




TOWN OF HAMILTON.



ANNUAL REPORTS,

1892-3.





ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES,  
THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE,  
AND THE  
TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
OF THE  
TOWN OF HAMILTON,

FROM MARCH 1, 1892, TO MARCH 1, 1893.

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# ANNUAL REPORT

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## TREASURER'S REPORT.

### RECEIPTS.

Cash in Treasury March 1, 1892, \$	3,881.68
“ from city of Gloucester aid, furnished Foss family,	117.18
Cash from liquor license,	1,000.00
“ “ pedlars’ “	3.00
“ “ druggist “	1.00
“ “ corporation tax,	2,094.21
“ “ bank tax,	595.11
“ “ military aid reimbursed,	36.00
“ “ state “ “	210.00
“ “ Mass. school fund,	334.64
“ “ dog license,	176.52
“ “ O. F. Whipple, collector,	7,858.81
“ “ hay scales (west dist.),	4.03
“ “ sale of burial lots,	40.00
“ “ public library fines,	1.25
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	\$16,347.73

### EXPENDITURES.

Paid state aid,	\$270.00
military aid,	72.00
trustees public library,	468.13
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$810.13

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$810.13	
Paid interest on Notes,	107.00	
Notes,	2,600.00	
county tax,	946.04	
state tax,	752.50	
for weights and measures,	265.00	
1-4 liquor license to state,	250.00	
orders paid present year,	7,089.11	
	<u>          </u>	<u>\$12,819.78</u>

### SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL HOUSES.

#### NORTH.

Paid Grace C. Dane, teaching winter term 91 and 92,	\$108.00	
Grace C. Dane, teaching summer term,	104.00	
Grace C. Dane, teaching fall term,	96.00	
Grace C. Dane, teaching winter term,	108.00	
William A. Brown, wood furnished,	22.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$438.00

#### CENTRAL.

Paid Mary P. Grover, teaching,	\$40.00	
Alice M. Paul, teaching summer term,	64.00	
Bertha P. Richardson, teaching fall term,	96.00	
Bertha P. Richardson, teaching winter term,	108.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$308.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<u>\$746.00</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$746.00	
Paid Alvin Smith, wood furnished,	22.00	
G. Porter, care of school-house,	4.35	
Edward Tussell, care of school-house,	4.62	
George Haraden, care of school-house,	.63	
	<hr/>	\$777.60

## WEST.

Paid Everett A. Smith teaching summer term,	\$104.00	
Everett A. Smith, teaching fall term,	88.00	
Everett A. Smith, teaching winter term,	108.00	
Jarvis Lamson, wood furnished,	22.00	
Robie S. Gwinn, care of school house,	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$330.00

## EAST.

Paid Sadie B. Chapman, teaching summer term,	\$104.00	
Sadie B. Chapman, teaching fall term,	96.00	
Sadie B. Chapman, teaching winter term,	108.00	
Isaac F. Knowlton,	22.00	
E. A. Day, care of school-house,	14.45	
	<hr/>	\$344.45
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/>
		\$1,452.05

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,452.05
SOUTH.		
Paid Annie M. Woodbury, teaching winter term 91 and 92,	\$97.20	
Annie M. Woodbury, teaching summer term,	104.00	
Lucy A. Gray, teaching fall term,	96.00	
“ “ “ “ winter term	108.00	
George H. Gibney, coal furnished,	30.35	
J. P. Lovering, wood furnished,	8.00	
Willard Morris, care of school- house,	13.37	
		\$456.92
Total		\$1,908.97

## EXPENSES AND REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Paid Fred A. Nason, labor on school houses,	\$36.06	
Boston School supply Co., supplies,	333.81	
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	98.88	
Lucy Channett, cleaning Centre school,	3.00	
Traders & Mechanics Ins. Co.	94.60	
Mrs. E. A. Day, cleaning South school,	3.00	
Winchester Furniture Co., supplies,	137.01	
G. C. Ryerson, painting,	58.13	
Curtis Damon, supplies,	2.00	
Daniel Low, “	5.35	
Fred A. Nason, stock and labor,	133.37	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$905.21



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$905.21	
Paid Lunt, Rogers & Chase, supplies,	6.00	
Milton Bradley, “	2.60	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	1.08	
Chas. S. Gwinn, grading West school,	4.00	
J. P. Lovering, repairs,	13.70	
“ “ extra expenses,	2.60	
Albert A. Dunnells, setting glass,	1.00	
Miss Smith, cleaning West school,	1.25	
F. C. Norton, supplies,	2.52	
C. A. Hills, “	2.40	
N. A. Horton & Son, school reports,	12.50	
Lucy A. Gray, cleaning South school,	1.35	
Alden B. Chadwick, labor & supplies,	17.20	
Perry Mason & Co., supplies,	1.00	
J. C. Alvord, extra expenses,	3.40	
Sadie B. Chapman, supplies,	.40	
Sylvester Dane, cleaning funnel,	6.00	
I. A. Dunnells, labor on school,	4.30	
		\$988.51

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

CLARENCE P. ROBERTS, ROAD COMMISSIONER.

