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Articles contained in the Warrant for the annual meeting, March 3d, 1879 :

- Art. 1st. To choose a moderator.
- Art. 2d. To choose a Town Clerk.
- Art. 3d. To hear reports of town officers.
- Art. 4th. To choose all necessary town officers.
- Art. 5th. To grant a sum of money for highways.
- Art. 6th. To grant a sum of money for schools.
- Art. 7th. To grant a sum of money for support of poor.
- Art. 8th. To grant a sum of money for public library.
- Art. 9th. To grant a sum of money for memorial exercises.
- Art. 10th. To grant a sum of money for fire department.
- Art. 11th. To grant a sum of money for contingent charges.
- Art. 12th. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer to borrow money.
- Art. 13th. To determine the time when taxes shall be made payable.
- Art. 14th. To see if the town will vote a discount on taxes.
- Art. 15th. To hear reports of committees.
- Art. 16th. To choose a committee to settle with Treasurer.
- Art. 17th. To see if the town will cause the bell to be rung.
- Art. 18th. To see if the town will provide compensation for fire department.
- Art. 19th. To see if the town will vote not to license the sale of intoxicating liquors.
- Art. 20th. To see if the town will vote to repair the hearse house and tomb.
- Art. 21st. To see if the town will sell the Gates pasture.
- Art. 22d. To see if the town will grant a sum of money to pay the outstanding liabilities of the town.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1878.

Town Clerk:

WILLIAM H. CLARK.

Selectmen:

HENRY H. PIKE, DAVID BRYANT, CHARLES DODD.

Overseers of the Poor:

GEO. W. DODD, - - - for 3 years.

JOHN B. BROWN, - - - for 2 years.

DANIEL L. WARE, - - - for 1 year.

Assessors:

CHARLES A. STREETER, CHARLES P. HOWARD,
JOHN SLADE.

Treasurer and Collector:

PHINEAS M. HOWE.

School Committee:

LEVI SMITH, - - - for 3 years.

OTIS COLE, - - - for 2 years.

HORACE H. BRYANT, - for 1 year.

Constables:

GEORGE W. DODD, EDWARD A. WOOD.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Town granted for repairs of Highways, \$600, which was appropriated to the several Surveyors, as follows:—

Name of Surveyors.	Proportioned.	Paid.
William Lawrence,	\$170 00	\$169 68
Daniel L. Ware,	141 00	176 45
Charles S. Flint,	33 00	33 17
Thomas B. Robinson,	20 00	42 00
Hiram P. Bemis,	45 00	42 81
William H. Harrington,	60 00	83 15
William H. Barr,	71 00	99 00
David Bryant,	60 00	45 10
	<u>\$600 00</u>	<u>\$691 96</u>

ALLOWED BY SELECTMEN.

Daniel L. Ware,	\$30 00
Wm. H. Barr,	10 00
Wm. H. Harrington,	12 00
	<u>\$652 00</u>

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Town granted,		\$1000 00
Paid Julia G. Allen, for teaching,	\$90 00	
Linnie Daniels,	84 00	
Jessie C. Ballou,	91 00	
Sarah A. Lamb,	91 00	
Fannie E. Dodd,	78 00	
Phronie Lakin,	78 00	
Julia G. Allen,	72 00	
Jessie C. Ballou,	98 00	
Sarah A. Lamb,	98 00	
Phronie M. Lakin,	84 00	
Linnie M. Daniels,	105 00	
Fannie E. Dodd,	84 00	
Jessie Ballou	81 00	

CARE OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

Paid H. G. Harrington,	\$5 00
W. Lyon,	2 50

Paid W. Lyon,	4 00
T. Leonard,	3 25
C. Kilbourn,	3 25
F. G. Howe,	3 25
S. A. Lamb,	3 25
H. Streeter,	2 00
S. A. Lamb,	3 00
S. Howe,	3 50
M. Nugent,	3 75
H. R. Perry	3 75
Harry H. Harrington,	3 50
Fred. Newton,	4 50
E. Lyon, for cleaning school-room,	0 50
Oliver Goodnow, for wood,	11 49
William Comins, for wood,	4 50
Wm. H. Harrington, kindlings for Centre School,	0 50
Wm. H. Harrington, wood for N. E. School,	8 00
Horace Bryant, wood for S. W. District,	6 72
N. Clark & Co., school sundries	19 42
School Committee Books furnished son of Geo. Anthoney	1 37
Levi Smith, school fixtures,	7 55
Levi Smith, drawing paper, etc.,	0 96
School Committee Books furnished children unable to pay for the same	0 96
School Committee Stationery, for the schools,	2 00
Levi Smith, for school fixtures,	18 08
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	\$1264 99

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Paid L. A. Cooper, repairing black-boards,	\$8 00
M. B. Olmstead, repairing pump,	3 15
John Wheelock, repairing desks, etc.,	4 00
H. I. Howard, labor on black-boards	8 32
H. I. Howard, labor on black-boards,	3 88
H. I. Howard, labor on S. W. School-house,	1 90
H. I. Howard, labor on N. E. School-house,	1 60
C. P. Howard, labor on S. W. and N. E. School-houses,	4 50
W. Brown, labor on Centre School-house,	1 65
W. Brown, labor on N. E. School-house,	30 74
D. R. Boynton, labor on N. E. School-house,	17 07
W. H. Harrington, lumber, etc.,	16 51
Levi Smith, stove and pipe for school-house,	14 25
D. R. Boynton, labor on Centre School-house,	1 25
D. R. Boynton, labor on S. W.	8 80
D. R. Boynton, labor on W.	7 63

Paid W. H. Brown, pump for S. E. School-house,	10 00
Wm. Macomber, labor on Centre	" 1 00
J. Wheelock, rep'g chairs for Centre	" 0 60
Wm. H. Harrington, repairs of N. E. School-house,	0 75
H. H. Bryant, repairs on S. W. School-house,	2 00
Levi Smith, for furniture and labor on school-houses,	5 65

\$153 25

BREAKING OUT ROADS.

Paid Levi Smith,	\$4 00	Paid F. Bryant,	8 23
W. Gibson,	1 40	C. S. Flint,	13 66
J. A. Snow	4 80	John Fouracre,	2 20
W. Brown,	2 10	T. B. Robinson,	30 52
J. Karley,	5 20	W. Lawrence,	2 96
F. Leonard,	3 00	E. W. Whiting,	3 50
S. C. Abbott,	2 10	G. B. Newton,	5 50
C. Dodd,	4 10	A. G. Newton,	2 55
M. Kane,	11 65	M. D. Brown,	2 00
W. Lawrence,	2 20	David Bryant,	12 47
L. Freeman,	57 88	A. Williams,	8 80
W. H. Barr,	5 00	H. B. Clapp,	10 50
F. Merriam,	2 90	C. H. Earle,	3 80
B. Maynard,	2 00	I. N. Keyes,	3 40
C. Dodd,	10 70	A. Howe,	5 22
W. Macomber,	1 40	F. A. Peirce,	1 10
T. Aharn,	12 98	A. E. Skiff,	1 00
C. Cowden,	4 65	J. O. Keep,	6 05
W. Wood,	1 80	D. Larkin,	1 40
O. Goodnow,	80	N. Parkhurst,	7 03
S. G. Harrington,	5 60	W. Comins,	5 53
S. G. Harrington,	13 60	J. B. Brown,	1 02
G. E. Thompson,	60	L. Freeman,	3 50
F. Leonard,	1 53	D. L. Ware,	5 21
F. S. Keep,	1 50	C. P. Howard,	1 43
W. F. Pike,	3 00	C. F. Flint,	6 41
F. W. Peirce,	4 10	W. Comins,	26 40
T. Wendell,	1 80	C. Parkhurst,	2 00
H. C. Powell,	2 90	Horace Peirce,	1 90
Peter Daw,	12 85	Wm. Barr,	3 47
F. T. Merriam,	85	Wm. Lawrence,	16 08
E. Powers,	42	Wm. Harrington,	28 90
E. Powers,	7 60	Levi Smith,	4 87
H. P. Bemis,	8 69	H. H. Bryant,	5 68
C. A. Streeter,	2 00	David Bryant,	4 31
W. H. Harrington,	4 50	J. Parker,	1 02
A. Woodward,	4 70	Wm. Macomber,	1 40
H. Daniels,	1 70		
J. O. Howe,	5 75		

