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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

Town of Guilford

FOR THE

Year Ending March 14, 1899.



GUILFORD:

GUILFORD RECORDER PRINT.

1899.

Report of Selectmen.

APPROPRIATIONS MARCH 21, 1898.

Support of schools,.....	\$2,000 00	
Repairs and insurance of school houses,.....	300 00	
Free high school,.....	500 00	
Outstanding debt and interest on same,	1,000 00	
Roads and bridges,	1,800 00	
Electric light for bridge,.....	25 00	
School books,.....	200 00	
John H. Morgan Post,.....	25 00	
Storing hose and rent for hall,.....	25 00	
Printing reports,	20 00	
Poor and town charges,.....	1,800 00	
Overlay,	137 47	
Total,		\$7,832 47
State tax,		
	\$1,575 01	
County tax,.....		
	608 36	
		\$2,183 37
Total assessment,.....		\$10,015 84

VALUATION OF PROPERTY. APRIL 1, 1898.

Resident real estate,.....	\$377,590 00	
Non-resident real estate,	22,540 00	
Resident personal estate,.....	117,920 00	
Non-resident personal estate,.....	300 00	
		\$518,350 00
Total inventory,.....		
Number of polls, 401.		
Rate of polls, \$3.00.		
Amount assessed on estates,.....	\$8,811 92	
Amount assessed on polls,	1,203 00	
Undivided fraction,.....	92	
		\$10,015 84
Rate per cent .017		

SUPPORT OF POOR FROM MARCH 11, 1898.

Mrs. George Spearing, account Dolly Robinson..	\$104 00	\$104 00
Town of Benton, account of O. N. Pine and family,	44 07	44 07
N. J. Chenery, account of Frank Wharff,.....	468 00	
E. W. Genthner, account of Frank Wharff,.....	5 95	
	<hr/>	\$473 95
W. F. Johnson, account of Benj Gordon,.....	\$117 00	
Frank French, account of Benj. Gordon,.....	2 50	
F. M. Briggs, account of Benj. Gordon,.....	4 00	
Fred T. Leavitt, account of Benj. Gordon,.....	19 50	
C. F. Scales & Co., account of Benj. Gordon,.....	2 90	
R. H. Marsh, account of Benj Gordon,.....	14 00	
M. & J. Hudson, account of Benj. Gordon,.....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$160 90
Mrs. Geo. Spearing, account of Guy Bartlett,.....	\$ 6 00	
W. F. Johnson, account of Guy Bartlett,.....	1 00	
C. F. Scales & Co., account of Guy Bartlett,.....	15 30	
M. Metcalf, account of Guy Bartlett,.....	3 15	
Scales & Cimpher, account of Guy Bartlett,.....	2 95	
	<hr/>	\$28 40
Philemon Bennett, account of Fred Bennett and family,.....	\$44 00	
W. M. Beal, account of Fred Bennett and family,..	3 25	
C. F. Scales & Co., account of Fred Bennett and family,	6 50	
H. Douglass & Co., account of Fred Bennett and family,	14 73	
M. & J. Hudson, account of Fred Bennett and family,	2 67	
	<hr/>	\$71 15
W. F. Johnson, account of Ada Bartlett and child,\$	1 70	
D. A. Rogers, account of Ada Bartlett and child,..	6 25	
Town of Hudson, account of Ada Bartlett and child,	18 00	
Joseph Wharton, account of Ada Bartlett and child,	41 34	
John Scales, account of Ada Bartlett and child,....	2 10	
J. K. Edes & Sons, account of Ada Bartlett and child,	4 91	
	<hr/>	\$74 30
H. Douglass & Co., account of W. H. Macomber and family,.....	\$142 60	
M. & J. Hudson, account W. H. Macomber and family,	33 41	
W. M. Beal, account W. H. Macomber and family,	4 74	
R. A. Maxfield, account W. H. Macomber and fam- ily,	2 29	
J. K. Edes & Sons, account W. H. Macomber and family,	11 57	

R. H. Marsh, account W. H. Macomber and family,	32 50
John Scales, account W. H. Macomber and family,	10 24
E. W. Genthner, account W. H. Macomber and family,	16 70
Page, Spearing & Co., account W. H. Macomber and family,	2 15
C. F. Scales & Co., account W. H. Macomber and family,	1 00
Scales & Cimpher, account W. H. Macomber and family,	5 55
Q. A. Bridges, account W. H. Macomber and family,	9 00
	\$271 75
Amount of resident pauper bills,	\$1,228 52

SUPPORT OF POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

CHARLESTON.

Account of Martha Buzzell.

Paid Thomas Prest,

\$5 00

PAID MEMBERS OF FIRE COMPANY.

Plummer E. Chadburn,	\$2 00
Freeman H. Bennett,	2 00
L. W. Gammon,	2 00
V. E. Macomber,	2 00
John Houston,	2 00
Thomas Butler,	2 00
G. H. Turner,	2 00
A. J. Stevens,	2 00
M. S. Fogg,	2 00
A. E. Hatch,	2 00
D. Cimpher,	2 00
J. A. Rand,	2 00
C. W. Stevens,	2 00
H. L. Harrington,	2 00
Z. G. Stevens,	2 00

 \$30 00

TOWN OFFICERS BILLS.

