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**A  
LIST  
OF  
RHODE ISLAND LOTTERIES  
(18<sup>TH</sup> and 19<sup>TH</sup> Centuries)  
(Revised 10/02)**

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## TO THE READER

This list is a compilation of compilations. Sources used include Judge John Stiness' *A Century of Lotteries in Rhode Island 1744 – 1844*, Rhode Island Historical Tracts, Second Series No.3, Sidney S. Rider, Providence, 1896; John Ezell's *Fortune's Merry Wheel*, Harvard University Press, Cambridge, 1960; and Charlotte Lowney's unpublished master degree thesis, *The Heyday and Death of Lotteries in Rhode Island 1820 – 1842*, Brown University, Providence, 1965. Judge Stiness' work is a definitive history; unfortunately, it is all text without index and as such does not lend itself to ready reference. *Fortune's Merry Wheel* contains a comprehensive list of lotteries of the Colonial and Confederation periods but is sketchy for other time periods and Ms. Lowney's thesis focuses exclusively on the years from 1820 to the end of lotteries in Rhode Island. This list I believe is therefore the first time a complete compilation has been made. Undoubtedly there are errors; these must be attributed to the current compiler and not to those who came before. Other sources referenced in completing this list include Rhode Island *Acts and Resolves*, various years; John Russell Bartlett's *Records of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England*, ten volumes various years and dates; John Russell Bartlett's series of five newspaper articles *History of Lotteries and the Lottery System in Rhode Island*, published in the *Manufacturers and Farmers Journal*, Providence, 1856 and Hamilton Tompkins' *Newport County Lotteries*, Bulletin of the Newport Historical Society, Newport 1912.

In the process of compiling this list there were occasional discrepancies noted between past histories and compilations. These ranged from differences in the year or month of a grant from the General Assembly to the amount of the grant. In some cases lotteries were completely omitted. Where possible the entries of this compilation have been compared to the official records and the occasional discrepancy resolved.

All lotteries listed, with one notable exception, were granted by the Rhode Island General Assembly.<sup>1</sup> The exception occurred in 1779 when Maj. General Richard Prescott, commander of the British forces occupying Newport, granted the Loyalists inhabitants a lottery "to carry into execution such measures as may be necessary for the promotion of His Majesty's service." The list following shows for each lottery the year and the month the General Assembly made the grant. The amount shown in the middle column is the amount of the initial grant, although it was not uncommon for a grant to be amended in value or purpose by subsequent assemblies. The last column in the list is an abbreviated description of the purpose for each lottery. From a casual look at this column the reader will come to understand the significant role lotteries played in providing the revenue for public works such as the building and maintenance of roads, bridges and wharves. They were also used by towns as well as civic and religious societies to provide the necessary capital to build school and meeting houses, churches, Masonic halls, and armories. In fact lotteries were used for a variety of innovative purposes including payment of personal debts of the citizenry and in one case for the payment of a ransom. Towards the end of their existence in the 1830's lotteries were the primary source of revenue for the nascent public schools of the state. The list of lotteries is long, in fact Rhode Island granted more lotteries than any other state during the Colonial and Confederation periods, however it should be noted that for a variety of reasons not all lotteries granted culminated in actual drawings or in achieving their monetary purposes. In a period when taxation was limited and banks almost non-existent it fell to the lottery to be the state's primary source for raising funds.

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<sup>1</sup> Lotteries were outlawed by an act of the General Assembly in January 1732, conceivably lotteries must have existed before this date or there would have been no need for the act. Unfortunately lotteries before 1732 are unrecorded. In October 1744 lotteries were again allowed with the "leave of the General Assembly."

