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TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen :

JOHN C. PEARSON,
GEORGE L. PILLSBURY,
ENOCH G. WOOD.

Town-Clerk :

CHARLES E. CHADWICK.

Treasurer :

CHARLES J. ELLSWORTH.

Collector of Taxes :

WILLIS G. BUXTON.

Auditors :

WALTER E. SWEATT,
LYMAN K. HALL.

School Board, Town District :

WILLIAM P. ABBOTT,
JOHN G. MEDER,
EDGARTON RAYMOND.

Board of Education, Penacook District :

WILLIS G. BUXTON,
FRANK H. GAGE,
JOHN C. PEARSON.

Supervisors of Check-List :

CHARLES J. ELLSWORTH,
AUSTIN G. KIMBALL,
CHARLES W. HARDY.

Police :

IRA S. TOWLE,
HENRY SWEET,
WILLIAM W. KILBORN,
CHARLES E. HANNAFORD,
GEORGE C. ATKINSON.

DETAILED STATEMENT

OF THE

EXPENDITURES OF THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN

FOR

THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1888.

List of taxes assessed on the polls and property, as inventoried April 1, 1887, and committed to Willis G. Buxton for collection, as follows, to wit:

| | | |
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| State, county, town, and school taxes, | \$6,875.69 | |
| Highway taxes, | 1,402.70 | |
| District and school-house taxes, | 822.24 | |
| Precinct tax, | 312.58 | |
| Dog tax, | 76.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$9,489.21 |
| Cash, | \$8,827.78 | |
| Discount on taxes paid prior to July 1, | | |
| 1887, | 342.10 | |
| Abatements, | 92.45 | |
| Tax claims bought, | 226.88 | |
| | <hr/> | \$9,489.21 |

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

1887.

Paid:

| | | |
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| July 20. J. E. Furnald, cashier for treasurer of | | |
| County of Merimack, county tax, | \$1,556.15 | |
| Solon A. Carter, state treasurer, state tax, | 1,636.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,192.15 |

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

1887.

| Paid : | | | |
|--------|-----|--|--------|
| March | 26. | D. D. Webster, work at town hall, | \$2.30 |
| | 30. | Republican Press Association, printing town reports, | 35.00 |
| April | 15. | Samuel Choate, sheep killed by dogs, | 3.00 |
| | 19. | George A. Brown, selectmen's expenses, | 8.00 |
| | 30. | E. F. Pevare, watering-trough for 1886, | 3.00 |
| | | E. C. Eastman, stationery, | 1.62 |
| | | B. F. Butler, notifying town officers, | 10.44 |
| May | 19. | Geo. A. Brown, selectmen's expenses, | 6.00 |
| | 28. | J. H. Flanders, cash paid G. A. R., | 25.00 |
| | | James W. Bent, digging graves, | 4.00 |
| | | D. D. Webster, hauling plank, | .80 |
| June | 4. | J. W. Staples, M. D., return of births and deaths, | 4.50 |
| | 25. | C. E. Chadwick, copying, | 12.00 |
| | | E. C. Morse, digging grave, | 2.00 |
| July | 30. | F. D. Johnson, " " | 2.00 |
| Aug. | 27. | " " " " | 2.00 |
| | | N. S. Webster, watering-trough, | 3.00 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, labor, and lumber for cemetery fence, | 6.25 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, express, | .45 |
| | | Geo. A. Brown, selectmen's expenses, | 1.50 |
| | | George Neller, axes for fire engine company, | 4.75 |
| | | George Neller, nozzles for fire engine company, | 11.35 |
| Sept. | 5. | George E. Kimball, coal for engine house, | 23.04 |
| | 24. | Geo. A. Brown, selectmen's expenses, | 1.50 |
| Oct. | 27. | E. F. Pevare, watering-trough, | 3.00 |
| | 29. | Asa M. Gage, for bounty on grasshoppers, | 8.50 |
| | | L. W. Couch, ice for Penacook watering-trough, | 14.00 |
| | | Concord Axle Co., repairs on fire engine, | 2.01 |
| | | Geo. A. Brown, selectmen's expenses, | 2.00 |
| Nov. | 26. | F. D. Johnson, digging grave, | 2.00 |

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| Dec. | 31. | Town of Webster, repairs at Beaver Dam cemetery, | \$5.84 |
| | | Henry Sweet, wood for lobby, | .65 |
| | | F. Gilman, grading, | 1.00 |
| 1888. | | | |
| Jan. | 3. | George Neller, pay-roll of Torrent Engine Company, | 250.00 |
| | 5. | C. C. Hall, team to remove nuisance, | 1.00 |
| Feb. | 1. | I. K. Gage, for watering-trough, | 3.00 |
| | | Boston Woven Hose Co., for hose, | 120.35 |
| | 27. | E. C. Morse, digging graves, | 4.00 |
| | | G. C. Hale, cutting bushes at cemetery, | 1.00 |
| | | Asa M. Gage, bounty on grasshoppers, | 6.50 |
| | | W. G. Buxton, discount on taxes paid prior to July 1, 1887, | 342.10 |
| | 28. | C. E. Chadwick, stationery, | 5.46 |
| | | E. E. Graves, return of births and deaths, | 5.75 |
| | | John C. Pearson, horse hire, car fare, and cash paid out while on town business, | 30.00 |
| | | S. G. Noyes, printing, | 5.75 |
| | | C. M. & A. W. Rolfe, lumber for engine-house, | 3.92 |
| | 29. | S. K. Parsons, selectmen's expenses, | 12.30 |
| Feb. | 29. | W. G. Buxton, services as collector of taxes, and guaranty, | 250.00 |
| | | W. G. Buxton, legal services, | 25.00 |
| | | G. H. Dimond, services on Dudley execution, | 1.48 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$1,280.11 |

AID TO THE POOR.

County Charges.

1887.