Paid Clarence P. Roberts,	\$422.35	
Geo. N. Gibney,	75.60	
Daniel C. Smith,	36.00	
John Ramsdell,	71.40	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$605.35

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	605.35
Paid Oscar F. Whipple,	64.50
Geo. Porter,	11.40
Wm. Knipe,	10.00
Fred Oliver,	24.40
Edward Haskell,	11.00
Austin A. Whipple,	6.00
Alvin Tuttle,	25.60
Isaac D. Patch,	16.00
Otis F. Brown,	33.68
J. P. Lovering,	1.20
Lester E. Libby,	34.64
Sylvester Dane,	21.00
Thomas Lane,	11.00
Charles Kent,	2.00
Ira A. Dunnells,	14.00
Arthur Whipple,	12.00
George T. Haynes,	8.00
Alvin Smith,	59.04
E. F. Dodge,	28.50
Geo. R. Dodge,	20.40
James H. Woodman,	49.90
John H. Knowlton,	10.20
Fred Berry,	7.40
Chas. Kinsman,	7.00
John L. Woodbury,	7.30
Geo. S. Whipple,	16.00
Enoch F. Knowlton,	27.48
Isaac F. Knowlton,	47.80
Sylvester Day,	4.00
E. M. Towle,	2.00
Richard A. Bridges,	4.20
Wm. Tuttle,	37.40
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	————— \$1240.39

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1240.39	
Paid Geo. M. Adams,	58.60	
Geo. E. Roberts,	17.75	
Silsbee Adams,	3.60	
Jarvis Lamson,	26.50	
Wm. Wallace,	13.20	
Chas. E. Whipple,	14.40	
Henry Carey,	20.60	
Jos. Jeddrie,	25.00	
Jos. Knowlton,	15.32	
Louis H. Bradstreet,	16.20	
Benjamin Porter,	4.00	
John A. Robinson,	2.40	
Samuel Doty,	5.40	
Charles S. Gwinn,	9.60	
William A. Smith,	12.00	
Mrs. Isaac W. Kimball,	1.00	
Luther F. Dane,	1.44	
Samuel G. Goodhue,	1.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,488.40

**ROADS AND BRIDGES.**

Paid S. F. Canney, lumber, Nor- wood's bridges,	\$10.47	
Chas. W. Appleton, lumber for railing and bridges,	65.52	
	<hr/>	\$75.99

**POOR DEPARTMENT.**

Paid John R. Sargent, board of Al- vin Jowder,	\$30.00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/>	\$30.00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$30.00	
Paid Emerson A. Whipple, care of tramps,	35.00	
Mrs. E. A. Wallis, wood and house rent, Eaton fam- ily,	60.00	
Chas. A. Hobbs, board and care Henry Dodge,	181.00	
Chas. A. Hobbs, board for James Barrett,	181.50	
Daniel Safford, clothing for Eaton boys,	11.00	
F. C. Norton, supplies, Foss family,	94.61	
F. C. Norton, supplies, Eaton family,	94.90	
Daniel D. Stone, supplies, Foss family,	51.90	
Daniel D. Stone, supplies, Eaton family,	33.96	
Sam'l A. Wait, watching, Henry Dodge,	5.00	
E. C. Tibbetts, burial of Henry Dodge,	26.50	
Thomas E. Harper, medicine for Dodge and Lane,	7.40	
Daniel D. Stone, clothing for Eaton family,	5.50	
George H. Gibney, coal for N. J. Foss family,	13.65	
Samuel E. Thayer, medical at- tendance for Dodge, Barrett and Lane,	44.50	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	—————	\$876.42

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$876.42
Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts, board of Herbert T. Dodge,	131.39
Town of Salisbury, supplies, Walter Porter family,	5.08
City of Boston, supplies furnished Samuel A. Ingalls family,	15.20
C. A. Hills & Co., supplies furnished James Barrett,	11.10
Sarah B. Dodge, supplies furnished,	104.00
Daniel D. Stone, boots furnished J. Barrett,	2.00
Daniel D. Stone, clothing, Dodge and Barrett,	7.00
Daniel D. Stone, boots furnished Eaton boys,	4.00
	<hr/> \$1,156.19

## REMOVING SNOW.

Paid :		<i>Am't brought up,</i>	\$29.90
Wm. A. Brown,	7.40	Paid :	
Thomas Lane,	2.80	Frank C. Appleton,	2.70
Quinn McGregor,	3.70	Alvin Smith,	6.00
Luther F. Dane,	7.50	Chas. Tompson,	2.90
Chester L. Dane,	3.40	Edward W. Dodge,	2.40
D. W. Kimball,	.80	A. B. Richardson,	2.80
Chas. H. Smith,	.80	Robert Wilson,	2.80
Albert A. Dunnells,	3.50	E. H. Davis,	2.80
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<i>Am't carried up</i>	\$29.90	<i>Am't carried over,</i>	\$52.30