C. W. Ellis, selectman,	\$ 90 00
J. S. Williams, "	60 00
John Scales, "	60 00
H. W. Davis, treasurer,	50 00
M. Metcalf, town clerk,	6 00
F. M. Briggs, road commissioner,	100 00
J. S. Williams, supt. schools,	138 43

F. M. Briggs, truant officer, (1898),.....	\$ 5 00
James Ham, " " (1897),.....	10 00

 \$519 43

MISCELLANEOUS.

W. G. Thompson, collecting taxes,.....	\$200 30
D. Cimpher, strap for hose,.....	70
H. Douglass & Co., rope hose-cart,.....	1 14
Mrs. W. L. Holmes, trucking to fire,.....	50
D. Cimpher, auditor, 1897,.....	3 00
R. Turner, tramp bill,.....	3 00
R. Turner, team to Dover to transport witnesses on liquor cases,.....	2 00
S. B. Drew, Constable,.....	9 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, town books,.....	9 25
E. O. Stoddard, ballot clerk,.....	2 50
A. F. Edes, " " ,.....	2 50
C. P. Turner, " " ,.....	2 50
James Hudson, " " ,.....	2 50
Frank Leavitt, sheep killed by dogs,.....	14 00
R. L. Harlow, care of cemetery at Centre,.....	2 00
R. Turner, Arabian family,.....	4 50
C. F. Scales, Arabian family, mileage,.....	6 85
John Scales, Arabian family, telephone,.....	1 00
R. C. Tobey, printing,.....	2 10
Guilford Citizen, printing,.....	1 00
John Scales, board of health,.....	5 00
F. M. Briggs, board of health,.....	3 00
E. W. Genthner, dog license and book,.....	80
R. H. Marsh, recording 9 births, 12 deaths,.....	5 25
C. W. Ray, recording 4 births, 5 deaths,.....	2 25
J. C. Butterfield, recording 12 births, 3 deaths,...	3 75
Q. A. Bridges, recording 5 births, 8 deaths,.....	3 25
J. C. Butterfield, vaccination 36,.....	9 00
C. F. Scales, constable,.....	3 75
W. N. Hatch, tramp bill,.....	18 00
M. & J. Hudson, hardware,.....	08
J. S. Williams, legal services,.....	10 00
M. Metcalf, recording 30 births, 34 deaths, 22 marriages.....	12 90
C. E. Lombard, hydrant house,.....	2 00
F. M. Briggs, moderator 1898,.....	2 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, order book,.....	4 50
M. Metcalf, express and postage,.....	92

 \$356 79

ABATEMENTS.

W. G. Thompson, 1897,.....	\$75 17	
W. G. Thompson, 1898,.....	27 68	
		<u>\$102 85</u>
Total,		<u>\$2, 242 59</u>
Appropriation,	\$1,800 00	
Due from state on account of Arabian family,..	12 35	
Due from state on account of sheep killed,.....	14 00	
Town order No. 156, labor of W. H. Macomber,	10 50	
		<u>\$1,836 85</u>
Overdrawn,		<u>\$405 74</u>
Appropriated for storing hose carriage and use of hall for Fire Company,.....	\$25 00	
Paid S. C. Bennett, storing hose carriage,.....	14 00	
Paid John H. Morgan Post, rent of hall,.....	10 00	
		<u>\$24 00</u>
Unexpended,		<u>\$ 1 00</u>
Appropriated for lighting bridge,.....	\$25 00	
Paid Piscataquis Woolen Co.,.....	19 25	
		<u>\$5 75</u>
Unexpended,.....		<u>\$5 75</u>
Appropriation John H. Morgan Post,.....	\$25 00	
Paid appropriation John H. Morgan Post,.....	25 00	
Appropriation printing reports,.....	20 00	
Paid C. N. Rand with express,.....	20 40	
		<u>40</u>

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Expended in summer,.....	\$1,132 20	
Expended in winter,.....	517 73	
		<u>\$1,649 93</u>
Appropriation,	\$1,800 00	
Received for gravel and concrete,.....	36 60	
		<u>\$1,836 60</u>
Unexpended,		<u>\$186 67</u>
Road bills paid 1897,.....	253 32	
		<u>\$66 65</u>
Overdrawn,.....		<u>\$66 65</u>

AMOUNT EXPENDED ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

ROAD WORK—TO WHOM PAID.

J. F. Foss,.....	\$ 9 90
George Nisbet,.....	2 40
Charles Bridges,.....	3 37

H. B. Folley,	5 50
Gorham Brawn,	11 33
L. B. Dunham,	30 00
H. L. Stedman,	27 00
John Briggs,	17 32
Dennis Brawn,	32 35
J. M. Brawn,	43 45
David Briggs,	13 95
T. J. Chase,	4 50
A. J. Chenery,	4 60
G. W. Morgan,	12 45
Angelo Zande,	1 20
S. B. Richards,	9 67
Fred H. Draper,	5 60
T. F. Rose,	1 37
E. P. Smith,	88 58
E. B. Tozier,	2 65
Elisha Richards,	53 25
H. D. Coy,	3 00
Jack Chase,	12 00
Alton Chadbourne,	30 00
F. D. Bennett,	2 10
A. J. Stevens,	33 00
H. L. Geeley,	1 50
F. M. Briggs,	209 70
E. P. Merrill,	125 35
H. W. Applebee,	89 70
William Greeley,	6 00
N. H. Smith,	8 50
L. B. Connor,	80 06
William Doffoff,	3 50
A. K. Herring,	17 55
A. R. Hussey,	85 00
C. C. Merrill,	37 17
B. & A. Railroad,	16 17
Chas. Smith,	75
O. B. Stowell,	7 05
W. H. Macomber,	10 50
H. L. Crafts,	10 00
C. V. Harriman,	3 50
Knox Gas and Electric Co.,	54 00
N. W. Richards,	5 40
C. M. Conant & Co.,	7 15
P. H. Knowlton,	2 50
George Currier,	9 00