Paid:

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|-------|-----|--|--------|
| March | 26. | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | \$4.00 |
| April | 30. | “ “ “ “ | 5.00 |
| | | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | C. J. Ellsworth, aid to John Royce, as per order of selectmen, | 5.00 |

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| April | 30. | Lena Mason, aid to Louis Bedad, | \$10.00 |
| | | Mrs. John P. Webster, aid to Mary Bean, | 16.50 |
| | | Alonzo Gordon, aid to Eddie Gordon, | 2.00 |
| | | Mary B. Hanson, aid to Fontaine family, | 26.00 |
| May | 28. | Mary Fontaine, " " " | 8.00 |
| | | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 4.00 |
| June | 25. | Mary Fontaine, aid to Fontaine family, | 12.00 |
| | | E. S. Harris et als., rent for John Royce, | 5.00 |
| | | J. C. Pearson, cash paid out for transient person, | 3.00 |
| | | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 4.00 |
| July | 30. | C. W. Carter, aid to Luke Call, | 26.05 |
| | | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 5.00 |
| | | Mary Fontaine, aid to Fontaine family, | 12.50 |
| Aug. | 27. | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 4.00 |
| | | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, aid to transient persons, | 1.50 |
| Sept. | 23. | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | 24. | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 4.00 |
| Oct. | 29. | Dr. H. C. Holbrook, medical attendance for Fontaine family, | 24.00 |
| | | John P. Webster, aid to Mary Bean, | 28.50 |
| | | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 5.00 |
| | | C. W. Carter, aid to Luke Call, | 13.00 |
| | | Foote & Morse, aid to Thomas Biard, | 9.77 |
| | | George E. Kimball, aid to Royce family, | 5.65 |
| | | George E. Noble, aid to Ida E. Coburn, | 9.00 |
| | | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | Foote & Morse, aid to Royce family, | 2.71 |
| Nov. | 26. | " " " Thomas Biard, | 3.36 |
| | | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 4.00 |
| Dec. | 31. | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 5.00 |
| | | 1888. | |
| Jan. | 28. | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |

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| Jan. | 28. | C. W. Carter, aid to Luke Call, | \$12.04 |
| | | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 6.00 |
| Feb. | 1. | George E. Noble, aid to Ida Coburn, | 8.00 |
| | | Dr. H. C. Holbrook, medical attendance for Ida Coburn, | 10.00 |
| | | Harriet N. Mason, aid to Gleason boy, | 58.50 |
| | | Henry Sweet, aid to transient person, | 1.00 |
| | | Fifield & Hubbard, coffin for Thos. Biard's child, | 5.00 |
| | | Foote & Morse, aid to Melinda Dyar, | 9.40 |
| | | Henry Sweet, aid to tramps, | 6.00 |
| | | Foote & Morse, aid to James Wooley, | 5.76 |
| | | “ “ “ William Sewall, | 21.00 |
| | | Contocook M. and M. Co., wood for Thos. Biard, | 2.25 |
| | | Peter Laflamme, aid to William Howard, | 5.00 |
| | | Ira S. Towle, aid to tramps, | 4.00 |
| | | Wm. W. Kilburn, aid to tramps, | 2.00 |
| | | Dr. E. E. Graves, medical attendance on Luke Call, | 5.20 |
| | 25. | Irving D. Kidder, aid to Darius Kidder, | 6.00 |
| | | Mary B. Hanson, aid to to Mrs. Alvah Wentworth, | 13.00 |
| | 27. | Harriet N. Mason, aid to Gleason boy, | 12.45 |
| | | J. H. Jackman, aid to the Langton sisters, | 5.69 |
| | 28. | Willis G. Buxton, aid to James Wooley (rent), | 10.00 |
| | | Joseph Bassett, aid to Louisa Bassett, | 8.00 |
| | | Peter Laflamme, aid to William Howard, | 5.00 |
| | | Foote & Morse, aid to S. B. Mace, | 4.50 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$603.33 |

Town Charges.

1887.

Paid:

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|-------|-----|---|--------|
| April | 30. | Town of Salisbury, aid to Eben'r Boynton, | \$9.50 |
| Oct. | 29. | “ Northfield, “ “ | 80.80 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, “ “ | 11.25 |

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| Oct. | 29. | Foote & Morse, aid to Thomas F. O'Brien's family, | \$8.36 |
| Feb. | 27. | E. S. Harris, aid to Jeremiah Miningham, John C. Pearson, cash paid for aid to needy persons, by order of the selectmen, | 106.00 30.00 |
| | | | <hr/> \$210.91 |

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

1887.

Paid:

| | | | |
|--------|-----|---------------------------------|---------|
| March. | 26. | C. A. Folsom, surveyor, | \$12.50 |
| | | Ira S. Holmes, lighting bridge, | 12.50 |
| April | 15. | E. F. Pevare, surveyor, | 19.30 |
| | | J. G. Smith, " " | 29.10 |
| | | Charles Huntoon, " " | 16.45 |
| | | J. G. Smith, " " | 6.85 |
| | | E. F. Pevare, " " | 14.37 |
| | | B. F. Griffin, " " | 13.03 |
| | | Ira N Colby, " " | 12.50 |
| | | L. C. Whitney, old bill, | 9.51 |
| May | 28. | J. G. Eastman, surveyor, | 4.20 |
| | | Frederick Gilman, labor, | 7.40 |
| | | N. S. Webster, surveyor, | 32.50 |
| | | Nathan Colby, " " | 28.02 |
| June | 4. | Charles Huntoon, " " | 1.35 |
| | 25. | E. F. Pevare, " " | 46.59 |
| | | J. P. Webster, " " | 36.90 |
| | | J. H. Flanders, " " | 29.17 |
| | | Folsom Brothers, labor, | 6.80 |
| | | S. W. Morrison, surveyor, | 23.90 |
| | | N. S. Webster, " " | 53.00 |
| July | 30. | C. A. Folsom, " " | 2.09 |
| | | C. W. Carter, nails and spikes, | .80 |
| | | F. L. Sweatland, surveyor, | 13.52 |
| | | G. H. Folsom, " " | 20.70 |
| | | E. A. Griffin, " " | 24.54 |
| | | W. B. Burpee, " " | 18.70 |
| | | S. W. Morrison, " " | 11.45 |

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| Aug. | 27. | J. Hadlock, cutter edge for road machine, | \$8.00 |
| | | H. L. Ferrin, labor, | 10.00 |
| | | J. G. Smith, “ | 2.17 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, inlets for academy sewer, | 2.55 |
| Sept. | 24. | E. W. Atkinson, oil, and repairs on road machine, | 2.06 |
| | | S. W. Morrison, surveyor, | 130.23 |
| | | George H. Folsom, “ | 15.23 |
| | | E. A. Griffin, “ | 5.31 |
| | | F. L. Gerrish lumber, | 20.15 |
| Oct. | 29. | T. W. Royleigh, surveyor, | 17.32 |
| | | Burbank Bros., plank, | 14.87 |
| | | J. H. Flanders, labor on gulf sewer, | 28.00 |
| | | E. W. Atkinson, surveyor, | 27.45 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, labor and cash paid out on gulf sewer, | 125.80 |
| | | C. A. Folsom, surveyor, | 18.12 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, cash paid for labor on Canterbury bridge, | 60.82 |
| | | G. H. Folsom, surveyor, | 9.45 |
| | | N. S. Webster, “ | 107.00 |
| | | Benjamin Gross, labor, | 10.10 |
| | | H. H. Amsden, lumber, | .80 |
| | | Nathan Colby, surveyor, | 147.80 |
| | | E. McShane, ironwork, | 1.10 |
| | | G. H. Gitchell, surveyor, | 33.09 |
| | | J. H. Flanders, “ | 43.50 |
| | | C. E. Hanaford, “ | 23.00 |
| | | G. H. Gitchell, “ | 20.77 |
| | | E. F. Pevare, plank and labor, | 30.97 |
| | | Nathan Colby, surveyor, | 62.15 |
| | | F. P. George, labor, | 1.50 |
| | | J. E. Rines, labor and brick on gulf sewer, | 57.10 |
| | | F. L. Sweatland, labor and lumber on Glines bridge, | 11.85 |
| | | H. O. Morrill, gravel, | 8.48 |
| | | C. W. Carter, nails and spikes, | 16.03 |
| Nov. | 26. | G. H. Folsom, surveyor, | 5.25 |
| | | E. A. Griffin, “ | 2.20 |

