

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

COUNTY OF GRAFTON

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORTS OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT, PHYSICIAN AND CHAPLAIN, CLERK
OF THE COURTS, TREASURER, SHERIFF, JAILOR,
SOLICITOR, AND AUDITORS,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING, DECEMBER 31, 1897.

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1898.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

COMMISSIONERS:

HENRY F. GREEN, Littleton.
 JAMES F. HUCKINS, Ashland.
 HORACE F. HOYT, Etna.

TREASURER:

GEORGE H. TURNER, Bethlehem.

SOLICITOR:

GEORGE H. ADAMS, Plymouth.

SHERIFF:

CHARLES O. HURLBUTT, Lebanon.

JAILOR:

W. A. GIBSON, Haverhill.

CLERK OF COURT:

DEXTER D DOW, Woodsville.

JUDGE OF PROBATE:

TYLER WESTGATE, Haverhill.

REGISTER OF PROBATE:

RUSSELL T. BARTLETT, Woodsville

REGISTER OF DEEDS:

GEORGE H. KENDALL, Woodsville.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES:

HARLAN P. GOODRICH, Lebanon.

COUNTY ALMSHOUSE AND HOUSE OF CORRECTION:

HENRY C. PHILLIPS, Supt., Woodsville.

CHAPLAIN:

REV. J. ROY DINSMORE, North Haverhill.

PHYSICIAN:

C. R. GIBSON, M. D., Woodsville.

AUDITORS:

F. D. CURRIER, Canaan.
 M. M. STEVENS, Lisbon.

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Commissioners' Report.

To the Citizens of Grafton County :

Again we present to the tax payers of the county, our annual report in accordance with the New Hampshire statutes, also the reports of the Superintendent of the County Farm, Physician, Chaplain, Treasurer, Solicitor, Sheriff, Jailor, Clerk of the Supreme Court and Auditors.

The financial standing of the county we omit in this report, as the auditors give a full and complete report, and if given here would only be a repetition as regards the amount of the indebtedness of the county, December 31, 1897.

Permanent improvements the past year include the building of a new horse barn, fifty by eighty feet with the basement finished for the accommodation of one hundred hogs, refitting the steam pipes, repairing and furnishing long shed for cow stable which accommodates twenty-four cows.

Again we report an increase in number of cows and young cattle over one year ago—from ninety to one hundred and three-head. The freshet early in July flooded the island and damaged the hay to such an extent to make it unusable, thereby necessitating the feeding it to stock on the farm. The amount received from calves, creamery and profit on sale of cows have been quite satisfactory during the past year.

Owing to the change in the laws in regard to settle-

ment of paupers, a large number of those supported by towns became county charges, yet we have to report only slight increase in the cost of supporting paupers off the farm from one year ago.

The new jail, thirty-two by forty-eight feet, containing sixteen cells, office and two strong rooms, is ready for putting in the steel works. It was contracted and will be completed, we think, at a cost of ten thousand dollars. Over three thousand six hundred dollars have now been paid on its construction and one-half could have been paid the present year, after paying the bonds and interest, and not increased the county debt. We now anticipate the jail can be completed and paid for without issuing new bonds or increasing the liabilities of the county.

The Superintendent, Matron and their assistants have shown the same interest in the welfare and comfort of the inmates in the past year, and have cheerfully assisted in carrying out needed reforms to make their lot as happy as possible.

ERRATA.

Page 3.—Fourth paragraph should read one hundred and twenty-three head.

Page 9.—Fourteenth amount should be \$30.22.

Page 54.—First amount should be \$12.00.

Tenth amount should be \$258.87.

Page 55.—Seventh amount should be \$256.19.

Eleventh amount should be \$41.23.

PAID FOR THE SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS

From January 1, 1897, to January 1, 1898.

Alexandria,	\$ 12 00
Ashland,	873 94
Bath,	57 55
Bethlehem,	122 98
Benton,	161 18
Bristol,	508 88
Bridgewater,	284 15
Campton,	269 07
Canaan,	334 08
Dorchester,	258 87
Easton,	6 85
Ellsworth,	330 83
Enfield,	325 71
Franconia,	67 44
Grafton,	503 73
Groton,	199 66
Hanover,	198 15
Haverhill,	815 56
Hebron,	114 22
Holderness,	19 07
Landaff,	69 00
Lebanon,	3200 34
Lisbon,	446 23
Littleton,	1335 82
Lincoln,	290 03
Lyman,	123 71
Lyme,	218 83
Monroe,	50 02

Orange,	\$ 32 00
Orford,	207 54
Piermont,	39 80
Plymouth,	662 63
Rumney,	426 58
Thornton,	389 76
Warren,	46 40
Wentworth,	2 95
Woodstock,	13 26
C. W. Cowing, support of Stephen Harris,	15 00
Hillsboro County, support of Michael O'Leary,	81 00
J. E. Lincoln, clothing for Briggs children,	7 45
“ “ “ “ “ “	3 00
C. O. Hurlbutt, taking Marvin Mitchell to Concord,	5 00
H. F. Hoyt, transporting paupers,	17 62
Bellows & Son, clothing for Mitchell Curran,	2 20
“ “ “ “ Isaac Dickinson,	6 50
Ashland M. A., “ “ Fred Johnson,	3 94
Hapgood & Howard, clothing for Wallace Briggs,	3 25
C. W. Hayes, clothing for W. Chadwick,	6 30
Richardson & Emerson, clothing for W. Chadwick,	6 40
Storrs & Weston, clothing for Donald King,	4 10
J. M. Chase, “ “ “ “	7 00
C. W. Hayes, “ “ W. Chadwick,	4 90
J. F. Huckins, transporting paupers,	14 86
H. F. Green, “ “	12 52
Town of Claremont, support of John Hardy and wife,	146 37
Belknap County, support of Lewis Brake,	61 64
Ashland M. A., clothing for Arthur Tucker,	3 60

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PAID FOR SUPPORT OF DEPENDENT SOLDIERS

From Jan. 1, 1897, to Jan. 1, 1898.

Alexandria,	\$256 19
Campton,	348 06
Canaan,	18 85
Dorchester,	41 23
Enfield,	167 50
Haverhill,	535 57
Lebanon,	119 44
Lisbon,	164 97
Littleton,	23 91
Plymouth,	156 00
Thornton,	181 45
Bethlehem,	120 00
Orange,	42 00
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	\$2,175 17

PAID FOR SUPPORT OF PAUPERS ON FARM.

Ashland Mercantile Association,	\$ 23 35
Fred Gould,	20 00
Frank Foss and wife,	31 25
Oscar Weare,	23 00
Henry Ballard and wife,	33 33
L. B. Whittaker and wife,	31 25
E. D. Carpenter,	32 50
Mulliken & Davis,	66 16
Frank Foss and wife,	31 25

L. B. Whittaker,	\$ 56 25
O. Weare,	23 00
Fred Gould,	20 00
H. Ballard,	33 33
Dickerman & Company,	64 69
Rowe Brothers,	24 68
E. B. Mann & Co.,	25 24
Mulliken & Davis,	100 73
H. C. Phillips and wife,	200 00
H. Ballard and wife,	33 33
L. B. Whittaker and wife,	33 33
O. Weare,	23 00
Frank Foss,	31 25
E. B. Mann & Co.,	24 10
A. J. Bedell,	54 00
E. D. Carpenter,	115 75
Ashland Mercantile Association,	35 00
Hodgdon & Pollard,	30 00
Woodworth & Company,	3 58
Dickerman & Company,	26 32
Carter & Churchill,	38 70
English & Bond,	15 68
Mulliken & Davis,	32 15
Boyd, Leeds & Co.,	9 44
H. Ballard,	33 33
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
O. Weare,	23 00
H. Ballard,	12 32
C. K. Kionne and wife,	38 83
Orville Noyes,	27 70
O. Weare,	23 00
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
H. C. Phillips,	200 00
C. Potterton,	37 00

C. K. Kinne,	\$ 33 33
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
Orville Noyes,	20 00
O. Weare,	23 00
E. Russell and wife,	38 88
Edson & Bailey,	233 80
Bradley Fertilizer Company,	177 70
E. L. Andrews,	21 75
A. J. Bedell,	21 15
Bellows & Son,	6 12
Northern Coal Company,	551 16
“ “ “	58 38
English & Bond,	41 79
Edson & Bailey,	20 22
Dickerman & Company,	44 40
Boyd, Leeds & Co.,	37 17
E. B. Mann & Co.,	25 60
Mulliken & Davis,	8 80
Woodsville Lumber Works,	7 00
C. L. Bailey,	6 70
H. H. Lee, M. D.,	52 50
Orville Noyes,	20 00
O. Weare,	23 00
C. K. Kinne,	33 33
E. Russell,	33 33
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
H. C. Phillips,	12 50
Geo. C. Butler,	40 00
H. F. Green,	22 93
E. Dole & Co.,	78 96
E. B. Mann & Co.,	5 70
Mulliken & Davis,	16 04
M. E. Kimball,	36 20
Howe & Gordon,	22 23

H. A. Jackman,	\$ 34 44
Taylor & Bowles,	8 00
Stratton & Co.,	359 50
Woodworth & Co.,	41 92
Dickerman & Co.,	10 57
E. Legrow & Son,	9 25
Ames Harrow & Seeder Co.,	61 00
Fisher & Co.,	16 62
Rev. J. R. Dinsmore,	24 00
Brown & Huckins,	3 00
Melville DeWitt,	16 00
Orville Noyes,	20 00
O. Weare,	23 00
C. K. Kinne,	33 33
E. Russell,	33 33
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
W. G. Upton,	15 25
M. DeWitt,	38 00
Bila Ferrin,	7 50
Moulton & Freeman,	18 00
W. J. Fisher,	12 15
L. M. Robie,	561 00
“ “	123 00
I. N. Eastman, M. D.,	134 75
Standard Oil Company,	6 00
H. F. Hoyt,	10 00
R. P. White,	5 00
B. & M. R. R.,	62 80
Griswold & McKinne,	464 70
H. C. Phillips,	122 32
Clark, Hutchinson Co.,	60 81
Moulton & Freeman,	3 75
E. D. Carpenter,	73 00
Mulliken & Davis,	59 39

Dickerman & Co.,	\$ 24 20
George H. Cross,	4 90
C. M. Morse & Son,	32 09
English & Bond,	5 50
Ashland Mercantile Association,	6 60
C. K. Kinne,	33 33
Orville Noyes,	20 00
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
H. C. Phillips,	200 00
Edson & Bailey,	414 52
J. F. Draper & Co.,	19 06
E. L. Andrews,	109 86
Clement & Bray,	324 90
W. B. Titus,	21 60
W. N. Derby,	26 50
S. F. Southard Estate,	75 50
Littleton Lumber Company,	41 05
H. A. Johnson,	276 00
C. W. Herbert,	62 50
E. H. Gould,	25 00
Howe & Gordon,	12 49
E. B. Mann & Co.,	26 56
Mulliken & Davis,	23 11
Mulliken, Cousins & Short,	146 75
W. G. Upton,	12 75
Edson & Bailey,	139 00
Dickerman & Co.,	112 76
John Morse,	45 00
Will Tenney,	13 96
Orville Noyes,	20 00
C. K. Kinne,	33 33
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
H. Ballard,	39 44
Mattie Patch,	21 00

Mulliken & Davis,	\$696 00
L. M. Robie,	222 50
Robie & Brainard,	51 00
D. E. Carr, Collector,	209 88
English & Bond,	5 10
Mulliken & Davis,	15 49
Standard Oil Co.,	9 88
Dickerman & Co.,	45 71
Rowe Brothers,	39 06
W. C. Sanborn,	9 00
James W. Foster Co.,	6 89
Edson & Bailey,	176 26
Abram French,	6 25
E. B. Mann & Co.,	12 35
H. Ballard,	33 33
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
Orville Noyes,	20 00
Will Tenney,	20 00
G. J. Woodward,	30 00
A. J. Bedell,	16 25
Littleton Lumber Company,	25 75
Renfrew Bros.,	18 59
C. K. Kinne,	66 66
August Viefeld,	45 00
George H. Smith,	38 00
L. M. Robie,	132 00
M. E. Kimball,	55 86
Howe & Gordon,	7 50
Northern Supply Co.,	4 43
English & Bond,	29 52
E. B. Mann & Co.,	8 70
Q. A. Scott & Son,	20 53
H. G. Smith,	11 70
F. E. Lane,	7 00

Stickney Bros.,	\$ 2 75
Mulliken & Davis,	18 85
H. C. Phillips,	200 00
H. Ballard,	33 33
O. Noyes,	17 75
Will Tenney,	20 00
L. B. Whittaker,	33 33
W. A. Gibson,	107 25
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	\$11,161 22

STATEMENT

Of the Expenses of the County for the Year Ending
December 31, 1897.

