



E. P. THOMPSON

June 2-78





ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

**TOWN OF GILMANTON**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

FEBRUARY 15, 1896.





ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF GILMANTON

COMPRISING THOSE OF THE

SELECTMEN, COLLECTOR, TREASURER, TOWN  
CLERK, AUDITORS, ROAD AGENT  
AND SCHOOL BOARD.

FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1897.

---

LACONIA, N. H.:  
PRESS OF WEEKS BROS.  
1897.





## Valuation and Taxation for 1896.

---

Numbers of polls taxed, 304 . . . . .	\$ 30,400
Real estate . . . . .	366,836
Horses, 379 . . . . .	16,950
Oxen, 152 . . . . .	6,284
Cows, 541 . . . . .	10,924
Other neat stock, 21 . . . . .	456
Sheep, 624 . . . . .	1,406
Carriages, 2 . . . . .	150
Stock in banks . . . . .	8,500
Money on hand or at interest . . . . .	2,214
Stock in trade . . . . .	7,540
Mills and their machinery . . . . .	6,306

---

\$457,966

Amount of taxes levied for all purposes . . . . .	\$9,743.57 .
Rate of taxation . . . . .	\$2.12 per \$100

# Collector's Report for the Year 1896.

*To the Taxpayers of the Town of Gilmanton :*

I hereby submit my report as collector :

Whole amount of taxes committed to me for collection . . . . .	\$9,743.57
Whole amount collected and paid to treasurer . . .	9,743.57
Received in abatements . . . . .	37.14
Actual abatement . . . . .	22.14
Collected interest to the amount of . . . . .	18.74

Interest collected of the following persons :

Frank T. Collins . . . \$0.11	Ellwood H. Hill . . . \$0.27
Elbridge G. Clough . . .26	John H. Haines . . . .03
Dorothy S. Coffin . . .14	John P. Hussey . . .1.00
John K. Dudley Est. . .03	Charles A. Hatch . . .04
Charles A. Dockham . .96	Ann W. Lougee Est. . .20
Carlton J. Edgerly . . .10	Elmer J. Lord . . .10
Frank J. Elkins . . .37	Abbie E. Page . . .24
Reuben Giles Est. . .36	Asa Page Est . . .15
Moses S. Gale . . .02	Betsey Page Est. . .05
Mary P. Page . . .09	George C. Prescott . .22
Lorenzo H. Perkins . .03	Caleb J. W. Peaslee . .25
Charles A. Price . . .50	Usher S. Parsons . . .18
Rufus B. Parsons . . .04	Dixi C. Page . . .08
Jesse F. Place . . .23	Fred W. Page . . .02
John C. Shannon . . .01	John W. Rollins . . .08
Edward E. Smith . . .02	Warren M. Smith . . .09
Ervil L. Smith . . .05	Charles C. Varney . . .03
Etta G. Smith . . .18	Noah M. Zanes . . .04
Elizabeth Stone . . .32	John C. Baker Est . . .15

John S. Trask . . . . .	.18	John S Beck . . . . .	.56
Frank D. Young . . . . .	.12	Herbert Bedee . . . . .	.13
George W. Adams . . . . .	.35	Charles L. Chase . . . . .	.38
Frank J. Brown . . . . .	.02	Richard R. Colcord . . . . .	.04
Charles J. Brown . . . . .	.11	Jeremiah S. French . . . . .	.10
Joshua Colby . . . . .	.02	Charles W. Gault . . . . .	.40
Alvah Foss . . . . .	.62	Cyrus Gilman Est . . . . .	.83
Sylvester Goodwin . . . . .	.04	Charles A. Hilliard . . . . .	.04
Joseph L. Jones . . . . .	.21	Leander A. Hilliard . . . . .	.08
George F. Kelley . . . . .	1.75	John J. Hoadley . . . . .	.02
Sidney U. Lenscott . . . . .	.07	Morrill S. Jones . . . . .	.01
Jonathan Leavitt . . . . .	.06	David F. Leavitt . . . . .	.02
Frank A. McMurphy . . . . .	.15	Jemima Marsh Est. . . . .	.13
Joseph B. McClary . . . . .	.14	Daniel Maxfield . . . . .	.05
Araminta B. Nutter . . . . .	.11	Betsey W. Moody Est. . . . .	.80
Frank G. Osborn . . . . .	.07	Samuel W. Robertson . . . . .	.03
Nathan Sanborn Est. . . . .	.37	James H. Weeks . . . . .	.95
Samuel K. Twombly . . . . .	.10	Property sold for taxes . . . . .	2.37
Richard D. Varney . . . . .	.14	Lorrain E. Weeks . . . . .	.13

---

\$18.74

FRANK N. MERRILL, Collector.

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

---

HENRY L HURD, Town Treasurer in account with the town  
of Gilmanton.

1896.

March 14, Cash in hands of Treasurer . . . \$3,466.55

### CASH RECEIVED.

	28,	Of selectmen . . . . .	25.55
April	1,	Daniel J. Chase, for pedlar's license in 1896 . . . . .	2.00

1897.

Feb.	1,	C. L. Blaisdell, for pedlar's license in 1896 . . . . .	2.00
	1,	The state, for railroad tax . . . . .	3.75
	1,	“ “ savings bank tax . . . . .	1,409.82
	1,	“ “ literary fund . . . . .	138.60
	15,	Frank N. Merrill, for taxes of 1896 . . . . .	9,743 57
	15,	“ “ “ interest col- lected . . . . .	18.74
	15,	W. H. S. Hatch, for dog licenses . . . . .	152.40

---

\$14,962.98

### PAID OUTSTANDING ORDERS AND INTEREST.

1896.

March	16,	N. Hodgdon, interest on order . \$	7.80
	16,	Martha A. Hurd “ “ . . . . .	29.27
	28,	F. B. society “ “ . . . . .	5.12
	28,	Cong'l society “ “ . . . . .	5.12

April	8,	Julia A. Edgerly, interest on order	\$ 5.10
June	26,	Sarah M. Gale " "	14.10
Sept.	5,	Ann P. Shannon " "	5.15
Oct.	10,	Jonathan Young, order in part	10.00
	10,	Sarah M. Gale, interest on order	10.50
Nov.	30,	David G. Edgerly " "	18.00
			\$110.16
		School order for 1896 . . . . .	\$1,939.68
		County tax . . . . .	1,885.12
		State tax . . . . .	1,270.00

## MISCELLANEOUS—PAID.

1896.

March	14,	Weeks Bros., printing town report for 1895 . . . . .	\$47.25
	14,	W. S. P. Sanderson, cash paid for express on town reports . . . . .	.75
April	25,	W. S. P. Sanderson, cash for collectors' book and blanks . . . . .	2.50
May	30,	Albert F. Page, for decorating soldiers' graves . . . . .	50.00
June	27,	W. S. P. Sanderson, recording invoice	8.00
Nov.	28,	W. S. P. Sanderson, cash paid for meals for town officers, Nov. 3, '96	4.20
	28,	Joseph Brawn, use of watering tub from Feb. 1896 to Feb. 1897 . .	2.00
	28,	Charles D. Weare, services and money paid for repairing hall for Nov. election . . . . .	2.75
	28,	S. A. Taylor, registering three deaths, 1896 . . . . .	.75
Dec.	26,	M. C. Lamprey, use of watering tub for year ending March 1, 1897 . .	3.00
	26,	Mrs. E. S. Mudgett, use of watering tub from March 1, 1894 to year ending March 1, 1897 . . . . .	9.00

Dec.	26,	C. A. Osborn, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897 . . . . .	\$ 3.00
	26,	J. R. Munsey, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897 . . . . .	4.50
Jan.	23,	John Connell & Co., stationery, etc. .	.82
	23,	W. E. Smith, rent of shoe factory for town meeting, Nov. 3, 1896 . . .	10.00
	23,	George C. Prescott, use of watering tub, year ending March 1, 1897 .	3.00
1897.			
Feb.	12,	C. H. Connell, board of town officers for year ending 1896 . . . . .	47.25
	12,	Cogswell & Blackstone, legal services for the year 1896 . . . . .	21.00
	12,	Sylvester Goodwin, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897 . . . . .	2.00
	12,	D. Cook, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897 . . . . .	3.00
	15,	A. A. Jones, use of watering tub to March 1, 1897 . . . . .	3.00
	15,	Thomas Cogswell, moving Cogswell schoolhouse . . . . .	50.00
	15,	Selectmen of Gilmanton, bounties on hawks . . . . .	6.50
	15,	Weeks Bros., printing checklists . .	10.00
			<hr/>
			\$294.27

