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OF THE

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OF THE

TOWN OF LOUDON,

INCLUDING REPORTS FROM THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION,

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# TREASURER'S REPORT.

## TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF LOUDON

In account with said town for the year ending February 15,  
1898.

DR.

To cash balance in hands of Treasurer, February 15, 1897,	\$788.89
To cash balance of dog licence in hands of Treasurer, February 15, 1897,	101.90
Received of Selectmen of 1897,	5,273.76
"    Collector of 1896,	356.00
"    "    1897,	6,418.19
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	\$12,938.74

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By paid interest on bonds,	\$108.00
"    unpaid bonds of 1897,	750.00
"    unpaid interest on bonds, 1897,	38.00
"    Albert B. Sargent, note and interest,	258.33
"    David S. Sargent, note and interest,	258.33
"    Wm. Maxfield, note and interest,	257.50
"    S. Annette Holt, notes and interest,	1,539.80
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	\$3,209.96

## EXPENSES OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Walter L. Clough, road agent,	\$1,988.61
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### AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Paid for support of Henry Blaisdell,	\$158.46
"      "      Mrs. Avary,	44.85
"      "      Asa Demicks family,	86.75
	\$290.06

### AID TO COUNTY POOR.

Paid James A. Rogers' family,	\$72.13
George Rogers' family,	26.27
Thomas D. Carroll,	.98
Alba Maxfield,	14.00
Charles Stewart,	11.25
George H. Greenleaf,	133.41
Carrie M. Waterfield.	6.00
	\$264.04

### AID TO TOWN POOR.

Paid for support of Abram Hammäll,	\$5.34
"      "      Benjamin Newton,	7.00
"      "      Ebenezer Twombly,	21.13
"      "      Willie Dow,	5.00
"      "      Moses Sargent,	7.00
"      "      Alfred Dearborn and wife,	161.72
"      aid furnished transient,	1.39
	\$208.58

### MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.

Paid J. A. Clough, wood for town hall,	\$1.50
George A. Ordway, services as constable,	10.00
Silsby & Son, stationery and books,	7.92

Paid Berlin Iron Bridge Co., guideboards,	\$3.00
George Lane, perambulating line, Chichester and Loudon,	2.00
D. W. Welton, storing road machine,	2.00
D. P. Wheeler, recording deed, justice fees, and stamps,	3.50
Levi Clark, reporting births and deaths,	1.50
L. M. Sanborn, stove for lockup,	6.60
C. T. Haskell, repairing road machine,	5.00
Herbert Osgood, cleaning town hall,	3.00
George Tyler & Co., repairs for road machine,	21.05
Sargent & Hollis, warrant for Chas. Tenney,	1.50
N. H. Democratic Press Co., printing town reports,	38.50
J. T. Sanborn, due guardian, on settlement of account in probate court,	65.65
A. H. French, certificates of births and deaths,	3.75
James D. Pease, building highway,	30.00
W. A. Megrath, reporting births and deaths,	6.00
John R. Durgin, services as police,	4.00
H. C. Morse, burial permits,	2.25
H. W. Moses, guide post,	1.00
J. S. Tilton, justice fees and guide boards,	4.20
George T. Griffin, services on school board,	27.00
W. A. Megrath, services on school board,	27.00
G. W. Rowell, services on school board,	27.00
F. E. Robinson, services as treasurer of school board,	9.00
H. C. Morse, guide boards and posts,	5.00
J. T. Sanborn, services as moderator,	3.00
E. H. Sleeper, balance for collecting tax in 1896,	5.79
E. H. Sleeper, services as collector, 1897,	96.27

Paid Geoge W. Merrill, services as selectman,	\$100.00
Dodd P. Wheeler, services as selectman,	100.00
Charles E. Payne, services as selectman,	75.00
John F. Green, services as town clerk,	36.00
D. P. Wheeler, services as clerk of school board for 1896 and 1897,	6.00
J. E. Sanborn and J. A. Clough, auditing accounts,	4.00
Alfred P. Bachelder, for ballot inspector for 1896,	4.00
Frank M. Ladd, for ballot inspector for 1896,	4.00
Treasurer of school board for repairs on school-house,	250.00
Treasurer of school board, amount of school order,	1,637.80
Treasurer of school board, amount of dog licence,	101.90
Treasurer of school board, interest on school fund,	94.00
W. A. Megrath, school supplies,	149.41
State tax,	1,520.00
County tax,	1,479.04
F. O. Lovering, services as town treasurer,	50.00
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	\$6,036.13

#### SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Whole amount of money received,	\$12,938.74
Paid on bonds, notes, and interest,	\$3,209.96
on highways and bridges,	1,988.61
on dependent soldiers' account,	290.06
on county poor account,	264.04



Paid on town poor account,	\$208.58	
on miscellaneous account,	6,036.13	
	<u>        </u>	\$11,997.38
Balance in hands of treasurer,		\$941.36

FRANK O. LOVERING,  
*Town Treasurer.*

Loudon, Feb. 15, 1898.

ACCOUNT OF MONEY.

Received and paid out under the law of 1891, entitled,  
"An Act to prevent the destruction of sheep and other  
damages by dogs."

TOWN TREASURER. DR.