Fred Burgess,.....	21 90
Hussey, Goldthwaite & Hudson,.....	12 99
C. W. Ellis & Co.,.....	11 04
Lewis Robbins,.....	89 75
Lyman Dudley.....	2 25
J. E. Herring,.....	3 54
Byron Clement,.....	6 45
R. C. Tobey,.....	3 00
E. W. Davis,.....	3 85
S. P. Oakes,.....	2 50
Freeman Washburn,.....	5 25
Albert Wharff,.....	38
Charles Cole,.....	17 50
W. M. Herring,.....	2 69
Guilford Lumber Co.,.....	1 66
F. E. Bennett,.....	9 25
L. Jackson,.....	3 60
M. L. Glass,.....	4 35
Erastus Hussey,.....	1 80
J. M. Herring,.....	2 25
W. N. Hatch,.....	41 70
A. F. D. Harlow,.....	1 50
Frank Connor.....	10 70
Jack Zande,.....	1 00
M. P. Robinson,.....	1 35
George W. Edes,.....	8 45
John Scales,.....	10 89
George McKusick,.....	50
E. S. Wharff,.....	6 30
N. H. Smith,.....	31 95
H. W. Herring,.....	11 45
C. E. Titcomb,.....	2 78
E. A. Thompson,.....	1 50
T. J. Brawn,.....	11 70
A. S. Brawn,.....	8 52
W. P. Pratt,.....	1 87
John Wise,.....	1 28
Chas. A. Foss,.....	3 00
A. K. Herring,.....	5 55
W. L. Robinson,.....	9 67
John Robinson,.....	7 20
L. H. Colson,.....	17 66
E. S. Howard,.....	1 50
F. W. Herring,.....	3 20
Hasting Brown Heirs,.....	17 25

C. B. Bearce,	11 00	
E. H. Howard,	4 45	
A. Floyd,	5 20	
I. Sturtevant,	25 00	
Geo. Maxfield,	3 00	
L. B. Dunham,	17 00	
H. Dean,	1 35	
R. A. Diffin,	1 40	
Willis A. Bennett,	6 50	
A. E. Hatch,	4 95	
Geo. Woodbury,	7 00	
Stanley Howard,	3 90	
M. S. Davis,	6 95	
A. J. Chenery,	2 50	
E. O. Stoddard,	13 20	
Frank Tyler,	17 35	
James Young,	2 40	
M. C. Maxfield,	8 54	
F. P. Bennett,	75	
G. W. Sanford,	2 82	
W. A. Titcomb,	4 25	
C. R. Small,	24 55	
E. E. Fairbrother,	19 35	
H. L. Crafts,	31 55	
Will Bennett,	38	
Mills McCausland,	1 50	
Jos. Deering,	1 35	
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		\$1,803 25

F. M. BRIGGS, Road Commissioner.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,	\$2,000 00	
Bank and mill tax,	1,051 41	
Received for tuition,	85 45	
Due from Abbot, (about),	25 00	
Due from Parkman, (about),	25 00	
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Total,		\$3,186 86
Paid for teaching and board,	\$2,601 05	
Paid for fuel,	382 40	
Paid for janitoring and cleaning,	280 29	
Paid for carrying scholars,	20 00	
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Overdrawn,	\$96 88	\$3,283 74

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Appropriated,	\$500 00		
Received from state,.....	250 00		
			\$750 00
Amount expended spring 1898,.....	\$404 32		
Amount expended fall 1898,.....	350 00		
			\$754 32
Overdrawn,.....			\$4 32
Appropriated for text-books,.....	\$200 00		
Expended,	189 26		
			\$10 74
Unexpended,.....			\$10 74
Appropriated for insurance and repairs,.....	\$300 00		
Expended,	298 67		
			\$1 33
Unexpended,.....			\$1 33
Expended for supplies and appliances for which there was no appropriation,.....	\$145 03		
Interest bearing orders			
Outstanding.		Int. Due.	Principal.
Order No. 23	July 8, 1882,	\$ 6 00	\$ 200 00
Order No. 162	Aug. 1, 1898,	2 53	100 00
Order No. 163	Mar. 13, 1898,	4 00	100 00
Order No. 381	April 13, 1886,	1 60	150 00
Order No. 449	Oct. 30, 1886,	1 33	100 00
Order No. 453	Aug. 2, 1886,	4 66	200 00
Order No. 190	Dec. 3, 1898,	8 51	851 73
Order No. 161	June 13, 1898.	4 78	175 00
Order No. 48	June 5, 1890,	2 28	70 00
Order No. 78	Aug. 6, 1890,	1 84	75 00
Order No. 237	Aug. 1, 1891,	7 59	300 00
Order No. 252	Oct. 20, 1891,	2 53	100 00
Order No. 253	Oct. 20, 1891,	2 53	100 00
Order No. 199	Mar. 23, 1891,	60 00	1,500 00
Order No. 598	Sept. 2, 1895,	10 00	500 00
Order No. 135	Feb. 8, 1896,	2 66	800 00
Order No. 277	April 16, 1896,	10 75	300 00
Order No. 370	Aug. 1, 1896,	1 16	50 00
Order No. 371	Aug. 1, 1896,	2 32	100 00
Order No. 477	Oct. 31, 1896,	2 00	150 00
Order No. 30	May 18, 1897,	5 00	150 00
Order No. 355	Dec. 1, 1897,	1 00	100 00
Order No. 356	Dec. 1, 1897,	1 00	100 00
Order No. 357	Dec. 1, 1897,	1 50	150 00
		\$147 57	\$6, 421 73

