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OF THE

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OF THE

TOWN OF LITTLETON,

FOR THE

Year Ending February 28, 1885.

LITTLETON, N. H.:

JOURNAL JOB PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT.

1885.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand March 1st 1884,	\$	13 60
“ rec'd of Fred Robinson for Howland & Markley,		13 99
“ “ J. H. Bailey for Benj. Streeter,		3 68
“ “ County Treasurer, (pauper claims,)		1023 29
“ “ L. P. Parker, Collector '83,		3050 00
“ “ A. S. Batchellor, Fines Police Court,		5 00
“ “ Chas. H. Applebee, Fines Police Court,		25 00
“ “ George Farr, Fines Police Court,		87 00
“ “ Littleton Savings Bank, Deposit withdrawn,		4000 00
“ “ Wm. M. Taylor, Collector '84		14140 00
“ “ Abram's Circus License,		20 00
“ “ George Farr, Support of Jacob Markley, Sept. 1884,		12 00
“ “ Geo. Farr, Support of H. Howland 3 mos. to Nov. 4,		13 00
“ “ State Treasurer, Railroad Tax,		668 70
“ “ “ “ Savings Bank Tax,		2782 94
“ “ “ “ Literary Fund,		421 12
“ “ “ “ Bounty on Woodchucks,		170 50
“ “ Ira Parker for sidewalk on School St.,		50 00
“ “ Geo. E. Lovejoy for license of C. W. Kennison Billiard Tables,		20 00
“ “ H. F. Green for digging drain,		10 00
“ “ John Pierce “ “		10 00

\$ 26539 82

DISBURSEMENTS.

DEBTS CONTRACTED PRIOR TO MARCH 1st 1884.

C. M. Tuttle, record births and deaths prior to April 1st 1883,	\$ 2 50
F. T. Moffett, medical attendance Rosette Powers,	8 00
Myron Carter, breaking roads,	3 00
H. and C. M. Cushman, 160ft plank,	1 28
J. W. Merrill, water trough,	3 00
Rodney Johnson, water trough,	3 00
Support Rosette Powers, 5 weeks in spring '83,	10 00
L. H. Dodge, work on highway in '83,	2 36
Rosette Powers, shoes,	1 50
R. Dodge, labor and plank in '83,	8 66
Ira Parker, labor Dist. No. 10 in '82,	5 00
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	\$ 48 30

PERAMBULATING TOWN LINES.

Ray T. Gile, Surveyor, perambulating lines Littleton and Bethlehem, (1-2)	\$ 8 00
Ray T. Gile, Surveyor, perambulating lines Littleton with Lisbon and Lyman,	5 00
Dennis Wheeler, labor,	1 50
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	\$ 14 50

STATE TAX.

To Treasurer of State, \$ 2856 00

COUNTY TAX.

To County Treasurer, 2871 42

UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT.

School money raised by Town,	\$ 2303 91
Literary fund,	74 31
For payment of debt and interest,	1800 00

To pay for wood,	250 00
For support of school,	300 00
For repairs,	500 00
For music,	100 00

\$ 5328 22

SCHOOL MONEY.

Paid to District No. 1,	\$ 59 05
“ “ “ 2,	120 40
“ “ “ 3,	166 34
“ “ “ 4,	113 96
“ “ “ 5,	88 66
“ “ “ 6,	206 22
“ “ “ 7,	103 75
“ “ “ 10,	72 05
“ “ “ 11,	52 56
“ “ “ 12,	44 80
“ “ “ 13,	67 30
“ “ “ 14,	170 68
“ “ “ 18,	45 45
“ “ “ 19,	60 10
“ “ “ 12, balance due 1883,	21 15
Literary fund divided equally with districts,	346 78

\$ 1739 25

PRECINCT TAX.

To Treasurer Fire Precinct,	\$ 1200 00
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TOWN HISTORY.

To Treasurer of Committee,	100 00
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SCYTHE FACTORY COMMON.

Augustus Plant, labor,	\$ 25 50
Wm. J. Moore, “	10 50
Harry J. Chase, “	31 60
F. H. Jones, “	16 00
I. W. Bowman, “	18 35
Austin Plant, “	13 25

H. C. Redington & Co. labor,	8 96
“ “ “ rails,	57 45
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	\$181 61

WATER TROUGHS.