**RHODE ISLAND LOTTERIES**  
**18<sup>TH</sup> and 19<sup>TH</sup> Centuries**

| <u>YEAR</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>PURPOSE</u>  |
|-------------|---------------|---|
| 1744(Nov)   | £3,000        | Bridge across Weybosset River. Providence   |
| 1747(Feb)   | £10,000       | Pave streets leading to Colony House, Newport   |
| 1748(Jan)   | £3,000        | Debts of Joseph Fox of Newport  |
| 1749(Feb)   | £2,400        | Repair bridge, Pawtuxet Falls   |
| 1750(Jun)   | £10,364       | Debts of Col. Joseph Pendleton of Westerly  |
| 1750(Oct)   | -----         | Bridge over Pawtucket River, Cumberland   |
| 1752(Oct)   | £10,000       | Reimburse directors of Pawtucket River Bridge lottery for amount expended over previous lottery                     |
| 1753(Jun)   | £30,000       | Complete Kent County Courthouse, build two bridges, and a fence and jail in Kent County and Hunt's bridge, Scituate |
| 1756(Aug)   | £10,000       | Repair and arm Fort George, Goat Island   |
| 1758(Aug)   | £30,000       | Debts of Handley Chipman  |
| 1759(Jun)   | \$2,000       | Rebuild colony house and library, Providence  |
| 1759(Jun)   | \$2,400       | Mason's Hall, Newport   |
| 1760(Feb)   | \$1,200       | Re-establish library, Providence  |
| 1760(Feb)   | \$1,000       | Land for Providence Courthouse  |
| 1760(Feb)   | £24,000       | Construct public granary and market house, Newport  |
| 1761(Feb)   | £6,000        | Pave lower end of Thames Street, Newport  |
| 1761(Feb)   | £6,000        | Pave streets from bridge down town, and westward, Providence  |
| 1761(Feb)   | £6,000        | Construction of artificial harbor, Charleston   |
| 1761(Oct)   | -----         | Meetinghouse, Baptist Society of the Ancient Order, Johnston  |
| 1761(Oct)   | £1,500        | Build passage around Pawtucket Falls  |

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| 1762(Mar) | \$1,000       | Repair Anglican Church, Providence  |
| 1762(Mar) | -----         | Construct poorhouse, Kent County  |
| 1762(Mar) | £4,500        | Ransom for Samuel Dunn's mate held hostage by the French  |
| 1762(Mar) | £2,200        | Repairs on highway, Providence  |
| 1762(Mar) | £6,000        | Pave streets in north end, Providence   |
| 1762(Mar) | \$4,500       | Compensation for loss of merchandise by fire to W. & H. Wall                                    |
| 1762(Mar) | £2,000        | Rebuild a bridge over Woonsocket Falls  |
| 1762(Mar) | £4,000        | Repair road from Providence into Connecticut  |
| 1762(Mar) | -----         | Open passage from great pond to sea New Shoreham  |
| 1762(May) | Sell property | Relieve Nathaniel Helme, jailor, left with prisoners' unpaid board bills                        |
| 1762(Jun) | Sell property | Pay debts of Captain Edward Wells, Jr. Hopkinton  |
| 1763(Feb) | £6,000        | Wharf at Church's harbor, Little Compton  |
| 1763(Feb) | £560          | Build parsonage Presbyterian Society, Providence  |
| 1763(Feb) | £90           | Build a draw at Weybosett bridge, Providence  |
| 1763(Feb) | £100          | Open new street west from the Great Bridge, Providence  |
| 1763(Feb) | £400          | Bridge at Furnace Unity, Cumberland County  |
| 1763(Aug) | £600          | Nachecot bridge over Pawtucket River  |
| 1763(Oct) | £8,000        | Repave Thames Street, Newport   |
| 1764(Feb) | £300          | Repair and extend a wharf, John Franklin  |
| 1764(Feb) | £130          | Build a workhouse, West Greenwich   |
| 1764(Jun) | £106          | Repair bridge at Fulling Mills, Warwick   |
| 1764(Sep) | £2,000        | Reimburse directors of Pawtucket River bridge lottery for amount expended over previous lottery |