\$475 37

CONTINGENT EXPENSES

Granted, \$700 00

Outstanding orders at last settlement :

Paid Wm. Brown, stationery and postage,	75
" " repairing cemetery fence,	75
H. I. Howard, hearse runners,	33 00
Estate of S. D. Harrington, returning deaths to Town Clerk,	80
Geo. W. Dodd, copying and posting town warrants,	3 00
P. M. Howe, services as Collector and Treas- urer for 1877,	45 00
Town Clerk, recording marriages and deaths,	16 60
E. D. Bigelow, record book,	5 00
Wm. Lawrence, labor on bridge and repairing biers,	4 10

EXPENSES FOR 1878--9.

Paid D. R. Boynton, ringing the bell,	13 16
Tyler & Seagrave, printing town reports for 1877,	43 75
Wm. Mulligan, recording town deed,	58
Charles Dodd, order blanks,	1 00
John A. Cummings, ringing the bell,	7 00
H. P. Bemis and Dwight Estabrook, expenses in Daw case,	2 50
Selectmen, publishing card in Worcester Spy and Gazette,	2 00
Wm. Lawrence, repairing road in front of meeting house,	20 00
John A. Cummings, ringing the bell,	10 00
P. M. Howe, insurance on S. W. school house,	11 30
C. P. Howard, services as assessor for 1878,	13 00
" " for repairing ice chest,	40
Charles A. Streeter, services as assessor, postage and stationery for 1878,	25 00
Wm. Brown, labor and stock, repairing walks on common,	5 40
H. R. Smith, trimming trees on common,	1 00
Wm. Comins, discount on lumber bought of the town,	8 00
Rice & Blackmer, services in Daw case,	20 00
H. H. Pike, paper for check lists, postage and stationery,	3 50
Selectmen, labor and paying for the same on the highways,	6 75
Wm. Lawrence, labor on the highways,	3 00

Paid Wm. Lawrence, labor on the highways around the common,	2 70
P. M. Howe, insurance on N. E. school house,	15 00
Selectmen, paying for labor on the highways,	15 00
" perambulating town lines and paying for the same,	6 35
P. M. Howe, interest on borrowed money,	16 42
W. F. Pike, lumber for road railings,	3 60
Selectmen, labor and material on the highways and bridges,	12 55
Selectmen, expenses on guide posts,	1 50
Selectmen, paying for legal services to Staples & Goulding and other expenses,	4 00
P. M. Howe, discount on town taxes,	122 11
Burying ground Trustees,	22 51
D. L. Ware, labor on road, railing and bridge,	3 73
J. A. Cummings, ringing bell,	9 00
Selectmen, expense on watering trough,	6 30
G. W. Dodd, services in Daw case,	5 00
G. W. Dodd, cash paid in Daw case,	11 50
H. H. Pike, expenses on roads and bridges,	6 15
P. M. Howe, interest on borrowed money,	5 12
John Slade, services as assessor for 1878,	15 00
John Wheelock, painting two guide boards,	4 00
H. I. Howard, repairing sleigh by order of Selectmen,	1 25
Town Treasurer, abatement of taxes,	6 00
Wm. Comins for bridge plank,	13 44
Charles Dodd labor on the roads,	5 10
Edward D. Bigelow, recording births, marriages and deaths, expressage, &c.	11 15
Charles Dodd, services as Selectman,	18 00
Charles Dodd, time, team, &c., in Daw case,	5 00
Levi Smith, services as School Committee for 1878,	50 00
Horace Bryant, services as School Committee for 1878,	43 75
Levi Smith, discount on taxes, by order of collector,	88
Wm. H. Clark, recording births, marriages and deaths, postage, expressage, room for weights and measures, &c.,	6 66
David Bryant, services as Selectman for 1878,	18 00
David Bryant, perambulating town lines,	2 00
Henry H. Pike, services as Selectman for 1878,	20 00
Geo. W. Dodd, services as Overseer of Poor for 1878,	8 00

\$803 11

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Granted,	\$600 00
Paid W. H. Barr, services as Warden to April 1, 1878,	\$75 00
" " services as Warden,	30 00
" " services as Warden,	40 00
" " services as Warden,	20 00
" George D. Estabrook, for a cow,	22 00
" J. B. Brown, for labor,	7 50
" M. B. Olmstead, blacksmithing,	6 25
" Wm. Comins, flour, meal, etc.,	122 56
" " meal, corn, etc.,	47 93
" N. Clark & Co. for goods furnished Alms House,	151 83
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SUPPORT OF POOR OUT OF THE ALMS HOUSE.

OUTSTANDING BILLS AT LAST SETTLEMENT.

Paid William Brown, travelling expenses, Doctor's bill, etc., in Pond case,	\$26 80
H. H. Pike, cash paid town of Sutton,	10 00
" " expressage, postage and two journeys to Sutton,	4 70
Geo. F. Cheney, use of team for Overseers of Poor,	3 50

1878-9.

Paid J. B. Brown in case of Mary Butler,	13 00
Overseers of Poor in case of Wm. F. Ellis,	10 20
Overseers of Poor for cash paid town of Sutton for aiding Marshall Pond, and city of Worcester for aiding W. A. Frink, in 1877,	7 70
Overseers of Poor, cash paid city of Fall River for aiding William F. Ellis,	36 35
Paid Overseers of Poor, aiding Geo. W. Anthorney and family of Charles Butler,	7 00
	<hr/> \$119 25
Total expense of supporting the Poor,	<hr/> \$642 32

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Appropriated,	\$59 55
Paid H. H. Pike, Treasurer of Library Trustees,	\$59 55

MEMORIAL EXERCISES.

Granted,		\$10 00
Paid G. W. Dodd, expenses of Memorial Day,	3 15	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriated,		\$75 00
Paid D. R. Boynton, painting ladders,	\$1 55	
Wm. Brown, for fire hooks and ladders,	34 05	
Fire Annihilator Co. of New York,	35 00	
Wm. Lawrence, expressage on fire extinguish- ers and care of room,	1 40	
	<hr/>	\$72 00
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		\$3 00

SUMMARY.

<i>Total Expenses of the Town for the Year ending February 15, 1879.</i>		
Support of the Highways,	\$691 96	
“ Schools less the Committees’ salary,	1,418 24	
Breaking out roads,	475 37	
Contingent charges,	803 11	
Support of the poor,	642 32	
“ Public Library,	59 55	
“ Fire Department,	72 00	
Memorial Exercises,	3 15	
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Total town orders drawn,	\$4,165 70	

STATE AID.

Paid in State Aid and as further compensation for service to poor and indigent soldiers,	\$282 20
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LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Note of Mrs. Ainsworth,	\$400 00
“ Sarah Slade,	300 00
“ Safe Deposit and Trust Company,	250 00
Due on outstanding orders,	213 20
“ “ bills,	99 90
“ April 1st, on Warden’s salary,	60 00
“ “ for ringing the bell,	9 00
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	\$1,332 10

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Balance due the Town in the hands of the Treasurer,	\$543 69
Due of the State for State Aid,	300 20
“ J. N. Sargent, for tuition,	16 25

School Books on hand,	31	05	
Cash in hands of Warden,	6	00	
“ “ Overseers of the Poor,	12	37	909 56
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Balance against the town,			\$422 54

LIST OF JURORS.

