

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SELECTMEN, TREASURER,
Library Committee
AND
Superintending School Committee
OF THE
TOWN OF HAMPTON,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
MARCH 1, 1886.

EXETER, N. H.
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TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR,

WILLIAM H. BLAKE.

TOWN CLERK,

JOHN M. AKERMAN.

REPRESENTATIVE,

WILLIAM G. COLE.

SELECTMEN,

WILLIAM E. LANE, SAMUEL W. DEARBORN,
FRANK B. BROWN.

TREASURER,

GEORGE W. LANE.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

JOHN M. MASON.

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

WILLIAM T. MERRILL.

OVERSEERS OF POOR,

SAMUEL W. DEARBORN, FRANK B. BROWN.

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK-LIST,

JOSEPH JOHNSON, JOHN W. DEARBORN,
JOHN I. PAGE.

POLICE,

JOHN W. DEARBORN, IRWIN O. WRIGHT.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

INVOICE APRIL 1, 1885.

Resident invoice,	\$600,612 00
Non- resident invoice,	76,305 00
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Total,	\$676,917 00

TAXES.

State tax,	\$1,264 00
County tax,	1,565 43
Town tax,	800 00
School tax,	1,295 00
Library tax,	100 00
Memorial day tax,	75 00
High school tax,	300 00
Percentage added,	218 52
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Total,	\$5,617 95
Resident highway tax,	\$1,374 80
Non-resident highway tax,	175 32
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Total highway taxes,	\$1,550 12
Schoolhouse tax in Dis. No. 2,	\$175 00
Percentage added,	8 20
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Total,	\$183 20
Dog tax,	75 00
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Total amount of taxes,	\$7,426 27
Less resident highway tax,	1,374 80
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Total taxes committed to collector,	\$6,051 47
Of said taxes the collector has paid treasurer,	\$5,747 47
Due from collector,	304 00
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	\$6,051 47

 RATE OF TAXATION.

For State, County, Town, School and	
Library tax,	83c. on \$100 00
Highway,	23c. on \$100 00
Schoolhouse tax in Dis. No. 2,	10c. on \$100 00

 RECEIVED ASIDE FROM TAXES.

FROM STATE.

Savings bank tax,	\$459 30
Railroad tax,	197 62
Literary fund,	113 46
Refunded woodchuck bounty,	9 30
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Total from State,	\$779 68

Received of William G. Cole, balance	
due on taxes 1884,	7 96
Elihu Scott, cemetery lot,	7 00
Otis H. Marston, “	16 00
Benj. Rowand, “	16 00
Income of town hall,	25 00
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	\$71 96

Total receipts,	\$851 64
Resident highway tax 1884,	\$1,394 14
Highway tax paid in labor,	\$1,394 14

TOWN NOTES.

Date.	Payable to.	Amount.	Int, paid to.	Rate.
Feb. 9, 1881,	Baptist society,	\$1,117 00	Feb. 9, 1886,	.05
Feb. 27, 1884,	Cong. society,	2,000 00	Feb. 27, 1886,	.05
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		\$3,117 00		
Interest on Notes,		4 09		
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Amount of Notes,		\$3,121 09		
Due Treasurer,		733 52		
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		\$3,854 61		
Due from Collector,		304 00		
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Balance against the town,		\$3,550 61		

WILLIAM E. LANE, }
 SAMUEL W. DEARBORN, } Selectmen
 FRANK B. BROWN, } of
 } Hampton.

We have examined the above accounts and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

GEORGE W. BROWN, }
 ENOCH P. YOUNG, } Auditors.
 JOHN H. FOGG. }

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid County tax,		\$1,565 43
State tax,		1,264 00
School District No. 1,	\$435 00	
2,	390 00	
3,	195 00	
4,	150 00	
5,	165 00	
6,	165 00	
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		\$1500 00
“High school” money,		300 00
Cong. society, int. on town note,		100 00
First Baptist society, int. on town note,		55 85
School Dist. No. 2, tax for repairs,		175 00
Dr. Wm. T. Merrill, library appropriation,		75 00

SALARIES.

