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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING

THE

COUNTY PAUPERS

FOR THE

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 6, 1857.

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THE expense of the County of Hillsborough for the support of County Paupers, Commissioners' services at Poor Farm, printing and distributing Reports for the year from Dec. 1856 to Dec. 1857, is \$10,705 38.

Which has been expended as follows :

Expenses of the County Poor Farm over and above the income,	\$4546 33
Orders drawn on the Treasury to pay towns for the support of County Paupers,	5544 73
Orders drawn on the Treasury to pay special contracts,	359 00
Orders drawn to pay other bills,	255 32
	\$10,705 38

The whole expenses at the County Poor Farm from December 5, 1856, to December 5, 1857, are as follows :—

Cash on hand December 5, 1856,	\$233 77
Cash drawn from the County Treasury from December 5, 1856, to December 5, 1857,	6512 00
Cash received by the Superintendent for sales of Stock, Produce, &c., from December 5, 1856, to December 5, 1857,	813 62
	\$7,559 39

Which was paid as follows :

Paid Superintendent and others—labor for the year,	\$654 11
Town tax for 1857,	74 37
Dr. Little for medical and surgical services for the year,	126 50
Paid for Stock and Beef,	1113 55
Paid for one Horse Wagon, Night Wagon, Sleigh and Ox Cart,	239 00
Paid for repairs on buildings and building Bakery,	328 52
Paid for repairs on Bridge,	150 65

Amount paid for bills due previous to December 5, 1856,	725 19	
Paid for Provisions, Clothing, Farming Tools, &c.,	3848 55	
Cash on hand December 5, 1857,	298 95	
		<u>\$7,559 39</u>

Deduct:

The amount paid for bills due previous to December 5, 1856,	725 19	
Cash on hand December 5, 1857,	298 95	
Excess of Personal Property compared with appraisal for 1856,	2370 07	
Amount expended for repairs and building Bakery,	328 52	
Repairs on Bridge,	150 65	
		<u>\$3,873 38</u>
		<u>\$3,686 01</u>

Add:

Bills now due for labor,	\$549 99	
Other unpaid bills,	310 33	
		<u>\$860 32</u>
Total Pauper expenses at County Farm,		<u>\$4,546 33</u>

Orders drawn to pay other bills:

New Hampshire Asylum,	\$96 00	
James F. Crocker of Mont Vernon, for keeping Betsy Lamson,	3 00	
John M. Parker for cash paid for support of Paupers and getting them to their friends,	46 97	
Dr. Little's bill for attending Paupers not on the Farm,	10 00	
Albin Beard for printing and distributing reports for 1856,	54 75	
Commissioners' bills for making reports and services at the Farm,	44 50	
		<u>\$255 32</u>

Whole number of Paupers that have been at the Farm from December 6, 1856 to December 6, 1857, are

Irish and Irish children,	163	
Americans,	82	
English, &c.,	36	
		<u>281</u>

Number of week's board of Paupers,		5434
Average number of Help,	6	
Number of week's board of help,		312
		<hr/> 5746
Average number of Paupers during the year,	104 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Number at the Farm December 5, 1857,	101	
Expenses per week for board for the year ending December 5, 1857, is		\$0 791

Orders drawn to pay Towns for support of County Paupers from November 1856 to November 1857.

Orders to Amherst,	\$62 74
" " Antrim,	102 17
" " Bedford,	13 00
" " Bennington,	57 70
" " Deering,	139 34
" " Francestown,	152 18
" " Goffstown,	121 99
" " Greenfield,	21 88
" " Hancock,	39 44
" " Hillsborough,	23 00
" " Hollis,	41 55
" " Manchester,	2236 69
" " Mason,	140 92
" " Merrimack,	50 17
" " Milford,	274 80
" " Nashua,	1204 28
" " New Ipswich,	305 51
" " New Boston,	88 81
" " Pelham,	177 92
" " Peterborough,	56 45
" " Weare,	182 19
" " Wilton,	52 00
	<hr/> \$5,544 73

Orders drawn for the support of County Paupers on contract and agreement.

Order drawn to Robert Kennedy of Goffstown, for support of Sarah J. Marston,	\$26 00
Order drawn to Robert Goodale of Deering, for support of Abigail Greenleaf to November, 1856,	26 00
Order drawn to Mrs. Robert Goodale for support of Abigail Greenleaf from Nov., 1856, to April, 1857,	13 00
Order drawn to George W. Wilkins of New Boston, for support of Sarah and Olive Wilkins,	78 00

Order drawn to Jonathan Hartshorn of Amherst, for support of Hannah Blanchard,	26 00
Order drawn to Wm. M. Harvell of Manchester, for support of Hannah Hays,	52 00
Order drawn to Nathaniel Bruce of Mont Vernon, for support of Mrs. John Jewett,	13 00
Order drawn to Ephraim Ellenwood of Mont Vernon, for support of Hannah Douglas,	13 00
Order drawn to Adam Chandler of Bedford, for articles furnished Thomas Taffey,	32 50
Order drawn to Mrs. Albert Blake, for supporting Hannah Shorten,	27 50
Order drawn to Moses Chase of Deering, for support of Moody Chase,	26 00
Order drawn to Wm. Roach of Bennington, for support of Mrs. Roach,	26 00
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	\$359 00

Appraisal of Property at County Farm December 7, 1857, taken by County Commissioners of the County of Hillsborough.