Paid for support of paupers on farm,	\$11,161 22
For support of paupers off farm,	13,431 47
For support of dependent soldiers,	2,175 17
Jail expenses,	1,400 72
Books, blanks and stationery for county officers,	458 87
Insurance on county buildings,	480 50
State Industrial school,	490 71
Sheriffs, deputies and messengers,	600 08
Repairs and supplies for Plymouth court house,	24 39
Repairs and supplies for Woodsville court house,	249 12
Janitor's services Woodsville court house,	159 00
Coroner's inquest,	8 00
County officers salaries,	2,727 45
Printing county reports,	87 10
Legal services,	118 35
Jury pay roll,	1,704 26
Pay roll, state vs. sundry persons,	3,285 01
Court referee fees,	1,076 80
Other court expenses,	1,418 34
Bonds, coupons and interest paid,	7,460 93
New barn at county farm,	2,984 14
New jail bills to date,	3,675 18
Indexing records,	186 05
Orphans home,	113 00
	\$55,475 86

TO THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

And the Selectmen of the Several Towns in Grafton County.

The following towns may send their affidavits and direct their correspondence to

HENRY F. GREEN, Littleton, N. H.:—Bethlehem, Bath, Benton, Easton, Franconia, Haverhill, Landaff, Littleton, Lisbon, Lyman, Livermore, Monroe, Warren.

JAMES F. HUCKINS, Ashland, N. H.:—Ashland, Alexandria, Bristol, Bridgewater, Campton, Ellsworth, Hebron, Holderness, Lincoln, Groton, Plymouth, Rumney, Thornton, Wentworth, Waterville, Woodstock.

HORACE F. HOYT JR., Etna, N. H.:—Dorchester, Enfield, Canaan, Grafton, Hanover, Lebanon, Lyme, Orford, Orange, Piermont.

We desire to call your notice to Chapter 27, Sections 9, 10, 11, and Chapter 85, Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 14 and 15 of the Public Statutes, and inform you that no bills will be PAID for more than thirty days' support previous to the proper affidavits being furnished us according to the requirements of these statutes. The evidence as to the settlement must show the name, age, place of present or former residence of the applicant since 1880; the amount of property owned by and taxed to them in any place since Jan. 1, 1880; whether married or single; if married, when and to whom; if under the age of thirty years, the name and place and residence and parents; the amount of property owned by and taxed to either of them; if they have received any aid, when and by whom; where they have lived

since 1880, and any other material facts bearing upon the matter.

We also call your attention to Chapter 58, Section 1, Pamphlet laws of 1883, entitled, "An act for the punishment of parents who neglect to provide for the support of their minor children," and to report any such case at once to the commissioners, so that such delinquents may be compelled to perform their duty to their legitimate offspring.

We would also call your attention to Chapter 84, Sections 9, 10 and 11, Public Statutes, in relation to aid furnished to indigent soldiers, and providing for entrance to the Soldiers' Home in certain cases, and request you to see that the provisions of said statutes are complied with before furnishing aid at the expense of the County.

You are requested to present to the County Commissioners during the first week of each term of Court all legal claims which said town has against said county for the support of county paupers.

You are also requested to look after the interests of said paupers, and be SURE that each pauper gets a dollar's worth of goods for a dollar, and settle no bills that are not particularly itemized as regards weight, quantity and price.

HENRY F. GREEN,	}	Grafton
JAMES F. HUCKINS,		County
HORACE F. HOYT,		Commissioners.

Superintendent's Report.

POST OFFICE, } GRAFTON COUNTY ALMSHOUSE,
WOODSVILLE, N. H. } HAVERHILL, N. H., Dec. 31, 1897.

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners:

Gentlemen:—In compliance with the Public Statutes of the State of New Hampshire, I herewith submit my report of the Grafton County Almshouse and House of Correction from January 1, 1897 to January 1, 1898:

Number of inmates January 1, 1897,	100
Number admitted during year,	58
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Total,	158
Number discharged during year,	26
Number died during year,	24
Number of inmates Dec. 31, 1897,	108
Average number during the year,	98
Number of weeks board furnished inmates and employees,	5,720
Cost per week,	\$1 31

LIST OF PAUPERS

Supported at the Grafton County Almshouse from January
1, 1897 to January 1, 1898.

Name.	Town.	Age.	Nationality.	Weeks.	Days
Webster Simonds,	Alexandria,	79	American	11	5
Phoebe Simonds,	"	83	"	52	1
Elizabeth Pusey,	"	74	"	52	1
Daniel Martin,	"	85	"	16	6
Martha Martin,	"	64	"	52	1
G. Gromo,	"	74	French	25	3
John Flanders,	"	22	American	52	1
Marcellus Sorrell,	Ashland,	78	French	52	1
Mrs. M. Sorrell,	"	77	"	52	1
David Baker,	"	88	American	52	1
Fannie Waters,	Bath,	36	"	52	1
Lillian D. Waters,	"	2	"	30	2
D. F. Waterman,	"	70	"	1	5
Roxana Richardson,	Bristol,	58	"	52	1
S. N. Page,	"	85	"	52	1
Willie Dysart,	"	31	"	52	1
Caroline Stickney,	Canaan,	64	"	52	1
Stephen Towle,	"	61	"	52	1
Helen M. Trumbull,	"	62	"	52	1
M. E. Preston,	"	86	"	39	5
Z. Wood,	"	73	"	52	1
Lizzie Grover,	"	27	French	52	1
Lawrence Powers,	"	37	Irish	52	1
Nellie Rush,	"	18	American	52	1
Frank Fox,	"	40	"	52	1
Charles H. Thurston,	"	75	"	25	
Chas. S. Stevens,	Campton,	48	"	52	1
Edson Hutchins,	"	31	"	52	1

Name.	Town.	Age.	Nationality.	Weeks.	Days
Fred Noyes,	Dorchester,	31	"	16	3
James Morrissey,	"	36	Irish	11	3
Edward Fox,	Easton,	37	American	9	7
Ruth Bowles,	"	29	"	52	1
Chester Noyes,	"	61	"	52	1
Sabin Little,	"	81	"		5
Lorinda Colburn,	Enfield,	28	"	52	1
Mary Ellen Elkins,	"	43	"	52	1
Dennison Sargent,	"	78	"	52	1
Aline Banks,	"	32	"	13	2
Orrin W. Donald,	Franconia,	72	Irish	52	1
Sarah Aldrich,	"	54	American	17	3
C. V. Garland,	Grafton,	57	"	52	1
Martha Peaslee,	"	53	"	7	5
Arnold Sleeper,	"	80	"	52	1
Joseph Sanborn,	Groton,	82	"	52	1
Abbie Sanborn,	"	77	"	52	1
Romantie Saunders,	"	31	"	52	1
Addie Holton,	Hanover,	74	"	52	1
Jane L. Corey,	"	66	"	8	3
Kate Lawler,	"	58	Irish	52	1
Frank Morey,	Haverhill,	50	American	52	1
Sarah Rickard,	"	61	"	52	1
Manley Cutting,	"	62	"	52	1
Lucy Bliss,	"	84	"	31	2
Frank Tulip,	"	26	French	12	7
Joel Hardy,	"	54	American	28	2
Lawrence Griffin,	"	40	Irish	27	1
Geo. H. Wallace,	"	49	American	3	2
Martha Wallace,	"	40	"	3	2
Fred Wallace,	"	6	"	3	2
———Wallace,	"	1	"	3	2
Mary E. Smith,	Hebron,	36	"	52	1

Name.	Town.	Age.	Nationality.	Weeks.	Days
Frank Fogg,	Hebron,	22	American,	35	
Phoebe G. Brown,	Holderness,	89	"	8	5
Grace Curry,	"	31	"	52	1
Alice Cox,	"	18	"	52	1
Earl Cox,	"	1	"	35	1
Hattie Wright,	Lisbon,	43	"	52	1
Chas. F. Dow,	"	38	"	52	1
Silas Northy,	"	67	"	52	1
James Nihan,	"	77	Irish	52	1
Mrs. Jacob Ela,	"	65	American	39	4
Charles Philbrook,	"	61	"	1	1
Densmore Presby,	"	20	"	51	3
Frank Merrill,	Landaff,	30	"	52	1
Eliza Merrill,	"	35	"	52	1
Fannie E. Bowles,	"	65	"	8	3
Frank Harley,	Lincoln,	35	Irish	27	
Joseph Morency,	"	19	French	5	
John Doherty,	"	50	Irish	3	2
James Addin,	"	22	American	7	5
Wm. R. Howard,	"	23	N. B.	9	3
Freeman Fox,	Lebanon,	40	American	52	1
Mary O. Connor,	"	45	Irish	52	1
Carrie Smith,	"	24	American	52	1
Abbie Smith,	"	21	"	52	1
David M. Moody,	"	61	"	52	1
Chas. Rhul,	"	37	"	52	1
Carl Saunders,	"	22	"	25	2
Maude Wentworth,	"	20	"	24	2
Martin Connor,	"	50	Irish	17	4
Randall Wentworth,	"	1	American	19	4
Emma Walton,	"	17	"	5	6
Harold E. Bolster,	"	1	"	5	6
Orlando Briggs,	"	55	"	19	6
Mary E. Briggs,	"	40	"	19	6

Name.	Town.	Age.	Nationality.	Weeks.	Days
Wallace F. Briggs,	Lebanon,	12	American,	3	5
Eunice M. Briggs,	"	8	"	4	5
Rosella M. Briggs,	"	5	"	19	6
Joseph Merchand,	"	21	French	1	
Mrs. Stickney,	"	50	American	30	2
Agnes Bailey,	"	24	"	25	2
Alonzo Bailey,	"	4m	"	15	5
John Keene,	"	40	Irish	14	2
John Conniff,	"	34	"	5	
Nellie Messer,	Littleton,	35	American	52	1
Frank Messer,	"	37	"	52	1
Amy StClair,	"	49	French	52	1
Geo. K. Paddleford,	"	66	American	11	5
Andrew J. Bell,	"	37	Irish	52	1
Rosetta Powers,	"	34	American	52	1
John F. Krause,	"	32	Irish	20	1
Charles Wheeler,	Lyman,	18	American	52	1
Silas D. Bailey,	"	71	"	52	1
Fred Dickinson,	"	25	"	1	4
Addie M. Dickinson,	"	23	"	1	4
Henry Dickinson,	"	7	"	1	4
Nettie Dickinson,	"	5	"	1	4
Fannie Dickinson,	"	2	"	1	4
Sarah Robinson,	Lyme,	50	"	52	1
Harriet Newell,	"	66	"	9	
Z. R. Gardner,	"	74	"	52	1
Charlotte Dyke,	"	67	"	52	1
Frank Davis,	"	41	"	35	2
Watson Conant,	"	73	"	11	3
Burton H. Bedell,	"	19	"	52	1
Luey Goodell,	"	70	"	35	1
S. Sellman,	"	23	Italian	3	4
Betsey Paul,	"	55	English	33	1
Mrs. H. L. Stowe,	"	46	American	26	1

Name.	Town,	Age.	Nationality.	Weeks.	Days
Calvin H. Brown,	Lyme	67	American	7	5
Charles Lamphere,	"	10	"	3	
Lucretia Cross,	Monroe,	78	"	53	1
Albert Gates,	"	52	"	9	
Mrs. Gates,	"	35	"	10	
Edward Ingerson,	"	23	"		3
Mrs. J. Stickney,	Orford,	94	"	8	4
Mary Williams,	"	79	"	52	1
Cora Cooledge,	"	33	"	44	
Eliza Jane Folsom,	Orange,	81	"	3	1
Saphronia Underhill,	Piermont,	81	"	52	1
Morris Hennessy,	"	27	Irish	13	6
Nettie Chase,	Plymouth,	21	American	52	1
John Barrett,	"	59	"	52	1
Grace Abel,	"	39	English	9	5
Harriet Wescott,	"	66	American	52	1
Eben Shute,	"	73	"	52	1
Sarah Johnson,	Rumney,	51	"	52	1
Herbert Kelley,	"	14	"	52	1
Albert Sabbatee,	Thornton,	26	"	52	1
W. H. Merrill,	"	59	"	9	5
Mary Chatman,	"	24	"	52	1
Edward C. Drake,	"	66	"	9	
John A. Sargent,	"			9	
Caroline M. Sargent,	"			9	
Francis Wyatt,	Warren,	59	"	52	1
Emma Taylor,	"	40	English	12	6
Frank A. Cross,	Wentworth,	47	American		

PRISONERS.

