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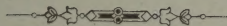
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## Receipts into the Treasury.

Balance in the hands of I. P. Berry, Treasurer,	
March 1, 1886,	\$1904 08
Tax, interest and cost on Hall Gilman lot	219 35
Reuel W. Willey, land redeemed,	24 94
Heirs of Patrick Driscoll, land redeemed,	5 02
Cash received of the County,	175 41
W. C. Fox, lot sold at auction,	1 18
B. A. Horne lot " " "	10 00
James Corson lot sold at "	25 00
Cold Rain Pond lot " "	3 00
James Lucas, pasture sold at auction,	1 00
" " lot " " "	25
Zanello D. Berry, Collector, 1885,	125 00
" " " " "	15 00
" " " " interest on taxes '85,	4 61
" " " " 1886,	1860 00
" " " " "	500 00
" " " " "	250 00
Elwin E. Berry, land redeemed,	49 00
Heirs of Samuel Hayes, land redeemed,	14 26
Shadrack A. Edgerly " "	24 50
Railroad tax,	\$39 78
Savings Bank tax,	516 14
Literary Fund,	106 88
H. P. Boody, Collector, 1883,	5 00
" " " " "	25 45
" " " " "	19
" " " " " interest	9 13
P. C. Ham, for school books,	3 00

Charles H. Berry, Collector 1882,	55 00
“ “ “ “ “	91 00
“ “ “ “ “ interest,	51 57
C. C. Rollins, Collector, 1884,	35 00
“ “ “ “ “	50 00
“ “ “ “ “	20 00
“ “ “ “ “	15 22
“ “ “ “ “ interest,	24 84
Caleb R. Runnals, old door of town house	25
Rebate on School house, cold rain pond lot,	05
Zanello D. Berry, Collector 1886,	4846 05
“ “ “ “ “	2 07
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	\$11,108 23

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Paid for Schools.

Paid for Schools,	\$878 00
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Notes and Interest.

Paid I. P. Berry, Administrator for J. W. Hurd,	233 87
Jonas Chamberlain, Endorsment	100 00
Mary S. Chamberlain,	526 42
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	\$860 29

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State and County Tax.

Paid State tax,	544 00
County tax,	374 93

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Dog Damage.

Paid Charles H. Berry,	60 00
Lewis R. Sumner,	10 00
Daniel Burnham,	11 00
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	\$81 00

## Lawsuit.

Paid George E. Cochrane, Counsel in Cook case,	50 00
John Kivel, Counsel in Cook case,	50 00
James A. Miller, services in Cook case 5 days	7 50
Dana P. Jones, 7 days services in Cook case	10 50
“ “ “ Car fare horse hire and expenses when out of town,	15 51
John O. Ayer, 7 days service in Cook case	10 50
“ “ “ Car fare horse hire and expenses when out of town,	10 23
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	\$154 24

## Pauper Bills.

Paid Elihu Hayes aid transient pauper,	\$2 50
William H. Pinkham, board of Eunice Horne, from Mar. 24, 1885, to Mar. 24, 1886,	52 00
P. H. Wheeler, medical aid to county pau- pers,	27 75
S. A. Edgerly, board of Mary Edgerly from June 18, 1886, to Sept. 2, 1886,	12 00
J. Edgerly, board of Mary Edgerly from Sept. 2, 1886, to March 1, 1887,	31 87
C. F. Colomy, county pauper,	2 00
G. F. Jones, goods delivered to Martha A. Dodge,	2 22
J. S. Elkins, medical aid to Elmer Crockett,	13 50
J. H. Barker, goods delivered to Martha A. Dodge,	9 07
I. P. Berry, house rent for Crockett family from Dec. 1, 1885, to Mar. 1, 1887,	45 00
Melissa Witham, Midwife to Mrs. A. V. Kenis- ton and Minnie Colomy,	8 00
S. W. Berry, board of Mary Edgerly from Mar. 1, 1886 to April 16, 1886.	6 50
S. A. Edgerly, board of Mary Edgerly from April 16, 1886, to June 16, 1886,	8 00
D. P. Evans, coffin and box for G. Lacross, child,	7 00
J. R. Hale, aid to Colomy family,	4 50
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	\$231 91



