ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE AUDITORS OF THE

TOWN OF WATERTOWN,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 1869,

COMPRISING


BOSTON:
PRINTED AT THE PATHFINDER'S OFFICE,
1869.
TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen.  
JOHN K. STICKNEY, Chairman.  
LUKE PERKINS,  
ISAAC ROBBINS.

Town Clerk.  
JOSEPH CRAFTS.

Town Treasurer.  
JOHN K. STICKNEY.

Assessors.  
JOSEPH CRAFTS,  
JOHN K. STICKNEY,  
JESSE WHEELER.

School Committee.  
ALFRED HOSMER, Chairman, Term expires March 1871.  
DAVID T. HUCKINS, Secretary, " " " 1869.  
JOSHUA COOLIDGE, " " " 1871.  
JOHN WEISS, " " " 1870.  
JOSEPH CRAFTS, " " " 1869.  
*GEORGE K. SNOW, in place of  
L. T. SAWYER, resigned, " " " 1870.

Overseers of the Poor and Highways.  
WILLIAM PERKINS,  
SAMUEL S. GLEASON,  
JOSEPH CRAFTS.

Surveyor of Highways.  
WILLIAM PERKINS.

Constables and Truant Officers.  
JOSEPH P. SHOREY,  
GEORGE PARKER,  
HENRY F. BRIGHT.

*This position is to be filled by vote of the town, at the annual March meeting, 1869, for the term of one year.
LIST OF OFFICERS.

Collector of Taxes.
GEORGE L. NOYES.

Auditors and Appraisers.
MOSES FULLER, JR. 
GEORGE N. MARCH, 
JOHN COOLIDGE, Jr.

Fence Viewers.
CHARLES WHITNEY, 
SAMUEL LEARNED, 
BRADSHAW WHITNEY.

Field Drivers.
MICHAEL MORIARTY, 
SAMUEL F. STEARNS, 
CHARLES A. GREGG, 
JOSEPH P. SHOREY, 
GEORGE PARKER, 
FREEMAN BABB.

Surveyors of Lumber.
WILLIAM H. DADMAN, 
JOHN BRIGHAM, JR., 
ROYAL GILKEY.

*Trustees of the Free Public Library.
JOHN WEISS, 
JOSIAH STICKNEY, 
JAMES M. BELL, 
JOSEPH BIRD, 
JESSE A. LOCKE, 
ALFRED HOSMER, 
DAVID T. HUCKINS, 
ABIEL ABBOTT, 
JOSHUA COOLIDGE, 
CHARLES J. BARRY.

Commissioners of “Weetmac Vale” Cemetery.
JOSEPH BIRD, 
GEORGE N. MARCH, 
GEORGE K. SNOW.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN.

Police.
JOSEPH P. SHOREY, 
GEORGE PARKER.

Sexton and Undertaker,
No Appointment. G. B. STOCKWELL, Acting.

* The number of Trustees to be reduced to six at the annual March meeting, 1869.
LIST OF OFFICERS.

Pound Keeper.
SIDNEY E. TYLER.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.
WILLIAM L. STILES.

Surveyors and Measurers of Wood and Bark.
ARCHIBALD McMASTER, SAMUEL S. GLEASON,
ARTEMAS B. ROGERS.

Clerks of the Market.
SAMUEL S. GLEASON, J. ALBERT SULLIVAN.

Janitor of Town Hall.
ELIJAH PRATT, up to September 1st, 1868.
FRANCIS SPEAR, now acting.

Measurers of Grain.
FREDERICK HUTCHINS, EDWARD SPARROW.

Public Weigher and Superintendent of Hay Scales.
THOMAS PATTEN.

Private Weighers of Hay, Coal, &c.
JOSEPH H. GRANT, F. B. ROSS.

Engineers of Fire Department.
ATWOOD D. DREW, SAMUEL S. GLEASON,
JOHN W. PRIEST.
Grants of Money made by the Town of Watertown, and ordered to be assessed upon the Polls and Estates of the Town, according to Law, the said grants being appropriated as follows, namely:

For the support of the poor, $1,500
" " " highways, 4,000
" bridges and culverts, 800
" paying interest on town debt, 3,500
" discounts and abatements on taxes, 2,000
" paying portion of town debt, 5,000
" salaries of town officers, 1,100
" contingent expenses, 3,000
" Fire Department, 1,200
" continuation of Irving Street, 400
" laying out or repairing the way leading to the Catholic Cemetery, 500
" support of Schools, 14,750
" watering Main Street, 200

$37,950

Grant of Money made by the Town of Watertown, and ordered to be paid from the contingent fund appropriated for repairing and taking care of the clock on the First Parish Meeting-House, $50
Grants of Money made by the Town of Watertown, during the year 1868, for which the Town Treasurer was authorized to borrow money on the credit of the town.

The amounts and appropriations being as follows, namely:

For the purchase of land of Samuel L. Batchelder, $3,560 00
" the purchase of land for a new cemetery 9,268 00
" the purchase of additional land of Samuel L. Batchelder, 3,000 00
" expenses attending the laying out of the new cemetery grounds under the direction of the commissioners, 1,500 00
" the fitting up of, and preparing books for the Free Public Library, 1,000 00
" the purchase of land for an entrance to new cemetery from Mt. Auburn Street, 2,400 00

The money which has been paid on account of the new cemetery and the Free Public Library, as shown in the accounts pertaining thereto, and the whole of the cost of the land purchased for an entrance to the new cemetery, have been paid from the subsidy for the mill-dam road.
ASSESSORS' REPORT.

VALUATION AND TAXES OF THE TOWN OF WATERTOWN
FOR THE YEAR 1868.

The valuation of Real Estate is $2,334,972.00

" " " Personal "

Total valuation of Estates, $3,461,475.00

The whole number of Polls, is 978

AMOUNTS ASSESSED.

State Tax, $5,580.00
County Tax, 2,573.31
Town Grants, 37,950
Overlayings, 159.57

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$46,262.88

Tax on 978 Polls at $2.00 each, $1,956.00
" " Estates at $1.28 per ct. on
$3,461,475.00 is 44,306.88

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$46,262.88

The sum of one hundred twenty-five dollars
and sixty eight cents has also been assessed
as additional taxes for 1868, $125.68

JOSEPH CRAFTS, Assessors
JOHN K. STICKNEY of Watertown.
JESSE WHEELER,
TREASURER'S REPORT.

By the Town Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 10, 1869.

RECEIPTS.
Received from D. T. Huckins, Treas' r, 1867–8, balance in Treasury, $1,381  96
Borrowed in anticipation of taxes, as per loan account, 18,400  00
Rec'd of D. T. Huckins, taxes and interest for 1866, per account, 2,202  84
" of Samuel Noyes " " " " " 3,350  00
1867, per account, 1868, per account,
" of George L. Noyes, " " " " " 37,663  73
" of town of Belmont, support of paupers, $486  68
" of sundry persons on account of Almshouse, for items of which, see Almshouse account, 714  62 1,201  30
" of Samuel Noyes, 1 year's rent of store, 250  00
" of Nourse & Barnard, 1 year's rent of store, 175  00
" of Elijah Pratt, for use of Town Hall, $195  25
" of George Parker, " " " 18  00
" of Jos. P. Shorey, " " " 12  50
" of Francis Spear, " " " 254  00 479  75
" of State Treasurer, Balance of Corporation Tax for 1867, 44  41

Amount carried forward, $65,149  02
TREASURER’S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $65,149 02
Rec’d of State Treasurer, corporation tax for 1868, 3,504 38
“ “ “ reimbursement of State aid, 1867, 1,700 00
“ “ “ town’s share of school fund, $237 15
“ of Miles Pratt & Co., for old iron (furnace), 13 62
“ of sale of grave lot, 5 00
“ from commissioners of new cemetery, sale of wood, 63 86
“ of Sam’l Noyes, on account of liquor agency, 130 00
“ of County Treasurer, for licenses, 125 00
“ of persons licensed, com. on sale of liquors, 56 32
“ of Joel Barnard, Jr., on sale of land and expenses, 3,810 00
“ of State Treasurer, subsidy for Mill Dam road, 20,000 00
“ of Town of Brighton, half expense of certified records of original laying out of Mill Dam road, 9 00
“ of G. B. Stockwell, for use of hearse, 7 50
“ of David T. Huckins, covering error, 100 00

$94,910 84

DISPOSITION OF RECEIPTS.

Charged to town appropriations, $37,950 00
Less discounts and abatements, 2,000 00

Amount carried forward, $35,950 00
TREASURER’S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $35,950 00
Transferred to school account, 250 76
  “ Almshouse account, 1,201 30
  “ Loan account, 20,875 00
  “ Payment of town debt, 15,892 00
  “ State Aid account, 1,700 00
  “ State tax, 5,580 00
  “ Cemetery account, Susan L. Coolidge, 552 16
  “ “ “ for land, 2,400 00
  “ Free Library account, 977 43
  “ Contingent fund, 9,532 19

$94,910 84

EXPENDITURES.

SCHOOLS.

Appropriation, $14,750 00
Transferred from receipts on account of schools, 250 76
Transferred from contingent fund to meet deficiency, 356 67

$15,357 43

PAID TEACHERS’ SALARIES, VIZ.

Solon F. Whitney, Principal of High School, full year, 1,566 66
Mary F. Porter, Assistant of High School, full year, 733 33

Amount carried forward, $2,299 99
Amount brought forward, $2,299.99

Levi W. Russell, Principal Centre Grammar School, full year, 1,366.65

Adelaide A. Keith, Assistant Centre Grammar School, two terms, 333.32

Anna M. Magee, Assistant Centre Grammar School, three terms, 450.00

Henry Chase, Principal West Grammar School, two terms, 800.00

George S. Turner, Principal West Grammar School, one term, 400.00

James M. Sawin, Principal East Grammar School, part of year, 400.32

W. T. Copeland, Principal East Grammar School, part of year, 571.42

Henry C. Davis, Principal East Grammar School, part of year, 248.16

Sophia E. Baldwin, of Centre Intermediate School, part of year, 78.40

H. Estella Varney, of Centre Intermediate School, full year, 436.85

Clara M. Bailey, of East Intermediate School, full year, 441.66

M. Emily Lord, of West Intermediate School, two terms, 291.66

Ellen M. Crafts, of West Intermediate School, one term, 141.66

Harriet Robbins, of South Intermediate School, full year, 441.66

Emma G. Russell, of Centre Primary No. 1, one term, 133.33

Amount carried forward, $8,835.08
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $8,835 08
Isabella N. March, of Centre Primary No. 2, full year, 416 65
Fannie Robbins, of Centre Primary No. 3, full year, 416 65
Annie E. Coolidge, of East Primary No. 3, full year, 416 65
Adelaide Horn, of South Primary School, full year, 416 65
Edith Howe, of West Primary School, part of year, 190 91
Elizabeth J. Manning, of West Primary School, one term, 133 33

$10,825 92

CARE OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Paid Solon F. Whitney, care of High School-house, part of year, $77 00
Paid Levi W. Russell, care of High School-house, part of year, 22 50
Paid Robert C. Rought, care of Centre School-house fires, part of year, 63 00
Paid Julia McDonald, care of Centre School-house, part of year, 54 00
Paid James M. Sawin, care of East School-house, part of year, 49 99
Paid W. T. Copeland, care of East School-house, part of year, 33 33
Paid J. Coolidge, for Mrs. Austin, care of East School-house, part of year, 5 00
Paid Henry Chase, care of West School-house, part of year, 90 00

Amount carried forward, $394 82
TREASURER'S REPORT.

**Amount brought forward:**
- $394 82

Paid David W. Doughty, care of South School-house, part of year,
- 44 60

Paid Frank Spear, care of High, Centre, South, and West School-houses, part of year,
- 160 00

**Total:**
- $599 42

**FUEL FOR SCHOOL-HOUSES.**

Paid Royal Gilkey, as per bills, for coal,
- $654 01
  - Aiken & Woodward, charcoal,
  - 56 20

**Total:**
- $710 21

**HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY.**

Paid Lee, Shepard & Co.
- $47 35

“William Henshaw,
- 3 75

**Total:**
- $51 10

**MAPS, TEXT-BOOKS, STATIONERY, ETC.**

Paid E. P. Dutton & Co., maps,
- $24 30

“Aaron R. Gay, stationery,
- 29 00

““““
- 1 50

“C. C. McLauthlin, books, stationery, &c.,
- 11 55

“C. C. McLauthlin, books, stationery, &c.,
- 6 69

“C. C. LcLauthlin, books, stationery, &c.,
- 66 86

“Woolworth, Ainsworth & Co., chemistry,
- 1 00

“Lee, Shepard & Co., books,
- 6 51

**Total:**
- $147 41
PHILOSOPHICAL APPARATUS.

Paid Thomas Hall, magnifying glass, $250
" Charles Stodder, microscope, 65 00
" W. J. Rolfe, pictures, 10 00
" Alfred Howes, hardware, 8 00
" Samuel F. Hunt, hardware, two bills, 64 50

$150 00

INCIDENTAL SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid Thomas N. Hooper, per bill, $17 00
" Otis Brothers, per bill, 24 96
" Ellen Cassidy, cleaning High School-
house, 2 00
" Bridget Welsh, cleaning High School-
house, 2 00
" David W. Doughty, cleaning South
School-house, 3 25
" T. H. Stimpson, printing, 2 50
" Luther Bent & Co., per bill, 6 00
" James Freeman, pump box, 1 50
" Henry Russell, painting and glazing, 29 03
" Cornelius Holland, labor Centre School-
house, 8 00
" Patrick McCarthy, labor Centre
School-house, 12 00
" Mary McCale, labor Centre School-
house, 5 83
" Mrs. William Carney, labor Centre
School-house, 12 50

Amount carried forward, $126 57
Amount brought forward, $126 50

Paid Joseph Crafts, time and labor at Centre School-house, 22 00
" Robert C. Rought, making fires in Centre School-house, 8 00
" S. S. Gleason, per bill, 38
" Mrs. Coverny, cleaning High School-house, 3 00
" James M. Sawin, labor, &c., East School-house, 8 33
" Luther Bent, repairs, carting settees, &c., 32 51
" Frank Spear, per bill, 6 67
" Nourse & Barnard, 2 59
" William L. Stiles, per bill, 13 50
" John Barnard, per bill, 8 50
" Norcross & Blaisdell, per bill, repairs, &c., 79 82
" Alfred Mudge & Son, printing, 16 00
" W. O. Haskell & Son, settees, 39 00
" Overseers of Poor, for gravel and carting, 7 50
" George Peirce, per bill, 16 90
" Paid Robert Rought, per bill, 7 50
" Henry Chase, per bill, 13 00
" T. J. Thompson, carting ashes, &c., 2 00
" Joseph Crafts, for cash paid sundry persons, per bill, 26 83
" George T. Baker & Co., tubular well, &c., East School-house, 40 00
" B. Bradley & Co., 6 clocks, 66 00

420 00

$546 60
Treasurer's Report.

