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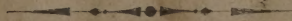
TOWN OF HANOVER

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE

Year Ending March 1, 1878.



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CURRENT ACCOUNT.

*Town of Hanover in Account with their Selectmen for the
year ending March 1st, 1878.*

	DR.
Paid State Tax,	\$2272 00
County Tax,	3129 83
School Fund 234 00, School Tax 2008 00,	2242 00
For highways and bridges,	2223 78
Miscellaneous expenses,	1570 97
Notes and interest,	4153 85
Due on tax bill of 1874,	116 44
Due on tax bill of 1875,	414 00
Abatements on tax bill of 1876,	34 74
Due on tax bill of 1876,	710 32
Auditors,	4 00
Abatements on tax bill of 1877,	26 86
Due on tax bill of 1877,	3073 54
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	\$19972 33

*The Town of Hanover in account with their Overseers of the
Poor.*

Amount of Inventory, Feb. 20, 1878,	\$2113 74
Paid Miscellaneous expenses on Farm,	\$827 57
For paupers off the Farm with Agent's salary and Overseer's bills,	378 37
For County paupers,	757 10
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	\$1963 04
	1730 58
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Due Overseers on Farm account,	\$232 46
Inventory of Feb. 20, 1877,	\$2084 13
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Inventory more than last year,	\$29 61

CURRENT ACCOUNT.

*Town of Hanover in Account with their Selectmen, for the
year ending March 1, 1878.*

	Cr.
Received of former Selectmen,	\$4270 50
Tax bill of 1877,	8768 33
Of State Treasurer, Literary Fund,	156 95
Railroad tax,	326 84
Savings Bank tax,	1436 01
Interest on notes and rent of school lands,	19 00
From other sources,	1342 66
C. C. Webb's note tax bill of 1874,	116 44
" " 1875,	514 00
" " 1876,	3110 32
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	\$20061 05
	19967 33
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Due Town on Selectmen's account,	\$ 93 72
Due Overseers on Farm account,	232 46
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Balance due Selectmen and Overseers,	\$143 74

*Town of Hanover in Account with their Overseers of the
Poor.*

Amount of Inventory, Feb. 21, 1877,	\$2084 13
For stock, labor and produce,	\$919 12
Of County for County paupers,	811 46
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	\$1730 58

PAID SCHOOL MONEY.

Dist. No. 1.	Prudential Com. J. B. Morse,	School Tax. \$1050 53	School Fund. \$13 00
2.	G. W. Johnson,	63 29	13 00
3.	R. F. Shepard,	48 60	13 00
4.	J. J. Mason,	113 45	13 00
5.	M. C. Emerson,	170 37	13 00
6.	Uel Spencer,	57 98	13 00
7.	L. W. Kinne,	81 35	13 00
8.	Albert H. Merrill,	34 40	13 00
9.	Ed. McCabe,	38 39	13 00
10.	H. H. Harris,	46 52	13 00
11.	D. L. Tilton,	17 95	13 00
12.	Thomas M. Colby,	32 03	13 00
13.	Langdon C. Flanders,	69 96	13 00
14.	Julius M. Camp,	19 53	13 00
15.	Alonzo A. Smith,	25 43	13 00
16.	Ransom Goss,	29 12	13 00
17.	H. P. Flint,	87 99	13 00
18.	Simon Ward,	21 11	13 00
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		\$2008 00	\$234 00
	Received of State Literary Fund,	\$156 95	
	Appropriated interest on School Fund,	110 67	
	C. B. Dowe 4 97, J. W. Dana 4 03,	9 00	
	David Camp 9 25, W. L. Barnes .75,	10 00	
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		\$129 67	

PAID FOR BUILDING AND REPAIRING HIGHWAYS
AND BRIDGES.