Due on principal,.....	\$6,421 73
Due on interest,.....	147 57
Outstanding orders of past year,.....	239 05

Total indebtedness,.....		\$6,808 35
Paid on interest,.....	\$348 84	

RESOURCES.

Due on non-resident taxes 1892,.....	\$ 2 38
Due on non-resident taxes 1893,.....	12 70
Due on non-resident taxes 1897,.....	72
Due on non-resident taxes 1898,.....	127 69
W. H. Macomber farm,.....	350 00
Land bought of Mrs. Bray,.....	300 00
Cash on hand,.....	107 63
Due from Abbot (about),.....	25 00
Due from Parkman (about),.....	25 00
Due from Z. L. Turner, account re-laying water pipe,	21 00

\$972 12

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES 1898.

Support of Poor,.....	\$1,228 52
Town charges, (miscellaneous),.....	906 22
Abatements,	102 85
Common schools,.....	3,303 99
Storing hose and hall,.....	24 00
Lighting bridge,.....	19 25
John H. Morgan Post G. A. R.,.....	25 00
Printing town reports,.....	20 40
Roads and bridges,.....	1,649 93
Free High School,.....	754 32
Text-books,.....	189 26
Insurance and repairs,.....	298 67
Supplies and appliances, (schools),.....	145 03
Respectfully submitted, March 13, 1899.	

C. W. ELLIS,	} Selectmen of Guilford.
J. S WILLIAMS,	
JOHN SCALES,	

Treasurer's Account.

INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF GUILFORD, MAINE, IN ACCOUNT WITH
HARRY W. DAVIS, TREASURER.

DR.

To cash paid State Treasurer for tax 1898,.....	\$1575 01
To cash paid County Treasurer for tax 1898,....	608 36
To cash paid for state pensions,.....	132 00
To cash paid State Treasurer for license on dogs for 1898,.....	76 00
To cash paid State Treasurer for license on dogs for 1897,.....	6 00
To cash paid for bounty on wild cat,.....	2 00
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 467 dated Mar. 3rd, '98,.....	7 50
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 569 dated Mar. 8, '98,.....	3 00
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 587 dated Mar. 8, '98,.....	5 92
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 559 dated Mar. 7, '98,.....	50 00
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 543 dated Mar. 5, '98,.....	1 50
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 513 dated Mar. 4, '98,.....	14 45
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 393 dated Feb. 8, '98,.....	50 00
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 403 dated Feb. 14, '98,.....	10 00
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 406 dated Feb. 15, '98,.....	3 00
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 535 dated Mar. 5, '98,.....	3 00
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 545 dated Mar. 5, '98,.....	3 00
To cash paid for selectmen's order No. 544 dated Mar. 5, '98,.....	3 00

To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 541 dated Mar. 5, '98,.....	3 00	
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 413 dated Mar. 3, '98,.....	16 38	
To cash paid for Selectmen's order No. 603 dated Mar. 9th, '98,.....	211 03	
	<hr/>	\$384 78
To cash paid for Selectmen's orders drawn since Mar. 9, 1898,.....		\$9004 82
To returned non-resident taxes,.....		127 69
Cash on hand,.....		107 63
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		\$12,024 29

CREDIT.

1898.		
Apr. 1. By amount in treasury,.....	\$ 165 36	
Apr. 20. By collected non-resident tax 1897,..	12 47	
Apr. 21. By amount received from State Treas- urer, refunded as town's proportion on ac- count of dog licenses,.....	112 55	
June 8. By collected non-resident tax 1897,..	19 80	
July 16. By amount received from State Treas- urer for state pensions,.....	66 00	
Aug. 10. By collected non-resident taxes for 1897,	29 02	
Aug. 10. By received from Town Clerk for dog licenses,.....	76 00	
Aug 29. By collected non-resident tax for 1897,	90	
Oct. 10. By collected non-resident tax for 1897,	12 15	
Oct. 29. By received from F. M. Briggs for concrete sold,.....	29 25	
Dec. 12. By received from State Treasurer account high school,.....	125 00	
1899.		
Jan. 11. By received from State Treasurer account R. R. and telegraph tax,	1 00	
Jan. 19. By received from State Treasurer school fund and mill tax,.....	1,051 41	
Jan. 19. By received from State Treasurer account state pensions,.....	66 00	
Mar. 7. By received from Frank Bartlett ac- count Guy Bartlett,.....	2 00	
Mar. 7. By received from Guilford Lumber, Co., for water pipe and fittings sold,.....	10 40	
Mar. 7. By received from State Treasurer ac- count high school,.....	125 00	

Mar. 10. By received from F. M. Briggs for gravel sold,.....	7 35	
Mar. 10. By received from J. S. Williams Supervisor of Schools, account tuition etc. received,.....	85 45	
Mar. 10. By amount of taxes committed Wm. G. Thompson, Collector,.....	10,015 84	
Mar. 10. By collected non-resident tax 1897,..	11 34	
		\$12,024 29

HARRY W. DAVIS, Treasurer.