Name.	Town.	Age.	Nationality.	Weeks
Stephen Sawyer,	Lyme,	64	American	7

RECEIPTS

Of H. C. Phillips, Superintendent of the County Farm
from Jan. 1, 1897 to Jan. 1, 1898.

Balance cash on hand Jan. 1, 1897,	\$	201 90
Rec'd of Caroline Witcher, board Mary E. Elkins,		216 00
Henry F. Ballard, one pair overalls,		50
Town of Bristol, board Ben Durgin,		38 35
Wm. Ricker & Son, one calf,		10 00
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,		270 54
A. E. Wyman, three cows,		140 00
Town of Littleton, board Rosette Powers,		188 00
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,		265 70
Town of Landaff, board Merrill children,		275 90
Henry F. Green, 161 pounds pork,		8 50
Wm. Ricker & Son, one bull,		35 00
“ “ “ two calves,		15 00
Joseph Nutter, 6 1-2 days labor,		9 75
“ “ board of men, etc.,		11 60
Phoebe G. Brown, board,		27 91
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,		200 05
A. E. Wyman, three cows,		95 00
Town of Orford, board C. Cooledge,		138 70
“ “ “ J. Stickney,		149 85
Wm. Ricker & Son, one calf,		8 50
J. F. Huckins, one coat,		1 50
Brown & Morrill, 35 tons hay,		427 42
Henry F. Ballard, one pair boots,		2 00
David Baker, board,		144 00
W. J. Fisher, use telephone,		50

Rec'd of O. D. Eastman, hay,	\$ 15 00
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	206 20
Parker & Young Co., logging pine,	533 37
Frank L. Keyes, two heifers,	45 00
J. E. Henry, two heifers,	50 00
A. E. Wyman, six heifers,	228 00
R. T. Bartlett, hay,	12 24
Burgess, hay,	1 84
C. J. Pike, three heifers, one cow,	90 00
E. E. Shepardson, five cows,	200 00
A. E. Wyman, three cows,	120 00
Wm. Ricker & Son, three calves,	15 00
James Mitchell, hay,	4 00
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	135 87
Wm. Ricker & Son, one bull,	50 00
" " " one cow,	30 00
H. A. Jackman, beef,	16 90
C. C. Reinhart, hay,	6 00
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	151 89
Wilmot & Kendall, 12,823 lbs. hay,	85 35
R. T. Bartlett, 130 pounds pork,	6 50
L. E. Collins, hay,	13 50
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	156 00
Wm. Ricker & Son, five hogs,	51 70
" " " two calves,	12 69
A. E. Wyman, two cows,	60 00
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	128 67
Wells River Creamery Co.,	16 27
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	107 86
I. N. Eastman, pork,	7 64
Mrs. Wm. Flanders, acct. J. Hardy,	10 00
H. B. Moulton, five calves,	41 00
H. F. Hoyt, acct. H. Newell,	21 01
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	137 49

Rec'd of Wm. Ricker & Son, two calves,	\$ 17 50
Town of Lisbon, board James Nihan,	56 50
Ellery Chamberlin, hay,	9 05
C. W. Stevens, burial expenses F. A. Cross,	17 50
Edward Addin, in full for board James Addin,	42 48
H. B. Moulton, six calves,	42 00
Frank L. Keyes, two cows,	60 00
A. E. Wyman, four cows,	175 00
Wm. Ricker & Son, seven calves,	37 00
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	181 43
R. N. Darling, one pair horses,	200 00
Connecticut River Lumber Co., sup- plies for men,	44 26
James Mitchell, hay,	5 50
“ “ acct. cows,	7 00
L. B. Whittaker, one dozen h'dk'fs.,	1 00
Bailey, for expenses of burial Lucy Goodell,	18 50
E. O. Gitchell, board of men and labor,	303 70
Burgess, 320 pounds beef,	16 00
F. P. Bond, board Andrew Bell,	218 57
North Haverhill Creamery Co.,	268 35
F. L. Shaw, two cows,	85 00
Geo. C. Smith, balance on cow,	5 98
A. E. Davis, hay,	14 60
Town of Haverhill, damage to cows,	15 00
“ “ one drag,	6 00
C. K. Kinne, board of horse,	39 00
“ “ one pair shoes,	1 00
H. F. Green, fifty pounds pork,	3 50

Rec'd of Town of Lyme, board Burt Bedell,	\$205 71
Eames, Sargent & Co., use of side track,	21 00
Eames, Sargent & Co., use of telephone,	2 00
John N. Morse, use of telephone,	35
Wm. Tenney, one frock and stamps,	1 10
James Minot, three gallons oil,	60
John Child, two gallons oil,	40
R. T. Bartlett, 240 pounds pork,	13 20
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	\$7,784 94

EXPENDITURES

From January 1, 1897, to January 1, 1898.

Paid James Dow, carpenter work,	\$153 51
Gilman Bros., straw,	81 60
Ashland Mer. Asso., supplies,	22 78
English & Bond, “	191 35
Bellows & Son, “	29 50
Browns' Lumber Co., lumber,	19 00
E. M. Slayton & Co., supplies,	12 30
Edson & Bailey, grain,	457 90
M. L. Sanborn, one ham,	1 54
Rowe Brothers, groceries,	243 23
Fred Hall, cutting ice,	16 63
North Haverhill Creamery Co., milk cans,	6 00
M. E. Kimball, supplies,	82 34
Geo. C. Butler, machine repairs,	7 00
E. B. Mann, straw,	20 25
J. H. Smalley, harness repairs,	2 00
H. N. Stimpson, labor,	79 00
M. E. Kimball, supplies,	39 25
H. H. Stimpson, labor,	193 24
E. L. Andrews, lumber,	4 97
Norfolk M'fg. Co., soap,	19 08
Lowell Steam Boiler Works, grates,	29 47
New England Telephone Co.,	83 42
Geo. E. Eastman,	4 25
Taylor & Bowles, tables and chairs,	28 08
F. G. Chutter & Co., dry goods,	49 44
H. S. Sleeper, repairs,	16 37
Peter Rosier, cutting wood,	8 62
James King, “ “	28 52

Païd Israel Fisher, cutting wood,	\$ 45 35
H. Maguire, " "	50 87
A. E. Wyman, two cows,	58 00
Joseph Nutter, pressing hay,	102 50
George Roden, cutting wood,	42 00
John Lucas, labor,	6 00
Carr & Gale, potatoes,	77 80
N. H. Democratic Press Company,	2 25
C. H. Wetherbee, box rent,	30
Robinson Bros., thermometers,	2 95
A. E. Porter, supplies,	2 65
C. Johnson, cutting wood,	27 00
Frank Tulip, labor,	30 00
W. G. Upton, repairs,	26 90
Henry Maguire, labor,	11 25
Mrs. C. K. Kinne, nursing,	21 00
Northern Supply Co., feed,	56 35
Eames, Sargent & Co., sawdust,	18 00
C. W. Hayes, eggs,	31 80
Boston Packing & Provision Co., supplies,	18 08
J. H. Pierce & Co., groceries,	37 80
F. G. Weeks, dentistry,	1 00
E. Howard Watch and Clock Co., dials,	6 00
Moulton & Freeman, eggs,	6 00
B. & M. R. R., mileage,	60 00
Norfolk Oyster Co., oysters,	4 75
Mulliken, Davis & Co., supplies and re- pairs,	99 33
E. B. Mann & Co., supplies,	25 35
Woodworth & Co., groceries,	32 00
Dickerman & Co., "	85 05
Ira Witcher, lumber,	5 61
Ramie Fortier, cutting wood,	6 09
J. C. & R. W. Page,	13 07

Paid W. F. Pike, blacksmithing,	\$ 31 88
Boyd, Leeds & Co., groceries,	27 65
Belcher and Taylor, repairs for plow,	55
G. F. Howey Co., medicines,	9 70
Lynch and Richardson, supplies,	9 54
Frank L. Keyes, one horse,	100 00
J. C. Pennock, fish and oysters,	18 35
J. F. Huckins, burial expenses Phoebe Brown,	8 36
Frank Foss and wife, labor,	20 60
P. O. Box rent, Woodsville,	1 00
Wm. Ricker & Son, thirty-six cows, four hogs,	1,090 00
George G. Shute, vinegar,	7 68
W. A. Shaw, potatoes,	4 00
R. P. White, crockery,	3 36
Wm. Ricker & Son, one bull,	23 00
E. Legro & Son, repairs,	1 40
G. A. Ring, labor,	3 50
Doane Cook, vinegar,	10 00
Elmer French, potatoes,	17 50
Howe & Gordon, groceries, etc.,	45 72
G. J. Woodward, two cows,	38 00
E. E. Shepardson, one cow,	35 00
E. R. Perkins, services as chaplain,	24 00
F. E. Lane, repairing shoes,	14 15
Burton, Mansfield & Pierce, clothing,	75 74
N. H. Provision Co., meat,	16 65
Walker, Stetson & Sawyer, clothing,	9 31
Dyer, Rice & Co., clothing,	12 38
Bailey Bros., corned beef,	9 17
Abram French & Co., glassware,	3 25
Smith Suspender Co.,	13 87
Telegram,	91

Paid B. & M. R. R., freight bills to July 1st,	\$ 75 40
T. C. Potterton, labor,	12 50
A. C. Clough, potatoes,	8 40
H. G. Smith, repairing harnesses,	15 45
E. B. Miller, berries,	3 84
George H. Turner, treasurer,	2,674 20
F. W. Bittinger, printing,	7 50
Norwich Pharmacal Co., medicines,	5 90
Harrington & Co., sweet potatoes,	2 62
Wells River Bridge Co., toll,	5 00
Clement & Bray, onions,	18 00
C. E. Noyes, labor,	3 50
Edward Addin, one bull, one cow,	57 00
F. P. Pray, clothing,	10 25
H. L. Woodward, pasturing,	50 00
M. N. Hoyt, “	43 00
C. L. Bailey, blacksmithing,	8 98
G. J. Woodward, balance account,	12 95
John B. Noyes, account Wm. Nihan,	3 00
Wm. McLaughlin, blacksmithing,	3 45
C. D. Manchester, millinery,	1 72
W. J. Fisher, potatoes and labor,	4 25
E. B. Miller, supplies,	2 25
Gasper Police, “	4 50
W. U. Telegraph, telegram,	2 30
B. & M. R. R., freight bills to Dec. 31st,	58 37
Miscellaneous bills,	60 75
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	\$7,784 94

INVENTORY

Of Personal Property at the County Farm, Jan. 1, 1897.

Live stock,	\$3,277 50
Farming utensils,	1,224 35
Provisions and produce,	5,967 11
Clothing,	471 34
Household furniture,	981 38
Almshouse furniture,	1,532 41
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	\$13,454 09

INVENTORY

Of Personal Property at the County Farm, Jan. 1, 1898.

Live stock,	\$4,967 00
Farming utensils,	1,248 20
Provisions and produce,	6,071 16
Clothing,	524 17
Household furniture,	982 85
Almshouse furniture,	1,478 46
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	\$15,271 84

COST OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS

At County Farm from January 1, 1897, to January 1, 1898.

Inventory of personal property at County Farm	
January 1, 1897,	\$13,454 09
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1897,	201 90
Due for board of town paupers, etc., January	
1, 1897,	1,020 95
Interest on investment,	1,200 00
Bills paid by commissioners,	11,161 22
	\$27,038 16

Inventory of personal property at County Farm	
January 1, 1898,	\$15,271 84
Due for board of town paupers, etc.,	593 93
Permanent improvements,	985 71
Cash paid county treasurer,	2,674 20
	\$19,525 68

Total net cost of supporting paupers at farm	
for year ending Dec. 31, 1897,	\$7,512 48

In accordance with Chapter 30, Section 1, Public Statutes, the Superintendent of the County Farm shall make up his report to January 1st, annually, and also Section 2 of said chapter requires that the superintendent's report shall contain, in addition, a list of the paupers actually supported at the Farm, and the number of weeks each was so supported, also a statement of the average

cost per week for each pauper, with an explanation of the basis upon which said calculations were made.

