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Town Officers of Paxton for 1883.

CLERK,
WILLIAM H. CLARK.

SELECTMEN,
LEDYARD BILL, JOHN SLADE, ALWIN S. GRATON.

ASSESSORS,
CHARLES A. STREETER, WILLIAM LUMBARD,
CHARLES F. FLINT.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,
H. H. PIKE, OLIVER GOODNOW, ALWIN S. GRATON.

TREASURER,
WILLIAM H. CLARK.

COLLECTOR,
H. P. BEMIS.

CONSTABLES,
LEDYARD BILL, M. B. OLMSTEAD.

SEXTON,
WILLIAM BROWN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
A. E. BIGELOW, ELIAS W. DAVIS, *LEDYARD BILL.

BOARD OF HEALTH,
THE SELECTMEN.

AUDITING COMMITTEE,
CHARLES DODD, A. E. BIGELOW, C. A. STREETER.

*Resigned Nov. 6, 1883.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,

W. W. RUSSELL.

FENCE VIEWERS,

H. P. BEMIS, O. GOODNOW, CHARLES DODD.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES,

WM. BROWN, HENRY H. PIKE, DWIGHT ESTABROOK.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

H. H. PIKE, F. H. ROBINSON, A. S. GRATON, GEO. A. BROWN,
W. H. HARRINGTON, C. F. FLINT, E. P. KEEP.

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS,

SIMON C. ABBOTT, HENRY SLADE, WM. BROWN, D. L. WARE,
C. H. DODD, WM. H. HARRINGTON, CHAS. S. FLINT,
E. H. BRYANT, N. L. PARKHURST,
WM. LUMBARD, H. H. PIKE.

FIELD DRIVERS,

NELSON T. FRINK, EDWARD F. EAMES, E. H. BURNETTE.

POUND KEEPER,

M. B. OLMSTEAD.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK,

WM. H. CLARK, A. S. GRATON, O. D. COOPER, WM. BROWN,
GEO. D. BISBEE, GEO. F. CHENEY.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER,

WM. H. HARRINGTON, WM. COMINS, WM. H. CLARK,
A. S. GRATON.

AUCTIONEERS,

DWIGHT ESTABROOK, EZEKIEL TYSON.

The Selectmen's Report.

To the Citizens of Paxton:

We herewith submit the following account of the expenditures of the town for the past year beginning on Feb. 15th, 1883, and ending Feb. 15th, 1884.

HIGHWAYS.

The town at its last annual meeting granted for the repair of highways, \$600.00, which was apportioned the several surveyors as follows:

Granted,		\$600 00
Name of Surveyors.	Apportioned.	Paid.
Simon C. Abbott,	\$90 00	\$98 17
Charles Dodd,	60 00	63 76
N. L. Parkhurst,	60 00	73 16
William Lumbard,	40 00	44 95
Charles S. Flint,	40 00	44 87
Daniel L. Ware,	100 00	94 78
Edward H. Bryant,	40 00	52 72
William H. Harrington,	40 00	39 44
Henry Slade,	35 00	31 87
William Brown,	20 00	34 90
Henry H. Pike,	30 00	39 13
		<hr/> \$617 75

SUPPORT OF TOWN'S POOR.

The town granted the sum of	\$800 00
Paid by town orders to the Overseers,	\$800 00
For items, see Overseers' Report.	

SCHOOL EXPENDITURES.

Town granted sum of	\$1000 00
Paid Simon C. Abbott, wood for centre school,	9 06
Hiram P. Bemis, labor and sundries on centre school house,	2 75
Arthur Cummings, fitting wood for centre school,	1 25
George A. Brown, for wood for south-east and centre schools,	7 44
Frank Kendrick, cartage on school settees,	50
L. Bill, for ventillator for centre school house,	2 50
J. B. Lawrence, for four school settees,	12 60
A. S. Graton, for team for school committee,	75
Foster T. Merriam, freight on furniture,	25
George D. Bisbee, repairs on chimney,	2 37
Edward S. Burnette, for clock for primary school,	2 50
Samuel W. Bradbury, fixing pump in S. E. D.,	50
Minnie B. Burnette, teaching spring term of S. E. school,	78 00
Hyrena T. Daniels, teaching grammar school 3 days,	4 50
M. A. B. Chase, teaching grammar school,	70 50
V. O. Cooper, care of school room,	2 50
Mrs. John Lynn, for curtains, &c.	1 00
Fannie E. Dodd, teaching primary school,	84 00
Herbert Robinson, care of school room,	3 00
Mrs. M. B. Burnette, care of school room,	3 60
Frances Cooper, teaching S. W. school,	72 00
Herman King, care of S. W. school room,	3 00
Eva J. Kirby, teaching west school,	60 00
L. Bill, kindlings for centre school,	75
Wm. H. Harrington, for transportation of children,	26 25
Wm. H. Newton, fitting wood for centre school,	75
Edward H. Bryant, wood & fitting for S. W. school,	9 75
William Brown, for lumber and labor,	2 93

Charles Dodd, for wood, etc., for S. E. school,	5 05
William Comins, lumber for walk and fence at centre,	3 24
William Comins, wood and fitting for west school,	8 05
E. S. Burnette, repairing clock,	75
Marie V. Pagé, teaching primary school,	90 00
Mrs. M. B. Burnette, teaching grammar school 10 weeks,*	70 00
Frances E. Cooper, teaching S. W. school 12 weeks,	78 00
Katie Ahern, care of school room,	3 00
Edgar Healey, teaching S. E. school 12 weeks,	66 00
Eva G. Kirby, teaching west school 12 weeks,	60 00
Henry S. Streeter, teaching N. E. school 12 weeks,	66 00
Eliza S. Harrington, care of school room,	3 00
Charlie Daniels, care of S. E. school room,	3 00
Loring W. Cummings, care of west school room,	3 00
Willie C. Healey, care of grammar room,	3 00
Herbert S. Robinson, care primary room and sundries,	3 75
T. W. White, teaching grammar school 10 weeks,	120 00
Elias W. Davis, services, of school committee,	30 00
Elias W. Davis, expenses to Boston, &c.,	4 00
N. Clark & Co., supplies for all the schools past year,	17 93
Simon C. Abbott, wood for S. E. and centre schools,	8 25
Artemas E. Bigelow, services as school com- mittee,	25 00
Ledyard Bill, services as school committee,	18 00
D. R. Boynton, sundry repairs on centre school,	2 30
Wm. H. Harrington, for wood and kindlings,	4 25
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	\$1159 97

* Thirty dollars and sixty-one cents of this amount was paid out of treasury of school committee.

BREAKING OUT ROADS.

PAID		PAID	
Joseph D. Whitney,	\$1 95	J. O. Keep,	1 78
Arthur Cummings,	1 17	Morris Kane,	1 54
Anson W. Putnam,	2 41	Edgar O. Slade,	5 35
Farrell Leonard,	1 61	Charles S. Flint,	12 46
George D. Bisbee,	3 48	Charles F. Flint,	6 57
Daniel L. Ware,	10 33	Anson Williams,	3 30
H. H. Pike,	6 12	Patrick Naughton,	2 89
N. L. Parkhurst,	21 70	Frank W. Peirce,	1 44
William H. Harrington,	43 94	Charles Dodd,	9 18
J. H. Penniman,	14 77	William Comins,	13 37
William Brown,	14 62	Patrick Murphy,	13 09
Simon C. Abbott,	15 00	Peter Daw,	1 36
John Fouracre,	34	Charles A. Streeter,	5 44
David Bryant,	5 75	S. G. Harrington,	4 03
Elias W. Davis,	7 64	S. G. Harrington,	3 25
H. L. Fiske, jr.,	3 31	Henry Slade,	11 85
H. L. Fiske, sr. and jr.,	4 42	H. H. Pike,	10 24
Benoin E. Perry,	3 06	Horace Pierce,	4 93
Horace R. Perry,	2 97	Levi Smith,	4 25
T. B. & F. Robinson,	2 37	Wm H. Harrington,	5 44
T. B. Robinson,	1 99		
William Lombard,	1 87		\$303 75
Edward H. Bryant,	11 17		