To Hurlbutt & Emerson 9 20, J. McNalley 37 60,	\$46 80
David Camp 203 00, H. C. Brown 13 50, T. Lawrence 2 25,	218 75
Wm. P. Hayes 44 25, J. A. Thompson 43 87,	88 12
Chas. P. Barwood 5 00, E. N. Brown .50, H. N. Merrill 7 05,	12 55

H. C. Brown 6 00, Joe Susee 18 75, Ed. Chamberlin 17 25,	42 00
A. W. Fellows 6 45, Joe Labbie 12 00, Dennis Labbie 7 20,	25 65
Joseph Labbie, Jr. 12 45, H. K. Hutchins 14 50,	26 95
C. C. Barden 6 06, Chas. Waterman 1 25, L. Daniels 3 00,	10 31
Charles and Henry Labbie 33 38, Ira B. Allen 13 85,	47 23
Michael McCarthy 16 35, Cole & Tilden 9 59, H. K. Hutchins 37 00,	62 94
H. C. Brown 44 00, P. D. Tenney 3 75, O. B. Hurl- butt 54 41,	102 16
Bela S. Caswell 10 80, D. C. Tenney 11 50, J. Spauld- ing 42 77,	65 07
E. C. Delano 18 31, R. A. Tenney 22 39, Ira F. Dewey 21 15,	61 85
Joseph M. Bryant 12 50, C. L. Corey 2 70, Charles Benton, 302 25,	317 45
C. Benton 3 71, C. B. Dowe 16 07, J. C. Childs' old bill 47 45,	67 23
C. H. Hurlbutt 9 00, Simon Ward 8 60, David Walker 3 88,	21 48
Geo. M. Bridgman 39 68, D. Walker's old bill 11 50, Wm. Hall 167 67,	228 85
Cyrus P. Smith 13 00, Hurlbutt & Emerson 5 31,	18 31
Lincoln & Davison .67, Marshall & Flanders 10 25, J. M. Given 8 70,	19 62
Chas. Houston 5 08, J. L. Bridgman 6 15, H. P. and J. P. Flint 4 49,	15 72
L. W. Kinne 2 94, John W. Chandler 21 00, William Avery 11 10,	35 04
G. W. Johnson 3 25, L. C. McPherson 19 10, S. W. Cobb 8 80,	31 15
J. W. Dana 2 16, Chan. P. Smith 3 40, Willie G. Hurl- butt 1 75,	7 31
Asa Spaulding 1 75, J. Gould 25 80, D. H. Camp 18 97,	46 52
S. Eastman 12 00, George Clark 28 15, Asa Camp 17 05,	57 20
Levi M. Goss 499 00, A. Camp 3 50, Ransom Cross 18 54,	521 04
G. G. Waterman 5 85, Freeman Bibby 19 86,	25 71
D. L. Tilton,	10 77

 \$2223 78

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

To. Joseph Tenney use of hall 22 50, O. B. Hurlbutt damage to sled 3 00,	\$25 50
M. Daily watching house 3 15, Dr. White births and deaths 2 50,	5 65
R. C. Fay exemption 4 20, Austin Wright damage to sleigh 1 75,	5 95
W. H. K. Bibby land damage 300 00, Geo. E. Frost damage to crops 10 00,	310 00
E. H. Smith, services as Town Clerk, old bill,	64 15
C. B. Dowe surveying road 2 00, F. Bibby damage to carriage 24 67,	26 67
G. L. Waterman fox bounty .50, F. P. Camp personal damage on road 200 00,	200 50
Peck & Churchill referees 7 00, L. C. Flanders for guide boards 10 00,	17 00
S. Pike witness fee 10 00, G. H. Morrison damage on road 3 75,	13 75
Morrill & Silsby, invoice, tax books and warrants,	6 00
J. N. Holt road damage 8 00, P. H. Whitcomb town reports and blanks 47 00,	55 00
Mace Moulton, surveying and computing fill,	20 25
J. Tojrdale, surveying road Rock case,	1 50
E. M. Lewis cedar posts 1 05, C. P. Frost births and deaths 6 75,	7 80
C. A. Field for insurance 68 50, L. Cota bounty on one fox .50,	69 00
C. Benton, expenses to Haverhill twice,	8 61
H. C. Brown damage to wagon 5 50, C. D. Jewett bounty 5 foxes 1 hawk 2 70,	8 20
Willie Dudley bounty on 1 fox .50, H. L. Carter rent and wood for lobby 78 00,	78 50
H. L. Carter service as police 15 25, H. L. Carter board of health 6 00,	21 25
Fred. Chase for counsel 38 00, Fred. Chase to paid Peck and Ticknor 6 34,	44 34
James S. Adams for storage of liquor 10 months 15 00, Wm. L. Barnes Supt. Com. 62 00,	77 00