The whole number of persons supported and partially supported for the year ending December 31, 1897 was (158) one hundred and fifty-eight.

The number of weeks' board is ascertained by taking the number of days between the day of admittance and the day of departure of each individual, and dividing that number by seven, it gives the number of weeks each individual has been so supported.

The whole cost of supporting paupers at the farm for the year ending December 31, 1897, is \$7,512.48, and this sum divided by the whole number of weeks board furnished viz: 5,720 gives \$1.31 as the price per week.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. PHILLIPS, Superintendent.

We the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account of the Superintendent of the County Farm for the County of Grafton, for the year ending December 31, 1897, and find the same to be properly vouched and correctly cast.

HENRY F. GREEN, } Commissioners
 JAMES F. HUCKINS, } of
 HORACE F. HOYT, } Grafton County.

COST OF NEW BARN AT COUNTY FARM

R. T. Gile, surveying,	\$ 5 00
A. W. Bean, lumber,	790 16
Woodworth & Co., cement,	17 32
James Dow, labor and plans,	9 20
E. L. Andrews, labor and material,	589 23
E. O. Gitchell, stone work,	740 20
Mulliken & Davis, hardware,	66 50
Littleton Lumber Co., lumber,	677 02
Edson & Bailey, hardware,	42 12
Boston & Maine, R. R., freight,	30 89
Frank L. Keyes, labor,	16 50
	\$2,984 14

Physician's Report.

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners:

I hereby submit my report of the medical department of the Grafton County Almshouse.

During the winter and early spring months the inmates suffered, in common with the community at large, from a severe epidemic of La Grippe, which in several cases ended in Pneumonia.

This amongst so many aged and debilitated people would necessarily increase the death rate somewhat. During the last six months of the year the general health has been excellent. I have been greatly aided in the discharge of my duties by the superintendent and matron and their efficient corps of assistants.

There has been three births during the year, and appended is a list of deaths occurring:

Date	Name	Age	Disease
Mar. 23,	Webster Simonds,	79	
Apr. 29,	Daniel Martin,	85	Old Age
June 27,	G. Gromo,	74	Heart disease
Oct. 5,	M. E. Preston,	86	Old Age
Oct. 31,	Chas. H. Thurston,	75	Dementia
Mar. 10,	Edward Fox,	38	Pneumonia
Feb. 23,	Martha Peaslee,	53	Tumor
Mar. 1,	Jane L. Corey,	66	Pneumonia
Aug. 7,	Lucy Bliss,	84	Heart disease
Sept. 7,	Joel Hardy,	54	Chorea
Mar. 2,	Phoebe G. Brown,	89	Old Age

Date	Name	Age	Disease
Nov. 5,	Fannie E. Bowles,	65	Consumption
May 23,	James H. Addin,	22	Spinal fracture
Mar. 23,	Geo. K. Paddleford,	66	La Grippe
May 21,	John F. Krause,	32	Heart disease
Mar. 4,	Harriet Newell,	66	Pneumonia
Sept. 4,	Frank Davis,	41	Billious fever
Sept. 3,	Lucy Goodell,	70	Hernia
Mar. 21,	Watson Conant,	73	Pneumonia
Mar. 1,	Julia Stickney,	94	Old Age
Nov. 5,	Cora Cooledge,	33	Consumption
Mar. 9,	Grace Abel,	39	Apoplectic fit
Mar. 9,	Wm. H. Merrill,	59	Pneumonia
Oct. 11,	Frank A. Cross,	47	Chorea

BIRTHS.

Jan. 19,	Randall Wentworth.
Apr. 30,	Earl Cox.
Sept. 13,	Alonzo Bailey.

Permit me, in closing, to thank you for the patronage conferred, and confidence reposed in me.

Respectfully,

C. R. GIBSON, M. D.

Chaplain's Report

From January 1, 1897, to April 12, 1897.

To the Honorable Commissioners and to the Citizens of Grafton County.

The usual services have been held, and have been a source of comfort and spiritual help to those who are religious inclined. During these months there has been very much sickness and many deaths, on two occasions three persons were buried the same day. During this time of sickness the Superintendent and Matron labored with great faithfulness to make the condition of the sick as comfortable as possible.

In making this, my last report as chaplain, I am glad to bear witness to the kindness with which I have been treated by those in charge, and also to their efforts for the well being of the inmates, in which they have had the most cordial support of the Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD R. PERKINS.

Sheriff's Report.

To the Commissioners of Grafton County:

I herewith submit my report as Sheriff for the County of Grafton for the year ending December 31, 1897.

MARCH TERM, 1897, (Woodsville.)

C. O. Hurlbutt, four days attendance,	\$ 12 00
Forty-six miles travel,	5 52
C. R. Coburn, four days attendance,	10 00
Twenty miles travel,	2 40
W. B. Blandin, four days attendance,	10 00
Five miles travel,	60
M. S. Brown, four days attendance,	10 00
Forty miles travel,	4 80
A. E. Davis, two days attendance,	5 00
W. A. Gibson, two days attendance,	5 00
Ten miles travel,	1 20
W. S. Learned, four days attendance,	10 00
Thirty-six miles travel,	4 32
Clergyman,	2 00
Messenger, four days attendance,	5 00
Conveying Edward Santy from jail to Wood-	
sville,	2 00
Keeping,	1 00
Conveying Fred E. Hunt from jail to Woods-	
ville,	2 00
Keeping,	1 00

Conveying Edward Santy from Woodsville to prison,	\$ 21 80
Conveying Fred E. Hunt from Woodsville to prison,	21 80
	<hr/> \$137 44

APRIL TERM, 1897, (Lebanon.)

C. O. Hurlbutt, three days attendance,	\$ 9 00
C. M. Murray, two days attendance,	5 00
Sixteen miles travel,	1 92
Messenger, three days attendance,	4 50
Clergyman,	2 00
Cleaning court house,	2 00
Fuel,	4 00
Paper, etc.,	40
	<hr/> \$28 82

MAY TERM, 1897, (Plymouth.)

C. O. Hurlbutt, eleven days attendance,	\$33 00
Eighty miles travel,	9 60
M. S. Brown, eleven days attendance,	27 50
W. S. Learned, nine days attendance,	22 50
Eight miles travel,	96
W. F. Gibson, two days attendance,	5 00
Thirty miles travel,	3 60
Messenger, eleven days attendance,	16 50
Clergyman,	2 00
Cleaning court house,	2 00
George H. Greeley, wood bill,	1 50

Webster, Russell & Co., bill,	\$ 3 25
Conveying Harry Frizzell from jail to Plymouth,	7 00
Conveying Harry Frizzell from Plymouth to prison,	18 00
	<hr/> \$152 41

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1897, (Woodsville.)

C. O. Hurlbutt, four days attendance,	\$12 00
Forty-six miles travel,	5 52
A. E. Davis, one days attendance,	2 50
W. A. Gibson, four days attendance,	10 00
Ten miles travel,	1 20
Messenger, four days attendance,	5 00
Clergyman,	2 00
Cleaning court house,	3 00
	<hr/> \$41 22

OCTOBER TERM, 1897, (Lebanon.)

C. O. Hurlbutt, three days attendance,	\$ 9 00
C. M. Murray, one days attendance,	2 50
Sixteen miles travel,	1 92
H. Howe, one days attendance,	2 50
Five miles travel,	60
Messenger, three days attendance,	4 50
Clergyman,	2 00
Heating and lighting court hall,	5 00
Paper, etc.,	92
	<hr/> \$28 94

NOVEMBER TERM, 1897, (Plymouth.)

C. O. Hurlbutt, five days attendance,	\$15 00
Eighty miles travel,	9 60
M. S. Brown, four days attendance,	10 00
W. A. Gibson, two days attendance,	5 00
Thirty miles travel,	3 60
C. A. Smith, one days attendance,	2 50
Seventeen miles travel,	2 04
W. S. Learned, one days attendance,	2 50
Eight miles travel,	96
J. P. Huckins, five days attendance,	12 50
Messenger, five days attendance,	7 50
Clergyman,	2 00
Cleaning court house, etc.,	7 50
F. H. Rollins, shades and labor,	2 00
G. H. Greeley, 2470 coal,	8 03
Webster, Russell & Co., bill,	1 92
Conveying Henry Nichols from jail to Plymouth,	7 00
" Ezra Watson " "	7 00
" Charles Cheney " "	7 00
" Stephen Sawyer " "	7 00
" Frank Russell " "	7 00
Board,	50
Conveying Mary Philbrick from jail to Plymouth,	7 00
Board,	50
Conveying Will Williams from jail to Plymouth,	7 00
Board,	50
Conveying Will Williams from Plymouth to jail,	7 00
Commitment and copy,	2 00
Conveying Stephen Sawyer from Plymouth to	
County Farm,	8 60
Commitment and copy,	2 00
Board,	50

Conveying Henry Nichols from Plymouth to prison,	\$13 00
Commitment and copy, Board,	2 00 1 00
Conveying Ezra Watson from Plymouth to prison,	13 00
Commitment and copy, Board,	2 00 1 00
Conveying Charles Cheney from Plymouth to prison,	13 00
Commitment and copy, Board,	2 00 1 00
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	\$211 25

CHARLES. O. HURLBUTT, Sheriff.

Solicitor's Report.

The following report for the year ending December 31, 1897, is respectfully submitted.

There is now pending no civil action to which the county is a party. At the beginning of the year there were four actions upon the state docket, to which thirty-eight have since been added, four of which were justice appeals. The various offences for which indictments were found are as follows:

Breaking and entering,	4
Assault upon an officer,	1
Assault with intent to kill,	2
Abuse of female child,	1
Fornication,	1
Malicious trespass,	2
Keeping disorderly house,	1
Larceny,	4
Sheep stealing,	4
Aggravated assault,	1
Indecent exposure,	1
Unlawful sale of mortgaged chattels,	1
Assisting prisoner to escape,	1
Violation of liquor laws,	10
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	34

There are now pending upon the state docket four actions.

GEO. H. ADAMS, Solicitor.

Plymouth, N. H., January 5, 1898.

Jailer's Report.

To the Commissioners of Grafton County.

As required by law I herewith submit my report for the term ending December 31, 1897.

Number of prisoners in jail January 1, 1897,	6
Committed from January 1. 1897, to December 31, 1897,	48
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	54
Committed to state prison,	6
" " industrial school,	2
" " county house of correction,	1
" " county jail,	1
Discharged,	33
Remaining in jail,	11
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	54
Committed for assault,	10
" " obstructing an officer,	2
" " illegal fishing,	1
" " intoxication,	14
" " burglary,	2
" " horse stealing,	1
" " stealing,	5
" " cruelty to animals,	1

Committed for	not paying taxes,	1
“	“ selling liquor,	9
“	“ threatening to destroy property,	2
“	“ attempted rape,	1
“	“ trespass,	3
“	“ fraud,	1
“	“ attempting to poison cattle,	1
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		54

Total number of weeks' board furnished prisoners, 325 4-7

W. A. GIBSON, Jailer.

Clerk's Report.

To the Honorable Commissioners of Grafton County :

I submit herewith report of the receipts and disbursements of this office for term ending December 31, 1897, as examined and allowed by the court.

MARCH TERM, 1897.

To cash paid printing docket,	\$ 46 00
" " binding docket,	11 15
" " December law term dockets,	7 20
" " envelopes,	21 52
" one days attendance, November adjourn- ed term,	5 00
" four capiases and three orders commit- ment,	7 00
" sixteen state entries,	4 80
" cash paid stationery and incidentals,	7 88
" four days attendance,	12 00
" allowance,	200 00
	\$322 55

CR.

By costs State vs Carr,	\$12 25
" costs State vs Wright,	1 20

By seven December law dockets sold,	\$ 3 50
“ fifteen March term dockets sold,	22 50
“ one hundred and nineteen entries,	107 10
“ order on county treasurer,	176 00
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	\$322 55

APRIL TERM, 1897.

To cash paid printing dockets,	\$32 75
“ “ binding dockets,	10 70
“ “ incidentals,	4 55
“ three days attendance,	15 00
“ allowance,	200 00
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	\$263 00

CR.