Paid John M. Akerman, services as Town Clerk,	\$30 00
Geo. W. Brown, 2 years' services as Auditor,	4 00
Morris Hobbs, 1 year's services as Auditor,	2 00
John A. Towle, 1 year's services as Auditor,	2 00
Enoch P. Young, 1 year's services as Auditor,	2 00
John H. Fogg, 1 year's services as Auditor,	2 00

Paid S. Albert Shaw, services as Librarian in 1884,	\$25 00	
John Brown, ringing bell,	30 00	
Wm. T. Merrill, services as Supt. School Com.,	25 00	
Geo. W. Lane, services as Treasurer,	25 00	
Wm. E. Lane, " " Selectman,	65 00	
S. W. Dearborn " " "	45 00	
Frank B. Brown, " " "	45 00	
S. W. Dearborn, " " Overseer of Poor,	5 00	
Frank B. Brown, " " " " Poor,	5 00	
Wm. E. Lane, labor on blanks and school taxes,	10 00	
S. W. Dearborn, labor on blanks and distribution,	4 00	
Frank B. Brown, labor on blanks and distribution,	4 00	
John W. Mason, " " Collector,	75 00	
W. H. Blake, services as Moderator,	5 00	
Amount,		\$410 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Albert Godfrey, making snow paths,	\$19 65
Daniel Lord, " " "	17 38
John A. James, land damage widening road,	15 00
Samuel A. Towle, land damage widening road,	115 00
Dorothy Ward, land damage widening road,	20 00
Dan'l Palmer, land damage widening road,	10 00
Heirs of Joshua James, land damage widening road,	17 50

Paid J. T. & F. B. Brown, land damage widening road,	\$25 00
J. T. Brown, land damage, widen- ing road on land of heirs of Sam- uel Drake,	71 00
Robt. F. Williams, land damage wid- ening road,	12 00
John T. Batchelder, making snow paths,	6 00
Chas. F. Ross, making snow paths and clearing road at the "Logs,"	13 50
E. P. Young, iron work for bridge,	8 98
Joseph Perkins, labor on turnpike bridge,	42 75
Arthur B. Blake, labor on turnpike bridge,	21 00
Elias H. Perkins, labor on turnpike bridge,	37 00
Henry W. Emery, labor on turnpike bridge,	30 35
J. Gilman Mace, labor on turnpike bridge,	38 25
B. Herbert Blake, labor on turnpike bridge,	25 50
Jacob T. Godfrey, labor on turnpike bridge,	33 00
Wm. E. Lane, labor on turnpike bridge and Nilus bridges and town house,	61 00
John C. Akerman, lighting the road during repairs on bridge,	1 00
Joseph Snyder, labor and lighting bridge,	9 50
Daniel Littlefield, use of pile driver,	20 00
Frank B. Brown, piles for bridge and teaming pile driver,	248 83

Paid C. G. Toppan, teaming lumber for bridge,	\$0 75
Samuel A. Towle, labor on bridge,	10 00
N. P. Lamprey, labor on bridge and watching fire,	15 00
Albert Godfrey, labor on bridge,	2 50
W. S. Brown, making snow paths in 1884 and '85,	24 65
S. W. Dearborn, lumber and work,	263 64
Isaac Emery, for gravel,	3 00
L. P. Nudd, rocks for sea wall in 1882,	15 00
Jacob T. Godfrey, making snow paths in 1884,	4 05
Frank M. Perkins, labor on bridge,	1 50
Joseph Mace, for gravel,	5 60
Elias Perkins, “	9 80
Heirs of Jere. Elkins, for gravel,	5 70
Simon P. Towle, for gravel,	8 10
J. T. Brown, gravel and making snow paths,	5 50
Heirs of Nath'l Batchelder, gravel,	15 40
John Taylor, gravel,	5 00
S. W. Brown, setting guide post,	75
Amount,	\$1,315 13

MISCELLANEOUS.