To cash received of John F. Green, town clerk, \$136.20

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By paid R. B. Foster, for sheep killed,	\$10.00	
Wm. W. Cate, " "	3.50	
George A. Ordway, services under dog law,	10.00	
	<u>        </u>	\$23.50
Balance in hands of treasurer,		\$112.70

FRANK O. LOVERING.  
*Town Treasurer.*

Loudon, N. H., Feb., 15, 1898.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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*To the Citizens of Loudon:*

The selectmen respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 15, 1898:

Received from—

A. P. Dearborn pension,	\$35.00
State treasurer, railroad tax,	144.81
Savings bank tax,	2,168.77
Literary fund,	117.80
Merrimack county support, of dependent soldiers and their families,	290.06
Merrimack county, support of poor,	264.04
Interest on Eliza Smith fund,	3.35
Money hired on notes,	2,250.00
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Paid town treasurer,	\$5,273.83

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### FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN.

Due sundry individuals on bonds,	\$3,000.00
Accrued interest on the same,	15.00
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	\$3,015.00

### AVAILS OF THE TOWN.

Cash in hands of treasurer,	\$941.36
Value of road machine,	75.00
Cash on hand for dog licences,	112.70
Balance due from collector of 1897,	268.90
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Total avails,	\$1,397.96

Balance of indebtedness,	\$1,617.04
Reduction of indebtedness,	795.84

GEORGE W. MERRILL,  
DODD P. WHEELER,  
CHARLES E. PAYNE,

*Selectmen of Loudon.*

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

J. E. SANBORN,

J. T. SANBORN,

*Auditors.*

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THE FERNALD FUND.

Amount in hands of agent Jan. 1, 1897,	\$380.57
Interest from Jan. 1, 1897, to Jan. 1, 1898,	11.42
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	\$391.99
Paid by order of selectmen,	10.25
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Amount in hands of agent,	\$381.74

J. L. BUSWELL, *Agent.*

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THE ELIZA SMITH FUND.

In hands of selectmen,	\$100.00
Interest from Jan. 1, 1897, to Jan. 1, 1898,	3.35
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	\$103.35
Paid by order of selectmen to town treasurer,	3.35
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Balance in hands of selectmen,	\$100.00

# ROAD AGENT'S REPORT.

FEBRUARY AND MARCH, 1897.

Paid William Carroll,	\$4.19
George W. Merrill,	5.25
Daniel Tasker,	1.50
Levi Pearl,	3.00
Frank O. Hill,	2.00
J. E. Sanborn,	7.82
J. A. Clough,	6.85
F. E. Robinson,	13.30
F. E. Robinson, lumber,	12.00
J. T. Sanborn,	1.50
W. F. Carter,	6.95
Alfred P. Batchelder,	2.00
David F. Wiggins,	4.45
John B. Sanborn,	11.85
Amos Peaslee,	11.98
Albert Sargent,	7.50
Elbridge Wales,	1.63
J. R. Diamond,	4.54
F. B. Kenney,	3.75
S. M. Carr,	3.20
J. R. Osborne,	8.48
Charles Hill,	10.65
W. W. Cate,	3.10
W. W. Cate, lumber,	1.40
James D. Pease,	9.30
William Weeks,	2.40

Paid R. B. Foster,	\$2.75
E. P. Sanborn,	5.75
Lauren Clough,	1.50
James S. Tilton,	6.45
Dan G. Kendall,	5.10
A. G. Moore,	7.50
James Lake,	12.00
John Batchelder,	3.00
A. E. Colcord,	1.75
R. M. Hill,	.52
Lyman Jackman,	.75
Sweat Hill,	1.40
Seth Saltmarsh,	2.85
J. M. Hutchinson,	3.29
J. P. M. Brown,	27.90
Emery Wyman,	1.95
Alfred D. Moore,	16.39
N. D. Clough,	2.17
E. H. Sleeper,	8.80
D. L. Moore,	1.80
Park French,	1.58
Frank Buswell,	2.75
Fred A. Rogers,	1.05
Loren A. Currier,	5.70
C. E. Payne,	8.75
Kendall C. Neal,	9.10
F. O. Lovering,	2.50
S. M. True,	2.50
Charles Batchelder,	3.00
Abram Batchelder,	2.50
Joseph P. Batchelder,	3.00
E. Hilliard,	.75
J. J. A. Huckins,	3.12
Fred Green,	2.10

Paid John Perkins,	\$1.95
Henry Coleman,	2.85
True M. Hill,	12.85
George Washington,	.50
Charles Cate,	7.00
Thomas Sears,	.75
H. F. Fletcher,	3.00
H. F. Fletcher, lumber,	1.60
Alvah Brown,	2.50
Walter Maynard,	3.00
Joseph Young,	4.05
Hiram W. Moses,	3.00
Herbert Osgood,	1.50
Daniel Green,	3.00
Asa Flanders,	2.25
Walter L. Clough,	18.00
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Total,	\$380.41

WALTER L. CLOUGH,  
*Road Agent.*

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ROAD AGENT'S REPORT.