## Abatements.

Paid G. H. Edgerly, for 1875, 76, 77, and 78,		34 47
S. Langley,	1885	1 60
S. A. Edgerly,	1878	5 18
H. Brackett,	1886	1 92
J. H. Palmer,	1885	1 10
E. Corson,	1886	1 37
G. E. Langley,	"	52
Betsey and Eunice Mitchell,	"	1 18
A. V. Keniston,	"	3 32
A. C. Rines,	"	1 98
S. Rogers,	"	2 37
J. Welch,	"	52
J. H. Nutter,	"	1 37
A. R. Rines,	"	1 55
J. R. Ayers,	"	87
S. S. Hartford,	1883	1 16
G. F. Randall,	"	3 00
S. A. French,	"	1 75
P. C. Ham,	1886	53
Growth on land of W. T. Rines	1882	1 93
J. A. Lowell, Hayes farm,	"	17 33
Lewis F. Palmer,	1884	2 25
Addie L. Rines,	"	1 04
G. F. Randall,	"	2 25
G. Z. Glidden,	1886	1 00
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		\$91 56

## Highways and Bridges.

Paid J. B. Witham, repairing bridge,	\$2 75
B. Willey,	63
M. B. Goodrich,	55 00
J. A. Lowell,	12 50
I. Rand,	1 88
G. Z. Glidden,	5 62
I. P. Berry,	10 00
C. R. Runnals,	5 00
E. M. Willey,	1 87
A. F. Dame,	2 50
T. Brackett,	8 50
B. Willey,	2 50
I. Rand,	2 50



Paid E. M. Willey,	15 48
I. Rand,	2 80
T. Brackett,	7 00
E. M. Willey,	5 75
R. R. Miller,	10 15
J. A. Lowell,	1 50
J. F. Glidden,	9 00
J. Chamberlain,	1 10
I. P. Berry,	13 61
M. B. Goodrich,	50
Z. D. Berry,	5 63
I. P. Berry, Railing bridge,	8 00
B. F. Perkins,	9 22
E. E. Berry, hauling bridge planks 1885,	3 00
J. Ayers,	50
John N. Glidden,	2 50
J. B. Roberts,	2 50
C. B. Edgerly,	1 50
J. M. Boody,	1 00
W. P. Driscoll,	2 50
J. B. Witham,	82
A. D. Randall,	5 74
C. Brooks,	15 79
A. J. Chamberlain,	1 94
H. G. Chamberlain,	4 77
J. Dore,	10 38
J. B. Davis,	9 00
J. C. Davis,	5 63
J. Davis,	1 88
T. N. Davis,	5 30
I. L. Dore,	11 17
David L. Edgerly,	2 16
D. P. Jones,	3 00
William P. Jenkins,	3 72
I. C. Libbey,	1 12
A. J. Wentworth,	3 88
F. Young,	1 33
J. M. Boody,	75
E. E. Rice, bridge plank,	25 19
J. O. Ayers, repairing bridge,	2 63
J. McKeen,	2 50
I. S. Ricker,	5 64
A. G. Coburn,	2 71
J. F. Ayers hauling bridge plank,	5 74

Z. D. Berry, Collector summer highway tax, worked	943 17
P. C. Ham,	62
L. W. Ricker,	1 00
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	\$1292 07

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### Breaking Roads.

Paid Fred A. York,	\$5 38
O. A. Langley,	3 73
F. P. Perkins,	4 96
J. W. Willey,	1 38
M. H. Chesley,	4 10
J. B. Witham,	1 64
N. J. Sampson,	12 00
W. T. Rines,	5 44
A. G. Rines,	2 00
L. F. French,	2 38
E. Durgin,	3 13
E. Rollins,	3 00
J. L. Gleason,	10 95
J. O. Gleason,	1 70
F. J. Lucas,	87
T. E. Mitchell,	1 37
M. W. Brown,	2 50
T. Brackett,	3 92
H. B. Miller,	75
J. N. Walker,	1 58
R. W. Willey,	3 50
G. A. Corson,	75
O. B. Coburn,	50
F. W. Coburn Jr.,	75
J. A. Miller,	4 68
Z. D. Berry,	4 16
A. Ellis,	25
R. R. Miller,	2 45
G. I. Willey,	40
J. Chamberlain,	10 25
J. S. Chamberlain,	75
I. Rand,	87
P. C. Ham,	38
G. A. Corson,	63
S. S. Hartford,	6 67