Amount brought forward, $546.60

Paid Burton, Fellows & Co., dusters, brushes, &c., 24.93

" Julia McDonald, cleaning Centre School-house, 3.50

" Frank Spear, per bill, 14.85

" Seth E. Sparrow, brooms, brushes, soap, &c., 33.05

" Luther Bent & Co., 19.60

" Alfred Mudge & Son, printing, 16.00

" J. L. Fairbanks, thermometers, 13.50

" Norcross & Blaisdell, repairs, 129.71

" William L. Stiles, per bill, 95.43

" Joseph Crafts, time, and travelling expense on account teachers, 15.50

" Alfred Howes, per bill, 2.87

" Thomas L. French, per bill, 9.86

" Henry Russell, as per bill, painting, varnishing, &c., 219.12

" Thomas P. Emerson, expressing, 22.10

" Samuel Noyes, mats, brooms, &c., 8.80

" A. Rogers, regulating clocks, 6.00

" Frank Spear, per bill, 4.00

" W. O. Haskell & Son, erasers, 24.00

= $1,209.42
ALTERATIONS IN SCHOOL-HOUSES, FURNITURE, ETC.

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL-HOUSE.
Paid Norcross and Blaisdell, as per bill, $448 94
" Thomas L. French, " " 101 05
" J. Blevins, slating, " " 83 90
" Henry Russell, graining, &c., " 25 00
" W. O. Haskell & Son, furniture, 278 19
" American Tablet Co., blackboards, 80 00

$1,017 08

WEST SCHOOL-HOUSE.
Paid Norcross and Blaisdell, fitting up room, $61 51

PAINTING HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.
Paid Henry Russell, per contract, $70 00
" " " painting fence, &c., and labor on furniture, 27 00

97 00

NEW FURNACE, CENTRE SCHOOL-HOUSE.
Paid Geo. W. Walker & Co., furnace, $396 07
" Thomas L. French, setting same, and repairing old furnace, 92 29

$488 36

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL EXPENSES.
Paid teachers, $10,825 92
" janitors, care of school-houses, 599 42
" fuel, 710 21
" High School library, 51 10
" books, maps, stationery, &c., 147 41
" philosophical apparatus, High School, 150 00
" incidental school expenses, 1,209 42

Amount carried forward, $13,693 48
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $13,693 48
Paid alterations in Centre Grammar School-house, 1,017 08
" alterations in West Grammar School-house, 61 51
" painting High School-house, per contract, 70 00
" painting fences, out-houses, &c., 27 00
" new furnace in Centre School-house, 488 36

Total expense of schools, $15,357 43

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation, $1,200 00
From contingent fund, deficiency, 111 96

Paid Frank Spear, refreshments, $1 68
" S. S. Gleason, 16 79
" Royal Gilkey, coal, 9 18
" Andrew T. Mills, steward, Hook & Ladder Co., 5 00
" Charles H. Noyes, six months' pay roll, Hook & Ladder Co., 60 00
" Union Fire Co., six months' pay roll, Engine Co., 250 00
" gas bill, Engine Co., 7 00
" Royal Gilkey, coal, 10 10
" George W. Bright, steward Engine Co., 25 00
" A. T. Drew, engineer's salary, 70 00

Amount carried forward, $454 75
Amount brought forward, $454.75
Paid
Samuel Noyes, oil, &c., 1.95
Wm. L. Stiles, stove funnel, 1.50
Jos. Polechio, painting, and lettering
Engine No. 2, 65.00
Geo. Peirce, locks, lumber, and labor, 19.12
Jas. Boyd & Sons, new suction hose, 150.75
Jos. Polechio, painting, &c., Engine No. 1, 37.00
A. D. Drew, badges, belts, straps, &c., 31.75
A. B. Rogers, hosemen's suits, 45.00
Newton & Watertown Gas Co., 2.00
E. G. Tarbell, letters on badges, &c., 14.00
S. S. Gleason, brooms, &c., 1.45
Newton & Watertown Gas Co., 3.50
Hook & Ladder Co., 50.00
A. T. Mills, steward, 5.00
Relief Fire Co., pay roll, 250.00
Geo. F. Bright, steward, 25.00
Royal Gilkey, coal, 13.00
S. S. Gleason, refreshments, 48.98
Wm. L. Stiles, stove, funnel, &c., 25.30
J. M. Parkhurst, refreshments, 9.55
Samuel Noyes, oil, and refreshments, 26.25
Newton & Watertown Gas Co., 5.00
Seth E. Sparrow, refreshments, 1.42
Jas. Boyd & Sons, repairs, 1.00
A. D. Drew, cash paid for charcoal, oil, wrenches, &c., 13.80
S. S. Gleason, 5.51
T. P. Emerson, expressage, 4.38

$1,311.96
TREASURER'S REPORT.

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Appropriation, $800 00
Drawn from contingent fund for deficiency, 1,960 26

$2,760 26

Paid George Peirce, labor on bridges, 166 00
Loyal Gilkey & Co., for lumber, 110 05
Granville Fuller & Son, “ 59 58
Philemon Priest & Son, labor, &c., 29 50
Royal Gilkey & Co., lumber, 120 22
A. L. Danforth, per bill, 15 00
John Cullen, culverts, 29 75
Royal Gilkey and & Co., lumber, 125 35
John Brigham, culvert on Galen St., 38 25
George Peirce, labor, 32 16
D. N. Skillings & Co., lumber, 40 00
Brighton Bridge, 1,897 54
Bixby & Cole, building new pier
at Brighton Bridge, &c., 30 00
Watertown Almshouse, culvert on
Elm Street,

$2,760 26

ALMSHOUSE.

DR.

To appropriation transferred from support of poor, $1,500 00
“ “ “ “ highways, 4,000 00
“ transfer from receipts, amount received from
Belmont for support of paupers, 486 68

Amount carried forward, $5,986 68
**TREASURER'S REPORT.**

*Amount brought forward,* $5,986.68

To transfer from receipts, being money for sundry things, &c., namely:

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<td>Received of John Trickey for calf</td>
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<td>State treasurer, state paupers</td>
<td>$10.50</td>
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<td>William Perkins, for hay</td>
<td>$158.40</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; &quot; &quot; &quot; &quot; old cart</td>
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<td>S. E. Tyler, sale of cow</td>
<td>$65.00</td>
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<td>Town of Watertown, labor</td>
<td>$263.37</td>
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<td>William Perkins, hay</td>
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<td>H. P. Mason, produce</td>
<td>$16.00</td>
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<td>William Perkins, hay</td>
<td>$27.67</td>
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Transferred from appropriation for repair of road at sand bank, $366.50

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<td>Contingent fund to meet deficiency</td>
<td>$82.47</td>
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**CR.** $7,150.27

By cash paid for sundry purposes, as follows:

**LABOR ON FARM AND ROADS.**

Paid Freeman Babb, 1 quarter's salary as keeper, $131.25

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<td>Sydney E. Tyler 3 qrs</td>
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<td>J. E. V. Thompson, labor</td>
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<td>John Maloney</td>
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<td>Patrick Maloney</td>
<td>$170.59</td>
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<td>James Fahey</td>
<td>$204.53</td>
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<td>Thomas Remana</td>
<td>$76.04</td>
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*Amount carried forward,* $1,229.91
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $1,229.91
Paid Thomas Rooney, labor, 92.86
" C. W. Henderson, " 236.52
" John DeWyre, " 19.00
---------- $1,578.29

LABOR IN HOUSE.
Paid Martha S. Thompson, $30.00
" Margaret Hearn, 114.00
---------- 144.00

GRAIN AND MEAL FOR BARN.
By cash paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to April, 1868, $139.70
" paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to July, 1868, 247.65
" paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to Oct., 1868, 172.90
" paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to Jan'y, 1869, 111.00
" paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to Feb., 1869, 46.05
---------- 717.30

MEAL AND FLOUR FOR HOUSE.
" paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to April, 1868, $104.80
" paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to July, 1868, 61.00
" paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to Oct., 1868, 100.05
" paid Perkins, Coffin, & Co., bill
  to Jan'y, 1869, 94.05
---------- 359.90

Amount carried forward, $2,799.49
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $2,799

PROVISIONS, MEAT, & C.

By cash paid H. P. Mason, bill to August, 1868, $143 07
" paid H. P. Mason, bill to Oct., 1868, 116 01
" paid Emery M. Mayo, 82 98
" " " " " old bill, 72 90
" paid W. H. Lyman, 16 00
" paid H. P. Mason, 8 79

439 7

MANURE.

By cash paid William Perkins, $6 00
" " " S. F. Danforth, 35 00

41 00

MATERIAL FOR ROADS.

By cash paid J. W. Turner for stone, 41 00

STREET CROSSINGS.

By cash paid D. & H. Gore, flag stones, $36 07
" " " George Painter, 47

83 07

STOCK ON FARM.

By cash paid Cameron & Ross, new cart, $112 25
" " " Dodge, Gilbert, & Co., sledge, 8 03

120 28

Amount carried forward, $3,524 58
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $3,524 59

REPAIRS ON CARTS, WAGONS, HARNESSES, ETC.

By cash paid E. G. Turbell, $52 77
  " " Cameron & Ross, 67 40
  " " Thomas Patten, 3 25
  " " Antipas Jackson, 117 33
  " " Thos. N. Hooper, 71 50
  " " John Tucker, 14 65
                      326 90

FISH.

By amount paid Barzillai Paine, $17 75
  " " C. W. Bunting, 20 64
  " " R. S. Merryman, 16 20
  " " Barzillai Paine, 11 50
  " " R. S. Merryman, 11 44
                      77 53

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Paid S. H. Coombs, $28 47
  " " 25 38
                      53 85

GROCERIES.

Paid Frank Spear, $107 16
  " " 73 67
  " S. S. Gleason, 68 69
  " " 83 73
  " " 23 23
  " " 171 31
  " " 16 43
  " " 15 29

Amounts carried forward, $559 51 $3,982 87
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amounts brought forward, $559 51 $3,982 87
Paid Samuel Noyes, 147 35
“ “ 4 20
“ Giles A. Meacham, soap, 11 92
“ Sidney E. Tyler, 24 56

739 56

DRY GOODS.
Paid Otis Brothers, $21 87
“ “ 21 85
“ “ 31 61
“ Nourse & Barnard, 12 98
“ “ 18 43

106 74

CLOTHING.
Paid A. B. Rogers, 31 15

FUEL FOR HOUSE.
Paid Alvin Adams, wood, $24 00
“ Royal Gilkey, coal, 33 73
“ “ 17 43
“ “ 54 62
“ “ 40 26
“ E. W. Fisk, wood, 71 00

241 04

COAL FOR ENGINE.
Paid Royal Gilkey, 186 00

TIN WARE.
Paid Wm. L. Stiles, $11 50
“ “ 26 79

38 29

Amount carried forward, $5,325 65
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $5,325 65

FURNITURE AND REPAIRS.

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Amount carried forward, $5,579 54
**Amount brought forward,**  
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**LUMBER AND LABOR.**

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$5,834 11

**ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.**

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| Amount carried forward, | $6,234 97 |
**Amount brought forward,**

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**Amount carried forward,**

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Amount brought forward, $6,446 07
Mrs. Gregg Smith. Paid Town of Somer-ville, fuel, $14 00
" " City of Boston, 26 00 40 00
Mrs. Nancy W. Stone. Paid City of Boston, 48 00
Mrs. Mary A. Chant. " City of Charlestown, 39 00
Eliz. M. Walker. " City of Boston, 8 20
Mrs. H. Whitney. " City of Charlestown, 39 00

FOOD FURNISHED TRAVELLERS.
Paid Constables Shorey and Parker, sundry bills, $19 50
" Samuel S. Gleason, 1 00 20 50

STATE PAUPERS.
Paid J. P. Shorey on account of Mahoney, sent to Tewksbury, $11 45
" J. P. Shorey, " 4 00
" " 8 50
" Luther B. Morse, on account Mahoney, 6 00 29 95

Amount carried forward, $6,670 72
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $6,670.72

SUNDARY EXPENSES.

Paid sundry expenses, as per account, $5.60
  " Nahum R. Robinson, drilling stone, 50.70
  " John Trickey, use of bull and cart, 14.00
  " J. L. Fairbanks, Pauper Register, 6.00
  " Wm. Perkins, pasturing cow, 6.00
  " Jas. R. Harrison, expressing, 12.95
  " Howard Brothers, ice, 17.80

  $113.05

ROAD TO CATHOLIC CEMETERY.

Paid labor from Almshouse, $102.37
  " James Manahan, labor, 7.00
  " Martin Luffy, " 9.62
  " Louis Nolan, " 11.37
  " John Flannery, " 23.92
  " T. Reyley, " 13.12
  " John Burke, " 13.12
  " Nath'l O'Neal, " 7.00
  " Hugh McGinnis, per bill, 134.88
  " John Hogan, gravel, 44.10

  $366.50

Total amount Almshouse expenses, $7,150.27
TREASURER'S REPORT.

LOAN ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To amount of outstanding liabilities, being money borrowed in previous years, in anticipation of taxes, namely:

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*BORROWED, 1868, IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES.

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|           | $22,475 00 |

*The Town Treasurer was authorized, by vote of the town, to borrow a sum, not exceeding $20,000.*
Treasurer's Report.

**Loan Account.**

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**Interest on Borrowed Money.**

No Appropriation.

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BORROWED AND TRANSFERRED TO TOWN DEBT.

OF State Treasurer, to pay for Cemetery Land, $9,268 00
" Samuel L. Batchelder, for land purchased, 6,560 00

$15,828 00

TOWN DEBT,

Showing the amount of debt, as per account of 1867-8, with transfers and reduction, viz., old debt:

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Amount of old debt, $51,400 00

Amount carried forward, $51,400 00
The Treasurer's Report.

Amount brought forward, $51,400 00

Transferred from Loan Account, old liabilities, namely:

- Note payable to Ann I. Norcross, $200 00
- Note payable to Gardner Aldrich, 1,000 00
- Note payable to Sarah G. May, 400 00

Total $1,600 00

Amount due Samuel L. Batchelder on land above amount borrowed, 632 00

Borrowed and transferred, 15,828 00

Total $69,460 00

Dr.

- To appropriation, $5,000 00
- " Transferred from receipts, 15,892 00

Total $20,892 00

Cr.

