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Town Officers for 1885.

CLERK.

WILLIAM H. CLARK.

SELECTMEN.

LEDYARD BILL,

THOMAS B. ROBINSON,
J. BARNES BROWN.

ASSESSORS.

DWIGHT ESTABROOK,

CHARLES F. FLINT,
CHARLES A. STREETER.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

GEORGE W. DODD,* WILLIAM COMINS,* A. E. SKIFF.
WILLIAM BROWN,† H. H. PIKE.†

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

WILLIAM H. CLARK.

CONSTABLES.

GEORGE W. DODD,† HENRY H. PIKE, H. P. BEMIS.‡

SEXTON.

WILLIAM BROWN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ELIAS W. DAVIS, MRS. SOPHIA E. BILL. A. E. BIGELOW,

BOARD OF HEALTH.

THE SELECTMEN.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

GEORGE A. BROWN, A. E. BIGELOW,
CHARLES DODD.

*Deceased—†At a special Town Meeting held in December, 1885, William Brown and H. H. Pike were chosen to fill the vacancies.

‡Deceased—‡H. P. Bemis appointed to the vacancy.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,
DWIGHT ESTABROOK,

FENCE VIEWERS.

O. GOODNOW,

F. T. MERRIAM,

D. L. WARE.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES.

WILLIAM BROWN,

H. H. PIKE,

DWIGHT ESTABROOK,

LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

C. F. FLINT,

E. P. KEEP.

JOHN E. DODGE,

E. W. DAVIS,

H. H. PIKE,

GEO. A. BROWN.

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

WILLIAM LUMBARD, J. B. BROWN, C. F. FLINT, N. T. FRINK,

EDWARD H. BRYANT, T. B. ROBINSON, C. A. STREETER,

WILLIAM H. HARRINGTON, HENRY SLADE.

FIELD DRIVERS.

FRANK W. PIERCE,

F. T. MERRIAM.

POUND KEEPER.

JAMES C. ALLEN.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

W. H. CLARK, G. F. CHENEY, G. A. BROWN, W. H. HARRINGTON,

A. W. DWYER, WILLIAM COMINS.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

WILLIAM COMINS,

W. H. CLARK,

W. H. HARRINGTON,

A. S. GRATON.

WEIGHER.

JAMES C. ALLEN.

AUCTIONEERS.

DWIGHT ESTABROOK,

O. D. COOPER.

Selectmen's Report.

To the Citizens of Paxton :

We submit herewith the following account of the expenditures of the town for the year past, viz., from the 14th Feb., 1885, to the 15th Feb., 1886.

HIGHWAYS.

The town at its last annual meeting granted for the repairs of highways, etc., \$700, which amount was apportioned as follows :

Granted by the town,		\$700 00
Name of Surveyors.	Apportioned.	Paid.
William Lumbard,	\$260 00	\$275 51
J. Barnes Brown,	40 00	43 81
Charles F. Flint,	40 00	36 33
Nelson T. Frink,	90 00	91 11
Edward H. Bryant,	40 00	40 80
Thomas B. Robinson,	40 00	48 99
Charles A. Streeter,	20 00	30 17
William H. Harrington,	40 00	41 36
Henry Slade,	40 00	31 04
Selectmen,		38 42
		<hr/> \$677 54

SUPPORT OF TOWN'S POOR.

The town granted,	\$600 00
Paid by town orders,	\$606 00

For Items, see Overseers' report.

SCHOOL EXPENDITURES.

Town granted,	\$1100 00
Paid Horace Daniels for wood,	\$6 78
Printing school reports for 1884-5,	15 00
Mrs. S. E. Bill for committee services, 1884,	25 00
E. W. Davis for committee services, "	35 00
A. E. Bigelow for committee services, "	35 00
L. I. Littlewood for cleaning school rooms,	1 44
Ellis W. Davis, expenses to Boston, freight and cartage,	14 99
T. B. Robinson, labor on school building,	2 22
Putnam, Davis & Co., for school supplies,	7 44
Putnam, Davis & Co., for school supplies,	4 03
Sanford & Co., for school books,	10 53
Carrol W. Clark, for school desks,	122 61
Elias W. Davis, for school supplies,	8 55
Miss J. E. McDonald, for teaching,	40 00
Miss Vena B. Williams, for teaching,	20 00
Miss A. C. Scammell, for teaching,	28 00
Miss Eva G. Kirby, for teaching,	24 00
William Brown, for school outhouses,	78 36
H. C. Eames, labor, moving outhouses,	1 84
Miss J. E. McDonald, for teaching,	40 00
Miss E. G. Kirby, for teaching,	24 00
Miss Vena B. Williams, for teaching,	30 00
H. H. Pike, for labor, painting,	8 46
Miss Vena B. Williams, for care of school room,	2 50
Elias W. Davis, for school supplies,	33 26
Elias W. Davis, for school supplies,	5 54
Miss M. E. Hayward, for teaching,	96 00
Miss J. E. McDonald, for teaching,	40 00
Miss A. C. Scammell, for teaching,	56 00
Miss A. C. Scammell, for care of school room,	3 00
W. I. Preston, expressage, etc.,	1 65
E. H. Bryant, for Wood,	11 00
George B. Fiske, care of room,	3 60
Eva G. Kirby, care of room,	3 00
Eva G. Kirby, for teaching,	24 00
Frank Snow, for transportation,	6 00
Herbert S. Robinson, care of room,	3 60

Foster T. Merriam, transportation of children,	12 00
Daniel Lakin, for wood,	10 00
Miss Eva G. Kirby, for teaching,	24 00
Miss Susie E. Wakeford, for teaching,	32 00
Miss Emma L. Prout, for teaching,	40 00
E. S. Burnette, difference in clocks,	2 00
E. W. Davis, for school supplies,	12 39
Miss E. L. Prout, for teaching,	40 00
Miss S. E. Wakeford, for teaching,	32 00
Miss E. G. Kirby, for teaching,	24 00
Miss A. C. Scammell, for teaching,	56 00
Wm. H. Harrington, for transportation of children,	30 00
Miss S. E. Wakeford, for teaching,	32 00
Miss E. L. Prout, for teaching,	40 00
Miss A. C. Scammell, for teaching,	28 00
Miss A. C. Scammell, for care of room,	3 00
F. T. Merriam, for transportation of children,	12 00
George B. Fiske, care of room,	3 60
Miss E. G. Kirby, for teaching,	24 00
Miss E. G. Kirby, care of room,	3 00
H. L. Robinson, care of room,	4 20
Miss J. E. McDonald, for teaching,	44 00
F. H. Robinson, cutting wood,	1 00
E. H. Bryant, for wood,	3 75
Putnam, Davis & Co., for sundries,	16 67
Sanford & Co., for school books,	4 85
A. E. Bigelow, for labor and sundries,	7 39
Miss J. E. McDonald, for teaching,	44 00
Miss J. E. McDonald, for teaching,	22 00
E. W. Davis, committee services for 1885,	35 00
A. E. Bigelow, committee services for 1885,	35 00
Mrs. S. E. Bill, committee services for 1885,	25 00
N. Clark & Co., for school supplies for 1884,	30 37
N. Clark & Co., for school supplies for 1885,	6 57
H. S. Robinson, for care of room,	4 00
	<hr/> \$1621 29

BREAKING OUT ROADS.