James C. Rowell,	\$ 3 00
Robert A. Clough,	3 00
Peter Cardinal,	3 00
R. T. Steers,	3 00
W. W. Weller,	3 00
Wm. Little,	3 00
R. C. Towne,	3 00
John W. Farr,	3 00
John G. Elliott,	1 25
J. M. Bonett,	2 00
M. C. Dodge,	3 00
J. W. Merrill,	3 00
C. L. Albee,	3 00
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	\$36 25

CHAS. W. KENNISON CASE.

Am't paid him in settlement of suit,	\$ 112 00
Bingham, Mitchells & Batchellor costs,	14 00
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	\$126 00
Bounties on Woodchucks,	\$170 50

SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS.

Thomas J. Albee,	8 00
Grace Merrill,	2 50
Ai F. Parker,	7 50
Amos Adams,	6 60
E. O. Wheeler,	3 30
T. L. Parker,	3 75
Bradford Kinne,	3 75
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	\$35 40

TOWN OFFICERS.

Geo. Farr, services as Selectman,	\$ 186 25
Wm. H. Blake, services as Selectman,	130 00
Madison Higgins, " "	116 00
G. M. Curl, Supt. School Committee,	90 00
Geo. E. Lovejoy, Town Clerk,	100 56
Geo. Farr, Moderator,	10 00
do services on Board of Health,	10 00
B. F. Robinson and W. H. Mitchell, Supt. School Com. Union School District,	25 00
Alonzo Weeks, Town Treasurer,	65 00
Wm. M. Taylor, Collector 1884, at 200,	150 00
O. G. Hale, Auditor,	15 00
Do. " Surveyor's book '82	5 00
Solon L. Simonds, Police,	10 00
Chas. H. Applebee, Police,	7 00
Albert Cox, "	7 00
H. F. Richardson, "	7 00
B. F. Heath, "	7 00
H. D. Bishop, "	7 00

 \$947 81

SUPERVISORS.

John W. English,	\$20 00
C. H. Daniels,	20 00
W. A. Haskins,	34 50
Harry Bingham, Jr., Clerk of Supervisors,	20 06
W. H. Mitchell,	12 50
Harry Bingham, 18 days,	54 00
do Legal Services as Supervisor,	46 00
Edgar Aldrich, 5 days,	12 50
do 18 days,	54 00
do legal services as Supervisor,	46 00

 \$319 50

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

G. W. Richardson, damage to tools on highway,	3 00
Frank Foster, police badges,	5 00
C. R. Coburn, care of Town Hall, Sept. 1, '83, to Sept. 1, '84.	10 00
Robinson & Goold, tax bills, school certificates,	17 00
do do school books,	2 60
Geo. C. Furber, 800 copies Auditor and School reports,	31 90
“ “ 15 hand bills,	1 00
Rent of Union Hall Apr. 1 '84 to Apr. 1 '85,	120 00
O. S. Carter for one-half of Markley barn,	20 00
Alson Lathrop, damage to wagon on highway,	10 00
Police services, J. H. Baird trial,	10 00
Record books for Town Clerk,	13 60
Geo. G. Furber, 25 check lists,	22 00
Ray T. Gile, surveying for Park,	8 20
M. Sanborn, 8 burial permits,	2 00
Bingham, Mitchells & Batchellor, legal services,	18 00
J. W. Remick, damage to wagon,	2 00
W. H. Blake, stationery,	1 50
Ranlett & Harris, sharpening picks, etc.,	3 42
M. C. Dodge, labor,	1 00
Ray T. Gile, surveying Fire District,	2 95
C. R. Coburn, care of hall when regulating check list and cleaning after Nov. election,	12 00
Robinson & Gould, 1125 Rolls of Honor de- livered to G. M. Curl,	12 00
“ “ printing notices, blanks and receipts,	8 75
D. O. Wallace, school books,	4 14
Geo. Farr, stationery,	1 50
Expenses and use of team in road and pauper cases,	8 33
Book for Tax Collector,	2 05
Work on Town Safe,	7 45

 \$361 39

COUNTY PAUPERS.

