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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN,

Road Agents, Town Treasurer, School Treasurer,
Trustees and Treasurer of the Public Library,
and the Board of Education

OF THE

TOWN OF DURHAM,

FOR THE

Financial Year Ending February 15, 1900,

WITH THE

Vital Statistics for 1899 as Prepared by the
Town Clerk.

DOVER, N. H.:

H. E. HODGDON, PRINTER,

1900. - -

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

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 thirteenth day of March, Nineteen Hundred, (1900), at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects, viz:

1. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
2. To choose three Selectmen for the ensuing year.
3. To choose one or more Road Agents for the ensuing year.
4. To choose Town Treasurer, Auditors, Collector of Taxes, and all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
5. To see if the town will vote to light the streets in Durham Village.
6. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money not exceeding twenty-five dollars for Memorial services, May 30th.
7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay the necessary town charges.
8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repair of highways.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-third

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day of February, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred.

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

A true copy of the original warrant. Attest:

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

SNOW BILLS.

Paid C. I. Smart.....	\$ 68 23
C. F. Pendergast.....	7 35
J. D. Meader.....	3 90
J. E. York.....	1 50
Geo. P. Emerson.....	241 82
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	\$322 80

SCHOOLS ACCOUNT.

Paid C. S. Langley, school treasurer,.....	\$2,305 64
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	\$2,305 64

HIGHWAYS.

Paid C. F. Pendergast, labor on highway.....	\$ 6 00
Geo. P. Emerson and A. E. Meserve, road agents....	1,082 99
C. I. Smart, road agent....	526 96
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	\$1,615 95

NEW ROAD.

Paid J. B. G. Dame, labor.....	\$22 90
E. J. Meader, ".....	6 00
Jacob Edgerly, ".....	9 00
J. D. Meader, ".....	36 75
J. R. Page, ".....	3 75
O. D. Page, ".....	11 00

Paid Wm. Bell,	labor.....	\$27 52
F. P. Rand,	"	5 25
L. D. Crouch.	"	19 00

\$141 17

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid J. N. Young, services as police, 1898,.....		\$ 24 25
John W. Berry, board of J. H. Berry.....		26 29
N. E. Stiles, printing.....		4 88
John Follett, hall janitor, 1898,.....		3 00
F. E. Doe, insurance on town buildings.....		45 00
T. W. Lovering, care of tramps.....		15 00
J. A. Edgerly, legal ser- vices Parsons case.....		150 00
John W. Berry, board of J. H. Berry.....		28 29
J. E. Pendexter, water for 1899.....		3 00
J. H. Scott, care of Griffiths cemetery.....		3 00
D. A. Stevens, care of Woodman cemetery.....		12 00
M. E. Willey, care of Simp- son cemetery.....		3 00
Town of Newmarket, ser- vices at fire near C. L. Gray's,.....		32 00

\$349 71

DOG TAX.

Paid W. F. Jones estate.....	\$15 00	
S. J. Woodman.....	16 00	
J. W. Burnham.....	6 00	
Albert DeMerritt.....	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$45 00

NOTE.

Paid A. B. Woodman estate, note with interest in full	\$1,018 91	
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DISCOUNT ON TAXES, 1898.

Paid W. M. Jenkins, discount on taxes collected July 1st, 1898.....	\$99 99	
	<hr/>	\$99 99

ABATEMENTS.

Paid J. S. Cate.....	\$3 65	
Aaron Corson.....	1 41	
Abram Cilley.....	1 41	
B. N. Glover.....	1 65	
Joseph Nelson.....	1 18	
Clark D. Stevens.....	1 18	
Geo. A. Sullivan.....	1 18	
Edward Moody.....	1 18	
J. Low Elkins, estate.....	2 05	
	<hr/>	\$14 89

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Paid State tax,.....	\$1,168 75	
County tax,.....	1,922 80	
	<hr/>	\$3,091 55

AUDITORS.

Paid M. E. Willey,.....	\$2 00	
J. D. Meader,.....	2 00	
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		\$10,058 58

JAMES W. BURNHAM, } Selectmen
 C. E. HOITT, } of
 S. P. CHESLEY, } Durham.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MARK E. WILLEY,
 JAMES D. MEADER,

Auditors.

ROAD AGENTS' REPORT.

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

DR.

Received orders on Treasurer, \$1,082 99

SNOW BILLS PAID, 1898, 1899.

CR.

Paid S. P. Chesley,.....	\$16 45
Griffiths Bros.,.....	8 28
Herbert Seavey,.....	3 00
Reuben Ransom,.....	4 50
D. A. Woodman,.....	4 35
James M. Kent,.....	1 20
Charles Jones,.....	3 00
L. R. Philbrick,.....	3 98
Harry Montgomery,.....	2 25
Elmer S. Davis,.....	3 00
H. L. Tuttle,.....	3 00
H. F. Fogg,.....	26 70
J. H. Scott,.....	27 25
R. C. Palmer,.....	3 00
E. M. Davis,.....	3 00
Geo. P. Emerson,.....	19 95
F. M. Pinkham,.....	1 72
Chas. Bunker,.....	20 64
Geo. A. Merrill,.....	2 55
Will Tuttle,.....	45
John Follett,.....	75

Paid Ed. Chesley,.....	\$ 90
Ned Gagner,.....	3 75
F. M. Bunker,.....	6 75
Chas. E. Hall,.....	2 00
P. J. Connor,.....	10 60
W. S. Meserve,.....	4 80
P. J. Connor,.....	5 00
Cater Webster,.....	45
C. I. Smart,.....	13 85
Wm. Burrows,.....	2 00
C. E. Stevens,.....	1 50
D. A. Watson,.....	1 05
Geo. Palmer,.....	1 50
C. S. Otis,.....	1 50
Wm. L. Devine,.....	75
Asa A. Chase,.....	1 50
True W. Lovering,.....	3 15
Harrison Fowler,.....	4 50
Frank Forshea,.....	17 25

\$241 82

DR.

To order on Treasurer,

\$241 82

CR.

For expenditures as follows: on highway.