Paid Charles Hill,	\$21.60
R. B. Foster,	1.25
Arthur Gleason,	2.75
John B. Sanborn,	29.21
Seth Saltmarsh,	16.75
George Barnard,	1.50
Gilman Berry,	1.50
Lyman Jackman,	6.75
Nathaniel Gerald,	24.80
J. E. Sanborn,	41.62

Paid Charlie Jones,	\$4.00
Elbridge Wales,	9.00
True M. Hill,	30.75
Walter Ordway,	7.25
George Rogers,	2.00
Benjamin Newton,	5.90
George A. Munsey,	2.85
Willie Brown,	.75
Walter Wiggins,	1.50
David Wiggins,	5.40
Jacob Dow,	1.50
Loren Currier,	12.25
Will Rogers,	1.50
Horace Ordway,	9.00
Henry Ordway,	12.53
Dan G. Kendall,	6.85
C. E. Payne,	6.50
George W. Rowell,	1.50
Walter Page,	1.50
Samuel N. Cate,	8.15
Cyrus French,	1.50
John Smith,	2.78
John S. R. Brown,	8.50
Benjamin Maxfield,	.75
John Perkins,	7.25
John Batchelder,	15.94
John J. A. Huckins,	2.25
Fred Brown,	3.75
Joseph I. Allen,	1.80
Dodd P. Wheeler,	1.80
Jacob Wheeler,	1.80
William H. Sanborn,	7.80
Ernest Peaslee,	.75
Leroy Pearl,	1.35

Paid Dana French,	\$2.70
Edd Whitefield,	.75
John Tilton,	6.50
Frank M. Ladd,	3.00
Frank M. Johnson,	5.00
Joseph T. Sanborn,	3.00
Albert Sargent,	5.80
Henry Coleman,	12.80
Oscar Smith,	6.45
Emery Wyman,	2.85
Jerry Keniston,	3.75
Alfred D. Moore,	19.90
Asa Flanders,	3.40
Henry Drew,	2.65
Cyrus Peaslee,	.75
A. E. Colcord,	.75
J. R. Diamond,	.30
Frank B. Kenney,	5.50
Charles Kenney,	.75
W. Frank Carter,	4.00
Walter Blake,	5.25
Jerry Blake,	1.00
Amos Peaslee,	10.88
True H. Sanborn,	.75
Paul Lampro,	5.20
William Osgood,	1.50
John Pearl,	10.40
Charles Perkins,	12.75
John Buswell,	5.70
Fred A. Rogers,	3.30
Erander Hilliard,	3.00
Samuel True,	10.00
Charles Batchelder,	10.00
Lauren S. Clough,	1.95



Paid Alfred Batchelder,	\$10.88
Joseph P. Batchelder,	5.00
Walter Maynard,	8.00
Thomas Sears,	2.00
Lyman Bartlett,	2.25
James McKerley,	4.00
Charles Z. Moore,	22.95
Orville Hill,	.60
Kendall C. Neal,	3.95
George Taylor,	3.25
Walter Neal,	7.00
A. G. Moore,	49.25
Hiram W. Moses,	6.00
Frank E. Robinson,	3.50
Hiram Hilliard,	6.15
John R. Osborne,	17.48
Nathaniel Clough,	1.50
Levi Pearl,	11.25
Frank O. Lovering,	1.00
Walter Langmaid,	2.00
Edwin H. Sleeper,	15.90
Levi F. Sleeper,	3.75
Park French,	3.75
Daniel L. Moore,	7.75
George W. Merrill,	2.00
Frank O. Hill,	5.05
L. E. Sanderson,	5.41
Edward Buxton,	1.50
Herbert A. Steary,	1.50
James S. Tilton,	1.00
J. M. Hutchinson,	2.00
Joseph Young,	1.50
Mr. Wate,	1.50
William Weeks,	1.50

Paid Fred Drew,	\$2.85
Sweat Hill,	7.75
William Hill,	7.40
Hiram Gardner,	9.45
Archie Lowe,	4.00
J. A. Clough,	23.35
Albert Rogers,	2.00
David Sargent,	10.05
John Royce,	2.25
James Towle,	2.45
Alvah L. Morse,	1.05
Archie Hill,	2.55
William Cate,	17.50
Albert E. Hook,	15.00
David Welton,	2.00
James D. Pease,	5.00
H. F. Fletcher,	19.50
Caleb Marston,	11.35
Doddridge Wheeler,	10.00
R. M. Hill,	47.75
George Brown,	110.72
Monroe Young,	89.50
Walter L. Clough, horses,	103.60
Walter L. Clough, oxen,	49.90
Walter L. Clough, labor,	142.40
Walter L. Clough, breaking roads in Jan- uary, 1898,	23.60
Total,	<u>\$1,453.80</u>

WALTER L. CLOUGH,  
*Road Agent.*

## LABOR AND LUMBER FOR BRIDGES.

Paid A. G. Moore, lumber,	\$2.88
J. B. Sanborn, labor and lumber,	52.98
F. E. Robinson, labor and lumber,	64.84
J. A. Clough, lumber,	7.20
John Cate, labor,	1.00
Monroe Young, labor,	2.50
Walter L. Clough, labor,	15.00
Walter L. Clough, horses,	8.00
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Total,	\$154.40

WALTER L. CLOUGH,  
*Road Agent.*

## REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

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*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :*

Gentlemen,—In compliance with the law of the state we herewith commit, for your thoughtful consideration and careful disposal our annual school report.