<i>Am't brought over,</i>	\$52.30	<i>Am't brought up,</i>	\$156.55
<i>Paid :</i>		<i>Paid :</i>	
Wm. A. Smith,	10.20	Chas. S. Gwinn,	15.00
W. H. Hollingshead,	.80	C. W. Dodge,	7.00
J. H. Woodman,	7.00	Nelson Butler,	3.50
E. A. Whipple,	7.00	Fred Berry,	.60
J. F. Hawkins,	1.00	Geo. A. Dodge,	5.00
Joseph Tucker,	3.50	John H. Foss,	.40
Chas. F. Kinsman,	2.80	Ephraim Patch,	.50
George A. Ingalls,	1 75	Geo. E. F. Dane,	.40
F. A. Nason,	.40	Otis Manuel,	3.60
Chas. Abbott,	.50	Richard Bridges,	5.60
Thomas Horne,	1.40	Foster E. Tappin,	4.70
John A. Robinson,	4.20	Alden B. Chadwick,	1.70
Wm. D. Chandler,	1.40	A. D. Wallace,	7.00
I. G. Mears,	1.20	R. R. Sargent,	3.60
Lewis A. Whipple,	2.20	Jonathan Lamson,	15.00
Arthur E. Whipple,	3.00	Isaac A. Lamson,	3.00
E. R. Horne,	1.40	Benj. F. Tappin,	3.10
Geo. Porter,	2.80	Geo. M. Adams,	25.00
D. L. Horne,	1.40	Samuel S. Goodhue,	7.80
I. F. Knowlton,	19.00	James Hart,	3.60
C. E. Whipple,	7.60	Daniel D. Stone,	1.80
Sylvester Day,	3.50	Geo. N. Andrews,	3.00
F. W. Brown,	2.00	Elmer Bridges,	3.00
Fred A. Oliver,	1.80	Walter Mitchell,	3.00
F. M. Whipple,	3.50	Jas. W. Morgan,	2.80
Wm. A. Abbott,	1.60	Otis F. Brown,	1.50
I. F. Trask,	3.50	Chas. Dillon,	4.00
Geo. R. Dodge,	4.20	John W. Morgan,	3.60
Samuel A. Waite,	1.60	James H. Heath,	1.50
Israel Norwood,	2.00	Frank Knowlton,	1.60
<i>Am't carried up,</i>	\$156.55	<i>Am't carried over,</i>	\$298.45

<i>Am't brought over</i>	\$298.45	<i>Am't brought up,</i>	\$360.40
Paid :		Paid :	
John H. Knowlton,	2.30	Henry Carey,	8.00
John E. Knowlton,	1.75	F. L. Knowlton,	4.00
Geo. E. Roberts,	3.00	C. E. Woodbury,	3.50
A. D. Foster,	2.80	Joseph Knowlton,	4.00
E. C. Tibbetts,	1.10	Chas. A. Peterson,	1.60
John J. Dunlap,	2.80	Geo. S. Whipple,	3.50
A. A. Whipple,	1.80	Mary F. Tuck,	1.20
C. P. Roberts,	10.50	John B. Stone,	4.30
A. C. Dane,	2.80	James E. Giddings,	1.00
Luke Dodge,	2.00	E. J. Foss,	.40
Geo. Brown,	3.60	C. A. Hobbs,	3.00
Geo. W. Channell,	3.00	Chas. A. Appleton,	.50
O. F. Whipple,	3.60	George Holmes,	.50
John Murphy,	1.50	Frank A. Lord,	1.30
C. W. Putnam,	2.80	Geo. H. Gibney,	1.20
E. F. Knowlton,	5.00	W. F. Bridges,	3.60
Newell Burnham,	5.80	J. C. Bridges,	4.00
A. F. Allen,	5.80		
	<hr/>	Total,	<hr/>
<i>Am't carried up,</i>	\$360.40		\$406.00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Lyman & Co., stationery,	\$10.25	
E. C. Morris & Co., repairing safe,	18.75	
E. S. Burnham, printing order book,	4.00	
E. S. Burnham, printing town reports,	20.00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/>	\$53.00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$53.00	
Paid E. S. Burnham, printing tax bills,	3.00	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	1.20	
American Express Co., freight,	39.45	
Hamilton Veteran Association,	25.00	
800 copies library reports,	14.00	
Fairbanks Co., repairing hay scales,	4.35	
H. F. Creamer, grading and rent for Corner,	25.00	
Congregational Society, rent of selectmen's room,	50.00	
E. C. Tibbetts, labor in ceme- tery,	36.25	
E. C. Tibbetts, return of deaths,	4.20	
F. C. Norton, supplies furnished,	2.70	
Wm. A. Brown, surveying streets,	10.00	
Otis F. Brown, registrar,	5.00	
“ “ “ return of Repre- sentative vote,	2.00	
Otis F. Brown, return of dog licenses,	2.00	
Otis F. Brown, recounting ballots,	2.50	
“ “ “ recording mar- riages,	1.05	
Otis F. Brown, recording births,	6.50	
“ “ “ recording deaths,	3.80	
“ “ “ stationery and postage,	1.60	
Elmer E. Clarke, teaming,	.75	
John L. Woodbury, labor,	2.50	
Daniel D. Stone, journey to Bos- ton on acc't corporation tax,	2.50	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	—————	\$298.35



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$298.35
Paid Daniel D. Stone, journey to Boston and Beverly on acc't pauper,	3.00
Daniel D. Stone, journey to Gloucester on acc't pauper,	2.50
Daniel D. Stone, postage and stationery,	3.08
Daniel D. Stone, labor on booth and recounting ballots,	5.00
Isaac F. Knowlton, journey to Boston on acc't corporation tax,	2.50
Isaac F. Knowlton, three journeys to Gloucester on acc't paupers,	7.50
Isaac F. Knowlton, cash for blanks and bonds,	5.75
Isaac F. Knowlton, labor on booths and recounting ballots,	5.00
G. H. Gibney, journey to Boston of safe,	2.50
G. H. Gibney, journey to Boston, corporation tax,	2.50
G. H. Gibney, journey to Beverly,	2.50
G. H. Gibney, team as aid with officer Shaw,	2.50
G. H. Gibney, team to Danvers with officer Bradstreet,	2.00
G. H. Gibney, labor on booths and recounting ballots,	5.00
N. A. Horton, printing tax summons,	1.50
Daniel E. Safford, postage,	1.42
M. R. Warren, stationery for registrars,	5.85