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

The town granted the sum of \$750 00

We have paid the following bills by town orders :

Putnam & Davis, for town order book,	5 75
William H. Clark, services as treasurer 1882-3,	15 09
Hiram P. Bemis, interest on town note,	10 12
Henry H. Pike, copying and posting warrants,	3 00
William Comins, for lumber for highways,	3 27
Wm. H. Clark, insurance on library for five years,	10 00
Daniel Seagrave, printing the town reports of 1882-3,	42 00
John A. Cummings, ringing bell from Jan. 1, to April 1, 1883,	9 00
L. Bill's expenses to Boston on state aid cases,	2 90
Hiram P. Bemis, interest on town note,	20 00

William Comins, lumber for watering trough,	8 18
John D. Olmstead, for building and ironing trough,	10 25
Samuel W. Bradbury, plumbing watering trough,	2 00
John A. Cummings, ringing bell to July 1, 1883,	9 00
William H. Harrington, for lumber for bridge and labor,	20 26
Jotham Parker, for labor on "Common,"	1 00
M. B. Olmstead, services as watchman,	1 50
William Lumbard, services as assessor past year,	15 00
William H. Clark, insurance on centre school house,	9 48
John A. Cummings, ringing bell to Oct. 1, 1883,	9 00
A. D. Chamberlain, lumber for bridge near Comins' mill,	8 68
Oliver Goodnow, labor on highway by order of select- men,	57
John D. Coggsweil, painting guide board,	1 90
E. H. Bryant, lumber for bridge near house of Mr. King,	4 85
Charles A. Streeter, services as assessor and sun- dries past year,	19 50
Alwin S. Graton, perambulating town lines,	2 50
Hiram P. Bemis, stationery and postage,	1 92
Hiram P. Bemis, services as collector to June 1, '83,	25 00
Wm. H. Clark, insurance on N. E. and S. W. school houses,	12 60
Wm. Comins, timber and rails for bridge near his mills,	4 08
Wm. Comins, one stick for guide post near Flint's,	75
Wm. Comins, lumber for bridge near Keep's,	17 96
Henry C. Eames, for gravel for cross-walk on Com- mon,	40
John A. Cummings, ringing bell to Jan. 1884,	9 00
John Slade, perambulating town lines,	2 50
L. Bill, perambulating town lines,	2 50
N. Clark & Co., for stationery, postage &c., for selectmen, past year,	1 96
S. C. Abbott, for lumber and labor on Arnold hill,	2 50
M. B. Olmstead, cap-stone for town well and raising flag,	2 00
Wm. W. Russell, care of weights and measures past year,	2 00
A. S. Graton, services as selectman past year,	15 00

John Slade, services as selectman past year,	18 00
Ledyard Bill, services as selectman past year,	20 00
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	382 97

PUBRIC LIBRARY.

Town granted the "Dog Fund," amounting to	\$40 32
Paid by town order to E. P. Keep, treasurer, 40 32	

MEMORIAL DAY.

Town granted the sum of	\$10 00
Paid by town order to A. E. Skiff,	10 00

FREIGHT ON GOVERNMENT CANNON.

Town granted the sum of	\$25 00
Paid by town orders to N. & W. R. R.,	32 00
" " H. C. Eames, cartage,	3 50
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	\$35 50

STATE AND MILITARY AID.

Town granted,	\$300 00
Paid Leander T. Kirby,	\$48 00
John A. Cummings,	45 50
J. Foster Graton,	49 00
Joseph D. Whitney,	27 00
Horace L. Fiske, Sr.,	21 00
S. Allen Newton,	21 00
William Gibson,	11 00
Charles S. Butler,	10 00
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	232 50
Due from the State to offset this amount paid to disabled soldiers, as above,	162 00
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Total net cost to town, past year,	\$70 50

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

By poll taxes of firemen abated,	\$26 00
William Lumbard's tax " "	3 76

H. P. Harrington's tax abated,	1880,	2 00
Joseph Barry,	" " 1881,	2 00
Daniel Hunt,	" " "	2 00
Lewis Rice,	" " "	2 00
Wm. H. Squires,	" " "	3 04
Charles A. Woodruff,	" " "	2 00
H. F. Osland,	" " "	78
Wm. Cotter,	" " 1882,	2 00
Peter Gibree,	" " "	2 00
Daniel Hunt,	" " "	2 00
Richard Howley,	" " "	1 00
Michael Kelly,	" " "	1 00
Lewis Ostrout,	" " "	2 00
Lewis Russell,	" " "	2 00
F. Whitehouse,	" " "	2 00
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		\$57 58

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES.

For the support of the highways,	\$617 75
" public schools,	1159 97
" town's poor,	800 00
breaking out of roads,	303 75
contingent charges,	382 97
public library,	40 32
memorial day,	10 00
state and military aid,	232 50
taxes abated,	57 58
freight on government cannon,	35 50
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\$3,640 34	

Statement of the Town's Financial Condition,
ON FEB. 15, 1884.

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

By balance due the town in the hands of the town treasurer,	\$34 76
“ of uncollected tax bills in hands of Collector,	791 19
By cash in hands of collector,	99 68
“ due from the state for state and military aid,	162 00
By inventory of school books at N. Clark & Co's,	20 05
By cash in hands of treasurer of public library,	6 31
	<hr/> \$1,113 99

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

To cash due for ringing bell to April 1, '84,	\$9 00
Liabilities of Overseers of Poor,	61 45
“ Library Trustees,	5 00
Outstanding town orders,	24 35
“ bills, estimated,	50 00
	<hr/> 149 80
Balance in favor of the town,	<hr/> \$964 19

Another financial year has closed, and we trust that in the main it is entirely satisfactory. The last of the town's notes has been paid, and, for the first time in the last ten years, the town is absolutely out of debt. It is a subject of congratulation to every citizen and especially the tax payers. This condition of affairs ought to enhance and does enhance the value of every acre of land in town. All men seeking homes are careful to look into this subject, and the question of taxation is among the very first of enquiries by them. We ought this year to get the rate down to ten mills in place of thirteen and a fraction, as it was last year.

While it is of course impossible to foresee what expenses the town may have to bear in the future, yet, assuming that nothing extraordinary will occur, we feel safe in recommending the reduction of one hundred dollars in the customary grant of the town for repairs of the highways, and the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars less for the contingent fund, the ensuing year. The large balance in favor of the town would allow even a further reduction for the purposes named, but it may not be wise to prune too severely at once, though the true financial policy of a town does not, like an individual, lie in the direction of keeping a large sum in the treasury, but to so gauge its taxation as to meet as nearly as may be its yearly expenses, leaving each year to care for itself, or rather provide by taxation only for the advancing years as they come to us.

The total amount paid out on account of State Aid, this year, was \$232 50. Of this amount, the State pays back the sum of \$162 00, leaving the net cost to the town the past year only \$70 50.

Finally, as the law directs, we report as follows, concerning the Guide-boards. They are all up and in good condition at the present time, and are located as follows:

One near the Nugent house, one near the house of C. S. Flint, one near D. L. Ware's house, one near house of T. Wendall, one near house of F. T. Merriam, one near S. W. school-house, one on N. E. school-house, one near barn of P. Daw, one near house of H. L. Fiske, 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.
JOHN SLADE,	
A. S. GRATON,	

Paxton, Feb. 18, 1884.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

WM. H. CLARK, TREASURER,

In Account with the TOWN OF PAXTON.