- By paid William May, note, $1,000 00
- " James H. Norcross, Trustee, note, 500 00
- By paid Michael Quirk, note, 500 00
- " S. L. Batchelder, " 3,000 00
- " " " bal. due on land, 632 00
- " S. L. Batchelder, note, 3,560 00

Amount carried forward, $9,192 00
Amount brought forward, $9,192 00

By paid State Treasurer,

Note, 6,500 00

" Elmira Hinman,

Note, 4,000 00

" Elmira Hinman,

Note, 1,200 00

$20,892 00

Outstanding town debt, $48,568 00

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

Appropriation, $3,500 00

Transferred from contingent fund, 116 73

$3,616 73

Paid Eliza J. Norcross, 6 months’ interest on note of $200, $6 00

" Chas. Bemis, Executor on Wm. May’s note of $1,000, 21 00

" Treasurer Boston Five Cent Savings Bank, 6 months’ int. on $10,000, 300 00

" State Treasurer, 6 months’ interest on $6,500, 195 00

" Thomas Peirce, 6 months’ interest on $1,000, 30 00

" Treasurer Lowell Institute for Savings, 6 months’ int. on $19,225, 544 94

" Michael Quirk, interest on Note of $500, 26 63

" Elmira Hinman, 6 months’ interest on $4,000, 140 00

Amount carried forward, $1,263 57
Amount brought forward, $1,263 57

Paid James H. Norcross, Trustee, interest on $500, 36 08
Treasurer Lowell Institute for Savings, interest due on town notes at time of renewal, $5,500, 60 25
Mrs. Luke Forbes, 6 months' interest on $2,000, 60 00
Eliza Glines, 6 months' interest on $1,000, 30 00
Elmira Hinman, 6 months' interest on $1,200, 42 00
Eliza J. Norcross, 6 months' interest on $200, 6 00
Maria Dudley, 1 year's interest on $400, 24 00
Treasurer Boston Five Cent Savings Bank, 6 months' interest on $10,000, 300 00
S. L. Batchelder, int. on $3,632 from purchase of land to sale, 76 88
Ann J. Norcross, 1 year's interest on $700, 42 00
State Treasurer, 6 months' interest on $6,500, 195 00
Treasurer Lowell Institute for Savings, 6 months' int. on $16,725, 469 94
Sarah G. May, 6 months' interest on $400, 13 00
Thomas Peirce, 6 months' interest on $1,000, 30 00

Amount carried forward, $2,648 72
Amount brought forward, $2,648 72
Paid Treasurer Lowell Institute for Savings, 6 months' int. on $5,500, 165 00
" S. L. Batchelder, interest on note of $3,560, 159 90
" Mrs. Luke Forbes, 6 months' interest on $2,000, 60 00
" State Treasurer, interest on payment of Note, $6,500, 76 91
" Elmira Hinman, interest on payment of note, $4,000, 186 66
" Elmira Hinman, interest on payment of note, $1,200, 35 00
" Sarah G. May, interest on renewal of note, $400, 6 50
" State Treasurer, 6 months' interest on $9,268, 278 04

$3,616 73

INSURANCE.

NO APPROPRIATION.

Transferred from contingent fund, $234 19
Paid D. T. Huckins, Policy Insurance High School-house, $91 00
" D. T. Huckins, Policy Insurance High School-house, 61 00
" W. H. Ingraham, Policy East School-house and furniture, 37 19
" W. H. Ingraham, Policy Centre School-house and furniture, 35 00
" Reed Brothers, Centre, two pianos, 10 00

$234 19
STATE AID.

Transferred from Receipts. Reimbursement for 1867, in part, $1,700 00

Paid William Wall, $168 00
" Charles F. Jackson, 72 00
" Mary McCabe, 48 00
" John Hallahan, 168 00
" John S. Mayo, 168 00
" Clarissa B. Hill, 88 00
" Henry K. Martin, 12 00
" Deborah Bright, 48 00
" Ellen M. Ewer, 34 00
" Horace W. Otis, 78 00
" Mary Severance, 60 00
" Ellen Wallace, 20 00
" Maria Craig, 48 00
" Henry G. Pierce, 14 00

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$1,026 00

Transferred to contingent account, 674 00

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$1,700 00

STATE TAX, 1868.

Whole amount assessed, as required by warrant, $5,580 00

Transferred from receipts, $5,580 00

Paid State Treasurer, for receipts, $5,580 00
### REPAIRING COTTAGE AVENUE, OR ROAD TO CATHOLIC CEMETERY.

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<td>Transferred to Almshouse acc't, to pay for labor and material</td>
<td>$366.50</td>
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### CONTINUATION OF IRVING STREET.

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<td>Paid Caleb Ladd, for land</td>
<td>$247.20</td>
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<td>&quot; Royal Gilkey, making road</td>
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### WATERING MAIN STREET.

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### WEE TOMAC VALE CEMETERY.

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<td>Transferred from receipts, instead of borrowing</td>
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<td>Paid Susan L. Coolidge, for land</td>
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<td>&quot; Wm. H. Jackson, surveys and plans</td>
<td>$202.10</td>
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<td>&quot; Nahum R. Robinson, labor, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>&quot; Parker, Gannett &amp; Osgood, tools</td>
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<td>&quot; Royal Gilkey &amp; Co., lumber</td>
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<td>&quot; Benj. R. Rand, title, &amp;c.</td>
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### FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding $1,000 00

Transferred from receipts, instead of borrowed, 977 43

Paid A. Williams & Co., for bills, $195 93

- Aaron R. Gay & Co., 28 25
- Alfred Mudge & Son, 3 25
- Norcross & Blaisdell, shelves, 450 00
- Solon F. Whitney, librarian, 300 00

Total $977 43

### SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

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Paid School Committee, $217 00

- Joseph Crafts, Town Clerk, 75 00
- John K. Stickney, Town Treasurer, 200 00
- John K. Stickney, services on account State Aid, 25 00
- Overseers of poor and highways, 100 00
- Selectmen, 100 00
- Assessors, services 1868, 450 00

Total $1,167 00
TREASURER'S REPORT.

POLICE ACCOUNT.

NO APPROPRIATION.

Transferred from contingent fund, $2,079 77

Paid Joseph P. Shorey, 12 months' service, $915 00

" George Parker, 915 00
" Samuel L. Batchelder, rent, 93 75
" Abel Hunt, 33 36
" Royal Gilkey & Co., fuel, 24 95
" Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Company, 25 50
" Repairing lockup, 7 21
" Frank Spear, extra police, 10 00
" Charles E. Clark, 10 00
" H. B. Cheney, 15 00
" Henry F. Bright, 30 00

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Appropriation, $3,000 00

Transferred from receipts, 9,532 19

" " State Aid account, 674 00
" " appropriation for repair of road at Sand Bank, 133 50

Less transferred to School Account, $356 67

" " " Fire Department, 111 96
" " " bridges and culverts, 1,960 26

Amounts carried forward, $2,428 89 $13,339 69
**TREASURER'S REPORT.**

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<td>Paid Joseph Crafts, extra services in 1867,</td>
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<td>&quot; Nahum R. Robinson, services as committee,</td>
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<td>&quot; Thomas N. Herper, repairs on street lamps,</td>
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<td>&quot; Rockwell &amp; Rollins, printing Town Reports,</td>
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<td>&quot; Horn &amp; Stearns, small book-case,</td>
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<td>&quot; Newton &amp; Watertown Gas-Light Co., gas for hall,</td>
<td>32 28</td>
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<td>&quot; William C. Foley, one-half expense of wall on Mill Creek,</td>
<td>86 50</td>
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<td>&quot; William L. Stiles, salary as sealer of weights, &amp;c.,</td>
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<td>Amount carried forward,</td>
<td>10 00</td>
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Amount brought forward, $494 14

Paid

Joseph Crafts, surveys and plans of streets, 82 50
" C. H. Brainard, repairing hearse, 35 00
" Luther Bent & Co., " 4 58
" Joseph Crafts, survey and plan of cemetery, 40 00
" A. P. Bonney, for examining records on account of borrowing money, 17 57
" Royal Gilkey, coal for Town House, 20 32
" Joseph Polechio, painting and lettering signs for streets, 36 40
" C. C. McLauthlin, stationery, printing, &c., 66 39
" John Barnard, painting and glazing, 18 00
" Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., gas, street lights, 153 47
" Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., gas, street lights, 53 16
" Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., gas, upper hall, 50
" Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., gas, lower hall, 27 50
" Aaron R. Gay & Co., stationery, 4 95
" Thomas L. French, moving safe, 19 75
" Stephen Holmes, raising topmast to flag-staff, 13 00
" John P. Healy, professional advice, 5 00
" Robert Stevens, mowing cemetery, 24 00
" John A. Kincaid, horse hire, 130 50

Amount carried forward, $1,246 74
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $1,246 74

Paid Benj. R. Rand, for examining land title, 8 00

" American Fire Extinguisher Co., six extinguishers, 327 00

" Henry Russell, repairing dial of clock, 50 00

" Patrick J. Flannery, lighting lamp Myrtle Street, 6 65

" Samuel Jenison, abatement on taxes, per order, 17 52

" Joseph Crafts, searching up and copying records of original laying out of Milldam road, 17 20

" Samuel L. Batchelder, dinners, &c., 4 00

" Samuel S. Gleason, tub, pail, &c., Town House, 3 20

" Elijah Pratt, services at Town Hall, 101 75

" A. Hemmenway, legal services on land case, 80 00

" Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., lower hall, 16 00

" Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., upper hall, 50

" C. C. McLauthlin, printing, &c., 26 12

" Elijah Pratt, sundry articles, purchased of him for hall, 13 50

" Frank Spear, cash paid for charcoal for hall, 7 00

" L. Bent & Co., repairs of tables, &c., 6 00

Amount carried forward, $1,931 18
Amount brought forward, $1,931 18

Paid Frank Spear, as janitor's services at Town House, 19 00
" Joseph P. Shorey, 5 00
" David H. Mason, services on account Milldam road, 750 00
" J. Franklin Fuller, plans of Milldam road, 50 00
" Joseph Crafts, surveying, serving notices, &c., Milldam road, 54 90
" Henry F. Bright, killing 30 dogs, 30 00
" James Sharp, auditor's service, and labor on scenes, 12 25
" George Phinney, printing voting lists, 15 00
" Frank Spear, janitor's services at Town House, 29 25
" William L. Stiles, Magee stove and repairing, 31 90
" Antipas Jackson, spikes, iron, &c., 5 84
" C. C. LcLauthlin, printing, stationery, &c., 14 62
" George Peirce, lumber and labor, fence and platform, on Church St., 102 53
" John Barnard, glass in street lamps, 3 00
" Samuel Noyes, brooms, baskets, brushes, &c., 13 05
" John Page, painting gate at burial-ground, and scales, 9 60
" Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., street lights, 188 84

Amount carried forward, $3,265 96
TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward, $3,265.96

Paid Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., Town Hall, 49.50
  Newton & Watertown Gas-Light Co., upper hall, 2.00
  Frank Spear, as janitor's services at Town House, 11.50
  G. B. Stockwell, horse hire, 11.50
  Joseph Crafts, recording births, marriages, and deaths, 56.40
  Royal Gilkey, coal, Town House, 24.87
  Frank Spear, as janitor's services at Town House, 40.50
  George B. Wilbur, abatement of taxes per order, 7.68
  George L. Noyes, collector of taxes for 1868, 463.73
  Isaac Robbins, treasurer First Parish, one-half of sidewalk, 37.50
  Patrick Flannery, care of street lamp, Myrtle St., 10.08
  Richard James, repairs of gas-lights Town Hall, 1.00
  Watertown almshouse, filling ground around "depot," 131.00
  John K. Stickney, cash p'd for stamps, stationery, and recording deed, 37.50
  Messrs. Wilder & Co., stationery, 2.00
  H. F. Merryfield, hoisting draw, &c., 9.40

$4,162.12

Cash in Treasury, Feb. 10, 1869, $3,595.88

$7,758.00
SUMMARY.

Total amount of receipts, $94,910.8

EXPENSES.

Paid for support of schools, $15,357.43
  " fire department, 1,311.96
  " bridges and culverts, 2,760.26
  " support of poor and highways, 7,150.27
  " borrowed money, etc., per loan account, 20,875.00
  " interest account, 572.64
  " town debt, 20,892.00
  " interest on town debt, 3,667.31
  " insurance, 234.19
  " State aid, 1,026.00
  " State tax, 5,580.00
  " continuation of Irving Street, 400.00
  " watering Main Street, 200.00
  " new cemetery, 552.16
  " Susan L. Coolidge, land, 2,400.00
  " free Public Library, 977.43
  " salaries of town officers, 1,167.00
  " police expenses, 2,079.77
  " contingent expenses, per account, 4,162.12

Cash in Treasury, 3,595.88

$94,910.84
TOWN NOTES PAID, AND MONEY PAID FROM TOWN TREASURY FOR PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE TREASURER WAS AUTHORIZED TO BORROW.

1868.
March 18. Paid William May’s note, $1,000 00
   24. “ Mrs. Sarah Eager’s note, 200 00
   31. “ Freeman Babb’s notes, 2,175 00
April 23. “ James H. Norcross, Trustees’ note, 500 00
July 9. “ Michael Quirk’s note, 500 00
Sept. 10. “ Thomas L. French’s note, 500 00
   23. “ Samuel L. Batchelder’s note, 3,000 00
   “ “ bal. on land, 632 00
Dec. 15. “ “ “ note, 3,560 00
   16. “ State Treasurer’s note, 6,500 00
   21. “ Elmira Hinman, note, 4,000 00
   “ “ “ 1,200 00

1869.
Jan. 27. “ Mrs. Susan L. Coolidge, for land, 2,400 00
   for avenue from Mt. Auburn
   Street to cemetery,
Feb. 10. “ Trustees of free Public Library
   per account, 977 43
   “ “ commissioners of new cemetery, 552 16

Total paid, $27,696 59

The foregoing accounts of John K. Stickney, Treasurer of the Town of Watertown, have been examined by us, the subscribers, and we find them correctly cast and vouched.

GEORGE N. MARCH,
JOSEPH CRAFTS,
WM. C. S. HARRINGTON,
JOHN COOLIDGE, Jr., } Auditors.
COLLECTOR'S REPORT, 1866.

To the Auditors of the Town of Watertown:

Gentlemen,—I herewith submit my report of the finished collection of taxes for 1866.

Respectfully yours,

D. T. HUCKINS, Collector.

D. T. HUCKINS, Collector, in account with the Town of Watertown.

Dr.

To balance of taxes of 1866, uncollected, as per account of 1868, $2,493 94
" Interest collected on same, 162 12

$2,656 15

Cr.

By cash paid Town Treasurer, as per receipts, $2,202 84
" abatement as per Assessors' certificate, 453 31

$2,656 15

We have examined the foregoing account of David T. Huckins, Collector, and find the same to be correct.

GEO. N. MARCH, Joseph Crafts, WM. C. S. Harrington, } Auditors.
COLLECTOR'S REPORT, 1867.

To the Auditors of the Town of Watertown:

Gentlemen,—I herewith submit my report of the collections of taxes for the year 1867.

Respectfully yours,

SAM'L NOYES, Collector.

Watertown, Feb. 15, 1869.

ACCOUNT, 1867.

SAM'L NOYES, Collector, in account with the Town of Watertown.

Dr.

To balance of taxes unpaid, per acc't 1867-8, $5,767 40
" interest collected on taxes of 1867, 174 72

$5,942 12

Cr.

By cash paid Town Treasurer, as per receipts, $3,350 00
" cash paid County Treasurer, balance of County tax for 1867, 1,284 57
" abatements, as per Assessors' certificate, 357 78
" balance of uncollected taxes, 949 77

$5,942 12

We have examined the foregoing accounts of Samuel Noyes, Collector, and find them correct.