Paid.		Paid.	
Jason A. Woodruff,	\$1 36	Wm. Lombard,	19 35
George Upham,	6 46	H. H. Pike,	13 57
Charles S. Butler,	4 59	Wm. H. Harrington,	14 60
George Upham,	1 19	Charles Dodd,	85
John Leonard,	1 02	C. D. Cowden,	3 23
F. Leonard,	85	S. G. Harrington,	2 46
F. T. Merriam,	17 81	S. G. Harrington,	2 55
N. L. Parkhurst,	3 83	E. P. Hosmer,	3 40
E. P. Hosmer,	3 23	E. P. Hosmer,	1 15
F. Snow,	7 14	E. W. Davis,	2 04
J. O. Howe,	1 54	C. A. Streeter,	8 33
Sumner Howe,	6 48	E. H. Bryant,	18 45
Charles S. Butler,	1 36	T. B. Robinson,	13 26
George Upham,	1 70	F. H. Robinson,	5 02
N. T. Frink,	2 80	P. Murphy,	17 16
D. L. Ware,	15 45	J. O. Keep,	2 55
John A. Brown,	4 16	W. M. Warren,	3 99
J. B. Brown,	7 66	G. B. Newton,	2 80
C. S. Butler,	1 62	Jacob Karlie,	2 96
George Upham,	1 62	Frank Keep,	6 11
C. L. Crouch,	10 00	C. F. Flint,	10 54
H. C. Eames,	6 77	F. T. Merriam,	1 45
J. H. Penniman,	28 85	J. B. Smith,	3 92
George D. Bisbee,	2 55	O. D. Cooper,	3 28
Eugene Pike,	2 72	E. P. Hosmer,	5 87
Anson Williams,	3 90	E. H. Bryant,	85
J. A. Woodruff,	1 87	Wm. Brown,	1 18
C. L. Crouch,	5 35	Horace Peirce,	5 10
William Lombard,	11 66	Wm. Comins,	8 78
J. A. Brown,	5 27	H. L. Fiske, Jr.,	4 45
Thomas Manning,	93	H. H. Pike,	3 25
John Foley,	93	David Gotha,	1 70
F. S. Howe,	5 00	Wm. H. Harrington,	16 45

 \$392 19

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

The Town granted the sum of	\$500 00
Paid M. B. Olmstead, copying and posting warrants,	\$3 00
Wm. H. Clark, services as Treasurer,	15 00

Wm. H. Clark, recording vital statistics,	9 85
Wm. H. Clark, sundry expressage, postage, etc.,	6 56
Clark & Dodd, for 20 poles, delivered,	15 00
Jotham Parker, for 18 poles, delivered,	13 50
H. Daniels, for gravel, by order C. Dodd, surveyor,	5 32
G. Upham, righting guide board,	34
Daniel Seagrave, printing town reports for 1884-5,	47 00
D. C. Stratton, ringing bell to April 1, 1885,	7 50
W. I. Preston, expressage, etc.,	1 50
D. L. Ware, paid Barclay on highways in 1884,	1 00
Worcester Mutual Insurance Co., for 5 years insurance on town farm buildings,	24 50
Merchants & Farmers' Insurance Co., for 5 years' insurance on Town Hall,	20 15
J. H. Penniman, for 19 poles, delivered,	14 25
Wm. Lumbard, services as assessor for 1884-5,	16 42
E. P. Hosmer, services as watchman,	1 75
Wm. Brown, returning vital statistics,	2 00
J. D. Baldwin & Co., advertising woodland fires,	2 00
J. S. Smith, for 1 doz. fire hand grenades,	10 00
W. H. Clark, for collector's book,	1 50
J. B. Brown, services as special constable,	1 50
G. F. Cheney, cutting grass on Common,	1 25
J. W. Kenyon, fixing pipe at watering trough,	50
John D. Olmstead, for two guide boards,	75
O. D. Cooper, painting guide boards,	1 00
D. Estabrook, care of weights and measures,	3 00
H. F. Leland, for two constables' badges,	2 25
Worcester Mutual Ins. Co., insurance on Center school house,	9 60
John Hopkins, for legal services in Brough case,	10 00

M. B. Olmstead, repairing liberty pole, raising flag, etc., etc.,	9 72
Worcester Mutual Ins. Co., insurance on N. E. school house,	4 20
D. C. Stratton, for ringing bell to Oct. 1, 1885,	15 00
H. P. Bemis, services as collector to June 1, 1885,	26 67
Charles A. Streeter, services as assessor for 1885,	15 00
J. B. Brown, repairing watering trough pipe, etc.,	2 50
H. H. Pike, one pair handcuffs,	4 00
Wm. Comins' estate, for lumber and timber for highways,	22 94
Charles F. Flint, services as assessor for 1884,	15 00
D. C. Stratton, for ringing bell to Jan. 1, 1886,	7 50
N. Clark & Co., stationery, postage, etc., for selectmen,	2 75
J. B. Brown, perambulating the Worces- ter line,	1 00
T. B. Robinson, perambulating the Leices- ter line,	1 00
L. Bill, perambulating the Worcester and Leicester lines,	2 00
J. Barnes Brown, services as selectman past year,	15 00
Thomas B. Robinson, services as select- man past year,	15 00
Ledyard Bill,, services as selectman past year,	20 00
	----- \$427 27

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Town granted the Dog Fund, amounting to	\$44 43
“ “ cash,	25 00
	----- \$69 43

CONTRA.

Paid by town orders to E. P. Keep, treasurer,	\$44 43
“ “ “ “	25 00
	----- \$69 43

MEMORIAL DAY.

Town granted the sum of	\$25 00
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CONTRA.

Paid by town order to A. E. Skiff, treasurer of Soldier's Association,	\$25 00
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STATE AND MILITARY AID.

Town granted the sum of	\$100 00
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CONTRA.

Paid Leander T. Kirby,	\$54 00
John A. Cummings,	40 50
Lorenzo B. Green,	32 00
Mary Everett,	36 00
David Gotha,	24 00
William Gibson,	65 00
J. Foster Graton,	54 00
J. D. Whitney,	26 00
Charles S. Butler,	20 00
	<hr/> \$351 50

Due from State to offset this amount paid to disabled soldiers as above,	269 00
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Total net cost to town past year,	<hr/> \$82 50
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

By poll and other taxes abated, viz. :—

Daniel Butler, tax abated 1883,	\$2 00
Hiram L. Fiske, " " "	2 00
Albert Shover, " " "	2 00
Edward A. Wood, " " "	2 00
Thomas Ahearn, " 1884,	2 00
Joseph Brough, " "	1 00
Edmund Gibree, " "	1 58
Horace L. Fisk, " "	2 00
Lorenzo B. Green, " "	2 00
Fred. S. Healey, " "	2 00
Michael Kelley, " "	4 01
Albert Shover, " "	2 98
Edward A. Wood, " "	1 00
Joseph Whitney, " "	2 29
Charles S. Butler, " "	2 29
	<hr/> \$31 15

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES.

For the support of highways,	\$677 54
" " public schools,	1621 29
" " Town's poor,	606 00
Breaking out roads,	392 19
Contingent charges,	427 27
Public Library,	69 43
Memorial Day,	25 00
State and military aid,	351 50
Taxes abated,	31 15
	<u>\$4201 37</u>

Statement of the Town's Financial Condition,

ON FEB. 14, 1886.

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

To cash due for ringing bell to Eeb. 14,	\$3 75
Liabilities of Overseers of Poor,	147 27
Due Town Treasurer,	32 11
Outstanding Town orders,	6 00
Note held by estate of Wm. Comins,	250 00
Note held by H. P. Bemis,	400 00
Snow bills, estimated,	86 00
Salaries unpaid,	85 00
Interest accrued,	18 00
	<u>\$1028 13</u>

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

By balance of uncollected taxes in hands of		
Collector Bemis,	\$29 84	
Cash in hands of Collector Bemis,	5 32	
Balance of uncollected taxes in hands of		
Collector Clark,	504 27	
Due from State for State and military		
aid,	269 00	
Inventory of school books at N. C. &		
Co.'s,	15 00	
Cemetery Committee, balance on hand,	53 00	
Library Trustses,	20 44	
		896 87
Difference between liabilities and re-		
sources,		\$131 26

The year closed by this report shows a small balance against the town, but it should be remembered that the year has been burthened, in addition to the ordinary outlays, with several items of extra expense, partly in the way of permanent improvement and partly outgoes that do not recur oftener than once in about five years. Among the last named items is that of insurance on the town farm buildings, Town Hall, and several of the school houses; while among the items of permanent improvement may be mentioned the railings for the highways and the school outbuildings (3), and school desks purchased. While all these items were deemed necessary by the various officials, they cannot require duplication for a dozen or even twenty years to come. Then the Four-acre note, dropped (and wisely, too, we think), from the "Poor" account this year, and the discount on taxes, not provided for by any grant; these all make up a total of over four hundred dollars, but for which the balance would have been well up on the right side. However, the coming year, with moderate and suitable appropriations, the small deficiency will be easily met.