Paid C. E. Hayes, dynamite,....	\$2 63
Samuel Runlett, labor on road machine,	16 50
Patsy Moriarty, labor on road	2 75
Harold Rundlett, " "	1 50
Stephen P. Chesley, labor on road, and gravel,.....	68 40

Paid Eugene Rundlett, labor on road,	\$ 2 25
Ed. Chesley, labor on road,	30 90
C. L. Jenness, pipe.	18 02
Samuel J. Jones, labor.	5 25
E. J. Andrews, gravel.	1 00
A. L. Cummings, labor.	27 50
David A. Watson, labor.	2 25
True W. Lovering, labor.	2 48
E. E. Odiorne, labor.	4 50
Samuel Runlett, labor.	12 00
Ed Emerson, labor.	4 50
Ed Chesley, labor.	23 10
Clarence Fowler, labor.	6 10
Frank Forshea, labor.	12 95
W. S. Meserve, labor.	12 86
E. T. Emerson, labor and gravel.	19 50
John Forshea, labor.	3 75
Geo. P. Emerson, labor.	14 30
Robert Parker, labor.	7 35
F. J. Bunker, labor and gravel.	25 63
Griffiths Bros., labor and material.	83 30
W. S. Meserve, labor and material.	179 30
Geo. Caverno, labor and material.	29 00
Mattis Hanson, labor.	18 00
Patsy J. Connor, labor.	20 25
Wm. B. Langmaid, labor.	18 00
J. T. O'Connor, labor.	20 25

Paid Chas. L. Gray, labor.....	\$ 2 60
Andrew Ben, labor.....	1 50
H. Gray, labor.....	1 50
Herbert I. Tuttle, labor....	62 78
Geo. P. Demeritt, labor....	3 00
Mrs. J. O. Dame, labor.....	4 50
A. Corson, labor.....	3 00
F. M. Pinkham, labor.....	7 50
True W. Lovering, labor...	15 00
A. Corson, labor.....	10 35
Daniel Sullivan, labor.....	10 35
John M. Gooch, labor.....	7 00
Daniel A. Woodman, labor	9 00
Peter McCone, labor.....	4 50
John Scott, labor.....	8 50
W. J. Emerson, labor.....	3 00
L. B. Bunker, labor.....	17 25
C. H. Pettee, labor and pipe	3 52
N. H. College, dynamite...	6 00
C. H. Pettee, labor and pipe	1 00
James W. Burnham, labor	56 85
Geo. P. Emerson, labor....	9 75
“ “ “ “	34 00
Mattis Hanson, labor.....	2 20
C. E. Hayes, dynamite.....	2 02
Mattis Hanson, labor on road machine	8 50
Mattis Hanson, two wheels for road machine.....	12 00
H. H. Dame, labor.....	15 00

 \$1,082 99

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

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of Geo. P. Emerson and A. E. Meserve, Road Agents, and find the same properly vouched and correctly cast.

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

Durham, N. H., Feb. 1900.

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

RECEIPTS.

Received orders on Treasurer \$526 96

EXPENDITURES.

Paid C. L. Jenness, spikes.....	\$7 84
C. E. Hayes, ".....	12
J. M. Kent, loam.....	3 20
Herbert C. Gray, labor....	4 50
Frank K. Quimby, "....	5 25
Frank K. Quimby, loam...	2 60
Frank Raud, labor.....	75
John B. G. Dame, labor....	4 50
Clarence I. Smart, "....	191 00
Mark H. Mathes, "...	1 50
Mark H. Mathes, loam.....	1 00
Eli Edgerly, labor.....	4 50
Jabez H. Stevens, gravel...	11 20
T. W. Lovering, labor.....	1 50
George F. Bunker, labor...	3 00
Belle S. Mathes, loam.....	1 30

Paid Samuel Runlett, labor....	\$ 2 50
J. Langley, "	11 25
C. L. Gray, "	43 00
E. S. Carpenter, gravel....	2 00
F. McWhiney, labor.....	4 50
William Bell, "	4 50
J. H. Stevens, "	1 50
J. W. Burnham "	182 75
J. W. Burnham, 312 L. gravel	31 20

\$526 96

SNOW BILLS.

Paid George Langley,.....	\$ 98
J. Langley & Sons,.....	16 65
John W. Emerson.....	2 85
Harry E. Rand.....	7 42
Elmer L. Rand.....	3 18
W. D. Rand.....	1 50
John R. Page.....	9 00
Lewis Cummings....	4 35
Edward I. Langley.....	5 25
Lester L. Crouch.....	3 50
Charles L. Grey.....	12 80
Clarence I. Smart.....	75

Bal. due Town..... \$68 23

DR.

Orders on treasurer..... \$68 23

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Road Agents and find the same correctly cast and accurately vouched.

MARK E. WILLEY,
JAMES D. MEADER,

Auditors.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

TO CASH RECEIPTS AS FOLLOWS:

DR.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1899.....		\$150 54
W. M. Jenkins, collector on list		
of 1898.....	\$370 00	
List of 1898 interest.....	15 00	
		\$385 00
List of 1899.....	\$6,653 46	
List of 1899 interest.....	10 00	
		\$6,663 46
B. & A. dividend in trust for G. F. T. A...	\$104 00	
Geo. D. Stevens, dog licenses.....	90 20	
Geo. D. Stevens, pool table license.....	9 00	
Selectmen and Treasurer's note to		
Esther Buzzell Dec. 28, 1899.....	1,000 00	
State treasurer, railroad tax.....	\$515 95	
savings bank tax...	1,090 07	
literary fund.....	85 50	
		\$1,691 52
Rent of town store		75 00
		\$10,168 72

BY CASH PAYMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

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Paid dog damage.....		\$45 00
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General expenses:

Printing.....	\$36 90
Salaries.....	468 50
Dividends for 1898 to Treas. G. F. T. A.	104 00

 \$609 40

Auditors.....	4 00
Schools.....	2,305 64

Miscellaneous expenses:

Care of cemeteries.....	\$18 00
Insurance on town building.....	45 00
Care of tramps.....	15 00
Legal services.....	150 00
Board of J. H. Berry.....	54 58
Fire near C. L. Gray's.....	32 00
Sundry items.....	35 13

 \$349 71

Road account.....	\$1,615 95
Snow account.....	322 80
New road.....	141 17
Library.....	439 57
Note and interest to A. B. Wood- man estate.....	1,018 91
State tax.....	1,168 75
County tax.....	1,922 80
Abatements.....	14 89
Discount on taxes collected July 1, 1898.....	99 99
Cash in treasury.....	110 14

 \$10,168 72

Available funds Feb. 15, 1900:

Cash in treasury.....	\$110 14
Outstanding on Collector's list of 1893, '94, '95 and '96, with interest.....	644 31
Outstanding on Collector's list of 1897 and 1898.....	370 05
Outstanding on Collector's list of 1899.....	463 82
From cemetery funds due the town.....	27 75
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	\$1,616 07

Liabilities Feb. 15, 1900:

Esther Buzzell, note.....	\$1,000 00
Dividends for 1899 to G. F. T. A.	104 00
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	\$1,104 00

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, N. H., Feb. 15, 1900.

Trust Funds Held by the Town of Durham.

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 January 1, 1897. The Lydia Simpson trust fund is of \$100, and is invested in the same bank, as per book A. 6,088. This fund is kept separate from all other trust funds, and a separate account to be made of the same in a suitable book provided for that purpose. The interest of three per cent. has accrued on this fund since Feb. 24, 1897. There has also been another fund placed in trust to the town of Durham, which consists of \$100 and is to be known as the George W. Furness Legacy fund. This has been deposited in the same bank. The interest of this fund is to be used in taking care of the George W. Furness cemetery.

The George Frost legacy fund consists of 13 shares of the Boston and Albany Railroad, par value \$1,300.00; the dividends are received by the treasurer each quarter, and placed to the credit of the George Frost Temperance Association.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

WOODMAN LEGACY.