## ROADS AND BRIDGES—PAID.

1896.			
March	25,	R. A. Knowles, balance due for labor on highway in 1895 . . . . .	\$ 15.86
June	27,	Charles F. Gilman, road agent for labor on highway summer of 1896 . .	500.00
	27,	Rufus A. Knowles, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . .	500.00

July	22,	Rufus B. Parsons, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . . .	\$ 500.00
	22,	Rufus B. Parsons, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . . .	100.00
	22,	Charles F. Gilman, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . . .	100.00
June	27,	George Tyor & Co., road machine repairs . . . . .	13.50
	27,	Rufus A. Knowles, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . . .	116.66
Aug.	29,	Rufus A. Knowles, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . . .	50.00
Sept.	21,	Rufus B. Parsons, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . . .	66.66
Nov.	3,	Charles F. Gilman, road agent, labor on highway summer of 1896 . . . .	66.66
1897.			
Feb.	15,	W. S. P. Sanderson, cash paid for land damages on new highway . . . .	3.00
1896.			
Oct.	20,	A. A. Jones, for building new highway	175.00
			<hr/>
			\$2,207.34

## ABATEMENTS—PAID.

1896.			
Aug.	29,	Charles F. Merrill, abatement for cow lost . . . . .	.44
	29,	Charles F. Merrill, abatement for cow lost . . . . .	.50
Nov.	28,	Jacob D. Merrill, abatement of taxes in 1896 . . . . .	5.00
	28,	Jonathan Young, abatement for over-taxation in 1896 . . . . .	.85
June	27,	Frank N. Merrill, collector abatement of Sylvester Kimball pool tax 1896	2.12



27,	Betsey L. Perkins, abatement for over-	
	tax 1896 . . . . .	\$ 11.70
Nov. 28,	Nehemiah L. Marsh, abatement pool	
	tax in 1896 . . . . .	2.12
1897.		
Feb. 15,	Frank N. Merrill, collector abatement	
	of taxes in 1896 . . . . .	14.41
		<hr/>
		\$37.14

## BREAKING ROADS IN WINTER OF 1895-'96—PAID.

F. N. Merrill, breaking roads in winter	
of 1895-'96 . . . . .	\$1,273.52

## POOR OF THE TOWN—PAID.

1896.		
	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Green-	
	ough from Jan. 28 to Mar. 9, 1896,	\$16 00
	A. D. Ellsworth, for board of A. B.	
	Ellsworth from Nov. 25, 1895, to	
	Jan. 20, 1896 . . . . .	16.00
March 28,	Mrs. A. Smith, board Mrs. W. Bean	
	from Dec. 26, 1895, to March 26,	
	1896 . . . . .	29.35
April 16,	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph	
	Leavitt from Feb. 17, to March 16,	
	1896 . . . . .	5.00
25,	Mrs. Eliza Lamprey, aid to A. B. Ells-	
	worth from Jan. 20, to Feb. 22,	
	1896 . . . . .	18.00
	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Green-	
	ough from March 17, to April 21,	
	1896 . . . . .	15.00
	Caleb P. Webster, aid to Sarah A.	
	Webster from Jan. 25, to April 25,	
	1896 . . . . .	26.00

May 23,	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from Apr. 23, to May 12, 1896 . . . . .	10.00
26	S. A. Taylor, aid to Mrs. E. C. Bean from Mar. to Mar. 23, 1896 . . . . .	5.25
June 27	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from May 19, to Jan. 23, '96,	12.50
27,	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph Leavitt from March 23, to Jan. 15, 1896 . . . . .	12.00
30,	Mrs. A. W. Smith, board Mrs. W. Bean from March 26, to Jan. 25, 1896 . . . . .	30.00
August 29,	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from June 30, to August 25, 1896 . . . . .	22.50
	Caleb P. Webster, aid to Sarah A. Webster from April 25, to Aug. 29, 1896 . . . . .	36.00
	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph Leavitt from June 30, to Aug. 27, 1896 . . . . .	10.00
Oct. 1,	Mrs. A. W. Smith, for board of Mrs. W. Bean from June 20, to Sept. 24, 1896 . . . . .	27.00
10,	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from Sept. 1, to Sept. 22, '96,	10.00
Nov. 28.	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph Leavitt from Sept. 4, to Nov. 24, 1896 . . . . .	13.00
28	Caleb P. Webster, aid to Sarah A. Webster from Aug. 29, to Nov. 28, 1896 . . . . .	26.00
28,	George H. Brown, medical aid to A. Ellsworth to Feb. 14, 1896 . . . . .	3.00

N. v. 28,	George H. Brown, medical aid to Mrs. T. Greenough . . . . .	5.00
28,	George H. Brown, medical aid to Mrs. W. Bean . . . . .	2.00
28,	Helen J. Bean, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from Sept. 29; to Oct. 9, '96,	6.50
Dec. 26,	M. C. Lamprey, aid to A. B. Ellsworth in Feb. 1896 . . . . .	2.00
26,	Mrs. A. W. Smith, board of Mrs. W. Bean from Sept. 24, to Dec. 24, 1896 . . . . .	31.00
26,	J. R. Munsey, digging grave for Artemas Ellsworth . . . . .	4.00
26,	N. B. McMurphy, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough . . . . .	2.75
Jan. 23,	Frank P. Hall, aid to Mrs. T. Greenough from Oct. 29, to 25, 1896	30.00
23,	Frank P. Hall, aid to Alvin Twombly from Nov. 4, to Jan. 20, 1896 . .	17.98
23,	Fred A. Young, aid to Mrs. Burbank from Nov. 27 to Dec. 27, 1896 . .	2.50
23,	W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to Joseph Leavitt from Dec. 2, to Jan. 21, 1896 . . . . .	8.00
23,	Bert. A. Maxfield, 2 cords wood to Mrs. T. Greenough . . . . .	6.00
April 16, 1897.	E. J. Lord, burial expenses of Artemas B. Ellsworth . . . . .	18.00
Feb. 12,	Caleb P. Webster, aid to Sarah A. Webster from Nov. 28, 1896, to Feb. 13, 1897 . . . . .	22.00
15,	C. W. Gault, aid to F. P. Hutchinson from Dec. 21, 1896, to Feb. 15, 1897 . . . . .	8.00
15,	N. B. McMurphy, fitting wood for Mrs. T. Greenough . . . . .	2 50
		<hr/>
		\$510.83

## AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS—PAID.

1896.			
April	25,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from Jan. 23 to April 23, 1896 . . . . .	\$ 26.00
Aug.	29,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from April 23 to June 27, 1896 . . . . .	18.00
Nov.	28,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from Sept. 1 to Nov. 26, 1896 . . . . .	26.00
	28,	George H. Brown, medical aid to Joseph Spear . . . . .	1.50
Dec.	12,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from July 2 to Aug. 26, 1896 . . . . .	18.00
1897.			
Feb.	12,	Joseph Brown, aid to A. C. Jacobs from Nov. 26, 1896 to Feb. 10, 1897 . . . . .	22.00
Nov.	28,	County of Belknap, aid to Samuel B. Swain to Oct. 1896 . . . . .	44.76
Feb.	15,	County of Belknap, aid to Mrs. Burbank from Aug. 3, 1896 to Feb. 16, 1897 . . . . .	33.00
	15,	County of Belknap, aid to Samuel B. Swain from Dec. 1, 1896 to Feb. 16, 1897 . . . . .	27.99
			<hr/>
			\$217.25

## POOR CHARGEABLE TO THE COUNTY—PAID.

1896.			
June	27,	C. W. Gault, aid to transient . . . . .	\$ 1.50
	27,	Frank G. Osborn, for board and lodging tramps . . . . .	2.00
	27,	Mrs. C. W. Gault, aid to transient to Nov. 28, 1896 . . . . .	9.00
Jan.	20,	John P. Hussey, aid to transients . . . . .	6.00
Feb.	12,	C. D. Weare, aid to transient . . . . .	1.00

Feb.	12,	A. W. Hill, aid to transient . . . . .	\$ 8.00
	12,	G. J. Knight, aid to transient . . . . .	5.25
	15,	C. W. Gault, aid to transient . . . . .	2.00
			<hr/>
			\$ 34.75

## DAMAGE DONE DOMESTIC ANIMALS—PAID.

1896.			
		Morrill S. Jones, damage to sheep in 1896 . . . . .	\$ 3.50
Nov.	28,	Joseph Brown, services as constable under the dog law for the year 1896	6.00
Dec.	26,	W. S. P. Sanderson, services apprais- ing damage to sheep in 1896 . . . . .	1.60
	26,	Euraldo P. Ellsworth, for damages to sheep by dogs in 1896 . . . . .	5.00
	26,	C. D. Weare, appraising damage to sheep by dogs for the year 1896 . . . . .	1.80
Jan.	13,	Royal L. Page, for damage to sheep by dogs in 1896 . . . . .	12.00
			<hr/>
			\$29.90

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES—PAID.

