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# ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

## SELECTMEN,

Road Agents, Town Treasurer, School Treasurer,  
Trustees and Treasurer of the Public Li-  
brary, and the Board of Education

OF THE

## TOWN OF DURHAM

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1899,

WITH THE

Vital Statistics for 1898 as Prepared by the  
Town Clerk.

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DOVER, N. H.

H. E. HODGDON, PRINTER,  
1899.



## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

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*To the inhabitants of the town of Durham, in the County of Strafford, in said State, qualified by law to vote in town affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said Durham, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects, viz :

1. To choose three selectmen for the ensuing year.
2. To choose auditors, town treasurer, collector of taxes, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.
4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay necessary town charges.
5. To see what action the town will take relative to the Pillsbury highway bill, so called.
6. To choose one or more road agents for the ensuing year.
7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repair of highways.
8. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount on taxes paid on or before July 1st, and how much.
9. To see if the town will vote to set apart that part of the public landing between the roads leading from the highway to residence of Margaret and Anna P. Frost for a park.
10. To see if the town will vote to reduce the grade and straighten and widen the hill known as Cutts or Burnham hill, on road known as Point road,

leading from Durham village to Point, and appropriate a sum of money not less than five hundred or more than eight hundred dollars to complete the same, agreeable to a petition signed by Lucien Thompson, Jeremiah Langley & Son, and eight others.

11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay incidental library charges for the ensuing year.

12. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-fifth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine.

JAMES W. BURNHAM,  
CHARLES E. HOITT,  
STEPHEN P. CHESLEY,  
Selectmen of Durham.

A true copy. Attest:

JAMES W. BURNHAM,  
CHARLES E. HOITT,  
STEPHEN P. CHESLEY,  
Selectmen of Durham.



# REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

## GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid W. M. Jenkins on account of collecting taxes of 1897	\$75 00
W. M. Jenkins, stationery, 1897 .....	8 50
Clinton H. Burke, care town hall.....	5 50
Chase & Kennard, printing town reports for 1897 ....	45 00
J. B. Smith, Treas. George Frost Temperance Asso- ciation.....	104 00
Cash on account of A. B. Woodman note.....	60 00
E. M. Davis, services as su- pervisor .....	18 00
D. H. Fogg, services as su- pervisor .....	18 00
Geo. D. Stevens, services as town clerk .....	52 00
F. E. Jenkins, services as town treasurer .....	40 00
S. P. Chesley, services as selectman.....	40 00
J. W. Burnham, services as selectman.....	40 00
D. W. Watson, services as supervisor .....	18 00
C. E. Hoitt, services as se- lectman.....	40 00

Paid John H. Follett, care of hall, town election . . . . .	\$ 2 00
Charles S. Langley, ser- vices, school board . . . . .	50 00
Charles S. Langley, services school treas. . . . .	10 00
G. P. Emerson, services as road agent. . . . .	114 20
A. E. Meserve, services as road agent. . . . .	24 00
C. I. Smart, services as road agent. . . . .	40 00

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\$804 20

## LIBRARY.

Paid Mary E. Smith, books. . . . .	\$225 00
Mary E. Smith, incidental	100 50

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\$325 50

## SNOW.

Paid Alfred D. Purinton. . . . .	\$2 70
James D. Meader. . . . .	6 75
Joseph M. R. Adams . . . . .	6 00
C. F. Pendergast. . . . .	3 75
William Bell and Ogden. . . . .	6 00

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\$25 20

## SCHOOLS.

Paid Charles S. Langley, treas- urer, outstanding. . . . .	\$154 59
Charles S. Langley, cash for schools . . . . .	1,916 67
Cash, over paid. . . . .	100 40

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\$2,211 26

## HIGHWAYS.

Paid G. P. Emerson and A. E.		
Meserve, road agents....	\$1,297	72
C. I. Smart, road agent ....	374	33
	<hr/>	\$1,672 05

## NEW ROAD.

Paid S. C. Kimball, land dam-		
age.....	30	00
Frank P. Rand, labor.....	15	50
Herbert Gray, labor.....	18	15
Wm. Bell, labor.....	15	35
Charles Gray, labor.....	41	15
Louis Comings, labor.....	8	17
Jacob Edgerly, labor.....	13	50
John R. Page, labor.....	6	03
P. J. Connor, labor.....	21	34
G. A. Merrill, labor.....	27	58
True W. Lovering, labor ..	3	00
Eben Kent.....	9	71
Harry Rand .....	6	00
	<hr/>	\$215 48

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid I. B. Hill, water, 1897....		\$3 00
John W. Berry, board of J.		
H. Berry.....	18	00
John S. Drew, labor and ma-		
terial in town hall.....	11	00
John W. Berry, board of J.		
H. Berry.....	26	30
James E. Pendexter, water		
for 1898.....	3	00
J. H. Stevens, burying horse		2 00
J. W. Burnham, water to		
Feb. 15, 1899.....	10	00

Paid J. H. Scott, care of Griffith cemetery.....	\$ 3 00
W. F. Nason, legal advice, 1897 .....	3 00
A. G. Whittemore, legal advice, 1897.....	2 00
N. E. Stiles, printing town vouchers.....	1 75
E. W. Fogg, setting glass, town building.....	50
M. E. Willey, care of Simpson cemetery.....	3 00
G. S. Caverno.....	5 81
J. W. Burnham, care Woodman cemetery .....	3 75

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#### DISCOUNT ON TAXES, 1897.