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| Nov. | 26. | G. L. Pillsbury, cash paid for gulf railing, | \$32.93 |
| | | Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, iron for mill bridge, | 7.78 |
| Dec. | 31. | Nathan Colby, surveyor, | 57.09 |
| | | C. M. & A. W. Rolfe, lumber, | 2.55 |
| | | C. J. Chadwick, labor, | 3.00 |
| | | E. W. Durgin, blacksmithing, | 3.05 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, cash paid for work and material on mill bridge, | 30.00 |
| 1888. | | | |
| Feb. | 1. | F. L. Gerrish, plank, | 132.20 |
| | | Foote, Brown & Co., paint and nails, | 3.54 |
| | | S. W. Morrison, lumber for gulf railing, | 6.45 |
| | | L. T. Silver, surveyor, | 7.60 |
| | | Ira S. Holmes, lighting bridge, | 17.50 |
| | | John Whittaker, for lumber, | 11.38 |
| | | F. Gilman, labor, etc., | 14.25 |
| | | John Whittaker, lumber, | 3.55 |
| | | F. Gilman, labor and cash paid out on bridge, | 45.88 |
| | | C. W. Carter, nails and spikes, | .74 |
| | | Geo. G. Smith, labor, | 1.80 |
| | | Foote, Brown & Co., paint, | 6.30 |
| | | Foote & Morse, nails and cement, | 3.19 |
| | | Burbank Bros., lumber, | 12.12 |
| | | T. W. Royleigh, surveyor, | 12.60 |
| | | John P. Webster, “ | 5.00 |
| | | H. S. Annis, blacksmithing, | 7.80 |
| | 4. | E. H. Pevare, surveyor, | 61.50 |
| | | C. E. Hanaford, “ | 22.20 |
| | | C. A. Folsom, “ | 19.63 |
| | | F. L. Sweatland, “ | 10.30 |
| | | W. B. Burpee, “ | 7.80 |
| | | G. H. Folsom, “ | 10.25 |
| | | J. H. Flanders, “ | 4.00 |
| | | E. A. Griffin, “ | 42.69 |
| | | J. E. Rines, labor, | 2.50 |
| | | J. H. Flanders, surveyor, | 35.25 |
| | | E. W. Atkinson, “ | 10.98 |

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| Feb. | 25. | Folsom Bros., labor, | \$6.00 |
| | | C. M. Abbott, cutting bushes, | 1.25 |
| | | N. S. Webster, surveyor, | 67.90 |
| | | C. M. Abbott, labor, | 1.30 |
| | 27. | E. Griffin, surveyor, | 5.59 |
| | | H. L. Ferrin, damage to field, | 4.00 |
| | | H. W. Flanders, lumber, | 1.75 |
| | | F. L. Sweatland, surveyor, | 4.25 |
| | | J. H. Flanders, “ | 16.90 |
| | | E. H. Johnston, gravel, | 5.00 |
| | | G. H. Gitchell, surveyor, | 3.80 |
| | | Geo. C. Hale, labor, | 3.15 |
| | | S. D. Cram, use of team, | 1.36 |
| | | W. G. Buxton, lighting lamps on engine- house and twin bridge, | 29.00 |
| | | A. M. Gage, labor, | 5.00 |
| | 28. | C. A. Folsom, surveyor, | 4.97 |
| | | G. H. Folsom, “ | 4.04 |
| | | C. E. Hanaford, “ | 7.10 |
| | | T. W. Royleigh, “ | 42.52 |
| | | Nathan Colby, “ | 54.64 |
| | | John P. Webster, “ | 24.70 |
| | | James Connor, “ | 282.67 |
| | | F. Gilman, rubble, | 6.00 |
| | | F. P. George, labor, | 2.02 |
| | | town of Canterbury, balance due on repairs of bridge, | 11.06 |
| | | Ira N. Colby, labor, | 2.45 |
| | | Bradley Atkinson, lumber, | 1.20 |
| | | C. M. & A. W. Rolfe, lumber, | 12.10 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$2,855.08 |

SCHOOL-MONEY.

Town District.

1887.

Paid :

Jan. 25. J. G. Meder, treasurer, \$400.00

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| Aug. 27. | “ | “ | special tax, | \$100.00 | |
| Nov. 9. | “ | “ | | 200.00 | |
| Dec. 31. | “ | “ | special appropri- | | |
| | | | ation, | 120.00 | |
| | | | J. G. Meder, balance, | 401.00 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$1,221.00 |

Penacook District.

Paid :

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|----------|----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| June 30. | Frank H. Gage, treasurer, | \$500.00 | |
| Aug. 18. | “ “ “ “ | 100.00 | |
| Sept. 5. | C. D. Glitten, school-house tax, | 580.00 | |
| | 19. Frank H. Gage, | 400.00 | |
| 1888. | | | |
| Jan. 8. | “ “ “ balance, | 401.67 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$1,981.67 |
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| | | | \$3,202.67 |

NOTES AND INTEREST.

1887.

Paid :

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| June 25. | Willis G. Buxton, notes and interest, | \$823.56 | |
| 1888. | | | |
| Feb. 29. | Estate of L. T. Boyce, | \$1,020.00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$1,843.56 |

TOWN OFFICERS.

1887.

Paid :

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| June 30. | Walter E. Sweatt, services as auditor, | \$2.00 | |
| 1888. | | | |
| Jan. 14. | Luther Gage, services as anditor, | 2.00 | |
| Feb. 28. | C. J. Ellsworth, services as treasurer, | 50.00 | |
| | C. E. Chadwick, services as town-clerk, | 40.00 | |
| | E. G. Wood, services as selectman, | 85.00 | |
| | G. L. Pillsbury, “ | 80.00 | |
| | J. C. Pearson, “ | 100.00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$359.00 |

POLICE OFFICERS.