In conclusion, we have to report that the guide boards are all in good condition at the present time, and are located as follows: One near the Old Hotel, one near the house of C. F. Flint, one near the house of D. L. Ware, one near the house of T. Wendell, one near the house of F. T. Merriam, one near the S. W. school house, one on the N. E. school house, one near barn of Peter Daw, one near the house of H. L. Fiske, Jr., one on barn of T. S. Penniman, and one at the junction of the Leicester and Worcester highways.

Respectfully submitted,

LEDYARD BILL,	} Selectmen of Paxton,
T. B. ROBINSON,	
J. B. BROWN,	

Paxton, Feb. 15th, 1886.

LIST OF JURORS.

List of persons selected by the Selectmen to serve as Jurors the ensuing year, the same being subject to the acceptance or rejection by the town at its annual meeting, March 1, 1886.

J. Barnes Brown,	Dwight Estabrook,	Frank W. Peirce,
Thos. B. Robinson,	Chas. F. Flint,	Edward H. Bryant,
Frank A. Peirce,	George A. Brown,	Z. S. M. Howe.

BY ORDER OF THE SELECTMEN.

Paxton, Feb. 16, 1886.

Collector's Report.

H. B. BEMIS, Collector for the year 1884,

In Account with the Town of Paxton, DR.

To amount of cash on hand Feb. 14, 1885,	\$27 21	
uncollected taxes for 1884,	796 56	
interest collected on same,	2 54	
	<hr/>	\$826 31

CR.

By cash paid Town Treasurer,	\$760 00	
Daniel Butler, tax abated 1883,	2 00	
Horace L. Fisk, " " "	2 00	
Albert Shover, " " "	2 00	
Edward A. Wood, " " "	2 00	
Thomas Ahearn, " " 1884,	2 00	
Joseph Brough, " " "	1 00	
Edmund Gibree, " " "	1 58	
Horace L. Fisk, " " "	2 00	
Lorenzo Greene, " " "	2 00	
Fred E. Healy, " " "	2 00	
Michael Kelley, " " "	4 00	
Albert Shover, " " "	2 98	
Edward A. Wood, " " "	1 00	
Joseph Whitney, " " "	2 29	
Charles S. Bntler, " " "	2 29	
amount of uncollected taxes for 1884,	29 84	
" cash on hand,	5 32	
	<hr/>	\$826 31

H. P. BEMIS, Collector.

Paxton, Feb. 13, 1886.

This is to certify that we have this day examined the books and papers of H. P. Bemis, Collector of the town of Paxton, for the year 1884, and find the foregoing statement correct.

GEORGE A. BROWN, }
ARTEMAS E. BIGELOW, } Auditors.
CHARLES DODD, }

Paxton, Feb. 13th, 1886.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

WM. H. CLARK, Collector for the year 1885.

In account with the town of Paxton, DR.

To Tax List committed for 1885,	\$3531 91	
amount of interest collected on same,	2 43	
		\$3534 34

CR.

By cash paid Town Treasurer,	\$1942 59	
amount of discounts,	87 48	
" uncollected taxes,	504 27	
		\$3534 34

WM. H. CLARK, Collector.

Paxton, Feb. 13th, 1886.

This is to certify that we have this day examined the books and papers of Wm. H. Clark, Collector of the town of Paxton, and find the foregoing statement correct.

GEORGE A. BROWN, }
ARTEMAS E. BIGELOW, } Auditors.
CHARLES DODD, }

Paxton, Feb. 13th, 1886.

Treasurer's Report.

WM. H. CLARK, Treasurer for the year 1885.

In Account with the town of Paxton, DR.

1885.

Mar. 2,	To cash rec'd of State Treas., in in pauper case,	\$2 00
Mar. 5,	“ “ William Comins, on note,	500 00
Apr. 1,	“ “ Wm. H. Clark, on note,	250 00
Apr. 28,	“ “ Charles Dodd, for old rails,	85
Apr. 30,	“ “ William Comins, on note,	250 00
May 2,	“ “ Town of Holden, for tuition,	12 00
May 29,	“ “ Ledyard Bill, on note,	200 00
June, 6,	“ “ William Comins, on note,	300 00
July, 8,	“ “ Learned, Newton & Co., on note,	100 00
July, 28,	“ “ Learned, Newton & Co., on note,	100 00
Sept, 8,	“ “ H. P. Bemis, on note,	400 00
Oct. 25,	“ “ John Holmes, for six poles,	60
Dec. 5,	“ “ State Treas. Corpor- ation tax,	22 37
	“ Treas. Nat. Bank tax,	20 77
	“ Treas. State Aid, Chap. 301,	126 50
	“ Treas. State Aid, Chap. 252,	65 00

1886.			
Jan. 1,	"	County Treas. Dog fund,	66 26
Jan. 17,	"	Town of Holden for tuition,	6 00
Jan. 26,	"	State Treas. School fund,	305 24
Feb. 13,	"	H. P. Bemis, Collector for 1884,	760 00
	"	amount received of Collector,	2942 59
		Balance due the Treasurer,	32 11
			<hr/> \$6462 29

1885.		CR.	
Mar. 5,	By cash paid Wm. H. Clark, bal. last settlement,	278 86	
Sept. 8,	" " Ledyard Bill, note,	200 00	
	" " Interest on same,	2 78	
Sept. 9,	" " Learned, Newton & Co. on two notes,	200 00	
	" " Interest on same,	1 48	
Nov. 3,	" " Wm. Comins, note,	500 00	
	" " Interest on same,	16 53	
Nov. 3,	" " Wm. H. Clark's, note,	250 00	
	" " Interest on same,	7 28	
Nov. 20,	" " County Tax,	219 00	
Dec. 10,	" " State Tax,	240 00	

1886.			
Feb. 3,	"	Wm. Comins' note,	300 00
	"	Interest on same.	9 88
Feb. 13,	"	On 338 town orders,	4296 48
			<hr/> \$6462 29

WILLIAM H. CLARK, Treasurer.

Paxton, Feb. 13th, 1886.

This is to certify that we have this day examined the books and papers of Wm. H. Clark, Treasurer of the town of Paxton, and find them correctly kept, and properly vouched.

GEORGE A. BROWN,
ARTEMAS E. BIGELOW, } Auditors.
CHARLES DODD,

Paxton, Feb. 13th, 1886.

Report of the Town Clerk.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN PAXTON IN 1885.

Mar. 14.—Alexina Caron, daughter of Hubert and Malvina P. Caron.

Mar. 28.—Elizabeth Josephine Gleason, daughter of Thomas and Mary A. Gleason.

May 19.—George Frederick Barclay, son of Benjamin F. and Mary A. Barclay.

June 17.—Cora May Buemond, daughter of Henry A. and Lillie L. Buemond,

Nov. 12.—Minnie Ethel Burnette, daughter of Edgar H. and Minnie B. Burnette.

Dec. 20.—Edward Francis Crouch, son of Cutler L. and Katie Crouch.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN PAXTON IN 1885.

May 13.—Albert M. Robinson and Mary I. Brown.

June 1.—Edward P. Keep and Alice E. Cowden.

DEATHS RECORDED IN PAXTON IN 1885.

- Mar. 15.—Lewis Bigelow, 76 years 6 months 15 days.
Mar. 23.—Amelia H. Harrington, 82 years 11 months 4 days.
April 24.—Nellie F. Littlewood, 5 months 7 days.
April 28.—Benjamin N. Bullock, 68 years.
June 30.—Louisa Jane Howe, 29 years.
July 8.—George W. Dodd, 65 years 3 months 18 days.
Aug. 23.—Daisy Brown Kendall, 4 months 22 days.
Aug. 31.—Arthur Clark, 2 years 8 months 18 days.
Sept. 12.—Frank E. Worthington, 2 months 18 days.
Sept. 27.—John A. O. Cummings, 60 years 3 months 15 days.
Oct. 8.—John P. Metcalf, 94 years 5 months 17 days.
Nov. 14.—Minnie B. Burnette, 23 years 2 months 16 days.
Nov. 16.—Rebecca Bigelow, 88 years.
Nov. 25.—William Comins, 68 years 9 months 8 days.
Nov. 26.—Alice Ballinger, 1 year 24 days.

WM. H. CLARK, Town Clerk.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

INVENTORY AND APPRAISAL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE TOWN, AT THE TOWN FARM, AS MADE FEBRUARY 13TH, 1886.