Charles Dodd,	Charles P. Howard,
Horace Daniels,	Z. Swift M. Howe,
William Brown,	John Slade,
Oliver Goodnow,	Henry C. Ward,
Alwin S. Graton,	Smyrna Wood.

We report that the Guide Boards are all up and in fair condition, but would recommend that the one near the house of Michael Nugent be repainted, and that a new one be placed at the Junction of the Old Holden Road, and the road running to the house of Lewis Kilbourne.

HENRY H. PIKE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
DAVID BRYANT,	
CHARLES DODD,	
	} <i>of</i>
	} <i>Paxton.</i>

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

P. M. HOWE to Town of Paxton,	Dr.
To Balance on settlement made Feb. 12, 1878,	\$918 28
Amount of Tax Bills committed to him for 1878,	3,446 62
Cash received of J. N. Sargent as tuition for 1877,	19 50
Cash borrowed,	550 00
“ received for grass sold on cemetery lot,	10 25
“ Lumber sold,	169 64
“ From State Treasurer, { Corporation Tax,	25 62
“ { National Bank Tax,	135 35
“ County Treasurer, Dog Fund,	65 17
“ From School Committee, for books sold,	1 20
“ Interest on taxes,	1 29
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	\$5,342 92

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By Cash paid,	
State Tax,	\$180 00
County Tax,	327 39
Town Orders,	4,505 06
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	\$5,012 45
Balance due the town.	<hr/> \$330 47

Also received of the State Treasurer, school fund for 1878,
subject to the order of the School Committee, \$213 22

P. M. HOWE, *Treasurer.*

We have examined the above account and find it correct and properly vouched.

H. H. BRYANT, } *Auditing*
E. W. WHITING. } *Committee.*

PAXTON, Feb. 14, 1879.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN PAXTON IN 1878.

Date.	Name of Child.	Name of Parents.
Feb. 2.	Ethel Marsha.	Wm. H. and Lucy A. Harrington.
March 15.	Richard.	James and Catherine Foley.
April 9.	Edith May.	John F. and Sylvia E. Graton.
April 30.	Josephine May.	Michael and Catherine Nugent.
June 17.	Whitney (no name).	Jos. D. & Sophronia L. Whitney.
July 14.	Mabel Lydia.	Charles E. and Mary A. Graton.
June 18.	Abbie Frances.	Mary J. Goodnow.
June 28.	Charles Clinton.	Clinton B. and Clara A. Scott.
Aug. 11.	Willie Warner.	Wm. H. and Mary A. Barr.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN PAXTON IN 1878.

Jan. 1.	Clifton Parkhurst and Adella E. Harrington, both of Paxton.
Sept. 4.	David Bryant of Paxton and Emeline E. Hunt, of Worcester.
Nov. 19.	Chas. Fredrick Sanderson, of Worcester, and Electra Allen, of Paxton.
Nov 28.	Artemas Howe, of Paxton, and Eliza Ann Bellows, of Leicester.

DEATHS RECORDED IN PAXTON IN 1878.

Date.	Name.	Years.	Months.	Days.
January 28.	Lydia Haggett,	82	7	28
April 15.	Zalmon Bellows,	81		21
April 22.	Ruth E. Howe,	53		
April 29.	Minnie A. Tait,		5	10
June 6.	Mary E. Cummings,	2	9	
June 17.	Whitney (no name).			
June 21.	Phebe B. Howe,	62		
Aug. 23.	Ruth Maynard,	69	1	18
Oct. 26.	Mary J. Butler,	28		

WILLIAM H. CLARK,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

INVENTORY AS MADE FEBRUARY 14TH, 1879.

REAL ESTATE.

Farm, 100 acres,	\$2000 00	
Pasture, forty acres,	650 00	\$2650 00
Farming tools,	175 00	
Household furniture,	215 00	
Wagons, sleigh and harness,	215 00	605 00

STOCK.

One horse,	150 00	
Four cows,	200 00	
One swine,	10 00	
Nineteen fowls,	14 25	374 25

HAY, GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Five tons English hay,	80 00
Three and a quarter tons meadow hay,	30 00
Six hundred lbs. straw,	3 00
Six hundred lbs. rowen,	6 00
Corn fodder,	1 00
One hundred lbs. phosphate,	2 50
Two bushels salt,	1 25
Lumber,	6 00
One hundred and seventy-five lbs. shorts,	1 88
Two tons coal,	15 00
Two bushels corn,	1 15
One and a half bushels sweet corn,	2 25
Twenty-four and a half lbs. pop corn,	0 49
Fifty lbs. rye meal,	1 00
Quarter barrel flour,	2 00
Twelve lbs. granulated sugar,	2 08
One and a quarter lbs. tea,	0 63
One lb. black pepper,	0 25
One lb. spices	0 25
Thirty-four lbs. butter,	6 80
Three and a half lbs. saleratus,	0 31
Crackers,	0 50
Medicine,	0 50
Two hundred lbs. corned beef,	16 00

Eighty lbs. ham,	8 00	
Two hundred lbs. salt pork	19 00	207 84
Seven bushels mangold beets,	1 17	
One bushel carrots,	0 55	
Forty bushels potatoes,	40 00	
Eleven lbs. candles,	1 50	
One bushel beets,	0 75	
Half a bushel onions,	0 50	
Third barrel soap,	2 85	
Apples,	1 50	
Five gallons vinegar	1 50	
Ten gallons new vinegar,	1 50	
Forty-eight lbs. lard,	4 80	
Thirteen bars hard soap,	0 91	
Nine lbs. tobacco,	4 95	
Four and a half lbs. rice,	0 41	
One lb. Paris green,	0 60	63 49
Total amount of invoice,		\$645 58
Decrease in invoice,		\$863 52

INCOME OF FARM.

Work on highway,	\$22 98	
Work breaking roads,	13 47	
Ninety-one lbs. butter sold,	23 50	
Forty-one dozen eggs sold,	8 66	
Boat plank sold,	2 25	
Four bushels potatoes sold,	2 40	
Three hundred and fifty-six lbs. beef sold,	25 09	
Pigs sold,	35 75	
Hides and tallow,	7 92	
Veal sold,	27 77	
Seven hundred and twenty-two lbs. pork sold,	36 76	
Keeping peddlers,	4 00	
Rags sold,	0 80	
Cow sold,	45 00	
Use of pasture,	35 00	
Pig and hens sold,	2 25	
Cash on hand,	6 00	299 60
Total income,		\$299 60

EXPENSES OF FARM.