1896.			
June	27,	C. W. Johnson, for schools supplies furnished in 1896 . . . . .	\$ 5.09
July	21,	Dana J. Bugbee, paid to the Bradford and Savings Bank and Trust Co. . . . .	80.00
Jan.	23,	School board for school books fur- nished in 1896 . . . . .	45.06
1897.			
Feb.	15,	Frank N. Merrill, for school books fur- nished in 1896 . . . . .	10.80
1896.			
Sept.	1,	Ginn & Co., as per bill . . . . .	52.68
	4,	Werner School Book Co., as per bill . . . . .	10.08
			<hr/>
			\$203.71 .

## SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS—PAID.

1896.			
July	3,	Charles Bradley, for furnishing paint, oil, and painting Potter schoolhouse, District No. 2 . . . . .	\$ 22.40
Oct.	14,	Rufus A. Knowles, for shingle furnished and laying the same on schoolhouse, District No. 9, in 1896	50.88
	14,	Arthur L. Gilman, for repairs on Kelly schoolhouse, Dist. No. 1, in 1896	1.00
Dec.	3,	Frank Griffin, shingling Griffin schoolhouse, District No. 14 . . . . .	18.26
			<hr/>
			\$92.54

## TOWN OFFICERS—PAID.

1896.			
March,		James A. Hurd, services as auditor for the year 1895 . . . . .	\$ 4.00
		W. S. P. Sanderson, services as selectmen from Feb. 15 to Mar. 10, 1896	6.00
		Albert W. Hill, services as selectman from Feb. 15 to March 10, 1896 .	6.00
		Charles D. Weare, services as selectman from Feb. 15 to Mar. 10, 1896	4.50
		George W. Adams, services as auditor for the year 1896 . . . . .	4.00
April	25,	Laural A. Blake, services as supervisor to March 10, 1896 . . . . .	5.10
Aug.	29,	Frank G. Osborn, services as constable July 3 and 4, 1896 . . . . .	4.00
Nov.	28,	Frank G. Osborn, services as constable March 3, 1896 . . . . .	2.00
	28,	Charles D. Weare, services as selectman in part for 1896 . . . . .	40.00
	28,	Usher S. Parsons, services as supervisor for the year 1896 . . . . .	14.00

Nov.	28,	Horace Ederly, services as supervisor for the year 1896 . . . . .	\$ 13.00
	28,	George C. Parsons, services as election inspector for the year 1896 . . .	2.00
	30,	Leon W. Smith, services as special officer election day Nov. 3, 1896 .	2.00
Dec.	26,	L. A. Blake, for services as supervisor to Nov. 3, 1896 . . . . .	6.45
1897.			
Feb.	15,	W. H. S. Hatch, services as town clerk for the year 1896 . . . . .	48.65
	15,	Charles D. Weare, balance for services as selectman to Feb. 15, 1897 . .	12.50
	15,	W. S. P. Sanderson, services as selectman to Feb. 15, 1897 . . . . .	70.00
	15,	Albert W. Hill, services as selectman to Feb. 15, 1897 . . . . .	52.00
	15,	Henry L. Hurd, services as treasurer of school district and town treasurer for year 1896 . . . . .	60.00
		Frank N. Merrill, services as collector for the year 1895 . . . . .	124.00
			<hr/>
			\$480.20

## EXPENSES OF SCHOOL BOARD—PAID.

1896.			
Jan.	25,	Haven F. Gilman, services as member of school board in part year 1896	25.00
1897.			
Feb.	15,	A. Z. Knowles, services as member of school board for 1896 . . . . .	31.00
	15,	Frank N. Merrill, services as member of school board for 1896 . . . . .	35.00
	15,	Haven F. Gilman, balance for services as member of school board for 1896	5.00
			<hr/>
			\$96.00



## TOWN LIBRARY—PAID.

1897.	
Feb. 17, Library trustees, library appropriation	
for 1896 . . . . .	\$ 76.20

## RECAPITULATION.

Amount charged to treasurer by selectmen	14,962.98
Paid outstanding orders and interest . . \$	110.16
Current expenses, miscellaneous . . . . .	294.27
Roads and bridges . . . . .	2,207.34
Breaking roads winter of 1895-'96 . . . . .	1,273.52
Abatements . . . . .	37.14
Poor of town . . . . .	510.83
Aid to dependent soldiers . . . . .	217.25
County poor . . . . .	34.75
Damage to domestic animals . . . . .	29.90
School supplies . . . . .	203.71
School house repairs . . . . .	92.54
Town officers . . . . .	480.20
Expense of school board . . . . .	96.00
Town library . . . . .	76.20
School money for 1896 . . . . .	1,939.68
County tax . . . . .	1,885.12
State tax . . . . .	1,270.00
Cash in hands of treasurer . . . . .	4,204.37
	—————\$14,962.98

HENRY L. HURD, Treasurer.

WILLIAM S. P. SANDERSON,	} Selectmen of Gilmanton.
CHARLES D. WEARE,	
ALBERT W. HILL,	

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and a balance of \$4,204.37 in the hands of the treasurer.

GEORGE W. ADAMS,	} Auditors.
CHARLES H. SHANNON,	

## LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

		INTEREST DUE.
C. F. Moulton . . . . .	\$ 6.06	\$ .93
S. A. Cotton, 3 orders . . . . .	205.00	30.94
M. M. Lougee . . . . .	40.00	9.57
J. Watson, balance of 2 orders . . . . .	180.00	96.99
M. Nelson, balance . . . . .	280.00	18.15
A. P. Shannaon . . . . .	171.72	4.84
Laura F. Edgerly . . . . .	170.00	4.68
N. Hodgdon . . . . .	80.00	2.40
M. A. Hurd . . . . .	300.00	9.00
A. M. Hurd . . . . .	93.43	36.10
D. G. Edgerly . . . . .	200.00	5.33
J. Young . . . . .	420.93	25.26
M. R. Lougee . . . . .	30.00	10.04
A. L. Lougee . . . . .	86.00	25.61
M. B. Avery . . . . .	132.00	34.92
S. M. Gale . . . . .	470.00	8.96
S. M. Gale . . . . .	350.00	5.89
M. L. Dow . . . . .	121.14	24.79
Vona Ham . . . . .	100.00	19.26
M. A. Lougee . . . . .	483.73	87.62
J. Young, balance . . . . .	490.93	5.89
The bearer . . . . .	417.81	49.53
		\$516.70
Balance of orders for repair of school-houses . . . . .	\$ 59.21	
	\$4,887.96	
Amount of outstanding orders and interest due Feb. 15, 1897 . . . . .		\$5,404.66

ASSETS OF TOWN.

Cash in hands of treasurer . . . . .	\$ 4,204.37	
Due from the county . . . . .	34.75	
	<hr/>	\$4,239.12
Indebtedness over means Feb. 15, 1897		\$1,165.54
Reduction of debt the past year . . .		180.75

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY OF THE TOWN.

Yokes, chains and muzzles . . . . .	\$ 18.00	
Two safes . . . . .	300.00	
Three road machines . . . . .	250.00	
Land purchased for town . . . . .	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$668.00

HENRY L. HURD, Treasurer.

WILLIAM S. P. SANDERSON,	}	Selectmen of Gilmanton.
CHARLES D. WEARE,		
ALBERT W. HILL,		

GEORGE W. ADAMS,	}	Auditors.
CHARLES H. SHANNON,		

# ROAD AGENTS' ACCOUNT.

## REPORT OF CHARLES F. GILMAN, Road Agent.

1896.			
May	23.	Paid H. F. Gilman, labor on highway .	\$ 3.00
	23.	E. T. Gillman, " .	3.00
	25.	George E. Paige, " .	1.65
	26.	Joseph L. Jones, " .	5.70
	26.	N. L. Harris, " .	4.00
	26.	Charles S. Page, " .	3.00
	27.	Fred W. Page, " .	4.40
	27.	W. H. Ayer, " .	12.50
	29.	Charles H. Peaslee, " .	3.00
	29.	Hiram Hodgdon, " .	2.07
	29.	G. P. Barron, " .	2.82
	30.	Albert W. Hill, " .	3.50
	30.	W. A. Page, " .	4.50
	30.	Charles C. Varney, " .	6.72
	30.	F. G. Osborne, " .	8.32
			<hr style="width: 100%;"/>
			\$68.18
June	1.	Paid C. H. French, for labor . . . .	\$ 6.87
	1.	Walter Green, " . . . .	7.50
	2.	J. W. Brown, " . . . .	1.50
	2.	Joseph Brown, " . . . .	1.50
	2.	Frank J. Brown, " . . . .	2.00
	2.	W. F. Sargent, " . . . .	9.00
	3.	M. D. Laury, " . . . .	2.25
	3.	H. T. Gilman, " . . . .	3.00
	3.	Fred S. French, " . . . .	1.50
	4.	J. W. Rollins, " . . . .	1.50