By thirteen dockets sold,	\$ 13 00
“ thirty-six entries,	32 40
“ order on county treasurer,	217 60
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	\$263 00

MAY TERM, 1897.

To cash paid printing dockets,	\$32 25
“ “ binding dockets,	10 70
“ “ bill of office supplies,	21 50
“ “ printing blanks,	37 58

To certifying judgements May term, 1894 to April term, 1895,	\$113 61
“ three capiases,	3 00
“ cash paid incidentals,	4 85
“ eleven days attendance,	55 00
“ allowance,	200 00
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	\$478 49

CR.

By thirteen dockets sold,	\$ 16 25
“ three jury fees,	15 00
“ eighty-one entries,	72 90
“ order on county treasurer,	374 34
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	\$478 49

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1897.

To cash paid printing dockets,	\$ 47 25
“ “ binding dockets,	9 65
“ “ June law dockets,	4 00
“ one-half printing, case Lime Rock Nat- ional Bank vs Henry et als,	3 00
“ paid printing blanks,	43 00
“ “ stamped envelopes,	23 00
“ “ binding records,	9 75
“ certifying judgements May 1895 to Nov- ember 1895,	64 01
“ equity records May and September 1881,	34 41
“ mittimus Davis,	1 00
“ paid incidentals,	6 81

To four days attendance,	\$ 12 00
" allowance,	200 00
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	\$457 88

CR.

By nine June law docketts sold,	\$4 50
" fifteen September law docketts sold,	22 50
" one hundred and forty-four entries,	129 60
" order on county treasurer,	301 28
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	\$457 88

 OCTOBER TERM, 1897.

To cash paid printing docketts,	\$ 28 25
" " binding docketts,	9 05
" " incidentals,	3 62
" four days attendance,	20 00
" allowance,	200 00
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	\$260 92

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By thirteen docketts sold,	\$ 13 00
" forty entries,	36 00
" order on county treasurer,	211 92
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	\$260 92

NOVEMBER TERM, 1897.

To cash paid printing docketts,	\$ 34 75
" " binding docketts,	9 05
" " office supplies,	10 25
" " stamped envelopes and postal cards,	29 55
" nine capiases and orders commitment,	9 00
" eighteen state entries,	5 40
" cash paid incidentals,	2 50
" five days attendance,	25 00
" allowance,	200 00
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	\$325 50

CR.

By thirteen docketts sold,	\$ 16 25
" one jury fee,	5 00
" fines and costs, State vs Sherman et als,	96 83
" seventy-eight entries,	70 20
" order on county treasurer,	137 22
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	\$325 50

DEXTER D. DOW, Clerk.

Treasurer's Report.

Annual Report of the Treasurer of the County of Grafton
for the Year Ending December 31, 1897.

RECEIPTS.

To cash in treasury January 1, 1897,	\$5,828 31
To cash rec'd, Stickney Bros. peddlers license,	25 00
“ “ Town of Lincoln, tax 1896,	481 43
“ “ Alvin Burleigh, fines,	10 00
“ “ Town of Waterville, tax 1896,	255 45
“ “ “ Alexandria, tax 1896,	268 53
“ “ “ Livermore, tax 1896,	623 89
“ “ fine State vs D. and William McDonald,	5 00
“ “ “ “ Mrs. R. Fournier,	10 00
“ “ “ “ Robertson & Stone- house,	10 00
“ “ “ “ August Vachen,	2 50
“ “ W. F. Parker, loan,	2,000 00
“ “ fine State vs Fred Hobart,	50 00
“ “ “ “ Alex McDonald,	25 00
“ “ “ “ Owen McQuade,	25 00
“ “ Ira Whitecher, loan,	3,000 00
“ “ Littleton Savings Bank, loan,	5,000 00
“ “ Alvin Burleigh, fine State vs E. E. Greene,	25 00
“ “ W. A. Gibson, fines,	167 31
“ “ Littleton National Bank, loan,	5,000 00

To cash rec'd	W. E. Burke, fine State vs Daniel Dearborn,	\$ 5 00
"	" W. E. Burke, fine State vs F. M. Prescott,	25 00
"	" W. E. Burke, fine State vs J. P. Anderson,	25 00
"	" W. E. Burke, fine State vs James Conroy,	25 00
"	" Littleton Savings Bank, loan,	5,000 00
"	" The Parker & Young Company, for pine lumber,	1,016 74
"	" New Hampshire Orphans' Home,	5 00
"	" fine State vs C. A. Sanborn,	5 00
"	" insurance on county buildings,	150 00
"	" fine State vs A. F. Bartlett and E. Witcher,	10 00
"	" H. C. Phillips, Superintendent County Farm,	400 00
"	" S. C. Baker, fine State vs James Brogan,	25 00
"	" H. C. Phillips, Superintendent County Farm,	300 00
"	" Estate Emily Ball,	70 00
"	" fine State vs James Burton,	5 00
"	" H. C. Phillips, Superintendent County Farm,	700 00
"	" New Hampshire Orphans' Home,	18 00
"	" H. C. Phillips, Superintendent, County Farm,	674 20
"	" H. C. Phillips, Superintendent, County Farm,	600 00
"	" Town of Ashland, tax, 1897,	1,416 49
"	" " Bath, "	600 00
"	" " Benton, "	283 30

To cash rec'd town of Bethlehem, tax, 1897,	\$1,946	13
“ “ “ Bridgewater, “	351	04
“ “ “ Bristol, “	2,494	25
“ “ “ Campton, “	1,046	97
“ “ “ Canaan, “	1,588	93
“ “ “ Dorchester, “	277	14
“ “ “ Easton, “	326	41
“ “ “ Ellsworth, “	67	44
“ “ “ Enfield, “	2,155	52
“ “ “ Franconia, “	997	70
“ “ “ Grafton, “	942	27
“ “ “ Hanover, “	3,110	11
“ “ “ Haverhill, “	3,393	41
“ “ “ Hebron, “	270	98
“ “ “ Holderness, “	609	70
“ “ “ Landaff, “	683	61
“ “ “ Lebanon, “	7,334	94
“ “ “ Lincoln, “	200	00
“ “ “ Lisbon, “	2,679	01
“ “ “ Littleton, “	4,532	76
“ “ “ Lyman, “	200	00
“ “ “ Lyme, “	1,348	74
“ “ “ Monroe, “	634	34
“ “ “ Orange, “	172	44
“ “ “ Orford, “	400	00
“ “ “ Piermont, “	800	62
“ “ “ Plymouth, “	2,913	04
“ “ “ Rumney, “	1,010	02
“ “ “ Thornton, “	461	90
“ “ “ Warren, “	942	27
“ “ “ Wentworth, “	689	77
“ “ “ Woodstock, “	609	70

\$79,362 61

CASH PAID OUT.

Paid Town of	Alexandria, support of paupers,	\$	256 19
“	Ashland, “ “		873 94
“	Bath, “ “		57 55
“	Benton, “ “		161 18
“	Bethlehem, “ “		122 98
“	Bridgewater, “ “		284 15
“	Bristol, “ “		508 88
“	Campton, “ “		269 07
“	Canaan, “ “		334 08
“	Dorchester, “ “		237 99
“	Easton, “ “		6 85
“	Ellsworth, “ “		330 83
“	Enfield, “ “		325 71
“	Franconia, “ “		67 44
“	Grafton, “ “		503 73
“	Groton, “ “		199 66
“	Hanover, “ “		198 15
“	Haverhill, “ “		815 56
“	Hebron, “ “		114 22
“	Landaff, “ “		69 00
“	Lebanon, “ “		3,200 34
“	Lincoln, “ “		290 03
“	Lisbon, “ “		446 23
“	Littleton, “ “		1,335 82
“	Lyman, “ “		123 71
“	Lyme, “ “		218 83
“	Monroe, “ “		50 02
“	Orange, “ “		32 00
“	Orford, “ “		207 54
“	Piermont, “ “		39 80
“	Plymouth, “ “		662 63

Paid town of	Rumney, support of paupers,	\$426 58
"	Thornton, " "	389 76
"	Warren, " "	46 40
"	Wentworth, " "	2 95
"	Woodstock, " "	13 26
"	Holderness, " "	19 07
"	Alexandria, for support of depend- ent soldiers,	12 00
"	Bethlehem, " "	120 00
"	Campton, " "	348 06
"	Canaan, " "	18 85
"	Dorchester, " "	62 11
"	Enfield, " "	167 50
"	Haverhill, " "	535 57
"	Lebanon, " "	119 44
"	Lisbon, " "	164 97
"	Littleton, " "	23 91
"	Plymouth, " "	156 00
"	Thornton, " "	181 45
"	Orange, " "	42 00
Paid pay roll	State vs Emeline Cunningham,	8 64
"	" Charles Pickering,	23 45
"	" Philip Burke,	9 93
"	" Frederick E. Hunt,	74 55
"	" Simpson,	12 50
"	" Philip Burke,	37 66
"	" Edward Santy,	31 66
"	" Irving J. Johnson,	31 00
"	" Harry Frizzell,	32 22
"	" A. H. Leighton et al,	52 46
"	" Charles P. Metcalf,	10 64
"	" Edward Chase,	28 63
"	" John W. Minkler et al,	49 97
"	" Harvey Burnham,	40 71

Paid pay roll State vs	Annie Waters,	\$ 29 26
“	“ Charles Haynes,	30 90
“	“ Ora Raynes,	37 54
“	“ Oswald H. Curran,	17 86
“	“ Alexander Robinson,	38 19
“	“ Jack McIntosh,	8 93
“	“ Ferdina Gray,	19 74
“	“ Eleazer Gaynon,	17 43
“	“ Eleazer Gauthier,	17 43
“	“ Walter C. Jesseman,	4 80
“	in favor of Geo. F. Morris,	10 00
“	State vs Willis Elliott,	32 58
“	“ Raymond Austin and M. Williams,	43 17
“	“ Edwin E. Shattuck,	7 84
“	“ Harvey S. Burnham,	25 83
“	“ A. L. Chandler and Nettie E. Wright,	8 00
“	“ John Lessee and Fidele Herbert,	36 80
“	“ W. A. Howard,	23 70
“	“ James Larkin, Jr.,	40 41
“	“ Bert Simpson,	35 14
“	“ Bert Simpson,	12 62
“	“ Edward Chase,	11 37
“	“ Napoleon Giguerre,	64 68
“	“ Henry Magoon,	29 81
“	“ Karl J. Brummer,	16 00
“	“ Karl J. Brummer,	1,131 11
“	“ Karl J. Brummer,	158 09
“	“ C. Wheelock and Julia McAlpine,	7 30
“	“ Ernest Simpson,	37 20
“	“ George LaTulip,	20 88

Paid pay roll State vs	Leo Nichols,	\$ 39 20
“	“ William Williams,	91 76
“	“ George Laeveer,	20 88
“	“ Henry Nichols et al,	83 90
“	“ Karl J. Brummer,	37 50
“	“ Alphonse Hamel,	9 36
“	“ F. W Hayes et al,	11 26
“	“ C. Wheelock and Julia McAlpine,	18 30
“	“ L. Corey,	81 15
“	“ Ed. Caderette,	15 52
“	“ Frank Sherman et al,	24 63
“	in favor of George F. Morris,	17 15
“	State vs Levi F. Jewell,	35 90
“	“ Daniel Spooner,	4 30
“	“ Russell, Smith, Sawyer,	33 50
“	“ Fred Bassett and Frank Sorrell,	74 49
“	“ Joseph Mirlon,	22 70
“	“ Charles Cheney,	56 54
“	“ “ “	5 00
“	“ Frank Russell, Jr. et al,	69 84
“	“ Stephen Sawyer,	96 45
“	“ Louis Brake,	17 05
Paid Grand jury pay roll,	March term,	143 36
Paid Petit	“ March term,	231 38
“	“ April term,	151 88
“	“ May term,	547 44
“	“ September term,	167 04
“	“ October term,	104 72
“	“ November term,	210 36
Paid Grand	“ November term,	148 08
“	J. M. Mitchell, referee fees, Keniston vs Cone,	11 50