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| 1767(Jun)  | \$2,500   | New steeple, church of Trinity Parish, Newport                           |
| 1767(Jun)  | £150      | Finish Baptist parsonage, Warren   |
| 1767(Oct)  | £225      | Pave Mill Street, Newport  |
| 1768(Feb)  | \$500     | Pave King's Street, Newport  |
| 1768 (Jun) | unlimited | Repair Great North Road leading from Providence through Plainfield, Ct   |
| 1769(Feb)  | ----      | Repair Nachecot bridge on Pawtuxet River, Warwick                        |
| 1769(Feb)  | £1,350    | Succor for the company building Long Wharf, Newport                      |
| 1769(Sep)  | £120      | Workhouse, North Kingston  |
| 1770(Oct)  | \$400     | Repair Whipple's Bridge between Smithfield and Cumberland                |
| 1770(Oct)  | \$300     | To aid a "Sect called Baptist", Cranston                                 |
| 1771(Feb)  | ----      | Reimburse directors of previous lottery and finish market house, Newport |
| 1771(May)  | \$400     | Rebuild Greene's Bridge, Warwick   |
| 1771(Aug)  | ----      | Pave Court House street and build a public market, Providence            |
| 1771(Oct)  | ----      | Complete Whipple's Bridge, Cumberland                                    |
| 1771(Oct)  | £60       | Repair North Providence Road   |
| 1771(Oct)  | \$600     | Episcopal steeple and clock, Providence                                  |
| 1771(Oct)  | \$150     | Bridge over Hunt's River   |
| 1772(May)  | \$350     | Repair the South Killingly road in Gloucester                            |
| 1772(Aug)  | ----      | Pave King Street, Newport  |
| 1772(Aug)  | £40       | Repair bridge at Furnace Unity   |
| 1772(Aug)  | £165      | Repair Congregational meetinghouse and roads, Barrington                 |
| 1772(Aug)  | \$2,500   | Rebuild forge destroyed by fire, Coventry                                |
| 1772(Aug)  | \$500     | Baptist meetinghouse, East Greenwich                                     |
| 1772(Aug)  | \$500     | Rebuild town wharf, Warwick Harbor                                       |

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| 1772(Aug)  | -----         | Pave Pelham Street, Newport  |
| 1772(Oct)  | \$1,500       | Build Congregational church, East Greenwich                              |
| 1772(Oct)  | \$400         | Bridge and road, Gloucester  |
| 1772(Oct)  | \$500         | Finish meetinghouse, Johnston  |
| 1772(Oct)  | \$1,000       | Finish steeple and buy clock, King's Church, Providence                  |
| 1772(Dec)  | \$500         | Repair Wonscut road (Uxbridge to Providence)                             |
| 1772(Dec)  | -----         | Build hospital, Coaster's Harbor   |
| 1773(May)  | £700          | Presbyterian tower and clock, Providence                                 |
| 1773(Aug)  | Sell property | Benjamin Wickham, Newport  |
| 1773(Oct)  | \$500         | Build meeting house Baptist Church, Coventry                             |
| 1774(May)  | \$500         | Aid Abial Brown and family, South Kingston                               |
| 1774(May)  | \$600         | Lot and schoolhouse, East Greenwich                                      |
| 1774(May)  | \$500         | Rebuild ironworks, Griffin Greene, Coventry                              |
| 1774(Jun)  | \$600         | Rebuild ironworks, Benjamin Greene, Coventry                             |
| 1774(Jun)  | \$300         | Parsonage, Pawtuxet  |
| 1774(Jun)  | £2,000        | Build meeting house Baptist church, Providence                           |
| 1774(Jun)  | \$1,200       | Aid Gideon Almy, Tiverton  |
| 1774(Dec)  | \$600         | Aid Nathaniel Stoddard, Little Compton                                   |
| 1774((Dec) | \$50          | Repair gristmill dam, William Holden, Warwick                            |
| 1774(Dec)  | \$200         | Buy tools for gunsmith, Jeremiah Hopkins, Coventry                       |
| 1778(Oct)  | £300          | Repair Pawtucket bridge  |
| 1779(Mar)  | £2,100        | Loyalist fund, British occupied Newport, authorized by Maj. Gen Prescott |