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| 1887. | | | |
| Nov. | 12. | Henry Sweet, services on account, | \$25.00 |
| 1888. | | | |
| Jan. | 31. | W. W. Kilborn, services, | 10.00 |
| Feb. | 25. | Henry Sweet, truant officer, | 6.00 |
| | | “ “ balance, | 20.00 |
| | 28. | Ira S. Towle, services, | 26.00 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$87.00 |

MRS. DAVID FELLOWS'S ACCOUNT.

| | | | |
|--------|-----|---------------------------------------|----------|
| 1887. | | | |
| Paid : | | | |
| June | 25. | D. Flint, for board, | \$35.00 |
| | | Gage, Buxton & Co., insurance, | 4.00 |
| Nov. | 26. | D. Flint, board, | 38.50 |
| Dec. | 31. | “ “ repairs, | 3.60 |
| 1888. | | | |
| | 28. | “ “ board, | 15.75 |
| Feb. | 28. | Dr. E. E. Graves, medical attendance, | 5.70 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$102.55 |

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

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| 1888. | | | |
| Paid : | | | |
| Feb. | 28. | Willis G. Buxton, on list of 1887, | \$92.45 |

PENACOOK SEWER.

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| 1887. | | | |
| Paid : | | | |
| July | 1. | Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, for Akron pipe, | \$258.63 |
| | | Woodworth & Co., cement, | 4.75 |
| | | Frederick Gilman, for labor, and cash paid | |
| | | for labor, | 96.35 |
| | | Boston & Lowell Railroad, freight, | 5.85 |
| | | John Hanson, teaming, | 6.00 |
| Sept. | 22. | Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, for Akron pipe, | 27.03 |

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| Oct. | 29. | John E. Rines, brick, | \$4.20 |
| | | Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, Akron pipe, | 11.80 |
| | | H. W. Clapp & Co, sewer inlet caps, | 5.52 |
| Nov. | 18. | Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, Akron pipe, | 7.05 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$470.89 |

BOSCAWEN PLAIN SEWER.

1887.

Paid :

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|-------|-----|--|---------|
| Sept. | 24. | C. E. Chadwick, cement, | \$10.20 |
| Oct. | 29. | Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, for Akron pipe, | 196.63 |
| Nov. | 26. | F. L. Sweatland, freighting, | 18.80 |
| | | C. E. Chadwick, cement, | 5.20 |
| | | H. W. Clapp & Co., sewer inlet caps, | 12.33 |
| | | G. L. Pillsbury, labor, and cash paid for labor, | 87.72 |

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| Feb. | 1. | J. E. Rines, brick, | 4.20 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$335.08 |

PENACOOK PRECINCT.

1887.

Paid :

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|-------|-----|--------------------------|----------|
| Jan. | 25. | W. G. Buxton, committee, | \$100.00 |
| Sept. | 24. | “ “ “ | 100.00 |
| Feb. | 27. | “ “ “ | 100.00 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$300.00 |

RECAPITULATION.

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|---------------------------|------------|
| State and county taxes, | \$3,192.15 |
| Miscellaneous bills, | 1,280.11 |
| Aid to the poor, | 814.24 |
| Roads and bridges, | 2,855.08 |
| Schools and school-money, | 3,202.67 |
| Notes and interest, | 1,843.56 |
| Town officers, | 359.00 |

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|----------------------------|-------------|
| Police officers, | \$87.00 |
| Abatement of taxes, | 92.45 |
| Mrs. D. Fellows's account, | 102.55 |
| Penacook sewer, | 470.89 |
| Boscawen Plain sewer, | 335.08 |
| Penacook precinct, | 300.00 |
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| | \$14,934.78 |

TOWN LIABILITIES.

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|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Note to Mechanicks National Bank, | \$1,400.00 |
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ASSETS.

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| Mrs. D. Fellows place deeded to town, | \$570.43 |
| Cash in hands of treasurer, including the dog tax, | 71.00 |
| Execution against George M. Dudley for costs, now in process of collection, | 29.98 |
| Tax claims bought at tax collector's sale of real estate, sold at auction for unpaid taxes,—Contoocook M. and M. Co., Aurilla Rand, Calvin Battis, | 231.26 |
| Due from Calvin Simonds, | 30.00 |
| Due from Merrimack county, support of paupers since Feb. 1, 1888, | 23.50 |
| Cash in hands of treasurer, | 340.83 |
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| | \$1,226.00 |

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| Balance against the town March 1, 1888, | 174.00 |
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JOHN C. PEARSON,
GEORGE L. PILLSBURY,
ENOCH G. WOOD,

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

The undersigned, auditors of the accounts of the selectmen and treasurer for the year 1887-'88, report that they have examined the accounts, and find the receipts to have been \$15,233.12, from March 1, 1887, to March 1, 1888, and the disbursements \$14,892.29, paid on orders drawn by the selectmen, and on outstanding orders, leaving in the hands of the treasurer a balance of cash \$340.83, all of which are properly vouched and correctly cast.

W. E. SWEATT,

L. K. HALL,

Auditors.

Boscawen, March 3, 1888.

 TREASURER'S REPORT.

The treasurer respectfully submits his annual report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending March 1, 1888.

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| Cash received from former treasurer as per last report, | \$105.87 |
| W. G. Buxton, collector of taxes in 1887, | 9,262.33 |
| State of New Hampshire, railroad tax, | 578.78 |
| “ “ “ savings-bank tax, | 1,685.07 |
| “ “ “ literary fund, | 158.36 |
| Merrimack county, aid to paupers, | 569.93 |
| Cash from selectmen, | 2,800.00 |
| “ Penacook school-district, Akron pipe and cement, | 2.96 |
| Cash from Fred Gilman, Akron pipe and cement, | 1.65 |
| “ E. S. Harris, “ “ “ | 16.20 |
| “ A. Sanborn, “ “ “ | 11.17 |
| “ Mary Thornton, “ “ “ | 6.43 |
| “ Iona savings-bank, tax on P. M. Chadwick farm, | 20.62 |

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|----------------------------|-------------|
| Cash from John C. Pearson, | 3.25 |
| “ “ “ | 4.00 |
| “ bounty on grasshoppers, | 6.50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$15,233.12 |

EXPENDITURES.