N. W. Hewes damage to wagon 5 00, D. H. Camp Selectman 81 00,	86 00
Chandler P. Smith Selectman 50 00, Kingsbury record of births and deaths 1 25,	51 25
Jewett bounty .50, G. W. Chase bounty .50, G. Spauld- ing bounty 1 00,	2 00
D. C. Allen bounty 1 00, C. H. Storrs bounty 1 50, S. Cross for water 2 00,	4 50
C. Benton Selectman and Treasurer 132 00, P. H. Whitcomb printing brief 10 00,	142 00
C. Benton for Susan C. Dudley 20 00, H. C. Brown for water trough 1 60,	21 60
C. C. Webb Collector 125 00, nineteen firemen 3 00 each 57 00,	182 00
C. Benton, stamps and stationery,	5 00
A. P. Carpenter, retaining fee,	10 00
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	\$1570 97
Amount of Dog Tax collected,	44 00
Names of persons claiming damages for sheep killed by dogs and amount of dividend for each.	
Levi M. Goss,	\$ 2 76
William Hatch,	13 78
J. W. Sanborn, State farm,	27 46
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	\$44 00

PAID ON NOTES AND INTEREST.

To Alden Childs,	\$4150 85
James S. Adams, interest,	3 00
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	\$4153 85

MONEY RECEIVED.

Of H. L. Carter, for rent of ground at commencement,	\$11 25
Ruel Durkee,	1138 49
James S. Adams,	178 42
Police court, above salary of Justice,	14 50
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	\$1342 66

*Inventory of property at the Town Farm for the year ending
February 21, 1877.*

42 tons hay 504, 2 1-2 tons straw 15,	\$519 00
80 bu. oats 40, 35 bu. wheat 52 50,	92 50
120 bu. corn 96, 125 sheep 468 75,	564 75
6 calves 66, 5 cows 205, 1 pr. 3 year old steers 125,	396 00
4 yearlings 100, 1 buck 8, 3 shoats 32,	140 00
Poultry 15, 2 bbls. soap 10, mowing machine 75,	100 00
Horse-rake 35, 250 lbs. pork 31 25, 140 lbs. beef 11 20,	77 45
100 lbs. of ham 15, 2 bbls. cider 6, 70 bu. potatoes 56,	77 00
60 lbs. candles 7 20, 6 gall. boiled cider 4 50,	11 70
3 bush. seed corn 6, 106 lbs. of cheese 16 96,	22 96
60 lbs. dried apple 6, 108 lbs. fresh meat 12 96,	18 96
15 lbs. dried beef 4 50, 106 lbs. of lard 16 96,	21 46
50 lbs. butter 12 50, 10 gallons vinegar 3,	15 50
2 bu. grass seed 6, 150 lbs. of flour 6,	12 00
2 gallons kerosene .60, 2 bu. beans 4 50,	5 10
1 1-2 bu. salt .75, bag of meal 1 40	2 15
6 lbs. of rolls 6, 2 lbs. of tea 1 60,	7 60
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	\$2084 13

*Inventory of Property at the Town Farm for the year ending
February 20, 1878.*

1 pr. oxen 175, 1 pr. two year old steers 95,	\$270 00
6 yearlings 135, 1 calf 10, 2 cows 75,	220 00
2 farrow cows 50, 1 mare 65, 4 shoats 40,	155 00
20 hens 8, 42 tons hay 504, 5 tons straw 25,	537 00
100 sheep 300, 1 buck 12, 125 bu. corn 87 50,	399 50
175 bu. oats 70, 80 bu. wheat 120,	190 00
Fresh meat 8, 5 bu. sweet corn 5, 3 bu. seed corn 4 50,	17 50
5 1-4 bu. beans 9, 3 3-4 bu. peas 3 75, 1-2 bu. herds grass seed 1 50,	14 25
15 lbs. dried apple 1 80, 10 gal. vinegar 3, 30 bu. turnips, 3 75,	8 55