Paid W. M. Jenkins, discount on taxes collected July 1st, 1897 .....	49 92
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\$49 92

#### STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Paid State tax.....	\$1,168 75
County tax .....	1,922 80

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\$3,091 55  
3,091 55

#### ABATEMENTS.

Paid Oliver Coleman, Heirs....	\$2 35
D. P. Meader, poll tax, '98	1 05

Paid A. L. Cummings, tax, 1897	\$4 00	
Frank Jones, tax, 1898 . . . .	53	
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\$7 93

## AUDITORS.

Paid M. E. Willey . . . . .	\$2 00	
J. D. Meader . . . . .	2 00	
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\$4 00

## ROAD AGENTS' REPORT.

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George P. Emerson and A. E. Meserve, Road Agents, in account with the town of Durham:

Dr.

1898. For amount rec'd from Treasurer.

May 16,	received order No. 103	\$100 00
June 1,	“ No. 109	200 00
July 13,	“ No. 110	84 65
25,	“ No. 111	200 00
29,	“ No. 114	125 00
Aug. 25,	“ No. 115	50 00
Sept. 12,	“ No. 118	47 32
Nov. 1,	“ No. 122	10 50
Dec. 28,	“ No. 132	42 40
31,	“ No. 138	224 33
Jan. 17, '99.	“ No. 134	100 00
Feb. 15,	“ . . . . .	113 52

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\$1,297 72

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For expenditures as follows:

Paid T. W. Lovering labor . . . .	25 80
Samuel J. Jones, labor . . . .	23 25
Samuel Rundlett, Jr., labor	12 00
W. S. Meserve, labor. . . . .	84 65
James W. Burnham, labor .	178 35

Paid Eben T. Emerson, gravel..	\$42 10
Samuel Rundlett, Jr.....	36 13
Nathaniel Jenkins, gravel .	8 60
Michael Moriaty, labor....	3 00
Roscoe S. Otis, labor.....	3 00
Wm. Devine, labor .....	1 50
Herbert S. Tuttle, labor ...	7 00
Peter Bascomb, labor.....	3 75
John H. Scott, labor .....	12 08
H. H. Damè, labor.....	20 00
Charles G. Morse, labor....	3 75
Daniel A. Woodman, labor	4 50
Peter McKone, labor.....	5 25
L. S. Philbrick, labor.....	5 25
George E. Dame, labor....	9 00
Griffiths Bros., labor.....	14 40
H. F. Fogg, labor .....	14 75
H. A. Smith, gravel.....	4 50
Daniel Chesley, gravel ....	3 00
E. F. Lane, gravel .....	2 00
Alonzo Ransom, gravel....	6 00
A. Converse Place Lumber Co. ....	34 36
C. L. Jenness, pipe .....	5 60
Geo. A. Merrill, labor .....	1 75
Charles H. Jones, labor....	1 25
Leonard B. Bunker, labor..	37 01
Harrison Fowler, labor ....	4 50
Edwin M. Kimball, labor ..	3 50
Eben T. Emerson, gravel ..	6 20
George P. Emerson, labor..	295 75
Daniel T. Woodman, labor.	21 40
F. J. Bunker, labor.....	32 68
Friend M. Pinkham, labor.	6 00

Samuel J. Jones, labor . . . .	5 25
Elmer S. Davis, labor . . . . .	3 00
Fred M. Bunker, labor . . . . .	4 50
Stephen P. Chesley, labor.	31 70
W. S. Edgerly, nails . . . . .	1 50
Walter C. Davis, labor . . . . .	70
Herbert Foss, labor . . . . .	2 25
Lucien Thompson, labor . . . . .	21 00
George S. Caverno, labor . . . . .	4 50
Edgar S. Chesley, labor . . . . .	1 87
Mattis Hanson, labor . . . . .	2 50
C. E. Hayes, dynamite and fuse . . . . .	4 68
James W. Burnham, labor.	9 62
Moses G. Woodman, labor.	10 00
George P. Emerson, labor . . . . .	45 75
George W. Burnham, labor	2 00
W. S. Meserve, labor . . . . .	47 32
Mathes & Meserve, 5,682 ft. plank . . . . .	68 18
Charles P. Pendergast, la- bor . . . . .	10 50
George Amazeen, labor . . . . .	5 25
Albert DeMeritt, labor . . . . .	20 00
Albert Demeritt, labor . . . . .	10 50
George P. Emerson, balance from '97 acct. . . . .	1 54

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\$1,297 72

GEO. P. EMERSON,  
A. E. MESERVE,  
Road Agents.