June	4.	Paid A. L. Green, for labor . . . . .	\$6.25
	5.	Sidney U. Linscott, " . . . . .	3.00
	5.	Noah Zanes, " . . . . .	3.00
	5.	F. J. Linscott, " . . . . .	1.50
	5.	G. F. Kelley, " . . . . .	4.90
	5.	G. W. Nutter, " . . . . .	3.25
	6.	Usher S. Parsons, " . . . . .	9.00
	6.	J. D. Merrill, " . . . . .	2.85
	6.	E. H. Hayes, " . . . . .	3.00
	6.	John D. Smith, " . . . . .	3.25
	10.	C. F. Merrill, " . . . . .	4.62
	12.	George W. Adams, " . . . . .	3.75
	12.	Charles G. Sanborn, " . . . . .	3.95
	12.	Charles R. Eaton, " . . . . .	4.30
	12.	M. S. Clough, " . . . . .	2.25
	13.	T. B. Lane, " . . . . .	12.00
	13.	Joseph R. Hill, " . . . . .	1.50
	15.	Fred A. Barber, " . . . . .	3.00
	15.	C. W. Foss, " . . . . .	3.65
	15.	John Elkins, " . . . . .	1.50
	15.	Isaac A. Downs, " . . . . .	1.50
	19.	T. F. Osborne, " . . . . .	2.59
	19.	John T. Elkins, " . . . . .	1.25
	19.	G. C. Parsons, " . . . . .	5.22
	19.	C. A. Osborne, " . . . . .	2.67
	19.	J. D. Merrill, " . . . . .	.75
	19.	J. W. Sanborn, " . . . . .	10.50
	19,	Joseph Brown " . . . . .	3.50
	19,	Chas. T. Smith, " . . . . .	3.25
	19,	Alva Foss, " . . . . .	4.00
	20,	G. S. Stockbridge, " . . . . .	6.02
	22,	A. V. Edgerly, " . . . . .	3.15
	22	Sylvester Goodwin " . . . . .	6.20
	22,	Thomas J. Doe, " . . . . .	1.50
	22,	Alna L. Pease, " . . . . .	1.20

June 22,	Paid L. B. Pease, for labor . . . .	\$ 3.65
22,	J. M. Pickering, " . . . .	1.75
22,	C. F. Bradley, " . . . .	3.00
22,	C. B. Clark, " . . . .	2.25
22,	C. H. Goodwin, " . . . .	2.55
22,	Chas. E. Goodwin, " . . . .	1.50
22,	E. H. Goodwin, " . . . .	.75
22,	Elwood Hill, " . . . .	3.00
25,	Irvin A. Clongh, " . . . .	1.50
25,	M. S. Clough, " . . . .	.75
25,	C. F. Potter, " . . . .	3.00
25,	E. J. Lord, bridge plank, 286 ft.,	2.86
26,	L. C. Page, labor . . . .	.75
26,	W. A. Page, " . . . .	3.00
26,	D. S. Ayer, " . . . .	4.50
26,	O. L. Green, " . . . .	2.45
26,	C. W. J. Peaslee, 19 days at \$1.75	33.25
27,	Arthur L. Gilman, driving road machine 22 days at \$1.75 . .	38.50
		<hr/>
		\$279.45
July 10,	Isaac A. Downs, labor . . . .	1.50
10,	N. L. Harris, " . . . .	7.42
11,	W. A. Page, " . . . .	1.87
11,	E. T. Gilman, use of oxen on ma- chine . . . . .	16.00
16,	A. L. Gilman, use of oxen on road machine . . . . .	16.00
16,	George E. Page, use of oxen on road machine . . . . .	36.00
		<hr/>
		\$78.79
Sept. 14,	Charles C. Varney, labor . . . .	2.10
14,	Fred W. Page, " . . . .	.90
15,	J. B. McClary, " . . . .	1.35
17,	J. P. Hussey, plank . . . . .	10.48
17,	E. J. Lord, " . . . . .	2.08

Sept. 18,	Paid M. M. Page,	labor . . . .	\$1.20
19,	George A. Gale,	" . . . .	3.60
19,	L. C. Page,	" . . . .	1.87
21,	F. J. Brown,	" . . . .	2.25
21,	B. F. Webster,	" . . . .	3.15
21,	Charles A. Roberts,	" . . . .	3.15
22,	J. P. Hussey, plank	. . . . .	2.49
22,	C. H. Goodwin, labor and lumber		2.66
22,	H. F. Gilman,	labor . . . .	.37
26,	Sylvester French,	" . . . .	2.50
26,	W. M. Smith,	" . . . .	2.00
			<hr/>
			\$42.15
Nov. 25,	O. L. Green,	" . . . .	4.00
25,	C. A. Osborne,	" . . . .	.30
27,	C. F. Merrill	" . . . .	1.60
27,	G. F. Kelley	" . . . .	6.02
			<hr/>
			\$11.92
Dec. 2,	Frank E. Robinson for bridge plank	. . . . .	11.00
10,	Ira Gilman, for labor	. . . .	4.25
			<hr/>
			\$15.25

## SUMMARY.

Amount expended for labor in May . . . . .	68.18
" " " June . . . . .	279.45
" " " July . . . . .	78.79
" " " Sept. . . . .	42.15
" " " Nov. . . . .	11.92
" " " Dec. . . . .	15.25
	<hr/>
	495.74

Chas. F. Gilman, 61 $\frac{3}{4}$  days, at \$2.00 . . \$ 123.50  
 Use of oxen 18 1-2 days at \$2.00 . . . . 37.00  
 Use of harrow 18 days at 25c. . . . . 4.50



For bridge timber . . . . .	\$ 3.00	
Repairs on road machine . . . . .	1.72	
30 lbs. spikes at 4c. . . . .	1.20	
		\$170.92
		-----
Total . . . . .		\$666.66
Received of town treasurer . . . . .	\$666.66	
Cash paid out . . . . .	666.66	
CHAS. F. GILMAN, Road Agent.		

## REPORT OF R. A. KNOWLES, Road Agent.

1896.

## CASH PAID OUT.

May, J. R. Munsey, 5 days running machine . . . . .		\$10.00
J. R. Munsey, 1 man 3 days and 1 pair oxen 8 hours . . . . .		5.40
F. P. Hutchinson, 1 day . . . . .		1.50
E. E. Witham, 6 days . . . . .		12.00
F. E. Nutter, 5 days . . . . .		7.50
J. S. Beck, 5 days . . . . .		7.50
A. P. Ellsworth, 2 days with oxen . . . . .		6.00
E. P. " $\frac{1}{2}$ day . . . . .		.75
Oscar " 2 days . . . . .		2.00
R. A. Knowles, 2 days . . . . .		4.00
" 5 days with 6 oxen . . . . .		40.00
Cyrus Varney, 1 day with oxen . . . . .		3.00
M. C. Lamprey, $2\frac{1}{2}$ days with oxen . . . . .		7.50
H. F. " 2 " " . . . . .		6.00
" " $\frac{1}{2}$ day . . . . .		.75
Romie Little, 1 day . . . . .		1.50
C. E. Plummer, $2\frac{1}{2}$ days, 5 men . . . . .		18.25
N. Pulsifer, 1 day, 2 men . . . . .		3.00
" $1\frac{1}{2}$ " " with oxen . . . . .		6.75
		-----
		\$143.40

June, J. R. Munsey, 13 days . . . . .	\$ 26.00
"    2 " 1 man with oxen . . . . .	6.00
"    3 " 1 " . . . . .	4.50
F. P. Hutchinson, 12 days, 8 hours . . . . .	19.20
E. E. Witham, 11½ days . . . . .	23.00
F. E. Nutter, 12 days, 8 hours . . . . .	19.20
J. S. Beck, 12 days, 9 hours . . . . .	19.35
A. P. Elsworth, 7 days with oxen . . . . .	21.00
Oscar " 2½ " . . . . .	2.50
R. A. Knowles, 13 days with 6 oxen . . . . .	104.00
"    4 days . . . . .	8.00
"    5 " 1 pair oxen . . . . .	17.50
Romie Little, 2½ days . . . . .	3.75
A. H. Green, 1 day . . . . .	1.50
F. L. Baker, 7 days, 4 hours . . . . .	11.10
W. C. Greenough, 1 day . . . . .	1.50
Aibert Mudgett, 1½ day . . . . .	2.25
S. L. Weeks, 2 days, 1 man, 4 oxen . . . . .	8.25
A. H. Weed, 2 days . . . . .	3.00
D. Dow, ½ day . . . . .	.75
J. J. Hoadley, 12½ days . . . . .	18.75
W. B. French, 1 day . . . . .	1.50
M. E. " 2 days with oxen . . . . .	6.00
J. S. " 1 day, 4 hours with oxen . . . . .	3.65
B. A. Maxfield, 2 days, 2 men with oxen . . . . .	10.25
C. W. Gault, 2 one-half days, 1 man . . . . .	3.75
"    3 days, 2 men . . . . .	9.00
"    2 days with horses . . . . .	4.00
J. L. Clifford, one-half day . . . . .	.75
A. A. Jones, 1 part of day . . . . .	1.25
George W. Griffin, 1 day, 2 men . . . . .	3.00
W. J. Mansfield, one-half day . . . . .	.75
E. E. Maxfield, 1 one-half day . . . . .	2.25
E. Osgood, 4 days . . . . .	6.00
G. F. M. Knowles, 3 one-half days . . . . .	3.75
F. M. Twombly, 2 days, 9 hours . . . . .	4.10