GEO. N. MARCH, JOSEPH CRAFTS, WM. C. S. HARRINGTON, JOHN COOLIDGE, JR., Auditing Committee.
COLLECTOR'S REPORT, 1868.

To the Auditors of the Town of Watertown:

Gentlemen,—I herewith submit my report of the collection of taxes for 1868.

Dr.

To whole amount of taxes committed, $46,262 88
" additional taxes, 125 68
" interest collected, 19 41

$46,407 97

Cr.

By paid County hsa Treasurer, part of County tax for 1868, $1,573 31
" cash paid Town Treasurer, as per receipts, 37,663 73
" discounts allowed, 1,404 03
" abatements per Assessor's certificates, 475 49
" balance of uncollected taxes, 5,291 47

$46,407 97

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE L. NOYES, Collector.

Watertown, February 16, 1869.

We have examined the foregoing account of George L. Noyes, Collector, and find the same to be correct.

GEO. N. MARCH,
JOSEPH CRAFTS,
WM. C. S. HARRINGTON,
JOHN COOLIDGE, JR.,

Auditors.
## STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT.

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<td>5.75 per ct.</td>
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<td>9,268</td>
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<td>Demand.</td>
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<td>Boston Five Cent Savings Bank,</td>
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<td>1,000</td>
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<td>Thomas Peirce,</td>
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<td>Ann I. Norcross,</td>
<td>700</td>
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<td>Eliza J. Norcross,</td>
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<td>Maria Dudley,</td>
<td>400</td>
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ASSETS.

Cash in Treasury,  $3,595 88
Outstanding taxes in hands of Samuel Noyes, Collector for 1867, per account,  949 77
Outstanding taxes in hands of George L. Noyes, Collector for 1868, per account,  5,291 47
Due from State on account State aid paid 1868,  1,026 00

$10,863 12

LIABILITIES.

Due schools payable in March, 1869,  $4,000 00
" fire department, payable in May, 1869,  400 00
" County Treasurer, balance of County tax for 1868,  1,000 00
" Interest on town debt, payable on or before June 1, 1868,  1,300 00
Surplus,  4,163 12

$10,863 12
## ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1869.

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<th>1868.</th>
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<td>School Expenses,</td>
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<td>15,000 76</td>
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<td>Fire Department,</td>
<td>1,200 00</td>
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<td>Support of Poor,</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; Highways,</td>
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<td>Extraordinary repair on Highways,</td>
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<td>Bridges and Culverts,</td>
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<td>Interest on Town Debt,</td>
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<td>Paying Portion of Debt,</td>
<td>5,000 00</td>
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<td>Salaries of Town Officers,</td>
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<td>Contingent Expenses,</td>
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<td>Police,</td>
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<td>Insurance,</td>
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<td>234 19</td>
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<td>New Cemetery,</td>
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<td>2,952 16</td>
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## Schedule and Valuation of Town Property

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<td><strong>Town Farm,</strong> —</td>
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<td>31 1-2 acres of land,</td>
<td>$9,450.00</td>
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<td>Buildings on the same,</td>
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<td>Personal property, as per appraisement,</td>
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<td><strong>Town House and Land,</strong> —</td>
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<td>12,920 feet of land,</td>
<td>$6,460.00</td>
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<td>Town house,</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>21,460.00</strong></td>
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<td>Furniture in Town house,</td>
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<td><strong>High School-house,</strong> —</td>
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<td>23,264 feet of land,</td>
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<td>High School-house and furniture,</td>
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<td>Philosophical apparatus,</td>
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<td>Library and Piano,</td>
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<td><strong>Centre School-house,</strong> —</td>
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<td>15,318 feet of land,</td>
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<td><strong>East School-house,</strong> —</td>
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<td>27,378 feet of land,</td>
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<td><strong>West School-house,</strong> —</td>
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<td>21,500 feet of land,</td>
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<td>School-house and furniture,</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Amount carried forward,</strong></td>
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<td>Amount brought forward, South School-house, -</td>
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<td>11,830 feet of land,</td>
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<td>12,680 00</td>
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<td>Two fire engines and apparatus,</td>
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<td>Hook and ladder carriage,</td>
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<td>Gravel bank on Beacon Hill, 1 2-5 acres of land,</td>
<td>700 00</td>
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<td>Hay scales,</td>
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<td>Land on Mt Auburn St., adjoining cemetery land,</td>
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<td>71,950 feet,</td>
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<td>Free Public Library and furniture,</td>
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<td>Property Insured</td>
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**Note:** The table shows the amount of insurance for different objects and companies, with a total of $64,050 00.
REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENT,
FROM FEBRUARY 1, 1868, TO JUNE 1, 1868.

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<td>$218 51</td>
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<td>Paid for liquors bought,</td>
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<td>&quot; four months' salary,</td>
<td>$58 51</td>
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<td>&quot; express,</td>
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<td>&quot; Town Treasurer,</td>
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<td>$132 87</td>
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<td>Cash paid Town Treasurer,</td>
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<td>Net loss,</td>
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<td>2 87</td>
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<td>$132 87</td>
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SAMUEL NOYES, *Town Agent.*
INVENTORY AND APPRAISAL

Of Personal Property at the Almshouse in Watertown,
February 10, 1869.

LIVE STOCK.

3 horses, valued at $1,200 00
2 cows, " " 190 00
5 hogs, " " 125 00
15 hens, " " 15 00

$1,530 00

HAY, &c.

14 tons of English hay, at $28.00 per ton, $392 00
1 ton " " " second crop, 120 00

$412 00

GRAIN.

50 bushels corn, at $1.20 per bushel, $60 00
2 " rye, at $1.50 " 3 00
5 " cob meal, at .70 " 3 50
5 " corn, at $1.05 " 5 25
2 " cotton seed, at $1.20 " 2 40

$74 15
### INVENTORY AND APPRAISALMENT.

**CARTS, WAGONS, FARMING TOOLS, ETC.**

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<td>$20.00</td>
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<td>Meal-box and shovel</td>
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<td>2 pails</td>
<td>$0.50</td>
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<td>3 ladders</td>
<td>$2.50</td>
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<td>Harnesses</td>
<td>$100.00</td>
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<td>Horse-blanket</td>
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<td>Surcingles and halters</td>
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<td>Grain-chest</td>
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<td>Shovels and spades</td>
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<td>3 stone-hammers</td>
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<td>3 manure-forks</td>
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<td>2 iron bars</td>
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<td>Whiffletrees and spreaders</td>
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<td>Lot of chains</td>
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<td>6 hoes</td>
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<td>4 baskets</td>
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<td>Mowing machine</td>
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<td>Hay forks, rakes, scythes, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>Sundry tools, bench, &amp;c. in shed chamber</td>
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<td>Cultivators</td>
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<td>1 tent</td>
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<td>3 carts</td>
<td>$250.00</td>
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<td>1 market-wagon</td>
<td>$20.00</td>
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*Amount carried forward, $608.21*
INVENTORY AND APPRAISAL.

Amount brought forward, $608 25
1 large wagon, valued at 50 00
1 lumber wagon, " " 100 00
1 derrick, " " 25 00
3 ploughs, " " 10 00
1 sleigh " " 5 00
1 large sled, " " 35 00
1 harrow, " " 10 00
1 road scraper, " " 5 00
3 snow-ploughs, " " 12 00
1 scalding tub, " " 50
Lot of manure, " " 125 00
1 grindstone, " " 1 00
Oil can, " " 50
Vise and tools in shop, " " 5 00
1 large snow-plough, " " 12 00
1 express wagon, " " 100 00
1 jack, " " 2 00
1 gravel screen, " " 5 00
1 sod-cutter, " " 1 00
1 stone drag, " " 5 00
3 wheelbarrows " " 2 00

FUEL.
25 cords of oak and pine wood, $200 00
1 ton of coal, 12 00

$212 00

FURNITURE.
Aaxes, saw-horse, and saws, valued at $5 00
Meal-chest, " " 2 00
Wringer and wash-board, " " 8 00

Amount carried forward, $15 00
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<td>Baking-pan</td>
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<td>Flat-irons and baskets</td>
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<td>1 brass and 1 iron kettle</td>
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<td>Pots and jars</td>
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<td>Steelyards and hammer</td>
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<td>Chopping knife and tray</td>
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<td>Lamps and lanterns</td>
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<td>Dinner bell</td>
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<td>Table and wash bench</td>
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<td>Brooms</td>
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<td>6 wash tubs</td>
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<td>Lot barrels and firkins</td>
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<td>Cooking-stove and furniture</td>
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<td>1 bureau</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Looking-glass and curtains</td>
<td></td>
<td>$7.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Long table</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Small table and clock</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stove and funnel</td>
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**Amount carried forward**, $218.75
INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT.

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<td>Amount brought forward</td>
<td>$218 75</td>
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<tr>
<td>Crockery in long room, valued at</td>
<td>3 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Parlor stove, 7 00</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>1 card table, 3 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carpet and oilcloth, 20 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 curtains and fixtures, 3 00</td>
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<td>1 sofa, 13 00</td>
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<td>Law book and Testament, 2 00</td>
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<td>1 bureau, 2 50</td>
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<td>4 chests, 2 00</td>
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<td>Curtains and map, 50</td>
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<tr>
<td>15 pairs small sheets, 15 00</td>
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<td>16 &quot; large &quot;</td>
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<td>25 &quot; pillow-cases, 20 00</td>
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<td>43 comforters, 53 75</td>
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<td>½lb yarn, 1 00</td>
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<td>Bureau and glass, 4 00</td>
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<td>Air-tight stove, 1 25</td>
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<td>Bureaus, table, and curtains, 2 00</td>
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<td>One cylinder stove, 2 00</td>
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<td>1 carpet (woollen), 3 00</td>
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<td>Oilcloth, 1 00</td>
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<td>12 bedsteads and trunks, 25 00</td>
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<td>16 feather beds, 29 pillows, and 5 bolsters, 100 00</td>
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<td>13 chambers, 2 60</td>
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<td>18 straw beds and mattresses, 12 00</td>
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<td>Wash-stand, bowl and ewer, 2 00</td>
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$542 85
## INVENTORY AND APPRAISAL.

### GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

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<td>45 lbs. coffee</td>
<td>55</td>
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<tr>
<td>200 &quot; sugar</td>
<td>300</td>
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<td>125 &quot; lard</td>
<td>270</td>
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<tr>
<td>Crackers</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>1 1-3 bbls. flour</td>
<td>172</td>
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<tr>
<td>Salt mackerel</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>Molasses</td>
<td>150</td>
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<td>Pickles</td>
<td>30</td>
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<td>Matches</td>
<td>5</td>
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<tr>
<td>6 lbs. tea</td>
<td>60</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 1-2 lbs. soft soap</td>
<td>200</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 bbls. of mess pork</td>
<td>1320</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hams and shoulders</td>
<td>560</td>
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<tr>
<td>Butter</td>
<td>350</td>
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<td>32 lbs. hard soap, at 8 cts.</td>
<td>25</td>
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<td>30 &quot; tobacco, &quot; 25 cts.</td>
<td>75</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>$364.30</td>
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### PRODUCE.

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<td>4 bushels white beans</td>
<td>$120</td>
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<td>Seed beans</td>
<td>40</td>
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<td>200 bushels potatoes</td>
<td>2000</td>
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<td>Cabbages</td>
<td>75</td>
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<td>Carrots</td>
<td>150</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$238.50</strong></td>
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### SHINGLES.

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<td>Lot of</td>
<td>$40</td>
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INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT.

STONE-BREAKER, &c.

1 crusher, with elevator, valued at $1,350.00
1 engine and belting, " " 1,600.00
Covering over crusher, " " 20.00

MATERIAL FOR ROADS.
1000 tons of stone, at 50 cts. per ton, $500.00

SUMMARY.

Live stock, $1,530.00
Hay, &c., 412.00
Grain, 74.15
Carts, farming tools, &c., 1,119.25
Fuel, 212.00
Furniture in house, 542.85
Groceries and provisions, 364.31
Produce, 238.50
Shingles, 4.00
Stone Breaker, &c., 2,970.00

Lot of stone, $7,467.06

GEORGE N. MARCH,
JOSEPH CRAFTS,
JOHN COOLIDGE, Jr.,
WM. C. S. HARRINGTON,

Apraisers.
REPORT
OF THE
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR AND HIGHWAYS.

The Poor Farm remained under the charge of Mr. Freeman Babb until April 1st, 1868; since which time Mr. Sidney E. Tyler has been employed as keeper. He has given good satisfaction, and, if possible, his services should be secured for another year. Mrs. Tyler has also done her duty well in the care and management of household affairs. Everything about the house appears neat and commendable.

The Farm has been well managed, and has yielded an amount equal to that of last year. A statement of the product is hereto appended.

The number of paupers fully supported at the Almshouse the last year is fourteen, of which number the town of Belmont is held to pay its part.

From the articles of agreement between the towns of Belmont and Watertown, with reference to support of paupers, we quote as follows, namely: "Parties of the first part, Watertown; second part, Belmont. The said parties of the second part have agreed to pay to the said parties of the first part the sum of one dollar and ten cents per week for each and every one of said paupers, so long as they shall be supported as paupers in the Almshouse of the town of Watertown, until other provision is made, as hereinafter is stated."
"The said parties of the second part have agreed to pay to the said parties of the first part thirty-two and fifty-nine one hundredths (32.59) per cent. of all expenses lawfully incurred in the support of the said paupers, otherwise than by their support in the said Almshouse, until other provision is made, as hereinafter is stated."

The other provision is as follows:—

"Until the town of Belmont shall have erected an Almshouse or made other suitable arrangements for the support and maintenance of its own poor." The town of Belmont has not erected an Almshouse, nor are we aware that it has made any arrangement for the support of its own poor. It therefore seems reasonable to conclude that the present arrangement must exist until death closes the agreement.

The number of persons who have received assistance outside of the Almshouse has considerably increased since the last report, and the expense incurred thereby is one of the causes of the deficiency, as shown in the account. This assistance is unavoidable, and all that the overseers can do is to be as careful and considerate as possible.

The poor of the town, as far as our knowledge extends, have no reason to complain of the treatment they receive at the hands of those who are chosen to relieve them. Those at the Almshouse are well provided for, and some of them are able to do a little manual labor.

Once in each year the overseers are called upon by the "Board of State Charities," to render, among other statements, one of this nature:—

"TRAVELLERS LODGED AND PERSONS SENT TO STATE ALMSHOUSE."

Until within a few years, all applications for lodging were made directly to the overseers, and were by them provided for.
Lately, many of this class have been provided for by being furnished with lodging by the police, by and with the understanding of the overseers. Under the above heading may be classed, vagrants, wanderers, &c., many of which class are, according to the Report of the Board of State Charities, in the habit of "repeating," or appearing from one to five, ten, and even thirty times in the same place. Without venturing an opinion as to the object of these visitations, we append a statement, to show the number of travellers, &c., who appear in this vicinity, viz.:

Travellers lodged for the year ending Oct. 1, 1868, viz.:

- At Almshouse, 48 Males 29 Females 19
- " Lockup, 269 " 243 " 26
- Total, 317

An account has to be kept of the name, age, height, complexion, &c., of each traveller, by means of which they may be identified on "repeat." Five persons have been sent to State Almshouse.