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| Payment on outstanding orders, | \$12.01 |
| Payment on orders drawn by selectmen, from 1 to 289, inclusive, | \$14,880.28 |
| Cash on hand March 1, 1888, | 340.83 |
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| | \$15,233.12 |

CHARLES J. ELLSWORTH,
Treasurer.

L A W S U I T S .

In the suit of A. Jennie Noyes against the town for alleged damages on the highway, the supreme court has sustained her exceptions to the verdict rendered in favor of the town; and the case is now on the jury list, and the plaintiff will probably move for trial at the next April term.

Dr. J. W. Staples, of Franklin, has brought suit against the town for alleged damages to a horse, by reason of a defective highway, which will be for trial at the April term.

Notice was filed with the town-clerk, by Hollis Towne, of intention to bring a suit against the town for alleged damages on the highway by reason of an obstruction, and naming the sum of \$3,000 as damages.

Notice has been filed with the town-clerk and selectmen, by Frank P. Keenan, of intention to bring a suit against the town for alleged damages on the sidewalk in Penacook, and naming the sum of \$2,000 as the measure of his injuries.

The Contocook Manufacturing and Mechanick Company, by its treasurer, Samuel C. Eastman, has filed a bill in equity in the supreme court, asking an abatement of a portion of the tax assessed on its property by reason of alleged over-valuation in the appraisal, April 1, 1887.

The selectmen have carefully examined all these cases, and as far as possible have considered the evidence and attending circumstances; and, in their judgment and belief, the town is *not* liable in any of them for damages or costs.

While we exceedingly regret the trouble and heavy expense which must come to the town by reason of being obliged to defend itself in court, we have not considered it to be for the interest of the tax-payers to attempt any compromise or settlement in any of these cases.

JOHN C. PEARSON,
GEORGE L. PILLSBURY,
ENOCH G. WOOD,
Selectmen.

March 1, 1888.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births Registered in the Town of Boscawen, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1887.

| Date of Birth. | Name of the Child (if any). | Sex and Condition. | | | Name of Father. | Maiden Name of Mother. | Color of Parents. | Residence of Parents. | Occupation of Father. | Birthplace of | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| | | Male. | Female. | Living or Still-born. | | | | | | No. of child, 1st, 2d, &c. | Father. | Mother. |
| Jan. 31. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | George P. Chadwick. | Mary Mack..... | W. | Boscawen | Farmer..... | Boscawen..... | Vermont..... |
| Mar. 1. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Frank Fontaine..... | Deliah Joyal..... | " | " | Laborer..... | Canada..... | Canada..... |
| " 21 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Peter W. Kimball..... | Ida F. Hileman..... | " | " | Grocer..... | Boscawen..... | Canterbury..... |
| " 28 | Henry Allen | Male. | ..... | ..... | Eltery D. Houkiss..... | Alice C..... | " | " | Miller..... | Benton..... | Benton..... |
| Apr. 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Jos. R. McDaniel..... | Fannie Smith..... | " | Concord. | Fireman..... | Canterbury..... | Hopkinton..... |
| " 5 | Charles H..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | John S. Ordway..... | Harriet F. Otis..... | " | Warner. | Farmer..... | West Concord..... | Michigan..... |
| May 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Elmer E. Towne..... | Belle H. Braley..... | " | Boscawen | Farmer..... | Stoddard..... | Grafton..... |
| " 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Arthur A. Gage..... | Laura Kirekel..... | " | " | MacJinist..... | Boscawen..... | N. Y. City..... |
| " 28 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Alvin P. Lakin..... | Nellie Kenniston..... | " | " | Farmer..... | Hooksett..... | Salisbury..... |
| July 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Eltery C. Bugbee..... | Carrie Graves..... | " | " | Teamster..... | Concord, Vt..... | Marshallfield, Vt..... |
| " 18 | Louis O..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Amos Perry..... | Adeline Marco..... | " | " | Section hand..... | Chautauqua, N. Y..... | Durham, P. Q..... |
| Aug 29 | Arthur..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Alfred K. Flanders..... | Orissa Wilson..... | " | " | Tanner..... | Warner..... | Greenfield..... |
| Sept. 12 | William M..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | William Tasker..... | Bertha Osgood..... | " | Pittsfield. | Section hand..... | Pittsfield..... | London..... |
| " 21 | Arthur..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | George S. Brigham..... | Mary Goodwin..... | " | Boscawen | Supl. Co. farm..... | Pittsfield..... | London..... |
| " 22 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | George F. Brown..... | Mary Towne..... | " | " | Cabinet-maker..... | Essex, Vt..... | Michigan..... |
| Oct. 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Jos. Domang..... | Dora Martin..... | " | " | Butcher..... | Boscawen..... | Barton, Vt..... |
| " 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | C. E. Hannaford..... | Orvilla Lepland..... | " | " | Section hand..... | Durham, P. Q..... | Durham, P. Q..... |
| " 20 | Mabel..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Addie Woods..... | " | " | Farmer..... | Boscawen..... | Enfield..... |

Marriages Registered in the Town of Boscawen, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1887.

| Date— 1887. | Place of Marriage. | Name and Surname of Groom and Bride. | Residence of each at time of Marriage. | Age in years. | Color of each. | Occupation of Groom and Bride. | Place of Birth of each. | Names of Parents. | Birthplace of Parents. | Occupation. | Marriage. | Name, Residence, and Official Station of person by whom married. |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|--|----------------|----------------|--|---|---|--|-----------------|-----------|---|
| Feb. 28. | Boscawen.... | Daniel O'Niel | Boscawen..... | 30 | W. | Spinner.... | Keene..... | Thomas O. Niel..... Kate (Harmon)..... | Ireland..... | Laborer..... | 2d | Rev. H. W. L. Thurston, Boscawen. |
| June 24. | Malden, Mass. | Josie Hutchinson... Clarence A. Brodeur | Hill..... Boscawen..... | 25 21 | " | " Student.... | Hill..... Colchester, Vt.... | Timothy Duhamel... Sarah S. Tenney.... Charles Brodeur.... Priscilla (Marsh)... | Canaan..... Hill..... Burlington, Vt.... Colchester, Vt.... | Overseer.... | 1st | R. v. J. W. Wellman, Malden, Mass. |
| Oct. 28. | Canterbury.... | Mary C. Latta. Olin S. Whitehill... | Newton, Mass. Boscawen..... | 21 24 | " | Teacher... Laborer.... | Newton, Mass. Ryegate, Vt.... | John C. Latta..... Mary (Shisbee)..... George Whitehill... Susan (Orff)..... | " Scotland..... | Postmaster.. | " | Rev. Lucian C. Kimball, Canterbury. |
| Nov. 28. | Boscawen.... | Edith F. Ordway ... Charlie C. Jerald.... | Concord..... Boscawen..... | 22 26 | " | Housework... Mechanic. | Concord..... Boscawen..... | Jacob Ordway..... Judith F. Charles H. Jerald... Sarah (Chase)..... | Concord..... Bow..... London..... | " Farmer.... | " | Rev. H. W. L. Thurston, Boscawen. |
| Nov. 30. | Boscawen.... | Mary E. Hardy..... Will H. Kimball.... | Concord..... Boscawen..... | 26 21 | " | Housework... Grocer.... | Concord..... Boscawen..... | Elbridge Hardy... Sarah (Morse)..... Austin G. Kimball... Ellen (Hale)..... | Boscawen..... Boscawen..... Franklin..... Dunbarton..... | Farmer.... | " | Rev. C. E. Milliken, Penacook. |
| Dec. 28. | Boscawen.... | Julia E. Sargent.... Henry H. Roberts... Grace M. Boyce.... | " " " | 22 27 20 | " | Housework... Farmer.... Housework... | Concord..... Concord..... Boscawen .. | David H. Sargent... Cornelia (Hibbard), Calvin Roberts.... Emily (Knowles)... Humphrey C. Boyce Martha (Smith).... | Concord..... Franklinville, N. Y. "..... "..... | Farmer.... | " | Rev. Anson C. Coult, Concord. |