1883.	DR.	
Feb. 14,	To Cash in hands of Treasurer at last settlement,	\$26 19
April 4,	received from H. P. Bemis on note,	300 00
" 10,	" " Learned, Newton, & Co.,	
	on note,	100 00
May 18,	" " " "	100 00
June 26,	" " Town of Holden, (School	
	Tuition,)	6 00
" 28,	" " L. Bill on note,	100 00
" 29,	" " H. P. Bemis on note,	100 00
" 29,	" " Learned, Newton & Co. on note,	100 00
July 20,	" " " " " "	200 00
Sept. 3,	" " H. P. Bemis, on note,	100 00
Dec. 3,	" " State Treasurer Corp. Tax.	22 98
" "	" " " Nat'l Bank Tax,	50 10
" "	" " " State Aid,	122 00
" "	" " " Relief for Indigent	
1884.	" " " and Dis. Soldiers,	81 25
Jan. 2,	" " " County Treas. dog fund,	41 57
Feb. 1,	" " " State Treasurer,	
	school fund,	208 87
	Received of H. P. Bemis, Collector,	3,948 00
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		\$5,606 96

1883.	CR.	
Sept. 29,	By Cash paid Ledyard Bill, note,	\$100 00
	Interest on same,	1 25
Oct. 20,	H. P. Bemis, note,	100 00
	Interest on same,	64
Nev. 8,	Learned, Newton & Co., 3 notes,	300 00
	Interest on same,	7 08
Nov. 16,	Learned, Newton & Co. note,	200 00
	Interest on same,	3 28
Dec. 3,	State Treasurer, state tax,	240 00
" 19,	H. P. Bemis, note of Mar. 15, '82,	400 00
1884.	Interest on same,	16 10
Feb. 9,	H. P. Bemis, note,	300 00
	Interest on same,	12 70
" 9,	County Treasurer, county tax,	215 00
" 12,	Cash paid H. P. Bemis, note,	100 00
	Interest on same,	2 92
	247 Town Orders,	3573 23
	Cash on hand,	34 76
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		\$5,606 96

WM. H. CLARK, Treasurer.

This certifies that we have examined the foregoing account, and find it correct and properly vouched.

CHARLES DODD,	} Auditing Committee.
A. E. BIGELOW,	
CHAS. A. STREETER,	

Paxton, Feb. 14th, 1884.

Settlement with Collector.

H. P. BEMIS, Collector for the year 1883,

In Account with the TOWN OF PAXTON.

DR.

To amount of Uncollected Taxes for 1882,	\$884 91
Tax List committed for 1883,	3,990 81
Interest collected on same,	24 73

\$4,900 45

CR.

By Cash paid Town Treasurer,		\$3,948 00
Poll Taxes of Firemen, abated,		26 00
William Lumbard's tax,	"	3 76
H. P. Harrington's	" " 1880,	2 00
Joseph Barry's	" " 1881,	2 00
Daniel Hunt's	" " "	2 00
Lewis Rice's	" " "	2 00
Wm. H. Squires'	" " "	3 04
Chas. A. Woodruff's	" " "	2 00
H. F. Osland's	" " "	78
Wm. Cotter's	" " 1882,	2 00
Peter Gibree's	" " "	2 00
Daniel Hunt's	" " "	2 00
Richard Howley's	" " "	1 00
Michael Kelley's	" " "	1 00
Lewis Ostroût's	" " "	2 00
Lewis Rice's	" " "	2 00
Lewis Russell's	" " "	2 00
F. Whitehouse's	" " "	2 00

Amounts paid,	\$4,007 58	\$4,900 45
Amounts carried forward.		

Amounts brought forward,	4,007 58	\$4,900 45
By Charles H. Butler's tax, 1882,	2 00	
Amount of Uncollected Taxes,	791 19	
Cash on hand,	99 68	
	————	\$4,900 45

H. P. BEMIS, Collector.

Paxton, Feb. 14, 1884.

We hereby certify that we have examined the above account and find it correct.

CHARLES DODD,	}	Auditing Committee.
A. E. BIGELOW,		
C. A. STREETER,		

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 3d, 1884.

J. Barnes Brown,	Charles Dodd,
Leander T. Kirby,	Frank A. Pierce,
William Brown,	Dwight Estabrook,
Addison H. Harrington,	William W. Russell,
Charles F. Flint,	Edward H. Bryant,
William H. Clark.	

By order of the Selectmen.

Paxton, Feb. 18, 1884.

Report of Overseers of Poor.

INVENTORY AND APPRAISAL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE TOWN.

AT THE TOWN FARM AS MADE FEB. 14TH, 1884.

Farm 100 acres,	2100 00	
Pasture, 40 acres,	575 00	
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Farming tools,	175 00	
Wagons, sleigh, harnesses, carts, &c.,	185 00	
Household Furniture,	210 00	
	<hr/>	\$570 00

STOCK.

1 horse,	100 00	
5 cows,	210 00	
1 yearling heifer,	12 00	
1 Brood Sow,	25 00	
2 Shoats,	20 00	
48 Fowls,	33 60	
	<hr/>	\$400 60

HAY, GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Hay and Grain,	123 25	
Provisions,	176 10	
	<hr/>	\$299 35

Total invoice, \$3944 95

RECEIPTS OF THE FARM.

Received for veal,	87 89
beef,	74 34
pork,	15 82
eggs,	29 06

Received for poultry,	32 37	
hay and straw,	104 23	
potatoes,	50 62	
labor,	6 85	
butter,	60 26	
wood,	27 87	
1 horse,	140 00	
cabbages,	12 09	
rye,	4 42	
use of pasture,	32 00	
sundries,	1 81	
Increase of invoice,	23 91	
Total receipts of farm.	<hr/>	\$703 54

EXPENSES AT TOWN FARM.

Paid for Labor,	50 06	
Grain,	187 67	
Flour,	43 45	
Meat and fish,	60 67	
Clothing,	18 28	
Coal,	22 62	
Repairs on buildings and house		
drain,	56 41	
Blacksmithing,	10 03	
Groceries less the flour,	196 89	
Medical attendance,	6 00	
Stock bought,	195 25	
Buggy, harnesses and robe,	39 25	
Bedding and sundries,	98 17	
Warden's salary, 1 year,	175 00	
One year's interest on real		
estate, farming tools, wagons,		
carts, &c., as appraised		
Feb. 14th, 1883,	154 75	
	<hr/>	\$1414 50
Deduct receipts of farm,		703 54
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Net expense at the farm,		710 96
Number of weeks board,	313	
Cost per week,	\$2 27	

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

Names.	Age.	Weeks.
Mary Pierce,	82	52
Harriet Allen,	61	52
Jason Bigelow,	79	52
Rebecca Bigelow,	86	52
John P. Metcalf,	92	52
Mary Goodnow,	42	52
Traveling poor,		1
Whole number of weeks,		<hr/> 313

SUPPORT OF THE POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

And expense of contested settlements, 40 19

OVERSEERS' ACCOUNT.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, To Town of Paxton,

DR.

Received of A. Williams,	34 00
for 1 horse,	140 00
of S. T. Wood,	10 00
Town of Holden, board of M. Daw,	6 00
G. E. Foster,	5 00
D. L. Ware,	5 41
Town Treasurer,	800 00
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	\$1000 41

CR.

Paid on unpaid bills of last year,	
Warden's salary,	165 00
Store bill,	194 68
Balance due for grain,	7 32
Blacksmithing,	8 12
Town of Athol,	5 00
BILLS OF 1883-4,	<hr/>
for board Michael Daw,	6 00
J. Olmstead,	1 50
on expenses of poor out of	
Almshouse,	14 35
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	\$380 12

for 1 cow,	40 00	
1 horse,	70 00	
Expenses at almshouse,	1 05	
Same,	10 00	
Expenses of poor out of alms- house,	2 08	
Salary of S. T. Wood,	84 79	
for buggy and harness,	31 00	
Expenses at farm,	15 05	
Grocery bill,	105 40	
E. O. Slade,	1 23	
Doctor's Bill,	3 00	
M. Olmstead,	3 25	
H. Buemond,	23 00	
for lumber,	1 25	
Counsel,	2 00	
Expenses at farm,	10 00	
Grain bill,	44 12	
for 1 cow,	31 50	
1 robe,	8 25	
H. Buemond,	68 75	
Labor,	3 00	
Expenses on contested settle- ments,	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$969 69

LIABILITIES.