Live Stock.

6 Oxen,	\$470 00
12 Cows,	420 00
1 Horse,	100 00
12 Old Hogs,	} 543 00
35 Shoats,	
13 Pigs,	
100 Fowls,	25 00
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	\$1,558 33

Hay and Fodder.

43½ Tons English Hay,	\$609 00
22 Tons Stock Hay,	220 00
4 Tons Oat Straw,	24 00
10 Tons Corn Fodder,	50 00
5 Tons Corn Stalks,	25 00
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	\$928 00

Grain and Produce.

410 Bushels Corn,	\$410 00
50 Bushels Beans,	100 00
10 Bushels Oats,	5 00
2000 Heads of Cabbages,	100 00
685 Bushels Potatoes,	479 50
12 Bushels Beets,	4 00
245 Bushels Turnips,	40 83
4 Bushels Parsnips,	1 33
7 Bushels Carrots,	1 17

4 Bushels Pop Corn,	4 00
3 Bushels Onions,	2 70
1 Barrel Apples,	2 00
Lot of Squashes,	8 00
185 lbs. Butter,	40 70
8 lbs. Tallow,	80
10 lbs. Candles,	1 40
8 dozen Eggs,	1 33
$\frac{1}{2}$ bbl. Pickles and Salted Cucumbers,	3 50
$2\frac{1}{2}$ bbls. Soap,	10 00
	<hr/> \$1,216 26

Provisions,	34 74
Household Furniture,	749 89
Crockery, Glass and Earthen Ware,	68 14
Tin and Iron Ware,	78 62
Farming Tools, Wood and Lumber,	871 75
Clothing, Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes (not in use.)	111 69
800 Loads of Compost Manure, made from night soil,	600 00
	<hr/> \$2,514 83

Recapitulation :

Live Stock,	\$1558 33
Hay and Fodder,	928 00
Grain and Produce,	1216 26
Provisions,	34 74
Household Furniture,	749 89
Crockery, Glass and Earthen Ware,	68 14
Tin and Iron Ware,	78 62
Farming Tools, Wood and Lumber,	871 75
Clothing, Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes,	111 69
Compost Manure,	600 00
Total Amount of Personal Property,	<hr/> \$6,217 42
Cost of Farm,	\$13,123 68
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Total Real and Personal Estate,	\$19,341 10

DURING the past season improvements have been made on the Farm which we think worthy of notice in this report.

It is well known to many of the tax payers of this county, that west of the buildings on the county farm, was a piece of land covered with water for a large part of the season, making it unproductive for any kind of crop. To remedy this there has been a ditch dug eighty rods in length, fifty-eight rods from six

to ten feet deep, laid with stone on each side, with stone covering, then filled with dirt.

This ditch drains from three to four acres of the best land the farm contains, and being situated but a few rods from the buildings, it adds much to the value of the land. It has produced the present season two hundred and sixty bushels of potatoes and two thousand head of cabbages, although it was not all put under cultivation. A blind ditch forty rods in length and four feet deep has also been dug on the hill south of the buildings for the purpose of draining land which is too wet to cultivate in the Spring in season for raising crops.

Several years since a Hydraulic Ram was set to work to supply water for the buildings, but for some cause it did not do its work as expected. The pipe has all been taken up and re-laid three and a half feet deep, a large cistern built of brick, laid and plastered on the inside with cement, at the spring, giving twenty feet head and fall to operate the Hydraulic Ram, which at the present time, does its work full better than was anticipated, giving a plentiful supply of excellent water.

The spring is forty-five rods from the building. The water is raised one hundred feet into a large cistern in the main building, built of the same material as that at the spring. A Bakery has been built this season, which requires much less labor and fuel to do the baking than the old method with stoves and small ovens.

While repairing the bridge, fifty dollars worth of labor was done by the help on the farm, which is not included in the bill for its repairs. The above with other improvements, have been accomplished the past year, without any extra expense for labor on the farm, except the brick and carpenter work.

Much credit is due Mr. Frye, the Superintendent, for the interest manifested by him to improve the farm, and also, to Mrs. Frye for her untiring efforts to make the inmates of the household comfortable and happy.

We would again as in our last report, invite those interested to call and examine for themselves.

EDWARD EMERSON,	}	County Commissioners
WM. B. KIMBALL,		for
JOHN M. PARKER,		Hillsborough County.

December, 10th, 1857.