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| 1779(Dec) | £800          | Rebuild Pawtucket bridge  |
| 1780(Feb) | \$40,000      | Build school house, East Greenwich                                      |
| 1780(May) | \$30,000      | Pave Union Street, Providence   |
| 1782(Jun) | Sell 3 lots   | Allow George H. Peckham of Charlestown to pay debts                     |
| 1783(Jun) | £180          | Repair Whipple's bridge over Pawtucket River                            |
| 1783(Jun) | \$2,500       | New Baptist Church, Newport   |
| 1783(Jun) | \$2,000       | Town of Newport to purchase lots on south side of Parade for public use |
| 1784(Feb) | £1,000        | Bridge and market house, Providence                                     |
| 1784(Feb) | \$1,500       | Repair meeting house Congregational Church, Tiverton                    |
| 1784(Feb) | \$1,000       | Build Episcopal Church, Bristol   |
| 1784(May) | \$1,200       | Repair parsonage, First Congregational Church, Newport                  |
| 1785(Feb) | \$800         | Repair Episcopal Church, Providence                                     |
| 1785(Feb) | \$1,250       | Rebuild church and parsonage, Second Congregational Church, Newport     |
| 1785(Aug) | \$1,000       | Navigation of Pawtucket River   |
| 1785(Aug) | Sell property | Sell land and livestock of William West                                 |
| 1785(Aug) | £180          | Congregational Church, West Coventry                                    |
| 1786(Feb) | £500          | Build meeting house Baptist Church, Gloucester                          |
| 1786(Feb) | \$400         | Repair Furnace Unity bridge, Pawtucket                                  |
| 1787(Mar) | £600          | Build parsonage house, United Congregational Society, Little Compton    |
| 1787(Jun) | £200          | Repair of bridge over Pawtucket River at Furnace Unity                  |
| 1787(Oct) | £900          | Build bridge at Woonsocket Falls  |
| 1788(Dec) | £2,100        | George Peckham of South Kingston, to build a shop for nail making       |
| 1789(May) | £400          | Build Baptist meetinghouse, Hopkinton                                   |

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| 1790(Oct) | £3,000        | Build bridge over Weybosset River, Providence   |
| 1790(Oct) | \$1,200       | Discharge debt of Second Congregational Church, Newport                               |
| 1791(Feb) | £150          | Complete meetinghouse, North Providence   |
| 1791(Feb) | \$1,500       | Repair Trinity Church, yard and road, Newport   |
| 1791(Feb) | £900          | Pave streets from Amasa Gray's house Providence towards Pawtucket                     |
| 1791(Feb) | \$500         | Repair South Road from Providence, through Cranston to Voluntown, Ct                  |
| 1791(Feb) | \$500         | Repair North Road from Providence, through Scituate and Forster to Norwich, Ct        |
| 1791(Feb) | ----          | Build a wharf at Point Judith, John Robinson of South Kingstown                       |
| 1791(Jun) | Sell property | Settle estate of Nicholas Easton, Newport   |
| 1792(Feb) | \$625         | Repair and finish St. Paul's Church, North Kingstown                                  |
| 1792(Feb) | \$1,250       | Repair Country Road leading from Providence through Gloucester to Woodstock, Ct       |
| 1792(Jun) | \$250         | Erect works for manufacturing of nails, Pardon Allen, Exeter                          |
| 1794(Oct) | ----          | Finish meetinghouse, Warren   |
| 1795(Jan) | \$25,000      | Rebuild Long Wharf, Newport and build hotel for benefit of public schools             |
| 1795(Jan) | \$4,000       | Complete and furnish hotel/Coffee House exchange, Providence                          |
| 1795(Jan) | £800          | Erect meetinghouse, Catholic Baptist Society, Cumberland                              |
| 1795(Jan) | £400          | Reimburse managers of 1791 lottery for cost of paving street, Providence              |
| 1795(Jan) | \$5,000       | Finish meetinghouse, Congregational Society on the east side of the river, Providence |
| 1795(Jan) | \$600         | Build meetinghouse, Congregational United Society, Little Compton                     |

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| 1795(Jun) | \$5,000  | Purchase lot and build parsonage,<br>St. John's Church, Providence            |
| 1795(Jun) | \$4,000  | Complete meetinghouse, Rev. Joseph<br>Snow, Providence                        |
| 1795(Jun) | £300     | Mend highway from Westport, Ma to<br>Howland's Ferry, Tiverton                |
| 1795(Jun) | \$4,000  | Build bridge over Martin's Wading Place,<br>between Smithfield and Cumberland |
| 1795(Jun) | \$4,000  | Repair road from Providence to Killingly, Ct                                  |
| 1795(Jun) | \$2,000  | Build meetinghouse, Baptist Society, Foster                                   |
| 1795(Jun) | \$2,500  | Pave street from court house to jail, East<br>Greenwich                       |
| 1796(Feb) | \$2,300  | Beneficent Congregational Society,<br>Providence                              |
| 1796(Feb) | \$25,000 | Use of the college, Rhode Island College                                      |
| 1796(Feb) | \$4,00   | Rebuild Whipple's Bridge over Pawtucket<br>River                              |
| 1796(Oct) | \$2,000  | Finish meetinghouse, Catholic Baptist<br>Society, Pawtucket                   |
| 1798(Jan) | \$3,000  | Complete house of worship, United<br>Congregational Society, Barrington       |
| 1800(Jun) | \$4,000  | Build glebe house, Episcopal Church,<br>Bristol                               |
| 1800(Jun) | \$2,000  | Debts and repairs, First Congregational<br>Society, Newport                   |
| 1801(Feb) | \$2,500  | Build academy, South Kingstown  |
| 1802(Feb) | \$3,000  | Perpetual fund, Catholic Baptist Society,<br>Pawtucket                        |
| 1803(Feb) | \$2,500  | Masonic building, St. John's Lodge,<br>Newport                                |
| 1803(May) | \$5,000  | Washington Academy, North Kingstown   |
| 1803(Oct) | \$4,000  | Repair road from Smithfield to Worcester<br>county by Wallum Pond             |
| 1803(Oct) | \$10,000 | Repair road, Providence and Norwich<br>Turnpike Society                       |