Interest on town farm as appraised last year,	\$168 00
Warden's salary,	150 00
Fifty-four bags meal,	65 70
Thirteen bags corn	16 50
Eight bags oats,	7 80

Two hundred and sixty-eight lbs. rye meal,	5 55
Six barrels flour,	49 50
One thousand seven hundred and twenty-two lbs. shorts,	20 08
Sixteen lbs. cheese,	1 60
Grinding corn,	3 76
Meat bill,	34 13
Dry goods,	13 27
Fish,	4 92
Plaster,	1 50
Paris green,	1 20
One basket,	1 00
Bread pan,	1 00
Oil can,	0 25
Dust brush,	0 35
Spoons,	0 60
Milk pans,	3 40
Soft soap,	3 25
Alcohol,	0 40
Clothes line,	0 70
Under flannels,	4 30
Brooms,	0 80
Shovel,	1 10
Stockings,	0 80
Harness strap	1 00
Beet seed,	0 25
Stage fare,	0 50
Express on box,	0 15
House help,	24 00
Bread,	13 60
Long barn window,	2 25
Onions,	1 00
Turnips,	0 40
Two meat barrels,	2 00
Sleigh bells,	0 75
Five barrels of winter apples,	5 00
Fall apples,	4 00
Use of plough,	1 25
Twenty-six apple trees,	9 00
Sending for doctor,	0 50
Pasturing cow,	1 50
Sawing sled shoes,	0 20
Shoeing sled,	0 50
Blacksmith's bill,	13 35
Butchering hogs,	1 25
Butchering cows,	2 00
Butchering calves,	3 00
Use of boar,	1 00
Use of bull,	3 00

Four bushels rye,	1 75
Two bushels barley,	3 80
Repairing tank,	2 20
Fileing saws,	1 00
One cow,	1 10
Dr. Shanon's bill,	22 00
Dr. Warner's bill, 1877,	18 50
Dr. Warner's bill, 1878,	1 50
Use of oxen,	4 00
Use of horse,	10 50
Labor on farm,	10 00
One thousand lbs. coal,	22 00
Shoes,	2 88
Sugar,	4 00
Molasses,	28 16
Tea,	17 90
Coffee,	12 83
Coal,	7 75
Phosphate,	17 26
Grass seed,	13 36
Salt,	4 03
Spice,	3 57
Oil,	1 54
Yeast,	1 76
Ginger,	3 32
Rice,	0 30
Thread,	1 08
Curtain paper,	0 44
Saleratus,	0 35
Stove polish,	1 59
Cream tartar,	0 32
Shoe strings,	0 55
Snuff,	0 08
Sal. soda,	0 50
Braid,	0 24
Buttons,	0 24
Paris green,	0 16
Starch,	1 20
Corn starch,	0 60
Matches,	0 20
Rye meal,	0 55
Lemons,	0 18
Lamp wicks,	0 30
Nails,	0 21
Composition,	0 52
Whetstone,	0 36
Sand paper,	0 12
Sprinkler,	0 04
2	0 25

Snath,	0 83
Scythe,	0 90
Silk	0 08
Tape,	0 06
Beans,	1 50
Sweet potatoes,	0 15
Thimble,	0 05
Cheese,	4 71
Medicine,	3 17
Soap,	6 24
Almanac,	0 08
Bed cord,	0 60
Mittens,	1 12
Pepper,	0 50
Putty,	0 10
Yarn,	1 05
Saltpetre,	0 16
Glass,	0 31
Bill paper,	0 10
Shorts,	1 60
Raisins,	1 12
Crockery,	1 11
Oat meal,	0 36
Curry comb,	0 30
Chimneys,	0 20
Barrel flour,	8 00
Shoes,	4 25
Tobacco,	15 05
Fish.	2 60
Dry Goods,	1 32
Rake,	0 30
Sundries,	0 53
Mrs. Butler's funeral expenses,	15 00

Total expenses,	953 45
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Add decrease in invoice,	863 52
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Total,	1816 97
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Deduct income,	299 60
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Total balance against farm,	\$1517 37
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Whole number of weeks' board at Almhouse, 352 weeks.

Cost of each person per week,	\$4 31
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The following persons have been supported at the Almshouse the past year :—

Name.	Age.	Weeks.
Mary Pierce,	78	52
Harriet Allen,	56	52

Delilah Goodnow,	76	52
Jason Bigelow,	74	52
Rebecca Bigelow,	81	52
John P. Metcalf,	87	52
Mary Butler,	28	10½
John F. Butler,	6	9
Marshall W. Pond,	47	0½
Wm. F. Ellis,	42	5½
Mary J. Goodnow,	37	4
Travelling poor,		10½

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Cost of support of poor out of Almshouse,

\$119 25

GEO. W. DODD,	} Overseers
J. B. BROWN,	
D. L. WARE,	
	} of
	} Poor.

February 17th, 1879.

VALUATION AND TAX, 1878.

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Anthony, George W.,	1 swine 6,	\$2 07
1	Allen, Jason A.		2 00
1	Aharn, Thomas,	2 horses 100, 3 cows 60, 3 two years old 45, 2 yearlings 20, buildings 600, farm 90 acres 1200,	24 28
1	Aharn, James,		2 00
1	Allen, Simon,	2 cows 75, buildings 500, fram 23 acres 500,	13 83
1	Abbott, Charles B.,		2 00
1	Abbott, Alvord E.,		2 00
1	Abbott, Simon C.,	1 swine 7, 1 carriage 50, buildings 1200, house lot 1 acre 200, sprout land 1½ acres 15,	18 20
1	Bonner, John,		2 00
1	Butler, David,	1 horse 50, 1 cow 40, buildings 225, house lot ¼ acre 25,	5 74
1	Bryant, Francis E.,	1 horse 125, 2 oxen 142, 5 cows 175, 1 swine 11, 1 carriage 40, buildings 550, farm 15 acres 350,	17 32
1	Bryant, Edward H.,		2 00
	Bigelow, Mulligan & Co.,	machinery 300, buildings 700, shop lot 100,	12 10
1	Boynton, Charles D.,	1 horse 50, 2 oxen 135, 4 cows, 130, 2 swine 14, buildings 900, farm 87 acres 1950,	36 97
1	Bellows, Isaac,	money 2000, 1 horse 125, 2 oxen 145, 5 cows 175, 3 swine 40, buildings 1800, farm 171 acres 2500, Daniels pasture 47 acres 600,	83 24
1	Butler, Daniel,	1 horse 50, 2 cows 70, 1 yearling 10, 1 swine 11, buildings 400, farm 34 acres 400,	12 35
1	Brown, Marshall D.,	1 horse 50, 2 cows 75, 1 two year old 25, 1 swine 15, buildings 300, farm 51 acres 700,	14 82
1	Brown, James,		2 00
1	Bemis, Hiram P.,	1 horse 125, 2 cows 75, 1 carriage 75, buildings 700, farm 12 a. 500,	18 23
1	Burnett, Edward,		2 00
1	Burnett, Edgar H.,		2 00
1	Boynton, Darwin R.,	buildings 1100, house lot 1 acre 150,	15 75
1	Brown, William,	1 horse 150, 1 swine 7, 1 carriage 50, buildings 750, house lot 3 acres 250,	15 28

1	Brown, Wesley E.	2 00
1	Barr, William,	2 00
1	Bullard, Sereno, 1 cow 45, buildings 650, farm 23 acres 600,	16 26
1	Bill, Ledyard, money 500, 1 horse 100, 1 swine 7, 2 carriages 200, buildings 1700, farm 7 acres 650,	36 73
1	Bigelow, Artemas E.,	2 00
1	Bigelow, Lewis, 1 cow 35, 1 swine 6, buildings 1200, land 3 acres 300,	18 95
	Bemis, Hiram P., guardian for Alfred W. Snow, wood and pasture 18 acres 200,	2 20
1	Bigelow, Edward D., 1 horse 60, 1 carriage 50,	3 21
1	Baker, John E.,	2 00
1	Brown, John B., 1 horse 65, 1 cow 30, 1 swine 9, buildings 700, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 100, Pike land $3\frac{3}{4}$ acres 225, town lot $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres 100,	15 53
	Brown, Sylvester, heirs of, pasture and wood land 40 acres 1000, meadow $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres 20,	11 22
1	Brown, John A.,	2 00
1	Bryant, David, 1 horse 75, 6 cows 165, 1 3-year old 20, 5 yearlings 50, 3 swine 30, 1 carriage 100, $\frac{1}{2}$ house 600, $\frac{1}{2}$ farm 41 acres 700,	21 14
1	Bryant, Horace H., 2 horses 200, 6 cows 155, 2 2-year olds 30, 2 yearlings 20, 3 swine 24, 1 carriage 100, $\frac{1}{2}$ house 600, $\frac{1}{2}$ farm 41 acres 700, sprout land 21 a. 126,	23 51
1	Burno, Levi,	2 00
1	Comins, William, stock in trade 2000, 5 horses 400, 4 oxen 300, 5 cows 170, 3 2-year olds 75, 3 yearlings 35, 9 swine 80, 1 carriage 100, buildings, water-power and dams 4800, farm 106 acres 1500, buildings, Brown place 300, Brown farm 90 acres 1300, Barr pasture 23 acres 200,	125 81
	Comins, Mary E., Peirce pasture 54 acres 600, exempt 500,	1 10
	Comins Ella A., Maynard pasture 50 acres 500, exempt.	
1	Charter, Andrew,	2 00
1	Coburn, Frank, 1 horse 60,	2 66
1	Cooper, Robert, 1 horse 50, 4 cows 130, 1 2-year old 25, 3 yearlings 30, buildings 400, farm 165 acres 1650,	27 14
1	Cook, W. W., 1 horse 125, buildings 500, farm 12 acres 250,	11 63
1	Clapp, Hiram B., 1 cow 30, buildings 400, farm 16 acres 300,	10 03
1	Cowden, Charles D.,	2 00
1	Cole, Otis,	2 00
1	Cummings, John A., house 500, house lot $\frac{1}{8}$ acre 50,	8 05
2	Clark N. & Co., stock in trade 4000, money 650, 2 horses 200, 2 carriages 100, buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ acre 100,	72 75