Farm, 100 acres,	\$2100 00	
Pasture lot, 40 acres,	600 00	
	<hr/>	\$2700 00
Farming tools,	\$92 00	
Wagon, sleigh, carts, sled, robes and blankets,	125 00	
Household furniture,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$417 00

STOCK.

1 horse,	\$75 00	
5 cows,	180 00	
2 shoats,	18 00	
25 fowls,	18 75	
	<hr/>	\$291 75

HAY AND GRAIN.

5 tons English hay,	\$85 00	
Meadow hay,	2 00	
Straw,	10 00	
20 bushels barley,	15 00	
2 bushels rye,	1 50	
Grain and meal,	4 35	
	<hr/>	\$117 85

PROVISIONS.

70 bushels potatoes,	\$43 50	
Pickles,	1 50	
Carrots,	75	

Turnips,	2 50	
Cabbages,	3 00	
Apples,	75	
Beets,	40	
Vinegar,	60	
Pork,	10 00	
Hams,	5 32	
Beef,	3 00	
Lard,	1 50	
Cider,	3 00	
Butter,	3 50	
Soap,	2 18	
Salt,	30	
Flour,	6 00	
Tea,	1 00	
Spices,	1 00	
Beans,	3 75	
	<hr/>	\$93 55
1 ton coal,	6 50	
1 gun,	5 00	
Tobacco,	20	
	<hr/>	\$11 70
Total invoice,		\$3631 85

EXPENSE ACCOUNT OF THE FARM FOR THE PAST YEAR.

Coal,	15 50
1 horse rake,	8 00
Feed cutter and trough,	6 18
2 cows,	55 00
Funeral expenses of Rebecca Bigelow,	10 00
Repairs on buildings,	41 39
Medicine,	3 83
Groceries,	169 00
Fish,	5 77
Blacksmithing,	15 04
Meat,	59 02
Grain,	99 60
Labor,	11 00
Clothing,	16 59
Hay bought,	15 75

Fertilizers,	30 00
Miscellaneous,	56 98
Warden's salary,	287 50
Interest on last year's invoices,	157 45
Decrease of invoice,	304 50
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Total expense of farm,	\$1368 10

INCOME OF FARM.

Sold 2 cows,	\$58 00
3 calves,	30 30
Fowls,	24 07
Hay,	35 42
Straw,	10 28
Strawberries,	1 50
Plaster,	50
Butter,	43 45
Potatoes,	41 35
Pork,	20 94
Cranberries,	40
Eggs,	23 35
Labor,	6 00
Labor, carting wood,	35 60
Keeping cows,	1 50
Use of pasture,	30 00
Use of wagon,	50
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Total income of farm,	\$363 16
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Net expense of farm,	\$1004 94

PERSONS SUPPORTED AT ALMSHOUSE.

The following named persons have been supported at the almshouse the past year :

Names.	Ages.	Weeks.
*John P. Metcalf,	94	33
Jason Bigelow,	81	52
Buckley Abbott,		38
O. P. Nystrom,		1
†Rebecca Bigelow,	88	38
Harriet Allen,	63	52
Mary Pierce,	84	52
Mary Goodnow,	44	52
Mrs. James Fouracre,		6
Traveling poor,		1

Whole number weeks' board,	325
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Cost per week,	\$3.09
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* Died Oct. 8th, 1885.

† Died Nov. 16th, 1885.

SUPPORT OF POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

For counsel and traveling expenses :

Expenses in case of Mrs. James Fouracre and children,	\$72 31
Funeral expenses and aid given the Lit- tlewood family,	4 11
Paid for counsel,	3 00
Traveling expenses in Brown case,	3 00

Total,	\$82 42
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OVERSEERS' ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
FEBRUARY 15TH, 1886.

Dr.

To cash received on town orders,	\$6 00
“ of former Board of Overseers,	5 81
“ of Warden,	27 12
“ for straw sold,	1 68
“ of Anson Williams,	15 44
“ of F. A. Peirce,	38 00
“ on town order,	600 00

Total amount received,	<u>\$694 05</u>
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By Cash paid for counsel,	\$3 00
“ traveling expenses in Brown case,	3 00
“ Warden,	287 50
“ for pasturing,	1 50
“ haycutter and feed trough,	6 18
“ lumber and carting,	20 08
“ for expenses in case of Mrs. Jas. Fouracre,	72 31
“ for meat,	7 89
“ N. Clark & Co., for groceries,	86 62
“ for labor,	11 00
“ for 2 cows,	55 00
“ for blacksmithing,	9 48
“ for funeral expenses of Rebecca Bigelow,	10 00
“ for stationery,	35
“ for tin roofing,	40
“ use of team,	50
“ Funeral expenses of Littlewood child,	2 15
“ for weighing hay,	40
“ for clothing,	2 00
“ for grain and flour of William Comins,	114 19

Total amount paid out,	<u>\$693 55</u>
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Balance in hands of Overseers,	<u>\$ 50</u>
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LIABILITIES.

Due the Warden, April 1st, 1886,	\$62 50	
N. Clark & Co., on store bill,	113 33	
M. B. Olmstead, for blacksmithing,	4 18	
for hay bought,	15 75	
N. Clark & Co., for goods furnished family of George S. Littlewood,	4 09	
For Overseers' services—		
Wm. Brown,	5 00	
A. E. Skiff,	10 00	
H. H. Pike,	5 00	
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Total liabilities,		\$219 85

RESOURCES.

Cash in hands of Warden,	\$15 84	
“ “ Overseers,	50	
Due for use of the pasture,	30 00	
“ hay sold E. M. Bond,	20 00	
“ from State for care of Littlewood family,	6 24	
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Total resources,		\$72 58
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Difference between liabilities and resources,		\$147 27

WILLIAM BROWN,	} Overseers of the Poor.
AUSTIN E. SKIFF,	
HENRY H. PIKE,	

Perhaps but little may be needed in addition to the financial statement already submitted. The Board have been abundantly satisfied with Mr. and Mrs. James G. Bates, who have had charge of the almshouse the past year, and have engaged their services another year. The board felt

obliged to reduce very materially the valuation of much of the property at the town farm, which accounts for nearly all the increased price of board per week over previous years. George W. Dodd and William Comins, two of the Overseers of the Poor selected by you at the last annual meeting, have been suddenly removed by death ; and, in closing, we have only this to add, that we have endeavored to complete this department of their unfinished labors to the best of our ability.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY H. PIKE, Clerk.

Report of Cemetery Committee.

WILLIAM BROWN, Treasurer,

To cash on hand at last settlement,	\$27 50	
Received for lots during the year,	22 00	
" Received for grass,	5 00	
	-----	\$54 50

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By cash paid on cemetery lot,	\$1 00	
" " for lock,	50	
Cash on hand,	53 00	
	-----	\$54 50

WILLIAM BROWN,	} Cemetery Committee.
DWIGHT ESTABROOK,	
HENRY H. PIKE,	

Paxton, Feb. 15, 1886.

Report of Public Library.

To the Inhabitants of Paxton :

There is little to report in regard to the Library, aside from a statement of the additions during the past year, and the financial exhibit.

The Library has performed its usual varied work of instruction and amusement, and holds, as it should, a high place in the estimation of the people of the town.

Its advantages are free and open to all alike, and none, whatever their financial condition, need lack an abundance of wholesome and interesting reading.

We believe that the value of the Library is greatly increased by the excellent care taken of it by the Librarian, Miss Rowell, and also by her good judgment in the selection of books, and the Trustees feel that they, and the public generally, are greatly indebted to her for her long and valuable services.

The number of books purchased the past year is 46, one of the recent purchases being the first volume of the "Personal Memoirs of General Grant"; the second volume is subscribed for and will be placed in the Library in March.

The donations of the year are as follows :

Miss Ella Comins, 4 volumes ; A Friend, 2 volumes ; Mr. G. D. Bisbee, 11 pamphlets ; and the usual number of public documents, town reports, etc.

The number of persons taking books is 145.

Number of books issued, 1740.

At the annual inspection of books, Feb. 13th, all but two volumes were found in their places, and these were accounted for.

In view of the liberal appropriations of the past two years, which have enabled the Trustees to make very considerable additions to the Library, and also on account of the prospective increase in the Dog Fund, we ask for no appropriation the ensuing year other than the usual one of the Dog Fund.

The Treasurer's report is as follows :

DR.