We, the undersigned, certify that we have exam-



ined the foregoing account of George P. Emerson and A. E. Meserve, road agents, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

M. E. WILLEY,  
J. D. MEADER,

Auditors.

Clarence I. Smart, Road Agent, in account with the town of Durham, for receipts as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1898.	Dr.
Received order No. 112 .....	\$160 00
Received order No. 168 .....	214 33
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	\$374 33

EXPENDITURES.

By expenditures as follows:

Sept. 10.	Cr.
Paid Frank Willey, labor on highway .....	\$10 50
Frank Camera, hauling gravel.....	28 00
James W. Burnham, hauling gravel .....	72 63
J. H. Stevens, gravel .....	35 30
James W. Burnham, gravel .....	16 70
George P. Emerson, team..	7 00
Clarance I. Smart, labor and teams .....	143 80
E. J. Andrews, labor .....	3 00

Paid Samuel Rundlett, on road machine .....	\$ 5 00
John R. Page, labor.....	8 25
George F. Bunker, labor...	50 25
Charles L. Gray, labor.....	2 50
Mark H. Mathes, 14 loads of loam.....	1 40
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	\$374 33

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of C. I. Smart and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

JAMES D. MEADER,  
MARK E. WILLEY,

Auditors.

## REPORT OF TREASURER.

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### TO CASH RECEIPTS AS FOLLOWS:

	Dr.
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898.....	\$293 59
M. H. Mathes, collector on	
list of 1895.....	\$33 38
List of 1895 interest.....	6 40
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	\$39 78
List of 1896.....	\$201 42
List of 1896, interest ....	34 14
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	\$235 56
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	\$275 34
W. M. Jenkins, collector	
on lists of 1897 .....	\$538'49
Lists of 1898 .....	5,754 77
	<hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>
	\$6,293 26
B. & A. dividends in trust for G. F. T. A..	104 00
Geo. D. Stevens, dog licenses.....	101 67
Geo. D. Stevens, pool table license.....	4 50
State treasurer, railroad tax.....	\$533 68
savings bank tax...	929 56
literary fund.....	99 00
	<hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>
	\$1,562 24

A. E. Meserve, balance road money, 1898...	\$ 1 14
Rent of town store.....	75 00
Rent of town wharf.....	2 00
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	\$8,712 74

## BY CASH PAYMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

		Cr.
Paid dog damage.....		\$59 00
General expeses:		
Salaries .....	\$586 70	
Printing .....	45 00	
Dividends for 1897 to Treas. G. F. T. A. ....	104 00	
A. B. Woodman, note interest, with principal in part.....	60 00	
Stationery.....	8 50	
	<hr/>	\$804 20
Auditors.....		4 00
Schools on 1898 account .....	\$1,916 67	
Overpaid on 1898 account.....	140 00	
Paid balance due 1897 account..	154 59	
	<hr/>	\$2,211 26
Miscellaneous expenses;		
Care of cemeteries .....	\$9 75	
Water service .....	16 00	
Legal advice .....	5 00	
Board of J. H. Berry .....	44 30	
Sundry items....	21 06	
	<hr/>	\$96 11
Road account .....	\$1,672 05	
Snow bills. ....	25 20	
New road.....	215 48	

Library.....	\$ 325 50
State tax .....	1,168 75
County tax .....	1,922 80
Abatements.....	7 93
Discounts on taxes paid on or before July	
1, 1897.....	49 92
Cash in treasury.....	150 54
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	\$8,712 74

Available funds, Feb. 15, 1899:

Cash in treasury .....	150 54
Outstanding on collector's lists of 1893,	
'94, '95, and '96 .....	585 81
Outstanding on collector's list of 1897 ...	169 99
Outstanding on collector's lists of 1898 ...	570 06
Over paid to schools for 1898 .....	140 00
From cemetery fund.....	9 75
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	\$1,626 15

Liabilities, Feb. 15, 1899.

A. B. Woodman, note .....	\$968 47
Dividends for 1898 to G. F. T. A.....	104 00
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	\$1,072 47

FRED E. JENKINS,  
Town Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, auditors of the town of Durham, certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the town treasurer, and find them correctly cast and all payments properly vouched.

MARK E. WILLEY,  
JAMES D. MEADER,  
Auditors.

Durham, Feb. 15, 1899.

## Trust Funds Held by the Town of Durham.

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The Anna M. Woodman and the Sarah E. Griffiths legacies are both invested in the Savings Bank for the County of Strafford, Dover, N. H., and are each of \$300.00 as per book No. 22,499. The interest of three per cent has accrued on each since Jan. 1, 1897. The Lydia Simpson trust fund is of \$100 00, and is invested in the same bank, as per book A. 6,088. This fund is to be kept separate from all other trust funds, and a separate account to be made of the same in a suitable book procured for that purpose. This fund was deposited Feb, 24, 1897. The George Frost legacy fund consists of 13 shares of the capital stock of the Boston & Albany railroad, par value \$1,300 00; the dividends are received by the treasurer each quarter, and are placed to the credit of the George Frost Temperance Association, subject to their order.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