You will readily discover, through the inspection of the statistical report, who have been employed as instructors throughout the school year, the wages paid them, and that the children of the district were offered the advantage of twenty-seven weeks school. You will also discern that the number of visits by the school board, as accounted for in the records of the school register, show that there were 97 against 85 of last year, and 672 visits by parents and friends, against 628 of last year; and the whole number of scholars enrolled were 187 against 169 of last year.

So we feel, to truthfully say and state in safety, that our schools have been a success, with good attendance, very little sickness, and fair progress. You will gladly note that the tardiness and absention of both parents and children, which has long been felt to be the leader among the hurtful features of school interests, is on the wane.

You, gentlemen—fathers of the town of Loudon, and interested in our great commonwealth, will also be most glad to note, that during the past year two of our schools, *i. e.* the White and the Village, have thrown to the four winds of heaven the stars and stripes, after a formal presentation and reception of the same by the school board, with appropriate exercises by the children and citizens, thereby teaching better loyalty and truer patriotism to the beloved flag of the greatest among the nations of the earth.

Life to many a pupil seems a colorless and monotonous

round of never-varying occupation. But life is not made up of years and actions alone. In it is embodied the development of character. This is the important thing. Therefore let us teach the children to think, read, and study. Let us teach them economy in the home-life, as well as school-life. Teach them to be careful of the books purchased from the proceeds of the town treasury and loaned to them.

Practical economy should be written over every school-house door, thereby assisting the children to understand the worth of a dollar, and that they can help to save one in careful use of property.

It looks now as if in a few years that some of our school-yards will be given over to grass and weeds, but while the children are with us, let us train them to think for themselves, through no loose and false idea of the worth of time, then they will have a ready expression, and will, undoubtedly, make an effective use of their knowledge.

So many teachers have gone to their work with, seemingly, no apparent effect of their hard and earnest labors. Let them remember that faint hearts do not win the prize.

It is now through patient, tender, and loving words, accompanied with warm and sympathetic endeavors to put into as well as to draw out of those left to their care.

Like parent like child, like teacher like pupil. Seek then to stamp upon them love, purity, and large reverence for God and humanity.

The best tutors train their pupils with the same care as a race horse is trained, or a boat crew is coached. This will lead to less blunderers and slatterers in coming years. Bright pupils like discovery and independent research. Give them plenty to do along this line of study and success is yours. You have won the long sought prize. You have assisted in making this age more profitable and industrious.

The best is none too good for the children. We have brought them here, let us care for them. Let us appeal more fully to the imagination, the reason, and the heart of the scholars. Then we will touch the leading element of their lives. Let us seek for teachers, those of good Christian character, this combined with the best class-room advisers, sharp in outline, clear in substance, superior in tact, and unfailing in practical ingenuity, and you have partially conquered the evils that threaten to destroy the best life in the whole world. This will assist in leading us to victory in this industrial age and grand country of ours. This will fit them for every department of American life, such as industries, commerce, politics, and intellectual development of the good and virtuous citizen.

It is hoped that more visits will be made to our schools the coming year. Not wait until the closing day when everything is fully arranged for a fine dress parade, and every movement is fully packed in "Apple-pie order" for the eye and ear of the incoming inspector.

We would thank, through you, all those who have assisted in making the past school year a success, and you, gentlemen, for your hearty co-operation in the great work which we had in hand.

We have striven for the best good of all, with no individual preference or interest. We have sought to teach temperance, reverence for God's word and the Lord's prayer. And we are now looking for another radical change in our school laws, which is sure to come, to regulate matters pertaining to the government and classification of our schools, without any great discomfiture to any concerned in education.

We wait the arrival, and in our waiting, let the dead past bury its dead out of sight and hearing, while we pass on into the brightness and serenity of the approaching centuries.

GEORGE T. GRIFFIN,  
W. A. MEGRATH,  
GEORGE W. ROWELL,  
*Board of Education.*

## ROLL OF HONOR.

## SPRING TERM.

Katie F. Kenney,	Annie Higgins,
Helen N. Kenney,	Myrtie M. Morse,
Stella M. French,	Cora F. Ordway,
Forrest B. Kenney,	Clara M. Pickett,
Willie S. Towle,	Helen F. Lawrence,
Charlie L. Wiggin,	Alice M. Labonty,
Eva E. Kendall,	Edgar A. Wells,
Florence M. Ordway,	Herbert T. Annis,
Lilla B. Ordway,	Mamie Odonald,
Ethel M. Rogers,	Waldo Hill,
Abbie E. Rogers,	Flora A. Cate,
Lucian D. Rogers,	David J. T. Drew,
Myra B. Tasker,	Harry C. Danforth,
Helen M. Tilton,	Karl R. Gilman,
Carl E. Tilton,	Dwight E. Moore,
Arthur Deering,	Edith Pease,
Karl M. Deering,	Ethel Pease,
Alva M. Caswell,	Ruby Pease,
Augusta Clifford,	Nancy M. Smith,
Blanche Lane,	Jennie I. Merrill,
Velna Ordway,	Maude C. Merrill,
Katie Perkins,	Alvah H. Blake,
Arthur Abbott,	Clarence C. Merrill,
Grover C. Rogers,	Frank L. Merrill,
May Higgins,	Willie Townsend.

