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COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

THE Commissioners for the County of Carroll herewith submit their Annual Report for the year ending April 15, 1878:

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY AT THE COUNTY FARM APRIL 15, 1878.

Live Stock, as per schedule,	\$1611 00
Farming Tools, " "	1187 50
Farm produce, " "	468 50
Furniture and bedding,	2726 75
Dry goods, as per schedule,	141 83
Groceries, " "	299 67
Crockery and hardware,	853 56
Wood and coal,	959 00
Miscellaneous,	857 40
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	\$9096 31

COUNTY FARM RECEIPTS.

Cash from County Treasurer,	\$4720 50
Stock sold from County Farm,	255 50
Lord note and Interest,	322 00
Insurance Policies, canceled,	135 51
Boarding Town Paupers,	225 00
Sundries,	100 35
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	\$5758 86

COUNTY FARM EXPENDITURES.

LABOR.

C. P. Philbrick and wife,	\$600 00
John F. Brown,	200 00
Alice B. Brown,	16 67
Martin Brennan,	60 00
Frank Whitehouse,	45 50
Jacob C. Pitman,	8 25
George Merrill,	70 00
Annie E. Whitehouse,	162 50
Emily Harris,	130 00
Ella F. Abbott,	62 00
Bella Emerson	30 00
Mary H. Peavy,	66 50
Lavinia F. Leavitt,	63 00
Susan L. Copp,	16 75
W. T. Pray,	19 25
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	\$1550 42

GROCERIES.

Henry Callender & Co.,	\$546 19
E. F. Brown,	48 09
J. A. Brown,	190 84
C. W. Fall,	374 29
Wright & Co.,	129 68
J. Q. Roles,	28 85
L. A. Hobbs.	5 00
George A. Yeaton,	37 86
Reed, Hawkins & Reed,	70 60
D. Hardy,	13 89
J. H. Preston,	3 00
S. L. Dame,	3 10
H. Willand,	109 20
M. T. Wiggin,	15 05
A. F. Tebbetts,	6 75
G. P. Wiggin,	11 20
A. J. Drew,	5 00
Hannah Johnson,	9 00
D. T. Tebbetts,	9 25
J. C. Thompson,	22 87
John E. Beacham,	8 29
John Ney,	17 98

Oliver Graves,	27 37
Eli Fall,	23 37
Sarah Prey,	5 93
Levi W. Brown,	9 78
W. S. Standley,	396 07
Jacob C. Pitman,	10 00
Jacob P. Brown,	7 80
John H. Beacham,	36 68
Joseph A. Johnson,	3 80
George B. Sias,	7 44
A. Nute,	3 40
D. C. Gale,	5 83
C. F. Wiggin,	2 20
G. P. Wiggin,	30 36
Parshley & Walker,	46 20
T. L. Churchill,	6 68
L. T. Berry,	4 71
Wentworth & Gamage,	2 69
R. C. Hayes,	5 58
Charles E. Ham,	17 65
A. A. Nichols,	101 50
H. A. Hanson,	144 00
John Pew & Son,	19 80
W. S. Draper & Co.,	8 12
William Foss,	4 00
Thomas Foye,	9 71
James Nute, Jr.,	57 56
John C. Dorr,	6 75
J. H. Bickford,	10 50
Jacob Manson,	10 98
John H. Plumer,	4 80
W. T. Pray,	25 66
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	\$2752 91

HARDWARE.

G. W. Hubbard,	\$5 80
A. W. Hayes,	27 20
S. A. Seavey, (Iron bedsteads,)	105 00
A. P. Wendell,	2 76
Welch & Griffith, (saw)	4 00
J. D. Foster,	14 68
L. E. Williams,	5 28

John W. White, blacksmith work,	21 62
W. R. Dame, " "	12 35
L. S. Libby, " "	4 00
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	\$202 69

MISCELLANEOUS.