The Crusher has continued to work well, and is capable of doing much more work than can be provided for by the teams now owned by the town. An elevator has been attached, which delivers the crushed stone, without much labor, from the machine to the cart, and if teams enough were at hand the acadamizing of all our main roads could be speedily accomplished. A large amount of rubble has been put upon the roads during the past year, and there is on hand an increased amount of stone ready for crushing. But while two teams are kept constantly at work upon the roads, hundreds of heavy teams are constantly passing to and fro, so that while one of our roads is being put in repair, the others are being as rapidly worn away. It is worthy of consideration whether immediate
and complete repairs, by macadamizing all our main travelled roads, is not real economy to the town.

We are sorry to report the loss of one of the horses belonging to the town, during the last year.

It will be necessary to purchase another, and it is for that purpose that we have recommended an increase in the appropriation for support of poor or Almshouse.

While the whole of the town appropriations for poor and highways, together with receipts from various sources, have been expended, owing to outstanding bills, and increase of outside support, yet we are not conscious of a claim that can be presented against the Almshouse dating previous to February 1, 1861.

KeePER'S STATEMENT OF CROPS RAISED ON TOWN FARM, 1868.

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<tr>
<th>Crop</th>
<th>Quantity</th>
<th>Value</th>
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<tr>
<td>22 tons English hay</td>
<td>$28.00</td>
<td>$616.00</td>
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<td>100 bushels corn</td>
<td>$1.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 tons bedding</td>
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<td>25.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 &quot; corn fodder</td>
<td></td>
<td>25.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>250 bushels potatoes</td>
<td>$1.00</td>
<td>250.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>200 cabbages</td>
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<td>16.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>48 bushels carrots</td>
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<td>20.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>87 &quot; beets</td>
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<td>20.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>1½ tons rowen</td>
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<td>30.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>3½ bushels rye</td>
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<td>7.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>5 sheats</td>
<td></td>
<td>100.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>2,175 lbs. pork</td>
<td>$14.00</td>
<td>304.50</td>
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<tr>
<td>4 bbls. apples</td>
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<td>8.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>8 bushels beans</td>
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<td>20.00</td>
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<td>Calf</td>
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<td>3,500 qts. milk</td>
<td>5 cts.</td>
<td>175.00</td>
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$1,728.05
Account of labor performed by the keeper of the Almshouse and hired men and horses, on the roads in Watertown, and with reference thereto, from Feb. 1, 1868, to Feb. 1, 1869.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Labor. Where Performed</th>
<th>Days' Work by Keeper</th>
<th>Days' Work by Men</th>
<th>Days' Work by Horses</th>
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<tr>
<td>Breaking out Roads</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>23</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>Main Street</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>83</td>
<td>64</td>
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<td>Main Street, carting rubble</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mount Auburn Street</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>18</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mount Auburn St., carting rubble</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>149</td>
<td>122</td>
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<td>Arsenal Street, carting rubble</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>174</td>
<td>130</td>
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<td>Orchard Street</td>
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<td>Spring Street</td>
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<td>Palfrey Street</td>
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<td>Fayette Street</td>
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<td>Coolidge Avenue</td>
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<td>Cuba Street</td>
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<td>Market Street</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cottage Avenue</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>27</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carting Stone to Crusher</td>
<td>92</td>
<td>453</td>
<td>425</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elm Street</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>6</td>
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| Total                  | 228                  | 1,056             | 896                 |
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

LABOR AND MATERIAL ON ROADS:

223 days' labor by keeper, $557 50
1,056 " " " hired men, 1,689 60
896 " " " horses, 896 00
Proportion of interest on value of horses, carts, &c., 146 16
Interest on engine, crusher, &c., 207 90
Material purchased for road, 41 00
Hardware, shovels, picks, &c., for roads, 50 07
Repairs on crusher, 220 41
" " carts and wagons, 326 90
Fuel for engine, 186 00

$4,321 54

STATEMENT SHOWING THE COST OF ALMS-HOUSE OR SUPPORT OF POOR.

ALMSHOUSE, DR.

1869.

Feb. 10. Interest on value of Farm, $12,950 00, at 7 per cent., $906 50
Interest on value of stock, tools, furniture, &c., $3,052 10, 213 65
Interest on engine, crusher, &c., $2,970 00, 207 90
Value of horses, cows, and farm tools, Feb. 10, 1868, 3,103 58
Stock consumable on hand Feb. 10, 1868, 1,265 01
Whole amount of bills paid, as per Treasurer's account Feb. 10, 1869, 7,150 27

$12,846 91
ALMSHOUSE, Cr.

1869.
Feb. 10. By labor and materials for roads, as per statement, $4,321 54
" keeping horses when not employed, 225 20
" loss of horse, 400 00
" value of horses, cows, farm tools, Feb. 10, 1868, 2,509 25
" cash received of Belmont on account of support of poor, 486 68
" cash received sale of hay, cow, and produce, 451 25
" cash received for outside work, 263 37
" cash received for outside work Cottage Avenue, 366 50
" stock consumable on hand, Feb. 10, 1869, 1,440 96
" assistance to persons outside of Almshouse, 836 61
" actual cost of Almshouse for the year ending Feb. 10, 1869, 1,545 75

$12,846 91

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM PERKINS, Overseers
SAMUEL S. GLEASON, of the Poor and
JOSEPH CRAFTS, Highways.
REPORT
OF THE
ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The organization is as follows: —

Engineers, — Atwood D. Drew, John W. Priest, Samuel S. Gleason.

There is but one engine company, called the Relief Fire Company, comprising fifty paid men, besides volunteers. From the whole number both engines are manned. The officers of this company are, —

George B. Moore, Foreman; Cornelius Lynch and Walter Eager, Assistants.

There is also a Board of Directors, who take charge of one of the engines when both are required.

There is also a Hook and Ladder Company, comprising twelve men: —

Foreman, — James Hall.

The organization has been satisfactory, and the men are disposed to do their duty.

The fires to which the company has been called in the town of Watertown, of any importance, are as follows: —

December 2d, 1868, 1 o'clock, P. m. The blacksmith's and wheelwright's shop owned by Otis Wheeler, situated between Market and Arsenal Streets, was entirely consumed. The building immediately adjoinning was saved.

December 30th, 8 o'clock, 40 minutes, P. M. The wool-shop owned by John W. Hollis, situated on Galen Street, was par-
tially consumed. The flames spread rapidly, and a large amount of property was destroyed.

At both the above fires the department did good service, and was specially serviceable in arresting the progress of the fire at the wool-shop.

The apparatus of the Fire Department consists of two five-inch Hunneman's Fire Engines; 800 feet leather hose; 400 feet linen hose; hook and ladder carriage with appliances, all in good order.

Both of the fire engines, the Relief and Torrent, have been repaired and put in good order during the past year. The department has not proper means of taking care of the hose. The house does not admit of suitable arrangements being made.

With the present apparatus water can be conveyed from a given supply twelve hundred feet. The capacity of the engine and apparatus is of little avail unless sources of supply of water are within that distance. The matter of reservoirs was before the town at its last March meeting, and was referred to the selectmen. Nothing has been heard about reservoirs since. Reference does not put out fires. We repeat what was stated in the report of last year: "There are many buildings of great value in the town situated at so great distance from any supply of water that they could not be reached, in case of fire, with the means now at hand." Establish reservoirs at suitable and convenient places, and the proper remedy would be supplied.

To render the department more effective, we propose to increase the number of paid men to eighty, which increase will require an additional appropriation. The sum of $1,400 will be required.

ATWOOD D. DREW, Engineers
JOHN W. PRIEST, of the
SAMUEL S. GLEASON, Fire Department.
REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The business of the past year has been much larger than that of many previous years, both as respects subjects involved, and sums expended.

An unusual number of town meetings have been held, which, besides the usual business transacted, have resulted in the establishment of a Free Public Library, the acquisition of new Cemetery ground,—long needed and deferred,—and the acceptance of so much of the Mill Dam Road, or Watertown Turnpike, as laid within the limits of Watertown. The condition of, and the benefits to be derived from, the Library and Cemetery will no doubt be fully stated by those whom the town has placed in charge thereof. For ourselves, we congratulate the town upon the result of its action upon the Mill Dam Road, which enabled the Treasurer, for the present at least, to reduce largely the heavily increased liabilities.

By the direction of the town a new road has been opened from Arsenal to Market Street, as a continuation of Irving Street. This has been done at the exact cost of the appropriation. Also the private way leading from Mount Auburn Street to the Catholic Cemetery has been substantially repaired. The lines of Galen Street have been straightened and established by the County Commissioners, who have also examined the several crossings of the Fitchburg Railroad at grade, and reported
favorably on the crossing at Irving Street, and unfavorably upon all others.

The appropriations made by the town have been exceeded slightly, in some instances, but heavily as regards the bridges and culverts. This was unavoidable. The pier on the Watertown Side of Charles River adjoining North Brighton, so-called, has been completely carried away, and with it a portion of the main structure of the bridge. Immediate action was necessary, and we were obliged to rebuild the whole pier and repair the damaged portion of the bridge. This has been done in a thorough manner. The piles of the pier are of oak, and sheathed with oak plank. The structure is pronounced, by those of good judgment in such matters, to be the best constructed pier on Charles River. The bridge has also been nearly covered.

The Library in the Selectmen's room has received but little addition, the following list comprising all that is to be found therein:—

Plymouth Colony Records, edited by N. B. Shurtleff, M.D.; from A. D. 1663 to 1698; 12 vols. 4to.
Records of the Governor and Company of the Mass. Bay, edited by N. B. Shurtleff, M.D.; from 1638 to 1686, vols. 1, 3, 4, parts 1, and 2, and 5; 5 vols. 4to.
Plymouth Colony Laws, edited by Wm. Brigham; 1 vol. 8vo.
Reports on the Fishes, Reptiles, and Birds of Mass.; 1 vol. 8vo.

Geology, Mineralogy, Botany, and Zoology of Mass., by Edwd. Hitchcock; 1 vol. 8vo.

Invertebrate Animals of Mass., by A. A. Gould; 1 vol. 8vo.

Public Documents of Mass., from 1856 to 1867, inclusive; 34 vols. 8vo.

Industry of Mass., 1860; 1 vol. 8vo.

Census of Mass. 1860; 1 vol. 8vo.

Journal of Valuation Committee, 1860; 1 vol. 8vo.

Massachusetts Register and Military Record; 1 vol. 8vo.

Debates on the Constitution of Massachusetts, 1788; 1 vol. 8vo.

Hist. of Mass. in the Civil War, by Schouler; 1 vol. 8vo.

Journal of the Provincial Congress in 1774-5; 1 vol. 8vo.

State Papers on Nullification; 1 vol. 8vo.

Reports on Contested Elections, by L. S. Cushing; 1 vol. 8vo.


History of New England, by Wm. Hubbard; 1 vol. 8vo.

Report of Sanitary Commission, 1850; 1 vol. 8vo.

Massachusetts Special Laws, from the Adoption of the Constitution to A. D. 1800, inclusive; 6 vols. 8vo.

Massachusetts Term Reports, from 1804; 16 vols. 8vo.

Pickering’s Reports, vols. 3 to 6, 9, 11 to 13, 15 to 24; 18 vols. 8vo.

Gray’s Reports, vols. 1 to 4, 8 to 14; 10 vols. 8vo.

Metcalf’s Reports, vols. 1 to 3, 6 to 9, 10 to 13; 9 vols. 8vo.

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Allen’s Reports, vols. 1 to 12; 12 vols. 8vo.

Massachusetts Digest, by C. H. Bennett and H. F. Heard; 2 vols. 8vo.
REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

Journal of Massachusetts Convention, 1853; 1 vol. 8vo.
Laws of the United States; 3 vols. 8vo.
Revised Statutes of 1860; 1 vol. 8vo.
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Respectfully submitted.

JOHN K. STICKNEY, }  Selectmen
LUKE PERKINS,  of
ISAAC ROBBINS, }  Watertown.


REPORT OF TOWN REGISTRAR.

BIRTHS.

The whole number of births registered during the year 1868 is 115; an excess over 1867 of 5.

Assuming the population of the town to be 4,000, the births recorded are in the ratio of 1 to 34.80 of the population.

Of the whole number born and recorded, 59 were males, and 56 females. There has been one case of twin births.

Of the whole number of births registered, one hundred and twelve (112) were born in Watertown, and one in each of the following towns and cities, namely: Milford, Boston, and New York City.

There were born of American parents,

41

" " foreign "

53

" " American and foreign parents,

21

115

MARRIAGES.

The whole number of marriages registered for 1868 is 80,—5 more than in 1867.

First marriage of both parties,

66

Second " " " "

5

Third " " " "

1

First of one and second of the other,

8

— 80
No. of marriages in which both parties were native born, 27
" " " " foreign " 39
" " " one party was native and the other foreign, 14
80

The number of persons who died under 5 years of age is 22
No. of persons who died between 5 and 10 years of age, 7
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58

The two oldest persons deceased were male and female, one being 87+ years of age and the other 86+. The causes of mortality were:

**Accidents,** 2
**Diarrhoea,** 2
**Apoplexy,** 1
**Disease of Kidneys,** 2
**Bronchitis,** 1
**Liver,** 1
**Cholera Infantum,** 8
**Dropsy,** 1
**Croup,** 2
**Dropsy in the Head,** 2
**Consumption,** 7
**Erysipelas,** 1
**Deformity,** 1
**Fever,** 1
Fits, 1 Scarlet Fever, 3
Hydrocephalus, 1 Spasms, 1
Infantile, 2 Stillborn, 1
Old Age, 3 Suicide, 1
Paralysis, 1 Teething and Congestion, 1
Pneumonia, 3 Unknown causes, 1
Heart Disease, 3

The oldest couple married were aged as follows: —

Groom, 62 years; Bride, 47 years.

The youngest couple married were aged: —

Groom, 21 years; Bride, 18 years.

The number of marriages is in the ratio of 1 to 50 of the population.

The number of intentions of marriage recorded is 55.

Note. — Persons solemnizing marriages are required by law to make a return of the same to the Town Clerk or Registrar between the first and tenth days of each month.

Delay in these matters is of serious inconvenience. First, because it is desirable to enter the marriages in the order of time in which they are solemnized; and, second, because very often the parties require a certified copy from the record, which of course cannot be given until such record has been made. Prompt returns, therefore, on the first of each month will very much facilitate the correct keeping of the records, and enable the Clerk or Registrar to supply all reasonable demands for a certified copy thereof.

DEATHS.

The whole number of deaths registered for 1868 is 57; one less than in 1867.

Of the whole number of deaths, 27 were males; 30 females.