Auditors' Report.

This certifies that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer of the town of Guilford, for the year 1898, and the statement of the Selectmen of the financial standing of said town, at this date, and find the same correct.

March 3, 1899.

R. TURNER,
HENRY DOUGLASS, } Auditors.

Report of School Committee.

PAID FOR INSTRUCTION.

Elmie J. Briggs, 28 weeks,.....	\$280 00
Annie E. Rowe, 28 weeks,.....	280 00
Estelle Bearce, 28 weeks,.....	280 00
Minnie E. Ross, 28 weeks,.....	252 00
Lillian Smith, 28 weeks,.....	252 00
Mrs. Mae. F. McCausland, 27 weeks,.....	182 00
W. S. Parsons, 8 weeks,.....	250 00
Miss L. M. Clary, 8 weeks,.....	80 00
Miss Florence Chandler, 28 weeks,	175 50
Miss Strout, 10 weeks,.....	123 90
Winifred Pearson, 27 weeks,.....	140 00
Bessie Shepherd, 17 weeks,	107 65

Bessie Cole, 6 weeks,	27 00	
Emma Ellis,	4 00	
Gertie Stewart,	4 00	
Geo. L. Woodbury,	34 00	
Arthur Rogers,	34 00	
W. E. Wise,	20 00	
A. R. Hussey,	3 00	
Mrs. Charles E. Sanborn, 10 weeks,	72 00	
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		\$2,601 05

Fuel:

H. Douglass & Co., coal,	\$149 50	
Harry Packard, sawing wood,	6 00	
C. A. Connor, wood,	89 03	
Don. Whittier, sawing wood,	5 00	
Jack Chase,	13 75	
Mills McCausland,	4 75	
N. A. Hubbard,	38 09	
Charles Bridges,	4 80	
G. A. McKusick,	1 00	
E. W. Bennett,	1 00	
F. W. Connor,	16 12	
F. M. Briggs,	7 00	
G. L. Woodbury, fuel,	46 36	
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		\$382 40

Janitoring and cleaning houses.

L. H. Whittier,	\$154 05	
J. W. Littlefield,	75 50	
Harry Packard,	22 50	
C. F. Scales,	2 00	
Ruel Brown,	7 00	
E. O. Stoddard,	7 60	
Hartley Chase,	1 19	
Merle Harlow,	7 45	
Sylvia Chadbourne,	2 00	
George Harlow,	1 00	
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		\$280 29

Carrying scholars.

Dennis Brawn,	\$15 00	
E. W. Davis,	5 00	
		<hr/>
		\$20 00

Total expenditures,		<hr/>
Amount raised for common schools,	\$2,000 00	
Amount received from bank and mill tax,	1,051 41	
Amount received from tuition,	85 45	
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		\$3,283 74

Amount due from town of Abbot,.....	25 00
Amount due from town of Parkman,.....	25 00

 \$3,186 86

Overdrawn,		\$96 88
Supplies and Appliances.		

H. Douglass & Co.,.....	\$32 28
L. H. Whittier,.....	1 90
E. W. Genthner.....	12 70
W. S. Parsons,.....	2 00
S. C. Bennett,.....	5 40
J. L. Hammett & Co.,.....	19 53
Prang Educational Co.,.....	10 58
W. E. Briggs, est.,.....	5 20
Geo. F. King & Co.,.....	1 83
C. N. Rand,.....	5 50
L. E. Knott & Co.,.....	7 20
C. F. Scales & Co.,.....	5 00
Bessie Shepherd,.....	25
Miss Strout,.....	15
Elmie J. Briggs,.....	24
Miss Rowe,.....	40
Mrs. McCausland,.....	1 00
Mrs. C. A. Sanborn,.....	10
J. K. Edes & Sons,.....	2 79
R. C. Tobey,.....	4 50
Florence Chandler,.....	60
Henry Hudson, use of Hall for graduation,....	18 75
Ernest Tozier,.....	2 75
John Scales,.....	4 38
Total.....	