A. Stillings,	\$72 68
J. H. Bickford,	5 05
D. L. Jenness,	4 50
Asa Beacham,	14 53
N. Whitehouse,	6 50
George Moore, (medicine)	40 90
H. F. Stevens, (head-stones)	31 25
H. R. Stoddard, (shots)	40 00
B. C. Carter, (insurance)	85 61
James H. Neal, (oxen)	155 00
Meserve & Gillis, (clothing)	28 25
Rev. A. Stillings,	6 00
John H. Beacham, (sewing machine)	30 00
W. T. Pray, (pasturing)	36 25
" " (51 1-3 cords wood)	89 83
H. F. Cottle, (yarn)	11 00
L. G. Moulton, (coffins, etc.)	67 50
" " (insurance)	287 22
Alfred Carter, (dry goods)	129 68
Sundries,	74 36
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	\$1216 11

STATEMENT SHOWING COST OF MAINTENANCE
OF THE POOR AT THE COUNTY FARM.

To Inventory of Personal property, April 15, '78,	\$9937 60
paid for groceries,	2752 91
" hardware,	202 69
" miscellaneous bills,	1216 11
Interest on investment,	1500 00
Labor on farm,	950 42
Insurance,	372 73
Tax,	114 80
Superintendent's salary,	600 00
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	\$17,647 26

By Inventory of personal property, April 15, '78,	\$9096 31
Stock sold from farm,	355 90
Boarding and clothing prisoners,	728 25
Boarding town-paupers,	225 00
Lord note and Interest,	322 00
Insurance Policies canceled,	135 51
Improvement on farm,	321 40
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	\$11,184 37

Total amount of expense at farm,	\$6459 89
“ “ paid for external poor,	7303 14
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“ expense for support of poor,	\$13,763 03

Number of paupers, April 15, 1877,	75
Admitted during the year,	26
Discharged,	26
Died,	8

Number of paupers at the farm, April 15, 1878,	67
Average number at farm during the year,	73
Number of weeks support,	3796
Cost of each inmate per week,	\$1 70

NAMES AND AGES OF PAUPERS AT COUNTY
FARM, APRIL 15, 1878.

NAMES.	AGE.	TOWN.
Wellman Forest,	75	Albany.
Samuel A. Blackey,	80	“
Adelaide Walker,	26	“
Nancy Woodus,	50	Bartlett.
Mary Norton,	71	Brookfield.
Samuel Sargent,	66	Conway.
Olive Anderson,	61	“
Hannah Meader,	81	“
Timothy Eastman,	62	“
Jane Gupstill,	88	“
John Ordway,	60	“
Mary J. Johnson,	41	“
Alphonso Johnson,	1	“
Willie Johnson,	10	“
Josiah Thurston,	13	Eaton.
Simeon Sargent,	75	“

Lydia Pease,	63	Freedom.
Lewis Ricker,	64	Moultonboro.
John A. H. Copp,	59	"
Maria Fiske,	63	"
Harriet Perkins,	56	"
James H. Sanborn,	16	"
Emily Lamprey,	38	"
James E. Corliss,	35	"
Jeremiah Smith,	72	"
Joseph Blake,	78	"
Sarah Perkins,	24	"
Josiah Merrill,	36	"
Lovinia Hutchins,	25	Madison.
Hannah Buzzell,	83	Ossipee.
Martin D. Buzzell,	33	"
Eliza Roberts,	58	"
Eunice Allen,	59	"
Daniel Allen,	56	"
John Hibbard,	54	"
Belinda Hibbard,	59	"
Emanuel Sias,	25	"
Mary Welch,	46	"
Moses O. Varney,	50	Sandwich.
Dolly Prescott,	36	"
Polly Dinsmore,	81	"
Lizzie Thompson,	18	"
Henry H. Blanchard,	30	"
Jonathan W. Eaton,	81	"
Eliza McGaffey,	71	Tamworth.
Mary W. Blood,	55	"
Lucy Gannett,	54	"
Fanny Peavy,	23	Tuftonboro
Joshua Peavy,	58	"
Hiram Hull,	60	"
Abigail Doe,	87	"
Emma W. Williams,	47	Wolfeboro.
Lydia Witham,	76	"
George W. Meserve,	48	"
Sarah A. Meserve,	44	"
Sarah Johnson,	53	"
Jonathan Trask,	76	"
Jane Drew,	68	"
Nathaniel Burbank,	70	Wakefield.