#### WOODMAN LEGACY.

Principal, and dividends, Jan. 1, 1899.....	\$326 22
Balance in treasurer's hands, Feb. 15, '98..	20
	\$326 42
Due the town, care of cemetery, 1899 \$3 75	

## GRIFFITH'S LEGACY.

Principal, and dividends, Jan. 1, 1899 . . . .		\$326 22
Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1897 . . . . .		34 06
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		\$360 28
Paid care of cemetery, 1897 . . . . .	\$3 00	
care of cemetery, 1898 . . . . .	3 00	
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		\$6 00
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		\$354 28

## SIMPSON LEGACY.

Principal and interest, Jan 1, 1899 . . . . .		\$105 57
Due the town, care of cemetery, 1897 . . . . .	\$3 00	
Due the town, care of cemetery '98	3 00	

## GEORGE FFROST LEGACY.

Dividends received for the G. F. T. A., 1897		\$104 00
"                    "                    "                    1898		104 00
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		\$208 00
Paid dividends for 1887 to treasurer of G. F. T. A. . . . .		\$104 00
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Balance due the G. F. T. A. . . . .		\$104 00

**SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT**  
OF THE  
**DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY.**

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The trustees of the Durham Public Library submit the following annual report for the year ending Feb. 15, 1899.

At the meeting of the trustees held March 19, 1898, the same officers were elected as in the past four years.

During the year two hundred and three books and volumes of magazines have been presented to the library, one has been purchased by the Durham Library Association, and two hundred and fifteen purchased with the town appropriation, making the total number of books now in the library six thousand and thirty-nine, and an increase during the year of four hundred and nineteen books (not including pamphlets.) The average circulation is about two hundred per week.

Miss Mary E. Smith continues to give annually generous donations of books, the past year seventy-four, while her nephew, Mr. Hamilton Smith, has given one hundred dollars in books, carefully selected by the librarian; and again the trustees acknowledge and appreciate their liberality and friendship.

Two hundred and twenty-five dollars are required for books for the ensuing year. (This is a fixed sum, as per contract.) It is estimated that one hundred



and twenty-five dollars will be a sufficient sum to pay all miscellaneous expenses except insurance.

The present insurance of \$3000.00 expires during the ensuing year, and if renewed for a term of three years, (as was done in 1896), one hundred and five dollars will be needed for this purpose.

In the month of June a complimentary reception was given by the citizens of Durham to Miss Mary E. Smith, who has been librarian of the Durham Public Library for many years.

Miss Smith has freely given time and money to promote the welfare of the library, and the public took this manner of showing their high appreciation of her services. An elegant souvenir, appropriately inscribed, was presented to Miss Smith as a reminder of their esteem.

Respectfully submitted, by order of the board.

LUCIEN THOMPSON,  
Secretary.

## DONORS AND DONATIONS.

DONORS.	Books.	Pamphlets.	Magazines (volumes.)	Total.
Bartlett, J. W., Dover, N. H.....			3	3
Berea College.....		1		1
Bunker, Miss Eva D.....			1	1
Burkett, C. W.....	1			1
Cleveland Public Library.....	1			1
Dover Public Library.....		2		2
Experiment Station, N. H.....		12		12
Friend.....	1			1
Gallinger, Senator J. H.....	10	20		30
Smith, Hamilton.....	105	2		107
Smith, Miss Mary E.....	74		3	77
Somerville, Mass., Public Library...		12		12
McDonough, J. F., Albany, N. Y....	1			1
Students, N. H. Cellege.....			1	1
Towle Mfg. Co.....	1			1
Wilson, F. A., Nahant, Mass.....	1	1		2
Miscellaneous.....		40		40
	195	90	8	293

**REPORT OF TREASURER.**

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LIBRARY EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1899.

Received of town of Durham.....		\$100 50
Paid Janitors .....	\$16 80	
Coal .....	9 81	
Wood.....	1 00	
Rebinding books .....	1 88	
Ink pad.....	36	
Express on books.....	4 90	
Kerosene.....	1 00	
Library pockets .....	4 00	
Library slips and printing..	3 75	
Salary of Librarian.....	52 00	
Postage and stationery.....	5 00	
		\$100 50

BOOK ACCOUNT.

Cash on hand Feb, 15, 1898.....	\$ 22	
Received of town of Durham ...	225 00	
Received from fines.....	20 00	
		\$245 22

EXPENDITURES.

Paid DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., for		
books .....	\$225 22	
Magazines .....	20 00	
		\$245 22

## RECAPITULATION.

## RECEIPTS.

Library expense account.....	\$100 50	
Library book account.....	245 22	
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## EXPENDITURES.

Library expense account.....	\$100 50	
Library book account.....	245 22	
	<hr/>	\$345 72

MARY E. SMITH,  
Treasurer Durham Public Library.

We hereby certify that the accounts of the treasurer for the year ending Feb. 15, 1899, are properly vouched and correctly cast.