Deaths Registered in the Town of Boscawen for the Year ending December 31, 1887.

| Date of Death, 1887. | Name and Surname of the Deceased. | Age. | | | Place of Birth. | Sex and Condition. | | | Occupation. | Place of Birth. | | Name of Father. | Maiden Name of Mother. | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|-------|-----------------|--------------------|---------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|
| | | Years. | Months. | Days. | | Male. | Female. | Color. | | Single or married. | Widowed. | | | Father. | Mother. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan. 5. | Wilman S. Derby..... | 65 | | | Male. | | W. | M. | | Newton, Mass. | Warner..... | Barnard Colby... | Susannah Stewart | | |
| " 5. | Susan Colby..... | 71 | 2 | | " | Female. | " | S. | | " | " | " | " | | |
| " 14. | Patrick Moring..... | 20 | | | " | " | " | " | | Canterbury | Boscawen..... | John Clough... | Judith Gerrish... | | |
| " 17. | Benj. Collins..... | 65 | | | " | " | " | M. | | " | " | " | " | | |
| Feb. 7. | Kaney C. Gibson..... | 65 | 10 | | " | " | " | " | | Canterbury | " | " | " | | |
| " 11. | Seth Faye..... | 80 | | | " | " | " | " | | " | " | " | " | | |
| " 25. | True Eastman..... | 54 | | | " | " | " | " | | Boscawen | " | " | " | | |
| Mar. 1. | Susan A. Johnston..... | 78 | 11 | 18 | " | " | " | W. | | " | " | " | " | | |
| " 19. | Herman H. Morrill..... | 22 | | | " | " | " | S. | | " | " | " | " | | |
| Apr. 24. | Ida F. Kimball..... | 22 | 7 | 25 | " | " | " | M. | | Canterbury | " | " | " | | |
| May 1. | Jane Sargent..... | 57 | | | " | " | " | S. | | " | " | " | " | | |
| " 9. | Daniel Sanborn..... | 26 | | | " | " | " | " | | " | " | " | " | | |
| " 13. | Joseph Crowell..... | 68 | 1 | 23 | " | " | " | M. | | Hopkinton. | " | " | " | | |
| June 17. | Charles Simons..... | 54 | | | " | " | " | " | | " | " | " | " | | |
| " 24. | Nelson Young..... | 80 | | | " | " | " | " | | " | " | " | " | | |
| July 15. | James Collins..... | 2 | 2 | | " | " | " | S. | | Franklin | " | " | " | | |
| " 18. | George W. Clark..... | 31 | | | " | " | " | " | | Northfield | " | " | " | | |
| " 22. | Hannah Holland..... | 86 | | | " | " | " | W. | | England | Ireland | Patrick J. Collins | Mary Wade..... | | |
| " 23. | Rosilla M. Rines..... | 77 | | | " | " | " | " | | " | " | John Folsom.... | Phebe Collins... | | |
| " 26. | Lucinda Wiser..... | 76 | 6 | 17 | " | " | " | Housekeeper. | | " | " | " | " | | |
| " 28. | Philena Harriman..... | 86 | | | " | " | " | Housewife. | | Concord | " | " | " | | |
| " 28. | Philena Harriman..... | 86 | | | " | " | " | " | | Hill | " | " | " | | |
| Aug. 1. | Sarah Douglass..... | 71 | | | " | " | " | Farmer. | | England | " | " | " | | |
| " 6. | William D. Colby..... | 67 | | | " | " | " | " | | England | " | " | " | | |
| " 16. | Sarah P. Flanders..... | 79 | 5 | 13 | " | " | " | Farmer. | | Hopkinton | " | " | " | | |
| Sept. 3. | Neilson Noe..... | 55 | | | " | " | " | Farmer. | | Canada | Canada | Geo. T. Pillsbury. | Susan Kilborn... | | |
| " 6. | Emily P. Kimball..... | 73 | | | " | " | " | Laborer | | Boscawen | Boscawen. | " | " | | |
| " 21. | Joseph Paul..... | 75 | | | " | " | " | " | | " | " | " | " | | |