The ratio of deaths is, to the population, as 1 to 70+. 
The number of deaths of persons native-born is 50
" " " " foreign " 7
57

The number of deaths of native-born parentage is 27
" " " " foreign-born " 6
" " " native and foreign parentage, 4
37

**General Statutes, Chapter 21.**

**Section 2.** Parents shall give notice to the clerk of their city or town of the births and deaths of their children; every householder shall give like notice of every birth and death happening in his house: the eldest person next of kin shall give such notice of the death of his kindred; the keeper of a work-house, house of correction, prison, hospital or almshouse, except the State almshouses at Tewksbury, Bridgewater, and Monson, and the master or other commanding officer of any ship shall give like notice of every birth and death happening among the persons under his charge. Whoever neglects to give such notice for the space of six months after a birth or death shall forfeit a sum not exceeding five dollars.

**Sec. 3.** Any physician having attended a person during his last illness, shall — when requested within fifteen days after the decease of such person — forthwith furnish for registration a certificate of the duration of the last sickness, the disease of which the person died, and the date of his decease, as nearly as he can state the same. If any physician refuses or neglects to make such certificate, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars to the use of the town in which he resides.

**Sec. 4.** Every sexton, undertaker, or other person having charge of a burial-ground, or the superintendent of burials having charge of the obsequies or funeral rites preliminary to the interment of a human body, shall forthwith obtain and return to
the clerk of the city or town in which the deceased resided or the death occurred, the facts required by this chapter,* to be recorded by said officer, concerning the deceased; and the person making such return shall receive from his city or town the fee of ten cents therefor. The clerk, upon recording such facts, shall forthwith give to the person making such return a certificate that such return has been made, which certificate such person shall deliver to the person having charge of the interment, if other than himself, before the burial when practicable, otherwise within seven days thereafter. When a burial takes place, and no certificate is delivered as aforesaid, the sexton, undertaker, or other person having charge of the interment shall forthwith give notice thereof to the clerk, under penalty of twenty dollars.

Respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH CRAFTS,

Town Clerk and Registrar.

* The facts required are as follows: —

"In the record of births, the date of the birth, the place of birth, the name of the child (if it have any), the sex and color of the child, the names and the places of birth of the parents, the occupation of the father, the residence of the parents, and the date of the record.

"In the record of deaths, the date of the death, the name of the deceased, the sex, the color, the condition (whether single, widowed or married), the age, the residence, the occupation, the place of death, the place of birth, the names and places of birth of the parents, the disease or cause of death, the place of burial, and the date of the record."
DOGS.

The whole number of dogs licensed the past year is 84: males, 81; females, 3.

Amount received for licenses, viz.:

81 male dogs, at $2 each, $162.00
3 female dogs, at $5 each, 15.00

$177.00

Deduct clerk’s fees, viz.:

84 licenses, at 20 cents each, $16.80

$160.20

Paid to County Treasurer, per receipt,

The whole number of dogs killed during the past year, as per return of constable, is 30.

Respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH CRAFTS,

Town Clerk and Registrar.
REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS OF THE WEETOMAC VALE CEMETERY.

The Commissioners chosen by the town, on the 13th of July last to take charge of the new cemetery, met on the 16th, and have since had eleven regular meetings, besides many visits to the grounds.

They have caused to be laid out avenues, paths, &c., on a part of the grounds, according to a plan drawn by George F. Meacham, Esq.; have also removed underbrush and dead limbs from trees, laid out the Memorial Lot; and other lots have since been laid out, and are now ready for sale.

They hoped to have had the cemetery consecrated to its hallowed purpose last fall, but reasons beyond their control, the most potent of which was that the title to the land, voted by the town for the avenue from Mount Auburn Street to the grounds, was not acquired until January 27th, 1869.

They have named the avenue from Mount Auburn Street, leading by the Memorial Lot, "Phillips Avenue," in commemoration of the first minister of the town.

They have deferred naming other avenues and paths, hoping that citizens of the town, as they visit the grounds, will suggest names for them.

They have paid bills for work, &c., amounting in all to $552.16, leaving an unexpended appropriation of $948.84, and
have also passed into the hands of the Town Treasurer $63.89, the proceeds of the sale of wood cut from the avenues and paths. They recommend that an additional appropriation of $800.00 be made for the ensuing year for the purpose of grading the avenues and fencing a portion of the grounds.

If the town requires a receiving tomb in the cemetery it will be necessary to appropriate a sufficient sum for that purpose.

The town having instructed the Commissioners of the Cemetery in relation to their duties, and they, having had the whole subject before them, respectfully suggest to the people of the town what they ought to do in order to ensure success in this enterprise.

The first one hundred and eight acres of the grounds of Mt. Auburn cost $10,000, and our sixteen acres have cost the town $11,668. The expense of labor in laying out the grounds has very much increased since the laying out of Mt. Auburn; and yet the party most interested in the success of Mt. Auburn had great fear that it would be so expensive to the proprietors as to be a failure, to avoid which they adopted the following plan: That sixty to a hundred people should take lots, which would no doubt ensure the success of the Cemetery. But they did more. They resolved at once to lay out their lots with flowers and beautiful trees, and, with enclosures and monuments, to make the grounds so beautiful that others would wish to join in making the experiment a complete success. From this small beginning has grown the most beautiful cemetery in the world,—a source of pride to us of Watertown; to Boston, whose property it really is; to Massachusetts, and even to every American. For it is the embodiment of the idea from which all the beautiful cities of the dead, of civilized countries, have been modelled.

Will not the people of Watertown imitate what was so successful at Mount Auburn? Will not at least one hundred of its
citizens purchase lots and decorate them with all that is beautiful in Nature and Art, and thus have them prepared for the solemn purpose for which they are to be consecrated?

We toil for the comforts of this world, and we educate our children to live here, and we strive for religion which is to fit us for a better life hereafter, and now let us see to it that the "God's Acre," which is to be filled with succeeding generations of the people of Watertown, shall be the most beautiful and loved spot within its limits.

JOSEPH BIRD, GEO. K. SNOW, GEO. N. MARCH, } Commissioners.
FIRST REPORT

OF

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF THE

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

OF THE

TOWN OF WATERTOWN.
TRUSTEES' REPORT.

The Board of Trustees for the management of the Free Public Library, chosen at the town meeting held on the 13th of July, 1868, came together under the authority of the following votes, that were passed at said meeting:

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
WATERTOWN, July 22d, 1868.

To John Weiss, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Management of the Free Public Library:

Dear Sir,—At a meeting of the legal voters of Watertown, duly notified and held on the 13th inst., the following votes were passed concerning the Free Public Library:

"Voted and accepted, The report of the chairman of the Committee on the Organization of the Library, and ordered the report on file.

"Voted, That the moderator appoint a committee of five persons, to consult and report to the meeting a Board of Trustees for the management of the Library."

The moderator appointed David T. Huckins, Josiah Stickney, Joseph Bird, James Sharp, and George K. Snow, as that committee.

The committee subsequently, through David T. Huckins its chairman, reported to the meeting for a Board of Trustees to the Library: Rev. John Weiss, Josiah Stickney, Rev. James M. Bell, Joseph Bird, Jesse A. Locke, Dr. Alfred Hosmer; and also recommended to the meeting that the report of the com-
mittee on the Organization of the Library be so far amended as that the number of Trustees may be increased to ten; which recommendation was accepted, and Messrs. David T. Huckins, Abiel Abbott, Joshua Coolidge, and Charles J. Barry were joined to the Board of Trustees; the Board thus constituted to hold office until the next annual March meeting, or until others are chosen in their stead.

"Voted, That the Board of Trustees shall not expend more than three thousand dollars of the subscription money for the purchase of books, previous to the next March meeting.

"Voted, That the Trustees be, and they are hereby, authorized to take the store now occupied by Mr. Joel Barnard, or any other portion of the public buildings which they may select, for the use of the Library.

"Voted, That a sum of money not exceeding one thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby granted by the town for the purposes asked for in the report of the Committee on the Organization of the Library, and that John K. Stickney, treasurer of the town, is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow on the credit and behalf of the town, of any corporation or individual, for the purpose aforesaid, a sum of money not exceeding one thousand dollars, and to make and give the promissory note of the town for the same."

Attest: JOSEPH CRAFTS, Town Clerk.

The first business of the Board was to frame the articles of its own organization, and to draw up such rules and regulations as seemed most judicious for the working and welfare of the Library. The attention of the citizens is solicited to these articles and rules, which are herewith appended.

The Board would also notice that the recommendation to increase the number of its members to ten makes it impossible
to carry out the rest of Article I., and to divide the Board evenly into its classes.

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE I. The Board of Trustees shall consist of six members. The Trustees chosen at the annual town meeting in 1869 shall divide themselves into three classes. Those of the first class shall hold office until their successors shall be elected, at the annual town meeting in 1870; those of the second class shall hold office until their successors shall be elected in 1871; and those of the third class shall hold office until their successors shall be elected in 1872.

ARTICLE II. The officers of the Board shall consist of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and Librarian. All of these, except the Librarian, shall be members of the Board.

ARTICLE III. The regular meetings of the Board shall be on the 2d Tuesday of every month, except August. Special meetings may be called by the chairman, or by any two Trustees applying to the chairman; and notices of all meetings shall be sent to the members of the Board.

ARTICLE IV. The Board shall have two Standing Committees, each of three members, to wit: on the Library and on Accounts. The chairman of the Board shall be chairman of the Committee on the Library, and the treasurer shall be chairman of the Committee on Accounts. Each chairman may call, if necessary, a special meeting of its own committee, and report its action to the next regular meeting of the Board.

ARTICLE V. The Standing Committee on the Library shall purchase all books; subscribe for all periodicals; direct in relation to the binding of books and their preparation for use; provide all necessary books and blanks for the use of the Librarian;
make an annual examination of the Library, and report its condition; prepare the annual report to the town, and see that it is printed with the report of the School Committee; and direct the Librarian as to what books shall not be allowed to be taken from the Library.

Article VI. A list of all books to be purchased, and of periodicals to be subscribed for, shall be submitted to the Board, and permission to purchase them shall be granted by a majority of any quorum present at a meeting.

Article VII. The Standing Committee on Accounts shall examine and certify all bills, and not any shall be allowed that is not, in consequence of such examination, certified by the endorsement of two of the committee.

Article VIII. The Librarian shall be annually chosen by a vote of the majority of the Board that is present at the first annual meeting, and his salary shall be fixed at the same time by vote of the Board.

Article IX. His duty shall be to have custody of all the property in the library room, and he shall be accountable to the Trustees for the same. He shall prepare the books for circulation, make all necessary records, prepare catalogues when required, and do all things which may be necessary for the preservation of the property and the convenience of the visitors to the rooms and the takers of books.

Article X. Whenever, in the opinion of a majority of the Board, an Assistant Librarian shall become necessary, he or she may be appointed at any meeting of the Board, at such salary as may be deemed sufficient, and he or she shall perform such duties as the Librarian or Board may direct, and, in the unavoidable absence of the Librarian, shall have charge of the Library.

Article XI. The Library shall be open on Wednesday and Saturday, from 4 to 5, and from 6 to 9.
Article XII. Books may be taken from the Library by all resident adults. A delivery upon the order of a resident shall be considered a delivery to him in person; all orders for books shall name the person to receive them, and the books shall be delivered to no other. There shall be an order for each delivery. A blank certificate properly prepared, and signed by some well-known resident adult, shall testify that a person applying for books, and not known to the Librarian, is also a resident adult.

Article XIII. Minors sixteen years old or upward, resident in the town, may be allowed the rights of adults as takers of books, by filing with the Librarian a certificate signed by their parent or guardian or some other responsible person, also a resident, by which the signer shall become to the same extent responsible for said minor as he would be for himself. A deposit to the full value of the volume called for, or of the set to which it belongs, may take the place of such certificate.

Article XIV. All persons having the right to take books shall, before exercising such right, sign the following obligation: "We, the undersigned, hereby agree to conform to all the rules and regulations which have been or may be framed for the safe delivery, the proper care, and return of books, and to be responsible for all fines, forfeitures, loss, or damage which may be incurred and assessed under the said rules."

Article XV. No person shall be allowed to take a book from the Library who appears by the records to be accountable for a book taken, or for a fine or forfeiture imposed. And all books intended for general circulation shall be properly covered, lettered, and numbered, having on the outside a label, stating the time it may be kept, and the fines for retaining it longer.

Article XVI. One volume only can be taken at one time, and no book can be retaken until it is brought back to the Library and re-entered. All books taken may be retained for
two weeks, unless a shorter minimum of time is designated on the cover. If an application for a book that is out has been made in writing to the Librarian, it cannot be retaken for that time.

**Article XVII.** The Standing Committee on the Library may at any time prolong or abridge the period for which a book may be taken, as they see fit.

**Article XVIII.** Every person entitled to take books from the Library shall receive from the Librarian a printed card, to have upon it the name of the applicant and the catalogue number of the book asked for, in blanks left for the purpose. This card must be presented to the Librarian or his assistant as the only mode of obtaining any book that may be wanted. No exception can be made to this regulation. If any book so designated is not in, the card may be returned to the applicant, who may, if he chooses, substitute another number. Books returned must be delivered to the Librarian or to his assistant.

**Article XIX.** The fines for retaining books beyond the prescribed period shall be as follows, namely:

- Folio, 4 cents a day.
- Quarto, 3 " "
- Octavo, 2 " "
- All smaller books, 1 cent.

And for books damaged or lost, the actual loss sustained.

**Article XX.** All holders of books beyond the regulation period shall be required to pay the expense of sending for the same. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to send for all books held two weeks beyond the prescribed time; if not then delivered they shall be considered as lost, and their value and the fines which may have accrued demanded.

**Article XXI.** By a vote of two-thirds of the whole Board,
a number of volumes not exceeding two hundred, half of which shall be duplicates, may be transferred to the East District of the town, provided one of the Board of Trustees, or a person known to the Board to be responsible, residing in such district, who shall sign an obligation to observe, in the use and delivery of the books in his district, all the regulations of the Board, and to be, moreover, personally liable for the value of every volume so transferred that shall at any time be missing. And the volumes so transferred may be recalled, and fresh volumes may be substituted at any time, by the above vote of the Board.

ARTICLE XXII. A record shall be kept of all donations, and mention of them shall be made in the annual report. And all books presented shall have the name of the donor placed upon them.

ARTICLE XXIII. All officers and privates, and all persons employed in all departments of the U. S. Arsenal, who shall come under the above regulations, shall be entitled to the privileges of the Library.

ARTICLE XXIV. Every non-resident who has contributed to the original fund by which the Library has been established, and any other non-resident who may make a contribution to the Library of a value not less than one hundred dollars, shall be entitled, together with his or her immediate family, to the privileges of the Library in the same manner and upon the same conditions as residents of the town.

ARTICLE XXV. The rules and regulations of the Board shall be subject to revision and amendment in the following way, to wit: any article with the amendment proposed to it, or any additional article, shall be submitted to the Board in writing at one regular meeting, and shall reach discussion and a vote at the next regular meeting, when two-thirds of the full Board shall decide.