FRED W. MORSE,  
ALBERT DEMERITT,  
Financial Committee.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FROM THE TREASURER OF THE GEORGE  
FFROST TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION,  
FROM OCT. 1896, TO OCT. 1898.

### RECEIPTS.

Amount in savings bank Oct.		
1896.....	\$842 14	
Interest to July 1897.....	40 19	
Dividends from the town to Jan.		
1897.....	104 00	
		\$986 33
Membership fees.....		14 00
Cash in treasury Oct. 1896.....		33 83
		\$1,034 16

### PAYMENTS.

Sick benefits.....	\$40 00	
Secretary and incidentals.....	5 00	
		\$45 00
Deposits in savings bank, Oct. 1897.....		956 33
Cash on hand Oct. 1897 .....		32 83
		\$1,034 16

### RECEIPTS.

Amount in savings bank Oct.		
1897 .....	\$956 33	
Interest to July 1898.....	31 01	

Dividends from the town to Jan. 1898 .....	\$104 00	
		<u>\$1,091 34</u>
Membership fees.....		11 00
Cash on hand Oct. 1897 .....		32 83
		<u>\$1,135 17</u>

## EXPENSES.

Sick benefits .....	\$10 00	
Secretary, incidentals and blank book .....	6 00	
		<u>\$16 00</u>
Deposit in savings bank Oct. 1898.....		1,091 34
Cash on hand Oct. 1898.....		27 83
		<u>\$1,135 17</u>

J. B. SMITH,  
Treasurer.

Durham, N. H., October, 1898.

## State of New Hampshire.

*To the inhabitants of the School District of Durham,  
N. H., qualified to vote in District affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said district, on the twenty-first day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, (1899) at two o'clock P. M., to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the board of education for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise, in addition to that required by law, for the support of public schools.
6. To see what sum of money the district will raise to defray transportation charges for the past two years.
7. To raise money to defray the expenses incurred in providing an additional school room.
8. To see if the district will authorize the board of education to shingle the Point school house, so-called, and to raise money to do the same.
9. To see what action the district will take relative to repairing the Bridge school house, so-called, and to appropriate money for this purpose, if necessary.
10. To see if the district will vote to use the check-list at future school meetings.
11. To choose such auditors, agents and commit-

tees as the voters may deem necessary for the management of the affairs of the district.

12. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Durham, this fourth day of March, 1899.

CHARLES S. LANGLEY,

HATTIE S. WASTON,

G. H. WHITCHER,

Board of Education.



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
**Board of Education.**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1899.

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The following are a few statements about our schools, what they have accomplished this past year etc. The teachers have worked earnestly and willingly trying in every way to accomplish best results, considering the amount of sickness the past year— whooping cough during the summer term, measles and grip during the fall and winter terms. No teacher however active and energetic can do as satisfactory work with such an irregular attendance. As the village schools needed another teacher a recitation room was made by taking a part of the entry and making the stairway smaller.

It was thought perhaps the children at Mast Road could be brought down there closing their school and save hiring another teacher. This was tried one term, but there being so much complaint from that district, the inconvenience of bringing children so far, that it was thought during the winter term this would be still greater, so a teacher was hired for Mast Road and school reopened for the winter term.

The children all over town deserve particular mention, as they have taken an interest in their work and obeyed the laws of the schools and their teachers.

The children could do still better in many ways if the parents would take as much interest in the work of their children as they should. What hinders many of the parents in the town from paying a visit now and then to the school room? If this was done parents could see for themselves what is being done and not depend wholly on what they hear, or perhaps wait until a town report is printed before they know many facts that they should know, before the year closes. Visits from parents and friends to the school not only encourage children in their studies but are a help to the teacher.

Give this more than a passing notice and turn over a new leaf and go to the school room. Make it a pleasure to do so rather than a painful duty.

CHARLES S. LANGLEY,  
Chairman Board of Education.

## SCHOOL STATISTICS

FROM AUG. 1, 1897, TO AUG. 1, 1898.

By reason of a change in the school laws it is now necessary for the board of education to make up their annual report to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction Aug. 1. (See Public Statutes, of 1891 as amended in 1895, Chap. 92.) To conform to this law the town statistics are this year made up to the same date, thus securing uniformity in both state and town reports.

Whole number of boys enrolled .....	88
Whole number of girls enrolled.....	77
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Total.....	165
Average membership.....	135
Average attendance.....	125
Per cent. of attendance .....	91
Highest salary paid per month.....	\$40 00
Lowest salary paid per month .....	28 00
Average salary paid per month .....	35 75
Total available money.....	2,535 59
Total current expenses .....	2,333 09
Average current expense per pupil.....	14 04
No of weeks of school .....	32
Greatest number of scholars in any school	62
Least number of scholars in any school...	11
Rate per cent. of school tax on valuation..	.004
Number of scholars not absent during year	5
Number of visits by school board.....	84

## ENUMERATION STATISTICS.

Number of boys between five and sixteen..	92
Number of girls between five and sixteen..	79
Total.....	171

## SALARIES PAID TEACHERS.

Village grammar and primary, per month.	\$40 00
Durham Point.....	40 00
Mast Road and Packer's Falls.....	28 00

## ROLL OF HONOR.

## VILLAGE GRAMMAR.

Fall Term, 1897.—Ina Doe, Sarah Pettee, Ralph Bunker, Leon Jones, Charles Jones, Charles M. Tuttle.