To cash received of Town Treasurer (Dog Fund),	\$44 43
“ “ Town grant,	25 00
“ “ Library fines,	7 76
“ “ Catalogues sold,	40
Balance from last year,	14 24
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By cash paid Librarian's salary,	\$25 60
“ “ for new books,	40 55
“ “ rebinding books,	90
“ “ curtains, fixtures, and labor,	2 15
“ “ postage, express, and sundries,	2 79
	<hr/> \$71 39
Balance in Treasury,	<hr/> \$20 44

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. KEEP, Secretary and Treasurer.

Paxton, Feb. 15th, 1886.

WARRANT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Paxton in the
County of Worcester, Greeting:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Paxton qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Paxton on Monday the first day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, namely:—

ART. 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2d. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3d. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

ART. 4th. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ART. 5th. To see what sums of money the Town will grant for the support of the Public Schools; for the support of the Town's poor; for the repairs of Highways and Bridges, and for the Contingent Fund the ensuing year or act in any way thereon.

ART. 6th. To see what disposition the Town will make of its "Dog Fund."

ART. 7th. To see if the Town will grant a sum of money for the relief of indigent and disabled Soldiers as provided in Chap. 30, of the Public Statutes.

ART. 8th. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the observance of Memorial Day.

ART. 9th. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to close the West and North East Schools the ensuing year, and pay for transportation of scholars.

ART. 10th. To see if the Town will fix the amount of compensation for the labor on the Highways the ensuing year or act thereon.

ART. 11th. To see if the Town will authorize the Cemetery Committee to expend any sum of money for the repair of the Tomb or grounds of the Cemetery or act in any way thereon.

ART. 12th. To see if the Town will grant a sum of money for the purchase and establishing of a set of Hay Scales for the use of the public at some convenient point in town or act in anyway thereon.

ART. 13th. To see if the Town will vote a discount on the Taxes the ensuing year and fix a time when they shall be paid or act in any way thereon.

ART. 14th. To see if the Town will grant or refuse to grant any licenses for the sale of Intoxicating liquors the ensuing year. The form of ballot shall be "Yes" or "No."

ART. 15th. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money, by and with the approval of the Selectmen to meet current expenses or any liabilities in anticipation of the Taxes.

ART. 16th. To see if the Town will accept of the List of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 17th. To see if the town will authorize the bell to be rung the ensuing year or act in any way thereon.

ART. 18th. To see what compensation the Town will allow to the Collector of Taxes the ensuing year, or act in any way thereon.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office, one at the Hotel and one at the Meeting House in said Town, ten days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 16th day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

LEDYARD BILL,	} Selectmen
T. B. ROBINSON,	
J. B. BROWN,	
	} of
	} Paxton.

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF TOWN GRANTS AND EXPENSES IN
SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS FROM 1865 TO 1886.

	HIGHWAYS.		SCHOOLS.		POOR.		CONTINGENT.		BREAKING ROADS.
	Granted.	Expended.	Granted.	Expended.	Granted.	Expended.	Granted.	Expended.	
1866	600 00	626 30	700 00	700 00	400 00	317 07	600 00	489 89	-----
1867	600 00	643 26	800 00	800 00	350 00	280 87	1500 00	1852 04	-----
1868	600 00	816 87	800 00	800 00	400 00	394 02	1000 00	1248 28	-----
1869	900 00	1252 16	800 00	747 43	600 00	414 43	1200 00	1116 81	-----
1870	1000 00	984 92	800 00	1195 00	500 00	449 00	1000 00	1230 40	1450 11
1871	1000 00	1007 63	1200 00	1304 10	400 00	508 00	1000 00	837 88	-----
1872	1000 00	1048 96	1200 00	1392 70	500 00	634 47	1500 00	532 34	150 30
1873	800 00	726 60	1200 00	1247 90	500 00	1051 01	1500 00	933 10	1290 13
1874	800 00	778 81	1200 00	1132 18	600 00	1101 00	1800 00	1393 88	130 65
1875	700 00	669 69	1200 00	1126 23	500 00	614 37	1200 00	625 57	345 25
1876	600 00	643 50	500 00	1272 81	500 00	867 26	500 00	624 88	393 81
1877	800 00	745 93	1250 00	1365 59	600 00	607 84	500 00	648 88	901 48
1878	600 00	691 96	1000 00	1418 24	600 00	523 07	700 00	803 11	475 37
1879	600 00	601 99	1000 00	871 45	600 00	600 00	800 00	552 42	331 58
1880	600 00	604 48	1000 00	1136 11	600 00	600 00	800 00	562 87	220 21
1881	600 00	609 37	1000 00	846 12	600 00	600 00	800 00	458 77	573 31
1882	600 00	587 46	900 00	948 51	500 00	599 50	700 00	350 83	488 64
1883	600 00	617 75	1000 00	1159 97	800 00	800 00	750 00	382 97	303 75
1884	700 00	801 81	1000 00	1225 93	600 00	620 89	500 00	382 53	595 80
1885	700 00	677 54	1100 00	1621 29	600 00	606 00	500 00	427 27	392 19

Valuation Tax List,

May 1, 1885.

Polls. Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1 Abbott, Simon C.,	stock in trade 600, 2 horses 140, buildings 1200, house lot 1 acre 200, sprout land $1\frac{1}{2}$ a 20,	\$26 84
1 Abbott, Edgar A.,		2 00
1 Allen, James C.,	1 horse 100, 1 cow 40, 2 swine 24, 1 carriage 65, hotel buildings 2000, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ a 200,	29 93
1 Ahearn, Thomas,	2 horses 100, 2 cows 50, 2 three-years-old 40, 2 two-years-old 25, 1 yearling 9, 1 swine 8, buildings 500, farm 90 a 1200,	24 22
1 Arnstrom, John		2 00
1 Bryant, Edward H.,	1 horse 150, 4 oxen 315, 9 cows 345, 1 bull 15, 1 carriage 95, buildings 700, farm 15 a 450,	25 81
1 Boynton, Darwin R.,	buildings 1100, house lot 1 a 150,	16 38
1 Brown, William,	1 horse 125, 1 carriage 65, buildings 850, house lot 1 3-4 a 150,	15 69
1 Bemis, Hiram P.,	1 horse 100, 1 cow 25, 1 carriage 50, buildings 700, farm 12 a 500, Howe land 10 a 500.	23 56
1 Brown, George A.,	stock in trade 187, 2 horses 158, 1 cow 30, 1 two-year-old 24, buildings 500, farm 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 500	18 09
1 Brown, John B.,	1 horse 50, 1 cow 35, buildings 700, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100, Pike land 3 3-4 a 225, town land 1 3-4 a 100,	15 92
1 Brown, John A.		2 00
1 Bigelow, Artemas		2 00
1 Burnett, Edward		2 00
1 Burnett, Edgar H.,		2 00
1 Butler, Charles S.,	1 cow 30, buildings 400, farm 34 a 400,	11 55
1 Bisbee, George D.,	house 350, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a 50,	6 60
1 Boynton, Charles D.,	1 horse 40, 2 oxen 165, 3 cows 80, 2 swine 20, buildings 900, farm 87 a 2100,	40 01
1 Bill, Ledyard,	money 250, 1 horse 140, carriages 350, buildings 1700, farm 7 a 650, sprout land $4\frac{1}{2}$ a 25,	37 82
Bigelow, Lewis, estate of,	buildings 1200, farm 3 a 300,	17 25