Principal and dividends, July 1, 1899. \$330 57

Due the town care of cemetery, 1898.....	\$3 75	
Due the town care of cemetery 1899.....	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$15 75
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		\$314 82

GRIFFITH'S LEGACY.

Principal and dividends July 1, 1899.....	\$330 57	
Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1897.....	34 06	
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		\$364 63
Paid care of cemetery, 1897.....	\$3 00	
care of cemetery, 1898.....	3 00	
care of cemetery, 1899.....	3 00	
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		\$9 00
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		\$355 63

SIMPSON LEGACY.

Principal and interest, July 1, 1899.....	\$107 13	
Due the town care of cemetery, 1897.....	\$3 00	
Due the town care of cemetery 1898.....	3 00	
Due the town care of cemetery 1899.....	3 00	
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		\$9 00

GEORGE W. FURNESS LEGACY.

Principal on deposit in Saving bank.....	\$100 00
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GEORGE FROST LEGACY.

Dividends received for the G. F. T. A., 1898	\$104 00
" " " " 1899	104 00
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	\$208 00
Paid dividends for 1898 to treasurer of G. F. T. A.....	104 00
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Balance due the G. F. T. A.....	\$104 00

EIGHTH ANNUAT REPORT
OF THE
DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The trustees of the Durham Public Library submit the following annual report for the year ending Feb. 15, 1900.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees held March 18, 1899, the present officers were re-elected, and have served for five years.

During the year two hundred and twenty-eight books and volumes of magazines have been presented to the library, six books have been purchased by the Durham Library Association, and two hundred and twenty-four purchased with the town appropriation, making a total number of books now in the library, six thousand four hundred ninety-seven, (not including pamphlets), an increase during the year of four hundred and fifty-eight books, (not including pamphlets). The average circulation is about two hundred books per week.

New shelves have been added at the expense of the Durham Library Association.

The reading table has been supplied with twenty-eight magazines and six illustrated newspapers.

Two hundred and twenty-five dollars are required for books for the ensuing year. (This is a fixed sum as per contract). In the past the Library property was insured for \$3000.00 for a term of three years, the premium being \$105.00, this caused a large increase

every third year for miscellaneous expenses. In accordance with the vote passed at the last town meeting, the trustees increased the amount of insurance \$1500.00, making a total of \$4500.00. The trustees have caused the insurance to be so placed that one policy for \$1500.00 will expire Nov. 1st of each year, and the amount needed for premiums annually hereafter will be \$52.50.

The sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars will probably be sufficient to pay all miscellaneous expenses, including insurance, for the coming year.

Mr. Hamilton Smith has again given one hundred dollars in books; Miss Mary E. Smith and Mr. Henry Janin have also generously made large donations in books.

Your attention is called to the list of donors, to whom we gratefully acknowledge our appreciation.

Respectfully submitted, by order of the board.

LUCIEN THOMPSON,
Secretary.

DONORS AND DONATIONS.

DONORS.	Books.	Pamphlets.	Magazines (Volumes.)	Total.
Armstrong, E. W.....	1			1
Albany, N. Y.....		4		4
Bunker, Miss Eva D.....	1	1	2	4
Burkett, Prof. C. W.....			1	1
Caverno, Charles.....	2			2
Coe, Miss.....	1			1
Concord Library.....	1			1
Dover Library.....		2		2
Ellis, G. F.....	2			2
Experiment Station, N. H.....		12		12
Friend.....	2			2
Gallinger, Senator J. H.....	32	70		102
Guthrie, H. S.....	1			1
Hoitt, C. E.....	1			1
Macklin, J. M.....	1			1
N. H. College.....	1			1
Smith, Ballard.....	9			9
Smith, Hamilton.....	94			94
Smith, Miss Mary E.....	68			68
Somerville, Mass., Library.....		12		12
State, N. H.....	1			1
Stevens, J. H.....		1		1
Students, N. H. College.....			1	1
Thompson, Miss C. A.....	4			4
Wilson, F. A., Nahant, Mass.....	1	1		2
Youths' Companion, Boston.....	1			1
Miscellaneous.....		50		50
	224	153	4	381

REPORT OF TREASURER.

LIBRARY EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1900.

Received of town of Durham.....		\$215 07
Paid Janitors.....	\$16 00	
Coal.....	11 37	
Wood.....	1 00	
Rebinding books.....	1 32	
Kerosene.....	72	
Cards.....	4 50	
Express.....	5 20	
Stationary and stamps.....	5 00	
Salary of Librarian.....	52 00	
Insurance.....	117 96	
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		\$215 07

BOOK ACCOUNT.

Received of town of Durham.....	\$225 00	
Received from fines.....	18 10	
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		\$243 10

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Little, Brown & Co., for books.....	\$10 16
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., for books.....	132 74
Jordan, Marsh & Co., for books.....	5 55

Paid C. E. Lauriat for books.....	\$65 58	
W. B. Clarke & Co., for books.....	10 97	
Magazines.....	18 10	
	<hr/>	\$243 10

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

Library expense account.....	\$215 07	
Library book account.....	243 10	
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EXPENDITURES.

Library expense account.....	\$215 07	
Library book account.....	243 10	
	<hr/>	\$458 17

MARY E. SMITH,

Treasurer Durham Public Library.

We hereby certify that the foregoing accounts for the year ending Feb. 15, 1900, are correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARRIE E. BUZZELL,

LUCIEN THOMPSON,

Auditors of Library.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FROM THE TREASURER OF THE GEORGE
FFROST TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCT.

3, 1899.

RECEIPTS.

Amount in Savings Bank Oct., 1898.....	\$1,091 34
Interest to July, 1899,.....	32 06
Assessments received from mem- bers.....	15 00
Cash in Treasury, Oct., 1898,....	27 83
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	\$1,166 23

PAYMENTS.

Benefits to members.....	\$37 00
Secretary and incidentals.....	5 00
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	\$42 00
In Savings Bank Oct., 1899,.....	1,123 40
Cash in Treasury.....	83
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	\$1,166 23

J. B. SMITH,
Treasurer.

Durham, N. H., Oct. 3, 1899.

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 seventeenth day of March, nineteen hundred, (1900) 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 if the district will vote to raise money for the payment of the high school tuitions of its scholars.
7. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to unite with one or more town districts or special districts to form a supervisory district for the purpose of employing a superintendent of the public schools therein, under the provisions of Chapter 77 of the Session Laws of New Hampshire, 1899.
8. To choose such auditors, agents and commit-

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

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

Given under our hands at said Durham, this twenty-eighth day of February, 1900.

HATTIE S. WATSON,
CHARLES S. LANGLEY,
Board of Education.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Board of Education.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1900.