Clark, William H., money 500, buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 150, mowing and wood-land 10 acres 300, Slade lot $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres 30, Abbott lot 37 acres 800,	32 78
1 Chase, John S., house 550, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ acre 50,	8 60
1 Cheney, George F., 1 horse 75, 1 carriage 40,	3 27
Cheney, Harriet, house 600, house lot $\frac{1}{3}$ acre 100,	7 70
1 Cheney, Herbert L.,	2 00
1 Cummings, George F., 1 cow 35, 1 carriage 40,	2 83
1 Dwyer, Arthur, buildings 400, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 50,	6 95
1 Dodd, Charles, 1 horse 40, 3 cows 110, 2 three years old 55, buildings 600, farm 78 acres 1500,	27 36
1 Dodd, Charles H.,	2 00
1 Daniels, Horace, 3 horses 100, 4 cows 140, 2 3-year-olds 60, 2 yearlings 25, 2 swine 16, 1 carriage 75, buildings 1400, farm 246 acres 3000, Bellows land 50 acres 500,	60 48
1 Daw, Peter, 1 horse 25, 3 cows 105, 2 3-year-olds 60, 1 2-year-old 20, 1 yearling 10, 1 swine 12, buildings 500, farm 68 acres 1100,	22 15
1 Dodd, George W., house 800, house lot $\frac{1}{3}$ acre 100,	11 90
Dodd, William W., Estate of, buildings 2400, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ acre 200,	28 60
Dodd, Susan, buildings 1400, house lot 1 acre 200,	17 60
1 Davenport, George,	2 00
1 Estabrook, Daniel, 1 horse 25, 1 cow 40, 1 swine 5, buildings 675, house lot $1\frac{1}{4}$ acres 125, Howe land 13 acres 250,	14 32
1 Estabrook, Dwight, 3 cows 100, buildings 1050, farm $37\frac{1}{2}$ acres 960, Abbott lot 6 acres 100, pasture 20 acres 200, Sprout land 5 acres 25, Harrington land $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres 350,	32 64
1 Earle, Ralph, buildings, 800, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 100,	11 90
1 Earle, Carlo H., meadow 3 acres 25,	2 28
1 Flint, Charles S., 1 horse 100, 2 oxen 125, 3 cows 115, 10 sheep 40, 1 swine 10, 1 carriage 40, buildings 700, farm 56 acres 900, Ware pasture 24 acres 275,	27 31
1 Flint, Charles F., 4 sheep 16, 1 swine 10,	2 29
1 Freeman, Lewis, 11 horses 1000, 7 cows 250, 1 two year old 20, 4 yearlings 48, 1 swine 16, buildings 800, farm 160 acres 2352,	51 35
Frink, Mrs. J. A., buildings 300, farm 24 acres 300, Slade lot 6 acres 60, meadow 2 acres 30, exempt 500,	2 09
1 Foley, James, 1 cow 36,	2 40
1 Fouracre, John, 2 horses 60, 2 cows 65, 1 two yr. old 16,	3 55
1 Fouracre, James,	2 00
1 Fay, George W., 1 cow, 35, 1 yearling 10,	2 50
1 Fitzgerald, Richard,	2 00
1 Graton, Charles E., 1 horse 75, 1 cow 28, buildings 400, house lot 3 acres 125,	8 91