Roxana Jackson,	60	Wakefield.
Almira Burbank,	60	"
Lindsey Wallace,	40	"
Delmo Verrette,	31	"
Agnes Verrette,	5	"
Rosanna Verrette,	4	"

NAMES AND AGES OF PERSONS WHO HAVE DIED
AT COUNTY HOUSE DURING PAST YEAR.

NAME.	AGE.	TOWN.
Sarah Staples,	47	Albany.
Sophia Copp,	77	Brookfield.
Lettie B. True,	50	Moultonboro.
Clementine Fairfield,	57	Sandwich.
Amos Bailey,	73	Tamworth.
Luther Neal,	32	Tuftonboro.
William Peavy,	56	"
William D. Copp,	75	Wakefield.

PAUPERS NOT AT FARM.

ALBANY.—Samuel Ham, Ivory K. Ham.

BARTLETT.—Mary A. Cook, two Cook children, Sarah W. Chandler, three Chandler children, Nancy Hill, four Hill children, three Sherman children, Joel Emery and family.

BROOKFIELD.—Robert H. Pike.

CONWAY.—Charles H. Hamilton and family, Mrs. David Mason, Mrs. William Clifford, Patience Johnson, William Hammond, Charles Johnson, Sarah J. Kenison, Polly Vincent.

EATON.—Samuel Henderson and family, Frank Hawkins.

EFFINGHAM.—Eliphalet Clough and family, Horace Clough and family, Albion Clough and family, Thomas Day and family, Ivory Williams and family, Ezekiel Varney and wife, Mrs. Andrew Noble.

FREEDOM.—Betsey Hutchins.

JACKSON.—Lydia Ham, David Gray, Sarah A. Dearborn.

MADISON.—Deborah Head, Mary Bickford, Nathaniel W. Gray and family, Jeremiah C. Glidden, Christina Brown.

MOULTONBOROUGH.—Lyman A. Wade and family, Mrs. M. L. Morrison, Mrs. Adam Moulton, Mrs. Hiram L. Drew, Jonathan Bryant, Susan M. Sanborn, John H. Goodwin and family, Daniel Rogers and family, Daniel Rendall.

OSSIPEE.—Stephen Thurley, Sarah A. Thurley, Eunice Bean, Lydia Nichols, Mrs. J. F. Bean and family, Rosanna Hadley, Sarah E. Hoyt, Mrs. Abby Smith, Mrs. Mehitabel Pray, Dorothy Doe, Mrs. J. Pickering.

SANDWICH.—Esther Sargent, Frank Webster, Jonathan B. Duntley, Dolly Gordon, Joanna Morse, Joseph Brown, F. J. Vittum and family, William Wallace, Robert Beede, Benjamin Blanchard.

TAMWORTH.—Jacob Jewell, John C. Dow, John Wiggin and wife, William W. Sanborn and wife, George Bickford, Betsey A. Berry, Ellen J. Berry.

TUFTONBOROUGH.—Mary Bickford, Jonathan P. Jenness and wife and two children, James Jenkins.

WAKEFIELD.—Mrs. Lyman Wentworth, Asa Whitehouse.

WOLFEBOROUGH.—Albert Meserve, George F. Meserve, Mrs. Charles Kimball, Joshua Fullerton, Charles Avery, Richard Kent and family, Betsey Sargent, Polly Leavitt, Chandler Giles, Betsey Birdstead, Lydia Whittier, Mrs. Moses Ellis and family.

STATEMENT.