We feel that many good results have been gained during the past school year. Teachers and scholars have worked together faithfully, and their earnest efforts have been crowned in a measure with success. In the Spring term of 1899, the Village and Point schools were graded, and in the Fall term the Mast Road and Packers' Falls schools came under the same course of study. In the outside schools, the work of grading and arranging into classes was quite a difficult problem, and while the classes in those schools do not fit the grades as well as we would wish, yet in the course of another year, we hope that the studies in which they have been deficient will be brought right up to the standard. It takes time to accomplish any good object, and in the past it has seemed to be the desire to get ahead in arithmetic, to the detriment of all other studies. English has been the study that has been most neglected, not only in Durham, but in nearly all country schools, and we have been striving this past year to raise the standard in that branch of work, and I think have been very successful, but still the success has not been what we hope it will be in the future.

Under the graded system, each teacher knows how far to advance her classes during each term, and by laying out her work carefully she has plenty of chance for drill and review, two most essential things in successful school work. As the schools were not graded until the spring of '99, only a short time was left to complete the work of the year, and the classes were not really advanced far enough for the grades in which they were necessarily placed.

The scholars of the 8th grades at the Village and Point, and one scholar from Mast Road seemed to fit their grades better than most others, and after passing a creditable examination, both oral and written, were allowed to graduate. After graduation Mr. Whicher accompanied to Dover all who wished to enter the Dover High School, and took them before Supt. Pease, who gave them certificates for entrance into that school. Those who have continued there are doing well, and I think are up to the average of the Dover scholars. Three others entered Newmarket High School, and one entered Robinson Seminary at Exeter.

The other classes of the village are held for this year in the same grades in which they were placed at first; partly because many of them were young for their grades, and principally because another year was necessary to thoroughly complete the required work. So this summer we shall not be able to graduate more than one or two pupils, but in the summer of 1901 we hope to graduate a good class of well fitted scholars. Durham scholars are already held in high esteem by the Dover teachers, and there will be no trouble to enter them into the Dover High School

as long as the preparation for that school is thoroughly done.

Now we want to ask the citizens of Durham for money to enable us to increase our number of school weeks to 36 instead of 32, that our children may have a better chance for this needful preparation. Even with the same number of weeks, our schools have less advantages than the Dover schools, for our teachers have so many more classes, but even then I believe we can do creditable work, for our scholars are bright and healthy children, nearly all well trained at home, and these things count for a great deal in the training of the pupil.

Another thing that the town of Durham should do, to keep up the name it has gained educationally, is to provide high school privileges for its scholars.

Now this may be done in one of two ways, either by running a high school in the town, or by paying the high school tuitions in some approved high school. Some may think one way is better and some another, but harmony should prevail and the discussions should all aim towards the greatest good of the scholars. The cost of properly equipping a high school would be considerable, and the successful carrying on of such a school could not well be done with less than \$2,000 per year, while a quarter of this sum would pay all the tuitions in other high schools at the present time.

The town owes it to its children to do something of this kind, and now that the schools are graded, as so many have desired should be done, it becomes necessary to make some provision for scholars after they

leave the grammar grades, for they cannot well be turned out of school at that age.

Every voter of the town should think carefully of these needs of the schools, and come to the school meeting prepared to make the name Durham stand for the best in all educational lines.

No one must think that this does not concern him because he has no children in the schools, for whatever is for the good of the town and raises its moral tone is for the good of every individual in the town.

Men and women of Durham, show yourselves for education and for all the good it brings!

Respectfully submitted,

HATTIE S. WATSON,

Chairman School Board.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

The past year has been an important one in the history of our public schools, as the following brief summary of work done will show:

FIRST. All the schools in town have been put upon a uniform graded basis.

SECOND. A definite systematic course of study has been adopted and is being closely followed.

THIRD. Public graduations have been inaugurated and diplomas given to all who pass satisfactory final examinations.

FOURTH. The quantity and quality of work done has been so extended and improved that our certificates of graduations are accepted in place of examinations for entrance to standard high schools.

FIFTH. Teachers' meetings have been held regularly and speakers secured to talk on important school topics where papers and discussions have enabled us to improve our work and keep in touch with those whose conditions are more favorable than our's can possibly be.

SIXTH. The lack of constant supervision which is so essential to the best results, has been in some measure made up by a somewhat rigid adherence to a carefully prepared schedule of studies, and by uniform test papers prepared by the superintendent and given to all the schools at practically the same time.

SEVENTH. A beginning in artistic, educational school house decoration has been made, a further extension of which is possible if citizens and scholars will co-operate with the Board of Education.

EIGHTH. The result of these efforts has been to improve the efficacy of all of our schools, a fact now acknowledged by our citizens generally, and recognized by prominent educators outside of our town limits.

The efforts of the Superintendent, who is merely the agent of the Board of Education, have been chiefly directed towards the construction of a reasonable, practical, up-to-date course of study, just rigid enough to hold all scholars of nearly equal ability together, thereby preventing multiplication of classes and the consequent injurious sub-division of the teachers' time, and not rigid enough to overshadow the individuality of the scholar. How difficult this task is I leave for those to decide who have had experience with these same problems. How successful we have been, our schools and the work accomplished must answer. It must not be supposed, however, that the teacher is underestimated in our conception of school development.

The teacher, now as ever, stands first in importance and, in the absence of constant supervision, the Course of Study stands next. That something has been gained by systemizing the work is shown by the fact that we now have recitation periods of twenty minutes in place of eight, ten or twelve minute periods of a few years past.

It is not possible to discuss our Course of Study in detail, but a few of the important and characteristic features may be alluded to, and here let me say that the course now in effect is not what we regard as complete, it is a transitive course between the old lack of system and the proposed system yet to come.

The first subject towards which attention is direct-

ed is arithmetic. In the past, fully 30 per cent of the scholar's time during the first seven years in school was spent on this subject. This was radically wrong. By commencing number work earlier, pursuing it systematically and stopping when further study ceases to be profitable not more than 650 hours out of 6,500 school hours in eight school years should be given to this branch of the "science of number," in other words, ten per cent. of the scholar's time.

ALGEBRA should begin with the 2nd or 3rd term of the 7th year, either taking the place of arithmetic or accompanying it.

In history, a radical change is being worked out. History in the form of Biography of Noted Men should be read and studied in the 3rd and 4th years but with no attempt to connect the story into technical history. In the 5th year, History as a Story of our Country should be taught up to the beginning of the Civil War, then in the 6th and 7th years, a standard work like Fiske's or Montgomery's should be taken up, and in the 8th year the whole reviewed and a brief outline of English History be taken up, or perhaps Roman History. In this way the subject instead of being repulsive, will become attractive to the scholar, the point desired. The knowledge of noted men thus acquired by our 5th grade class is especially gratifying and the written stories which these scholars—an average of eleven years—have prepared, is gratifying evidence of the ability of the scholars, the faithfulness of the teachers, and the wisdom of introducing this kind of History work.

GRAMMAR as Language Lessons should commence the third year, and here a radical change from our

past practice, and a change that was demanded, became the chief objection to our preparation for High Schools, was and is the insufficiency of training in Language.

As now planned, the study of technical Grammar commences with the 6th year, later when the course is fully developed it should commence sometime in the 5th year.