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| Oct. 3. | Louis O. Perry..... | 61 | 2 | 15 | Boscawen..... | Male. | W. | S. | Farmer..... | Chateaugay, N.Y. | Durham, P. Q. | Amos Perry..... | Adeline Marco... |
| " 3. | Hollis Towne..... | 80 | 7 | | Stoddard..... | " | " | M. | ..... | Stoddard..... | Stoddard..... | Ebenezer Towne... | Tryphena Corey.. |
| " 5. | Jemima Ober..... | 76 | | | Hopkinton..... | Female. | " | S. | ..... | Canada..... | Canada..... | Joseph Shepard... | |
| " 10. | Harrison Sargent .. | 76 | | | Boscawen..... | " | " | W. | ..... | Boscawen..... | Delaware..... | Ira Sweatt..... | Mary Ellison..... |
| " 24. | Ann Batchelder..... | 54 | 6 | 2 | " | " | " | W. | ..... | Derry..... | Derry..... | Moses W. Boyce... | Lydia Davis..... |
| Nov. 19. | Humphrey C. Boyce.. | 76 | 10 | | Canterbury..... | " | " | W. | Farmer..... | Newport..... | Hill..... | Samuel Bridge... | Alice Pollard... |
| " 19. | Emily B. Smith..... | 89 | 9 | | Billerica, Mass. | " | " | W. | ..... | Newport..... | Hill..... | A. Hutchison... | Josie Dunham... |
| " 21. | Eugene Hutchinso... | 4 | 6 | 11 | Newport..... | " | " | S. | ..... | Canada..... | Canada..... | Thomas O'Brien... | Mary Patwin..... |
| " 30. | Abby McGoy..... | 85 | | | Bow..... | " | " | W. | ..... | Canada..... | Canada..... | Alden Keniston... | Betsy Trumbull.. |
| Dec. 2. | Alvin Ward..... | 74 | | | Boscawen..... | " | " | S. | ..... | Canada..... | Canada..... | Thomas O'Brien... | Mary Patwin..... |
| " 3. | Thomas O'Brien..... | 44 | 9 | | Nashville, Tenn. | " | " | B. | ..... | Wilmington..... | Wilmington..... | Alden Keniston... | Betsy Trumbull.. |
| " 10. | Alice Braxton..... | 30 | | | Ireland..... | " | " | W. | Housewife..... | Wilmington..... | Wilmington..... | Alden Keniston... | Betsy Trumbull.. |
| " 22. | John J. Elkeworth... | 45 | | | Franklin..... | " | " | W. | ..... | Wilmington..... | Wilmington..... | Alden Keniston... | Betsy Trumbull.. |
| " 23. | Fattie M. Chase..... | 17 | 9 | | Sutton..... | " | " | M. | ..... | Wilmington..... | Wilmington..... | Alden Keniston... | Betsy Trumbull.. |
| " 25. | Anna F. Whittier... | 79 |  |  |  | " | " | " | ..... | Wilmington..... | Wilmington..... | Alden Keniston... | Betsy Trumbull.. |

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. E. CHADWICK, Town-Clerk.

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Fellow-Citizens :

We present the following report relating to schools for the year ending March 1, 1888 :

SCHOOL NO. 1.—PLAIN.

The spring term of ten weeks, and the fall term of fifteen weeks, were taught by Miss Isabel Seavey. Both parents and pupils were glad to welcome Miss Seavey back to take charge of the school, and the result is proof sufficient that they made no mistake in desiring to secure the services of a teacher whose long record is one of continued success. Her methods of teaching awaken enthusiasm in her scholars, and an eagerness at all times to receive the instruction she is so abundantly qualified to impart.

Number of visitors ;—1st term, 22 ; 2d term, 28.

ROLL OF HONOR.

First Term.

Lottie G. Brown,
Mabel A. Carter,
Hattie L. Colby,
Mary A. Green,
Ida James,
Agnes M. Pillsbury.

Second Term.

Mary A. Green,
Mabel A. Carter,
Charles H. Carter,
Walter A. Carter.

SCHOOL NO. 2.—NORTH WATER STREET.

The spring term of nine weeks, and the fall and winter terms of eight weeks each, were taught by Miss Minnie A. Weeks, of Danville, Vt. Miss Weeks was an earnest, faithful worker, and spared no pains in her efforts to instruct her scholars in all the branches taught. Good improvement was made by all the

scholars under her charge during the year, and marked improvement by some. The class of three scholars in arithmetic made wonderful progress.

Number of visitors, 13 ;—2d term, 4 ; 3d term, 9.

ROLL OF HONOR.

| <i>First Term.</i> | <i>Second Term.</i> | <i>Third Term.</i> |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Cora E. Hale, | Alice M. George. | Alice M. George, |
| Alice M. George, | | Cora E. Hale, |
| Eva J. Plumer, | | Fred G. Hale. |
| Fred G. Hale. | | |

SCHOOL No. 3.—GULF.

Miss Kate L. Blenus, of Royalston, Mass., taught the spring term of ten weeks. She sustained the good reputation won by her as teacher in this district during the school year of 1887. We are justified in saying that under her instruction the school fully maintained its place of honor. We are glad to know she is still successful in her chosen calling, for which she is so well qualified.

Number of visitors, 14.

ROLL OF HONOR.

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| George A. Raymond, | George Colby, |
| Jessie P. Raymond, | Lucy B. Hoyt. |
| Emelia Jewell, | |

The fall term of fifteen weeks was taught by Miss Etha L. Sargent, of this town. Miss Sargent came well recommended, fresh from her studies, and with an excellent record, but to her first school. She has been very successful in her efforts, winning the regard of her scholars and the approval of the parents, her school at its close giving evidence of thorough and practical work on the part of the teacher, and commendable progress by the scholars.

Number of visitors, 21.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Charles M. Bowles.

SCHOOL NO. 4.—HIGH STREET.

There were but three scholars for this school, and each so remote from any other school that they were unable to attend unless some expensive mode of conveyance was provided; and arrangements were made for these to be taught by their parents at home, at an expense of fifty cents per week each, for the same number of weeks as at other schools in town. Five visits were made by the school board during the time. The parents evidently did the best they could under the circumstances, and some progress was made by the pupils at each of the terms. It is hoped that there may soon be a sufficient number of scholars to make it expedient to open a school at that place.

SCHOOL NO. 5.—NORTH BOSCAWEN.

The spring term of ten weeks, and the fall term of fifteen weeks, were taught by Miss Alice M. Little, of Salisbury. The teacher has an aptness for teaching, and was earnest and faithful in her efforts for the advancement of the school, and well merited the success which she attained. At the commencement of the fall term nine scholars came in from the farm near by, which were not all fit candidates for a school-room, and the teacher must have been called upon to draw hard from the wonderful store of patience which she seemed to possess. But, through the courtesy of Mr. Tasker, satisfactory arrangements were made, after which the school quietly settled down to work, and good improvement was made by all the pupils, and good results appeared at the close of the term.

Number of visitors;—spring term, 26; fall term, 24.

ROLL OF HONOR.

First Term.

Myrtie A. Rowe,
May L. Eastman,
Fred H. Rowe.
Clarence Eastman,

Second Term.

Enola M. Colby,
Myrtie A. Rowe,
Fred H. Rowe.

SCHOOL NO. 6.—SOUTH WATER STREET.

The spring term of ten weeks, and the fall and winter term of fifteen weeks, were taught by Miss Clarena L. Richardson, of Pembroke. Miss Richardson has had some experience in teaching, and has the faculty of gaining the respect and good-will of her scholars, and evidently was untiring in her efforts for the advancement of the school. Good improvement was made by all the scholars during the spring term.

The fall term was very successful until it became so broken up by sickness and absence of scholars as to require its suspension for a while (eleven being sick at one time), and was finally closed, with but few scholars present, through no fault of the teacher.