1 bu. onions 1, 170 bu. potatoes 51, 1 1-2 bbl. pork 24,	\$76 00
150 lbs. ham 15, 40 doz. candles 7 20, 36 lbs. cheese 5 04,	27 24
45 lbs. butter 9 90, 80 lbs. lard 8, 6 gal. boiled cider 6,	23 90
50 lbs. flour 2, 1 bu. salt .50, 200 lbs. fine salt 2 75, bag	
meal 125,	6 50
Sugar and molasses 3 30, 2 bbls. soap 10, Mowing Ma-	
chine 70,	83 30
Horse- rake 30, hay tedder 55,	85 00
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	\$2113 74

We consider the household furniture and farming tools as good as last year. There has been some 30 or 40 dollars in labor and lumber used in repairing the house and barn, 12 rods of stone wall built within the year.

CHARLES HOUSTON, } Appraisers.
ALBERT H. MERRELL, }

Produce sold from the town farm for the year ending February 20, 1878.

C. W. Hayes 12 1-2 lbs. butter 2 75, 12 doz. eggs 1 70,	\$ 4 45
1 beef hide 5 32, C. Nelson for wheat 7 90,	13 22
Emerson & Mason 125 1-4 lb. butter 25 97, J. J. Mason	
21 lbs. salt .30,	26 27
Lincoln and Davison 25 doz. eggs 4 91, 16 3-4 lbs butter	
4 19,	9 10
H. H. Clough 80 lbs. butter 16 45, 18 doz. eggs 3 15	19 60
Monroe Pike 2 calves 16, 1 do. 10, 1 hog 20 73,	46 73
“ 1 pr. steers 124 56, Mrs. Shepard 130 lbs.	
butter 30 59,	155 15
Jason Densmore 7035 lbs. of Hay 38 74, A. D. Johnson	
1 steer 31,	69 74
A. P. Balch 1 bu. potatoes .80, P. W. Durkee shearing	
buok .25,	1 05

J. Gerrish 442 lbs. of wool 176 80, Westgate & Savage 1 calf 5 72,	\$182 52
C. D. Jewett 1610 lbs. straw 6 44, B. Piper 1346 lbs. hay 7 45,	13 89
Mrs. Colburn 10 1-4 lbs. butter 2 55, Mason Ross 22 pelt sheep 12 50,	15 05
Nelson Merrill 2 cows 49, M. C. Emerson 118 1-2 lbs. Poultry 8 72,	57 72
Wm. Doton 2 bu. wheat 3, Laban Chandler 2 bu. wheat 3,	6 00
L. C. Flanders 2 bu. wheat 3, 2 bu. oats .80,	3 80
Asa Camp mouldboard to plow .50, O. Wright 760 lbs. hay and straw 2 75,	3 25
Jackson Spaulding 1 1-2 bu. oats .90, Kate Henry board and nursing 171 67,	172 57
John Durkee 52, Irving Chandler, his wife and two chil- dren, support from April 27 to July 19, 1877, 12 weeks, 42,	94 00
Premium on oxen and oats 1 50, to carrying Irving Chandler, his wife and 2 children to the County Farm 10,	11 50
Henry Wright 4 bu. wheat	6 00
Hanover for Charles Picknel,	7 51
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	\$919 12

*Expenses paid at the Town Farm for the year ending Febru-
ary 20, 1878.*

Paid C. W. Hayes store bill 12 16, Chas. Nelson black- smith bill 17 30,	\$ 29 46
Frank Pierce blacksmith bill 2 85, Emerson & Ma- son's bill 30 42,	33 27
S. W. Cobb's store bill contracted by Gordon 6 08, do. by Camp 18 28,	24 36
P. W. Durkee hay tedder, extra forks, repairing wagon, etc.,	63 30