## FALL TERM.

Mary E. True,	Ernest Hall,
Annie Higgins,	Jennie Bourdon,
Peter E. Tenney,	Mabel Hall,
Arthur C. Abbott,	Willie Townsend,
Grover C. Rogers,	Eugene Wyman,
Wilfred Goreaux,	Emma A. Fletcher,
Alva M. Caswell,	Charles L. Wiggin,
Alice C. M. Doe,	Warren G. Kendall,
Herbert T. Annis,	Eva J. Dow,

Ross Cushing,  
 Karl Gilman,  
 Dwight Moore,  
 Rena Cushing,  
 Flora A. Cate,  
 R. May Gardner,  
 Harry C. Danforth,  
 Hiram E. Gardner,  
 Katie F. Kenney,  
 Helen N. Kenney,  
 Stella M. French,  
 Forrest B. Kenney,

Helen C. Greene,  
 Ida M. Hill,  
 Helen M. Tilton,  
 Myra B. Tasker,  
 Waldo Hill,  
 Jennie I. Merrill,  
 Maud C. Merrill,  
 Nancy M. Smith,  
 Clarence C. Merrill,  
 Frank L. Merrill,  
 Charles A. Pearl,

#### WINTER TERM.

Ethel M. Clough,  
 Gertie B. Clough,  
 Ida M. Hill,  
 Edna F. Hill,  
 Jennie I. Merrill,  
 Nancy M. Smith,  
 Alvah H. Blake,  
 George E. Merrill,  
 Clarence C. Merrill,  
 Waldo Hill,  
 Katie F. Kenney,  
 Helen N. Kenney,  
 Stella M. French,  
 Margaret McCormick,  
 Harry C. Danforth,  
 Ross Cushing,  
 Ruby Pease,  
 Fred A. Brown,  
 George B. Brown,  
 Wilbur A. Kendall,  
 J. Shirley Kendall,  
 Warren G. Kendall,  
 Willie S. Towle,

May E. Brown,  
 Florence M. Ordway,  
 Willie Townsend,  
 Herbert T. Annis,  
 Emer M. Pichette,  
 Hermon A. Towle,  
 Walter J. Bourdon,  
 Dana A. Heath,  
 Katie Higgins,  
 Mabel Hall,  
 Mamie Odonald,  
 Blanche R. Lane,  
 Mack J. Bourdon,  
 Earle D. Deering,  
 Mary E. True,  
 Annie Higgins,  
 Peter E. Tenney,  
 Grover C. Rogers,  
 Rosa A. Bourdon,  
 George W. Batchelder,  
 Clara M. Pichette,  
 Helen F. Lawrence.



## REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL BOARD

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR CLOSING FEB. 15, 1898.

1897.		
April 23.	To cash received of treasurer, 1896,	\$32.93
May 17.	“ “ for Dover school- house,	75.00
June 24.	To cash received of town treasurer,	650.00
29.	“ “ for Hill school- house,	15.00
July 9.	To cash received of town treasurer,	150.00
Nov. 15.	“ “ “	600.00
1898.		
Jan. 21.	“ “ “	683.70
Feb. 4.	To cash received for tuition,	38.10
	Total receipts,	<u>\$2,244.73</u>

## PAID TEACHERS.

1897.		
June 25.	Amy Demeritt,	\$50.00
25.	Alice M. Clough,	50.00
26.	Elizabeth McCurley,	60.00
26.	Lilian Johnson,	60.00
26.	Sarah W. Rowell,	60.00
26.	Loella Marden,	65.00
26.	Susie Moses,	55.00
26.	Etta B. Perkins,	80.00
26.	Elizabeth Clough,	55.00
July 1.	Sadie Dimond,	65.00
1.	Adeline Glover,	50.00
Nov. 16.	Lizzie McCurley,	72.00

Nov.	16.	Mamie Marston,	\$54.00
	18.	Loella Marden,	58.50
	18.	Sarah W. Rowell,	58.50
	22.	Amy Demeritt,	45.00
	23.	Susie Moses,	54.00
	23.	Lillian Johnson,	54.00
	23.	Elizabeth Clough,	49.50
	23.	Sadie Dimond,	58.50
Dec.	6.	Alice M. Clough,	45.00
1898.			
Jan.	21.	Adelade Glover,	49.50
	22.	G. Llewellyn Griffin,	52.00
	22.	Sarah W. Rowell,	52.00
	24.	Loella Marden,	52.00
	24.	Lizzie McCurley,	64.00
	25.	Amy Demeritt,	40.00
	27.	Elizabeth Clough,	44.00
Feb.	3.	Mamie Marston,	48.00
	9.	Lillian Johnson,	48.00
	15.	Alice Clough,	40.00
	15.	Adelade Glover,	44.00
	15.	Edith Page,	48.00
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			\$1,780.50

## PAID FOR WOOD.

1897.			
May	3.	A. L. Morse,	\$11.75
June	25.	J. Fred Green,	7.00
July	7.	A. L. Hill,	11.50
	10.	Amos Peasley,	4.00
Oct.	20.	Cyrus E. French,	6.00
1898.			
Jan.	22.	George W. Rowell,	14.40
	25.	Alvah L. Morse,	4.50

Feb.	4.	J. A. Clough,	\$10.50
	4.	Frank Fletcher,	7.37
	7.	J. R. Dimond,	8.00
	15.	Ed. Sleeper,	6.75
	15.	Fred Moore,	2.00
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			\$93.77