Due on store bill,	\$86 62	
salary of warden,	45 84	
outstanding bills,	20 36	
Overseers' salaries :		
H. H. Pike,	12 00	
O. Goodnow,	6 00	
A. S. Graton,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$175 82

RESOURCES.

Due on outstanding bills,	\$5 21	
Cash in hands of warden,	1 77	
Balance in hands of Overseers at settlement,	30 72	
Fouracre note,	75 67	
	<hr/>	\$113 37
Difference between liabilities and resources,		<hr/> \$61 45

This has been in many respects a year full of perplexity to the Overseers. The soil of the farm is naturally dry, and the drought of the past two seasons has greatly affected the crops, especially that of hay, the amount cut this year being at least five tons less than last year, thus reducing the invoice below what it otherwise would have been, about \$100, which is charged to the expenses of the farm.

The town granted the sum of \$800 from this, there had to be paid above the available resources the unpaid bills of last year to the amount of \$268 88, leaving \$531 12 to meet the expenses of the current year, and from this we were obliged to take \$56 41 to make the necessary sanitary improvements requested by the Inspector of State Charities, (putting in an house drain and changing the out-building,) and this sum does not include the warden's labor, leaving \$474 71. Take from this \$40 19, that it cost to support the poor out of the almshouse and the expenses of contested settlements, and there is left \$434.52, from this must be paid the Warden's salary of \$275.00 and there is left \$159.52 for the support of the poor at the almshouse and Overseers' services, which no doubt with an ordinary season and fair crops would be enough outside of the Warden's salary, and probably a town grant of \$500, would be enough for the coming year unless the town desire to make some improvements on the place.

Early in the season the Overseers became satisfied that the warden was not a suitable person for the place, and after a thorough investigation he was discharged, but we were very fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mr. Henry Buemond and wife to take charge of the farm, who have given us entire satisfaction, having increased the comforts of the inmates and at the same time greatly reduced the expenses, and we are glad to say that we have been able to secure their services for the coming year. Much of the bedding had become worn and poor and the board decided to furnish new, which was done; all the bedsteads were changed but one, among the rest was one new iron bedstead,

and nearly all new bedding, at a cost of about \$75.00 which of course is a permanent improvement, but had to be added to the expenses of the farm this year; this with the new under-clothing furnished the inmates places them in good and comfortable condition.

Several important cases of contested settlements have come up the past year, all of which have been settled to the advantage of this town with one possible exception, and in this case the settlement have been denied and the evidence so far goes to show that this town is not the place of their legal settlement. These settlement cases are of the most vital interest to the town, a single mistake or omission may cost the town, hundreds of dollars in the future.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

HENRY H. PIKE,	}	Overseers of the Poor.
OLIVER GOODNOW,		
A. S. GRATON,		

Report of the Town Clerk.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN PAXTON IN 1883.

- May 23, Evelyn May Shover, daughter of Albert M. and Kate Shover.
July 3, Effie May Hosmer, daughter of Edward P. and Emma M. Hosmer.
July 5, Raoul Albert Lamouth, son of George and Fanny Lamouth.
July 13, William Henry Wood, son of George S. and Lizzie I. Wood.
July 27, Eddie Snow, son of Lewis and Matilda Snow.
Aug. 18, Charles Edward Fisk, son of Charles H. and Fidelia E. Fisk.
Oct. 2, Althea Elnora Russell, daughter of W. W. and Helen T. Russell.
Oct. 2, Alma Genevea Russell, daughter of W. W. and Helen T. Russell.
Oct. 19, Walter A. Wood, son of Samuel T. and Mary A. Wood.
Nov. 26, Bertha Elvira Bryant, daughter of Edward H. and Alice E. Bryant.
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MARRIAGES RECORDED IN PAXTON IN 1883.

- Jan. 10, William H. Stearns and Sophronia Lakin.
" 17, Edgar H. Burnette and Minnie B. Mixer.
" 18, Herbert L. Cheney and Mary E. Cushing.
" 25, Ezra A. Brooks and Ellen Johnson.
Apr. 15, Anelions Chickering and Minnie C. Cummings.
" 26, Willard Howe and Nancy C. Lyon.
Aug. 29, Frank H. Kendrick and Alice L. Sherman.
Nov. 5, Elias W. Davis and Eliza H. Dodd.

DEATHS RECORDED IN PAXTON IN 1883.

	YEARS.	MOS.	DAYS.
Mar. 2, Ida May Brown,	5	10	
Apr. 17, Henry S. Pike,	13	10	6
May 9, Lizzie S. Abbott,	22	7	22
July 3, Matilda Moulton,	46	2	3
Aug. 21, Ellen Provo,		5	
“ 28, Joseph E. Lamothe,	1	10	22
Oct. 21, Daniel Butler,	74		
Nov. 2, David Harrington,	76	9	22
Dec. 6, Joseph Belrose,	2	8	
Dec. 7, Olive G. Harrington,	73	2	5
“ 13, Hyrena T. Daniels,	24	32	8

WILLIAM H. CLARK,

Town Clerk.

Paxton, Feb. 11, 1884.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Inhabitants of Paxton :

There is but little to report in regard to the work of the Library the past year. The interest in the Library has been well sustained although there has been some dissatisfaction expressed at the small number of new books purchased, which is the natural consequence of the very limited means placed at the disposal of the Trustees.

The number of books purchased is twelve.

The donations were as follows: L. Bill, 61 Pamphlets, 5 Pub. Documents; Hon. W. W. Rice, 4 Pub. Documents; A. R. Marshall, 1 Pub. Document; D. Estabrook, 1 Pamphlet.

The Treasurer's report is as follows:

Dr.

To cash received of Town Treasurer :

(dog fund)	\$40 32
for old books,	5 12
Library fines,	5 25
	\$50 69

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By cash paid, Librarian's salary,	\$31 25
for new books,	12 70
rebinding books,	2 70
stovepipe and fixtures,	3 00
order cards,	1 15
sundries,	2 69
Balance against Library last year,	89
	\$44 38

Balance in Treasury, \$6.31, of which \$5.00 will be due the Librarian, April 1st.

The Librarian's salary, until the past year, had been uniformly \$25.00 per year. At the annual meeting of the Trustees in April last, the Librarian, in consideration of the small appropriation, voluntarily relinquished \$5.00 of her salary to be used for the purchase of books. This, with the amount received for old books, constituted nearly eighty per cent of the amount expended for new books. To show the decrease in the yearly receipts of the Library, we present herewith a statement of the amount of dog fund, for each year of the Library's existence.

1877	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883
\$63 65	\$59 55	\$66 17	\$62 20	\$57 75	\$47 36	\$40 32

It is evident that the Dogs are getting tired of supporting the Library, and it would seem to be the part of wisdom for the Town to step in and help. We hope that a sum of money may be granted sufficient for the purchase of a considerable number of books, and also for the issue of a new catalogue of which there is much need.

Of the Librarian, Miss Rowell, we have only to say what has been said in former reports, that she is well qualified for her duties, and has given excellent satisfaction.

At the annual inspection of books, Feb. 9th, all books were accounted for except No. 280. The number of persons taking books the past year is 155.

Number of books issued 2230.

Respectfully submitted,

Paxton, Feb. 14th, 1884.

E. P. KEEP, Secretary.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting

1884.

[COPY.]

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 election and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Paxton, on Mouday the third day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, namely :—

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

ARTICLE 2nd. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3rd. To hear the report of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

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

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

ARTICLE 6th. To see what disposition the town will make of its " Dog Fund."

ARTICLE 7th. To see if the town will grant a sum of money for the support of the Public Library in addition to the " Dog Fund."

ARTICLE 8th. To see what action the town will take in regard to the observance of " Memorial Day."

ARTICLE 9th. To see if the town will authorize the School Committee to close the schools in West and North-east Districts, and pay for the transportation of school children, or act any way thereon.