Showing the amount paid the several Towns in the County for external poor (including Tramps) from Oct. Term of Court, 1876 to Oct. Term, 1877 :

Albany	\$139 50
Bartlett	819 04
Brookfield	195 85
Conway	299 33
Chatham, no bill.	
Eaton	137 99
Effingham	357 56
Freedom	132 81
Jackson	219 00
Madison	237 34

Moultonborough	732 88
Ossipee	1,305 70
Sandwich	1,296 61
Tamworth	221 59
Tuftonborough	139 81
Wakefield	74 50
Wolfeborough	1,058 70
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	\$7,368 21

Your Commissioners herewith submit their Annual Report, and ask for it a candid consideration at your hands. There are several points to which we desire to call your attention, and which may explain the seemingly large expenditure of money, as shown by the Treasurer's Report, which accompanies ours :

1. The increase of our pauper bills. This is due to two reasons : First—The stagnation of business of all kinds throughout the country. People do not feel like engaging in new enterprises which may not give a new dollar for an old one, and consequently the poorer of the laboring classes cannot obtain that amount of employment that they could if times were more prosperous. Second—Tramps. This evil is assuming gigantic proportions throughout the country. Hardly a day passes in many of our towns but what the selectmen are called upon to entertain one or more of this class of vagabonds. They are almost entirely young men, banded together with a code of signals, and there is not one out of twenty of them who would work if they could have it furnished them. They follow the lines of railways through the country, and wherever night overtakes them they manage to be in the vicinity of an officer of the town, of whom they demand entertainment with as much assurance as though they were addressing a landlord, and had

plenty with which to pay their bills. The demands presented to your Commissioners by the several towns for caring for this class of people amount to no inconsiderable sum. We trust that our next Legislature will devise some plan by which this nuisance may be in a measure abated.

2. Costs in our criminal cases. As is well known to nearly every tax-payer, Carroll County has of late been the scene of several cold-blooded murders, and the trials of the alleged criminals has cost the County large sums. The cost of Buzzell's trial was nearly three thousand five hundred dollars, and he is to be tried again at the approaching Term, and it is not probable that the new trial will cost any less. The Cone trial cost the county nearly three thousand dollars. Let us hope that we are not to have a repetition of these murders for many years to come.

The farm has been managed to our satisfaction the past year. The Superintendent, Mr Philbrick, has been faithful to his trust, and his wife has managed the large household with prudence and economy. Their management will compare favorably with any who have preceded them.

We would state that your Commissioners are only allowed by law to be present at the first week of Court, unless the presiding justice will issue a special license for them to remain longer. Therefore we request the selectmen of the various towns to put in an early appearance, that their account may be adjusted as soon as possible after the meeting of Court.

JONA. W. SANBORN,	} Commissioners	
ARTHUR L. MESERVE,		of
JOHN H. PLUMER,		Carroll County

REPORT OF CLERK OF COURTS.

TO THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF CARROLL:

I herewith submit the following report of the receipts and disbursements of my office from the close of October Term, A. D. 1876, to the close of October Term, A. D. 1877:

RECEIPTS.

262 Entry Fees		\$235 80
17 Jury Fees		85 00
Fine and Costs in State v Thompson		20 83
“ “ State v Wentworth		86 01
“ “ State v Bickford		64 70
“ “ State v Mason		68 10
“ “ State v Barker		86 20
“ “ State v McMillan		57 75
“ “ State v Kenniston		93 15
Rec'd of I. Dewitt Carter, for Fines Collected		40 00
“ Buel C. Carter, for Fines Collected		25 00
One Pedlar's License		10 00
Rec'd of Attorneys for Dockets		71 50
Rec'd for Stationery and Stamps sold	1 10	\$945 14

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for Printing State Cases		22 00
“ one-half Printing Civil Cases		21 25
“ Printing Dockets		101 00
“ Postage		38 05

Paid	Blank Books & Stationery	61 95	
"	Law Term Assessment	10 03	
"	Printing Blanks	16 00	
"	Telegrams for Court	3 76	
"	Express	2 50	
My Fees for Recording Judgments		42 10	
43 days' Attendance at Court		215 00	
Allowance by the Court		350 00	\$883 64
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Leaving Balance due County			\$61 50

W. A. HEARD, Clerk.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY TREASURER.

RECEIPTS FROM APRIL TERM, 1877, TO APRIL TERM, 1878.