## PAID FOR REPAIRS.

1897.			
June	4.	E. B. Buxton, work,	\$3.00
	5.	C. L. Clough, work and stock,	47.34
	18.	Elisha Piper, work and stock,	12.60
	19.	James S. Tilton,	35.00
	21.	Fred Bachelder, grading at village,	18.00
	22.	Samuel True, grading at village,	18.00
July	1.	John Smith, repairing Brown school-house,	.75
	13.	F. E. Robinson, lumber, Clough hill school-house,	52.17
Nov.	18.	W. S. Neal, work, Moore school-house	1.00
	18.	S. C. Kendall, work, yellow school-house,	2.00
	18.	Mitchell Peckett, work, yellow school-house,	2.50
	18.	George W. Rowell, stock.	1.29
Dec.	3.	Frank O. Hill, underpinning and setting,	35.00
1898.			
Jan.	22.	W. A. Megrath, fixtures, Village school,	2.75
	22.	W. A. Megrath, stock and repairs on upper ridge, Pleasant street, and Village school-houses,	6.50
	25.	Frank O. Hill, work, Cate school-house,	1.00

Feb.	1.	F. E. Robinson, school supplies,	\$8.90
	4.	J. A. Clough, repairs, Clough Hill school-house,	24.84
	15.	D. L. Moore, repair on school-house,	1.00
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			\$273.64

## PAID FOR MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES.

1897.

May	17.	Valley Times, auction posters,	\$1.25
	17.	G. Llewellyn Griffin, cleaning White school-house,	2.50
	24.	Martha S. Ordway, cleaning Yellow school-house,	3.00
	29.	Mrs. Joseph Sargent, cleaning Clough Hill school-house,	2.50
June	4.	Sarah T. Smith, cleaning school-house,	7.00
	26.	Ernest Bachelder, care Village school-house,	1.00
	28.	W. A. Megrath, cleaning Upper Ridge school-house,	2.00
	30.	Frank Lewis, care Village school-house,	4.00
July	1.	Mrs. John Smith, cleaning Brown school-house,	2.00
Aug.	17.	Mrs. C. L. Kenney, cleaning school-house,	2.50
Sept.	25.	Mrs. True Sanborn, cleaning Pleasant street school-house,	3.00
Nov.	18.	Martha S. Ordway, cleaning Yellow school-house,	1.50
	23.	Ernest Bachelder, care of Village school-house,	4.50
Dec.	3.	George T. Griffin, broom, dipper, glass and setting,	.85
Jan.	22.	G. Llewellyn Griffin, building fires White school-house,	1.50

Jan.	22.	Scott Ordway, building fires Clough Hill school-house,	\$2.00
	22.	Fred Brown, building fire at Yellow school-house,	3.50
	25.	Sammy Hill, building fire Cate school-house,	2.50
	25.	Mrs. Frank O. Hill, cleaning school-house,	2.00
	25.	Amy Demeritt, building fires at Pleasant street school-house,	2.25
	26.	Ernest Bachelder, building fires Village school-house,	4.00
Feb.	1.	W. A. Megrath, selling school-houses,	8.00
	1.	Frank Wells, conveying scholars,	6.00
	4.	W. A. Megrath, building fires Upper Ridge school-house,	4.25
	9.	Clarence Walker, building fires White school-house,	1.00
	15.	E. B. Buxton, fitting wood at Village school-house,	1.25
	15.	George Merrill, building fires Brown school-house,	2.00
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			\$77.85