Winter Term.—Joseph R. Burnham, Esther Burnham, Ina Doe, Marion Doe, Clara W. Hanson, Mary E. Stevens, Herbert Seavey, Arthur Teeri, Charles M. Tuttle.

## VILLAGE PRIMARY.

Fall Term, 1897.—Mary Burnham, Blanche Bunker, Cicil Colomy, Jennie Hanson, Charles Morrison, Sarah Runlett, Helen Stevens, John Stevens, Bessie Willey, Eliza Willey.

Winter Term, 1897.—Mary Burnham, Chas. Morrison, Ralph Robinson.

Spring Term, 1898.—Mary Burnham, Blanche Bunker, Bernice Doe, Willard Jones, Henry Jones, Charles Morrison, Fred Palmer, Ralph Robinson, Irene Morrison, Eliza Miller, Athold Young.

## PACKER'S FALLS.

Fall Term, 1897.—None.

Winter Term, 1897.—Albert Francis, Robert A. Francis.

Spring Term, 1898.—None.

POINT SCHOOL.

Fall Term, 1897.—Ira Cummings, Marion Kent, Laura Rand, Dora Campbell, George Kent, Henry Mathes, Geo. Rand.

Winter Term, 1897.—Addie Cummings, Mary Cummings, Sadie Cummings, Mertie Cummings, Marion Kent, Joseph Dowling, Geo. Kent, Geo. Rand.

Spring Term, 1898.—Mary Cummings, Mertie Cummings, Bertha Dame, Marion Kent, Laura Rand, George Kent, Jesse Rand.

MAST ROAD.

Fall Term, 1897.—Millie Comings, Katharine DeMeritt, Margaret DeMeritt, Stephen DeMeritt.

Winter Term, 1897.—Millie Comings, Ellen Chamberlin.

# Report of Treasurer of School Board

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1899.

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RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand in school treasury.....		\$12 91
Balance due school treasury from last year .....	\$154 59	
Amount of money raised by law	1,375 00	
Money raised in school meeting	400 00	
Literary fund .....	99 00	
Dog licenses .....	42 67	
	140 00	
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		\$2,211 26
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		\$2,224 17

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers.....	\$1,478 00	
Books.....	180 53	
Fuel.....	142 66	
Tuition .....	84 00	
Enumerating children.....	14 20	
Memorial exercises .....	23 84	
Repairs .....	85 36	
Janitors.....	138 50	
Miscellaneous .....	69 39	
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Total expense for years 1898-99		\$2,216 48

Cash on hand in school treasury	\$ 7 69
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Expenditures in detail . . . . .	\$2,224 17
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VILLAGE TEACHERS.

Spring, Gertrude M. Grant.....	\$110 00	
Fall, Gertrude M. Grant.....	110 00	
Winter, Gertrude M. Grant.....	100 00	

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\$320 00

Spring, Mildred J. Hill.....	\$110 00	
Fall, Mildred J. Hill.....	110 00	
Winter, Mildred J. Hill.....	100 00	

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\$320 00

Fall, Bertha A. Jordan.....	\$77 00	
Winter, Bertha A. Jordan.....	70 00	

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\$147 00

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\$787 00

PACKER'S FALLS.

Spring, Blanche M. Dame.....	\$77 00	
Fall, Blanche M. Dame.....	77 00	
Winter, Blanche M. Dame.....	70 00	

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\$224 00

MAST ROAD.

Spring, Bertha A. Jordan.....	\$77 00	
Winter, Adalena H. Dudley....	70 00	

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\$147 00

## POINT SCHOOL.

Spring, Sarah E. Tasker.....	\$110 00	
Fall, Sarah E. Tasker.....	110 00	
Winter, Sarah E. Tasker.....	100 00	
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		\$320 00
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		\$691 00

## BOOK AND SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

J. L. Hammett & Co.....	\$32 80	
Boston School Supply Co.....	6 25	
Silver Burdette Co.....	4 80	
Sarah E. Tasker.....	1 50	
American Book Co.....	41 41	
Ginn and Co.....	41 85	
G. S. Perry.....	34 57	
Fred H. Foss.....	1 00	
R. W. Musgrove.....	1 10	
J. D. Montgomery.....	7 60	
Houghton Mifflin Co.....	7 65	
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		\$180 53

## TUITION.

Frank H. Pinkham, for year 1897	\$84 00	
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		\$84 00

## FUEL.

Hannah Shepherd, 2 cords wood for village.....	\$ 9 00
Alvin Jackson, coal.....	98 53
C. S. Otis, wood.....	3 50



F. J. Bunker, wood .....	\$5 27
James W. Burnham, wood .....	1 50
M. G. Woodman, wood.....	3 25
Alvin Jackson, coal.....	6 36
M. G. Woodman, wood.....	6 50
Leroy Robinson, sawing wood..	3 00
John H. Berry, sawing wood ...	1 50
Harrie E. Rand, wood .....	3 25
Harrie E. Rand, sawing wood..	1 00

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\$142 66

ENUMERATING CHILDREN.