ARTICLE 10th. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the relief of indigent and disabled soldiers, as provided in Chapter 30 of the Public Statutes, or act any way thereon.

ARTICLE 11th. To see what compensation the town will allow its Firemen the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 12th. To see if the town will fix the amount of compensation for labor on the Highways, the ensuing year, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 13th. To see if the town will authorize the purchase of a Road Machine for the repair of the Highways, also to see if the town will establish a watering trough or tub near the house of Frank Keep, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 14th. To see if the town will vote to close the Highway leading from the north-east corner of Austin E. Skiff's land, said corner being about one hundred and fifty feet south of the house occupied by one Cote, thence southerly to and by the location of what was the old "Day place," so called, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 15th. To see what action the town will take with regard to the lease of Asneybumskit Pond, as provided in the Public Statutes, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 16th. To see if the town will allow the use of any of the principal of the "Allen Fund" by the Trustee, for the Widow's support, if deemed necessary by said Trustee, or act thereon.

ARTICLE 17th. To see if the town will enlarge, alter, or rebuild the Hearse-house, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 18th. To see if the town will accept the List of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 19th. To see if the town will vote a discount on the Taxes the ensuing year, and fix a time for their payment, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 20th. To see what action the town will take on the question submitted by the General Court, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, name'y, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" The form of the ballot shall be, "Yes" or "No."

ARTICLE 21st. To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote whereby they voted to accept the law to choose a Board of Overseers of the Poor in the Town of Paxton.

ARTICLE 22nd. To see if the town will choose an Auditing Committee to reckon and settle with the Town Treasurer and Collector the ensuing year, and to deface such town orders as have been paid by the Treasurer after the town has accepted of their respective reports.

ARTICLE 23rd. To see if the town will authorize the bell to be rung 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 18th day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

LEDYARD BILL,
JOHN SLADE,
A. S. GRATON,

} *Selectmen*
} *of*
} *Paxton.*

VALUATION and TAX LIST,

May 1, 1883.

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Aharn, Thomas,	2 horses 100, 5 cows 125, 3 three yrs-old 70, 3 two yrs-old 45, 4 yearlings 35, 2 swine 20, 2 sheep 10, buildings 500, farm 90 a. 1200	29 79
1	Abbott, Simon C.	stock in trade 200, 2 horses 120, carriage 30, buildings 1200, house lot 1 a. 200, sprout land $1\frac{1}{2}$ a. 20,	25 36
1	Abbott, Edgar A.		2 00
1	Bryant, David,	money 3000, 1 horse 75, 2 cows 70, 1 carriage 100,	44 83
1	Bryant, Francis E.	1 horse 150, 2 oxen 170, 4 cows 140, 5 three yrs-old 150, 2 yearlings 24, 1 carriage 100, buildings 600, farm 15 a. 450,	25 55
1	Bryant, Edward H.		2 00
1	Brown, James,		2 00
1	Brown, John B.	1 horse 50, 1 cow 35, 1 three yrs-old 20, buildings 700, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 100, Pike land $3\frac{3}{4}$ a. 225, Town lot $1\frac{3}{4}$ a. 100,	18 24
1	Brown, John A.		2 00
1	Bullock, Thomas,		2 00
	Bullock, Elizabeth,	2 horses 250, 1 cow 27, 1 swine 12, buildings 450, farm 31 a. 300,	13 71
1	Barrett, John,		2 00
1	Belrose, Napoleon,		2 00
1	Boynton, Charles D.	1 horse 45, 2 oxen 160, 3 cows 80, buildings 900, farm 87 a. 2000,	44 04
1	Boynton, Darwin R.	buildings 1100, house lot 1 a. 150, 1-5 Parsonage buildings 150, 1-5 house lot 30,	20 88
1	Brown, William,	1 horse 140, 1 carriage 65, buildings 850, house lot $1\frac{3}{4}$ a. 150,	17 91
1	Brown, George A.	stock in trade 250, 2 horses 200, 3 cows 90, 1 two yrs-old 20, 1 swine 20, buildings 500, farm $18\frac{1}{2}$ a. 500,	22 86
1	Brown, Joseph,		2 00

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Buemon, Emery,		2 00
1	Bisbee, George D.	house 300, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a. 50,	6 62
1	Bemis, Hiram P.	1 horse 115, 1 cow 50, carriage 50, buildings 700, farm 12 a. 500,	20 68
	Bemis, Hiram P.	Guardian of Alfred W. Snow, wood land 18 a. 500,	6 60
1	Burnett, Edward,		2 00
1	Burnett, Edgar H.		2 00
1	Bill, Ledyard,	money 150, 1 horse 150, 3 carriages 300, buildings 1700, farm 7 a. 650, house and store house 500, house lot $\frac{3}{8}$ a. 100, sprout land $4\frac{1}{2}$ 25,	49 19
1	Bigelow, Lewis,	1 cow 50, 1 swine 6, buildings 1200, house lot 3 a. 300,	22 54
1	Bigelow, Artemas,		2 00
1	Butler, Daniel,	buildings 400, farm 34 a. 400,	12 56
1	Comins, William,	stock in trade 2500, 5 horses 400, 2 oxen 150, 11 cows 400, 3 two yrs-old 50, 1 yearling 10, 13 swine 180, carriage 50, buildings and water power 4500, Brown house and shed 300, farm 106 a. 1500, Brown farm 90 a. 1300, Barr pasture 23 a. 200,	154 33
	Comins, Mary E.	Pierce land 54 a. 800, Exempt 500,	3 96
	Comins, Ella A.	Maynard land 50 a. 700, Exempt 500,	2 64
1	Cooper, Otis D.		2 00
1	Coty, Joseph,	2 horses 30, 3 cows 50,	3 06
1	Cummings, John A.	house 500, house lot $\frac{1}{3}$ a. 50,	9 26
1	Chase, John S.	house 550, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 50,	9 92
1	Cheney, George F.	carriage 25,	2 33
	Cheney, Harriet,	house 600, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 50,	8 58
1	Clark, Nathaniel & Co.	money 300, stock in trade 1600, 2 horses 200, 2 carriages 100, buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a. 100, $\frac{1}{3}$ Pierce building 150, $\frac{1}{3}$ Pierce farm 17 $\frac{2}{3}$ a. 150, $\frac{1}{3}$ Keep land 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 160, $\frac{1}{3}$ Mulligan land 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 40,	54 80
1	Clark, William H.	stock in trade 150, horse 175, 2 carriages 115, buildings 1200, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 150, $\frac{1}{2}$ Parsonage buildings 375, $\frac{1}{2}$ Parsonage lot 75, mowing and wood land 10 a. 500, $\frac{1}{3}$ Pierce buildings 150, $\frac{1}{3}$ Pierce farm 17 $\frac{2}{3}$ a. 150, Slade lot 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 35, Brown lot 40 a. 1600, $\frac{1}{3}$ Keep lot 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 160, $\frac{1}{3}$ Mulligan land 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 40, $\frac{1}{2}$ Bellows farm 110 a. 1100, meadow 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 15,	81 07
1	Cooper, Robert,	3 horses 130, 5 cows 120, 1 two yrs-old 20, buildings 400, farm 96 a. 1000,	24 04
1	Dodge, John E.	1 horse 30, 1 carriage 30,	2 79
1	Dodd, George W.	stock in trade 150, buildings 800, house lot $\frac{1}{3}$ a. 100, Daniels pasture 47 a. 450, $\frac{1}{2}$ Bellows	