Whole amount paid out, \$2,225.76

FRANK E. ROBINSON,  
*Treasurer of School Board.*

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

JOSEPH E. SANBORN,  
JOSEPH T. SANBORN,  
*Auditors.*

## STATISTICAL TABLE.

Name of School.	Terms.	Teachers.	No. of Weeks of School.												Wages per month.														
			No. of Scholars.			Average attendance.			No. in Reading and Spelling.			No. in Arithmetic.				No. in Grammar.			No. in Geography.			No. in Book-keeping.			No. in Algebra.			No. in Penmanship.	
Brown.....	Spring .....	Lillian A. Johnson...	10	14	13	14	14	4	12	1	1	14	1	\$24.00															
	Fall.....	" "	9	14	12	14	14	13	11	1	1	14	1	24.00															
	Winter.....	" "	8	13	12	13	13	12	9	..	3	13	1	24.00															
Cate.....	Spring .....	Susie R. Moses.....	10	9	8	9	8	5	4	..	2	9	4	22.00															
	Fall.....	" "	9	7	6	7	6	5	4	..	7	1	24.00																
	Winter.....	Edith M. Page.....	8	5	4	5	5	3	4	..	5	5	24.00																
Clough Hill.....	Spring .....	Sarah W. Rowell.....	10	12	11	12	9	7	3	1	2	12	2	24.00															
	Fall.....	" "	9	16	14	16	13	8	4	2	1	16	2	26.00															
	Winter.....	" "	8	15	13	15	12	8	4	3	..	15	2	26.00															
Lower Ridge.....	Spring .....	Alice M. Clough.....	10	9	7	9	9	6	8	1	2	9	1	20.00															
	Fall.....	" "	9	6	5	6	6	4	6	1	1	6	1	20.00															
	Winter.....	" "	8	7	4	7	7	4	6	..	1	7	1	20.00															
Moore.....	Spring .....	Elizabeth Clough.....	10	10	9	10	10	2	10	..	10	15	22.00																
	Fall.....	" "	9	11	10	11	4	11	1	1	11	9	22.00																
	Winter.....	" "	8	9	8	8	9	3	9	..	9	8	22.00																
Pleasant Street.	Spring .....	Amy Demeritt.....	10	12	11	12	9	7	5	3	..	12	3	20.00															
	Fall.....	" "	9	11	10	11	8	5	5	..	2	11	..	20.00															
	Winter.....	" "	8	11	10	11	8	5	5	..	2	11	..	20.00															
Upper Ridge...	Spring .....	Adelaide P. Glover..	10	10	7	7	5	4	2	2	7	2	20.00																
	Fall.....	" "	9	10	10	10	8	9	..	1	9	8	22.00																
	Winter.....	" "	8	10	9	10	8	9	..	2	9	9	22.00																
Village.....	Spring .....	Etta B. Perkins.....	10	22	18	22	20	18	20	2	2	21	11	32.00															
	Fall.....	Lizzie McCurley.....	9	26	23	26	26	26	26	2	1	26	7	32.00															
	Winter.....	" "	8	25	24	25	25	25	25	2	..	25	8	32.00															
Village Prim...	Spring .....	Lizzie McCurley.....	10	31	26	31	31	..	31	..	..	21	31	24.00															
	Fall.....	Mamie Marston.....	9	28	16	28	16	..	..	..	..	21	..	24.00															
	Winter.....	" "	8	24	17	24	13	..	..	..	..	18	..	24.00															
White.....	Spring .....	Sadie B. Diamond....	10	17	15	17	14	13	14	3	4	17	2	26.00															
	Fall.....	" "	9	19	17	19	16	7	15	3	4	19	..	26.00															
	Winter.....	G. Lewellen Griffin..	8	17	15	17	16	5	7	3	4	17	5	26.00															
Yellow.....	Spring .....	Loella M. Marden....	10	24	18	24	24	11	7	..	2	22	3	26.00															
	Fall.....	" "	9	29	21	29	24	15	24	5	5	29	1	26.00															
	Winter.....	" "	8	23	16	23	10	15	19	1	3	19	1	26.00															

## STATISTICAL TABLE.

Number of boys enrolled attending school not less than two weeks,	101
Number of girls enrolled attending school not less than two weeks,	86
Number of children under six years of age,	8
Number of children between six and sixteen,	162
Number over sixteen,	17
Whole number of boys and girls enrolled,	187
Average expense for each enrolled scholar,	\$10.46
Number of visits by school board,	97
Number of visits by citizens,	672
Money raised by law,	\$1,520.00
Literary fund,	117.80
Interest of school fund,	94.00
Dog money,	101.90
School-house money,	90.00

Reports of building and locating committee of the Yellow and Pleasant street school houses.

Balance due on Yellow school-house,	\$9.67
Balance due on Pleasant school-house,	.12
Total due,	\$9.79

H. W. COLEMAN,

J. J. A. HUCKINS,

E. D. LAKE,

*Building Committee*

# VITAL STATISTICS.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LOUDON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of child (if any).	Sex and condition.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents.	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.	Age of father.	Age of mother.
			Male.	Female.									
1896.													
Jan. 2	Loudon.	Hazel B. Moore		F.	Daniel L. Moore	Mary A. Sleeper	W.	Loudon	Farmer	Loudon	Loudon	.....	.....
Jan. 9	"	May Emma Foster		F.	W. Charles A. Foster	Lena B. Arlin	W.	"	Day laborer	Loudon	Canterbury	.....	.....
Jan. 24	"	"		F.	W. Wm J. Rogers	Alice M. Welch	W.	"	Farmer	Loudon	East Concord	.....	.....
Mar. 14	"	"		F.	B. Hiram C. Gardner	Sarah Agard	B.	"	Farmer	West Virginia	West Indies	.....	.....
Mar. 14	"	"		F.	B. Hiram C. Gardner	Sarah Agard	B.	"	Farmer	"	"	.....	.....
Apr. 21	"	Leon A. Cateh		M.	W. Napoleon J. Cateh	Christia A. Carr	W.	"	Farmer	Spencer, Mass.	Xensly, Kan.	.....	.....
Apr. 28	"	"		F.	W. Walter H. Moody	May G. Farr	W.	"	Farmer	Loudon	Vermont	.....	.....
May 18	"	"		F.	W. Asa Dimick	Corra B. Rowe	W.	"	Day laborer	Lyme	Salisbury	.....	.....
July 24	"	Georgia L. Cate		F.	W. James Farley	Agnes Leuppro e.	W.	"	Fireman	Boston, Mass.	Manchester	.....	.....
Aug. 10	"	Elsa May French		F.	W. C. H. Cate, Jr.	Effie Ordway	W.	"	Carpenter	Loudon	Loudon	.....	.....
Sept. 18	"	"		F.	W. J. Dana French	Clara Githman	W.	"	Farmer	Saunbornton	Alexandria	.....	.....
Dec. 9	"	"		M.	W. Isiah Davis	Grace Barry	W.	"	Day laborer	Colorado	Hill	.....	.....