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 \$358.45

## SALARIES AND FEES.

Paid Annie E. Woodbury, services as librarian,	\$ 50.00	
Thomas Robinson, services as inspector,	5.00	
Authur W. Chandler, services as inspector,	5.00	
Albert L. Whipple, services as deputy inspector,	5.00	
Chas. A. Hills, services as deputy inspector,	5.00	
Joseph P. Lovering, services as school committee,	15.00	
James C. Alvord, services as school committee,	15.00	
Alden B. Chadwick, services as school committee,	25.00	
C. A. Peterson, services as con- stable,	6.00	
Louis H. Bradstreet, services as constable,	17.00	
Reuben K. Patch, services as constable,	18.00	
Thomas Robinson, services as auditor,	5.00	
Oscar F. Whipple, services as collector of taxes,	117.79	
George T. Litchfield, care of clock,	20.00	
Wm. D. Chandler, care of selectmen's room,	3.00	
Otis F. Brown, services as town clerk,	25.00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	—————	\$336.79

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$336.79	
Paid Frank C. Norton, services as cattle commissioner,	15.00	
Isaac F. Knowlton, services as selectman,	40.00	
Isaac F. Knowlton, services as assessor,	35.00	
Isaac F. Knowlton, services as overseer of poor,	10.00	
Isaac F. Knowlton, services as registrar of voters,	6.00	
Daniel D. Stone, services as selectman,	40.00	
Daniel D. Stone, services as assessor,	35.00	
Daniel D. Stone, services as overseer of poor,	10.00	
Daniel D. Stone, services as health officer,	5.00	
Daniel D. Stone, services as registrar of votes,	6.00	
George H. Gibney, services as selectmen,	40.00	
George H. Gibney, services as assessor.	35.00	
George H. Gibney, services as overseer of poor,	10.00	
George H. Gibney, services as registrar of voters,	6.00	
Daniel E. Safford, services as treasurer,	45.00	
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**ABATEMENTS.**

Allowed :

Oscar F. Whipple, collector abatements, 1892.		
Winthrop Appleton, poll tax,	2.00	
Clarence Alvord, poll tax,	2.00	
Wilmont E. Butler, poll tax,	2.00	
Levi Carroll, poll tax,	2.00	
Joseph C. Conant, poll tax,	2.00	
Bruce W. Hobbs, poll tax,	2.00	
Thomas Hills, poll tax,	2.00	
Freeman Grant, poll tax,	2.00	
Henry Carey, poll tax,	2.00	
Nathaniel M. Foss, poll tax,	2.00	
E. C. Lewis, poll tax,	2.00	
“ “ “ personal,	.37	
John W. Morgan, poll tax,	2.00	
Reginald D. Wentworth, poll tax,	2.00	
Estate of Ezra Dodge, real estate,	1.48	
J. H. and E. M. Chipman, real estate,	.59	
Asbury Grove Association, real estate,	2.32	
A. D. Wallis, error on real estate,	.60	
Rufus P. Tuck (estate), personal,	1.25	
Addison P. Davis, “ “	5.00	
Daniel Safford, coll. 1891. A. Davis, personal tax,	4.20	
	—	\$41.81

**RECAPITULATION.**

Notes,	\$2,600.00	
Interest on Notes,	107.00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	—	\$2,707.00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2,707.00	
State, $\frac{1}{4}$ liquor license,	250.00	
County tax,	946.04	
State “	752.50	
“ aid,	270.00	
Military aid,	72.00	
Trustees public library,	468.13	
Weights and measures,	265.00	
Schools,	1,908.97	
Expenses and repairs of school- houses,	988.51	
Highway department,	1,488.40	
Poor “	1,156.19	
Roads and bridges,	75.99	
Snow bills,	406.00	
Salaries and fees,	674.79	
Miscellaneous,	358.45	
Abatements,	41.81	
	<hr/>	\$12,829.78
D. C. Smith, credit for 1891,		10.00
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		\$12,819.78
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Orders drawn and paid during year,		\$7,089.11
Treasurer's receipts,	\$16,347.73	
“ expenses,	12,819.78	
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Balance in favor of the town,		\$3,527.95
Balance in favor of the town, 1893,	\$3,527.95	
“ “ “ “ 1892,	1,281.68	
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Increase in 1893,		2,246.27

The foregoing account of the Selectmen and Treasurer, have this day been examined, and accounts all satisfactorily vouched for.

THOMAS ROBINSON, *Auditor.*

*Hamilton, March 1, 1893.*

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
DANIEL D. STONE,	
GEO. H. GIBNEY,	

} *of*  
} *Hamilton.*

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#### LIST OF JURORS

As proposed by the Selectmen, March 1, 1893.

Joseph Knowlton,	Ephraim A. Dane,
George W. Ellis,	Charles A. Hills,
Franklin Knowlton,	George P. Ayers,
C. Jerome Norwood,	Alvin Smith,
Caleb W. Dodge,	George M. Adams,
William A. Brown,	Charles H. Smith,
	George E. Porter.

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#### TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNT, 1892.

Received, and paid to county	
treasurer for dog licenses,	\$221.40
Received, and paid to town	
treasurer for sale of burial lots,	\$40.00
Received, and paid to town treasurer	
for druggist license,	\$1.00
Recorded 7 marriages.	
"    13 births.	
"    19 deaths.	

OTIS F. BROWN, *Town Clerk.*

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

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ESSEX S.S.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton in Said County,*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the vestry in said town, on Tuesday the fourteenth day of March 1893 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the annual report of the Selectmen and act thereon.

ARTICLE 4. To hear the report of committees and act thereon.

ARTICLE 5. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town of Hamilton the year ensuing?