Paid	D. A. Taggart, referee fees, Taylor and Merrill vs Robie et al,	\$ 50 60
"	D. D. Dow, referee fees, Nos. 73 and 74,	22 18
"	Alvin Burleigh, referee fees, Nos. 35 and 50,	58 61
"	Geo. F. Morris, referee fees, Wells vs Plant,	17 38
"	S. B. Page, referee fees, Terry vs Smith,	10 00
"	W. H. Cotton, referee fees, Sleeper, Administrator vs Witcher,	23 75
"	A. S. Batchellor, referee fees, Weston vs Daniels,	18 25
"	Isaac W. Smith, referee fees, Brown, Assignee vs Huckins,	29 25
"	F. D. Currier, referee fees, Shaw vs Gage,	6 00
"	Lena G. Durrell, stenographer bill, St. John vs Boston and Maine railroad,	31 50
"	Harry G. Sargent, referee fees, Nos. 42 and 43, Pollard vs Ellis,	45 75
"	John R. Connor, referee fees, Crosby vs Tenney,	21 50
"	H. F. Green, referee fees, Wood vs Mills,	37 40
"	Isaac W. Smith, referee fees, Burns vs Crawford,	15 00
"	I. W. Smith, referee fees, Wood vs Mills,	43 75
"	George H. Adams, referee fees, McIntire vs Pennock,	16 00
"	C. A. Dole, referee fees, Howland vs Swain,	27 50
"	C. A. Dole, referee fees, Swain vs Howland,	27 50
"	P. T. Kellogg, referee fees, Davis vs Oakes,	11 38
"	Harry G. Sargent, referee fees, Corning et al vs Records,	196 05
"	Tyler Westgate, referee fees, Kendall vs Hunt,	7 36
"	Dexter D. Dow, referee fees, Emerson vs Chandler et al,	11 00

Paid Tyler Westgate, referee fees, Harris et al vs Hall,	\$ 27 40
“ J. W. Remick, referee fees, Palmer Admin- istrator vs C. A. Bass,	41 50
“ J. W. Remick, referee fees, Palmer Admin- istrator vs H. W. Bass,	29 50
“ W. H. Cotton, referee fees, Follansbee vs Goss,	39 40
“ I. W. Smith, referee fees, Hall vs Leavitt,	14 25
“ E. W. Smith, referee fees, Plymouth vs Grafton county,	68 19
“ W. H. Cotton, referee fees, Hutchinson F. and M. Works vs Park, Jr.,	48 42
“ George W. Stone, referee fees, Nichols Brothers vs Gove,	23 68
“ W. A. Plummer, referee fees, Keeble vs Fox,	11 00
“ C. B. Hibbard, referee fees, Fraser vs Smith,	20 00
“ I. W. Smith, referee fees, Hoyt vs Ransom,	14 25
“ W. P. Burton, services as auditor,	20 00
“ B. M. Ames, services as auditor,	20 00
“ H. F. Hoyt, services as commissioner to March 13, 1897,	293 38
“ J. F. Huckins, services as commissioner to March 13, 1897,	205 86
“ H. F. Greene, services as commissioner to March 14, 1897,	317 03
“ George H. Adams, services as solicitor to April 1, 1897,	300 00
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, services as sheriff to April 1, 1897,	200 00
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, services and expense, March term,	137 44

Paid C. O. Hurlbutt, services and expense, April term,	\$ 28 82
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, services and expense, May term,	152 41
“ H. F. Greene, services as commissioner to July 1, 1897,	216 32
“ H. F. Hoyt, services as commissioner to July 1, 1897,	209 05
“ J. F. Huckins, services as commissioner to July 1, 1897,	145 81
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, services and expense, September term,	41 22
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, services as sheriff to October 1, 1897,	200 00
“ George H. Adams, services as solicitor to October 1, 1897,	300 00
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, services and expense, October term,	28 94
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, services and expense, November term,	211 25
“ Geo. H. Turner, services as treasurer,	300 00
“ H. F. Hoyt, Jr., expense taking Marion Mitchell to Hospital for Insane,	8 49
“ State Industrial School, support Emma Ingerson and others,	92 57
“ Bellows & Son, clothing for Mitchell Curran,	2 20
“ E. B. Huse, insurance on county buildings,	78 75
“ Town of Claremont, support John Hardy and wife and Moses Lavallie,	146 37
“ Merrill and Co., clothing for prisoners,	26 50
“ Chase & Wright, printing county reports and express,	87 10
“ W. H. Page & Son, clothing for prisoners at jail,	53 89

Paid J. P. Huckins, insurance on almshouse,	\$ 28 13
“ Bellows & Son, clothing for Isaac Atkinson,	6 50
“ D. D. Dow, inquest on body of Abner Perkins,	8 00
“ A. Davison, care Woodsville court house,	27 00
“ Ashland Mercantile Association, clothing for Arthur Tucker,	3 60
“ Haverhill Aqueduct Co., water for jail,	6 00
“ W. A. Gibson, board of prisoners,	243 05
“ W. A. Gibson, repairs and supplies at jail,	125 98
“ J. F. Huckins, transporting paupers,	7 54
“ J. P. Huckins, insurance on jail,	10 00
“ Belknap County, support of Louis Brake,	15 90
“ D. D. Dow, balance clerk's account March term 1897,	176 00
“ Cohos Steam Press, supplies for Register of Probate's office,	16 75
“ R. T. Bartlett, supplies for Register of Probate's office.	17 42
“ E. B. Mann & Co., supplies for Register of Deed's office,	7 20
“ A. Davidson, care Woodsville court house,	12 50
“ A. Davidson, wood for Woodsville court house,	8 13
“ C. W. Hayes, clothing for Chadwick child,	4 90
“ J. N. Chase, clothing for Donald King,	7 00
“ Storrs & Weston, clothing for King and Chadwick,	4 10
“ Woodsville Aqueduct Co., water and light for Woodsville court house,	19 85
“ Fred C. Russnll, medical services for prisoners in jail,	13 75
“ Frank L. Keyes, board of prisoners in jail,	135 75
“ John W. Merrill, supplies for jail,	26 30

Paid Interest on four per cent County bonds,	\$480 00
“ Express on coupons,	35
“ State Industrial School, support of five persons,	97 50
“ F. G. Chutter & Co., blankets for jail,	12 30
“ W. F. Smith, supplies for Register of Deeds office,	25 50
“ J. L. Spring, legal services,	6 25
“ Ira Whitcher, interest on note,	250 00
“ D. D. Dow, balance clerk's account April term 1897,	217 60
“ A. Davison, care Woodsville court house,	16 75
“ George H. Kendall, supplies for Register of Deed's office,	103 77
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, mattresses for jail,	9 00
“ W. A. Gibson, board of prisoners at jail,	129 60
“ W. A. Gibson, repairs on jail,	18 93
“ W. A. Gibson, clothing for prisoners,	18 60
“ B. D. Benson, books for Register of Deeds office,	17 00
“ J. E. Lincoln, clothing for W. Briggs,	3 00
“ Dearborn & Chase, insurance on Plymouth court house,	25 00
“ Plymouth Aqueduct Co., water for Plymouth court house,	3 00
“ E. B. Mann & Co., supplies for Register of Probate office,	1 05
“ Chas. J. Gould, repairs on Plymouth court house,	11 49
“ Belknap County, support of Louis Brake,	27 29
“ D. D. Dow, balance clerk's account May term 1897,	374 34
“ Dewey, Peck & Co., insurance on almshouse,	67 50

Paid Northern Supply Co., coal for Woodsville court house,	\$ 14 00
“ John B. Pike, insurance on almshouse,	84 37
“ White River Paper Co., books for Register of Probate,	24 00
“ Woodsville Aqueduct Co., water and light for Woodsville court house,	14 17
“ A. Davison, care Woodsville court house,	27 75
“ H. F. Green, transporting paupers,	12 52
“ Richardson & Emerson, clothing for Willie Chadwick,	6 40
“ A. A. Woolson, insurance,	56 25
“ State Industrial School, care of Emma Ingerson and others,	131 57
“ Northern Coal Co., coal for county farm and Woodsville court house,	687 89
“ C. W. Hayes, clothing for Chadwick and Briggs children,	6 30
“ E. B. Huse, insurance on almshouse,	45 00
“ N. H. Orphans Home, support of Bennett children,	23 00
“ B. D. Benson & Son, supplies for Register of Probate office,	21 25
“ W. H. Cotton, legal services,	10 00
“ A. Davison, care Woodsville court house,	24 00
“ R. T. Bartlett, hauling coal for Woodsville court house,	9 10
“ Woodsville Aqueduct Co., water and light for Woodsville court house,	9 48
“ N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co., telephone in Woodsville court house,	22 60
“ C. J. Ayer, insurance on new barn,	40 50
“ Eastman & Merrill, insurance on almshouse,	45 00
“ Nancy R. Witcher, interest on notes,	160 00

Paid Belknap County, support of Louis Brake,	\$ 18 45
“ C. O. Hurlbutt, taking Marion Mitchell to Hospital for Insane,	5 00
“ Russell & Stearns, medical attendance at jail,	3 00
“ W. A. Gibson, board of prisoners at jail,	265 29
“ W. A. Gibson, clothing for prisoners at jail,	29 48
“ W. A. Gibson, repairs, etc., at jail,	11 58
“ Cohos Steam Press, supplies for Register of Probate,	45 50
“ D. D. Dow, balance clerk's account Septem- ber term,	301 28
“ A. Davison, care Woodsville court house,	27 00
“ H. F. Hoyt, transporting paupers,	9 13
“ State Industrial School, support Emma In- gerson and others,	169 07
“ D. D. Dow, balance clerk's account October term,	211 92
“ National Bank of Redemption, four per cent bonds,	3,000 00
“ National Bank of Redemption, interest on four per cent bonds,	480 00
“ E. S. Backus, paint for jail,	7 50
“ J. E. Lincoln, clothing for Briggs children,	7 45
“ Hillsborough County, support of Michael O'Leary,	81 00
“ N. H. Orphans Home, support of Potterton children,	90 00
“ C. A. Dole, legal services,	8 00
“ Hapgood & Howard, clothing for Wallace Briggs,	3 25
“ J. F. Huckins, transporting paupers,	7 32
“ J. P. Huckins, supplies for Plymouth court house,	6 90

Paid Plymouth Aqueduct Co., water for Plymouth court house,	\$ 3 00
“ W. A. Gibson, board of prisoners at jail,	212 91
“ W. A. Gibson, clothing for prisoners at jail,	50 40
“ W. A. Gibson, supplies and repairs at jail,	8 41
“ D. D. Dow, balance clerk’s account November term,	137 22
“ Woodsville Aqueduct Co., water and light at Woodsville court house,	8 46
“ Ira Whitcher, note and interest,	5,169 45
“ National Bank of Newbury, five per cent bonds,	2,500 00
“ National Bank of Newbury, interest on five per cent bonds,	150 00
“ Littleton National Bank, note and interest,	5,123 75
“ Littleton Savings Bank, note and interest,	5,146 88
“ George H. Kendall, account new indexing records,	186 05
“ Ashland Mercantile Association, clothing for Fred Johnson,	3 94
“ Cohos Steam Press, printing for Register of Probate,	21 50
“ R. T. Bartlett, books for Register of Probate’s office,	25 43
“ A. Davison, supplies and care Woodsville court house,	30 60
“ Bingham, Mitchell & Batchellor, legal services,	94 10
“ Express on cancelled bonds and coupons,	50
“ Eli B. Wallace, printing and supplies for commissioners,	23 35
“ George H. Turner, printing and postage,	9 15
“ Ashland Mercantile Association, supplies,	23 35
“ E. D. Carpenter, coffins and caskets,	32 50

Paid Mulliken & Davis, supplies and repairs,	\$ 66 16
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor,	31 25
“ Frank Foss, labor,	31 25
“ Oscar Weare, labor,	23 00
“ Dickerman & Co., groceries,	64 69
“ Rowe Bros , groceries,	24 68
“ Mulliken & Davis, supplies and repairs,	100 73
“ Oscar Weare, labor,	23 00
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor,	56 25
“ Frank Foss, labor,	31 25
“ H. F. Ballard, labor,	33 33
“ Fred Gould, labor,	20 00
“ E. B. Mann & Co., supplies,	25 24
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ Frank Foss, labor,	31 25
“ Oscar Weare, labor,	23 00
“ Fred Gould, labor,	20 00
“ Henry Ballard, labor,	33 33
“ H. C. Phillips, services as superintendent,	200 00
“ Henry Ballard, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ English & Bond, butter,	15 68
“ Boyd, Leeds & Co., groceries,	9 44
“ A. J. Bedell, painting,	54 00
“ Woodworth & Co., grass seed,	3 58
“ E. D. Carpenter, coffins and caskets,	115 75
“ Dickerman & Co., groceries,	26 32
“ E. B. Mann & Co., supplies,	24 10
“ Carter & Churchill, clothing,	38 70
“ Mulliken & Davis, repairs and supplies,	32 15
“ Oscar Weare, labor,	23 00
“ Ashland Mercantile Association, shoes,	35 00
“ Hodgdon & Pollard, mattresses,	30 00
“ Orville Noyes, labor,	27 70
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor, self and wife,	33 33