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
		farm 110 a. 1100,	36 32
1	Dodd, Charles,	1 horse 75, 4 cows 140, 1 yearling 13, buildings 600, farm 78 a. 1800,	36 69
1	Dodd, Charles H.		2 00
1	Dwyer, Arthur,	1 horse 100, Howe land 10 a. 400,	8 60
1	Daniels Horace,	2 horses 125, 3 cows 75, 2 three yrs-old 40, 2 two yrs-old 30, carriage 40, buildings 1400, farm 246 a. 3000, Bellows land 50 a. 800,	74 73
1	Daw, Peter,	1 horse 75, 5 cows 125, 1 yearling 15, buildings 500, farm 68 a. 1100,	25 96
1	Davis, Elias W.	1 horse 75, 2 oxen 165, 14 cows 450, 2 three yrs-old 50, 5 yearlings 50, 1 swine 15, buildings 1200, farm 243 a. 5000, meadow land 16 a. 128, sprout land 10 a. 50,	96 82
	Dodd, Susan,	buildings 1400, house lot 1 a. 200,	21 12
1	Eames, Henry C.		2 00
	Eames, M. F.	3 horses 300, 1 cow 45, 1 swine 8,	4 66
1	Eames, Edward,	stock in trade 500, 2 horses 300, 1 cow 30,	12 96
1	Estabrook, Dwight,	1 horse 25, 1 cow 30, 1 swine 6, buildings 1050, farm 37½ a. 600, Abbott land 6 a. 100, pasture 20 a. 200, sprout land 5 a. 25, Harrington land 2½ a. 250,	32 18
1	Estabrook, Daniel,	1 cow 35, buildings 675, house lot 1½ a. 125, Howe land 13 a. 300,	16 98
1	Earl, Ralph,	buildings 800, house lot ½ a. 100,	13 88
1	Fisk, C. H.		2 00
1	Fisk, Horace L.		2 00
1	Fisk, Horace L. Jr.	2 cows 50, buildings 300, farm 16 a. 300,	10 58
1	Frink, Nelson,	1 horse 150, carriage 75,	4 97
	Frink, Mrs. J. A.	buildings 300, farm 30 a. 360, meadow 2 a. 20, Exempt 500,	2 38
1	Fay, Charles H.		2 00
1	Flint, Charles S.	1 horse 50, 2 oxen 160, 3 cows 105, 2 three yrs-old 60, 1 swine 8, 11 sheep 50, 1 carriage 100, buildings 1000, farm 66 a. 1500, Ware pasture 24 a. 275,	45 67
1	Flint, Charles F.		2 00
1	Fouracre, John,	1 horse 30, 6 cows 150, 1 yearling 10,	4 51
1	Graham, William J.	1 horse 50,	2 66
1	Graton, Alwin S.	1 horse 100, 3 cows 100, 2 swine 21, carriages 200, buildings 650, house lot ½ a. 50, ½ Pierce buildings 150, ½ Pierce farm 17½ a. 150, Goulding land 15 a. 250, Maynard land 4 a. 20, Bisco & Hill pasture 10 a. 50, ½ Keep land 8½ a. 160, ½ Muligan land 5½ a. 40,	27 62

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Goodnow, Oliver,	3 cows 120, 1 swine 8, buildings 800, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 100, 1-10 Parsonage buildings 75, 1-10 house lot Parsonage 15, pasture and wood land 25, a. 600, Fox hill lot 11 a. 500,	31 28
1	Gotha, David,	buildings 400, house lot 3 a. 125.	8 93
1	Henderson, Charles,		2 00
2	Henry, G. G. & J. E.	5 horses 330, 7 cows 190, 5 yearlings 50, buildings 400, farm 200 a. 2000,	43 20
1	Hayes, Stephen,	buildings 700, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ a. 100.	12 56
1	Harrington, David,	buildings 1200, farm 258 a. 3800,	68 00
1	Harrington, William H.	stock in trade 300, 3 horses 150, 4 cows 140, 11 three yrs-old 325, 15 two yrs-old 270, 18 yearlings 180, 4 swine 42, buildings and water power 1800. Howard saw mill and water power 600, farm 16 a. 250, mill yard and flowage land 28 a. 200, Killbourn land 30 a. 500,	64 79
2	Harrington, Simon G.	3 horses 250, 2 oxen 150, 5 cows 130, 6 three yrs-old 150, 3 two yrs-old 40, 2 yearlings 20, 3 sheep 14, buildings 800, farm 158 a. 1600, sprout land 25 a. 200,	48 27
1	Harrington, Addison D.	2 horses 125, 2 oxen 150, 20 cows 700, 4 three yrs-old 80, 7 two yrs-old 105, 5 yearlings 50, 3 swine 30,	18 37
	Harrington, Amelia,	buildings 1000, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ a. 200,	15 84
2	Howe, John O.	1 horse 25, 2 oxen 160, 4 cows 130, 3 two yrs-old 65, 2 yearlings 20, 2 swine 18, buildings 600, farm 112 a. 1700,	39 88
1	Howe, Artemas,	1 horse 100, 4 cows 140, 1 yearling 12, 1 carriage 30, buildings 850, house lot 3 a. 250, Dwyer buildings 400, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 50, Abbott land 37 a. 800,	36 74
1	Howe, Z. S. M.	1 horse 25, 2 cows 70, carriage 15, buildings 1275, house lot 1 a. 200,	22 92
1	Howe, Willard,	1 horse 40, 1 cow 50, buildings 800, farm 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 700,	22 99
1	Howe, Jonah,	money 1200,	17 84
1	Hosmer, Edward T.	1 cow 20, buildings 250, farm 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 300,	9 52
1	Hazen, Edward,		2 00
1	Healy, Samuel,		2 00
1	Healy, Fred E.	1 horse 40,	2 53
1	Holmes, John,	1 cow 40, 1 swine 6, buildings 650, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 100, Crocker land 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 600,	20 43
	Harris, John A.	heirs of, buildings 900, house lot 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 250,	15 18
1	Jodoen, Lewis,		2 00

s.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Keep, Francis,	2 horses 225, 8 cows 270, 4 two yrs-old 75, 3 swine 30, carriages 80, buildings 1100, farm 164 a. 2300,	55 86
1	Keep, Josiah O.	1 horse 120, 2 oxen 150, 7 cows 230, 3 swine 40, 1 carriage 45, buildings 900, farm 77 a. 1200,	37 44
1	Keep, E. P.		2 00
1	Karle, Jacob,	2 horses 180, 2 cows 80, 1 two yrs-old 20, 1 yearling 12, 2 swine 16, buildings 700, farm 45 a. 700,	24 55
1	Kane, Morris,		2 00
	Kane, Margaret,	1 horse 90, 6 cows 180, 3 swine 20, buildings 150, farm 85 a. 800,	16 37
1	King, Frank W.	1 horse 75, 2 cows 70, carriage 25, build- ings 300, farm 63 a. 500,	14 80
1	King, Elmer,		2 00
1	Kirby, Leander T.	buildings 1050, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 150,	17 85
1	Kirby, Frank L.		2 00
1	Lamotte, George,	1 cow 30,	2 40
	Learned, Susan,	1 horse 35, 1 cow 40, buildings 300, farm 51 a. 300,	8 91
1	Learned, Ezra J.		2 00
1	LaMonia, George C.	barn 150, farm 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 350,	8 60
1	Lakin, Daniel,	1 horse 45, 2 oxen 85, 4 cows 125, 3 yearlings 30, buildings 1500, farm 232 a. 2500,	58 56
1	Leonard, Farrel,	1 horse 50, 3 cows 80, buildings 350, farm 20 a. 400,	13 62
1	Lumbard, William,	2 horses 200, 4 cows 130, 1 swine 12. buildings 800, farm 26 a. 800,	27 63
1	Lyon, John B.	1 cow 30,	2 40
2	Murphy, Patrick,	2 horses 200, 4 cows 120, 6 three yrs- old 100, 2 two yrs-old 30, 2 swine 16, buildings 600, farm 71 a. 1000, Woodis buildings 175, Woodis house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 25, Thompson land 56 a. 650,	42 49
1	Maynard, William,		2 00
1	McCann, Thomas,		2 00
1	Mead, Marshall S.	1 horse 45, 3 cows 105, buildings 600, farm 11 a. 400,	17 18
1	Merriam, Foster T.	stock in trade 100, 2 horses 150, 3 cows 95, 3 swine 27, buildings 250, farm 37 a. 350,	14 83
1	Marsh, Cornelius,	2 horses 150, 3 cows 100, 2 yearlings 20, 1 swine 12,	5 72
1	Norton, James,	1 horse 60, 4 cows 120, 2 swine 14, build- ings 350, farm 78 a. 600,	17 10
1	Norton, Patrick,	1 horse 25, 3 cows 90, buildings 500, farm 52 a. 500,	16 72
1	Nystrom, Charles S.	1 horse 50, 3 cows 90, buildings 300, farm 40 a. 450,	13 75