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| 1804(Feb) | \$1,000  | Road from Douglas to Providence  |
| 1804(Feb) | \$600    | Rebuild Union bridge, Coventry   |
| 1804(Feb) | \$1,200  | School and meeting house, near Cory's Pond, East Greenwich                             |
| 1804(Feb) | \$2,000  | Town house, Charlestown  |
| 1804(Feb) | \$8,000  | Deepening channel in Apponaug River and improve road leading westward from the village |
| 1804(Oct) | \$4,000  | Repair the Cumberland road to Worcester  |
| 1804(Oct) | \$2,500  | Build town house, Noose Neck hill, West Greenwich                                      |
| 1804(Oct) | \$2,000  | Repair road from Warren to Bristol Ferry   |
| 1805(Feb) | \$1,200  | Finish meeting house and school, Hopkinton   |
| 1805(May) | ----     | Additional classes allowed, Frenchtown Catholic seminary                               |
| 1805(Jun) | \$1,000  | Repair and finish meeting house, Union Baptist Society, Johnston                       |
| 1805(Jun) | \$600    | Repair road from Miller's Landing across Price's Hill to Sterling, Ct.                 |
| 1805(Jun) | \$1,000  | Build bridge from Salt Water creek to Elamsville, Wickford                             |
| 1805(Jun) | \$600    | Build school house, Four Corners, South Kingstown                                      |
| 1806(Feb) | \$1,800  | Repair public road, East Greenwich   |
| 1806(Jun) | \$8,000  | Repair road from Providence to Worcester   |
| 1806(Jun) | \$2,500  | Buy lot and build meeting house, Baptist Society, Cranston                             |
| 1806(Oct) | \$3,000  | Repair building and acquire books, Redwood Library, Newport                            |
| 1807(May) | \$8,000  | Methodist Congregation, Newport  |
| 1807(May) | \$4,000  | Build meeting house, Smithfield  |
| 1808(Feb) | \$700    | Complete repairs, Pawtucket Bridge   |
| 1808(May) | \$10,000 | Defray expenses in searching for coal, Perkins Nichols                                 |

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| 1808(Oct) | \$2,000  | House of worship, Warwick and Coventry Baptist Society                                  |
| 1808(Oct) | \$875    | Erect academy on the Smithfield Turnpike, North Providence                              |
| 1808(Oct) | \$2,000  | Smithfield Academic Society   |
| 1809(Oct) | \$10,000 | For the relief of Benjamin Case of Newport, for expenses incurred in searching for coal |
| 1810(Feb) | \$1,500  | Building, Smithfield Academy  |
| 1811(Jun) | \$10,000 | Build stone pier, Block Island  |
| 1811(Oct) | \$20,000 | Build steward house and general use, Brown University                                   |
| 1811(Oct) | \$2,500  | Enlarge and repair meeting house, Catholic Baptist Society, Pawtucket                   |
| 1812(Feb) | \$2,200  | Building academy, Smithfield  |
| 1812(Feb) | \$30,000 | Aquidneck Coal Company  |
| 1812(Jun) | \$12,000 | Explore for coal in Cumberland  |
| 1812(Oct) | \$40,000 | Rhode Island Coal Company, (grant reduced in 1813 to \$30,000)                          |
| 1813(Feb) | \$2,000  | Second Baptist Society, Providence  |
| 1814(Jun) | \$10,000 | Use of St. John's Church, Providence  |
| 1814(Oct) | \$8,000  | Pay debt, First Baptist Church, Bristol   |
| 1815(May) | \$4,000  | Completion of Water Street, Providence  |
| 1815(Oct) | \$25,000 | Rebuilding bridge, Rhode Island Bridge Co.  |
| 1817(Jun) | \$6,000  | Scituate and Foster Academy   |
| 1820(Oct) | \$12,000 | Rhode Island Society for the Encouragement of Domestic Industry                         |
| 1821(Jun) | \$5,000  | Meetinghouse, Pacific Congregational Society Providence                                 |
| 1822(Jun) | \$2,000  | Meetinghouse, Free Will Baptist Church, Smithfield                                      |
| 1822(Oct) | \$3,000  | Meetinghouse, West Baptist Society, Providence  |