To Bal. due Treas. from last year,	\$7 12
Paid J. W. Mason, for oil, shovel, &c.,	3 44
Wm. B. Morrill, printing Town Ac- counts,	21 00
C. A. Hazlett, premium on policy in New Hampshire Fire Ins. Co., on town house,	30 15
J. F. Manton, appropriation Decora- tion Day,	75 00

Paid Dr. C. H. Sanborn, return of births and deaths in 1883-5,	\$3 00
Smith & Ferguson, for marble markers,	120 00
Amos K. Blake, painting hearse house,	13 63
Wm. T. Merrill, return of births and deaths,	10 00
Henry P. Wingate, sheep killed by dogs,	14 00
Frank B. Brown, sheep killed by dogs,	4 00
Jas. H. Batchelder, Collector's and Surveyor's books, blanks, &c.,	14 96
Jacob T. Godfrey, watching fire at Beach,	1 50
Geo. W. Godfrey, watching fire at Beach,	1 50
W. H. Blake, watching fire at Beach,	1 50
John Brown, labor in cemetery,	14 00
Frank B. Brown, wood for F. P. Blake,	6 50
John W. Mason, groceries for F. P. Blake,	30 00
John W. Mason, lock, oil, &c., for town house,	6 29
John Hobbs, 1 cord wood for town house,	3 50
Geo. W. Lane, interest on \$665, advanced in payment of the town's bills,	10 00
Wm. E. Lane, making muster roll,	1 00
Wm. E. Lane, running town lines and making returns,	5 00
S. W. Dearborn, running town lines 3 days,	6 00
Frank B. Brown, running town lines,	4 00

Paid Wm. E. Lane, 2 journeys to Exeter on town business,	\$3 00
Wm. E. Lane, for stationery and postage,	1 06
S. W. Dearborn, hearing case, school Dis. Nos. 3 and 4,	1 00
F. B. Brown, hearing case, school Dis. Nos. 3 and 4,	1 00
John F. Marston, hearing case, school Dis. Nos. 3 and 4,	1 00
John W. Mason, non-resident high- way tax,	83 39
Stacy W. Brown, wood for town house,	3 75
Simon P. Towle, care of tramps,	35 00

Amount, \$536 29

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid J. W. Mason, poll tax of Jas. Per- kins, jr.,	90
Joseph R. Sanborn, school tax,	2 20
John Taylor, on carriage,	49
John Lamprey, his tax,	93
A. J. Batchelder, land not owned,	1 41
P. Yeaton & Co., on hotel burnt,	16 60
Wm. G. Cole, collector taxes, abated against the following persons, viz :	
Oliver Cook,	68
Wm. L. Hobbs,	68
W. A. Lane,	68
Chas. A. Lewis, •	68
Thaddeus C. Perkins,	68
Fred G. Sargent,	70

Amount, \$26 63

BOUNTIES.

Paid various parties for woodchucks killed,	\$9 30
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RECEIPTS.

From John W. Mason, Collector,	\$5,747 47
Wm. G. Cole, outstanding tax, 1884,	7 96
Sale of three lots in cemetery,	39 00
the State for Railroad tax,	\$197 62
Savings bank tax,	459 30
Literary fund,	113 46
Bounty on woodchucks,	9 30
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	\$779 68
Use of Town Hall	25 00
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	\$6,599 11

SUMMARY.

EXPENDITURES.

County tax,	\$1,565 43
State tax,	1,264 00
Support of schools,	1,500 00
Support of high school,	300 00
School house repairs,	175 00
Interest on town notes,	155 85
Appropriation for public library,	75 00
Services of town officers,	410 00
Highways and bridges,	1,315 13
Miscellaneous,	536 29

Abatements,	\$26 63	
Bounties,	9 30	
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		\$7,332 63
Amount of receipts,		6,599 11
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Balance due the Treasurer,		\$733 52

GEO. W. LANE, Treasurer.

HAMPTON, Feb. 24, 1886.

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ENOCH P. YOUNG, }
GEO. W. BROWN, } Auditors.
JOHN H. FOGG, }

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Received from the town,	\$100 00	
Balance for last year,	37 44	
		\$137 44
Paid for 50 new books,	\$66 15	
librarian's salary,	25 00	
		\$91 15
		\$46 29
Received from fines,	\$3 90	
loan of books,	48	
		\$50 67
Paid for oil and fuel,	\$0 84	
pane of glass,	20	
covering paper,	90	
wicks and mucilage,	22	
covering 226 books,	2 26	
		\$4 42
		\$46 25

Balance on hand,

Number of volumes in library 1,167. Number of volumes taken out for the year ending March 1, 1886, 2,078. Number volumes added 48. Number replaced 2.

SIMEON A. SHAW for Committee.

HAMPTON ACADEMY AND HIGH SCHOOL.