1	Graton, Alwin S., 1 horse 30, 2 cows 62, 1 swine 5, buildings 600, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 50, Brewer buildings 250, Brewer land $37\frac{1}{2}$ acres 350, Goulding land 15 a. 250,	19 57
1	Graton, John F.	2 00
1	Goodnow, Oliver, 3 cows 105, buildings 800, house $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 100, Penniman lot 18 acres 400, Foxhill lot 11 acres 500, Lakin lot 7 acres 150,	24 61
1	Goodwin, John A.	2 00
	Goddard, Arsenath, buildings 500, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ arce 150, exempt 500,	1 65
	Goulding, Sally, heirs of, woodland 4 acres 100,	1 10
1	Howard, Charles P., 1 horse 150, 2 cows 85, 1 carriage 35, buildings 800, farm 26 acres 730, Davis land 20 acres 500,	27 30
1	Howard, Herbert I., 1 carriage 100,	3 10
1	Hill, Charles,	2 00
	Harrington, Amelia, buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ acre 200, Harrington, Silas D., estate of, Tracy house 75, Cunningham land $59\frac{1}{4}$ acres 1500,	15 40
1	Harrington, David, 1 horse 30, 2 oxen 125, 8 cows 260, 2 3-year olds 65, 5 yearlings 65, 4 swine 20, buildings 1200, farm 258 acres 4050,	17 33
1	Harrington, William H., stock in trade 400, 3 horses 200, 3 cows 100, 2 yearlings 20, 3 swine 22, buildings and water-power 1800, farm 16 acres 250, Howard mill and water-power 600, mill yard and flowage land 28 acres 200, Kilbourn land 30 acres 500,	65 97
1	Harrington, Simon G., 3 horses 225, 2 oxen 115, 3 cows 90, 4 3-year olds 130, 2 2-year olds 45, 1 yearling 10, 1 swine 5, 5 sheep 25, buildings 800, farm 158 acres 1600, sprout land 25 acres 200,	47 01
1	Harrington, Addison D., 1 horse 40, 5 cows 155, 2 swine 16,	37 70
1	Howe, Phineas M., 1 horse 60, 1 cow 25, 1 swine 5, 1 carriage 30, buildings 1050, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 150, farm $31\frac{1}{4}$ acres 400,	4 32
1	Howe, Artemas, 1 horse 40, 1 cow 35, 1 swine 6, buildings 850, house lot $1\frac{1}{4}$ acres 150, Goddard lot 10 acres 200,	20 92
1	Howe, Z. S. M., 1 horse 50, 1 cow 30, 1 swine 6, 1 carriage 40, buildings 1275, house lot 1 acre 200,	16 09
1	Howe, Willard, money 1200, 1 horse 50, 1 cow 40, buildings 800, farm $14\frac{1}{2}$ acres 700,	19 61
1	Howe, Elbridge G.,	32 69
1	Howe, John O., 1 horse 65, 2 oxen 100, 4 cows 125, 1 3-year old 25, 3 2-year olds 50, 2 yearlings 18, 3 swine 25, buildings 550, farm 115 acres 1700,	2 00
2	Henry, G. G. & J. E., 3 horses 200, 10 cows 250, 2 2-year olds 40, 3 yearlings 30, 2 swine 10, buildings 400, farm 200 acres 2000,	31 24
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1 Henry, James, 3 horses 260, 3 cows 90, 2 2-year olds 36, 1 swine 6, buildings 300, farm 17 acres 600,	16 22
1 Hazen, Edward,	2 00
1 Hannegan, Michael,	2 00
1 Holmes, John, 1 cow 35, 1 swine 10 ⁸ , buildings 650, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 100, Crocker land 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres 600,	17 35
1 Kilbourn, Lewis S., 2 horses 150, 8 cows 265, 1 carriage 35, buildings 1000, farm 160 acres 2250,	42 70
1 Keep, Josiah O., 1 horse 125, 2 oxen 133, 5 cows 140, 2 swine 16, 4 sheep 26, buildings 800, farm 102 acres 1500,	32 25
1 Keep, Francis, 2 horses 160, 1 carriage 75, buildings 1100, farm 164 acres 2300, Bigelow land 3 acres 100,	43 09
1 Keep, Frank S., 1 cow 38, buildings 300, farm 28 acres 300,	9 02
1 Kane, Morris, 1 horse 25, 4 cows 100, 4 yearlings 45, 2 swine 14, buildings 150, farm 85 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres 800,	14 48
1 Kirby, Leander T., 1 swine 6, house 250, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ acre 50,	5 37
1 Karle, Jacob, 1 horse 40, 2 cows 80, 1 yearling 12, 1 swine 10, buildings 700, farm 31 acres 300,	14 56
1 Lamonier, George C., 3 horses 250, 2 swine 22, 1 carri- age 50, barn 150, farm 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, 250,	9 96
1 Lakin, Daniel, 1 horse 50, 2 oxen 140, 4 cows 130, build- ings 1500, farm 232 acres 3000,	55 02
1 Leonard, Farrell, 1 horse 85, 3 cows 90, buildings 350, farm 20 acres 400,	12 20
1 Lawrence, William, 2 oxen 125, 1 yearling 10,	3 49
1 Lyon, John B.,	2 00
1 Lyon, Charles F.,	2 00
1 Maynard, Benjamin, 2 oxen 125, 2 cows 66, buildings 300, farm 78 acres 1200,	20 60
1 Maynard Almer E.,	2 00
1 Mulligan, William, money 300, Day lot 16 acres 175,	7 23
1 Marsh, Luther, 1 cow 35,	2 39
1 Merriam, Foster T., 1 horse 50, 1 cow 30, 1 yearling 15, 2 swine 10, buildings 200, farm 37 acres 350,	9 21
1 Macomber William H.,	2 00
1 McCann, Thomas, money 500,	7 50
1 Murphy, Patrick, 1 horse 60, 2 cows 55, 2 yearlings 25, 1 swine 8, buildings 600, farm 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres 1000, Thom- son lot 57 a. 650,	28 38
1 McClough, Kenney,	2 00
1 Nugent Michael, 1 horse 40, 1 cow 40, 1 yearling 15, 1 swine 6, buildings 650, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 200, Flagg lot 3 acres 100,	13 55
1 Naughton, Patrick, 1 horse 85, 3 cows 95, 1 swine 8, buildings 450, farm 52 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres 500,	14 52
1 Naughton, James Jr., 1 horse 50, 3 cows 75, 1 yearling 15, 1 swine 12, buildings 400, farm 78 acres 650,	15 23

1	Newton, George B.	2 00
	Newton, M. C. H., buildings 500, house lot $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres 150,	7 15
1	Newton, Samuel A., buildings 600, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 100,	9 70
1	Newton, William H.	2 00
1	Newton, Albert S.,	2 00
	Newton, Catherine B., land $\frac{1}{3}$ acre 150, exempt,	
1	Olmstead, Martin B., stock in trade 100, 1 cow 35, shop 250, shop lot 50,	6 79
1	Parkhurst, Nathaniel, 1 horse 25, 3 cows 100, 1 swine 8, buildings 600, farm 44 acres 500,	15 57
	Parkhurst, Moses, estate of, Carruth land 40 acres 400,	4 40
1	Parkhurst, Clifton,	2 00
1	Partridge, George W., 1 cow 38, 1 carriage 100, buildings 2000, 2 house lots 400, mowing land $10\frac{3}{4}$ a. 600,	36 52
	Partridge, John, heirs of, buildings 2000, farm $33\frac{1}{2}$ acres 1100,	34 10
1	Parker, Jotham, buildings 850, house lot $\frac{1}{3}$ acre 100,	12 45
	Peirce, Samuel, estate of, buildings 600, farm 59 a. 1500,	23 10
1	Peirce, Tyler D., 1 horse 25, 4 cows 125, buildings 800, farm 93 acres 1200,	25 65
1	Peirce, Frank W., 1 horse 135, 2 yearlings 20, 2 swine 16, 1 carriage 90,	4 81
1	Peirce, Horace, 6 horses 425, 2 oxen 150, 4 cows 150, 1 3 yrs.-old 28, 2 yearlings 25, 4 swine 24, 1 carriage 50, buildings 1000, farm 107 acres 1500,	38 84
1	Peirce, Cyrus,	2 00
1	Peirce, Frank A., 1 horse 140, 2 cows 55, $\frac{1}{2}$ house and barn 300, $\frac{1}{2}$ house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ acre 50, Penniman land 50 acres 800,	16 80
	Peirce, Eliza, $\frac{1}{2}$ house and barn 300, $\frac{1}{2}$ house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ acre 50, exempt.	
1	Pike, William F., 1 horse 35, 1 cow 25, buildings 500, farm $79\frac{1}{4}$ acres 1000, buildings, Polly Pike place 500, farm 55 acres 600, wood lot 4 acres 160,	33 01
	Pike, Susan, 2 oxen 110,	1 21
1	Pike, Henry H., buildings 850, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 100,	12 45
	Pike, Henry H., parsonage buildings 750, house lot 1 acre 150,	9 90
1	Penniman, Tyler S., 1 horse 75, 3 cows 100, 1 swine 6, buildings 600, farm $44\frac{1}{2}$ acres 1010, wood land 10 acres 150, buildings, Barr place, 300, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ acre 75,	27 49
1	Penniman, Frank H., 1 swine 5,	2 06
1	Penniman, Joseph H., 6 horses 600, 6 cows 200, 3 2-year olds 50, 4 swine 24, 2 carriages 175, buildings 1000, farm 60 acres 1100, Grosvenor land 75 acres 700,	44 34
1	Perry, Benoni E., 1 horse 125, 1 cow 37, 1 carriage 85,	4 72
1	Powers, Edward, 1 horse 120, 2 oxen 145, 14 cows 490, 1 3-year-old 35, 2 yearlings 22, 4 swine 32, buildings 1200, farm 243 acres 4600, meadow 16 acres 128,	76 50