T. W. Schoonmaker.....	\$13 00
Rumford Printing Co., enumer- ating cards.....	1 20

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\$14 20

MEMORIAL EXERCISES.

Christy Folds, services of New- market band .....	\$20 00
Thomas Dearborn, flagging ....	2 10
Cavanaugh Bros., flags.....	1 74

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\$23 84

REPAIR ACCOUNT.

John J. Bunker, labor on Mast Road school house .....	\$2 28
Walter S. Edgerly, hardware...	4 99
Cyrus G. Hull, labor on village school house .....	5 00
Converse & Hammond, lumber and lime .....	4 20

G. H. Whitcher, labor and school seats.....	\$32 62
F. E. Doe, labor.....	8 00
F. E. Doe and Britt.....	12 90
Converse & Place, posts for Packer's Falls yard.....	5 00
James W. Burnham, use of team hauling water and sand.....	9 79
John J. Bunker, fixing locks and setting glass.....	58
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\$85 36

## JANITORS.

## Village.

Spring, James Stevens.....	\$33 00
Fall, James Stevens.....	33 00
Winter, James Stevens.....	30 00

## Packer's Falls.

F. K. Dame.....	\$11 00
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## Point School.

Harrie E. Rand.....	\$24 00
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## Mast Road.

F. S. Burley.....	\$7 50
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\$138 50

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Chase & Kennard, printing check lists.....	\$13 00
Sam'l Rundlett, clerk of school meeting, three years.....	15 00
Lizzie Cummings, cleaning school house.....	3 00

True Lovering, labor on village school yard.....	\$3 75
Mrs. Friend Pinkham, cleaning village school house.....	6 00
C. E. Hayes, school supplies...	12 66
Edson C. Eastman, order blanks	1 26
W. A. Morrill, feather duster...	2 00
W. A. Morrill, two brush mats.	1 80
James Stevens, express.....	3 17
James Stevens, express.....	3 11
W. H. Day, one check stamp...	1 25
Mrs. Eva Cate, cleaning Mast Road school house .....	50
Mrs Watson, balance due.....	49
James Stevens, express.....	2 40
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\$69 39

CHARLES S. LANGLEY,

Treasurer of School Board.

Durham, N. H., March 1, 1899.

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the treasurer of the board of education and find them correctly cast and all payments against the district properly vouched.

MARK E. WILLEY,

JAMES D. MEADER,

Auditors.



# Births, Marriages and Deaths

Registered in the Town of Durham  
for the Year Ending December  
31, 1898.

GEO. D. STEVENS, Town Clerk.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

Date, 1898.	Place of Birth	Name of Child.	Sex.	Living or Stillborn.	No. Child	Color.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
Jan. 11	Durham	Alison	F	L	2		Albert Kingsbury...	Alison Mason.....
24	"	"	F	S	1		Augustus Cummings	Maud Burrows.....
Feb. 4	"	"	F	L	3		David H. Fogg.....	Artha Sherborn....
5	"	Bernard	M	L	2		Clarence E. Stevens.	Nellie Gallant.....
28	"	"	F	L	3		Andrew J. Langley...	Carrie A. Langley...
Mar. 28	"	Effie M.	F	L	4		John Chessia.....	Jennie Abbott.....
Apr 1	"	Beatrice	F	L	4		John N. Young.....	Hannah E. Smart....
8	"	Geo. H.	M	L	4		Geo. H. Furbush.....	Ruth Young.....
19	"	"	F	L	1		Geo. Langley.....	Addie R. Garland....
26	"	"	F	L	2		Geo. T. McKenna....	Cordelia W. Tuttle..
June 16	"	"	S	L	1	All-White.	Charles S. Otis.....	Ansie B. Paul.....
July 29	"	Anna	F	L	2		Andrew E. Meserve..	N. Gertrude Foye....
Aug. 19	"	"	M	S	2		James Minnie.....	Joehannah Minnie..
22	"	Hazen	M	L	4		Edward I. Langley..	Edith Jordan.....
23	"	Inez	F	L	4		James W. Andrews..	Jennie Patterson...
Sept. 1	"	Ellen	F	L	4		Geo. G. Hoitt.....	Lura Sleeper.....
17	"	Lilian	F	L	1		Willie R. Brown....	Ellen Norris.....
Oct. 22	"	Clara G.	F	L	6		Wm. D. Rand.....	Jesse W. Pierce.....
Nov. 1	"	Louise M.	F	L	4		Lucien Thompson...	May Lizzie Gage....
3	"	Mildred E.	F	L	1		Gilbert F. Shaw....	Ida M. Bunker.....