Kate Henry sundries 10 45, L. W. Rogers 2 pigs 6, filing saw .65,	\$17 10
J. J. Mason potatoes and plastering 8 30, R. A. Til- den 8 bush. wheat 15 00,	23 30
J. L. Bridgman 1 bbl. salt 4 00, W. L. Barnes tea, use of cart and books 2 31,	6 31
D. Chandler butchering 1 50, E. Ticknor 1-2 pint alcohol .23,	1 73
Wm. Russell for labor .75, Davis cabbage plants .10,	85
Brown Bros.' bill 3 45, Emerson and Mason 7 32,	10 77
Lincoln & Davison 24 41, H. H. Clough's store bill, 32 12	56 53
L. W. Kinnee 2 pigs 6 00, fresh meat 1 12, Wm. Hall lumber 6 38,	13 50
Wm. Hall labor, use of plow and wagon 6 00, Aus- tin Wright wagon to Haverhill 1 00, 1 bush. potatoes .65,	7 65
L. C. Flanders labor whitewashing, papering and harvesting	9 50
C. W. Church labor 5 00, J. C. Childs use of bull and pump 1 20,	6 20
Isaac Camp 1 cow 35 00, Henry Foster use of bull and 1 bush. potatoes 2 75,	37 75
Mrs. Houston spinning and knitting 2 00, Mrs. A. Camp sewing for M. children .80,	2 80
F. Bullock for labor 1 00, Statesman 1 year 1 50,	2 50
J. Gould use of jack screw .10, Ransom Goss 1 pr. steers 38 00,	38 10
Charles Philbrick 5 days work 2 50, J. O'Gara sold- ering pipe .50,	3 00
Arthur Harris 4 days work 2 00, F. W. Davison 1-2 lb. tea 40	2 40
Tyler Newton shoes 2 00, Mirror for 1 year 1 13,	3 13
L. B. Downing medicine for Mandeville children	40
J. M. Fuller plow point 1 00, Wm. Dewey making cider .25,	1 25
Henry Wright for 1327 ft. lumber 5 30, M. D. Camp 1 months work 10 00,	15 30

Chas. W. Hayes 1 horse 75 15, Wm. Brown repairing harrow .50,	\$75 65
Ira Dewey stock for ladder .15, weigh bill .52,	67
P. P. Cota for labor 108 00, Myron D. Hill for do. 10 96,	118 96
C. Benton for Kate Henry 5 50, Houston and Merrill appraising 4 00,	9 50
G. W. Rand for Kate Henry 10 00, Jason Dudley for Kate Henry 2 00,	12 00
C. N. Camp for Oxen 175 00, Ella B. Spaulding for labor 6 60,	181 60
Hurlbutt & Emerson Saw bill .3 31, New England Farmer last year old bill 3 50,	6 81
H. H. Clough 2 92, Cobb of Plainfield 1 00,	3 92
Extra labor hired on account of Kate's sickness	8 00
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	\$827 57

PAID FOR SUPPORT OF POOR OFF THE FARM, WITH
AGENT'S SALARY AND OVERSEER'S BILLS.

To Beulah Runnals for Dianna,	\$ 72 29
Carlton N. Camp, Agent's Salary on Town Farm,	250 00
H. L. Carter for boarding 147 tramps 9 58, to attending on same 15,	24 58
C. P. Smith Overseer 5, D. H. Camp Overseer 3,	8 00
C. Benton Overseer	23 50
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	\$378 37