\$145 03

Insurance and Repairs:

L. H. Whittier,.....	\$74 52
Page, Spearing & Co.,.....	48 04
A. S. Lyons, labor,.....	1 80
C. E. Lombard, labor,.....	1 85
Hussey & Goldthwait,.....	88
H. W. Applebee,.....	7 50
Straw & Martin, insurance,.....	35 50
Jason Bragdon,.....	25 95
Ichabod Sturtevant, labor,.....	35 73
T. R. Strout, labor,.....	10 75
Jos. Deering, labor,.....	50
Guy Brawn,.....	65
R. A. Packard, labor,.....	75
R. H. Marsh, shingles,.....	15 00

W. S. Files, labor,.....	1 50	
Henry Parker,.....	6 00	
A. R. Hussey,.....	6 75	
Clarence E. Lombard,.....	25 00	
		\$298 67
Appropriations,.....	\$300 00	
Unexpended,.....	\$1 33	
Text Books :		
Paid Thompson, Brown & Co.....	\$23 76	
Houghton, Mifflin Co.,.....	7 01	
J. F. Frisbie,.....	2 10	
Prang Co.,.....	1 20	
Allyn & Bacon,.....	21 68	
American Book Co.,.....	41 18	
Ginn & Co.,.....	14 44	
L. A. Ross,.....	4 57	
Geo. S. Perry & Co.,.....	4 40	
D. H. Knowlton & Co.,.....	9 14	
Elmie J. Briggs,.....	1 20	
Wm. Ware & Co.,.....	42 48	
J. L. Hammett & Co.,.....	4 70	
Kasson & Palmer,.....	9 90	
Miss Sanger,.....	1 50	
		\$189 26
Appropriations,.....	\$200 00	
Unexpended.....	10 74	
Free High School.		
L. A. Ross, 11 weeks,.....	\$283 33	
W. S. Parsons, 10 weeks,.....	250 00	
Miss Sanger, 11 weeks,.....	121 00	
Miss Clary,.....	100 00	
		\$754 33
Amount expended 21 weeks,.....		
Appropriations,.....	\$500 00	
Received from State,.....	250 00	
		\$750 00
Overdrawn,.....		4 33

Owing to the permanent increase made by another primary school (Miss Smith's), and a rural school (Grover precinct), the appropriation for the year—being the same as in 1897—was insufficient to have the usual length of school. When the appropriations were exhausted the schools were stopped in accordance with the vote of the Board. With

the present number of schools additional appropriations seem necessary. Attention was called to this last year but without avail.

In repairs it was thought best to put in a new wall at Low's Bridge to preserve the house if other buildings were neglected. This was done thoroughly and well, at an expense of \$127.20. With the insurance bill this, with the usual repairs, exhausted the appropriation.

For the ensuing year there is great need of appropriations sufficient to paint all the buildings, and do some interior work in the rooms under the hall, and at No. Guilford and Brown school-houses. New desks are needed in several houses also. A working room for the science classes was much needed, and Mr. Parsons succeeded in raising about 1-2 enough money for the purpose by subscriptions and little entertainments by the scholars. Of the balance a part was paid from the repair fund of the schools, and the balance to be paid the ensuing year. This was the understanding with the parties who furnished the labor and materials. The room is a fine addition to the working of the school, and much credit is due the principal and scholars for their efforts for the same. We would advocate a new foundation under the houses at Brown's district and the Grover district. Also considerable work is necessary to make the Primary rooms suitable for good work as referred to above.

The appearance of whooping cough in the schools for a time created some alarm, but a sharp and prompt quarantine stamped it well out with but little loss of time from any scholars.

The appearance of the grippe in December and January was followed by a general attack upon teachers and pupils so that the last weeks of the winter terms were much broken in point of attendance.

In this connection the question of heating the school-houses becomes of much importance, and we recommend that such appropriations be made that each house may be as well protected from the effects of inclement weather as is possible. From cold and wet feet come most of the ills of scholars.

We recommend the following appropriations :

Support of Common Schools,	\$2,500 00
Repairs and Insurance,	600 00
Text-books,	500 00
Supplies and Appliances,	150 00
Free High School,	500 00

Respectfully submitted,

L. H. WHITTIER,	} S. S.
R. H. MARSH,	
DAVID PEARSON,	

Report of Superintendent.

As the last two reports—1897 and 1898—were quite lengthy and considered in detail our schools and their conditions, I will not repeat the arguments used therein, but confine this report briefly to a review of the year's work, and the needs that call our attention.

To my mind this is the most important of the departments in any town or city. The neglect of roads for one year may be repaired the next; a shortness of funds one year in the poor department may be remedied by additional appropriation the next; appropriations for those institutions that make a community better to live in, if neglected one year will not cause such deterioration but that attention the next year will remedy the ills resulting from the neglect,—but a child's mind, a child's soul, a child's mental vision, a child's outlook on life—once neglected, the want—the defect—can never, never be made good.

Therefore if you neglect the appropriations and the attention that the children in your community need, for but one year only, any future action, however well-meant, will not redeem the year that is lost.

No department for which a town raises money brings that fruit of reward or dissatisfaction as the department of schools and school needs.

I asked last year for certain appropriations. For some reason (to me unknown) my judgment was questioned, and the appropriations voted were less than absolute necessity required. For the first time in 10 years that I have had charge of the schools of this town, the appropriations that I urged as right and necessary, were opposed and lower ones voted.