Paid C. K. Kinne, labor, self and wife,	\$ 38 83
“ Oscar Weare, labor,	23 00
“ H. F. Ballard, labor,	12 32
“ H. F. Ballard, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ Edson & Bailey, feed,	233 80
“ Bradley Fertilizer Co., fertilizer,	177 70
“ H. C. Phillips, services as superintendent,	200 00
“ C. K. Kinne, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ Elbridge Russell, labor, self and wife,	38 88
“ Orville Noyes, labor,	20 00
“ Clarence Patterson, labor,	37 00
“ Oscar Weare, labor,	23 00
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ English & Bond, butter,	41 79
“ Edson & Bailey, seed,	30 22
“ Boyd, Leeds & Co., groceries,	37 17
“ Dickerman & Co., groceries,	44 40
“ H. H. Lee, medical services,	52 50
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ Mulliken & Davis, supplies,	8 80
“ Bellows & Son, oilcloth,	6 12
“ E. L. Andrews, repairs,	21 75
“ E. B. Mann & Co., medical supplies,	25 60
“ C. K. Kinne, labor,	33 33
“ George C. Butler, mowing machine,	40 00
“ H. C. Phillips, one harness,	12 50
“ Elbridge Russell, labor,	33 33
“ Northern Coal Co., coal,	58 38
“ A. J. Bedell, painting,	21 15
“ Orville Noyes, labor,	20 00
“ H. F. Green, cash for supplies,	22 93
“ Oscar Weare, labor,	23 00
“ American Harrow and Seeder Co., seeder,	61 00
“ Taylor & Bowles, invalid chairs.	8 00

Paid Stratton & Co., flour and feed,	\$359 50
“ Woodworth & Co., groceries,	41 92
“ Dickerman & Co., groceries,	10 57
“ Fisher & Co., supplies,	16 62
“ Moulton & Freeman, eggs,	18 00
“ Mulliken & Davis, supplies and repairs,	16 04
“ Brown & Huckins, insect powder,	3 00
“ E. Dole & Co., clothing,	78 96
“ L. M. Robie, twenty-two head of cattle,	561 00
“ H. A. Jackman, beef,	34 44
“ I. N. Eastman, medical services,	134 75
“ L. M. Robie, five head of cattle,	123 00
“ Ray T. Gile, surveying,	22 36
“ Standard Oil Co., oil cans,	6 00
“ R. P. White, crockery,	5 00
“ Edson & Bailey, feed,	414 52
“ English & Bond, supplies,	5 50
“ Howe & Gordon, supplies,	22 23
“ C. K. Kinne, labor,	33 33
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor,	33 33
“ E. B. Mann & Co., supplies,	5 70
“ E. Legro & Son, painting wagons, etc.,	9 25
“ Melville DeWitt, labor,	16 00
“ Woodsville Lumber Works, lumber,	7 00
“ C. L. Bailey, blacksmithing,	6 70
“ H. C. Phillips, bills paid,	60 75
“ M. E. Kimball, supplies,	36 20
“ Orville Noyes, labor,	20 00
“ J. R. Dinsmore, services as chaplain,	24 00
“ Oscar L. Weare, labor,	23 00
“ Elbridge Russell, labor,	33 33
“ Warren J. Fisher, straw,	12 15
“ H. F. Hoyt, labor,	10 00
“ E. D. Carpenter, coffins and robes,	73 00

Paid Clark, Hutchinson Co., rubber goods,	\$ 60 81
“ Moulton & Freeman, baskets,	3 75
“ J. F. Draper & Co., hose,	19 06
“ Griswold & MacKinnon, flour and feed,	464 70
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ Dickerman & Co., groceries,	24 20
“ C. K. Kinne, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ H. C. Phillips, services as superintendent,	200 00
“ H. C. Phillips, sundry bills paid,	122 32
“ Mulliken & Davis, repairs and new gate for water,	59 39
“ George H. Cross, crackers,	4 90
“ C. M. Morse & Son, soap chips,	32 09
“ Boston & Maine railroad, freight on flour and feed,	62 80
“ Ashland Merchantile Association, groceries,	6 60
“ E. L. Andrews, lumber and labor,	109 86
“ Clement & Bray, potatoes,	324 90
“ Orville Noyes, labor,	20 00
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ W. N. Derby, land roller,	26 50
“ W. B. Titus, cattle stantions,	21 60
“ H. A. Johnson, twelve head of cattle,	276 00
“ Littleton Lumber Co., lumber,	41 05
“ Edson & Bailey, grain,	139 00
“ C. W. Herbert, apples,	62 50
“ Dickerman & Co., groceries,	112 76
“ Milliken, Cousins & Short, clothing,	146 75
“ S. F. Southard estate, three cows,	75 50
“ William Tenney, labor,	13 96
“ John Morse, pasturing,	45 00
“ E. H. Gould, boots,	25 00
“ Robie & Braynard, two cows,	51 00
“ Mulliken & Davis, repairing heating ap- paratus,	696 00

Paid L. M. Robie, seven cows,	\$222 50
“ Mullikin & Davis, supplies and repairs,	23 11
“ Howe & Gordon, supplies and repairs,	12 49
“ E. B. Mann & Co., supplies and repairs,	26 56
“ W. G. Upton, cart body,	12 75
“ H. F. Ballard, labor, self and wife,	39 44
“ C. K. Kinne, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ Orville Noyes, labor, self and wife,	20 00
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ Mattie Patch, labor,	21 00
“ D. E. Carr, collector, taxes,	209 88
“ Edson & Bailey, grain,	176 26
“ English & Bond, supplies,	5 10
“ Abram French Co., supplies,	6 25
“ Dickerman & Co., groceries,	45 71
“ Standard Oil Co., oil,	9 88
“ A. J. Bedell, painting,	16 25
“ Rowe Bros., groceries,	39 06
“ J. W. Foster & Co., supplies,	6 89
“ W. C. Sanborn, one boar,	9 00
“ Mulliken & Davis, repairs and supplies,	15 49
“ Renfrew Bros., clothing,	18 59
“ Orville Noyes, labor,	20 00
“ Littleton Lumber Co., windows and lumber,	25 75
“ Stickney Bros., supplies,	2 75
“ C. R. Gibson, medical attendance,	107 25
“ Northern Supply Co., supplies,	4 43
“ H. F. Ballard, labor,	33 33
“ M. E. Kimball, supplies,	55 86
“ Orville Noyes, labor,	17 75
“ Will Tenney, labor,	20 00
“ H. C. Phillips, superintendent,	200 00
“ E. B. Mann & Co., supplies,	8 70
“ H. C. Phillips, cash for nine cows,	215 00

Paid C. K. Kinne, labor, self and wife,	66 66
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ H. F. Ballard, labor, self and wife,	33 33
“ G. J. Woodward, one bull,	30 00
“ Will C. Tenney, labor,	20 00
“ E. B. Mann & Co., supplies,	12 35
“ Mulliken & Davis, supplies,	18 85
“ English & Bond, butter,	29 52
“ Howe & Gordon, supplies,	7 50
“ L. B. Whittaker, labor,	33 33
“ F. E. Lane, repairing shoes,	7 00
“ H. G. Stevens, repairing harness,	11 70
“ Q. A. Scott, clothing,	20 53
“ A. W. Bean, lumber for new barn,	790 16
“ Woodworth & Co., cement for new barn,	17 32
“ James Dow, labor on new barn,	9 20
“ E. O. Gitchell, stone-work on new barn,	600 00
“ Littleton Lumber Co., lumber for new barn,	434 91
“ Mulliken & Davis, nails for new barn,	22 00
“ E. L. Andrews, labor on new barn,	200 00
“ R. T. Gile, surveying for new barn,	5 00
“ Littleton Lumber Co., lumber for new barn,	95 27
“ E. L. Andrews, labor on new barn,	200 00
“ H. C. Phillips, freight, etc., for new barn,	28 81
“ Littleton Lumber Co., lumber for new barn,	146 84
“ Edson & Bailey, hardware and paint for new barn,	42 12
“ Mulliken & Davis, supplies for new barn,	27 45
“ E. L. Andrews, labor on new barn,	139 93
“ E. O. Gitchell, stone-work for new barn,	140 20
“ E. L. Andrews, labor on new barn,	49 30
“ H. C. Phillips, bills paid for new barn,	19 13
“ Frank L. Keyes, labor on new barn,	16 50
“ H. B. Ingraham, architect on new jail,	321 73

Paid	E. O. Gitchell, stone-work on new jail,	\$800 00
"	J. W. Quimby, stone for new jail,	120 00
"	Van Dorn Iron Works, freight on material for new jail,	25 40
"	Littleton Lumber Co., lumber for new jail,	17 43
"	Elmore Whipple, brick-work on new jail,	700 00
"	Standard Granite Co., stone for new jail,	4 20
"	E. L. Andrews, labor on new jail,	150 00
"	E. L. Andrews, labor on new jail,	32 25
"	E. O. Gitchell, stone-work on new jail,	536 55
"	E. O. Gitchell, stone-work on new jail,	309 20
"	Elmore Whipple, brick-work on new jail,	200 00
"	Van Dorn Iron Works Co., freight on ma- terial for new jail,	96 35
"	Van Dorn Iron Works Co., account new jail,	10 50
"	H. B. Ingraham, architect on new jail,	11 38
"	E. O. Gitchell, gravel for new jail,	7 50
"	H. C. Phillips, account new jail,	8 39
"	E. L. Andrews, labor on new jail,	200 00
"	Mulliken & Davis, labor and material for new jail,	94 44
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		\$70,460 86

STATEMENT.

Financial Standing of the County, January 1, 1898.

LIABILITIES.

County bonds outstanding, four per cent,	\$21,000 00
Interest on same three months,	210 00
Notes on demand and interest,	14,306 43
Outstanding order,	15 00
	\$35,531 43

ASSETS.

Inventory of personal property on County Farm, Jan. 1, 1898,	\$15,271 84
Due for board town paupers, etc.,	593 93
Due from town of Alexandria, County tax for 1897,	522 02
Due from town of Bath, County tax for 1897,	637 89
Due from town of Groton, County tax for 1897,	326 41
Due from town of Lincoln, County tax for 1897,	403 55
Due from town of Livermore, County tax for 1897,	782 15
Due from town of Lyman, County tax for 1897,	243 42
Due from town of Orford, County tax for 1897,	573 06
Due from town of Waterville, County tax for 1897,	320 25
Cash in treasury,	8,901 75
	\$28,676 27
Total liabilities above assets,	\$6,855 16

Net debt of the County January 1, 1897,	\$13,889 20
Net debt of the County January 1, 1898,	6,855 16
Decrease of debt,	<hr/> \$7,034 04

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. TURNER, County Treasurer.

WOODSVILLE, N. H., Jan. 6, 1898.

We hereby certify that there were no outstanding bills against the County of Grafton on January 1, 1898, which had been presented to us, except a certain outstanding order amounting to \$15.00, which had not on said January 1, 1898, been presented to the Treasurer.

HENRY F. GREEN, } Commissioners
 JAMES F. HUCKINS, } of
 HORACE F. HOYT, } Grafton County.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, GRAFTON SS., Jan. 8, 1898.

Personally appeared the above named Henry F. Green, J. F. Huckins and H. F. Hoyt and made oath that the above named statement by them signed is to the best of their belief true.

Before me,

F. D. CURRIER, Justice of the Peace.

County Convention.

Records of the Proceedings of the Grafton County Convention

Wednesday, January 13, 1897.