PAID FOR SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

To G. W. Rand for D. H. Kimball 14 50, Michael Mc- Carthy for Mrs. Fontane 10 00, Thomas M. Colby for Anthony Cluky 29 14,	\$53 64
E. K. Smith for Mrs. Bergeron 7 25, F. A. Runnals for D. H. Kimball 3 00, Dr. Davis for Julia War- ren 48 75,	59 00
Westgate & Savage for Mrs. O'Brien 10 67, for Mrs. Fontane 6 00,	16 67
Westgate & Savage for Joseph Labbie 9 00, for D. H. Kimball 2 05,	11 05
Westgate & Savage for Sopha Jones 3 99, for George Bushie 4 03,	8 02
For Joseph Bushie 12 11, T. M. Colby for Deforcerc .75,	12 86
T. M. Colby for Moses Badger 30 13, D. H. Kimball 6 00,	36 13
C. Benton for Joseph Bushie 3 25, for Sopha Jones 13,	16 25
C. Benton for Joseph Labbie 9 75, for Mrs. Neal 6 50,	16 25
C. & P. R. R. for Mrs. Geo. Bushie and three children expenses to Canada	8 48
C. Benton for Antoine Vieu 9 75, for transient persons 7 20,	16 95
John Durkee 52 00, Irving Chandler and family 42 00,	94 00
For moving Chandler family to County farm,	10 00
Lincoln & Davison for A. Vieu 2 00, for Mrs. Wil- liams 24 83,	26 83
Fred. Bergeron for Mrs. Fontane 23 00, Napoleon Franca for John Bacush 15 00,	38 00
Cyrus Everett for Sobrina Everett and Huldah Smith,	156 00
Frederic Chase for Sopha Jones,	32 36
Dr. White for John Bacush 12 00, Hanover for C. Picknell 7 51,	19 51
Wyman Pattee for Deforcerc 4 00, D. H. Camp for De- forcerc 2 18,	6 18
W. C. Clough for R. Bean 3 50, S. D. Smith for Rob- inson 30 48,	33 98
C. Clifford for A. Vieu 1 50, Dr. Kingsbury for Mrs. Williams 30 00,	31 50

I. B. Allen for A. Vieu 3 50, G. W. Rand for Mrs. Everett 8 00,	\$11 50
L. B. Downing for D. H. Kimball 6 23, H. H. Clough for I. Chandler 1 59,	7 82
J. M. Fuller for Mrs. Fontane 27 62, C. Benton for A. Dudley 6 50,	34 12
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LIQUOR AGENT'S REPORT.

The agent for the purchase and sale of liquors for the town of Hanover submits the following report for two months ending April 26, 1877 :

STOCK ACCOUNT.

Stock on hand Feb. 27, 1877,	\$310 26	Stock sold,	153 59
Agent's Salary,	33 33	Stock on hand,	206 74
Profit,	16 72		
	<hr/> \$360 31		<hr/> \$360 31

CASH ACCOUNT.

Cash on hand Feb. 27, 1877,	\$ 58 18	Cash paid the town, Agents Salary,	178 42 33 33
Rec'd for stock sold,	153 57		
	<hr/> \$211 75		<hr/> \$211 75

JAMES S. ADAMS, *Agent.*

Hanover, April 27, 1877.

Hanover, N. H., March 1, 1877.

Then personally appeared the above named James S. Adams, and made oath that the above account by him subscribed is true.

Before me,

CHARLES BENTON, *Police Justice.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The undersigned Auditors for the Town of Hanover for the year ending March 1, 1878, respectfully report that they find the Selectmen and Overseers of the poor charge the town with having paid sundry items amounting to		\$19972 33
Miscellaneous expenses on farm,		827 57
Paupers off the farm with Agent's salary and Overseer's bills,		378 37
County paupers,		757 10
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		\$21935 37
Received sundry items amounting to	\$20061 05	
For stock, labor and produce,	919 12	
Of County for County paupers,	811 46	
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Balance in favor of Selectmen,		\$143 74

Town Farm Accounts.

Paid miscellaneous expenses on farm,	\$827 57	
For paupers off the farm, with Agent's salary and Overseer's bills,	378 37	
For County paupers,	757 10	
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Received for stock, labor and produce,	\$919 12	
Of County for County paupers,	811 46	
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		\$232 46
Inventory more than last year,		29 61

NOTES DUE FROM THE TOWN.

To two individuals with interest added to March 1, 1877.

Ruel Durkee, \$4504 19, Jason Dudley, \$907 64,	\$5411 83
In addition to the above the School Fund,	1344 58
“ “ Freeman Fund,	440 32
John Williams' bequest,	200 00
William Tenney's donation,	500 00
Due Selectmen,	143 74
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	\$8040 47

AMOUNT OF ASSETS.

Due on tax bills,	\$4314 30
From U. S. Government,	3070 00
From County for County paupers,	757 10
Liquor, casks, faucets, etc.,	206 74
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Total amount of assets,	\$8348 14
Total indebtedness of town,	8040 47
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Balance in favor of Town	\$307 67

We find the accounts of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor correctly cast and properly vouched.

S. W. COBB,)
J. L. BRIDGMAN,) Auditors.

REPORT

OF

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

For the Year ending March 1, 1878.