Paid W. S. Gray,	1 62
L. Colbath,	75
J. M. Willey,	70
S. Willey,	1 89
C. W. Langley,	10 88
J. F. Glidden,	8 06
T. D. Langley,	1 50
A. H. Dame,	1 50
G. N. Perkins,	20 00
C. H. Rines,	4 94
M. B. Goodrich,	1 00
A. R. Rines,	75
W. H. Morrill,	2 74
A. D. Randall,	6 37
J. D. Randall,	50
J. B. Ham,	28
S. Dame,	75
C. H. Wentworth,	57
D. P. Jones,	1 50
E. R. Jones,	67
H. S. Jones,	62
A. B. Tebbetts,	4 54
F. B. Evans,	1 95
C. H. Berry,	25
S. T. H. Runnals,	55
H. P. Boody,	11 31
H. E. Chamberlain,	10 80
W. H. Pinkham,	3 50
F. S. Knowlton,	2 50
I. C. Chamberlain,	1 70
T. D. Chamberlain,	2 50
H. Emmons,	12 10
Heirs of E. Stanton,	1 50
C. Colomy,	62
I. C. Libbey,	4 26
F. Young,	4 62
A. J. Wentworth,	12 82
J. M. Boody,	2 78
G. W. Reed,	11 00
D. L. Edgerly,	2 00
S. F. Evans,	3 16
T. H. Canney,	5 11
M. L. Wentworth,	5 87
I. Dolby,	1 25



Paid W. P. Jenkins,	12 20
H. J. Canney,	4 25
J. T. Libbey,	3 81
H. G. Chamberlain,	5 18
A. J. Chamberlain,	2 80
L. Gray,	2 44
J. Davis,	6 62
J. C. Davis,	1 81
J. Dore,	3 17
J. B. Davis,	1 75
T. N. Davis,	1 19
J. D. Perkins,	1 87
N. Durgin,	13 22
J. F. Mitchell,	1 56
E. E. Berry,	7 90
L. E. Berry,	1 88
C. H. Willey,	2 00
J. Y. Berry,	8 75
C. Brooks,	2 00
J. Harding,	1 00
F. McDuffee,	3 00
J. Durgin,	9 72
B. F. Perkins,	18 60
S. Mitchell,	1 50
B. C. Perkins,	12 20
T. E. Mitchell,	1 31
F. P. Perkins,	1 00
I. S. Ricker,	3 00
C. C. Rollins,	50
J. O. Ayers,	88
N. Randall,	44
J. F. Glidden,	69
S. Young,	4 62

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### Town Officers Bill.

Paid James A. Miller, overseer poor,	30 00
“ “ “ “ Cash paid out,	3 75
Zanello D. Berry, services as Collector 1885,	95 00
G. F. Jones, “ Town Clerk,	35 00
H. G. Chamberlain, services on Board of Edu- cation,	16 00

Paid E. E. Berry, services on Board of Education	23 00
P. C. Ham, services on Board of Education,	18 00
I. P. Berry, services as treasurer,	35 00
I. S. Ricker, services as clerk for school district for the year 1886,	3 00
J. A. Miller, services as selectman 63 days,	94 50
“ “ 20 days making school house tax and rebate,	30 00
J. A. Miller, recording invoice,	5 00
“ “ “ school house tax,	3 00
“ “ making orders and keeping books when not in session,	10 00
D. P. Jones, services as selectman, 50 days,	75 00
“ “ 20 days making school house tax and rebate,	30 00
D. P. Jones, 1 1-2 days with commissioner,	2 12
J. O. Ayers, 49 days services as selectman,	73 50
“ “ 20 “ making school house tax and rebate,	30 00
J. O. Ayers, making orders when not in session,	3 00
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### Miscellaneous.