ARTICLE 6. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will authorize their treasurer to hire money, under the direction of the Selectmen, in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will authorize their collector to use all means of collecting the taxes which a town treasurer, when appointed a collector, may use agreeably to Chap. 18, Sec. 73 of the Public Statutes.

ARTICLE 9. To see at what time tax bills shall be issued and taxes become due, and what rate of interest shall be charged on taxes not paid when due, and also what discount shall be allowed on all taxes paid within a specified time.

ARTICLE 10. To appropriate money for the repairs of highways and bridges and determine the manner of expending the same.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as proposed by the Selectmen and posted.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will appropriate a sum not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50) for the proper observance of Decoration Day by the soldiers of the late rebellion.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will take any action for celebrating the one-hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of the town June, 1793, and will make an appropriation for the same.

ARTICLE 14. To see what action the town will take for providing for the accommodation for the scholars attending the South school, and make necessary appropriation therefor.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will accept the street known as Willow street or that part of said street running from Railroad avenue to Lindon street also the street known as Pleasant street running from said Willow street to Elliott street. Also the said Elliott street running from said Railroad avenue to Lindon street. Also the said Railroad avenue or that part of it running from said Willow street to the street known as Union street, also said



Union street running from Asbury street to Wenham line, said streets to be built as now laid out, by the selectmen and appropriate money for the proper grading and building of the same. As petitioned for by Fred A. Nason and others.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to straighten and widen the road or highway called Highland street beginning near the residence of the late Rufus P. Tuck, and extending to the residence of A. B. Chadwick in the west part of the town as petitioned for by A. B. Chadwick and others.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chap. 158 of the Acts of the year 1872 in regard to road commissioner as petitioned by William H. Dodge and others.

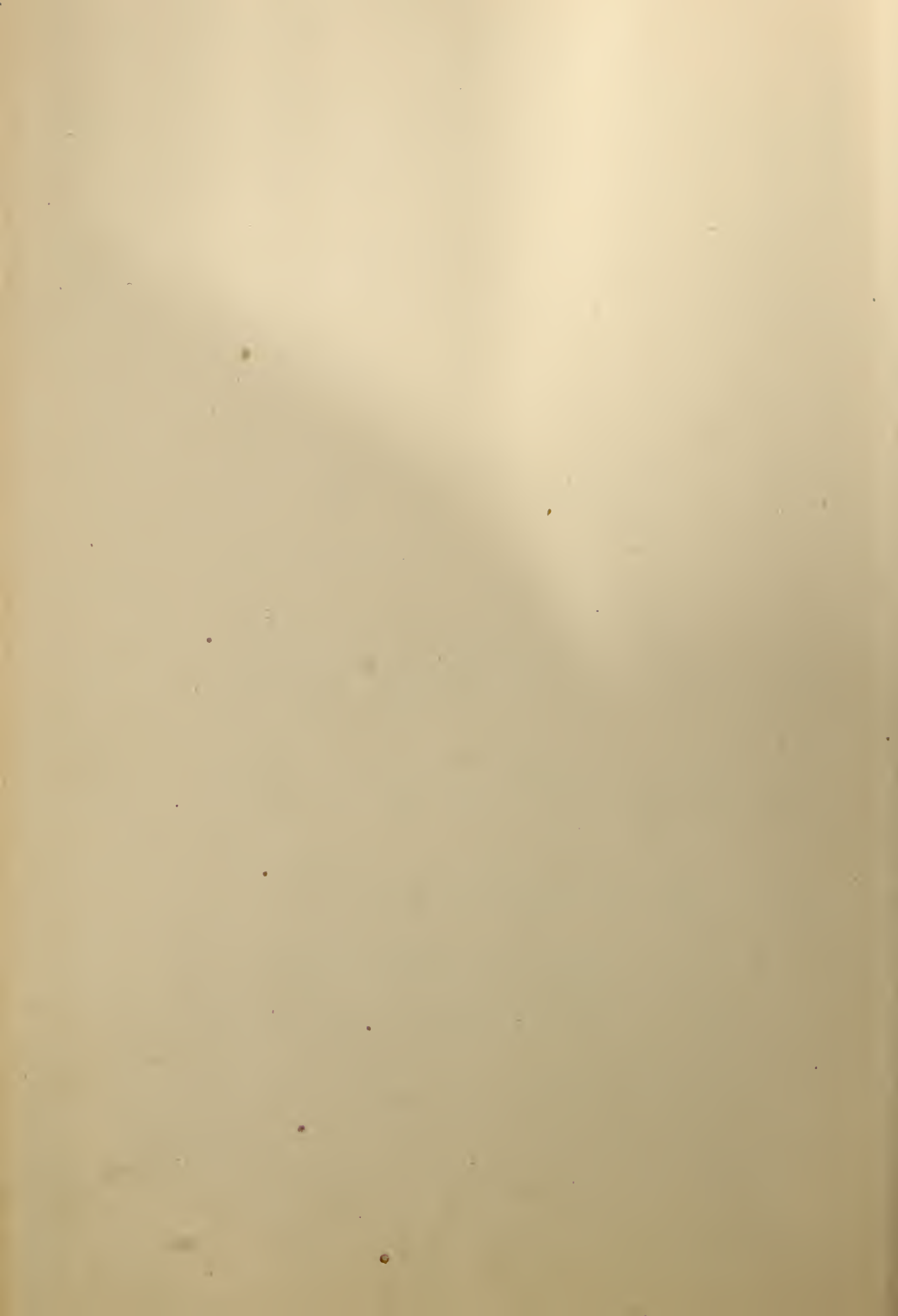
ARTICLE 18. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the meeting house and one at some other public place in said town seven days at least before the holding of 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 holding said meeting.