Support of F. W. Hill,	\$32 40
“ “ Heath Children,	45 51
“ “ Eliza M. Bixby,	82 05
“ “ Mrs. John Ely family,	12 00
“ “ Mrs. Stephen Russell,	18 79
“ “ Mrs. Leonard Willard,	6 75
“ “ Della Bandy,	126 97
“ “ C. F. Pike,	34 45
“ “ John Holland,	29 53
“ “ Joseph Belware children,	53 70
“ “ Oliver Byron children,	58 50
“ “ Oliver Byron,	28 88
“ “ D. A. Ricker,	59 68
“ “ Wm. Clark,	9 71
“ “ Kate Clark,	156 00
“ “ Mrs. John Sherwood,	87 50
“ “ John Q. A. Hunt,	43 50
“ “ Mrs. Henry Williams,	79 25
“ “ Lewis Salway,	27 00
“ “ Mrs. John Brusco,	5 00
“ “ Mrs. Will O. Cook,	138 11
“ “ Mary E. Birchett,	30 00
“ “ Samuel Sears,	21 09
“ “ Nelson St. Clair,	8 00
“ “ Mitchell Ring,	85 25
“ “ Mark Streeter,	21 50
“ “ John Laforce,	11 68
“ “ Wm. Cadarette,	33 05
“ “ Leander H. Dodge,	43 40
“ “ Lewis Ashland,	20 91
“ “ Mary Lafferty,	33 55
“ “ Laban Ainsworth,	6 00
“ “ Menia Menio,	5 50
“ “ Phil Aiger,	2 30
“ “ Lorenzo Plant,	4 38

“	“	Benj. Streeter,	3 85
“	“	Julia English,	23 65
“	“	Mrs. Wm. Sherwood,	26 00
“	“	Mrs. McCauley,	1 00
“	“	L. Owens,	11 00

\$1527,39

AMOUNT PAID ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid in District No. 1,	\$47 41
“ “ “ “ 2,	53 11
“ “ “ “ 3,	27 53
“ “ “ “ 4,	36 28
“ “ “ “ 5,	39 56
“ “ “ “ 6,	73 87
“ “ “ “ 7,	41 25
“ “ “ “ 8,	81 15
“ “ “ “ 9,	20 68
“ “ “ “ 10, to Cyrus Young,	1782 89
“ “ “ “ to Henry D. Bishop,	137 52
“ “ “ “ Sundry other persons,	167 84
“ “ “ “ 49785 feet plank and lumber \$10,50 delivered	569 02
“ “ “ “ 1358 feet plank,	14 25
“ “ “ “ Drain Pipe,	230 62
“ “ “ “ 12,	17 00
“ “ “ “ 13,	13 35
“ “ “ “ 14,	52 57
“ “ “ “ 15,	51 79
“ “ “ “ 16,	40 50
“ “ “ “ 17,	28 00
“ “ “ “ 18,	131 19
“ “ “ “ 19,	47 96
“ “ “ “ 20,	74 30
“ “ “ “ 22,	26 20
“ “ “ “ 23,	69 65

"	"	"	"	23,	69 65
"	"	"	"	24,	43 97
"	"	"	"	25,	48 53
"	"	"	"	26,	33 25
"	"	"	"	27,	44 50
"	"	"	"	28,	32 75
"	"	"	"	29,	26 75
"	"	"	"	30,	122 59
"	"	"	"	31,	48 75
"	"	"	"	21,	26 07
"	H. G. Towns, work on highway,				15 00
"	I. C. Richardson, drawing lumber,				2 25
"	Wm. Wheeler for 2351 ft. plank,				23 51

\$4355 41

STREET LAMPS.

Paid Ira Bass, lighting street lamps from March 1 '84 to Oct. 9 '84,	\$	190 00
" Chester Pike, lighting lamps from Oct. 9 '84 to March 1 '85,		119 00
" Southworth & Lovejoy for 249 1-2 gallons oil at 10 1-2 cents,		26 20
" Southworth & Lovejoy for 495 1-2 gallons oil at 13 cents,		64 42
" Smith & Williams, repairing lamps,		6 57
" R. P. White, repairing lamps,		2 27
" for 6 oil barrels,		9 00
" for chimneys, wicks and burners,		46 37

\$ 463 83

POLICE COURT.

Paid A. H. Bowman fees, etc., H. Belware,	\$	14 12
" H. F. Richardson, cleaning lobby and two keys,		1 75
" For H. H. Clark, expense taking to jail,		14 82
" sundries for lobby,		1 87

“ Belware and Kelley, costs of committing,	19 99
“ David A. Moffett, work on wood,	1 00
“ W. S. Sunbury, 1 1-4 cord wood,	5 00
“ Fred Lemay, costs of Court,	7 00
“ Robinson Bros., Police goods,	3 00
“ R. P. White, stove pipe and zinc,	3 00
“ E. D. Dunn, rent of lobby to Dec. '84,	30 00
“ for 2 billies and twisters,	5 75

\$ 107 30

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

Paid Geo. W. McGregor to Jan. 1 1885,	7 00
“ F. T. Moffett, 20 deaths and 11 births to Jan. 1 1885,	7 75
“ B. F. Page for 29 births and deaths to Jan. 1 1885,	7 25

\$22 00

EXCESS OF TAXES.