Paid	J. F. Battis, 5 days, 2 men . . . . .	\$ 15.00
	J. C. Gault, 1 one-half day . . . . .	2.25
	S. C. Beck, 2 days . . . . .	3.00
	R. W. Marsh, 3 days . . . . .	4.50
	A. M. Brown, 1 day, 3 hours . . . . .	1.95
	J. C. Riley, 3 days . . . . .	4.50
	J. H. Weeks, bridge plank . . . . .	36.40
	George A. Sanders, 26 ft. Akron pipe . . .	5.73
	C. H. Morrison, 1 day . . . . .	1.50
	S. K. Twombly, 2 days . . . . .	3.00
	C. L. Chase, 2 days . . . . .	3.00
	K. J. Varney, 3 days, 3 one-half hours . .	5.00
		<hr/>
		\$466.93
July,	R. A. Knowles, 5 days . . . . .	10.00
	R. A. Knowles, 400 ft. bridge plank . . .	4.00
Oct.	C. H. French, 3 days . . . . .	4.50
	J. W. Canney, 1 day . . . . .	1.50
	Romie Little, repairing Ellsworth road . .	20.00
	J. S. Beck, 1 day . . . . .	1.50
	H. Beede, 2 days . . . . .	3.00
	A. J. Lamprey, 4 days . . . . .	6.00
	R. A. Knowles, part of day . . . . .	1.08
	R. A. Knowles, 2 one-half days . . . . .	4.75
		<hr/>
		\$56.33
Amount laid out in	May . . . . .	\$ 143.40
"	" June . . . . .	466.93
"	" July and October . . . . .	56.33
		<hr/>
		\$666.66
Received of town treasurer . . . . .		666.66
Paid out . . . . .		666.66

R. A. KNOWLES, Road Agent.

## REPORT OF R. B. PARSONS, ROAD AGENT.

## CASH PAID OUT.

1896.

May	6,	Asa Paige, labor . . . . .	1.37
	6,	Harlan Paige, " . . . . .	.82
	25,	J. D. and E. Nelson, labor and plank .	24.83
	26,	Horace Edgerly, labor . . . . .	2.50
	26,	Harry Shannon, " . . . . .	1.50
	26,	C. H. Shannon, " . . . . .	11.80
	26,	E. E. Smith, " . . . . .	6.28
	26,	Frank Parsons, " . . . . .	37.40
	29,	E. E. Tebbets, " . . . . .	23.02
	29,	C. A. Roberts, " . . . . .	4.65
			<hr/>
			\$114.17
June	4,	George Munsey, labor . . . . .	.75
	4,	J. L. Marsh, " . . . . .	5.03
	4,	Fred Cotton, " . . . . .	3.30
	4,	Herman Page, " . . . . .	1.50
	4,	Asa T. Paige, " . . . . .	4.50
	4,	Owen J. Edgerly, " . . . . .	12.00
	5,	Edgar Paige, " . . . . .	1.50
	26,	C. D. Wearc, " . . . . .	15.50
	26,	A. R. Paige, " . . . . .	6.45
	26,	J. H. Beck, " . . . . .	2.25
	26,	S. W. Sargent, " . . . . .	8.40
	26,	Mrs. Joseph Durrell, labor . . . . .	4.05
	26,	John S. Moulton, labor . . . . .	13.20
	26,	H. J. Marsh, " . . . . .	11.25
	26,	N. Staples, " . . . . .	5.25
	26,	H. S. Paige, " . . . . .	7.13
	26,	Charles A. Paige, " . . . . .	3.60
	26,	Mary Marsh, " . . . . .	4.27
	26,	Herbert Weeks, " . . . . .	3.00
	26,	Charles Sargent, " . . . . .	26.75

June 26,	Oscar Ellis,	labor . . . . .	\$ 15.00
26,	C. M. Batcheleer,	" . . . . .	16.50
26,	L. M. Paige,	" . . . . .	3.60
26,	Charles Beck,	" . . . . .	3.30
27,	Thomas Cogswell,	oxen . . . . .	88.00
29,	Carlton Edgerly,	labor . . . . .	5.65
			<hr/>
			\$271.73
July 20,	Owen Flanders,	labor . . . . .	1.50
24,	Frank Young,	" . . . . .	9.45
			<hr/>
			10.95
Aug. 15,	David Bickford,	labor . . . . .	2.70
Sept. 10,	L. E. Paige,	" . . . . .	25.89
Oct. 1,	John Shannon,	plank . . . . .	1.08
10,	Charles Sargent,	labor . . . . .	3.40
11,	Willis Moody,	" . . . . .	1.50
17,	Henry Bussell,	" . . . . .	9.19
26,	Mary Lougee,	" . . . . .	8.70
			<hr/>
			\$23.87
Nov. 3,	Herbert Sargent,	labor . . . . .	8.25
20,	John Watson,	" . . . . .	5.42
25,	Lyman Berry,	" . . . . .	1.50
30,	James Shannon,	" . . . . .	2.75
30,	C. H. Shannon,	" . . . . .	7.28
30,	Henry Hurd,	" . . . . .	1.35
			<hr/>
			\$26.55
Dec. 8,	Fred Giles,	labor . . . . .	4.50
12,	Mark Weeks,	" . . . . .	3.45
25,	Arthur Avery,	" . . . . .	1.50
30,	Jonathan Young,	" . . . . .	3.45
30,	J. P. Hussey,	plank . . . . .	13.07
30,	E. S. Nelson,	labor . . . . .	14.95
30,	E. J. Lord,	plank . . . . .	8.72

Dec. 30, Henry Bussell, labor . . . . .		\$5.23
30, David Edgerly . . . . .		52.85
30, R. B, Parsons . . . . .		60.75
		<hr/>
		\$168.47
Lafayette Canney, labor . . . . .		1.12
D. Hook, plank and joist, . . . . .		3.42
Charles Tibbetts, labor . . . . .		1.00
		<hr/>
		\$5.54
		<hr/>
		\$649.87
Balance on hand from last year . . .	\$20.38	
Received of treasurer . . . . .	666.66	
	<hr/>	\$687.04
Amount expended for labor on highway . . . . .		649.87
		<hr/>
		\$37.17

RUFUS B. PARSONS, Agent,

## Report of the School Board.

---

The number of schools supported by the town district during the year has been fourteen, the same as last year, and with one exception in the same school buildings. Following is a brief report of each school :

### IRON WORKS DISTRICT.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Mrs. Carrie M. Leyland, who has had charge of this school, more or less, for several years. Mrs. Leyland is well qualified in every respect to fill the position of teacher. Thorough in her method of instruction, pleasant in her relations with her scholars, yet always maintaining good order. Improvement in all branches taught, satisfactory.

Whole number of scholars, 15.

Fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Edith M. Page. Miss Page has had considerable experience in teaching, having taught successfully several terms of school in the Page Hill district. This term of school was composed of some twenty-five scholars of all ages, and degrees of advancement, requiring a teacher possessing considerable tact as to management and ability to instruct. It is thought by many that we need our best teachers in the most advanced schools, which perhaps is true, so far as education is concerned, but we know from experience that it requires more patience and watchfulness on the part of the teacher in a school made up of several little fellows, than it does in one of larger scholars. Miss Page sustained her former reputation as a good instructress, and the school was like the summer term, a success.



## GALE DISTRICT.

Summer term of nine weeks, fall term of fifteen weeks, both taught by Frank N. Merrill. This is the third successive term, we have taught this school, by the request of the district. In some branches of study this is one of the most, if not the most advanced school in town. Here are some scholars who have arrived at the age to begin to see the importance of gaining an education, hence during the past three terms of school, have applied themselves quite diligently to their studies, with good results. One young man from this school is now a student at Gilmanton academy. We hope more of them will do likewise.