1	Powell, Henry, 2 horses 100,	3	10
1	Rogers, William B., house 1000, house lot 100, Chickering lot 9 acres 50,	14	65
1	Rowell, George, stock in trade 200, shop 50,	4	75
1	Robinson, Thomas B., 1 horse 35, 1 cow 45, 1 swine 7, buildings 1100, farm 6 acres 500,	20	56
1	Robinson, Frank H.	2	00
	Reed, Adeline, buildings 500, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 125,	6	88
1	Stratton, Luke, house 700, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 125,	11	08
1	Stratton, Carlos E.	2	00
1	St. Francis, John, 1 horse 100, 1 cow 40,	3	54
1	Shover, Albert,	2	00
	Sherman, Warren, buildings 850, house lot $1\frac{2}{3}$ acres 250,	12	10
1	Smith, Henry R., buildings 700, house lot 1 acre 150, Pike lot 3 acres 50,	11	90
1	Smith, Levi, 3 horses 400, 2 cows 75, 2 yearlings 28, 1 carriage 25, buildings 400, farm 35 acres 500,	17	71
1	Smith, William D.,	2	00
1	Skiff, Cyrus M.,	2	00
1	Skiff, Austin E., 1 horse 85, 4 cows 130, buildings 950, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 100. Day lot 25 acres 500,	21	34
	Southwick, Rebecca, buildings 800, farm 27 acres 900,	18	70
1	Spring, Joseph,	2	00
	Snow, Mary, buildings 600, farm 11 a. 300, exempt 500,	4	40
1	Snow, John A.,	2	00
	Snow, Mary P., 2 horses 100, 1 cow 25, 1 2-year old 20, 1 yearling 12,	1	73
1	Stone, Mansur A.,	2	00
1	Slade, Henry, 1 horse 60, 3 oxen 210, 4 cows 160, 4 3-year olds, 120, 4 2-year olds 90, 1 yearling 15. buildings 1300, farm 78 acres 1500, Belcher pasture 70 acres 750,	48	26
1	Slade, John, money 500, 1 horse 60, 2 oxen 115, 4 cows 135, 1 2-year old 30, 2 swine 16, buildings 600, farm 95 acres 1500, Black hill pasture $28\frac{1}{2}$ acres 500,	40	02
	Swan, Mary, buildings 125, farm 31 acres 325,	4	95
1	Sweetser Isaac H., 1 horse 60, 1 cow 25, buildings 150, farm $25\frac{1}{2}$ acres 465,	9	71
1	Scott, Clinton B., 1 horse 30, 8 swine 60,	2	99
1	Streeter, Charles A., 2 horses 125, 2 oxen 125, 2 cows 60, 2 2 year olds 50, 2 yearlings 20, 1 swine 10, buildings 1000, farm 89 acres 1450,	33	24
1	Thrasher George C.,	2	00
1	Underwood, William, 1 horse 30,	2	33
1	Warren, William M., 2 horses 175, 2 cows 70, 2 yearlings 22, 1 swine 12, buildings 800, farm 48 a. 1100,	25	97
1	Wood, Smyrna, 1 horse 50, 1 cow 35, buildings 800, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ acre 100, farm $57\frac{3}{4}$ acres 550, Pike lot $7\frac{1}{2}$ acres 60, Parker lot 9 acres 50,	20	10

1	Wood, Edward A., 1 horse 100, carriage 35,	3 49
1	Walker, Frank G.,	2 00
1	Ware, Albert B.,	2 00
1	Ware, Daniel L., 1 horse 40, 2 oxen 135, 4 cows 150, 1 yearling 18, buildings 900, farm 65 acres 1200,	28 88
1	Williams, Anson, 1 horse 25, 4 cows 125, 1 yearling 10, 2 swine 13, buildings 800, farm 42 acres 800,	21 51
1	Whitney, Joseph,	2 00
1	Wendell, Thomas, 2 cows 70, buildings 400, farm 40 acres 400,	11 57
1	Woodis, Albert, 1 horse 40, 1 cow 38, 1 swine 6,	2 93
1	Woodis, Frank E.	2 00
1	Woodruff, William W., 1 horse 40, 2 cows 70, buildings 500, farm 26 a. 470,	13 88
1	Woodruff, Charles A.,	2 00
1	Wheelock, John, 1 horse 50, 1 carriage 50, buildings 1400, farm 21 acres 1100,	30 60
1	Ward, Henry C., house 800, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ acre 100,	11 90
	Wilson, Oliver, heirs of, land 10 a. 200,	2 20
1	Woodward, Albert E., 2 horses 135, 13 cows 360, 2 two-year old 50, 5 swine 35,	8 38
1	Whiting, Erastus W., stock in trade 300, 3 cows 110, buildings 500, farm 63 acres 700, Bellows pasture 36 acres 400, Munroe buildings 300, farm 51 acres 300,	30 71
1	Wesson, James H., money 100, 1 horse 100,	4 20
	Wesson, George E., 1 horse 75,	83

NON-RESIDENTS.

Names.	Residence.	Tax.
Arnold, Elisha,	Worcester, buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 100,	14 30
Anthony, Simeon,	Hornellsville, N. Y., sprout land 30 acres 240,	2 64
Allen, Willard,	Worcester, pasture 19 a. 150,	1 65
Allen, George P.	Worcester, wood and pasture 33 a. 300,	3 30
Bonner, Mary,	Leicester, Earle lot 4 a. 50,	55
Black, George,	Leicester, buildings 700, farm 60 acres 1700,	26 40
Bancroft, J. A.,	Worcester, sprout land 5 acres 100,	1 10
Buttrick, Samuel D.,	Worcester, mowing 10 acres 200, wood land 12 acres 200,	4 40
Bisco, Roswell,	Spencer, pasture 5 acres 50,	55
Clark, J. H.,	Worcester, swamp 48 a. 250,	2 75
Cutler, Aaron T.,	Worcester, wood and sprout land 18 a. 325,	3 58
Childs, Linus M.,	Boston, pasture 12 acres 150,	1 65
Chickering Brothers,	Rutland, mowing pasture and wood land 6 acres 120,	1 32
Drury, William H.,	Holden, house 600, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 100,	7 70
Dee, James,	Leicester, mowing and pasture 41 acres 320	3 52

Davis, David G., Worcester, sprout land 10 acres 50,	55
Elliot, Gustavus, Worcester, pasture 54 acres 500,	5 50
Flagg, Austin, Estate of, Worcester, sprout land 2 acres 30,	33
Adams, William, Worcester, 8 horses 600,	6 60
Howard, Luther G., Bellows Falls, Vt., 2 oxen 130, 20 yearlings 200, buildings 800, farm 250 acres 2800, house 150, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ acre 25, house and barn 250, Boynton and Howard land 82 acres 1050, Blair pasture 17 acres 100, Frost land 26 acres 400, sprout and meadow land 80 acres 900,	74 86
Henry, Bridget, Worcester, pasture 15 acres 150,	1 65
Hazell, Charles, Holden, mowing and pasture 40 acres 900,	9 90
Harrington & Marshall, Worcester, buildings 100, farm 46 acres 1000,	12 10
Healey, William E., Boston, farm 125 acres 2000,	22 00
Holbrook, Phineas L., Leicester, mowing and wood land 60 acres, 600,	6 60
Holbrook, P. L. and J. E., Leicester, buildings 500, farm 94 acres 1000,	16 50
Harris, John A., Rutland, buildings 950, house lot $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres 250,	13 20
Hill, E. H., heirs of, Boston, pasture 5 acres, 50,	55
Johnson, Nathaniel, Estate of, Worcester, mowing and wood land 7 acres 150,	1 65
Keyes, I. N., Worcester, 4 horses 300, 2 oxen 160, 24 cows 930, 1 3-year-old 100, 4 2-year-olds 100, 13 yearlings 200, 13 swine 126, buildings 1000, farm 250 a. 3000,	65 08
Kane, Patrick, Leicester, pasture 56 acres 450,	49 5
Lamb, John, Spencer, meadow 3 acres 50,	55
Leicester, Town of, pasture and wood land 64 acres 900,	9 90
Muzzy, E. A., Worcester, mowing land 13 acres 300,	3 30
McNamara, Patrick, Leicester, swamp land $5\frac{3}{4}$ acres 50,	55
Mulcahy, Thomas, Leicester, pasture and wood land 23 acres 230,	2 53
Newell, Ann Maria, Shrewsbury, buildings 700, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ acre 100,	8 80
Osland, Horace F., Geneva, Kansas, Osland lot 15 acres 100,	1 10
Pryor, Patrick, Leicester, barn and $\frac{1}{2}$ rope walk 300, mowing 12 acres, 200,	5 50
Pryor, James, Leicester, buildings 600, farm 54 acres 550, buildings, Pike place 1200, farm 102 acres 1150,	38 50
Southwick, Elizabeth, Leicester, mowing 21 acres 210,	2 31
Southwick, Thomas, Leicester, house 200, farm 10 acres 200,	4 40
Sprague & Lamb, Leicester, sprout land 12 acres 120	1 32
Sullivan, Dennis, Leicester, mowing 5 acres 60,	66
Sargent, John N., Rutland, pasture 3 acres 60,	66
Stone, Uriah, Worcester, wood-land 20 acres 1000,	11 00
Thayer, E. D. & Olney, G. W., Leicester, flowage land 100 acres 2000,	22 00