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Buemon, Henry,	1 horse 100,	3 15
1	Black, George,	2 horses 275, 1 cow 15, buildings 700, farm 43 a 1500,	30 64
2	Barclay, B. F. & J. A.,	3 horses 200, 16 cows 432, 1 two- year old 18, 5 yearlings 55, 35 sheep 130, 2 swine 24, buildings 800, farm 160 a 2400,	50 68
1	Bates, James G.		2 00
1	Bullock, Thomas,	1 horse 80,	2 92
1	Comins, William,	stock in trade 2000, money 1200, 3 horses 400, 4 oxen 350, 7 cows 235, 1 bull 40, 1 two- year-old 20, 6 swine 72, 1 carriage 75, buildings and water power 4500, farm 106 a 1500, Brown buildings 300, Brown farm 90 a 1300, Barr pasture 23 a 200,	142 21
	Comins, Mary E.,	Peirce land 54 a 900, exempt 500,	4 60
	Comins, Ella A.,	Maynard land 50 a 800, exempt 500,	3 45
1	Coty, Joseph,	2 horses 50, 3 cows 100, 2 three-years- old 55,	4 36
1	Cowdin, Charles D.		2 00
1	Cummings, John A.,	buildings 500, house lot $\frac{1}{3}$ a 50,	8 33
1	Cooper, Robert,	2 horses 115, 4 cows 120, 1 swine 14, buildings 400, farm 96 a 1150,	22 69
1	Cooper, Otis D.,	1 cow 35,	2 40
	Cooper, Emma,	buildings 400, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 50,	5 18
1	Chase, John S.,	house 550, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 50,	8 90
1	Cheney, George F.,	1 carriage 25,	2 29
	Cheney, Harriet,	house 600, house lot $\frac{1}{3}$ a 50,	7 48
1	Clark, Nathaniel,	stock in trade 2170, money 600, 2 horses 250, carriages 125, store buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a 100, $\frac{1}{3}$ Mulligan land 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 40, $\frac{1}{3}$ Maynard land 15 a 120, $\frac{1}{3}$ Parkhurst land 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 80,	55 88
1	Clark, William H.,	stock in trade 250, 1 horse 150, 1 car- riage 100, buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 150, mowing and wood land 10 a 550, Slade land 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 35, Brown wood land 40 a 1700, $\frac{1}{3}$ Mulligan land 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 40, $\frac{1}{3}$ Bel- lows farm 110 a 1100, meadow land 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 15, $\frac{1}{3}$ May- nard land 15 a 120, $\frac{1}{3}$ Parkhurst land 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 80,	65 14
1	Crouch, Cutler L.,	1 horse 40, 3 cows 110, 1 yearling 12, buildings 500, farm 59 a 450,	14 79
1	Cook, Walter O.,	1 horse 140, 2 cows 70, 4 swine 35,	4 82
1	Davis, Elias W.,	1 horse 75, 2 oxen 150, 11 cows 342, 1 bull 25, 3 yearlings 36, 1 swine 20, carriage 100, build- ings 1200, farm 243 a 5200, meadow land 16 a 128, sprout land 10 a 50,	86 25
1	Dodge, John E.,	buildings 750, house lot 1 a 150,	12 35
1	Dwyer, Arthur		2 00

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Daniels, Horace,	stock in trade 225, 2 horses 100, 3 cows 105, 2 three-years-old 55, 4 yearlings 40, 2 two pears-old 45, 4 swine 30, carriage 25, buildings 1400, farm 246 a 3200, Bellows land 50 a 850,	71 87
1	Dodd, Charles,	1 horse 70, buildings 600, farm 78 a 1850,	30 99
1	Dodd, George W.,	stock in trade 80, house 850, house lot $\frac{1}{3}$ a 100, Daniels pasture 47 a 450, $\frac{1}{2}$ Bellows farm 110 a 1100,	31 67
1	Dodd, Charles H.		2 00
1	Daw, Peter,	1 horse 75, 3 cows 90, 1 two-years-old 25, 3 swine 20, buildings 500, farm 68 a 1100,	22 82
1	Donnelly, James		2 00
1	Daw, Patrick		2 00
	Dodd, Susan,	buildings 1400, house lot 1 a 200,	18 40
1	Estabrook, Daniel,	1 horse 35, 1 cow 25, 1 swine 6, buildings 675, farm 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 450,	15 70
1	Estabrook, Dwight,	6 cows 220, buildings 1050, farm 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 600, Abbott land 6 a 60, pastures 20 a 200, sprout land 5 a 25, Harrington land 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 250,	29 66
1	Earle, Ralph,	buildings 800, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100,	12 35
1	Eames, Henry C.		2 00
	Eames, Mary F.,	4 horses 325, 1 swine 16,	3 92
1	Ellis, William		2 00
1	Flint, Charles F.,	1 horse 40, 3 cows 100, 2 two-years-old 50, 3 yearlings 39, 1 swine 14, 13 sheep 52, 1 carriage 95, buildings 1000, farm 66 a 1500, Ware pasture 24 a 275,	38 40
I	Frink, Nelson T.,	stock in trade 40, money 500, 1 horse 163, 2 oxen 155, 6 cows 207, carriage 50, buildings 900, farm 80 a 1350, old homestead buildings 300, farm 30 a 360, meadow land 2 a 20,	48 52
1	Fay, Charles H.		2 00
1	Fouracre, John,	1 horse 30, 4 cows 130,	3 84
1	Foster, George		2 00
1	Fiske, Horace L., Jr.,	1 horse 60, 1 cow 40, 1 two-years-old 20, buildings 300, farm 16 a 300,	10 28
1	Graton, Alwin S.,	stock in trade 170, 1 horse 125, 3 cows 85, 3 swine 24, buildings 650, farm 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 350, Maynard land 4 a 20, Bisco & Hill land 10 a 50, $\frac{1}{3}$ Mulligan land 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 40, $\frac{1}{3}$ Maynard land 15 a 120, $\frac{1}{3}$ Parkhurst land 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 80,	21 72
1	Gotha, David,	buildings 400, house lot 3 a 125,	8 04
1	Gleason, Thomas		2 00
	Gleason, Mary A.,	1 horse 50, 5 cows 150, buildings 800, farm 120 a 1450,	28 18
1	Green, Lorenzo B		2 00

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
	Green, Emma A.,	1 horse 75, house 600, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100,	8 91
1	Goodnow, Oliver,	3 cows 100, buildings 800, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100, pasture and wood land 25 a 600, Fox hill land 11 a 500,	26 15
1	Harrington, William,	stock in trade 400, 4 horses 200, 2 oxen 100, 6 cows 180, 2 three-years-old 45, 4 yearlings 48, 2 swine 25, homestead building 1200, farm 258 a 3800, house, barn, shop, grist mill and water power 1800, saw mill and water power 600, mill yard and flowage land 28 a 200, Kilbourn land 30 a 500, Butrick farm 16 a 250,	109 51
1	Harrington, Simon G.,	2 horses 190, 2 oxen 95, 9 cows 275, 2 three-years-old 45, 3 two-years-old 60, 1 bull 20, 15 sheep 60, buildings 850, farm 158 a 1600, sprout land 25 a 200,	41 05
1	Harrington, Simon G., Jr.		2 00
1	Harrington, Addison D.		2 00
	Harrington, Amelia,	estate of, buildings 1000, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ a 200,	13 80
1	Hosmer, Edward T.,	1 horse 12, 1 cow 23, 1 swine 10, buildings 250, farm 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 300,	8 85
1	Howe, John O.,	1 horse 25, 4 cows 132, 2 three-years-old 75, 2 yearlings 24, 3 swine 25, buildings 600, farm 112 a 1700,	31 68
1	Howe, Sumner F.,	Snow land 18 a 100,	3 15
1	Howe, Artemas,	1 horse 80, 1 cow 35, 1 three-years-old 25, 2 two-years-old 45, 2 swine 20, carriage 40, buildings 850, farm 40 a 1050,	26 67
1	Howe, Z. S. M.,	1 horse 20, 1 cow 40, buildings 1275, house lot 1 a 200,	19 65
1	Howe, Willard,	1 horse 40, 1 cow 45, buildings 800, farm 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 700,	20 23
1	Hayes, Stephen,	1 cow 25, buildings 700, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ a 100,	11 49
1	Holmes, John,	1 horse 100, 2 cows 85, 1 swine 6, buildings 650, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100, Crocker pasture 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 600,	19 73
2	Henry, G. G. & J. E.,	4 horses 600, 6 cows 135, 4 two-years-old 52, 2 yearlings 20, buildings 400, farm 200 a 2200,	43 18
	Harris, John A.,	heirs of, buildings 900, house lot 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 250,	13 23
1	Hazen, Edward		2 00
1	Hughes, Edward		2 00
1	Jodoen, Lewis,	buildings 200, house lot 1 a 50,	4 88
1	Keep, Francis,	2 horses 250, 5 cows 155, 1 yearling 12, carriage 50, buildings 1100, farm 164 a 2300,	46 47