GEOGRAPHY is commenced the 4th year and should be finished during the 7th. This, in brief, is the basis upon which the Durham Course of Study is being constructed, and it is the course used in all the schools. A scholar may now fit for the High School in the smallest as well as the largest of our schools.

The public graduation of last June, the first in the history of Durham's public schools, needs no comment. It was an acknowledged success and contributed in no small degree to the favorable opinion of our work, and the accompanying fact that every one of the graduates found ready admission to High Schools and Seminaries, where previously the scholars from our schools have been rejected or compelled to take a year of preparatory study, is the best possible indorsement of the change that has been brought about.

The revised course of study accompanying this report is based on the hope that our school year may be increased from 32 to 36 weeks. If we are to fit our grammar school graduates to enter the High Schools in adjoining cities or towns, or in fact any up-to-date High School, we ought to have as many weeks to do it in as those towns and cities have; it is unfair to ask the Durham teachers and Board of Education to secure in eight school years of thirty-two weeks each,

or 256 weeks in all, the same results that other Boards have eight years of thirty-six weeks each, or 288 weeks to devote to the work, or stated another way: At present our teachers are expected to accomplish in eight years what Dover, Somersworth, Rochester, Farmington, Newmarket, Exeter and Portsmouth accomplish in nine years, and as our scholars, if they attend any High School will in almost in every case attend at some one of these places and, as we are expected, and ought to fit for such schools, it is only fair that the school year should be thus lengthened.

The money required to do this is insignificant when compared with the advantages and it may be incidentally stated that the tuition and car fare paid by the parents of scholars who are attending schools of grammar grade outside of this town would nearly meet the annual expense of this reasonable increase in the number of weeks.

The following list of 'Teachers' Meetings, speakers and subjects, will show the scope and form of this part of our school work, and the thanks of the board of education are hereby tendered to each of the speakers from other towns and cities, who have so generously given of their time and knowledge to aid our schools:

Sept. 8. Subject, geography; speaker, H. H. Bryant, Boston; teachers and members of board present, Chase, Dudley, Bell, Whitcher.

Sept. 22. Improvement of schools; speaker, G. H. Whitcher; teachers and members of board present, Chase, Hill, Jordan, Tasker, Bell, Dudley.

Sept. 29. Subject, arithmetic; speaker, State Superintendent Folsom, Dover; teachers and members

of board present, Chase, Hill, Jordan, Dudley, Bell, Watson.

Oct. 27 Subject, grammar; speaker, Supt. F. H. Pease, Dover; teachers and members of board present, Chase, Hill, Jordan, Whitcher.

Nov. 10. Subject, history; speaker, Prof. H. B. Chase; teachers and members of board present, Hill, Jordan, Tasker, Dudley, Bell, Whitcher.

Jan. 19. Subject, reading; speakers, Miss Hammond of Dover, Supt. F. H. Pease of Dover; teachers and members of board present, Chase, Hill, Jordan, Tasker, Dudley, Bell, Watson, Langley, Whitcher.

Feb. 20. Subject, composition work; speaker, Mrs. Hattie S. Watson; teachers and members of board present, Chase, Hill, Jordan, Dudley, Bell, Whitcher.

The Board also wish to express their appreciation of the services rendered by Miss Eva E. Bunker in teaching drawing at the Mast Road school. She has given her time, and the advancement made by the scholars has been creditable. There is much to be gained by a general introduction of this work into all our schools, and it would be well to consider whether or not Durham should be content to develop its schools without instruction in both drawing and music.

G. H. WHITCHER,
Supt. of Schools.

Durham, N. H., Feb. 17, 1900.

GRADED 

Course of Study

—FOR—

Public Schools

—OF—

DURHAM, N. H.

HATTIE S. WATSON,
GEO. H. WHITCHER,
CHARLES S. LANGLEY. } Board of Education.

Geo. H. Whitcher, Supt. of Schools.

COURSE OF STUDY

FOR PRIMARY AND GRAMMAR SCHOOLS,
DURHAM, N. H.

The first five grades in the following courses of study are for the Primary department; grades 6, 7 and 8 are intended to cover the usual Grammar school studies, and will admit graduates to any High school. A course uniform with this is now in use in the ungraded District schools of the town, covering the same ground, but modified to meet the special requirements. Scholars who so desire may enter the 8th grade of the village from these outside schools and be on equal footing with those who have regularly attended at the village, the studies in all being practically the same, or they may complete the 8 grades in the District schools and graduate with the village classes by passing satisfactory examinations. Scholarship, attendance and deportment as determined by the weekly "Report Cards," and comprehensive final examinations will determine whether or not a scholar is to advance to the next grade, and scholars will not be advanced until they have satisfactorily performed the work in the grade they are in.

Special reasons, such as sickness, etc., may warrant "Conditional Advancement," at the discretion of the Board of Education. All promotions are to be made by the Board of Education and teachers must keep record of scholarship, deportment, etc., and con-

duct such examinations, oral or written, as the Board shall from time to time direct.

Parents and guardians are earnestly requested to examine the Report Cards and see if satisfactory work is being done, for promotion will depend to a considerable extent upon these records.

In any critical examination of this schedule it must be remembered that the three teachers at the village school house have 44 daily recitations, or within one of 15 recitations each, and with twenty minutes to each recitation this takes up the entire school day, but this is a decided gain over the past, when recitation periods were of less than 12 minutes duration, and the progress that has been made since the adoption of this plan more than meets the expectation of the Board.

Course of Study in Primary Room, Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

(Covering five years.)

Grade.	Reading.	Spelling.	Writing.	Language.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	History.
1	Cyr's Primer. Chart work.	Words in Primer.	Blackboard figures, letters, etc.		Number Work.		
2	Cyr's First Reader. Cyr's Second Reader commenced.	Words in Reader.	Shaylor's No. 1, Vertical or Practice Paper.		Milne's to p. 54. Cogswell's or First Lessons in Number.		
3	Cyr's Second Reader finished supplemented by Appleton's Second Reader.	Oral and writ- ten.	Shaylor's No. 1, Vertical.	Charts, South- worth & God- dard's First Lessons to p. 36.	Milne's Ele- ments of Arith- metic to p. 119, (division.)		
4	Cyr's Third Reader, suppl- mented by Fa- ble and Folk Stories	Oral and writ- ten.	Shaylor's No. 2 Vertical.	Southworth & Goddard's First Lessons to p. 91.	Milne's Ele- ments. Deci- mals to p. 188.	Frye's Prima- ry Oral Instruc- tion.	Biography of Noted Am- ericans read and talked about.
5	Normal Third Reader, suppl- mented by Feathers and Fur.	Oral and writ- ten.	Shaylor's No. 3, Vertical.	Southworth & Goddard's First Lessons com- pleted.	Milne's Ele- ments to p. 205. Denominate numbers.	Frye's Prima- ry completed. Barnes to p. 88.	Goodrich's Primary and Barnes to p. 88.

Course of Study in Grammar Room, Grades 6, 7, 8.

(Covering three years.)