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

Date, 1898.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.
Feb. 3	Durham	Harry H. Davis.....	Brockt'n Ms	24		Shoemaker...	Dover.....
		Ethel W. Perkins.....	Durham	22		Teacher.....	Newmarket...
May 15	Lee	Wm. J. Gupill.....	"	32	All White.	Farmer.....	Epping.....
		Fannie E. Amazeen...	"	17		"	Dnrham
Aug. 27	Newmarket	George P. Emerson...	"	26		Farmer.....	"
		Angela O'Hara.....	"	25		"	P. E. Island...
Dec. 26	Newfields	Alfred Bascom.....	"	24	All White.	Teamster....	East Lebanon..
		Rosa E. Flanders.....	Contoocook	19		"	Contoocook...

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

Date, 1898.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex.	Color.	Single, Married or Widowed.	Occupation.
			Years	Mos.	Days.					
Jan. 23	Durham	Annie M. Berry.....	18	4		Durham	F	S	Milliner.....	
Feb. 21	"	Mark K. Foss.....	68	10	1	Strafford	M	M	Farmer.....	
April 2	"	Roscoe E. Pinkham...	49			Durham	M	M	Physician...	
4	"	Joseph S. Emerson...	07	5		Pittsfield	M	S	Farmer.....	
9	"	Richard C. Butterfield	82	1	26	Westmorclad	M	S	Student.....	
15	"	Chas. H. Tuttle.....	61	4	15	Durham	M	M	Farmer.....	
Oct. 18	"	Almena S. Bunker...	62	6	7	Wolfboro	F	M	Housekeep'r	
23	"	Daniel T. Woodman...	53	9	2	Madbury	M	M	Farmer.....	
Nov. 1	"	Fannie A. Gupill.....	18	5		Durham	F	M	Housekeep'r	
7	"	Cyrus G. Hull.....	79			"	M	M	Mason.....	
Dec. 21	"	Martha D. Young.....	77		23	Jackson	F		Housekeep'r	
21	"	Smith Emerson.....	78	1	5	Durham	M	M	Farmer.....	

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1898

Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
All White.	Durham	Teacher	Ill.	New York	35	29
	"	Laborer	"	"	"	"
	"	Harness-maker	Northwood	"	"	"
	"	Laborer	Durham	Summerside, P. E. I.	32	23
	"	Farmer	New Durham	Durham	30	26
	"	Laborer	Canada	"	28	26
	"	Carpenter	Madbury	"	27	27
	"	Teacher	Eliot, Me.	Dover	34	33
	"	Farmer	Newmarket	Haverhill, Mass.	30	20
	Fall River, Ms	"	So. Boston, Mass.	Durham	22	22
	Durham	Laborer	Strafford	"	24	27
	"	"	Durham	Strafford	33	28
	"	Laborer	Italy	Italy	29	21
	"	Pilot	Durham	Kepraux	33	28
	"	Mechanic	Maine	Nova Scotia	35	33
	"	Farmer	Lee	Bristol	31	34
	"	Laborer	Center-Ossipee	Somersworth	28	21
	"	Shoemaker	Durham	Campbello, Me.	34	33
	"	Farmer	Durham	Manchester	39	33
	"	Farmer	Strafford	Durham	22	22

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1898.

Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Number of Marriage.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
W. P. and S. P. Davis	Dover	Shoemaker.	1	Rev. Abbott P. Davis
C. W. and M. E. Perkins	Newmarket-Epping	"	1	" Newmarket
J. J. and H. S. Gupta	North Berwick	"	1	Rev. B. A. Willmont
A. S. and E. J. Amazeen	"	"	1	" Lee
J. P. and M. M. Emerson	Durham	"	1	Thomas E. Keilly, C. P.
J. and M. O'Hara	P. E. Island	"	1	" Newmarket
J. and M. Bascom	St. John, Canada	Chopper	1	Rev. Jas. H. Pitts
W. and I. Flanders	"	"	1	" Newfields

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1898.

Birthpl'ce of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.	Occupation of Father.
Barrington	Groveland	John W. Berry	Clara A. Johnson	Rheumatic Fever.	Carpenter
Strafford	Strafford	Mark Foss	Tamson Foss	Bright's Disease	Farmer
Durham	Durham	Alfred Pinkham	Harriet Bunker	Chronic Asthma	"
Pittsfield	Pittsfield	Daniel Emerson	Keziah Elkins	Pneumonia	"
Westm'land	Westm'land	E. B. Butterfield	Martha Norris	Drowning	"
Lee	Wolfeboro	John S. Tuttle	E. Wormwood	Consumption	"
N. Durham	Wolfeboro	J. Wentworth	Betsy A. Lucas	Paralysis	"
Barrington	Lee	Wm. Woodman	Abigail Buzzell	Inflam. of Bowels	"
Portsmouth	Durham	Abram Amazeen	Ella Buzzell	Consumption	"
Conn	Nottingham	Geo. Hull	Mary Banks	Acute Bronchitis	"
Jackson	Gilmanton	David Bassett	Ann Burnham	Pneumonia	"
Durham	Durham	J. F. Emerson	Sarah Durgin	Paralysis	"