The Superintending School Committee respectfully present the following Report :

DISTRICT No. 1.

We have expended for school purposes in this district, during the year, \$833 50, and we have had eight schools ; two in the Summer and Autumn terms, and four in the Winter term. There has been a constant increase in the number of scholars in this district, for several years past. Two years since, the district was well accommodated with two schools during the winter. The next winter, our schools swarmed, and we had to provide a temporary hive for a third school. The last winter the number of pupils has risen to one hundred and fifty, and we have added a fourth school. The large, well-lighted, well-ventilated and beautiful school rooms, furnished in the new and splendid school building, lately erected through the enlightened and liberal public spirit of our people, is likely still further to increase our numbers from the children who, hitherto, have not attended the public school. We expected much from this laudable enterprise of the district, but the results have been better than our anticipations. Never before, have we witnessed so sudden a transformation in the manners and scholarly habits of pupils. In passing from the old school-house to the new, the students seem to have entered a higher sphere of moral life,

and to feel the impulse of stronger intellectual motives. There has been an obvious effort of the scholars to emulate the good purposes of their parents and to make the schools as excellent as the building to which they have been transferred. We congratulate the District on the success of the schools, under these better auspices.

Miss Martha E. Benton taught the Primary school through the year, and maintained her well-earned reputation of previous years. The whole number of scholars during her first term was fifty-two, with an average daily attendance of forty-four. In her second term she had forty-eight scholars with an average of forty-one.

The advanced school was taught, during the summer term, by Miss Julia S. Clark, with results as favorable as in her previous experience. She had an attendance of thirty-nine, with an average of thirty-four. The fall term of the summer school was taught by Miss Alpha R. Lord, whom the committee considered a very competent, earnest and conscientious teacher. She had a school of thirty-eight scholars, with an average attendance of thirty.

The winter term opened with three schools, graded as far as possible, according to scholarship, but the committee were soon compelled, by the crowded condition of the school-rooms and the number of recitations, to open a fourth school.

Grade No. 1 was taught by Lewis Parkhurst; grade No. 2 by Oscar Mickel; grade No. 3 by Miss Ella Nevins; grade No. 4 by Miss Martha E. Benton.

The whole number of scholars in grade No. 1 was forty, with an average attendance of thirty-eight. In grade No. 2 the whole number was thirty-one, the average twenty-seven. In grade No. 3 the whole number was thirty, the average twenty-five. In grade No. 4 the whole number was forty-eight, the average forty.

Mr. Parkhurst is an exceptionally fine teacher. He is thorough, methodical and painstaking, and keeps perfect order without apparent effort. In this school the teacher and scholars seem to have a mutual respect and attachment for each other.

Mr. Mickel is young and inexperienced as a teacher, but he brought to his work fine scholarship and tireless zeal. His school constantly improved and made good progress.

Miss Nevins is a western girl and has the characteristic enterprise and determination of her section. She worked from first to last to impart enthusiasm and excellence to her school, and succeeded.

A feature of our schools, the past winter, in striking contrast with the experience of previous years, was the seasonable and constant attendance of the scholars.

Music was introduced into the schools with excellent effect.

J. W. PATTERSON,
F. A. SHERMAN,
D. B. CURRIER.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Martha E. Hurlbutt during the summer term, here met with her usual good success.

Fall and winter terms taught by Sarah A. Mason. A teacher whose qualifications for instruction are undisputed. Promptness and correctness in answers, together with clearness of thought, were marked features of the school.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Summer term taught by Laura E. Tilton, who succeeded in managing her school through the affections of her pupils.

Ellen Smalley was engaged during the fall term. Miss Smalley's abilities and experience place her among the most desirable of our teachers.

Winter school under the management of F. A. Stanley, gave promise, at its commencement, of ranking among the best and most profitable schools in town; but when visited at its close only about one fourth of the scholars were present. Those present gave proof of close application to study, and faithful obedience to the teacher. It seems that a disaffected spirit, which has been in the district, was brought within the school-room, for which

DISTRICT No. 8.

Etta F. Merrell, during the summer term, acquitted herself creditably as teacher in this district. Her first attempt at teaching.