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Keep, Josiah O.,	1 horse 110, 2 oxen 122, 4 cows 155, 1 three-year-old 28, 2 swine 15, carriage 45, buildings 900, farm 102 a 1500,	35 06
1	Keep, Edward P.		2 00
2	Kane, Morris,	1 horse 90, 4 cows 112, 1 yearling 10, 1 swine 9, carriage 40, buildings 150, farm 85 a 800,	17 93
1	Kirby, Leander T.,	1 cow 25, buildings 1050, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 150,	16 09
1	Karle, Jacob,	2 horses 165, 2 cows 70, 1 three-year-old 25, 2 yearlings 25, 1 swine 14, buildings 700, farm 44 $\frac{1}{4}$ a 700,	21 54
1	Kendrick, Frank		2 00
1	Lakin, Daniel,	1 horse 45, 2 oxen 130, 2 cows 70, 2 three-years-old 50, buildings 1500, farm 232 a 2500,	51 39
1	Lumbard, William,	1 horse 75, 2 cows 80, 1 yearling 15, buildings 800, farm 26 a 800,	22 36
1	Leonard, Farrel		2 00
	Leonard, Anna,	1 horse 40, 1 cow 35, 1 two-year-old 20, 1 yearling 10, buildings 350, farm 20 a 400,	9 84
1	Leonard, John		2 00
1	Murphy, Patrick,	2 horses 200, 8 cows 240, 1 three-years-old 23, 1 yearling 10, 1 bull 25, homestead buildings 600, farm 186 a 2200, Woodis house 175, Woodis house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 25,	42 23
1	Murphy, Patrick H.		2 00
1	Murphy, John E.		2 00
1	Merriam, Foster T.,	stock in trade 300, 3 horses 200, 4 cows 113, 2 swine 18, buildings 250, farm 37 a 350,	16 16
1	Meade, Marshall,	1 horse 40, 2 cows 80, 1 yearling 14, 2 swine 14, buildings 600, farm 11 a 400, Howe land 15 a 200,	17 50
1	Moulton, John P.		2 00
1	McCann, Thomas		2 00
1	Norton, James,	1 horse 60, 4 cows 120, 1 swine 8, buildings 350, farm 78 a 700,	16 24
1	Norton, Patrick,	1 horse 60, 2 cows 55, buildings 500, farm 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 500,	14 82
1	Newton, George B.		2 00
	Newton, Margaret C. H.,	buildings 500, house lot 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ a 150,	7 48
1	Newton, William H.		2 00
	Newton, Samuel A.,	estate of, house 600, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a 100,	8 05
1	Nystrom, Charles S.,	1 horse 50, 2 cows 80, 1 yearling 12, carriage 30, buildings 300, farm 40 a 450,	12 61
1	Nystrom, Olef, abated,		2 00

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Olmsted, Martin B.,	stock in trade 100, buildings 300, shop lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 50,	7 18
2	Olmsted, John D. and Preston, William A.,	stock in trade 400, 1 horse 100, carriage shop 275,	12 91
1	Olmsted, Martin L.		2 00
1	Pierce, Horace.	1 horse 160, 2 oxen 165, 6 cows 240, 4 yearlings 55, 3 swine 30, 1 bull 35, buildings 800, farm 107 a 1700,	38 63
1	Pierce, Frank W.,	stock in trade 75, 2 horses 120, 3 cows 102, 1 two-year-old 25, 1 yearling 12, carriage 60, buildings 1000, farm 93 a 1200,	31 83
1	Pierce, Frank A.,	1 horse 100, 5 cows 165, $\frac{1}{2}$ house and barn 350, $\frac{1}{2}$ house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a 50, farm 50 a 800,	18 85
	Pierce, Eliza,	$\frac{1}{2}$ house and barn 350, $\frac{1}{2}$ house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a 50, exempt.	
1	Pierce, Cyrus		2 00
1	Pike, Henry H.,	2 horses 65, homestead buildings 850, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100, Brown house and two bars 200, Brown farm 51 a 575, Goulding land 4 a 30,	22 93
1	Pike, William F.,	1 horse 30, 2 cows 70, building 500, farm 55 a 600, wood land 4 a 150,	17 53
	Pike, Susan,	buildings 400, farm 79 a 800,	13 80
1	Pike, Samuel,	1 horse 125, 2 oxen 140,	5 05
	Pike, Margaret C.,	house 800, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100, exempt 500,	4 60
1	Parkhurst, Nathaniel,	1 horse 20, 2 cows 80, 1 yearling 12, 1 swine 12, buildings 600, farm 44 a 500,	16 08
2	Putnam, Anson,	1 cow 30,	2 35
1	Penniman, Joseph H.,	4 horses 285, 6 cows 205, 2 two- years-old 60, 3 yearlings 55, 4 swine 30, carriages 150, buildings 1000, farm 60 a 1100, Grosvenor land 75 a 750,	43 81
1	Penniman, Tyler S.,	1 horse 25, 3 cows 90, 1 two-year-old 25, 1 swine 7, carriage 30, buildings 600, farm 44 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 1000, wood land 10 a 250, Barr buildings 300, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ a 75,	29 63
1	Perry, Benoni E.,	2 cows 75, 1 yearling 10, carriage 25, Wilson land 10 a 200,	5 57
	Perry Martha A.,	buildings 800, farm 27 a 800,	18 40
1	Perry, Charles B.		2 00
1	Parker, Jotham,	buildings 850, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100, Pike land 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100,	14 08
1	Preston, William I.,	4 horses 300, coaches 300, carriage 35, buildings 600, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 200,	18 50
1	Pendleton, Henry,	carriage 45,	2 52

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1	Robinson, Thomas B.,	1 horse 50, 1 cow 40, buildings 1100, farm 6 a 500,	21 44
1	Robinson, Frank H.,	money 100, carriage 60,	3 84
1	Robinson, Albert M.,		2 00
1	Rogers, William B.,	house 1000, house lot 2-10 a 100, Chickering land 9 a 50,	15 23
1	Rowell, George,	1 horse 75, 1 cow 25, carriage 30, buildings 750, farm 23½ a 650,	19 60
	Reed, Adeline,	buildings 500, house lot ½ a 125,	7 19
1	Slade, John,	1 horse 35, 2 oxen 125, 5 cows 160, 1 two-year-old 25, house and barn 600, farm 95 a 1500, homestead buildings 1300, homestead farm 21 a 1000, Black Hill pasture 28½ a 500,	62 32
1	Slade, Henry,	2 horses 135, 2 oxen 160, 3 cows 115, 1 yearling 15, 1 bull 20, buildings 1400, farm 78 a 1550, Belcher pasture 70 a 750,	49 67
1	Slade, Edgar O.,	stock in trade 150, 1 horse 115, 1 yearling 14,	5 21
1	Snow, Frank H.,		2 00
	Snow, Mary,	stock in trade 150, 3 horses 200, 3 cows 93, 2 yearlings 24, buildings 300, farm 75 a 700,	16 87
1	Sweetser, Isaac H.,	1 horse 50, buildings 200, farm 25½ a 465,	10 23
1	Streeter, Charles A.,	2 horses 120, 4 cows 155, 4 two-years-old 85, 3 yearlings 30, 3 swine 18, carriage 25, buildings 1000, farm 89 a 1500,	37 73
1	Skiff, Austin E.,	1 horse 45, 7 cows 235, carriage 110, buildings 1000, house lot ½ a 100, Day land 25 a 500, Earle land 4 a 60,	25 58
2	Smith, Levi,	1 horse 15, 1 cow 60, 1 three-year-old 46, 1 two-year-old 20, 1 yearling 17, buildings 500, farm 35 a 500,	15 32
1	Smith, Henry R.,	buildings 800, house lot 1 a 300, Pike land 3 a 50,	14 08
1	Stratton, Luke,	buildings 700, house lot ½ a 100,	11 20
1	Stratton, Don Carlos E.,		2 00
1	Sherman, Warren,	buildings 850, house lot 1½ a 250,	14 65
1	Underwood, William,	1 horse 40, buildings 650, house lot ½ a 200,	12 24
1	Upham, George		2 00
1	Warren, William M.,	1 horse 60, 3 cows 108, 2 two-years-old 44, 1 swine 8, buildings 850, farm 48 a 1100,	26 96
1	Ware, Daniel L.		2 00
1	Wendall, Thomas,	1 cow 30, buildings 400, farm 40 a 500,	12 70

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1	Williams, Anson,	1 horse 140, 6 cows 185, 1 two-year-old 30, 2 yearlings 30, carriage 40, buildings 800, farm 42 a 800,	25 29
1	Woodis, Albert		2 00
1	Woodis, Frank,	1 cow 50,	2 58
1	Wood, Smyrna.	1 horse 95, 1 cow 35, buildings 800, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a 100, farm 57 $\frac{3}{4}$ a 550, Pike land 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ a 60, Parker land 9 a 100,	22 02
1	Wood, Edward A.		2 00
1	Woodruff, William W.,	1 horse 25, 2 cows 70, buildings 500, farm 26 a 470,	14 25
1	Woodruff, Jason		2 00
1	Whitney, Joseph		2 00
1	Woodbury, John A.		2 00
1	Walbridge, Henry A.		2 00

NON-RESIDENTS.