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| 1822(Oct) | \$8,000  | Rhode Island Society for the Encouragement of Domestic Industry   |
| 1823(Jan) | \$7,000  | Meetinghouse and school, Old Warwick                              |
| 1823(Jan) | \$2,000  | Repair of Buck Hill Road, Burrillville                            |
| 1823(May) | \$2,000  | Meetinghouse, Rhode Island Union Society, Portsmouth              |
| 1823(Jun) | \$8,000  | Straightening of road from Providence to Worcester                |
| 1824(Jan) | \$500    | Repair of meetinghouse and yard, Second Baptist Society, Coventry |
| 1824(Oct) | \$1,000  | Road to Charity Bridge and repair of bridge, Portsmouth           |
| 1825(Jan) | \$1,000  | Bridge over Johnson's Pond, Coventry                              |
| 1825(Jan) | \$2,000  | Fourth Baptist Society, Providence                                |
| 1825(May) | \$1,000  | Complete meetinghouse, Six Principle Baptist, Scituate            |
| 1825(Jun) | \$5,000  | Bridge over Blackstone River near Central Falls, Smithfield       |
| 1825(Jun) | \$2,500  | Build meetinghouse, Scituate                                      |
| 1825(Jun) | \$2,000  | Erect wharf in Church's Cove, Little Compton                      |
| 1825(Jun) | \$6,000  | Redwood Library, Newport  |
| 1825(Jun) | \$10,000 | Support public schools, Newport                                   |
| 1825(Oct) | \$4,000  | Completion of building, Union Meetinghouse, Pawcatuck (Westerly)  |
| 1825(Oct) | \$10,000 | Scientific purposes, Franklin Society, Providence                 |
| 1825(Oct) | \$4,000  | Masonic hall, Washington Lodge No. 5, Wickford                    |
| 1829(Oct) | \$2,000  | Map of Rhode Island, John Stevens                                 |
| 1830(Jan) | \$600    | Second Baptist Society, Coventry                                  |
| 1830(Jan) | \$3,000  | Scientific purposes, Franklin Society, Providence                 |
| 1830(Jan) | \$5,000  | Rhode Island Historical Society                                   |

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| 1830(May) | \$4,000                 | Debts of society, First Universalist Society, North Providence                    |
| 1830(May) | \$4,000                 | Construction of channel from Charlestown Pond to the ocean                        |
| 1830(May) | \$3,000                 | Providence Bar Society  |
| 1830(May) | \$800                   | Armory, Newport Artillery Company   |
| 1831(May) | \$3,000                 | Meetinghouse, First Universalist Society, Woonsocket Falls                        |
| 1831(May) | \$10,000                | Public schools, William Dinneford   |
| 1831(Jun) | \$10,000                | Public schools, Yates & McIntyre  |
| 1831(Jun) | \$10,000                | Public schools, John L. Clark   |
| 1832(Jan) | \$10,000                | Public schools, Paine and Burgess   |
| 1832(Jun) | \$10,000                | Public schools, Yates & McIntyre  |
| 1833(Jun) | \$10,000                | Public schools, Paine and Burgess   |
| 1833(Jun) | \$10,000                | Public schools, Yates & McIntyre  |
| 1833(Jun) | \$10,000                | Encouragement of military exercises and public schools, Newport Artillery Company |
| 1834(Jun) | \$10,000                | Public schools, Yates & McIntyre  |
| 1835(Jan) | \$10,000/year – 4 years | Public schools, Philip Case   |
| 1837(Jan) | \$4,000                 | Rhode Island Historical Society   |
| 1839(Jan) | \$9,000/year – 5 years  | Public schools, Philip Case   |