Grade.	Reading.	Spelling.	Writing.	Languages.	Arithmetic.	Algebra.	History.	Physiology.	Civil Gov't.	Geography.
6	Normal Fourth supplemented and oral No. 4 by Wings Nor mal and Fins Speller. Physiology.	Written and oral No. 4. Vertical Spelling. Drawing.	Shaylor's worth & Goddard's Elements to p. 150.	South-ward & Elements to p. 150.	Milne's Standard to p. 262. (Interest.)		Barnes' Primary completed by Fisk's to p. 40.	(See supplementary reading.)		Frye's complete to p. 123.
7	Apple-ton's Fifth, supplement ed by Claws and Hoofs, No r mal Cal. Colonial Speller. days in N. H., etc.	Written and oral No. 5. Vertical Spelling. Drawing.	Shaylor's worth & Goddard's Elements, p. 150-250.	South-ward & Elements, p. 150-250.	Milne's Standard, p. 47. Mul-ti-ple-completed application	Milne's Elements to p. 131.	Fiske's to p. 260.	Tracy's Outline of Physiology.		Frye's complete p. 75 to 175. Completed,
8	Apple-ton's Fifth, supplement ed by Evan-geline, Snow Bound, Old Speller. Greek Sto-ries, etc.	Written and oral No. 6. Vertical Spelling. Drawing.	Business forms, notes, Goddard's Elements, finished. Composition. Rhetoricals.	South-ward & Elements, finished. Composition. Rhetoricals.	Milne's Standard reviewed, to p. 131.	Milne's Elements to p. 131.	Fiske's completed Outside reading.		Mowry's Elements completed	

COURSE OF STUDY FOR DURHAM DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

(Uniform with the Graded Course in Village Schools. Covering eight years.)

Grade.	Class.	Reading.	Spelling.	Writing.	Language.	Arithmetic.	Algebra.	Geography.	History.	Physiology.	Civil Gov't.
1st and 2d.	1	Cyr's Primer, First and Second Readers.	Words in Primer and Read-ers.	Black-board, Shaylor's No. 1.		Number work. Cogswell's first lessons in Numbers.					
3d and 4th.	2	Cyr's Second and Third Readers Fable and Folk Stories.	Oral. Written.	Shaylor's No. 1 and No. 2.	Southworth & Goddard's First Lessons.	Milne's Elements to p. 145. Multiplication of Fractions.		Frye's Primary oral teaching.			
5th and 6th.	3	Normal Third and Fourth Readers Feathers and Full Physiology.	Oral. Written.	Shaylor's No. 3 and No. 4.	Southworth & Goddard's First Lessons finished and S. & G. Elements begun, to p. 150.	Milne's Elements to p. 205. Milne's Standard to p. 262.		Frye's Primary completed Frye's Primary completed to p. 125.	Goodrich's Primary. Barney's Primary completed to p. 40.		
7th and 8th.	4	Appleton's 5th Clays and Hoofs. Colonial Days in N. H. Evangelical line. Old Greek Stories, etc.	Oral. Written.	Shaylor's No. 5. Business forms, etc.	Southworth & Goddard, p. 150 to 280. S. & G. finished. Composition.	Milne's Standard, completed to p. 131.	Milne's Elements completed to p. 131.	Frye's Complete, p. 125 to completed	Fiske's to p. 260. Outlines of Physiology. p. 260 completed.	Tracy's Outlines of Physiology.	Townsend's completed or Mowry's

School Statistics

FROM AUG. 1, 1898, TO AUG. 1, 1899.

Whole number of boys enrolled.....	87
Whole number of girls enrolled.....	65
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Total.....	152
Average membership	124
Average attendance.....	108
Per cent. of attendance.....	87 $\frac{1}{3}$
Highest salary paid per month.....	\$40 00
Lowest salary paid per month.....	28 00
Average salary per month.....	34 40
Total available money.....	2,126 67
Total current expenses.....	2,348 48
Average current expense per pupil.....	16 79
No. of weeks of school.....	32
Greatest number of scholars in any school.	56
Least number of scholars in any school...	12
Rate of tax for school purposes.....	.0033
Number of scholars not absent during year	3
Number of visits by school board.....	90
Number of visits by superintendent, (one term).....	15

ENUMERATION STATISTICS.

Number of boys between 5 and 16.....	92
Number of girls between 5 and 16.....	59
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Total.....	151

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

First Term, Fall, 1898.—Charles Morrison, Esther Burnham, Mary Burnham, Millie Cummings, Margaret DeMraitt, Ina Doe, Marion Doe, Alice Furbish, Martha Furbish, Lucia Watson, Leon Watson.

Second Term, Winter, 1898 and 1899.—Leon A. Jones.

Third Term, Spring, 1899.—Clara W. Hanson, Mary Teeri, Herman M. Hanson, Winfrid B. Hanson, Leon A. Jones.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

First term.—Stephen DeMeritt, Joseph Foucher, Henry Jones, Lena Jones, Bernice Doe, Isabelle Andrews, Hattie Andrews, Charles Marston, Ralph Robinson, Jennie Hanson, Matilda Teeri, Eliza Willey, Bernice Hayes, Clifford Stevens, Myles Watson, Athold Young.

Second term.—Lena Jones, Henry Jones, Millard Jones, Charles Marston, Ralph Robinson, Eliza Willey.

Third term.—John Cater, Sherburne Fogg, Jennie Hanson, Millard Jones, Charles Marston, Ralph Robinson, Irene Robinson, Blanche Robinson, Sarah Runlett, Clifford Stevens, Matilda Teeri, Eliza Willey, Sydney Willey.

PACKER'S FALLS.

First term.—None.

Second term.—None.

Third term.—Chester C. Harmon, Maude E. Glidden.

MAST ROAD.

First term.—Discontinued.

Second term.—Margaret DeMeritt, Stephen DeMeritt.

Third term.—None.

DURHAM POINT SCHOOL.

First term.—Ralph Kent, George Rand, Jesse Rand.

Second term.—Addie Cummings, Sadie Cummings, Mary Cummings, Myrtie Cummings, Iva Cummings, Marion Kent, Ralph Kent, Laura Rand, Edson Langmaid.

Third term.—Bertha Dame.

Truant Officer's Report.

The new school law of 1899 contains this section. "School Boards shall appoint truant officers for their districts and fix their compensation at a reasonable rate, which compensation shall be paid by the town."

My appointment to this office by the Board was occasioned by the fact that no one could be found who would accept it, and became a matter of necessity that some one should serve. There is much work which such an officer should do in this town as our school registers will show, and no better report could be made than to have published a page from each school register showing tardinesses, absences and dismissals.

There are stange and persistent rows of marks following many names and if the law was rigidly executed there would be a strange record in some police court and many fines to pay.

All of this work and trouble is directly traceable to the negligence of parents, who, when pressed for reasons for their children's absences invent excuses, or consider trivial circumstances sufficient excuse for non-attendance. This is wholly wrong and it is a shame that it should be necessary for any truant officer to go armed with evidence as minute as that required in courts of law, to meet the ingenious and original arguments brought forward to show that some child was absent for good reason, when in fact there was no reason at all except the child's notion that he would play truant.