Cash in Treasury, April Term, 1877,	\$4,157 15
So much of County taxes as are collected for the year 1877	24,600 00
Rec'd of Commissioners—returned road fees	111 70
“ C. L. Nute on note	1,700 00
“ “ “	1,200 00
“ Rochester National Bank on Note	3,000 00
“ Faneuil Hall Nat. Bank “	2,500 00
“ Nettie L. Fulton “	686 76
“ A. Moulton “	500 00
“ Sarah A. Nute “	1,200 00
“ Emily A. Meserve “	100 00
“ C. L. Brown “	800 00
“ E. P. Lamson, fines	13 00
“ J. H. Plummer “	8 00
“ F. H. National Bank note	3,000 00
“ “ “ “ “	4,000 00
“ L. R. Davis or bearer “	2,000 00
“ F. H. National Bank “	2,083 88
“ Rochester National Bank “	500 00
	\$52,160 48

EXPENDITURES.

To paid F. H. National Bank note	3,083 88
“ “ “ “	2,083 88
“ “ “ “	2,569 89
“ “ “ “	3,083 88
“ “ “ “	4,057 50
“ James Lord, int.	27 00

" M. A. Manson, note and int.	121 68
" Ruth M. Drake, int.	54 00
" Norway Plains Bank	510 00
" A. C. Gill, note and int.	543 63
" Josiah Thurston, int.	240 00
" Elias Towle, int.	420 00
" Daniel M. Bodge, note and int.	420 03
" James Hussey, int.	206 50
" Rochester Nat'l Bank, note	3,127 98
" Albert B. Lampers, "	665 15
" Oliver Hanson, note and int.	250 00
" Coupons, with premium on same	1,855 66
" Support of Paupers away from County Farm	7,303 14
" County Farm Expenses	4,717 00
" Supplies for Probate Office	113 62
" Officers' Salaries—Counsel Fees	3,871 23
" Jury pay-rolls and criminal expenses	4,627 28
" Court expenses, stationery, printing, etc.,	1,123 42
" Insane Asylum Pauper Bills	573 03
" J. Q. Roles, Treasurer, error on Bickford note	50 00
Total	\$46,699 38

OUTSTANDING NOTES.

Winthrop W. Lord,	Nov. 23, 1876,	\$3,300 00
Annie Drake,	" 18, 1870,	226 00
A. H. Rust,	Mar. 15, 1872,	125 00
Lydia F. Tibbetts,	June 9, 1874,	900 00
Josiah Thurston,	Oct. 20, 1875,	2,000 00
" "	" " "	1,000 00
" "	May 13, 1875,	1,000 00
Ossipee Valley Savings Bank,	Oct. 20, 1874,	4,300 00
Elias Towle,	" " "	2,700 00
Andrew B. Tibbetts,	Feb. 4, 1875,	1,600 00
Emma B. Stillings,	April 29, 1875,	1,045 39
Charles P. Philbrick,	May 10, 1875,	300 00
Ruth M. Drake,	July 27, 1875,	400 00
Nellie M. Fall,	Sept. 20, "	273 40
James Hussey,	Oct. 27, "	2,000 00
Olive Hanson,	Jan. 25, 1876,	770 00
Alonzo S. French,	April 10, "	3,200 00
A. H. Rust,	Oct. 25, "	79 75

