation of taxes, and to act thereon.
7. To ballot upon the question, shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town for the ensuing year.
8. To revise and accept the list of jurors prepared by the Selectmen.
9. To transact any other business that may come legally before said meeting.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WATER SUPPLY.

KINGSTON, MASS., Jan. 31, 1885.

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF KINGSTON:

GENTLEMEN:

The undersigned, a committee appointed by a meeting of the town, held March 31st, 1884, to look into the matter of a supply of water for the town and report to a future meeting, beg leave to submit, as the results of their labors, the following report.

Having employed practical engineers who are thoroughly informed in the matter of aqueducts, and who have large experience in all the details of the business of introducing water into towns, and having with them carefully investigated every available source of supply within the limits of the town, it is the unanimous opinion of your committee, supported by that of the engineers employed, that the following system of water works would be the best as well as the cheapest that can be adopted, and at the same time insure an adequate supply of water of excellent quality for all family purposes.

Purchase the franchise and property of the Kingston Aqueduct Company, which now supplies water taken from Cuff's Spring to a limited number of families in the immediate vicinity of that spring.

Purchase the water power and factory owned by Herbert Soule, on Jones River, near the property of the Kingston Aqueduct Company.

Construct what is called a Filtering Well, say about sixty feet long, by fifteen feet wide, by fifteen feet deep, at or near the site of Cuff's Spring.

Put a proper pumping apparatus in Soule's mill, connecting the draft-pipe with the Filtering Well, thereby using the spring water for distribution to the town and the power of the river water for the purpose of driving the necessary machinery.

This pumping apparatus to be so arranged that water can be pumped direct into the street pipes, in case of any accident to the reservoir, or in case greater than the usual pressure should be wanted to extinguish a fire in the most elevated portions of the town.

Construct a reservoir of 1,000,000 gallons capacity on elevated land near Smelt Pond. This reservoir would supply 1500 persons thirteen days, allowing fifty gallons of water per day to each person. It would give the following head of water at different parts of the town as follows:

Railroad track near Cordage Works,	feet,	175
Street at Plymouth line,	"	154
Main Street, near Cobb & Drew's,	"	186
Street in front of Elbridge Atwood's House,	"	125
Corner of Lucas road, near Stone bridge,	"	187
Street in front of Post Office,	"	132
Street opposite Soldiers Monument,	"	117
Junction of New Road and Main Street,	"	113
Anchor Forge,	"	169
Patuxet House,	"	125
Railroad Station, Stony Brook,	"	170
Junction of Duxbury roads, near R. G. Berry's,	"	117

Augur Works,	feet,	177
Top of bridge flooring at Lock Works,	"	178
Junction Lucas and Indian Pond roads,	"	158
Indian Pond,	"	73
Smelt Pond,	"	99

Connect the reservoir by pipe with the pumping apparatus at Soule's mill. Pipe Main street and the Bridgewater road from the Plymouth line to a point near the residence of Andrew Norton; Depot street from the Post Office through Stony Brook to the junction of the Duxbury roads near the house of R. G. Berry; Green street from the Bridgewater road to the Patuxet House; Willis street and Mutton Lane, so called, and such other streets as it may be practicable to pipe, with suitable sized pipes varying from eight to four inches in diameter, according to necessity. Hydrants to the number of forty to be placed at proper points for the purpose of extinguishing fires.

Your committee have full faith that the source of supply of water under the proposed arrangement of a Filtering Well will be ample for all demands that can possibly be made for water for domestic purposes, but in the possible event of a failure of the supply, you have always the river at hand, the water of which can be filtered and made very good, much better in fact than that furnished to many cities and towns in the country. By piping the streets of the town, as herein proposed, the pipes will pass by, or within reach of 279 tenements and 109 stables, thereby enabling a large proportion of the inhabitants to enjoy, if they desire, the benefits of a supply of water at a pressure sufficient to carry it to the top of the highest dwellings.

Your committee find that provided the franchise and property of the Kingston Aqueduct Co., can be purchased at a reasonable price, this system of water works including reservoir, piping, hydrants, water power and everything complete, can be put in at an expense to the town of not exceeding \$40,000, and that the same can be completed in sixty days from the date of execution of a contract to do the work.

Should it be deemed advisable to do without a reservoir, and