Given under our hands, this first day of March, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety three.

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
DANIEL D. STONE,	
GEO. H. GIBNEY,	
	} <i>of</i>
	} <i>Hamilton.</i>



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMILTON,

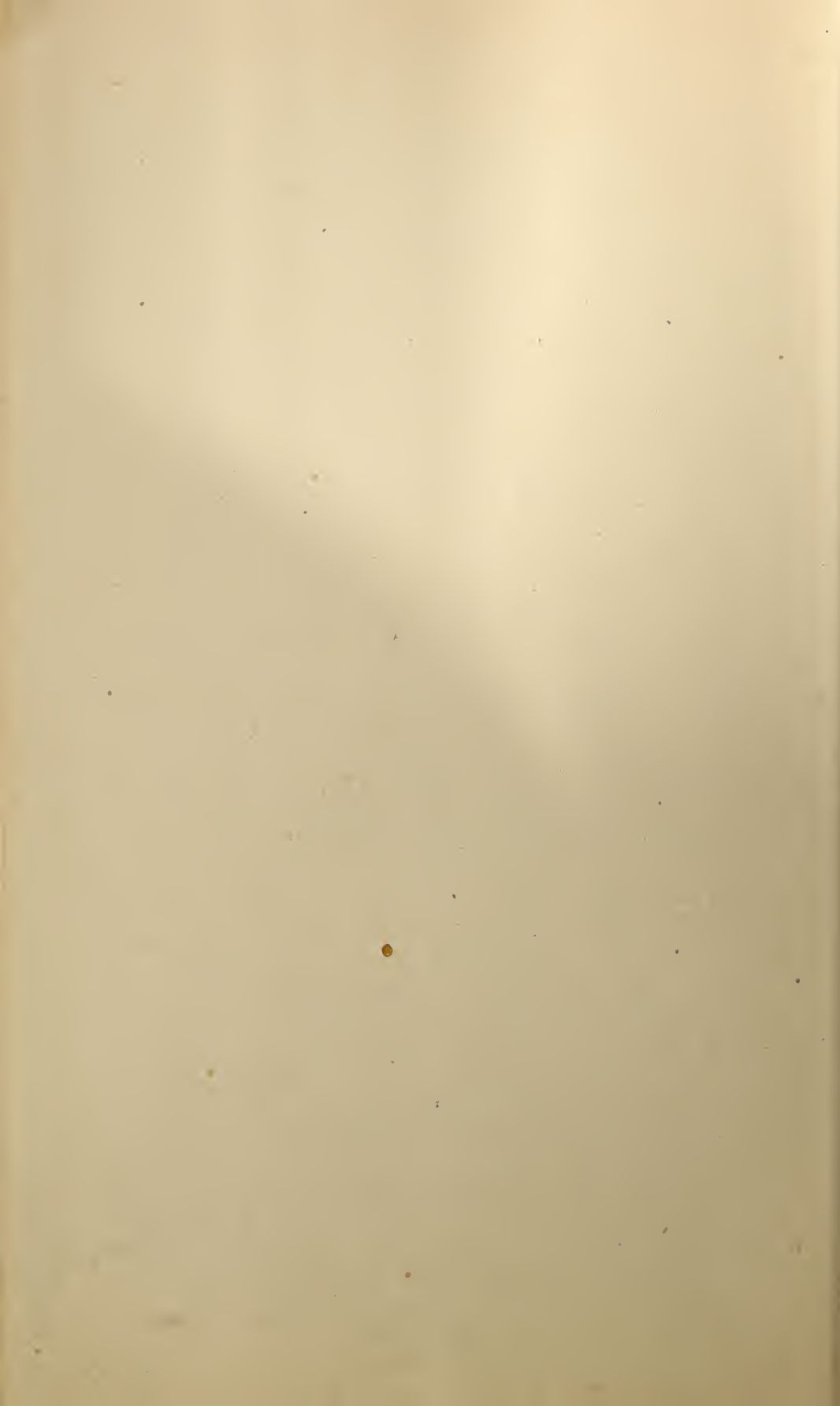
FOR THE YEAR 1892-93.

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## REPORT.

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The school committee, for the year ending March, present the following report :

The amount appropriated by the town for schools, at the annual meeting in March, was	\$1,500.00	
Amount received from Mass. school fund,	334.64	
Dog licenses,	176.52	
Amount to be expended,		\$2,011.16
Paid teachers of summer schools,	\$1,000.00	
Paid teachers of winter schools,	540.00	
Paid for building fires,	39.67	
Paid for fuel,	126.35	
		\$1706.02
Amount unexpended,		\$305.14

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### NORTH SCHOOL.

#### SUMMER AND FALL TERMS.

Teacher : Miss Grace C. Dane.

Length of term in months,	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
Wages of teacher per month,	\$32
Whole number of pupils,	24
Average membership,	22 $\frac{4}{5}$

Average attendance,	19 $\frac{1}{5}$
Number of pupils under five years of age,	2
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	0
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	13

## WINTER TERM.

Teacher: Miss Grace C. Dane.

Length of term in months,	3
Wages of teacher per month,	\$36
Whole number of pupils,	26
Average membership,	25 $\frac{2}{3}$
Average attendance,	18 $\frac{2}{3}$
Number of pupils under five years of age,	0
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	0
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	16

**EAST SCHOOL.**

## SUMMER AND FALL TERMS.

Teacher: Miss Sadie B. Chapman.