Paid I. S. Ricker and M. L. Wentworth Audi- tors for 1885,	3 00
C. F. Towle, services supervisor, March election 1886	5 00
J. E. Fernald & Son, printing town reports,	16 00
E. B. Lane, stationary for the town,	10 15
Town of Brookfield proportion of school house in district No. 12,	26 44
I. S. Ricker, services as supervisor March elec- tion 1886,	5 00
I. S. Ricker, record book for schools,	65
Recording collector deeds,	4 20
Julia A. Fletcher, damage to house,	7 50
I. P. Berry, tax interest and cost on E. E. Berry lot 1884,	13 38
Zanello D. Berry, collector tax interest and cost on heirs of Samuel Hayes, 1885,	3 75
I. P. Berry, tax interest and cost on W. C. Fox lot 1884,	50

Paid F. W. Barry, ten orders books,	4 50
J. E. Fernald & Son, printing auction bills,	1 50
W. H. Pinkham, watering tub 1886,	3 00
Melissa Witham, return of four births,	1 00
G. F. Jones, spikes, powder and fuse, stationary and stamps for clerk,	3 61
Z. D. Berry, collector, New Durham tax,	17 73
Dr. P. H. Wheeler, return of births and deaths from April 1, 1885, to Feb. 14, 1887,	1 50
C. C. Rollins,	3 00
J. O. Ayers, Inventory Book,	2 00
I. S. Ricker, services as Supervisor for November election 1886,	6 00
F. P. Hayes, services as supervisor for Novem- ber election 1886,	5 00
C. H. Whiting, school books,	3 00
C. F. Towle, services as supervisor for Novem- ber election 1886,	5 00
Z. D. Berry paying state tax 1885 and 1886,	5 00
T. D. Langley, breaking plow,	3 00
Z. D. Berry, collector rebate on school houses,	3729 96
I. P. Berry, damage to wheels on highway,	2 00
J. A. Miller, car fare, horse hire, postage and expences when out of town	24 50
D. P. Jones, car fare, horse hire, postage and expences when out of town,	9 88
J. O. Ayers, car fare, horse hire, postage and expences when out of town,	6 54
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	\$3,933 29

### Recapitulation.

Paid For Schools,	\$878 00
State tax,	544 00
County tax,	374 93
Lawsuit,	154 24
Paupers,	231 91
Notes and interest,	860 29
Dog Damage,	81 00
Abatements,	91 56
Highways and bridges,	1292 07
Breaking roads,	426 91



Paid Town Officers,	614 87
Miscellaneous,	3933 29
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	\$9483 07
Amounts of Receipts,	11,108 23
"    Paid out,	9,483 07
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Amount in hands of Treasurer,	\$1625 16

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### Assets.

Balance in hands Treasurer March 1, 1887,	1625 16
P. C. Ham collector 1868 and 1869,	367 76
C. H. Berry, collector 1882,	392 94
Collector's deeds,	4 84
C. C. Rollins, collector 1884,	70 00
Z. D. Berry, collector 1886,	50 00
Cost due in Coburn case,	79 84
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	2590 54
Liabilities of the town,	\$1717 83
Outstanding bills, by estimation,	200 00
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	\$1,917 84
Assets of the town March 1, 1887	\$2590 54
Liabilities of the town March 1, 1887	1717 84
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Ballance due the town March 1, 1887,	\$872 70

JAMES A. MILLER, } Selectmen  
 DANA P. JONES, } of  
 JOHN O. AYERS, } New Durham.

ICHABOD P. BERRY, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

EBEN E. BERRY, }  
 CHAS. H. RICKER, } Auditors.

## School Report.

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School Report for the year ending March, 1887. To the inhabitants of the town of New Durham:

Your Board of Education, in submitting its first annual report, would respectfully say that the work of the past year has been largely experimental with us all. The work we have had to do, has heretofore been done by Prudential and Superintending Committees. The expediency of the New School Law was questioned and severely criticised by all, and condemned by many; hence, we, as members of the Board of Education, entered upon our task in the midst of unfavorable surroundings. But our acceptance of the trust only meant, with us, faithful and impartial service for both parents and children. We were determined to know no favorites but to do even justice to all as far as possible. Instead of thirteen schools, as formerly, we decided to have but eight, and in the reduction we have endeavored to do no injustice to any. Of course some have had to go a greater distance than before. This we could not avoid, but we have become convinced that the increase in the number of weeks schooling and the better grade of schools under the new system, has by far overbalanced the inconvenience to which the most remote scholars have been subjected. By the agreement of the two Boards of Education, a union was effected between the south schools in Alton and New Durham, the Alton scholars coming to our school-house and bringing with them their proportion of their school money. This school was taught by Mrs. Herbert Garland of Barnstead. Mrs. Garland's services were sought by the board, there being a

deficiency in our supply of teachers. She commenced the school with no other recommendation than her own qualification, being a stranger, but she proved to be the right teacher in the right place. She was eminently successful as an instructress and her discipline, while firm and unyielding, was always tempered with kindness. She won the respect of every family represented in her school and we hope to be able to secure her services again. The closing examination was entirely satisfactory.