Charles Ross, having previously given satisfaction, was again employed for the winter term. The District did not regret the choice.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Rosa Monaghan taught her first school in this district, and proved herself well fitted to manage and instruct young scholars.

DISTRICT No. 10.

May be considered very fortunate in securing the services of so efficient and capable a teacher, during the year, as Miss Diantha Clark.

DISTRICT No. 11.

Mary L. Morgan taught the summer term, and Sarah M. Winship the winter term, both teachers acquitting themselves creditably.

DISTRICT No. 12.

When we say that Almeda D. Colby taught the two terms of school in this district, and maintained her former reputation as a teacher, enough has been said in her praise. I always find the school quiet and orderly, and attentive to business.

DISTRICT No. 13.

Summer term under the instruction of Jennie S. Rogers, who here acquired her first experience in teaching. The school appeared well at its commencement, but not visiting it at its close, am not able to report in regard to it at that time.

Edward H. Chadwick's labors in winter did not prove as profitable as they might, had he made fewer rules, and seen that those that he made, were obeyed. A good instructor, but very uneven in discipline. Too much play for the amount of study.

DISTRICT No. 14.

Susie N. Bullock here devoted her time, and labored perseveringly for the good of this school, for the two terms. She proves herself to be a faithful and pleasant teacher of the young.

DISTRICT No. 15.

Martha J. Eastman taught both terms of school in this district. A well managed and profitable school.

DISTRICT No. 16.

Fannie J. Goss, an active, energetic teacher, was here employed for both terms of school.

DISTRICT No. 17.

Summer term taught by Ruth Houston. A good disciplinarian and apt teacher.

Fall and winter terms taught by Eliza R. Blaksbee, who, though an experienced teacher, was found wanting in ability to maintain good order, thereby failing to gain the respect and obedience of her pupils.

DISTRICT No. 18.

This little school was taught by Delia A. Merrell. Could not judge of the progress of the large scholars as they were not present at my last visit, but those present did finely.

In making my report for the school year just closed, am glad to be able to say of a majority of the schools, that they have been quite fortunate in their choice of teachers. But lavishly as has been given to mortals, the various gifts, all, fortunately, have not been blessed with an equal measure of each. "To one is given," etc. Not every one who has mastered the branches of science required by law, of a teacher of district schools, is capable of becoming a successful teacher. He may be lacking in ability to gain the love and respect of his pupils, and at the same time maintain good order in the school-room, without which, any school fails to accomplish that for which it was organized, the greatest good to the greatest number. And again, he may have failed to cultivate that faculty of clearly

imparting what knowledge he may have, to the understanding of his pupils. Upon this point, should our scholars be drilled; to clearly explain and demonstrate all rules and principles. One of the best aids to this, is the blackboard, which no good teacher will fail to daily use. Another reason why so many of our schools fail to accomplish what they otherwise might, is the lack of the stimulus that would be imparted to both teacher and pupil, by the occasional presence of parents and guardians, in the school-room; thereby manifesting their interest in the progress of their children, who, seeing their parents interest, will be encouraged to renewed effort, and laudable ambition to excel. The teacher too, being conscious of his liability to have his work inspected at any time, will be full as likely to be faithful in the discharge of his duties. And the parent would be quite as well able to judge correctly regarding the condition of the school. If our legislature would give us a law, whereby we might raise the standard of qualifications of our teachers, having a uniformity throughout the states; also a uniformity of text-books, thus removing the disadvantages arising when a scholar removes from one district to another, or one town to another, and by the removal, being obliged to obtain a new supply of school books, or make an extra set of classes in the school, (which every teacher knows to be detrimental to the best interests of the school;) then should we be able to gradually elevate our schools until they would stand in the front rank. Regarding text-books; I have made a change in the Readers used in school, having introduced the Franklin series. I think that all the districts excepting four, have exchanged, and they will have an opportunity to do so, at the commencement of the summer term; after which, they will not be able to receive the benefit of introduction and exchange prices, as the books will then be placed in the merchant's hands. All are requested when purchasing Readers, to get this kind, as the old ones will not be used when their use will require the formation of new classes. All other text-books the same as heretofore recommended.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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