Length of term in months,	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
Wages of teacher per month,	\$32
Whole number of pupils,	32
Average membership,	25
Average attendance,	18 $\frac{3}{4}$
Number of pupils under five years of age,	1
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	1
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	14

## WINTER TERM.

Teacher: Miss Sadie B. Chapman.

Length of term in months,	3
Wages of teacher per month,	\$36

Whole number of pupils,	25
Average membership,	24
Average attendance,	23
Number of pupils under five years of age,	0
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	2
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	16

Present every day during the year, Harry F. Morgan.

Present every day during the winter term, Horace E. Day.

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### WEST SCHOOL.

#### SUMMER AND FALL TERMS.

Teacher: Everett A. Smith.

Length of term in months,	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
Wages of teacher per month,	\$32
Whole number of pupils,	29
Average membership,	21 $\frac{1}{3}$
Average attendance,	18 $\frac{1}{2}$
Number of pupils under five years of age,	0
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	0
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	17

#### WINTER TERM.

Teacher, Everett A. Smith.

Length of term in months,	3
Wages of teacher per month,	\$36
Whole number of pupils,	20
Average membership,	19
Average attendance,	16 $\frac{1}{2}$
Number of pupils under five years of age,	0
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	1
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	10

**CENTER SCHOOL.**

## SUMMER AND FALL TERMS.

Teachers : Miss May P. Grover, Miss Alice M. Paul and Miss Bertha P. Richmond.

Length of term in months,	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
Wages of teacher per month,	\$32
Whole number of pupils,	25
Average membership,	17 $\frac{1}{2}$
Average attendance,	13 $\frac{3}{7}$
Number of pupils under five years of age,	1
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	2
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	12

## WINTER TERM.

Teacher : Miss Bertha P. Richmond.

Length of term in months,	3
Wages of teacher per month,	\$36
Whole number of pupils,	12
Average membership,	11 $\frac{1}{3}$
Average attendance,	8 $\frac{2}{3}$
Number of pupils under five years of age,	0
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	1
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	8

**SOUTH SCHOOL.**

## SUMMER AND FALL TERMS.

Teachers : Miss Anna M. Woodbury and Miss Lucy A. Gray.

Length of term in months,	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
Wages of teacher per month,	\$32
Whole number of pupils,	55



Average membership,	43
Average attendance,	40
Number of pupils under five years of age,	0
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	0
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	30

## WINTER TERM.

Teacher: Miss Lucy A. Gray.

Length of term in months,	3
Wages of teacher per month,	\$36
Whole number of pupils,	52
Average membership,	51 $\frac{2}{3}$
Average attendance,	40
Number of pupils under five years of age,	0
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age,	0
No. of pupils between eight and fourteen years of age,	30

Your school committee would report a year of considerable perplexity in the schools. While the year, in many respects, has been fairly satisfactory, and there has been less change of teachers than usual, it has presented not a few difficulties. The problem facing the school committee, that has been hardest of solution, arises from the sudden and unexpected growth of population in the south district. The school here, as a natural consequence has been far below the ideal of even a fair country school. The building has been crowded to its utmost capacity, and there has been so large a number of children of the "primary age," that it has been impossible for the teacher to do justice to the older classes. More children are to come with the spring. Undoubtedly the town made a great mistake in deciding to raise only a one-story building in this rapidly growing district. It should have had two stories and plenty of surrounding ground. The question

before the town is, "What shall be done now?" It has been suggested by some that another story shall be added, by others that the building be enlarged as it stands. Certain it is that facilities must be given for primary and grammar grades by some change in the present building. Matters cannot stand as they are. Your committee therefore most earnestly request that you will empower them to make such alterations as shall secure good schools during the coming year, for this portion of the town.

The expenses of the year have been large, partly because there has been such an influx of pupils, partly because the committee have introduced a physiology and changed a history. The physiology thus brought in is the one indorsed by the Women's Christian Temperance Union. The history is prepared for both primary and grammar grades and supersedes one that has been exceedingly unpopular with both teachers and pupils.

The school buildings, with the exception of the South and Center schools, are as clean and fresh as paint and modern desks can make them. There has been considerable complaint about the building at the Center, as the parents feel that their children should also be well looked after. It seems well, with the consent of the town, that this reasonable request should be granted. Your committee therefore, beg of your generosity, sufficient money to reseat this school-house and paint it thoroughly inside and out. As there seems no immediate prospect of the much-talked-of removal, this must be done at once.

The special report, ordered at the last town-meeting, is printed apart from this.

The committee recommends that eighteen hundred dollars be appropriated for schools the year ensuing.

ALDEN B. CHADWICK,	}	<i>School Committee.</i>
JAMES C. ALVORD,		
JOSEPH P. LOVERING,		

## SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

It was ordered at the town-meeting of March, 1892, that the school committee should append to their report for the present year, a special report on the matter of a superintendent of schools as urged upon the town by state-agent, George H. Martin of Lynn. It was further voted, in a meeting of the school committee, that this matter be given into the hands of Rev. James C. Alvord, a member of that committee.

I, therefore, James C. Alvord, submit the following report :

Mr. Martin urged that Hamilton should join with Essex, Rockport and some other town to form a union of schools, presided over by one superintendent, in accordance with the state law to this effect. (See page 215 of the Fifty-fifth Annual Report of the Board of Education.) According to this law, the state grants one thousand dollars to the towns forming such a group and the salary of the superintendent shall not be less than twelve hundred and fifty dollars. The cost to Hamilton will therefore, be less than one hundred dollars a year, probably not more than fifty. This I have certified by actual comparison with the group of towns centering in Ayer, Mass.