In former years I have vigorously advocated the voting of good appropriations for schools, but last year when these were opposed, I determined to say nothing,—let the town vote whatever it would,—if it were nothing, without urging a different result, and then expend the same as judiciously as I could, and let the deficit fall on the children in the way of closed school-houses, when the money was expended. If you had rather your children would be out of the schools and idling about the streets, why, vote small school appropriations, and reap a harvest of idleness. Figs do not grow from a sowing of thorns, nor do grapes spring from the thistle-seed. The wages of our teachers could be reduced and old text-books used longer. But while I am in this position, do not expect me to lower our standard by employing inefficient teachers, and putting into the pupil's hand a text-book that his ancestors used. The rule that "what was good enough for the parent is good enough for the child" is changed as regards the school, in these latter days. For \$10 you can get one week of excellent instruction from a first-grade conscientious teacher. For the same money you can get two weeks of poor instruction from a deficient, indifferent teacher. The one leaves the pupil alert, wide-awake, interested and inspired; the other leaves him dulled, indolent, indifferent and discouraged. The one forms a foundation for a good, bright American citizen; the other breeds a dissolute, shambling apology for civilization. If times are hard let us make them better by rearing smarter, keener men and women; if crops of the field yield poorly let us offset them with an abundant harvest of "cunning hands and cultured brains."

This year has been short in matter of weeks. The appropriations being less, made less weeks, but the work for the year has been up to the high standard of the past. Nine bright young students were graduated from the High School in May. The classes in the lower grades

were much larger, and as they were advanced one grade throughout, the rooms were well filled. Mr. Ross, after five years of the best results, left us, to enter a wider and more profitable field. It is with the keenest pleasure that I review the five years with him and mark his sturdy manhood, his kind, and generous nature, and his great interest in the young of this town. Between him and me, either as Supt. and teacher, or as citizen and citizen, no jar, no discord, no friction, no trouble arose. I think all the teachers in the other schools can say the same. He was a gentleman, a student, a teacher, a man. A better opening invited him, and while I was loath to bid him good-by I could wish him God-speed with all my heart. He will do good work in his present position, and leave his individuality and memory well stamped on more than one student-mind in this vicinity. Mr. W. S. Parsons, succeeded him as principal. At the end of the winter term he was obliged to resign from over-work. Geo. W. Snow, an experienced teacher, was engaged, and at this time the prospect of good work seems in line to be realized, and carried forward.

Miss Sanger after two years of excellent work with us was called to a better position, and while it was with much regret that I parted with her services, yet I feel that I was very fortunate in finding as able an instructor to take the assistantcy as Miss Clary. Miss Clary's educational advantages have been of the best, and her work with us has combined the elements of good training, with judicious knowledge in teaching. Her efforts have been rewarded with the highest appreciation and good-will of her pupils, and satisfaction from myself. It is my hope that she remain with our schools.

The other village teachers remain with us. As to their work I can only repeat my commendation of past years, and add words of continued satisfaction and success. It is with pleasure that I find that Gullford teachers are regarded as of no mean type. They stand for thoroughness, advanced ideas, conscientiousness, zeal and progressive christianity. They believe in expansion first and last, but it is the expansion of a child's life and light, with an expanded American civilization rather than expansion of area of land, with a dwarfed citizenship.

Does it seem possible that Miss Briggs has been in our schools for 10 years? Yet so it is! And no more untiring efforts were ever put forth—in my opinion—by a teacher, than this lady has given the pupils of this town. Not alone have her labors been confined to the scholars of her school, but her interest and care has extended to each pupil, and to each teacher, with whom she has mingled. Miss Briggs is the pioneer teacher in our school system development, and I feel called to mention specially her long term of service.

In the rural schools good work has been done. The schools have each been larger than for some years. At the Grover school, North Gullford, Brown, and Centre, excellent results followed the instruction. At Low's Bridge, Mrs. Mae McCausland did some of the best rural school work with which I have ever come in contact. The attendance showed the great interest that prevailed, and the work was of such nature that this teacher should be retained in this town, whoever is in charge of our schools in the future.

We were unfortunate in having the grippe invade our schools during the winter term. Despite the care and prudence of the teachers this distemper so interfered with the school work that in some places I found it advisable to shorten the term as the attendance ran down to nearly nothing, and the attention and interest became distracted, without fault of the teachers. In those cases where disease keeps a

pupil from his work and school, I would suggest that the parent endeavor to keep his mind still intent on his studies by working a little while he is at home, and at the proper time send him to school again. with the determination to recover lost ground. If a child is allowed to leave the school-room in case of a little indisposition, and while at home do nothing in his studies, and after he is able to again return to his work be allowed the privilege of idling about home for a time, his interest is sadly abated, and he will take up his studies with reluctance, and often have to fall behind into a lower class through the little neglect thus occasioned.

I wish to call attention to the rare cases of truancy the past few years, and to say that I have noticed a slight inclination to get back to old tricks the past term or two. And I will call special attention of parents and ask that you personally know that your scholars attend school regularly and timely. Don't keep a boy out to drive team one day and send him to school the next. He will get his books and his farming mixed up so that he wont know where the furrow leaves off and the rule of three begins. Work him in work-time and allow him his whole attention to devote to his studies in school time. It is poor policy to skip one or two feeds per day for your horses if you expect good draught from them, and the same holds good with the boy or girl who skips a day or two each week from the school-room. Attention to the subject in hand is what counts for success. Let me urge you to cultivate a close acquaintance with your child's work in the school-room. Know what he does, the amount and quality of his work, encourage him by attention to his studies, and an occasional visit to his school-room. Commend him for his success, and disapprove him in his shortcomings. Let him know that you are his monitor, and also his well-wisher. Go to the school-rooms, your interest encourages the teacher, and revives your own interest. The teacher will deeply appreciate the effort, and you will gain something of value at every visit. Your boy or girl may be the one who is to reflect credit upon his family, and upon his town. Look well to your stewardship. Develop your schools and you develop yourselves, your children, your town, your county, your state. Let us reason together that the greatest good may be wrought in our little sphere, all petty spite and petty jealousy will hide far, far away, and that era of good-feeling and good-manhood, which is devoutly to be wished, prevail.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. WILLIAMS.