E. F. Brown,	May 1, 1876,	1,360 00
Jacob F. Brown,	Sept. 1, "	1,407 87
John B. Emery,	Oct. 18, "	673 74
James Lord,	Jan. 10, "	450 00
C. L. Nute,	April 17, 1877,	1,700 00
"	" " "	120 00
Nettie L. Fulton,	" 30, 1877,	686 75
Julia A. Moulton,	May 17, "	500 00
Sarah A. Nute,	April " "	1,200 00
Emily A. Meserve,	Aug. 14, "	100 00
C. L. Brown or Bearer,	Sept. 7, "	800 00
L. R. Davis,	Aug. 18, "	2,000 00
F. H. National Bank,	Nov. 30, "	2,083 88
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		\$38,301 85

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE COUNTY.

Amount of outstanding notes	\$38,301 85
" bonds sold	30,000 00
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	\$68,301 85
Estimated interest now due	800 00
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	\$69,101 85

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By taxes for 1877 not yet collected	\$400 00	
" cash in treasury	5,461 10	5,461 10
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Balance of liabilities	\$63,640 75	
Estimated assets, County buildings and farm	25,000 00	
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Indebtedness	\$38,640 75	

JOSEPH Q. ROLES, Treasurer.

CARROLL, ss., April 6, 1877.

We have examined the foregoing account of Joseph Q. Roles, Esq., Treasurer for the County of Carroll, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched, and find in his hands \$5,461 10.

JONA. W. SANBORN,	} Commissioners	
A. L. MESERVE,		of
JOHN H. PLUMER,		Carroll County

SHERIFF'S REPORT.

THE COUNTY OF CARROLL IN ACCOUNT WITH JOHN DEMERITT, SHERIFF.

OCTOBER TERM, 1876.

Chaplain,						\$2 00
Messenger, 19 days,						38 00
J. F. Cotton, Dep. Sheriff, 19 days, travel 40 miles,						49 90
D. Gilman,	"	"	19	"	"	30 "
J. Parsons,	"	"	19	"	"	20 "
F. Burleigh,	"	"	11	"	"	40 "
R. Davis,	"	"	11	"	"	20 "
J. Ferren,	"	"	1	"	"	30 "
A. Alley,	"	"	1	"	"	30 "
J. Demeritt, Sheriff			20	"	"	20 "
						\$316 30

APRIL TERM, 1877.

E. C. Stokes, Dep. Sheriff, 11 days, travel 33 miles,						\$31 46
A. Allard,	"	"	11	"	"	12 "
A. Alley,	"	"	26	"	"	20 "
H. Paul,	"	"	25	"	"	10 "
F. Burleigh,	"	"	4	"	"	20 "
R. Davis,	"	"	4	"	"	10 "
J. F. Cotton,	"	"	26	"	"	20 "
My time, as Sheriff			25	"	"	10 "
Messenger,			27	"		54 00
Chaplain,						2 00
						\$414 70

OCTOBER TERM, 1877.

Chaplain,						\$2 00	
Messenger, 20 days,						40 00	
J. F. Cotton, Dep. Sheriff, 19 days, travel 40 miles,						\$49 90	
J. Parsons,	"	20	"	"	20	"	48 70
F. Burleigh,	"	19	"	"	40	"	49 90
R. Davis,	"	19	"	"	20	"	48 70
H. McNorton,		19	"	"	50	"	50 50
J. Ferren,		1	"	"	30	"	4 30
E. C. Stokes,		1	"	"	68	"	6 58
J. Demeritt, Sheriff,		19	"	"	20	"	58 20

 \$358 78

JOHN DEMERITT, Sheriff.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

OSSIPEE CORNER, N. H., April 26, 1878.

We, the undersigned, Auditors for the County of Carroll for the year ending April 15, 1878, have examined the accounts of the County Commissioners and County Treasurer, and have found them correctly cast and properly vouched; and further certify that the specified articles in said vouchers were purchased at the market value, and in our belief have been used for the benefit of the County.

MORRILL B. SMITH, } County
JOHN McMILLAN, } Auditors.