At various meetings, regular and special, which followed the
adoption of this plan of organization, the Board has carefully considered the matter of the purchase of books. Lists of desirable books were made out and presented for the consideration of the members; and no volume has been purchased until it received the assent of the members present, excepting a number of volumes procured by the chairman of the Committee on the Library, under the authority of a vote of the Board that it would be desirable for him to seize every favorable chance of purchasing books cheaply at auctions in New York. This has been done, and some fine editions of very valuable and useful books have been secured in this way at prices surprisingly low.

The whole amount of the money expended for books is $2,903.79. Of this, the amount of $358.56 was expended by the chairman at auction sales; one volume, costing $3.50, was purchased of a subscription agent, and seven volumes costing $7.00, of a private person. As the Board was authorized by a vote of the town to expend $3,000 before the annual March meeting of 1869, it will be seen that $96.21 pass over to be expended by the Board that will be chosen at said meeting.

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**TREASURER’S REPORT.**

D. T. Huckins, *Treasurer*, in account with the Trustees of the Free Public Library.

Dr.

To cash collected of subscriptions, $3,400 00

Cr.

By paid John Weiss, Chairman, $3,294 70

" balance on hand, 105 30

--- $3,400 00

Respectfully submitted.

D. T. HUCKINS, *Treasurer.*
REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN,

SOLON F. WHITNEY.

Of the bound volumes and pamphlets now in the Public Library, —

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Walter Wells, Superintendent of Survey in Maine, has given

Librarian Harvard College has given

Nath. R. and E. Whitney have "

Joel Barnard, Jr. has given

Jesse A. Locke " "

Levi L. Thaxter " "

Chas. W. Stone " "

Solon F. Whitney " "

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Total number given, 547 462

Whole number of volumes purchased 1,788

“ “ pamphlets 90

“ “ presented 547 462

“ “ belonging to Library Feb. 8th, 1869, 637 2,250

Respectfully submitted.

SOLON F. WHITNEY, Librarian.

At the time of submitting the report to the Board (Feb. 8) all the volumes stand, properly numbered, covered, and labelled, in place upon their shelves, and the whole furniture that belongs to the books and the cataloguing is ready to be removed into the room that was assigned by the town to be occupied by the Library. But, owing to delays that appear to have been unavoidable, Mr. Joel Barnard has not yet been able to give the Board control over the store rented by him; so that preparations for the reception of the books are not yet begun. Mr. Barnard seems to have used all reasonable despatch, and the Board can find no fault with him. If he could have possessed the land at an earlier period, to begin the building of his new store, no doubt the Library would be open to the public to-day.
But it could not have been thrown open safely to the public at any earlier date; for the labor of preparing the books for delivery, of registering and cataloguing them so that the town should suffer no losses or embarrassments, has been so considerable, that the Board has been thankful for a delay that has been well employed in perfecting the organization of the Library. A personal experience is needed to teach the time and patience, the careful deliberation, the precautions, that must precede the general delivery of a large number of books to the public. The Board can safely claim that the town now receives a library, with a foundation system for working that will cover any possible number of volumes, and it only waits for the ready co-operation of the citizens to be safe and complete.

When the Library is thrown open, the titles of the books, and of every accession that is made, will be found posted upon a bulletin, so that any person who does not know beforehand what he would seek, or what might interest him, will find a guide. He has only to call upon the Librarian for the number that is against the title of the book that claims his attention. Cards are provided to facilitate this process. It is plain, of course, that the success of the working plan of the Library depends in a great measure upon the intelligent sympathy of the people, and their readiness to defer to the regulations that have been made solely with reference to their benefit.

The Board has been fortunate in its selection of its first Librarian, whose term of service expires at the March meeting. He has brought to the difficult task of classifying, cataloguing, registering, and preparing the volumes, a large knowledge of books, a strong personal enthusiasm, great patience, willingness to use more time than could have been required of him, great caution and deliberation. The result can only be perceived after the working of the plan for years. Then it will be confessed that the Library started in a most careful and healthy
manner; for which, if praise be due, it must be paid to the conscientiousness with which the first registering and cataloguing have been done.

But, with all the Librarian's attention, the Board has not been able to dispense with some additional aid in covering such a large number of volumes that have suddenly accumulated, in cutting their leaves, and in preparing them for the catalogue. The expense incurred in this way has been defrayed out of the money of the original subscription for books, because the other collateral expenses had so nearly exhausted the appropriation of one thousand dollars made by the town for all such purposes.

Therefore, the Board must include those bills, with some other items also paid for, in its estimate of the appropriation to be asked for the ensuing year.

These bills are:

For additional labor in the library, $59.69
" express on case of books, 1.13
To Alfred Howes, for articles of hardware, 11.37
" Mary Patten, stamps, envelopes, express, 12.40

Making in all, $84.59

All the bills for collateral expenses excepting these are in the hands of the selectmen, who will make their own exhibit. At the present date the Board calculates that, after the salary of the Librarian has been paid, about thirty-five dollars of the one thousand dollars voted by the town will remain unexpended.

But the expense of preparing Mr. Barnard's store for the reception of the Library has yet to be met. Its precise amount cannot now be ascertained. An approximate estimate must be made to be included in the appropriation for the ensuing year.

As over three thousand dollars remain yet to be expended for
accession volumes to the library, the Board does not feel inclined to ask the town at present for a larger appropriation than will suffice to meet the money abstracted from the Library fund, the expense as estimated for fitting up Mr. Barnard's store, and expense for gas, fuel, attendance, and the Librarian's salary for a year from the March meeting.

As the Librarian's salary for one year remains to be settled by the incoming Board, that also must be approximatively estimated.

For money already advanced to town,

- fitting up library room, $84.59
- gas, fuel, attendance, 500.00
- Librarian's salary, 200.00
- necessary additional aid, 500.00
- insurance on the books given and purchased, 75.00
- on shelves and furniture, and on fixtures in new Library room, value about $4,000, 40.00

Total of thirteen hundred ninety-nine dollars fifty-nine cents.

All the blank-books that have been ordered for the use of the Library are of the most substantial description, and will not require to be renewed for twenty or thirty years. They help to build the working plan of the Library, and will comprehend all the business that is likely to occur during that period. The furniture is also of a plain but durable character, and will not have to be renewed, although it must be increased from time to time to correspond with the increase of books.

The Board commends this new and important enterprise to the favorable consideration of all classes of citizens. In this library every one, it is hoped, will find something for edification and delight; ever fresh reasons for prizeing such an institution,
and for maintaining all its regulations and protecting its valuable property.

In conclusion, the Board would remind the citizens that all books, papers, pamphlets, numbers of periodicals, that are no longer in use at home, will be cordially welcomed. Already some donations of books have prevented the Board from buying, and have saved the money for fresh purchases after the citizens shall have sent their contributions of matter that appears to them superfluous or obsolete. Nothing is superfluous in a public library. No one can anticipate the taste or exigency of his neighbor. Everything comes into play, sooner or later. The most unexpected uses are found for the most contempted material.

But let this Library be in every way generously nourished and countenanced, and it will become one of the commanding institutions of the town, to encourage intelligence and fraternity, to bring all denominations upon a common ground, where all may love to stand in support of good morals and noble living.

Ample public notice will be given of the time of opening, and of the first delivery of books.

Acknowledgments are made by the Board to public libraries in New Bedford, Charlestown, Worcester, Waltham, Lowell, Brookline, and Boston, for copies of the valuable catalogues issued by them.

JOHN WEISS,
Chairman.
A. HOSMER,
Secretary.
JOSIAH STICKNEY,
JOSEPH BIRD,
JESSE A. LOCKE,
CHAS. J. BARRY,
JOSHUA COOLIDGE,
JAS. M. BELL,
D. F. HUCKINS.
GENERAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

D. T. Huckins, Term expires in 1869.
Joseph Crafts, " " " "
Geo. K. Snow, " " " "
John Weiss, " " " 1870.
Joshua Coolidge, " " " 1871.
Alfred Hosmer, " " " "

SUB-COMMITTEES.

CENTRE DISTRICT.

Grammar School.
John Weiss, Chairman, Intermediate, and Primary.
Joseph Crafts, D. T. Huckins, Chairman,
A. Hosmer, John Weiss,

EAST DISTRICT.

J. Coolidge, Chairman, Geo. K. Snow, Chairman,
Joseph Crafts, D. T. Huckins,
John Weiss, A. Hosmer.

SOUTH DISTRICT.

Joseph Crafts, Chairman, Geo. K. Snow,
Joshua Coolidge, D. T. Huckins,
Geo. K. Snow.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The Whole Committee.
REPORT.

In presenting their Annual Report for 1868-69, the School Committee desire, with all possible brevity, to state the important facts connected with the administration of the affairs committed to their care during the past year; and to offer such suggestions and estimates as will assist the town in whatever action it shall take with reference to providing for the continued support of the schools.

SCHOOL-HOUSES.

As school-houses precede schools in the common evolution of things, it will not be illogical to deviate from the customary arrangement, and assign the first place to this part of the Report. By so doing, it will be easier to state and explain certain changes which have been made in the organization of the Centre Grammar School. The plan proposed in the last Report for relieving the crowded condition of this school, though then thought to be a good one, and to be an economical method of attaining the desired end, was abandoned for a different one, which called for a larger expenditure of money for the time being, and required some alterations in the arrangement of the school-house on Mount Auburn Street, in the Centre District. It was considered best to give up the idea of what could only result in the existence of three distinct Grammar Schools in one district, and to organize and centralize into one school, conveniently located, all the Grammar School material of the
Centre and South Districts, and to place the new school in charge of a master with two female assistants; thus making a considerable saving for the town, in the future, in the matter of salaries.

To carry out the plan agreed upon, Centre Primary School, No. 1, was abolished, and the children belonging there were divided between Centre Primary Schools, Nos. 2 and 3. The Centre Intermediate, with its furniture, was transferred to a room in the High School-house, previously occupied by the Grammar School. And finally the following alterations were made in the second story of the building alluded to above. The partition, which separated the two rooms in the upper story, was removed. A floor was laid over the stairways which had given admission to the rear room. At the back of the main room two recitation-rooms, of ample size, were obtained, one upon each side, by taking away the partitions which separated the clothes-closets from the entries.

The original plan of the second story of this building is now essentially restored, and the rear entrances are used exclusively by the scholars of one of the Primary Schools.

To render the new recitation rooms what they should be, it remained to put an additional window in each of them, and to make proper provision for ventilation and heating. For the latter purpose a new furnace, of the Lawson pattern, was put in and arranged to heat the rooms of the second story. Of the two furnaces already in the cellar, one was worn out, and was removed, while the other, still in good condition, was put in connection with the two lower rooms. There was nearly enough of old furniture to furnish the large room, which now has seats for one hundred and sixty-five children.

The accommodation here provided must, for a considerable time, be in advance of actual needs. And when the Centre Grammar School is again incumbered by an excess of scholars,
the surplus will very naturally be made to constitute a new school in the South District.

A slight change has been made in the West School-house, for the benefit of the Primary School. A room in the basement, about fifteen feet square, has been transformed from a play-room into a recitation-room, at a small expense, by removing the stairway which connected it with the upper entry, and cutting a new door-way through into the entry of the Primary School. The little furniture required for the new room was readily obtained from the stock on hand. The simple plan adopted for relieving the West Primary School, the Committee think will answer the purpose for the present, and postpone for a time the necessity of erecting a new building in that part of the town.

The High School-house has received a coat of paint; and thus is finished the work, commenced last year, of renovating the school-houses inside and outside.

The Committee have constantly endeavored by timely repairs to compensate for the wear and tear to which school-houses are inevitably exposed, and they can transfer the property to the custody of their successors in excellent condition.

NUMBER OF CHILDREN.

The Assessors for 1868 return eight hundred and thirty-eight (838) children in town between five and fifteen years of age. There are also sixty-four (64) children over fifteen, and four (4) children under five, whose names appear upon the school registers.

ATTENDANCE.

The ordinary statistics of all the schools are arranged together in the annexed table. It will be seen that the percentage of attendance varies but very little from that of last year.
## STATISTICS.

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<th>NAME OF SCHOOL</th>
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<th>Average number of Scholars.</th>
<th>Average Attendance.</th>
<th>Percentage of Attendance.</th>
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<td>817</td>
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There are one hundred and twenty-five scholars who have not been tardy during the year, and thirty-three who have been neither absent nor tardy. In accordance with an established custom, the names of the latter are printed for the purpose of encouraging a habit of perfect attendance. They are as follows:

*High School.* — Mary A. Gribble, Alma F. Barker, Mary E. Hallahan, Lilla Patten, Mary D. Patten, David J. Riley.

*Centre Grammar.* — Hiram Kendall, Frank Cobb, Patrick McDonald, Loreta Whitney, Hannah Jennison, Sarah Young.

*East Intermediate.* — Hattie E. Bird, Hattie G. Otis, Jane Robinson, Mary Austin, Annie S. Wilson, Thomas Allen.

*Centre Intermediate.* — Mary Foley, Maria Clark, Stacy Robinson, Harry Morse.

*West Intermediate.* — Lucy Pierce, Ella Underwood.

*East Primary.* — Margaret Logan, Lizzie Doody, Martha Wilson, Joseph Bird, James McDonough, Peter McDonough, Frank Bustin, Charles Molloy.

*Centre Primary, No. 1.* — Nellie Ladd.

Before leaving this subject, some of the foregoing facts will be presented side by side in a new relation.

Number of children between five and fifteen, 838

" " " over fifteen, 64

" " " under five, 4

Making a total of 906

Largest number registered in any term, 817

Difference, 89

Hence it appears that there are in town altogether too many children who are allowed or compelled to absent themselves for long periods from the public schools.
TRUANCY.

It was found, upon investigation, that we were suffering from the evils of truancy, in no small measure. The subject has, of late, engaged the attention of the Committee, and, with the co-operation of the Selectmen, an attempt has been made to give the town the full benefit of the By-Laws, which were adopted in 1864; but have never been strictly enforced. The matter can be managed without much difficulty by vigilant officers, and the Committee are determined that hereafter truancy shall not be allowed to affect the reputation of our schools unfavorably in respect of attendance.

TEXT-BOOKS.

Only one slight change has been made in books during the year. When Guyot's Geographies were introduced, there was no book in the series of a sufficiently elementary character for the use of those who were just commencing the study. Miss Hall's "Our World," although not perfectly satisfactory to the Committee, was adopted as the best book that could be found for the use of the third classes in the Intermediate, and the first classes in the Primary Schools. Within a few months, an Elementary Geography has been added to the Guyot series. And as the publishers' agent was willing to introduce the new book on terms of equal exchange, that is, giving to each scholar who had a copy of "Our World" a new book, and taking the old one in payment therefor, the Committee very gladly authorized the change to be made.

The first classes in the Primary Schools are to go as far as Part Third, in the new book, and to commence at that point when they become the third classes of the Intermediate Schools.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

TEACHERS, TEACHERS' MEETINGS, AND TEACHERS' LIBRARY.

The list at the end of the Report contains the names of seven new teachers; of whom five are elected to fill places made vacant by the resignations of an equal number of late incumbents, and two were elected as additional assistant teachers; one for the Centre Grammar, and one for the West Primary, School.