The group suggested by Mr. Martin is impracticable, as Rockport is too far away, too inconveniently situated as respects railway connections. So this year a new union has been suggested, Ipswich, Wenham, Essex and Hamilton.

I have corresponded with the school committees of these town. The town of Essex is very favorable to such a union, though it does not feel able to join at once. The town of Wenham has no knowledge of such a proposal, consequently has taken no action. The town of Ipswich has not been informed of this particular union, though the

committee is aware that such groupings are being formed throughout the state. Mr. John H. Cogswell, secretary of the committee, gives it as his private opinion that such union will not be satisfactory to the town. The town has not been consulted at all.

In order to carefully study into the matter, I, personally, visited Ayer, Mass., a town at present grouped with Pepperell and Littleton under one superintendent, Mr. E. P. Barker. The committee and the school teachers were unanimous in their approval of such an arrangement. The universal opinion among the teachers seemed to be, "I can do twice as much work and do it better." The superintendent lays out the work each term that each teacher must do. The schools are systematized. The scholars of the same age throughout the towns study the same subjects and are at the same point. The most modern systems of teaching are carried on, even under the most inexperienced teachers. The teachers meet once in every three weeks to receive instructions from the superintendent and to discuss their work. When a teacher leaves, the superintendent has her work so carefully recorded that the new teacher can take it up exactly where she left off. Much of this is impossible where the committee cannot visit the schools at best but a few times a term.

The schools in Ayer showed in a very distinct manner the value of this arrangement. They were in advance of any schools I have ever seen under the old teach-as-you-please system of our fathers. The superintendent is under the control of the committee, unable to make any change without their consent; but he has already introduced modern ways and is by visiting each school at least once a week, keeping the teachers up to their work.

The trouble with an ungraded country school lies, as a rule, in the fact that the teachers are not only young and

inexperienced but also constantly changing. All this seems obviated by this new proposal of the state.

I have been unable to find any opposition to the system among any towns that have adopted this plan. More and more are forming into such leagues and the State Board of Education most emphatically advises the grouping of all schools in the state, outside of the cities and towns able to have a separate superintendent.

The school committee leave it in the hands of the town to take such action as seems best.

JAMES CHURCH ALVORD,

*For the School Committee.*



# REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMILTON.

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# REPORT.

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MARCH 1, 1893.

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton:*

The trustees of the public library present their second annual report as follows:

On March 1, 1892, the library contained 567 bound volumes and quite a number of unbound magazines and periodicals. During the past year, most of the magazines have been bound, many books have been presented, and 276 have been purchased, and to-day the library contains 1248 bound volumes, an increase of 681 during the year.

There have been issued 111 cards. Three holders of cards have died and 20 cards have been returned by persons who have removed from town or who are here only during the summer months. The actual number of persons holding cards at the present time is 271, an increase of 88 over last year at the same time, and more than one-fourth of all the inhabitants of the town.

There have been 2559 volumes issued. Of these 74 per cent were fiction, 11 per cent history, 7 per cent travels, 3 per cent biography, 3 per cent general works—magazines, periodicals, etc.—and all others 2 per cent.

To the town appropriation of \$500 there was added \$42.83, the balance on hand March 1, 1892, and \$7.18 received as fines. This has been expended as in the accompanying table, the town appropriation having been first expended; and the balance now on hand is \$25.10.

An offer to pay for the printing of a finding-list, having been made to the trustees, on condition that they would pay for the preparing of the copy for the printers, it was accepted and a finding-list, including all the books in the library on Jan. 1, 1893, was prepared and printed, and is now ready for circulation. The cost of printing the finding-list was \$50 and the preparation of the copy \$12.

The trustees think that the increased use of the library, by an increased number of inhabitants during the past year, clearly shows that the benefits of the library are appreciated, and that it will continue to be a greater benefit to the welfare of the town if a liberal policy is adopted and a generous appropriation made for the use of the trustees each year.

Although there are over twelve hundred books, the trustees do not consider that the library is commensurate to the wants, or sufficient to satisfy the desires, of a population as intelligent as that of the town of Hamilton.

OTIS F. BROWN, } *Trustees of the*  
FRANK V. WRIGHT, } *Public Library.*

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RECEIPTS.

Balance of gifts of 1891,	\$ 42.83	
Town appropriation,	500.00	
Fines,	7.18	
	<hr/>	\$550.01

BILLS APPROVED.

Annie E. Woodbury, balance of salary of 1891,	\$ 12.50
Little, Brown & Co., books,	290.28
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$302.78

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$302.78	
E. L. Perley, binding,	50.20	
C. H. Odell, insurance,	8.25	
Annie E. Woodbury, salary 1892,	50.00	
Merrill & Mackintire, books & stationery,	4.33	
Ives & Co., stationery,	5.07	
T. F. Tierney, desk,	26.00	
J. A. Kennett, express,	1.25	
F. A. Nason, shelving,	9.50	
Library Bureau, catalogue, case and cards,	26.78	
Mabel Jewett, copying,	5.00	
F. P. Trussell, shelving and case,	10.50	
J. H. Choate & Co., printing,	9.00	
L. S. Woodbury, copying,	12.00	
E. N. Fairfield, stationery,	1.40	
S. Lewis, book,	1.00	
F. V. Wright, book,	1.00	
J. B. Phippen, express,	.75	
P. O. Box,	.10	
	<hr/>	\$524.91
Balance on hand March 1, 1891,		25.10
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		\$550.01