## PACE HILL DISTRICT.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Miss Edith M. Page. For several terms past Miss Page has labored faithfully for the educational welfare of the scholars in this district, always giving good satisfaction to all concerned.

Fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Fannie B. Page. Miss Page has spent considerable time and labor in gaining an education, having attended several terms of school at Plymouth, N. H. She is well fitted for the duties of the schoolroom; being able to bring up before her classes, in a systematic manner, by way of explanations, many points so essential in teaching children. The scholars seemed to understand all lessons gone over through the term, thus proving that they had been taught in a thorough manner.

Here are some quite good scholars.

## LOUGEETOWN DISTRICT.

Summer term of ten weeks, fall term of fourteen weeks, both taught by Miss Carrie M. Sargent. This school has been under Miss Sargent's instruction for several terms, and seems to be making steady improvement. This is one of the smallest schools in town, yet the teacher seemed to find enough to do to occupy her time profitably.

## ALLEN'S MILLS.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Mrs. Lizzie A. Young.

Mrs. Young has had considerable experience as a teacher and is a most excellent instructress. It was with many regrets that we found ourselves obliged to make a change for the second term. It was made necessary from sickness alone. Second term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Lizzie Toof.

Miss Toof came to us from Canada, having taught there for four years. Her experience there had well qualified her for school duties anywhere.

She has a keen perception of the duties of a teacher and a systematic manner. I consider the school very satisfactory.

Number of pupils first term, 4; average attendance, 4. Number of pupils second term, 5, average attendance, 4.

## CORNER DISTRICT.

Summer term of ten weeks and fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Mrs. Alice E. Langley.

Mrs. Langley is a faithful and efficient teacher and always pleasant to her pupils. Good advancement was made in nearly all of the studies. There was, as usual, considerable irregularity in attendance on the part of some of the pupils.

Sickness in some cases was a just cause for absence but there were some others that were absent more from lack of interest on part of the parents, a case which is considered deplorable.

Number of pupils first term, 25. Number of pupils second term, 31, average attendance, 19.

## JONES' MILLS.

Summer term of seven weeks and fall term of seventeen weeks, both taught by Miss Annie E. Weeks.

The fact that Miss Weeks was returned to this school by the request of the district is a sufficient recommendation.

She has sustained her position in the hearts of parents and pupils and her school gave evidence of good instruction and good government,

Number of pupils first term, 13; Number of pupils second term, 14; average attendance, 11.

## SANBORN.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Miss Fannie B. Page.

A faithful, energetic teacher and a satisfactory term of school.

Owing to some misunderstanding on my part Miss Page was not returned in the fall.

Fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Josephine M. Clifford.

This was the teacher's first attempt at teaching. She has all of the requisites of a teacher and with a little more confidence may soon become one of our best teachers. The school made good advancement and the recitations were quite good.

Number of pupils first term, 8. Number of pupils second term, 7; average attendance, 6.

## LAMPREY.

Summer term of ten weeks and fall term of fourteen weeks, both taught by Mrs. Myra F. Lane.

Mrs. Lane is a very efficient teacher. She spares no pains to make every point clear and never resting until she feels it is understood by the pupils. The school made excellent progress under her care.

I heard of no dissatisfaction but words of commendation instead. Mrs. Lane is deeply interested in educational matters and is at present attending the State Normal school.

Number of pupils first term, 13. Number of pupils second term, 12; average attendance, 11.

## KELLEY DISTRICT.

Spring term of ten weeks taught, by Miss Mary E. Weeks of Gilmanton.

Miss Weeks has taught several terms in town and has met with good success. With one of two exceptions the scholars made a good showing. This is a large school and there are so many classes it is impossible for any teacher to do them justice.

Fall term of thirteen weeks, taught by Miss Alice Sanborn.

This was Miss Sanborn's first attempt to teach and being a resident of this district she labored under many difficulties that she would not have met with if she had not been so well-known by her pupils.

Miss Sanborn has a good education, has a very pleasant way of explaining and making plain the difficult points. With a little more experience which all teachers have to acquire Miss Sanborn will become a first-class teacher.

#### POTTER DISTRICT.

Spring term of ten weeks and fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Annie M. Barber of Gilmanton Iron Works.

For several years past Miss Barber has had charge of this school and has proved an excellent teacher in every respect.

The pupils under her instructions have made good advancement and in a thorough manner.

#### POND DISTRICT.

It was thought best to unite the Pond and Griffin schools, or rather alternate them, have a spring term in the Pond and a fall term in the Griffin.

Spring term, taught by Mrs. Fannie Osborne. Mrs. Osborne's report has appeared many times during the past fifteen years, undoubtedly the readers are familiar with it, so it will be useless for me to write a repetition. The school consisted of four small scholars, and under their teacher's instruction the little fellows made very good advancement.

#### SMITH'S MEETING HOUSE DISTRICT.

Spring term of ten weeks and fall term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Lena R. Parsons of Gilmanton Iron Works.

With one or two exceptions the scholars in this school are eager to gain a thorough knowledge of their text books, and under Miss Parsons' instruction made very good advancement.

#### GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

Fall term of thirteen weeks, taught by Miss Esther Goodwin of Gilmanton Iron Works. This was Miss Goodwin's first attempt to wield the birch and a successful one. In this school at the present time there are seven scholars. The examination showed that some very good work had been accomplished.

If Miss Goodwin intends to make teaching her future avocation, she will add one more to our present corps of teachers.

#### ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

POTTER DISTRICT,—Second Term—John B. Furber, Grace E. Foss, Addie M. Downs.

SMITH'S MEETING HOUSE, — First Term — John Paige, Joseph Paige, Bessie Peaslee, Laura Jones, Ella Jones, Helena Madera.

No. 14.—First Term—Clifton Goodwin.

ALLEN'S MILLS DISTRICT.—Second Term—Worthy of mention, Oscar Dow.

CORNER DISTRICT.—Second Term—Betsey M. Knowles, Nettie Tappan, Mertie Jones, Charles W. Knowles, Arthur Lougee.

JONES' MILLS DISTRICT.—Second Term—Ethel Worthington.

SANBORN DISTRICT.—Second Term—Worthy of mention, Bertha M. Ellis, Winnie A. Weeks.

GALE DISTRICT.—First Term—Blanche M. D. Weeks, Ivo Weeks, Charles Lougee.

Second Term—Blanche M. D. Weeks, Ivo Weeks, Florence B. Merrill, Ethel M. Merrill.

LOUGEETOWN DISTRICT.—First Term—Blanche Beck.

PAGE HILL.—First Term—Russell W. Clough, Willie E. Clough, Albert D. Clough, Clarence F. Clough, Daniel Elkins, Fred W. Elkins, Walter C. Perkins, Mary C. Page, Alicè C. Page; worthy of mention, Carrie B. Elkins, Franklin S. Place.

Second Term—Mary E. Page, Willie E. Clough.

IRON WORKS DISTRICT.—Second Term—Worthy of mention, Daniel Elkins, Amos R. Price, Morton E. Young, Harold C. Sleeper, Della M. Bemis, Bertha F. Elkins, Francis S. Price.

# STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. and Name of School.	Terms.	Name of Teacher	Wages per month.	Length of school in weeks.	Whole number of scholars.	Number of scholars attending to the following studies.										
						Average attendance.	Reading.	Spelling.	Pennmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Algebra.	Bookkeeping.	Physiology.
No. 1. Kelley.....	Summer	Marv E. Weeks	22	10	26	23	26	26	20	18	10	9	...	...	...	9
	Fall	Alice Sanborn	22	13	30	18	30	30	22	30	9	8	2	1	15	
No. 2. Potter.....	Summer	Annie M. Barber	20	10	8	6	8	8	5	8	4	4	3	...	...	4
	Fall	"	20	14	8	5	8	8	8	8	4	3	2	...	...	4
No. 3. Hall's.....	Summer	Edith M. Page	20	10	12	10	12	12	11	10	9	2	5	1	5	
Hill	Fall	Fannie B. Page	20	14	8	7	8	8	8	8	4	6	3	1	2	7
No. 5. Smith's	Summer	Lena R. Parsons	20	10	18	15	18	18	12	14	9	7	2	...	...	6
Meeting House	Fall	"	20	14	20	16	20	20	12	7	4	...	...	2	3	4
No. 7. Lougee...	Summer	Carrie M. Sargent	18	10	8	7	8	8	5	5	3	1	3	...	...	4
town	Fall	"	18	14	6	5	6	6	4	4	3	1	2	...	...	4
No. 8. Allen's ...	Summer	Lizzie A. Young	16	10	4	4	4	4	3	2	2	2	...	...	...	5
Mills	Fall	Lizzie Toof	16	14	5	4	5	5	5	4	4	3	...	...	...	2
No. 9. Corner.....	Summer	Alice E. Langley	24	10	25	20	25	25	25	28	10	8	10	...	...	10
	Fall	"	24	14	31	19	31	31	31	28	10	8	10	1	10	
No. 11. Gale	Summer	Frank N. Merrill	24	9	14	13	14	14	14	14	7	5	7	1	...	
	Fall	"	24	15	12	11	12	12	12	12	6	7	6	1	...	
No. 13. Jones'...	Summer	Annie E. Weeks	24	7	13	11	13	13	10	11	6	5	1	...	...	
Mill	Fall	"	24	17	14	11	14	14	10	11	6	5	1	...	...	
No. 4. Pond	Summer	Fannie A. Osborne	16	11	14	3	4	4	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	
No. 14. Griffin	Fall	Esther Goodwin	18	13	6	5	6	6	6	6	5	3	...	...	5	
No. 16. Sanborn	Summer	Fannie B. Page	20	10	8	8	8	8	8	7	3	6	...	...	...	
	Fall	Jose'ine M. Clifford	20	14	7	6	7	7	7	7	3	6	5	2	2	...
No. 17. Lamprey	Summer	Myra F. Lane	24	10	13	...	13	13	13	13	7	6	4	...	1	11
	Fall	"	24	14	12	11	12	12	11	12	7	7	4	...	...	
No. 18. Iron Wk's	Summer	Carrie M. Leyland	24	10	14	13	14	14	10	10	9	8	4	4	...	9
	Fall	Edith M. Page	24	15	24	21	24	24	20	18	10	6	2	2	10	

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

HENRY L. HURD, Treasurer of school district in account with the district of Gilmanton, for the year 1896.

1896.

March 14, To cash in hands of treasurer . . . . . \$ 22.49

1897.

Feb. 15,	F. N. Merrill, for tuition of scholars out of town . . . . .	8.65
	School order for the year 1896 . . . . .	1,939.68
		\$1,970.82

## MISCELLANEOUS—PAID.

1896.

April 1,	Warren Marsh, fitting Iron Works district, 1896 . . . . .	\$ 2.00
15,	J. Conneil & Co., supplies furnished school year 1896 . . . . .	4.48
25,	Haven Gilman, 1 cord wood furnished Smith Meeting House, Dist. No. 5 . . . . .	4.00
May 8,	Lizzie Glidden, cleaning Iron Works schoolhouse, 1896 . . . . .	3.00
11,	Frank D. Young, for wood furnished Lougetown district . . . . .	1.25
	Frank N. Merrill, one cord wood and fitting same, Iron Works district, 1896 . . . . .	4.50
July 2,	Albert W. Hill, cleaning schoolhouse in Pond district . . . . .	1.00
Aug. 10,	Emma A. Sleeper, transporting from Cogswell Dist. to Iron Works Dist. and room rent . . . . .	10.75
Dec. 3,	Geo. Griffin, wood furnished Dist. No. 14 . . . . .	5.50
17,	A. Z. Knowles, slates, pencils, tablets, crayons, etc. . . . .	2.61
17,	A. Z. Knowles, pads, pencils, pens, slate pencils, as per bill . . . . .	1.60



Dec.	17,	A. Z. Knowles, R. A. Knowles, one-half cord wood and fitting, for brooms, pails, shelves, glass and setting, repairs to lock, etc. . . . .	\$ 5.66
June	23,	School board, school books, furnished in 1896 . . . . .	45.06
Dec.	26,	J. H. Beck, cleaning Lougetown school-house and fitting wood . . . . .	1.75
	26,	Owen J. Edgerly, one-half cord wood and fitting the same . . . . .	2.50
	26,	Usher Parsons, 1 cord wood, Kelley district No. 1 . . . . .	4.00
	26,	Charles H. Weed, wood furnished Allen's Mills and Corner schools, Nos. 8 and 9 . . . . .	6.13
	26,	Cole Mfg. Co., stove for Iron Works school district . . . . .	9.75
	26,	J. Munsey, wood furnished district No. 11, year 1896 . . . . .	5.00
1897.			
Jan.	11,	Mrs. Emma Sleeper, transporting, and room rent for scholars in the Cogswell district . . . . .	15.00
	15,	Charles M. Bachelder, 1 one-half cords wood, furnished Sanborn's Dist. 1896 . . . . .	6.50
1896.			
Dec.	26,	Frank D. Young, wood furnished Lougetown Dist., 1895 and 1896 . . . . .	6.25
	26,	Mrs. Rufus Moody, cleaning schoolhouse in Corner and Jones' Mills districts Nos. 9 and 13 . . . . .	3.00
1897.			
Feb.	15,	Daniel H. Moulton, drawing stove from Laconia, Iron Works district . . . . .	.50
	15,	Owen J. Edgerly, wood and fitting same in Gale district . . . . .	2.50
	15,	John Connell & Co., as per bill . . . . .	1.23

Feb.	15,	James A. Jones, wood furnished . . .	
		Jones' Mill district, year 1896 . . .	\$ 5.00
	15,	Albert R. Page, 1 cord wood and fitting in Page district . . . . .	4.50
June	25,	Edson C. Eastman, merchandise, per bill	3.68
April	15,	Frank K. Johnson, as per bill paid Frank N. Merrill . . . . .	5.39
	15,	Frank N. Merrill, cash paid for school supplies and expenses on books . .	10.50
			<hr/>
			\$139.53

## SCHOOLS—SUMMER TERM—PAID.

1897.

July	2,	Mrs. Fannie Osborne, Pond district . .	\$40.50
	2,	Daniel Moulton, home instruction of Moulton children . . . . .	24.00
	3,	Alice E. Langley, Corner district, No. 10, ten weeks . . . . .	60.00
	3,	Carrie M. Sargent, Lougetown district	47.50
	6,	Myra F. Jones, No. 27 . . . . .	60.00
	6,	Annie M. Barber, No. 2 . . . . .	50.00
	8,	Frank N. Merrill, Gale district . . . .	54.00
	8,	Mary E. Weeks, Kelley district, No. 1 .	55.00
	8,	Angie E Weeks, Jones' Mills district .	42.00
	8,	Lizzie A. Young, District No. 8 . . . .	40.00
	10,	Lena R. Parsons, District No. 5 . . . .	50.00
	11,	Edith M. Page, Hall's Hi'l, spring term	60.00
	11,	Fannie Page, District No. 16 . . . .	55.00
Aug.	31,	Carrie M. Leyland, Iron Works district	60.00

## WINTER TERM—PAID.

1896.

Dec.	5,	Alice Sanborn, Kelley district, 13 weeks	72.60
	7,	Esther Goodwin, Griffin district, 13 weeks	58.50
	12,	Annie M. Barber, Potter district, 14 wks	70.00

Dec. 12,	Lena R. Parsons, Smith's Meeting House district, 14 weeks . . . . .	\$ 70.00
15,	Josie M. Clifford, Sanborn district, 14 weeks . . . . .	70.00
15,	Alice E. Langley, Corner dist., 14 wks	84.00
17,	Lizzie A Toof, Allen's Mills dist., 14 wks	56.00
21,	Edith M. Page, Iron Works dist., 14 wks	84.00
25,	Fannie Page, Page district, 14 weeks .	70.00
26,	Carrie M. Sargent, Lougetown district, 14 weeks . . . . .	66.50
26,	Mrs. Myra F. Lane, Lamprey district, 14 weeks . . . . .	84.00
26,	Daniel H. Moulton, teaching his children, 1896 . . . . .	23.00
Jan. 2,'97,	Annie E. Weeks, Jones' Mills district, 17 weeks . . . . .	102.00
Feb. 15,	Frank N. Merrill, Gale district, 15 wks	90.00
		\$1698.60
Am't charged to treasurer by school board		\$1,970.82
Paid orders of the school board orders to pay teachers . . . . .	\$1,698.60	
Miscellaneous orders . . . . .	139.53	
Cash in hands of treasurer . . . . .	132.69	
		\$1,970.82

HENRY L. HURD, Treasurer of District.

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and a balance of \$132.69 in the hands of the treasurer.

GEORGE W. ADAMS, }  
CHARLES H. SHANNON, } Auditors.

## GENERAL REMARKS.

The schools in town, under the instruction of their several teachers, have, as a whole, made commendable progress. It was the aim at the beginning of the year to employ the best available talent, always giving the preference to those of our own town, and it is very gratifying to know that Gilmanton still has within her borders some very excellent teachers. Only two were employed from out of town. While the teachers have labored indefatigably for the advancement of those in their charge, it seems that never before have parents and others "visited school" as frequently as during the past year. This is one of the indications that everything will go well in the school room.