Names.	Abode.	Property.	Tax.
Arnold, Elisha,	Worcester,	buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a 100,	14 95
Anthony, Simeon,	Hornellsville, N. Y.,	wood land 30 a 600,	6 90
Allen, George P.,	Worcester,	wood and pasture land 33 a 400,	4 60
Bryant, Horace H.,	Middlebury, Vt.,	sprout land 21 a 150,	1 73
Bancroft, J. A.,	Worcester,	sprout land 5 a 30,	35
Butrick, Samuel D.,	Worcester,	mowing land 10 a 200, wood land 12 a 300,	5 75
Cook, W. W.,	Worcester,	buildings 500, farm 12 a 350,	9 78
Cullen, Michael,	Rutland,	mowing and pasture land 13 a 160,	1 84
Clark, J. H.,	Worcester,	sprout land 48 a 300,	3 45
Cutler, Aaron T.,	Worcester,	wood land 18 a 400,	4 60
Childs, Linus M.,	Boston,	pasture 12 a 150,	1 73
Chickering Brothers,	Rutland,	mowing and pasture land 6 a 120, meadow and wood land 10 a 100.	2 53
Claffee, Patrick W.,	Leicester,	buildings 300, farm 17 a 600,	10 35
Estabrook, S. B.,	Leicester,	building 900, farm 33 a 1000,	21 85
Earle, Carlo H.,	Athol,	meadow land 3 a 25,	29
Estabrook, George D.,	Natick,	buildings 275, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a 25,	3 45
Gould, George H.,	Worcester,	buildings 700, house lot $\frac{3}{8}$ a 100,	9 20
Goddard, Luther,	Worcester,	buildings 600, house lot 1 a 250,	8 78

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Grosvenor, Charles W.,	Leicester,	mowing and wood land 40 a 600,	6 90
Goggins, David,	Worcester,	buildings 500, farm 30 a 350,	9 78
Hazell, Charles, Holden,	mowing and pasture land 40 a 900,		10 35
Healy, William,	Rutland,	farm 125 a 2000,	23 00
Howard, Luther G.,	Bellows Falls, Vt.,	1 horse 140, 2 cows 75, 3 three-years old 80, 7 two-years-old 135, buildings 1000, Waite farm 263 a 4000, Boynton land 45 a 700,	86 31
		Blair land 17 a 175, wood and meadow land 80 a 1200,	
Marshall & Harrington,	Worcester,	Tracy house 50, sprout land 59½ a 400, Haggett farm 46 a 500,	10 93
Henry, Walter, estate of,	Worcester,	pasture and wood land 69 a 750,	8 63
Holbrook, P. L.,	Leicester,	mowing and wood land 60 a 700,	8 05
Holbrook, P. L. & J. F.,	Leicester,	buildings 500, farm 94 a 1350,	21 28
Johnson, E. Baxter,	Worcester,	mowing and wood land 7 a 150, pasture land 25 a 375,	6 04
Keyes, Israel N.,	Worcester,	3 horses 290, 24 cows 792, 9 two-years-old 160, 4 yearlings 48, 1 bull 100, 6 swine 66, buildings 1400, farm 250 a 3700,	75 39
Kane, Patrick,	Leicester,	pasture land 56 a 500,	5 75
King, F. W.,	Worcester,	buildings 300, farm 63 a 500,	9 20
Lamb, John, Spencer,	meadow 3 a 50,		58
Learned, Susan A.,	Worcester,	buildings 300, farm 51 a 300,	6 90
Leicester, town of,	wood land 64 a 1000,		11 50
Lamonia, George C.,	Leicester;	barn 150, farm 18 a 550,	8 05
Muzzy, E. A.,	Worcester,	mowing land 13 a 300,	3 45
Mulcahy, Thomas,	Leicester,	pasture and wood land 23 a 350,	4 03
Nugent, Michael,	Worcester,	Flagg land 3 a 150,	1 73
Olney, George W.,	Leicester,	flowage land 50 a 1000,	11 50
Osland, H. F., heirs of,	Leicester,	land 15 a 90, exempt.	
Partridge, George W.,	Worcester,	buildings 1400, house lot ½ a 200, mowing land 10½ a 700,	26 45
Pryor, James,	Leicester,	barn and ½ rope walk 400, mowing land 12 a 250, Smith house and barn 600, Smith farm 54 a 550, Pike buildings 1200, Pike farm 102 a 1200,	
		Bellows pasture 36 a 300,	51 75
Parkhurst, Clifton,	Rutland,	buildings 400, farm 31 a 400,	9 20
Prouty, Isaac L.,	Spencer,	sprout land 2 a 30,	35
Rice, Harry,	Leicester,	pasture and wood land 15 a 150,	1 73
Sibley, Charles,	East Brookfield,	pasture land 46 a 400,	4 60
Southwick, Elizabeth,	Leicester,	mowing land 21 a 210,	2 42
Southwick, Thomas,	Leicester,	house 200, farm 10 a 200,	4 60
Stone & Sugden,	Spencer,	house 1200, farm 22 a 1000,	25 30
Sprague, Irving,	Leicester,	wood land 12 a 200,	2 30

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Sullivan, Dennis,	Leicester,	pasture 5 a 60,	69
Sargent, John N.,	Rutland,	pasture 3 a 60,	69
Stone, Uriah,	estate of,	Worcester, wood land 20 a 1525,	17 54
Smith, A. E.,	Leicester,	flowage land 29 a 580.	6 67
Trainor, Sarah,	Leicester,	buildings 450, farm 11½ a 250,	8 05
Thayer, E. D.,	Worcester,	flowage land 50 a 1000, flowage land 29 a 580,	18 17
Watts, Henry B.,	Leicester,	mowing land 2 a 50,	58
Warren, V. R.,	Franklin,	pasture land 50 a 550,	6 33
Williams, Eugene A.	Worcester,	pasture land 19 a 200,	2 30
Watson, Aaron,	Spencer,	pasture 36 a 350,	4 03
Woodbury, Calvin P.,	Spencer,	pasture 19 a 450,	5 18
Walker, Benjamin,	Worcester,	buildings 300, farm 76 a 700, wood land 50 a 800, Arnold land 20 a 250,	23 58

Property exempt from taxation and value of the same :

Congregational Church,	\$3,000
Town Hall,	1,000
Almshouse and Farm,	2,000
Town Pasture,	600
School Houses,	2,000
Public Park,	200
Public Library,	300
Cemetery,	400
Estates of Unmarried Women,	1,990

Total,	<u>\$11,590</u>
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TABLE OF AGGREGATES

FOR THE TOWN OF PAXTON OF POLLS, PROPERTY AND TAXSE, AS
ASSESSED MAY 1, 1885.

Total number of polls,	157
Total value of personal estate,	\$36,965
Total value of real estate,	244,133
Total valuation,	<hr/> \$281,098
Total tax on personal estate exclusive of overlayings,	\$423 15
Total tax on real estate, " "	2,771 85
Total tax on polls,	314 00
Overlayings,	17 46
Total tax,	<hr/> \$3,526 46
Rate per cent. per \$1000,	\$11.50
Number of horses,	125
Number of cows,	274
Number sheep,	63
Number of neat cattle other than cows,	170
Number of swine,	69
Number of dwelling houses,	141
Number of acres of land assessed in town,	8,574

DWIGHT ESTABROOK,	} Assessors
CHARLES F. FLINT,	
CHARLES A. STREETER,	
	of
	Paxton.

Paxton, July 14, 1885.