J. SANBORN, Principal.

CALENDAR.

1886.

Spring term of eleven weeks begins Monday, March 22.

Fall term of eleven weeks begins Monday, September 13.

Winter term of eleven weeks begins Monday, December 13.

COURSE OF STUDY.

Course of study arranged according to relation of subjects and not to order of study :

LANGUAGE. Reading, Grammar, Composition, Rhetoric, English Literature, Latin.

MATHEMATICS. Arithmetic, Book-keeping, Algebra, Geometry.

NATURAL SCIENCE. Physics, Chemistry, Physiology and Hygiene, Geology, Astronomy, Physical Geography.

MISCELLANEOUS. United States and English History, Writing, Spelling, Civil Government.

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE.

FOR TWO TERMS.

Number enrolled, Middle Class,	{ Boys, 10
	{ Girls, 7
“ “ Junior Class,	{ Boys, 20
	{ Girls, 17
Total,	54
Average daily attendance, 50.	

The first term of the school began September 14, 1885, under the care of Mr. Sanborn as principal, who has proved himself to be a competent, and devoted teacher, fully comprehending the importance and magnitude of the work he has assumed, and he has adjusted both his teaching and dis-

cipline, so far as possible, to the needs of the case, and is doing his work thoroughly and skillfully. It is becoming more and more evident that the free public high school will soon be as highly prized as the elementary schools. Here all will be done that can be done to push as far and high as possible, a course of instruction adapted to the wants of all classes of citizens, and render it an instrument of the highest possible good.

The standing of the high school is a matter of deep concern to all citizens. Experience has proved that elementary education flourishes most where the provision for higher education is most ample. The establishment of this school has had a favorable influence on the lower grades. Something higher to be obtained has been to the pupils a great incentive, stimulating in them a healthy ambition for thoroughness, as a condition for admission and promotion.

The school has been as well organized and classified as circumstances would allow. The course of study in the main has been found well adapted to the wants of the school. At the beginning of the next year, the school should be provided with Philosophical and Chemical apparatus, which are almost indispensable. We also need a reference library; it is hoped that some way may be found to obtain books and the list be increased year by year. I mention such points as are suggested by a study of the wants of the school, trusting that our needs will be duly considered.

Next year a class will be ready for graduation which I believe will do credit to the school. At the close of the present year some public exercise should take the place of graduation exercises.

Many plans which we hope will increase the efficiency of the school the coming year, may be better seen in their application than in writing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. MERRILL,
For the Board of Education.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TO THE CITIZENS OF HAMPTON:—The school year just closed has been one of average prosperity. The teachers for the year have in the main given good satisfaction; they have labored with zeal and discharged their duties faithfully, with evident love of their work. The exercises of several of the examinations have been worthy of much praise, showing the best preparation is a thorough teaching of the subjects during the entire term, on which the examination is to be based. Increased attention has been paid to reading and writing. Great pains are taken by the teachers, in addition to the correction of usual defects, to train the pupils in a natural and expressive method of reading.

Many of the defects in our schools can be remedied by an increase of interest in our educational matters, on the part of our citizens. If parents would see the highest results from the money raised for school purposes, they should interest themselves in the ways and means used to benefit their children, and heartily co-operate with the teacher in the efforts made for their improvement. Much of the promptness and regularity of attendance as well as encouragement in well doing depends upon them.

At the close of the next autumn, I would recommend the establishment of an evening school. The simplest function of the evening school is to afford to the youth who have

passed beyond the high school age, the means of acquiring knowledge in reading, penmanship and arithmetic, and as a means of mental and intellectual development. Such an educational improvement as this, once introduced, would meet an immediate and pressing want of the times, and would be highly appreciated by the young, engaged in dustrial occupations during the day, and who desire to devote their evenings to the acquisition of knowledge.

In the statistical table which follows, may be read that part of the year's history, best shown by figures.

W. T. MERRILL.

Superintendent of Schools.

Hampton, Feb. 26, 1886.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of pupils who have been present every half day of the year without being tardy:

DISTRICT No. 1.—Mabel Look.

DISTRICT No. 2.—Lotie A. H. Brown, Eddie P. Brown, Chester N. Godfrey, Edith E. Gillelon.

DISTRICT No. 3.—Mabel H. Blake.