Our state superintendent, Mr. Gowing, is doing a large amount of work throughout the state in the interest of our schools, holding institutes for the benefit of our teachers. We believe every teacher should avail themselves of the privilege extended to them by a law of the state and visit at least one of these institutes each year. Much valuable information can be gained as to the best methods of managing and imparting instruction in our public schools. Then, again, we believe all teachers should be a subscriber for some good publication, devoted wholly to the interest of school work. Many valuable hints can be gleaned from this source. In short, if we are to keep up with the best methods of teaching, we should avail ourselves of every source of knowledge which will be for the interest of those intrusted to our intellectual guidance.

## SCHOOL HOUSES.

The school buildings are, with one or two exceptions, in pretty good repair. The one at Kelley's Corner needs considerable repairing. It will be remembered at the last annual meeting the Cogswell district asked permission to move their schoolhouse from "Nighthawk Hollow" on to the main road, the district agreeing to move the building free of expense to

the town. The town appropriated fifty dollars to make repairs, which might be occasioned by moving. After an unsuccessful attempt at moving the building whole, it was decided to take it down, which has been done, and the building now stands on the new site. We presume it will be repaired and put in good condition by the time the spring schools open. The schoolhouses in the Corner and Pond districts have been newly shingled and otherwise repaired at an expense of about ninety dollars.

After returning our thanks to parents, friends, teachers and scholars throughout the town for their kindness and courtesy, in conclusion let us say that it is our earnest desire that success may crown the efforts of all in their endeavors to attain an accomplished education.

FRANK N. MERRILL, } School Board  
ARABELLA Z. KNOWLES, } of  
HAVEN F. GILMAN, } Gilmanton.

Gilmanton, N. H., Feb. 24, 1897.



## Births Registered in the Town of Gilmanton for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Date of Birth	Name of child. [If any.]	Sex and Condition			Maiden name of mother.	Color	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
		Male	Female	Living or Stillborn						
Jan. 2				3	Lizzie M. Page	Gilm'tn'	Farmer	Peach m, Vt.	Gilmanton	
Feb. 22		F	Living	3	Kate M. Murphy	"	Laborer	Barrington	Massachusetts	
Aug. 11	Fred E. Marsh	M	"	1	Jennie B. Davis	"	Merchant	Gilmanton	Gilmanton	
October 4		M	"	2	Erwin C. Brock	"	Laborer	Pittsfield	Epsom	
" 18		F	"	3	Walter E. Page	Loudon.	Laborer	Gilmanton	Gilmanton	
Nov. 2	Mildred E. Gilman	F	"	1	Arthur L. Gilman	Gilm'tn'	Farmer	Gilmanton	Gilmanton	
" 22		F	"	8	Fred Albert York	"	Laborer	Gilmanton	Pittsfield	
" 27		M	"	5	Charles A. Osborn	All White	Farmer	Gilmanton	Pittsfield	
D-c. 27		M	"	1	George F. Palmer	"	Carpenter	Dover	Gilmanton	
" 30		F	"	1	Horace F. Haynes	"	Laborer	Loudon	Barrington	
" 31		F	"	3	Henry B. Whiting	"	Laborer	South Tamworth	Salisbury	

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

WALTER H. S. HATCH, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Gilmanton for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age of each	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of parents	Occupation	What marriage	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom Married.
Apr. 21	Gilmanton	Ralph Pratt	Gilmanton	24		Insurance Ag't	Bradford, Eng.	William Pratt Susan Richards	England	Carpenter	.....	M. P. Tobey Clergyman.
"	"	Geneve May Bolo	"	23		Housekeeper	Dover	Andrew Jack'n Bolo Ella M. Frask	Dover	Shoemaker	.....	Gilman n.
May 15	Laconia	Arthur L. Gilman	"	22		Farmer	Gilmanton	John T. Gilmán Sarah L. Dame	Farmington	Housewife	.....	John G. Munsey, Clergyman, Laconia.
"	"	Emma J. Marsh	"	18		Housekeeper	"	Martha E. McCarthy Taylor Haines	Gilmanton	Farmer	.....	
July 12.	Gilmanton	John H. Haines	"	26		Blacksmith	London	Mary E. Doe Emy Howard	"	Housekeeper	.....	M. P. Tobey, Clergyman, Gilmanton.
"	"	Bertha Howard	"	26	White	Housekeeper	Dover	Emma Howard	"	Painter	.....	
Sept. 11	"	George L. Palmer	"	23		Carpenter	"	Mira Goodwin Edward E. Smith	"	Housewife	.....	M. P. Tobey, Clergyman.
"	"	Daisy Smith	"	17		Housekeeper	Gilmanton	Jane Perkins Jacob D. Merrill	"	Farmer	.....	Gilman n.
Sept. 17	"	Charles L. Merrill	"	27		Barber	"	Sarah Samborn Matthias Weeks	Gilmanton	Housewife	.....	George T. Griffin Clergyman, London.
"	"	Mary E. Weeks	"	22		School teacher.	"	Laurinda Hilliard Jonathan Prescott	Colebrook	Housekeeper	.....	
Nov. 5.	"	George C. Prescott	"	50		Farmer	"	Miranda Clough Samuel M. Robbins	Chichester	Farmer	.....	L. C. Graves, Clergyman, Gilmanton.
"	"	Cora A. Whitney	Boston, Mass	33		House-keeper	Brockport, N.Y	Belinda Belknap	Vermont	Farmer	.....	

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

WALTER H. S. HATCH, Town Clerk.



Deaths Registered in the Town of Gilmanston for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.		Sex.	Color.	Single, Married, or Widowed.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.
		Years.	Months.	Days.	Father.					Mother.				
Jan. 12	Noah Weeks	75	11		Alton	M		W	Farmer			Henry M. Weeks	Mahale Kimball	Heart failure.
21	Jerusha S. Foss	69	4	10	Enfield	F		M	Housewife		Thornton	John Pettingill	Betsy Avery	Pneumonia.
Feb. 8	Carrie Haynes	68			"	F		M	Housewife			David S. Young	Mary Jones	"
15	Mary P. Varney	76		8	Pittsfield	F		M	Housewife			Samuel Peaslee	Calista B. Ellsworth	Consumption
15	Artemas B. Ellsworth	38			Gilmanston	M		D	Farmer			John Ellsworth		Heart disease
22	Lyd a S. Hamilton	85			"	F		W	Housekeeper					Heart failure.
Mar. 9	John C. Baker				"	M		M	Farmer					Cancer
April 9	Mrs. Henry Ransom	70			"	F		M	Housewife				Elizabeth Owen	Old age
9	Naomi W. Varney	87	4	12	Barton, Vt	F		M	Housewife			James May		Angina pectoris
21	Sylvester W. Kimball	45			Gilmanston	M		F	Farmer		Gilmanston	Josiah Kimball	Mary F. Elkins	Heart disease.
22	Sarah Elkins	69			"	F		D	Housekeeper		Kunney	Daniel Elkins		Old age.
May 3	W. C. Hutchinson	84			"	F		S	Housewife			Stephen Eastman.		Cancer
June 1	R. Sina Glysson	87	2	21	Windsor, Vt	F		M	Housewife			Phil'nd'r Thomps'n	Sarah Marsh	Old age
July 31	Sarah E. Farrar	82			Gilmanston	F		W	Housewife			Josiah Parsons		Old age
Aug. 23	Nehemiah F. Marsh	67			"	M		S	Farmer				Nellie A. Nelson	Heart failure.
28	Maurice J. Nelson	1		20	Gilmanston	M		S	Ret. merchant		Warner	Edwin F. Nelson	M. L. Ward	Cholera infantum
28	Marcus L. W. Kitchen	59			"	M		M	Housewife		New Jersey	Zeba H. Kitchen	Amy Dow	Apoplexy
Sept. 24	Laura E. Haskell	04		1	Contoocook	F		M	Housewife			Eden Burbank	Mabelle McClary	Dropsy.
Oct. 19	Infant			1	Gilmanston	F		M	Housewife			Walter E. Page		"
Nov. 7	Luchinda Pulsifer	82			"	F		M	Housewife		Loudon	C. M. Batchelder	Dora M. Staples	Heart and lung disease.
10	Mvrtle Batchelder	09		11	Gilmanston	F		S	Merchant		Canada	Ezra Hill	Hannah Howard	Consumption.
14	John Connell	09		10	Stratford	M		S	Housekeeper		Canada	Micajah Osborne	Mary Cogswell	Pneumonia.
22	Betsy L. Perkins	75			Canada	F		M	Farmer		Gilmanston			"
23	John S. Osborne	78		21	Gilmanston	M		M	Farmer		Gilmanston			"

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

WALTER H. S. HATCH, Town Clerk.