In this connection it may be stated that this Report, like the one of last year, will dispense with the equivocal compliments which have so often been offered to individual teachers, in the criticisms upon different schools of the same grade. It will suffice to say that the Committee, while they have endeavored to be just and considerate in their estimate of qualifications, have never hesitated to dismiss a teacher thought to be hopelessly unfit to remain in charge of a school. Hence it may be known that any teacher who is allowed to continue in our service enjoys in a reasonable degree the confidence of the Committee. That a certain superiority, relative at least, should characterize some members of the corps, is inevitable and desirable; but this is not the proper place to insist upon distinctions based upon such inequality.

The Teachers' Meetings have been held regularly during the year. The attendance, although it does not include all our teachers, has been very creditable to a certain portion of them, who, induced by a genuine interest therein, or impelled by a sense of duty, have participated in the proceedings. The Committee commend this Teachers' Association to the continued and cordial support of its members.

The Teachers' Library has not been entirely neglected; still it has not yet come into that constant use which was expected for it when it was established. As an apology for not having more frequent recourse to it, teachers may urge the inconvenience of
obtaining books which now form a part of the High School Library. To obviate this difficulty, the Committee requested the Trustees of the Free Public Library to take into their control this Teachers' Library, with the condition that it should be thrown open to general use, without being merged in the general Library, or losing the designation by which it is now known. The trust, with the condition annexed, having been accepted by the Trustees, this collection of something over sixty volumes will be found in the Free Library which is soon to be opened to the public, and which is expected to prove a most important and valuable addition to the means already so liberally provided in this town for educational purposes.

HIGH SCHOOL.

With a passing reference to the very creditable examination and exhibition which took place in March last, the Committee are happy to report that the past year has been one of marked prosperity for the High School. The valuable services of faithful and earnest teachers have been continued to it. Twenty-six new pupils have been received, and have made an important accession to its numbers. With an increased size, the percentage of attendance has been almost precisely the same as that of last year. But little discipline has been required, and good order has been preserved without difficulty. Nothing has occurred to create unpleasant relations, or to disturb the peace and harmony of the school within, or to injure its reputation without. By their deportment, the scholars have shown that they understand what is due to the dignity and good name of the school, and to the maintenance of their own self-respect. Their industry has been exemplary, and they have most cheerfully performed the school-work which has been assigned to them. Under such circumstances, scholarship could not but improve; and so it has done.
The interest in the classical course is somewhat increased. One boy completed his preparation for college last summer, and, although his course of study did not fully cover the period usually allotted to it, he passed a very respectable examination, and was admitted at Cambridge. The school is constantly fitting boys for the Institute of Technology, and has sent each year a certain number of candidates; none of whom have been rejected as unfit for admission.

A friend has lately made to the school a donation of ten specimens in Natural History, including several well-mounted birds.

The Library has received a small addition, and is in constant and profitable use. It fully retains its high place in the estimation of the scholars and teachers. It will suffer some diminution in the number of its volumes, by the arrangement which has been made for the transfer of the Teachers' Library to the custody of the Trustees of the new Public Library. To replace as many of these books as will be directly useful in the school, a small appropriation will be needed.

One hundred and fifty dollars have been expended for apparatus, that being the amount granted for the purpose. The purchases include some pieces needed for illustrating the subject of Acoustics, and also a microscope. The latter instrument, with a judicious selection of objects, will ever be an inexhaustible source of amusement and instruction. To give the apparatus its greatest value and usefulness, it will be necessary, by occasional additions, to supplement some portions of it, which now are, or may become, deficient in any respect. To do this, the Committee ask an appropriation of fifty dollars; which sum will be sufficient for both apparatus and Library.
STATISTICS FOR 1868-69.

Whole number of scholars registered, 55
   Boys, 23
   Girls, 32
Number of scholars admitted, 30
   graduated, 3
   pursuing the classical course, 4
   fitting for the Institute of Technology, 4
Left school out of course, 12

Of these included under the last head, three have moved out of town, and have entered other high schools; six have left on account of illness; and three have left for reasons unknown. The thirty admissions include the readmission of four pupils who have been reported in previous years as leaving school out of course.

GENERAL CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

At this point the Committee desire to go back to a portion of the year of which the Report commonly takes no account. They wish to allude to the very favorable impressions which they received as to the general condition of our schools, from the examinations which closed the school year, nearly twelve months since. Generally speaking, those impressions have been fully sustained by the observations made from time to time, during the year, whenever the Committee have been able to visit the schools. And while it must be acknowledged that the schools are still considerably removed from a state of perfection, it is undoubtedly true that the last few years have witnessed a steady advance in the average character of them. They have not all advanced at the same rate, and obvious inequalities still remain, corresponding in part to the varied abilities of different
teachers. Some of them have been retarded simply because they were embarrassed by an excess of scholars. This was especially true a year since of the West Primary and Centre Grammar Schools. They have both been relieved by methods already described. As the latter school is in many respects the most important one in the town, a few words in regard to its present organization will not be out of place. The principal has the exclusive charge of the first class, and the general government of the whole school. The scholars taught by him are seated in front. The second and third classes, under the instruction respectively of the first and second assistants, are placed in the rear, whence they can pass by divisions into the recitation-rooms quietly and without confusion. The new plan has worked well. It simplifies matters by placing a large number of children under one head. By concentrating the attention and energy of a teacher upon a single class, more thorough drill can be secured, and a better and more uniform scholarship ought to be attained. The Committee expect that this new arrangement, together with the system of written monthly examinations, instituted two years since, will save them from a degree of disappointment which they have annually experienced when they have tested the qualifications of the Grammar School graduates, by the examination required to be passed for admission to the High School. Up to this time, the Committee have not been able to exact quite as much as they would like from those whom they have allowed to pass this examination successfully. But they have endeavored to raise the standard gradually, that the Grammar Schools may be brought directly to a higher level, and that the incumbrance of insufficient preparation may not prevent pupils from realizing the full benefit of the High School course.

The position of the Committee, already defined, will obviate any misapprehension in this connection, and save this confes-
sion of disappointment from being construed as a reproach or reflection upon any member of any class of teachers. These remarks are made not in any spirit of censure, but simply as a hint to our teachers, needed because some of the schools do not in all respects reach the minimum of attainment which should be allowed. But it should be remembered that both Primary and Intermediate Schools perform an important part in the process of common-school education, and that the penalties for short-comings existing in any school, are quite likely to be visited, in a measure, upon a school of higher grade.

The Committee have been pleased to notice an improvement in deportment in so far as it affects school property. Instances of mischief and wilful damage occasionally occur; but upon the whole, there is a growing respect for the houses and furniture, and an increasing willingness to abstain from defacing them, and to assist in their better preservation.

The registers show one hundred and forty-seven visits made to the schools by individual members of the Board, and three hundred and sixteen visits made by other persons.

The subject of the visitation of schools very naturally introduces a question which the town has already had under discussion, and upon which a report has been made by a special committee. That question is as to the propriety of employing a Superintendent of Public Schools. The Committee unanimously recommend that authority be given to create such an office, and to fill it as soon as a competent person can be found for it. The reason for this action can be stated very briefly. While the work of the committee-room can be performed with sufficient promptness and regularity, and while all the matters of outside business can receive such attention as they require, it is impossible for the Committee, in the face of numerous business or professional engagements which imperatively claim their time, to faithfully discharge that most important duty of
frequently visiting the schools. And they freely admit the extent of their negligence in this thing during the past year. They believe that this description of their own situation will apply with equal force to that of any six men whom the town would be likely to elect as a School Committee. The choice would probably fall upon those whose thoughts were fully preoccupied with what would prevent them from giving to such official duties the close and constant attention which they demand.

Apart from the necessity now thought to exist for the services of a Superintendent, much can be said of the advantages which would accrue from the labors of a man qualified to act in such capacity. By the very nature of his vocation he would be enabled to make frequent and regular visits of such duration as would allow him to ascertain exactly in what each school excelled, and in what it was deficient. By comparing the modes and results of teaching in different schools, he would extend the benefit of good ideas beyond the limits of the school in which he found them; and thus, by correcting the errors in the opinions and practice of teachers, he would give unity to our schools, and tend to equalize them upon the highest possible level of attainment. His frequent presence in the schools would cause the children to feel his vigilance, and arouse them to a new sense of responsibility. By his constant intercourse with the teachers, in the school-rooms, and at their monthly meetings, he would give them a new interest in their profession; he would help to diffuse among them the latest and most advanced news upon the subject of education, and excite among them an esprit de corps which would essentially increase their efficiency. Finally, he would do for the schools very many little things which now escape notice and are neglected, and many things of larger magnitude which few committees can conveniently undertake.

In view of these things, there is no hesitation in saying that
a good Superintendent, with a Committee that need not consist of more than three members, would be an agency much more efficient and satisfactory than the present one, for the administration of our school affairs.

**EXPENSES FOR 1868-69.**

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<td>Books and stationery</td>
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<td>Furnace and setting the same</td>
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<td>New furniture</td>
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It will be observed that the deficiency is considerably less than the cost of the new furnace, for which no provision was made in the estimates of last year.
## ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1869-70.

The following sums will be needed to meet the expenses of the schools for the coming year:

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Deduct Town's share of School Fund, 250.00

Necessary appropriation, **$13,850.00**

In addition to the above, provision must be made for the salary of a Superintendent, if the town shall see fit to employ one.

## TEACHERS AND THEIR SALARIES.

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Amount carried forward, **$7,875.00**
SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Amount brought forward,

West Grammar, George S. Turner, 1868, $1,200.00
" Intermediate, Ellen Crafts, 1868, $450.00
" Primary, E. J. Manning, 1868, $425.00
" " Lyda Wicks, 1868, $350.00
South Intermediate, Harriet Robbins, 1863, $450.00
" Primary, Adelaide Horn, 1866, $425.00

$11,175.00

(Signed)

A. HOSMER, Chairman.
D. T. HUCKINS, Secretary.
JOHN WEISS,
JOSEPH CRAFTS,
JOSHUA COOLIDGE,
GEORGE K. SNOW.

Watertown, Feb. 19, 1869.
BY-LAWS

OF THE

TOWN OF WATERTOWN,

CONCERNING

TRUANT AND OTHER CHILDREN.
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

At the Superior Court, begun and holden at Cambridge, within and for the County of Middlesex, on the second Monday of December, being the fourteenth day of said month, Anno Domini 1863.

W. H. INGRAHAM, Town Clerk of the Town of Watertown, presents to this Court the following code of By-Laws for approval, to wit:—

"By-Laws of the Town of Watertown concerning truant and other children, and police, and police regulations, adopted by the town, November 3d, 1863.

1st. There shall be annually, elected by the inhabitants of the town, at their annual meeting in March, at least three suitable persons, to be called Commissioners for Truant Children, who shall hold their offices for one year, whose duty it shall be to make and enter complaints against all such persons as are named or described in the first section of the two hundred and seventh chapter of the Laws of the Commonwealth for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two, entitled, 'An Act concerning Truant Children and Absentees from School.

"Be it enacted, &c., as follows:—

"'Sect. 1. Each city and town shall make all needful provisions and arrangements concerning habitual truants, and also concerning children wandering about in the streets or public places of any city or town, having no lawful occupation or busi-
ness, not attending school, and growing up in ignorance, between the ages of seven and sixteen years; and shall also make all such by-laws respecting such children as shall be deemed most conducive to their welfare and the good order of such city or town; and there shall be annexed to such by-laws suitable penalties, not exceeding twenty dollars, for any one breach; provided, that said by-laws shall be approved by the Superior Court sitting in any county in the Commonwealth.'

"2d. The almshouse of the town is hereby assigned as the situable situation named in said act.

"3d. Complaints under these by-laws shall, whenever practicable, be entered by said commissioners before any magistrate or court having jurisdiction of the offence in Watertown, Cambridge, or Waltham.

"4th. Habitual truants shall, upon a first conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars, or by imprisonment in the almshouse, as the court or magistrate may determine; upon a second conviction, they shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars, or by imprisonment as aforesaid; upon a third conviction, they shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifteen dollars, or by imprisonment as aforesaid; upon a fourth conviction, by a fine not less than twenty dollars, or imprisonment as aforesaid.

"5th. Children wandering about in the streets or public places of the town, having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school, and growing up in ignorance, between the ages of seven and sixteen years, shall, upon a first conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars, or by imprisonment in said almshouse for such time as the magistrate or court may determine. Upon a second conviction, they shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifteen dollars, or by imprisonment as aforesaid. Upon a third conviction, they shall be punished
by a fine of not more than twenty dollars, or by imprisonment as aforesaid.

"6th. Before making complaint as aforesaid, the said commissioners, or either of them, shall report to the School Committee of the town, for the time being, the residence and condition of the person or persons to be complained of, with their names, and the names, residence, and condition of their parents or guardians, and such other material facts concerning such persons as may come to their knowledge; and the said commissioners shall receive and follow such directions concerning said persons as the School Committee may see fit to give; but if within ten days after making such report the said School Committee shall not give any such directions, the said commissioners shall forthwith enter their complaint before the proper magistrate or court.

"7th. The said commissioners shall each receive such annual compensation for their services as the selectmen for the time being shall determine; such compensation shall continue until the expiration of their term of office. In case of resignation, the commissioners so resigning shall be entitled to a proportional amount of said compensation.

"8th. The selectmen, at their first regular meeting after these by-laws shall be approved, and thereafterwards at their first regular meeting after the annual meeting of said inhabitants, shall divide the town into three suitable districts, and shall assign one of said commissioners to each district, who shall have the special charge and superintendence of the same, and of all the aforesaid persons residing or found or being therein; but it shall be the duty of each commissioner to report to the School Committee any offence within his knowledge, whether committed within his own or any other district.

"9th. The School Committee of the town for the time being may exercise, if they choose so to do, the general charge and
superintendence of the doings of said commissioners, who shall in such case be subject to the orders of said Committee.

"10th. The said commissioners shall be organized as a board, in the month of March annually, excepting in the year 1863, when they shall be so organized as soon as may be after the approval of these by-laws by the court, by the choice of a chairman, who shall also be the secretary of the board.

"11th. The said commissioners shall keep a fair record of their proceedings, and of the offences complained of, with the acquittals or convictions, and the punishments awarded therefor, and the names and residences of the persons complained of, and the names and residences and occupations of their parents or guardians, which, or a copy of which, shall be delivered to the chairman of the School Committee on the fifteenth day of every January, and shall be open to the examination of the School Committee, or any one of them, at all times.

"12th. The School Committee, in their annual report to the town, are requested to present an abstract of the commissioners' report, with a particular statement of their action, if any, upon the matters embraced therein, accompanied by such observations in relation thereto as may be required for a full understanding of the operations of the board.

"These by-laws shall take effect from and after their approval by the Superior Court of the County of Middlesex."

And on this thirteenth day of February, A. D. 1864, the foregoing By-Laws being seen and understood by the Court, are approved.

A true copy of the code of By-Laws adopted by the town, as approved by the Superior Court.

Attest: GEORGE L. NOYES, Town Clerk.
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