Thayer, E. D. & Smith, James A., Leicester, flowage land 58 acres 1160,	12 76
Trainor, Sarah, Leicester, buildings 450, farm 11½ acres 250, exempt 500,	2 20
Warner, Mrs., Rutland, 1 horse 40,	44
Woodbury, Calvin P., Spencer, mowing and pasture 19 acres 450,	4 95
Walker, Benjamin, Worcester, house 250, farm 76 acres 450, sprout land 50 acres 450, Arnold pasture 20 acres 250,	15 40
Watson, Aaron, Spencer, pasture 36 acres 300,	3 30
Watts, Henry B., Leicester, tillage land 2 acres 50,	55

SUMMARY.

Taluation of real estate,	\$239,890 00	
Valuation of personal estate,	42,669 00	
Total,		\$282,559 00
Tax on real estate,	\$2,608 35	
Tax on personal estate,	469 72	
Tax on polls,	368 00	
Total,		\$3,446 07
Town grants,	\$2,910 00	
State tax,	180 00	
County tax,	327 39	
Overlay,	28 68	
Total,		\$3,446 07

Number of polls, 184.
 Rate per cent., \$11 on \$1000.
 Number of dwelling houses, 140.
 " horses, 148.
 " cows, 285.
 " sheep, 23.
 " acres of land taxed, 8,460.

CHAS. A. STREETER, } Assessors
 CHAS. P. HOWARD, } of
 JOHN SLADE, } Paxton.

LIBRARY REPORT.

In presenting the Second Annual Report of the Trustees of the Free Public Library, it is not needful to comment on either the intrinsic value of good books, or the help such an institution affords all classes, especially the young, in gaining useful knowledge on nearly every topic which relates to their general welfare. Indeed, we judge many people here have had a lively sense of the importance of a supply of reading matter for many years, since we find that, as far back as in 1825-6 there was a society known as the "Young Ladies Reading and Charitable Society"—having quite a number of books in their possession, though the exact number we do not know, yet in one, still extant, we observed the library number was 196, though we surmise this to be among the highest. This library had an existence as late as 1836, as attested by the writing on one of the fly leaves of its books—preserved as a relic in the present library—stating its donation in the above year by the following ladies, namely: Mrs. Crocker, Mrs. Lakin and Mrs. Davis. It is quite probable that the society existed as late as 1840, if not longer, though we have not been able to fully ascertain. The books were ultimately divided among the members, and the society as such disappeared.

At a subsequent date there was a fresh effort by private parties (and this time by gentlemen) to start another semi-public library, resulting in the formation of the "Paxton Town Library." This organization possessed a less number of volumes than the previous society, yet the quality was good, as shown by their catalogue, now in our possession. This catalogue is simply a narrow strip of board on which was pasted the names of the books and likely was ample for all demands. It certainly is an interesting relic of that library.

After some years the interest gradually slackened, and for the reason, it is stated, that the books had been generally read and no fresh ones added. In time there came a division as in the previous instance, and thus disappeared the second literary association.

In addition there were the School libraries, established by law in the various school districts; these for a time flourished and performed a valuable work among the young. The books belonging to these school libraries have for the most part disappeared, except those in the South-West district, which have been transferred to the present library. So much for a brief review of Paxton libraries, which seemed entirely appropriate material for this report.

These various efforts failed of permanency for sundry reasons. In the district system there were too many, especially as each was but a duplicate of every other, consisting on the average of perhaps fifty volumes. The law abolishing the district system worked the destruction of these libraries, or at least the interest in them.

The two Society libraries accomplished doubtless all that was intended by them, namely: of furnishing a variety of reading to a few individuals beyond what any one of them felt able to personally afford.

The present library, established under the liberal and wise laws of the State, and possessing the undivided interest of the whole town, having no head tax for its maintainance, and large enough to supply, for the most part, the reading wants of nearly every age and class, and having reasonable assurance of fresh books yearly, seems to possess in itself the quality of a perpetual existence. At all events, out of the ashes, so to speak, of all the previous libraries named, has sprung this present one, which in the second year of its existence has grown so much in public favor as to have doubled on the highest number contained in the first edition of its catalogue.

This rapid increase has filled up the library much sooner than was originally anticipated. There is now absolutely no room for another volume after those already received shall have been assigned shelf room.

At our last meeting it was unanimously voted to petition for an enlargement of the room. The enlargement desired is the surplus space in the western end of the hall-way—this would give shelf room sufficient for about one thousand additional volumes, and in the ordinary course of things would suffice for some time to come. It certainly is of very little utility at present, and is only available for the library. It ought to have been originally included.

The report of the treasurer, last year, not exhibiting the total amount of the "library fines" for that year, we, with his consent and likewise full knowledge of the librarian, added to said report the full amount of fines in hands of the librarian—at same time requesting him to pay them over to the treasurer—thereby making the financial statement complete for the year, and as thus amended *increased* the balance due the town. Our "By-laws" give the chairman "general oversight of all matters," etc. All this by way of light on some differences arising last year.

The total number of volumes catalogued to date is 812, while the total number in the library is about 1,150, not enumerating any of the duplicates.

The whole number of books issued the current year has been nearly 3,150, which would give a little over twenty volumes on the average to each family in town, though of course, some have drawn less, while one family has had as many as 105 during the year. The major portion of all books taken belong to what is called light literature, and yet a fair per centage of solid reading has been done, as the records shows. Two volumes of a somewhat objectionable character,

Nos. 131 and 712, have been withdrawn from circulation the past year, having escaped thorough examination after purchase. We have endeavored to be careful and cancel all books which from any cause seemed not adapted to such a library as ours.—No. 229, an imperfect book, *i. e.*, possessing duplicate chapters, has also been withdrawn.

At the annual inspection, all of the books were accounted for, except Nos. 702 and 703, and were generally found in good condition; of course, there were some needing rebinding, and will require to be laid aside till this is done before they can again go into general circulation.

We would bespeak the usual appropriation of the "Dog fund," and in view of the Flint donation, could forego the purchase of books this year. The enlargement of the room, the issuing of a new catalogue, payment of the librarian's salary, and other items would absorb the grant.

Nothing remains but to speak of the donations, which, in the case of that of the late Mrs. E. H. Flint, of Leicester, was very large and very valuable. We received nearly 240 volumes, besides various pamphlets from her estate. The town of Leicester holds many friends of our young library; indeed, we were much indebted to the Rev. Samuel May of that town, both for his donations and his kindly interest in us, and subsequently to Col. J. E. Russell for his very liberal donation of last year.

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Rev. E. G. Howe, Mrs. J. G. Allen, Leicester Public Library, C. A. Denny, Esq., Chas. H. Davis, Esq., The Commonwealth, Hon. W. W. Rice, Dr. A. J. Howe, Ledyard Bill, Mr. W. W. Cook, Mrs. E. H. Flint, Mrs. C. H. Pierce, Rev. Albert Tyler, and Mr. E. H. Snow.

Respectfully submitted,

LEDYARD BILL, *Chairman.*

PAXTON, Mass., Feb. 21st, 1879.