Others keep children at home to help about some trivial matter, when a little thought would necessarily convince them that in so doing they not only injure their own, but all other scholars in the class. However, when the time for promotion comes and the deficiencies are considered, these marks in the register will have their full effect, because promotions depend upon scholarship and attainment, and this latter factor is directly dependent upon regular attendance. A record of the most open violators of the truancy laws have been kept and is open for inspection. It would be unwise to publish it.

G. H. WHITCHER,
Truant Officer.

Report of Treasurer of School Board

FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1900.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand in school treasury.....		\$7 69
Amount raised by law.....	\$1,375 00	
Money raised in school meeting	650 00	
Literary fund.....	85 50	
Dog licenses	45 20	
Lee tax.....	29 94	
Old bills.....	70 00	
Shingling Point school house..	50 00	
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		\$2,313 33

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers.....	\$1,700 00	
Books.....	40 10	
Fuel.....	126 58	
Repairs.....	117 32	
Janitors.....	104 25	
Enumerating children.....	11 20	
Insurance.....	94 80	
Miscellaneous.....	42 00	
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		\$2,236 25
Cash on hand in school treasury.....		\$77 08
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		\$2,313 33

TEACHERS.

VILLAGE TEACHERS.

Spring, Geo. W. Gray, 10 weeks	\$100 00	
Fall, Hawley B. Chase, 12 weeks	120 00	
Winter, Hawley B. Chase, 10 weeks.....	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$320 00

VILLAGE PRIMARY.

Spring, Mildred J. Hill, 10 weeks	\$100 00	
Fall, Mildred J. Hill, 12 weeks.	120 00	
Winter, Mildred J. Hill, 10 weeks.....	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$320 00

VILLAGE ASSISTANT.

Spring, Bertha A. Jordan, 10 weeks.....	\$70 00	
Fall, Bertha A. Jordan, 12 w'ks	84 00	
Winter, Bertha A. Jordan, 10 weeks.....	70 00	
	<hr/>	\$224 00

PACKER'S FALLS.

Spring, Blanche M. Dame, 11 weeks.....	\$77 00	
Fall, Sadie E. Bell, 12 weeks..	84 00	
Winter, Sadie E. Bell, 10 weeks	70 00	
	<hr/>	\$231 00

MAST ROAD.

Spring, Adalena Dudley, 11 weeks.....	\$99 00	
Fall, Adalena Dudley, 12 weeks	96 00	
Winter, Adalena Dudley, 10 weeks.....	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$275 00

POINT.

Spring, Sarah E. Tasker, 11 weeks.....	\$110 00	
Fall, Sarah E. Tasker, 12 w'ks.	120 00	
Winter, Sarah E. Tasker, 10 weeks.....	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$330 00

REPAIRS.

POINT SCHOOL HOUSE.

Converse & Hammond, shingles	\$36 00	
G. H. Proctor, shingling Point school house.....	11 74	
	<hr/>	\$47 74

REPAIRS ON VILLAGE SCHOOL HOUSE.

Elmer Fogg, labor,.....	\$8 75	
F. E. Doe, repairs,.....	5 25	
Robert Parker, calcimining and varnishing.....	16 25	
John T. Drew, labor.....	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$33 75

OLD BILLS, REPAIRS.

E. W. Hooper, labor on Point chimney.....	\$10 30	
Mattis Hanson, village furnace	1 00	
Cash paid and labor at village school house.....	13 00	
John F. Tibbetts, mortar.....	1 50	
Griffith's Bros., repairs on Packer's Falls flag pole.....	3 15	
Joseph Bennett, lumber, Packer's Falls.....	6 88	
	<hr/>	\$35 83
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		\$117 32

BOOKS.

Hattie S. Watson, care of books, 1899.....	\$15 00	
John C. Pierce, one chart.....	10 00	
Houghton Mifflin, books, supplies, etc.....	10 20	
Howard Cawthrose, maps,.....	4 90	
	<hr/>	\$40 10

ENUMERATING CHILDREN.

Hattie S. Watson.....	\$10 00	
Rumford Printing Co., 320 cards	1 20	
	<hr/>	\$11 20

FUEL,

Alvin Jackson, coal.....	\$116 73
F. J. Bunker, wood.....	8 25

Robert Francis, wood.....	\$ 60	
F. K. Dame, wood.....	1 00	
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INSURANCE.

J. H. Stevens.....	\$68 00	
F. E. Doe.....	26 80	
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JANITORS.

Village.

Spring, Martha D. Stevens.....	\$25 00	
Fall, Martha D. Stevens.....	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$55 00

Mast Road.

Alpha Comeau, year '98.....	\$ 8 00	
Spring, and Fall, Elton Chamberlain.....	11 50	
	<hr/>	\$19 50

Packer's Falls.

F. K. Dame, year '98.....	\$18 25	
Spring and fall, Robert Francis year '99.....	11 50	
	<hr/>	\$29 75

MISCELLANEOUS.

John Follett, care town hall, '98 and '99.....	\$4 00	
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James Stevens, express.....	\$2 08
1 clock for Point school house..	3 50
Carrie Colomy, cleaning village school house.....	5 85
Martha D. Stevens, express....	3 25
Lizzie Cummings, cleaning Pt. school house.....	3 75
C. L. Jenness, hardware	75
T. W. Lovering, cleaning school yard.....	1 00
Mrs. Frances, cleaning Packer's Falls school house.....	2 00
F. K. Dame, 1 broom and set- ting glass.....	1 10
Mrs. Jennie Doe, pianist at grad- uating exercises.....	2 00
F. C. Keith, lettering diplomas	3 00
Walter Edgerly, school supplies	4 87
Annie Davis, helping clean school house.....	2 85
Albert Corson cleaning Packer's Falls school house.....	2 00

\$42 00

CHARLES S. LANGLEY,
Treasurer of School Board.

Durham, N. H., March 1, 1900.

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
30, 1899.

GEO. D. STEVENS, Town Clerk.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

Date. 1899.	Place of Birth.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Living or Stillborn.	No. Child.	Color.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 1	Durham...	Helen J.	F	L	2	All White.	Ned Dearborn.....	Helen J. Hill.....
Feb. 16	"	"	M	L	6		Frazier Bryson.....	Etta C. Norton.....
May 27	"	Eda M.	F	L	3		Lester Crouch.....	"
" 29	"	Cecilia D. V. F.	F	L	13		Frank Foucher.....	Ellen Ladybush.....
June 6	"	Mary A.	F	L	4		Arthur Nesbit.....	Sarah J. MacLean.....
" 27	"	"	S	L	1		Geo. P. Emerson.....	Angelia O'Hare.....
July 4	"	"	F	L	8		Melnot Robinson.....	Nellie A. Clark.....
" 4	"	"	F	L	4		Joseph Garrity.....	Belle James.....
" 24	"	Harold T.	M	L	1		Charles A. Sinclair....	Josephine A. Hodgdon..
Aug. 12	"	"	F	L	2		Clarence W. Scott.....	Harriett Field.....
Sep. 17	"	"	M	L	26		Frank L. Stevens.....	Carrie Smart.....
" 21	"	"	F	L	2		Perley Sanders.....	Marcia Sanders.....
Oct. 26	"	Elsie.....	F	L	4		Alfred Woodman.....	Nellie Gilman.....
Nov. 4	"	"	F	L	5	John N. Young.....	Hannah Smart.....	
" 17	"	Ruth F.	F	L	3	William Proctor.....	Ella F. Drew.....	