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

JOHN F. GREENE, Town Clerk.



MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LOUDON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name of groom and bride.	Residence at time of marriage.	Age of each.	Color.	Occupation of each.	Birthplace of each.	Names of parents.	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married
1897. Mar. 13.	Gilmanton.....	Fred S. Drew..... Bertha M. Whiting..	Loudon..... Boston, Mass	20 20	W. " "	Farmer..... Domestic..	Loudon..... Meredith ..	Wm. H. Drew..... Caroline Peaslee..... George Whiting..... Nettie W. Swain.....	Rev. N. B. McMurphy, Gilmanton.
Aug. 22	Loudon.....	George W. Landon..... Hattie B. Lugee.....	Concord..... Loudon.....	..... .....	" "	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	William W. Cate, Justice, Loudon.
Aug. 31.	Loudon.....	William S. Ordway... Della J. Cate.....	" "	21 21	" "	Farmer..... Domestic..	Loudon..... Loudon.....	Abial C. Ordway..... Louisa Eaton..... Charles H. Cate..... Sarah J. Batchelder..	Alvah L. Morse, Justice, Loudon.
Oct. 31.	Loudon.....	Arthur K. Marston... Flossie B. Twombly..	" Gilmanton.	29 20	" "	Farmer..... Domestic....	Concord..... Gilmanton..	Henrietta Damon..... James B. Twombly....	Rev. Andrew Gibson, Loudon.

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

JOHN F. GREENE, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LOUDON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and surname of deceased	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex and condition.			Occupation.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Disease or cause of death.	Name of physician or other person reporting the same.
			Years.	Months.	Days.		Male.	Female.	Color.					
1897.														
Jan. 25	Loudon.	Mary E. Ba chelder.	82	3	1	Loudon.	M.	F.	W.	Domestic.	Wm. J. Rogers	Alice M. Welch	Premature	W. A. Megra'h
Jan. 29	"	John C. Smith	68	4	3	Canterbury	M.	F.	W.	Farmer	Sargent	Betsy Stevens	Old age	A. H. French
Feb. 8	"	Cyrus B. Greene	74	10	11	Loudon.	M.	F.	W.	Farmer	Benjamin Smith	Mary Mad dock	Cardiac dropsy.	W. A. Megra'h
Feb. 23	"	Sarah Peaslee	61	2	10	"	M.	F.	W.	Domestic.	David Greene	Rheumatism	Paralysis	Levi Clark
Feb. 26	"	Leonard Huselton	76	10	13	Manchester.	M.	F.	W.	Farmer.	Anno Peaslee	Lydia Dow	Bright's disease	W. A. Megra'h
Apr. 2	"	Alba O. Maxfield	41	4	19	Loudon	M.	F.	W.	Domestic.	John Huselton	Lydia Flint	Exhaustion.	Levi Clark
Apr. 9	"	Mrs. Sarah Jameson	71	1	17	Loudon.	M.	F.	W.	Domestic.	William Dow	Ann S. Towle	Diabetes.	W. A. Megra'h
May. 6	"	H. E. Batchelder	82	10	6	Concord.	M.	F.	W.	Farmer	Oliver Maxfield	Wannah Austin	Heart failure	Levi Clark
May 14	"	Sally W. Dickerman.	78	2	8	Loudon.	M.	F.	W.	Domestic.	Zeplannah Batchel	Wary Eastman	Apoplexy	W. A. Megra'h
July 3	"	Lucretia Arin.	80	9	1	Gilman on.	F.	F.	W.	Domestic.	John Messer	Rebecca Chamber	Blood poisoning	W. H. Mitchell
July 6	"	Minnie E. Ladd	26	6	4	Conc rd.	F.	F.	W.	Domestic.	Thomas Jones	Lucy Niles	Consumption	A. H. French
Aug. 26	"	Agnes A. Rogers	3	6	17	Loudon.	F.	F.	W.	Domestic.	Fred B. Rogers	Florence J. Rollins.	Cholera infantum	W. A. Megra'h
Sept. 20	"	Ida R. Bartlett	54	11	7	Loudon	F.	F.	W.	Physician.	Samuel T. Wales.	Dolly E. Stanleys.	Cardiac dropsy	W. H. Mitchell
Sept. 24	"	Mary S. Pow-ll	64	7	26	Gilman-ton.	F.	F.	W.	Domestic.	E. H. Robinson.	M. A. Bean	Tuberculous Phthisis	A. H. French
Oct. 18	"	Deborah B. Payne.	78	10	7	Gilford	F.	F.	W.	Domestic.	Benj. F. Hall	Harriet Gilman	Dropsy	W. A. Megra'h
Oct. 25	"	Mary E. Wiggins	23	3	19	Canterbury.	F.	F.	W.	Domestic.	John Baune t.	Nancy Davis	Chronic gastritis	W. A. Megra'h
Dec. 17	"	Ha nah Moore	94	2	2	Canterbury.	F.	F.	W.	Domestic.	Calvin Barnard	Mary Saltmarsh	Consumption	"
Dec. 30	"										Joseph Moore	Elizabeth Whitten.	Exhaustion	"

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

JOHN F. GREENE, Town Clerk.