On the second Wednesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, being the second Wednesday of the January session of the General Court, a day prescribed by the Statutes for the assembling of the representatives of the towns of the County in Convention on notice by the speaker, the following named gentlemen met at division five, Representatives Hall at twelve o'clock noon:

Frank L. Hughes,	Ashland.
Henry C. Carbee,	Bath.
William Kendall,	Benton.
Ira A. Chase,	Bristol.
David B. Pulsifer,	Campton.
William R. Park, Jr.,	Dorchester.
Lewellyn Cheever,	Groton.
John L. Bridgman,	Hanover.
Newton S. Huntington,	Hanover.
Charles R. Gibson,	Haverhill.
Francis S. Sleeper,	Haverhill.
Lucian F. Ash,	Lisbon.
Almon E. Parker,	Lisbon.
William H. Bellows,	Littleton.
Benjamin W. Kilburn,	Littleton.

Charles E. Woolson,	Lyman.
David A. Grant,	Lyme.
Charles H. Hosford,	Monroe.
Edwin C. Franklin,	Orford.
Abram D. Ford,	Piermont.
Henry C. Currier,	Plymouth.
Walter W. Mason,	Plymouth.
Edwin E. Bishop,	Bethlehem.
Samuel Sherburn,	Ellsworth.
Elmore Whipple,	Franconia.
George B. Barnard,	Hebron.
James K. P. Young,	Landaff.
John H. French,	Orange.
Henry W. Herbert,	Rumney.
John F. Merrill,	Thornton.
Frank C. Clement,	Warren.
John B. Foster,	Wentworth.

The convention chose Mr. Huntington of Hanover for temporary chairman who then called for nominations for chairman. Mr. Hosford of Monroe nominated Mr. Chase of Bristol and he was unanimously chosen. The nomination of clerk being called for, Mr. Clement of Warren nominated John B. Foster of Wentworth who was elected and took the oath of office, prescribed by law.

Mr. Bellows of Littleton introduced the following resolution: "Resolved, that the Register of Deeds for the County of Grafton, be and hereby is authorized to re-write the index books in his office, using such modern form of indexing as in his judgment may seem best, the same to be approved by the County Commissioners of the County and

that in indexing the deeds hereafter recorded, the same form adopted be used." "Resolved, that the sum of one thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the work of re-indexing the land records in the County of Grafton." After debate, the foregoing resolution was postponed till after the members of the County Convention examined the records.

Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the chairman.

A true copy of records attest,

JOHN B. FOSTER, Clerk.

January 26, 1897, 12:30 P. M.

The convention met in division five at the call of chairman. Twenty-three members present. The time of visiting the County buildings was discussed and on motion of Mr. Bellows of Littleton it was voted that the visit should be one week from next Friday, February 5th.

Voted to favor the bill changing the time for gaining a settlement by paupers, so that it shall be from 1890. Voted to adjourn subject to call of chairman.

A true copy of record—attest,

JOHN B. FOSTER, Clerk.

Convention met in room No. 2, State House, Concord, February 2nd, at twelve o'clock noon on the call of the chairman. County commissioners were present and the proposed new jail was discussed and plans submitted, but no action taken.

A true copy of records—attest,

JOHN B. FOSTER, Clerk.

February 5th.

The following named members of the Grafton County Convention visited the county buildings: Hughes, Carbee, Kendall, Chase, Pulsifer, Sargent, Cheever, Huntington, Gibson, Sleeper, Curry, Day, Rogers, Woodman, Henry, Ash, Bellows, Grant, Hosford, Franklin, Currier, Keyser, Bishop, Whipple, Barnard, Young, French, Herbert, Merrill and Foster.

The convention met in room two State House, February 17th, at 1:30 P. M., on call of chairman, twenty-three present. On motion of Mr. Hosford, David A. Grant of Lyme was elected county auditor and on second ballot Henry W. Herbert of Rumney was elected auditor. Both gentlemen being present they took the oath of office. Voted to adjourn for one week on motion of Mr. Hosford.

A true copy of record,

JOHN B. FOSTER, Clerk.

The convention met agreeable to adjournment February 24th, 1897, in room two State House at 1:30 P. M. Roll call showed thirty-seven members present. On the proposition to build a new jail, remarks were made by Bridgman and Huntington of Hanover. Day of Lebanon and Woodman of Lebanon in opposition, also Hosford of Monroe.

Mr. Green for county commissioners, briefly stated some of the facts in favor of a new jail. Mr. Bellows of Littleton offered the following resolution: "Resolved, that the matter of building a jail be left in the hands of the county commissioners and that they be authorized to build one, if in their judgment a suitable one can be built for a sum not exceeding \$12,000 and that it be built at the county farm, and that bonds be issued at the rate of (\$1000.00)

one thousand dollars per year, at a rate of interest not exceeding four per cent per annum. First payment on bonds to begin at the expiration of ten years from the time issued."

On a rising vote the above resolution was defeated, thirteen voting yes, and eighteen no. Mr. Hosford introduced the following resolution: "Resolved, that the county commissioners are hereby authorized to investigate the question of building a new jail at the county farm or at Woodsville. That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the expense of same and for plans of new jail"

Upon the foregoing resolution nineteen voted in favor and none against. Mr. Bellows offered the following motion: "To take the sense of the convention as to whether jail should be at Woodsville or county farm." On a rising vote, twenty-five voted in favor of county farm, five voted in favor of Woodsville.

Mr. Bellows of Littleton offered the following substitute for the resolution offered by him January 13th: "Resolved, that the county commissioners be and hereby are authorized and instructed to cause the records now in the Register of Deed's office, to be re-indexed in such modern form of indexes as they may select and that hereafter in indexing deeds, mortgages, etc., the same form of index be used, and that the sum of one thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated toward the work." On the foregoing resolution with reference to re-indexing records after discussion, Mr. Hosford moved to indefinitely postpone which was lost, four voting to postpone, twenty-five voting not to postpone. On the adoption of the resolution twenty-four voted in affirmative, four voted in negative.

On the recommendation of the county commissioners, it was voted to raise by taxation the sum of (\$50,400.00)

fifty thousand, four hundred dollars for the year 1897, and (\$45,200.00) for the year 1898.

	1897.	1898.
Supreme court,	\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00
State pay roll,	3,000 00	3,000 00
Jury pay roll,	1,500 00	1,500 00
Court house repairs, light, fuel, etc.,	600 00	600 00
County farm expenses,	9,000 00	9,000 00
Extra repairs at county farm,	3,000 00	
Paupers off the farm,	17,000 00	17,000 00
Dependent soldiers,	2,000 00	2,000 00
State Industrial School,	400 00	400 00
Jail expenses,	1,200 00	1,200 00
Sheriff, deputies, messengers,	1,000 00	1,000 00
County officers salaries,	2,600 00	3,200 00
Printing and stationery,	350 00	350 00
Interest on bonds,	1,200 00	900 00
Bonds,	5,500 00	3,000 00
Insurance,	550 00	550 00
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	\$50,400 00	\$45,200 00

Voted to adjourn subject to call of the chairman.

A true copy of record—attest,

JOHN B. FOSTER, Clerk.

To Ira A. Chase, Chairman of the Grafton County Convention:

We respectfully request you to call a meeting of the members of the House from Grafton county for the purpose of further discussing and taking action with reference

to building a county jail and other matters of interest to our county.

Concord, March 4th, 1897.

F. S. Sleeper,	J. B. Foster.
L. F. Ash,	W. C. Carrier.
John F. Merrill,	L. L. Cheever.
Henry C. Carbee,	Samuel Sherburn.
D. B. Pulsifer,	F. C. Clement.
A. D. Ford,	W. R. Park, Jr.
George B. Barnard,	C. E. Woolson.
H. W. Herbert,	Frank J. Parker.
James E. Henry,	Warren F. Keyser.
William Kendall,	A. E. Parker.
Elmore Whipple,	B. W. Kilburn.
W. W. Mason.	

Agreeable to the foregoing petition a meeting was called March 18th, 1897, at one o'clock P. M., in room No. two, State House. Roll call showed all but two present. Mr. Huntington of Hanover brought up the matter of indexing records, and S. B. Page of Haverhill explained the objections to the resolutions as passed February 24th. After remarks by several members, Mr. Hosford moved to reconsider vote taken to re-index records. Carried.

A resolution was offered as a substitute and carried. After being amended, said resolution as amended reads as follows:

“Resolved, that the sum of one thousand dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of re-indexing the records in the office of the Register of Deeds in such form

as shall be approved by a committee chosen by this convention to consist of the county commissioners and two others were selected by the convention, who shall serve without compensation. That such re-indexing shall be done by the Register of Deeds for the time being and that his compensation therefor shall be determined by the county commissioners for the time being and all bills for service or supplies paid from the county treasury upon warrants by them approved."

S. B. Page and Charles R. Gibson both of Haverhill were chosen to act with the county commissioners in carrying out the provisions of the foregoing resolution on re-indexing records. On motion of Mr. Clement of Warren the convention voted to reconsider the vote taken February 24th, regarding the building of a new jail, twenty-three voting to reconsider and seventeen against.

Mr. Hosford of Monroe moved that the convention reconsider the vote whereby the convention voted to raise money to defray the county charges for 1897 and 1898. Lost. Mr. Bishop of Bethlehem offered a resolution on building new jail which after amendments were adopted, was carried. Said resolution provides that the jail be built at county farm, not to exceed \$12,000 in excess of amount received for old jail and provides for the issuing of bonds payable in ten years, and that a committee consisting of J. E. Henry and H. W. Herbert and of county commissioners for the time being be chosen to construct said jail. Said resolution as amended is attached to this page entire.

"Resolved, that the county commissioners of the county of Grafton be and are hereby authorized to locate and build a jail and House of Correction at the county farm in the town of Haverhill, provided that the cost to the county shall not exceed \$12,000 in excess of the amount received for present jail property. Also the county commissioners

are hereby authorized to sell at public or private sale, and convey the jail property now belonging to said county of Grafton, situated at Haverhill Corner, and to use the avails of said sale toward building the new jail and House of Correction. And they are also hereby authorized to issue the bonds of said county to the amount of \$12,000, such bonds to draw interest at not more than four per cent per annum and be payable \$2,000 yearly after ten years or the whole \$12,000 shall be payable at the end of ten years at the option of the county commissioners, the avails of such bonds to be used to build and equip such jail and House of Correction.

And that a committee consisting of James E. Henry of Lincoln and Henry W. Herbert of Rumney and of the county commissioners for the time being, be chosen to construct said jail and that said Henry and Herbert shall receive the same compensation as is paid the county commissioners for their services and expenses in the matter."

Voted to adjourn.

A true copy of record—attest,

JOHN B. FOSTER, Clerk.

NOTE—(Total amounts to be raised for 1897, \$50,400, for defraying charges as recommended by commissioners and \$1,000 for re-indexing records. For 1898, \$45,200.)

A true copy of record,

J. F. HUCKINS,

Clerk of Grafton County Commissioners.

Auditors' Report.

We have carefully examined the accounts of the County Treasurer, Commissioners and Superintendent of the County Farm, have inspected every order and receipt, verified every computation, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

When we audited the accounts in July we suggested that, so far as possible, all money received by the Superintendent of the Farm should be turned over to the Treasurer and that expenditures at the farm should only be made on orders drawn by the Commissioners. This suggestion was made, not because we saw anything in the accounts of the Superintendent to criticize, but because we thought that the Commissioners should assume the direct responsibility for all expenditures of that kind. The report for the last six months will show that the Commissioners have complied with the suggestion.

Bonds, coupons and notes reported by the Treasurer as paid were cancelled in the presence of the Auditors and County Commissioners.

A few words in regard to the county farm and its management may be of interest. From our examination we judge that it is the purpose of the Commissioners and of the Superintendent and his wife to render the inmates of the almshouse as comfortable as they can be under all the circumstances. While they have shown a due regard for economy and the best financial interests of the county, they have not sought to demonstrate on how little the lives of the

unfortunates committed to their care could be sustained.

The supplies have been well selected and purchased at the lowest market price. The farm is in an excellent state of cultivation, and its productiveness has been very largely increased in the last few years, necessitating the erection of a new barn and alterations in some other buildings. This work has been well and substantially done.

The cattle and swine are all in fine condition, indicating the best of care, and we saw no signs of waste or extravagance.

We examined the property there and are convinced that the valuations given in the appraisal recently made by the Commissioners are fair and conversative.

On the whole we think that the people of the county have little occasion to criticise the present management of the county farm.

F. D. CURRIER, }
M. M. STEVENS, } Auditors.