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

Date. 1899.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Bride and Groom.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age.		Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.
					Color.		
Mar. 5	Newmarket	Albert W. Corson.....	Durham	35	All White.	Carpenter....	Durham.....
"	"	Flora E. Barnes.....	"	26		Housekeeper.	Newmarket...
Apr. 10	"	Alfred Foucha.....	"	21		Laborer.....	Clifton, P. O.
"	"	Emma Foucher.....	"	26		"	Biddeford, Me.
May 20	"	Harry W. Willey.....	"	20		Laborer.....	Durham.....
"	"	Maggie Carlan.....	"	21		"	Ireland.....
Oct. 21	Durham	Wm. Burrows.....	Portland....	23	All White.	Teamster.....	Newmarket.
"	"	Ethel O. Stevens.....	Durham	17		"	"	Durham.....

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM

Date. 1899	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex.	Color.	Single, Married Widowed.	Occupation.
			Years	Mos.	Days.					
Jan. 1	Durham...	Thomas O'Connor.....	54	...	...	Ireland.....	M	.....	.....
" 20	"	Abbie T. Jenkins.....	70	9	27	Durham	F	W	.....
" 22	"	Louisa Rudd Smith.....	75	5	21	Spring'ld,Ky	F	W	.....
Feb. 3	"	Wm. F. Jones.....	80	8	...	Durham	M	W	Farmer....	
" 9	"	Mehitable W. Libby.....	84	7	6	"	F	S	Housekeep'r	
" 20	"	Mary E. Mathes.....	65	11	5	Barrington...	F	M	Housekeep'r	
Mar. 7	"	James H. Taylor.....	57	7	18	Middlesex, Vt	F	M	Farmer.....	
" 13	"	Martha E. Blanchard.....	76	10	6	Durham	F	W	.....
Apr. 8	"	Hazen R. Langley.....	...	7	17	"	M	.....	.....
May 8	"	Arthur Ladbush.....	...	6	15	"	M	.....	.....
" 23	"	Charles G. Otis.....	12	7	12	"	M	.....	.....
June 27	"	Emerson.....	...	...	...	"	M	.....	.....
Sep. 21	"	Herman Wheeler.....	17	4	21	Temple.....	M	S	.....
" 29	"	Arthur Carlson.....	1	...	...	Somerv'le, Ms	M	S	.....
Oct. 10	"	Abbie J. Thompson.....	82	9	25	Durham	F	S	
" 31	"	Louisa V. Bunker.....	61	Danville P. O.	F	M	
Dec. 28	"	Frank R. Stevens.....	51	...	21	Durham	M	D	

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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.....	Alton.....	Northfield, Vt.....	33	26
	"	Workman.....	Harts Co., N. S.....	Dover.....	39	29
	"	Farmer.....	Dalton.....	Durham.....	28	23
	"	Brickmaker.....	Canada.....	Raymond.....	51	41
	"	Teacher.....	Milton, Pa.....	Port Caledonia, C. B.....	28	27
	"	Farmer.....	Durham.....	P. E. I., C. B.....		
	"	Workman.....	Madbury.....	Millbury, Mass.....	37	34
	"	Farmer.....	Roxbury, Mass.....	Lee.....	38	25
	"	Painter.....	Exeter.....	Newmarket.....	27	25
	"	Teacher.....	Plymouth, Vt.....	Montpelier.....	49	43
	"	Stone Cutter.....	Rockland, Me.....	Durham.....	43	36
	"	Station Agent.....	Epsom.....	Dover.....	27	25
	"	Machinist.....	Durham.....	Albion, Me.....	28	24
"	Carpenter.....	Madbury.....	Durham.....	28	29	
"	Carpenter.....	Haverhill, Mass.....	Newmarket.....	31	27	

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Names of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	No. of Marriage.	Intentions Filled.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person, and by whom married.
Aaron and Susan Corson	Durham.....	1	Mar. 9	Rev. Chas. N. Tilton.....
L. W. and A. Tucker.....	"	2		.....Newmarket
Jos. and Mary Foucha.....	Clifton, P. Q.....	1	Apr. 6	Thomas E. Reilley, C. P.....
F. and Vitealie Foucha.....	Durham.....	1		.....Newmarket
C. G. and Mary Willey.....	"	1	May 19	Rev. Francis O. Taylor.....
John and Ellen Carlan.....	Ireland.....	1		.....Newmarket
W. Burrows, J. Wentw'h	Durham.....	1	Oct. 21	Rev. Wm. S. Beard.....
John and Hattie Stevens	"	1	Durham

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Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.	Occupation of Father.
Ireland.....	Ireland.....	Thos. O'Connor.....	Mary Sheehy.....	General Debility.....	Farmer.....
"	"	Benj. T. Jackson.....	Betsey Abbott.....	Chronic Asthma.....	"
Maryland.....	Kentucky.....	Christoph'r Rudd.....	Anna Palmer.....	Paralysis.....	Physician.....
Durham.....	Barnstead.....	Thomas Jones.....	Betsey Chesley.....	La Grippe.....	Farmer.....
"	"	John Libby.....	Hannah Wells.....	Old Age.....	Blacksm'h
Barrington.....	Barrington.....	Asa Chesley.....	Betsey Manson.....	Disease of Heart.....	Farmer.....
Vermont.....	Canada.....	Rufus Taylor.....	Amanda Post.....	"	"
Durham.....	Durham.....	George Dame.....	Sarah Bennett.....	"	"
"	N. Brunsw'k	Edw. I. Langley.....	Edith A. Jordan.....	Convulsions.....	Pilot.....
Auburn.....	Canada.....	Lester Ladbush.....	Emma J. Foucher.....	Brain Disease.....	Farmer.....
Lee.....	Madbury.....	Roscoe S. Otis.....	Ida B. Locke.....	Pneumonia.....	"
Durham.....	P. E. I.....	Geo. P. Emerson.....	Angelia O'Hare.....	"	"
"	"	C. P. Wheeler.....	"	Meningitis.....	Engineer.....
Sweeden.....	Sweeden.....	John E. Carlson.....	Sophia Ely.....	Cholera Infantum.....	Farmer.....
Lee.....	Durham.....	John Thompson.....	Sarah Woodman.....	Accident.....	"
"	Canada.....	Benj Clough.....	Eliza Magoon.....	Cancer of Stomach.....	"
Durham.....	Barrington.....	David Stevens.....	Hannah Lee.....	Accident.....	St'neMason