PROGRAM.

Music. Prayer Music. Salutatory, "Duties of Educated Men", Bessie Flora Shepherd. Essay, "The State of Maine," Guy Maurice Crockett. Class Poem, Amy Frances Cole. Music. Essay, "The Annexation of Hawaii", Ernest Almon Connor. Oration, "Patriotism", Orman Taylor Cimpher. Essay, "The Apple-tree Tent Caterpillar", Carroll Lee McKusick. Music. History, Thomas Burton Whitney. Prophecy, Anna May Stevens. Valedictory, "The True Education," Bertha Mabel Small. Music. Singing of Class Ode.

Board of Health.

We submit the following report. The following cases of contagious diseases have been reported during the past year. Typhoid fever, three cases, no deaths; scarlet fever, three cases, no deaths. But few nuisances have been reported the past year, we find the most trouble with sink drains and water closets and we urge better care taken of same. Free vaccination has been provided twice during the past year and 36 persons were vaccinated.

F. M. BRIGGS, Chairman. } Local Board
L. H. WHITTIER, } of
JOHN SCALES, Sec., } Health.

Warrant for Town Meeting.

To Charles F. Scales, Constable of the town of Guilford, Piscataquis Co.

Greeting:

In the name of the state of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Guilford, qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at Guilford Hall in the village of Guilford on Monday, the 20th day of March A. D. 1899, at ten o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, to wit:

- ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk.
- ART. 3. To hear reports to be made at said meeting.
- ART. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.
- ART. 5. To choose a Town Treasurer.
- ART. 6. To choose a member of the Superintending School Committee.
- ART. 7. To see if the town will authorize the S. S. Committee to elect a Supt. of Schools.
- ART. 8. To choose a Road Commissioner.
- ART. 9. To choose a Town Agent.
- ART. 10. To see if the town will vote that all taxes shall be collected and paid to the Treasurer in the following manner: 1-3 on or before July 1, 1899,—1-3 on or before Nov. 1, 1899,—and the remaining 1-3 on or before March 1, 1900.
- ART. 11. To choose a Collector of Taxes and see what method the town will adopt for the collection of taxes, for the ensuing year.
- ART. 12. To choose one or more Auditors of Accounts.
- ART. 13. To choose one or more Constables.
- ART. 14. To choose Truant Officers for the ensuing year.
- ART. 15. To choose Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.
- ART. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to pay the Supt. of Schools, for each day of actual service, or pay a stated salary.
- ART. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of schools.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repairs and insurance on school houses.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for a Free High School at the village.

ART. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purchase of school books.

ART. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for supplies and appliances.

ART. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of poor and other town charges.

ART. 23. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay outstanding debts and interest on the same.

ART. 24. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of roads and bridges, and how the same shall be expended.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise \$25.00 to help pay the expenses of Memorial Day, and pay the same to the Sons of Veterans.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to have printed town reports for the next annual meeting and pay for the same.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to establish a free public library for the inhabitants of said town, provide suitable rooms for the same, provide suitable regulations for the control of the same, see what sum of money shall be raised for the same, and authorize the expenditure of the same, and under what direction.

ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen and Town Agent to prosecute all persons in town who violate the prohibitory law during the municipal year, A. D. 1899, and to see if the sum of \$25.00 shall be raised for the same.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to buy a farm for a town poor farm, and authorize them to hire money to pay for the same.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to foreclose the mortgage on the Macomber farm, and sell said farm, or to dispose of said mortgage in such manner as may seem best.

ART. 31. To see if the town will vote to raise money to pay one-half the expense that Sangerville incurred in wiring and lighting the bridge at Sangerville depot.

ART. 32. To see if the town will vote to raise money to assist in lighting the bridge at Sangerville depot for ensuing year.

ART. 33. To see what sum of money the town will vote to pay to the Piscataquis Woolen Co., for the use of their pump, hose, ladders etc. for fire purposes in the village the ensuing year.

ART. 34. To see what sum of money the town will vote to pay to the Piscataquis Woolen Co. for lighting the bridge and streets in the village for the ensuing year.

ART. 35. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen, or choose a committee to make a contract with the Piscataquis Woolen Co., for lighting the streets and bridge as provided in the article No. 34, in this warrant and for fire purposes as provided in article No. 33, in this warrant.

ART. 36. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred dollars, or other sum of money, to erect a hose-house in the village, on the old school-house lot, or elsewhere.

ART. 37. To see if the town will vote to pay members of the fire company the amount of their poll tax for serving in said fire company for the ensuing year, or further time.

ART. 38. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for storing the hose-cart and hose for the ensuing year.

ART. 39. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of a Kindergarten.

ART. 40. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to take up outstanding town orders, and issue new ones in their place.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of correcting the list of voters at Guilford Hall Association at 9 o'clock a. m., on the day of said meeting.

Given at said Guilford, the 10th day of March, A. D., 1899.

C. W. ELLIS,	} Selectmen of Guilford.
J. S. WILLIAMS,	
JOHN SCALES,	