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
1	Nystrom, Olef,		2 00
	Newton, M. C. H. buildings 500, house lot $1\frac{3}{4}$ a. 150,		8 58
	Newton, Catherine B. buildings 600, house lot $\frac{7}{8}$ a. 200,		
	Exempt 500,		3 96
1	Newton, George B.		2 00
1	Newton, Samuel A.		2 00
1	Newton, William H.		2 00
1	Newton, Fred A.		2 00
1	Newton, Charles H.		2 00
1	Olmstead, George N.		2 00
	Olmstead, Alice S. 2 cows 60,		79
1	Olmstead, Martin B. stock in trade 100, 1 horse 50, car-		
	riage 25, 2 shops 300, shop lot $\frac{1}{8}$ a. 50,		8 93
1	Olmstead, Martin L.		2 00
1	Olmstead, John D. stock in trade 75,		2 99
1	Pike, William F. buildings 500, farm 55 a. 600, wood		
	land 4 a. 150,		18 50
	Pike, Susan, 2 horses 135, 2 oxen 150, 2 cows 60, 1 two		
	yrs-old 22, buildings 400, farm $79\frac{1}{2}$ a. 700,		19 36
1	Pike, Henry H. 1 horse 50, 1 cow 35, buildings 850, house		
	lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 100, Brown buildings 200, Brown land 51 a.		
	575, Goulding land 4 a. 30,		26 29
1	Provost, Joseph,		2 00
1	Pierce, Frank W. 1 horse 25, 4 cows 105, 2 swine 16,		
	carriage 60, buildings 950, farm 93 a. 1200,		33 10
1	Pierce, Frank A. 1 horse 120, 4 cows 160, 1 yearling 15,		
	$\frac{1}{2}$ house and barn 350, $\frac{1}{2}$ house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a. 50, farm 50 a.		
	800,		21 73
	Pierce, Eliza, $\frac{1}{2}$ house and barn 350, $\frac{1}{2}$ house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a.		
	50, Exempt,		
1	Pierce, Horace, 1 horse 160, 2 oxen 135, 6 cows 160, 2		
	two yrs-old 40, 1 yearling 13, 5 swine 60, buildings		
	800, farm 107 a. 1500,		40 39
1	Pierce, Cyrus,		2 00
1	Penniman, Joseph H. 4 horses 325, 10 cows 280, 3 three		
	yrs-old 90, 2 swine 14, carriages 150, buildings 1000,		
	farm 60 a. 1100, Grosvenor land 75 a. 700,		50 30
1	Penniman, Tyler S. 1 horse 40, 5 cows 155, buildings		
	600, farm 44 1-2 a. 1000, Barr buildings 300, Barr		
	lot $\frac{3}{4}$ a. 75, wood land 10 a. 150,		32 62
1	Putnam, Anson, 1 yearling 18,		2 24
1	Perry, Benoni E. 1 horse 60, 2 two yrs-old 40, 1 carriage		
	30, Wilson land 10 a. 200,		6 36
1	Perry, Charles B.		2 00
1	Parkhurst, Clifton, 1 horse 30, 4 cows 145, 1 two yrs-old		
	18, 2 swine 15, buildings 400, farm 31 a. 400,		15 31

Polls.	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
	Parkhurst, Moses, estate of,	Carruth land 40 a. 400,	5 28
1	Parkhurst, Nathaniel,	1 horse 20, 4 cows 125, 1 yearling 15, 1 swine 15, buildings 600, farm 44 a. 500,	18 83
1	Pendleton, Henry,	4 horses 350, 2 coaches 250,	9 92
1	Parker, Jotham,	buildings 850, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 100, Pike lot 4 1-2 a. 70,	15 46
	Partridge, John, estate of,	buildings 1400, farm 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 1100,	33 00
1	Root, Don C.		2 00
1	Robinson, Thomas B.	1 horse 50, 1 cow 38, 1 swine 9, buildings 1100, farm 6 a. 500,	24 40
1	Robinson, Albert M.		2 00
1	Robinson, Frank H.	money 100,	3 32
1	Russell, Warren W.		2 00
	Russell, Fanny W.	house 800, house lot $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 100, Ex-empt 500,	5 28
1	Rogers, William B.	house 1000, house lot 3-10 a. 100, Chickering lot 9 a. 50, 2-10 Parsonage buildings 150, 2-10 house lot 30,	19 56
	Reed, Adeline,	buildings 500, house lot 1-2 a. 125,	8 25
1	Rowell, George,	1 horse 115, 1 cow 40, shop 30, carriage 40, buildings 650, farm 23 a. 600,	21 47
1	Streeter, Charles A.	2 horses 125, 6 cows 175, 5 yearlings 58, 3 swine 28, buildings 1000, farm 89 a. 1450,	39 44
1	Slade, Henry,	2 horses 135, 2 oxen 150, 8 cows 240, 2 two yrs-old 45, 2 yearlings 25, buildings 1300, farm 78 a. 1500, Belcher pasture 70 a. 750,	56 71
1	Slade, John,	1 horse 35, 4 oxen 240, 5 cows 158, 2 swine 24, buildings 600, farm 95 a. 1500, Wheelock buildings 1300, farm 21 a. 1000, Black hill pasture 28 1-2 a. 500,	72 71
1	Slade, Edgar O.	1 horse 135, 2 swine 30,	4 18
1	Sweetser, Isaac H.	1 horse 50, buildings 200, farm 25 1-2 a. 465,	11 44
1	Smith, Levi,	1 horse 25, 2 cows 75, 1 two yrs-old 25, 1 yearling 15, buildings 500, farm 35 a. 500,	17 05
1	Skiff, Austin E.	1 horse 50, 5 cows 175, 1 two yrs-old 18, 1 yearling 10, buildings 950, house lot 1-2 a. 100, Day land 25 a. 500, Earl land 4 a. 60,	26 59
1	Smith, Henry R.	1 horse 100, 1 carriage 50, buildings 800, house lot 1 a. 200, Pike lot 3 a. 50,	17 84
1	Snow, Frank,		2 00
	Snow, Mary,	2 horses 60, 3 cows 90, 1 yearling 10, buildings 300, farm 74 a. 900,	17 95
1	Snow, Lewis,		2 00
1	Stratton, Luke,	house 700, house lot 1-2 a. 100,	12 56

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1	Stratton, Carlos E.		2 00
1	Shover, Albert, buildings 175, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a. 25,		4 64
1	Sherman, Warreu, 1 two yrs-old 20, buildings 850, house lot $1\frac{2}{3}$ a. 250,		16 78
	Southwick, Rebecca, buildings 800, farm 27 a. 800,		21 12
1	Saunders, John, 1 horse 100,		3 32
	Tamplin, Mary L. 1 cow 50, 1 swine 8, hotel buildings 2000, house lot $\frac{3}{4}$ a. 200,		29 71
1	Tyson, Ezekiel,		2 00
	Tyson, Carrie E. 1 horse 75, 1 cow 30, 1 three yrs-old 25, 2 two yrs-old 35,		2 18
1	Underwood, Wm. 1 horse 50, buildings Nugent place 650, house lot 1-2 a. 200,		13 88
1	Upham, George,		2 00
1	Whitney, Joseph D.		2 00
1	Wood, Edward A.		2 00
1	Wood, Smyrna, 1 horse 100, 1 cow 45, buildings 800, house lot $\frac{1}{4}$ a. 100, farm $57\frac{3}{4}$ a. 550, Pike lot 3 a. 60, Parker lot 9 a. 50,		24 50
1	Woodruff, Jason,		2 00
1	Woodruff, William W. 1 horse 25, 2 cows 60, buildings 500, farm 26 a. 470,		15 92
1	Wood, Samuel T.		2 00
1	Warren, William M. 1 horse 75, 4 cows 120, 1 yearling 10, buildings 850, farm 48 a. 1100,		30 45
1	Ware, Daniel L. 1 horse 100, 2 oxen 150, 4 cows 140, 3 yearlings 32, buildings 900, farm 65 a. 1200,		35 29
1	Woodbury, Edward,		2 00
1	Williams, Anson, 1 horse 35, 7 cows 265, 2 yearlings 28, 2 swine 16, buildings 800, farm 42 a. 800,		27 66
1	Wendall, Thomas, 2 cows 50, buildings 400, farm 40 a. 500,		14 54
1	Woodis, Frank, 1 cow 40, 1 swine 6,		2 61
1	Woodis, Albert,		2 00

NON-RESIDENTS.

	Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
	Arnold, Elisha. Worcester, buildings, 1200, house lot 1-2 a. 100,		17 16
	Anthony, Simeon, Hornellsville, N. Y. wood land 30 a. 500,		6 60
	Allen, George P. Worcester, wood and pasture land 33 a. 400,		5 28
	Bryant, Horace H. Middlebury, Vt., sprout land 21 a. 126,		1 66
	Bancroft, J. A. Worcester, sprout land 5 a. 25,		33
	Black, George, Leicester, buildings 700, farm 43 a. 1500,		29 04

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Barclay, J. A. & B. F. Spencer.	Freeman buildings 800, farm 160 a. 2200,	39 60
Butrick, Samuel D. Worcester,	mowing land 10 a. 200, wood land 12 a. 250,	5 94
Cook, W. W. Worcester,	buildings 500, farm 12 a. 350,	11 22
Cullen, Michael, Rutland,	mowing and pasture land 13 a. 150,	1 98
Clark, J. H. Worcester,	sprout land 48 a. 300,	3 96
Cutler, Aaron T. Worcester,	wood land 18 a. 400,	5 28
Child, Linus M. Boston,	pasture 12 a. 150,	1 98
Chickering Brothers, Rutland,	mowing and pasture land 6 a. 120, meadow and sprout land 10 a. 50,	2 24
Drury, Wm. H. Holden,	house 600, house lot 1-2 a. 100,	9 24
Estabrook, Arthur, land, Leicester,	owners unknown, pasture 15 a. 150,	1 98
Earl, Carlo H. Athol,	meadow land 3 a. 25,	33
Goddard, Luther, Worcester,	buildings 500, house lot 1-2 a. 150,	8 58
Grosvenor, Charles W. Leicester,	buildings 800, farm 160 a. 2000,	37 96
Howard, Luther G. Bellows Falls, Vt.,	buildings 800, Waite farm 263 a. 3500, Boynton land 45 a. 600, Blair pasture 17 a. 125, wood and meadow land 80 a. 1200,	82 17
Hazell, Charles, Holden,	mowing and pasture land 40 a. 900,	11 88
Harrington & Marshall, Worcester,	Tracy house 50, farm 46 a. 500, sprout land 59 1-2 a. 400,	12 54
Healy, Wm. Rutland,	farm 125 a. 2000,	26 40
Henry, Walter, estate of, Worcester,	pasture and wood land 69 a. 700,	9 24
Holbrook, P. L. Leicester,	mowing and wood land 60 a. 600,	7 92
Holbrook, P. L. & J. E.	buildings 400, farm 94 a. 1200,	21 12
Johnson, Baxter E. Worcester,	mowing and wood land 7 a. 150, pasture 25 a. 300,	5 94
Keyes, Israel N. Worcester,	4 horses 400, 2 oxen 125, 35 cows 1225, 2 three yrs-old 150, 4 swine 60, buildings 1400, farm 250 a. 3600,	91 87
Kane, Patrick, Leicester,	pasture land 56 a. 450,	5 94
Lamb, John, Spencer,	meadow land 3 a. 50,	66
Leicester town of.,	pasture and wood land 64 a. 1000,	13 20
Muzzy, E. A. Worcester,	mowing land 13 a. 300,	3 96
Mulcahy, Thomas, Leicester,	pasture and wood land 23 a. 300,	3 96
Nugent, Michael, Worcester,	Flagg lot 3 a. 150,	1 98
Nash, Charles, Worcester,	buildings 300, farm 17 a. 600,	11 88
Olney, George W. Leicester,	flowage land 50 a. 1000,	13 20

Names.	Description of Property.	Tax.
Osland, Horace F. heirs of,	Leicester, Osland land 15 a. 90, Exempt,	
Partridge, George W.	Worcester, buildings 1200, stage barn 200, house lot 1-2 a. 200, mowing 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ a. 700,	30 36
Peirce, Clarrissa,	Worcester, buildings 600, house lot 1-2 a. 200,	10 56
Pryor, James,	Leicester, barn and 1-2 rope walk 400, buildings Smith place 600, Smith farm 54 a. 550, buildings Pike place 1200, Pike farm 102 a. 1150, mowing land 12 a. 250, Bellows pasture 36 a. 300,	58 74
Prouty, Theodore,	Spencer, sprout land 2 a. 30,	40
Sibley, Charles,	East Brookfield, mowing and pasture 46 a. 370,	4 88
Southwick, Elizabeth,	Leicester, mowing land 21 a. 210,	2 77
Southwick, Thomas,	Leicester, house 200, farm 10 a. 200,	5 28
Sugden & Stone,	Spencer, house 1200, farm 82 a. 2000,	42 24
Sprague, Irving,	Leicester, wood land 12 a. 150,	1 98
Sullivan, Dennis,	Leicester, pasture land 5 a. 60,	80
Sargent, John N.	Rutland, pasture 3 a. 60,	80
Stone, Uriah,	estate of Worcester, wood land 20 a. 1500,	19 80
Smith, James A.	Leicester, assignees of, flowage land 29 a. 580,	7 66
Trainor, Sarah,	Leicester, buildings 450, farm 11 1-2 a. 250,	9 24
Thayer, E. D.	Leicester, flowage land 50 a. 1000, flowage land 29 a. 580,	20 86
Warren, V. R.	Franklin, pasture 50 a. 500,	6 60
Williams, Eugene A.	Worcester, pasture 19 a. 150,	1 98
Watson, Aaron,	Spencer, pasture 36 a. 300,	3 96
Woodbury, C. P.	Spencer, mowing and pasture 19 a. 450,	5 94
Walker, Benjamin,	Worcester, buildings 250, farm 76 a. 550, wood land 50 a. 750, Arnold lot 20 a. 250,	23 76
Watts, Henry B.	Leicester, mowing land 2 a. 50,	66

SUMMARY.

Valuation of real estate,	\$239,579 00	
personal property,	39,873 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$279,452 00
Tax on real estate,	\$3123 99	
personal property,	526 26	
Polls,	342 00	
Total Tax,	<hr/>	\$3992 25
Town grants,	\$3,485 00	
State tax,	240 00	
County tax,	215 00	
Overlays,	52 25	
Total,	<hr/>	\$3,992 25
Numbers of polls,	171	
Rate per cent,	\$1.32 on \$100	
“	\$13.20 on \$1000	
Amount of money at interest taxed,	\$4,750	
Number of dwelling houses,	141	
horses,	131	
cows,	329	
sheep,	16	
acres of land taxed,	85 04	

PROPERTY EXEMPTED FROM TAXATION AND VALUE
OF SAME.

Meeting house,	\$3000 00	
Town hall,	1000 00	
Alms house and farm,	2000 00	
Town pasture,	575 00	
School houses,	2000 00	
Public park,	200 00	
Public Library,	300 00	
Cemetery,	400 00	
Estate of unmarried Women,	\$2990 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$12,465 00

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WILLIAM LUMBARD,	
CHARLES F. FLINT,	

Paxton, August 6, 1883.