Number of visitors ;—1st term, 16 ; 2d term, 15.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Spring Term.

| | |
|------------------|--------------------|
| Albert S. Hardy, | Mattie L. Hardy, |
| Winifred Fisher, | Florence E. Hardy, |
| Levi P. Fisher, | Susie E. Pickard. |

A school is in session on the Plain, comprising nearly forty of the larger scholars in town. The school is in charge of, and the expenses paid by, the Trustees of the Boscawen Academy Fund. The principal is Mr. Herbert E. Sargent, of Plymouth, a student of Dartmouth college, who seems to be doing excellent work. This is an unusual school privilege for our children. Their eagerness to attend, and the efforts of parents to have them, show conclusively that the school meets a want, and is a decided success.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

| School. | Terms. | Names of Teachers. | No. of weeks. | No. of scholars. | Reading. | Spelling. | Writing. | Arithmetic. | Geography. | Grammar. | Composition. | History. | Physiology. | Book-keeping. | Drawing. | Natural History. | Algebra. | Civil Government. | Botany. |
|---------|------------|-----------------------------|---------------|------------------|----------|-----------|----------|-------------|------------|----------|--------------|----------|-------------|---------------|----------|------------------|----------|-------------------|---------|
| No. 1. | Summer... | Miss Isabel Seavey | 10 | 20 | 19 | 17 | 19 | 15 | 10 | 6 | ..... | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Fall | Miss Isabel Seavey | 15 | 22 | 21 | 19 | 21 | 17 | 11 | 7 | ..... | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| No. 2. | Summer... | Miss Minnie A. Weeks..... | 9 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Fall | Miss Minnie A. Weeks..... | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 8 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| No. 3. | Winter .. | Miss Minnie A. Weeks..... | 8 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 9 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Summer... | Miss Kate L. Blenus..... | 10 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 9 | 12 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 4 | ..... |
| No. 4. | Fall | Miss Etha L. Sargent..... | 15 | 21 | 21 | 20 | 7 | 19 | 11 | 9 | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 7 | ..... | 2 |
| | Summer... | Scholars taught at home.... | 10 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| No. 5. | Fall | Scholars taught at home.... | 15 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Summer... | Miss Alice M. Little | 10 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 11 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 13 | 1 | ..... |
| No. 6. | Fall | Miss Alice M. Little | 15 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 12 | 16 | 14 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Summer... | Miss Clara L. Richardson. | 10 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 8 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | Fall | Miss Clara L. Richardson. | 15 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 6 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

Number of scholars in town district not less than five years old.....97
 Number of boys.....39
 Number of girls.....58

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. ABBOTT,
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REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION—PENACOOK DISTRICT.

To the Citizens of Penacook School-District in Boscawen :

The Board of Education, in submitting its third annual report, take pleasure in attesting to the success and efficiency of our schools during the past year.

Since the formation of the board we have endeavored to so raise the standard of scholarship that those who may go forth from this district school to higher institutions of learning, or to seek employment in the various walks of life, may possess a more liberal education than has hitherto been possible, or that possessed by graduates of ordinary grammar schools.

The examination at the close of the spring term showed that our hopes had been more than realized. A class of four members graduating displayed scholarship of a high order, which could only have been accomplished by much industry on their part, seconded by earnest and faithful labor on the part of their instructors. We trust, however, that in the departure of the members of this class the standard of scholarship will not suffer, for undoubtedly there are many left, who, with proper application, can attain to as good results.

The system now generally adopted, of having the school year commence with the fall term, and the public examination at the close of the spring term, has been deemed by us worthy of imitation ; consequently the usual public examination at the close of the winter term has been dispensed with.

We regret that the attendance has been irregular—a part by reason of sickness, was unavoidable ; but in common with many other school-districts, there seems to be too much indifference, upon the part of parents or guardians, about a constant attendance, and they readily grant excuses upon frivolous pretences. Sickness should be the only valid reason for non-attendance. As the mastery of each lesson depends upon a thorough knowl-

edge of those preceding, not only does the absent scholar suffer, but his absence causes much annoyance and confusion to the teacher and other members of the class. We trust hereafter that this evil may be eradicated.

Another evil that should be corrected is indiscriminate fault-finding. Intelligent criticism is always desirable; but a criticism founded upon an erroneous conception of facts is most unjust and injurious. As personal observation is the most satisfactory and correct evidence of facts, we would invite parents and friends to make frequent visits so that they may ascertain the true condition of school affairs, and not accept too readily rumors that may be founded upon prejudice or misunderstanding.

With the close of the spring term Miss Alice M. Sargent completed two years of most faithful and conscientious service, and retires from the school deserving and receiving the gratitude and esteem of all its patrons.

The intermediate school during the spring term was taught by Miss Addie L. Flanders, who sustained her already well earned reputation as a successful teacher, and much endeared herself to her pupils.

In compliance with what appeared to us a general demand upon the part of the citizens of the district, that a male teacher should be placed at the head of the schools, we procured the services of Mr. Henry E. Chamberlain, of Berwick, Me., a recent graduate of Dartmouth college, who came highly recommended from his previous field of labor as a teacher. During the past two terms he has worked earnestly and faithfully, and his efforts have been attended with good results. In the early part of his service here he established the fact that he was master of the situation, and has maintained most excellent discipline. By his zeal for their advancement, and by his strict impartiality, he has gained the respect and confidence of his pupils.

Miss Grace Caldwell, an accomplished young lady, has rendered valuable services during the past year as an assistant. Being herself an apt and industrious student, she insists that the recitations of her pupils shall be thoroughly prepared, and that they possess a comprehensive knowledge of the subject pursued.

Miss Susie A. Hall has most acceptably presided over the primary department. We are well pleased with her ideas and methods of teaching. With good order, she both interests and instructs her young pupils. Good progress has been made. We think that she is the right teacher in the right place.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Grammar and Intermediate Schools.

| <i>First Term.</i> | <i>Second Term.</i> | <i>Third Term.</i> |
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| Barton Coleman, | Gracie M. Brown, | Will. T. Brooks, |
| Delmar R. Jones, | Charlie M. Boyce, | Maggie Keenan. |
| Mary Kenney, | Delmar R. Jones, | |
| Edward McShane, | George L. Kenney, | |
| Mary E. Maher, | Mamie Kenney, | |
| Olin A. Sargent, | Michael J. Spearman. | |
| Dan P. Webster. | | |

Primary School.

| <i>First Term.</i> | <i>Second Term.</i> |
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| Fred Maher. | Helen Jones. |

Respectfully submitted,

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