What formerly composed two schools on the Ridge, were combined in one; one term being taught in each house, by Mrs. Charles R. Brooks. Mrs. Brooks has taught in town before and has an established reputation. She is a thoroughly educated teacher and well adapted to the work and the school made excellent progress.

The summer term of the Plains school, was taught by Miss Emma C. Varney of Alton. Miss Varney has every qualification for a teacher and we can but feel it a pleasure to express our approbation of the manner in which this school was conducted under this able and efficient teacher. All classes passed examination with much credit.

The fall term was taught by Miss Cora B. Gale of Gilmanton. Miss Gale not only has the art of winning the esteem and affection of her scholars, but she possesses the skill, tact and power of imparting knowledge to them in the most effective manner. All classes gave evidence of careful study and thorough training.

The summer term at New Durham Corner, was taught by Mrs. H. Nettie Pinkham. Mrs. Pinkham is a good teacher and her scholars made such progress in the various branches taught as to give perfect satisfaction. The fall term was taught by Miss Georgia O. Berry. Miss Berry has had much experience in teaching and knows how to keep a good school, and her scholars manifested much thoroughness in the studies pursued during the term. All classes passed examination with much credit.

The summer term of the Centre School was taught by Miss Georgia O. Berry. Miss Berry has the art of winning the affection of her scholars and possessess the skill of imparting knowledge to them in the most effective manner. All classes passed a good examination. The fall term was taught by Mrs. H. Nettie Pinkham. Mrs. Pinkham is a strict disciplinarian and determined to have order in school, therefore, though she may not win the affection



of her scholars like some teachers, yet she possesses the skill of imparting knowledge in a very effective manner. All classes passed examination with credit.

Both terms of the Powder Mills School, were taught by Miss Lillian J. Gleason of New Durham. This school is small, but this teacher possessing energy, tact and skill, and being perfectly at home in the school room, conducted the school for the best interest of the pupils, and their progress was both rapid and thorough, and the school was a complete success.

The school of two terms, in the Rines school-house, was taught by Miss Emma L. Brewster of Wolfeborough. This teacher took great pains to interest her pupils, and they were studious and the examination at the close of each term showed very marked progress.

Both terms of the school in the Caverly school-house, were taught by Miss Sarah F. P. Caverly of New Durham. This teacher has had long experience, having made teaching her principal pursuit for quite a number of years. She is a thorough disciplinarian, and possesses strong powers to impart instruction, and in this school she maintained her former good reputation as a teacher. The examination at the close of each term was entirely satisfactory.

Every teacher has taught in town before the current year, save one, and with success. And our schools for the year, as a whole have been of a higher grade of excellence than in the past.

We, believing that discipline is first and instruction second, have endeavored not only to sustain our teachers in keeping good order, but have looked carefully ourselves after the schools in our respective localities. We believe in few rules, but that those should be firm and impartial and that pupils should be taught to do things because they are right and not because the hand of authority is over them. No school is, in a true sense, a successful one in which the teacher fails to impress upon the pupils the great value of good habits of thought, of expression, of feeling and of action. The conduct of the pupils in the school-room, on the street and in their homes should be a living monument of the culture and refinement which is there sought to be inculcated. We wish our boys and girls to ever remember that our schools are for them and that it is our part to see that they have discipline, culture and knowledge. We hope there will be developed more

love for our schools by pupils and patrons, and that they may be the pride of those who support them. And with this end in view, we shall seek for a better classification of our schools. We think parents will sustain us in taking hold of this department of work. We do not suggest this, simply, to do something new, but we feel there is an actual need of uniformity in all our schools. And we shall positively insist upon a large reduction in the number of classes in some of the schools, so that ample time may be given to each recitation, that every principle may be thoroughly taught. We ask your cooperation in the needed changes.

In conclusion, we would express to all our sincere thanks for your kindness and courtesy during the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HORATIO G. CHAMBERLIN,	}	Board
EBEN E. BERRY,		of
PENUEL C. HAM.		Education.