J. D. Chandler, farm 1883,	\$ 4 80
R. C. Town, farm, '84,	1 00
Mt. Gardner Mining Co., '84,	3 12

\$ 8 92

TOWN PAUPERS.

Support of Mrs. L. W. Sanborn,	\$ 2 50
“ “ O. S. Carter,	4 00
“ “ H. W. Howland,	52 00
“ “ Jacob Markley and wife,	126 29
“ “ Rosette Powers,	129 85
“ “ Transient Persons,	4 25
“ “ Noble Donaghy,	10 50

\$ 329 39

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION.

Paid O. G. Hale, Treasurer,	\$300 00
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MEMORIAL DAY.

To Committee as per vote of Town,	\$75 00
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INDEBTEDNESS OF TOWN.

Town Bonds paid,	1900 00
Coupons paid,	670 00

\$ 2570 00

 RECAPITULATION.

Cash on hand March 1st, 1884,	\$ 13 60
Total amount of receipts for year,	26526 22

\$ 26539 82

Debts contracted prior to March 1 '84,	\$48 30
Perambulating Town lines,	14 50
State tax,	2856 00
County tax,	2871 42
Union School District,	5328 22
School money in other districts,	1739 25
Precinct tax,	1200 00
✓ Town history,	100 00
Scythe Factory Common,	181 61
Water troughs,	36 25
C. W. Kennison case,	126 00
Bounties on Woodchucks,	170 50
Sheep killed by dogs,	35 40
Town officers,	947 81
Supervisors,	319 50
Incidental expenses,	361 39
County paupers,	1525 39
Highways and bridges,	4355 41
Street lamps,	463 83
Police Court,	107 30
Birth and death record,	22 00
Excess of taxes,	8 92
Town paupers,	329 39
Fourth of July Celebration,	300 00

Memorial Day,	75 00
Indebtedness paid,	2570 00
Cash on hand,	446 43
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	\$ 26539 82

LIABILITIES.

Town bonds,	\$ 13000 00
Interest on bonds to March 1 '85,	86 67
Coupons unpaid,	8 00
Sundry persons sheep killed,	40 00
Due Union School District debt and int.,	106 00
“ “ “ “ on schools,	700 00
Due School District No. 12,	24 77
Due Committee on Town History,	400 00
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	\$14365 44

ASSETS.

In hands J. H. Bailey, guardian for Rosette Powers, cash, estimated,	\$ 100 00
Due from county (paupers)	1034 42
“ “ L. P. Parker, col. '83, 250 00	
Less due him for services. 100 00	150 00
Due from Wm. M. Taylor, collector '84,	2504 19
In Markley Farm,	200 00
In Littleton Savings Bank,	3025 52
Interest on same to March 1, 1885,	20 17
Cash on hand,	446 43
80 gals. oil on hand,	10 40
3000 feet plank at 10 50,	31 50
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	\$7422 63
Indebtedness of town above assets, Feb. 28, 1885,	6942 81
Indebtedness of town above assets, March 1, 1884,	\$ 4098 98
Increase of indebtedness during the year,	2843 83
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	\$6942 81

The amount of bonds maturing the coming year is \$2000, a part of which will need to be provided for by the town.

The undersigned has carefully examined the books and accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer of the town and finds them correctly kept and properly vouched. All of which is respectfully submitted.

OSCAR C. HATCH, Auditor.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Of Western Division of Highway District No. 10, Town of Littleton for the year ending July 1st, 1884.

JOHN W. ENGLISH, HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

Whole amount of tax, \$4064 73

Accounted for as follows :

Received in cash,	1667 00
Put in hands of W. M. Taylor, town col.,	97 56
Discounted,	249 86
Paid in labor or worked out,	2050 31

\$4064 73

Cash received as above, 1667 00

Accounted for as follows :

Paid J. W. English, surveyor, 188 days,	470 00
“ Sundry persons for labor,	480 63
“ for stone for curbing, bridges, etc.,	93 00
“ Littleton Brick Co. for brick,	275 85
“ Sundry persons for lumber,	211 30
“ for drain pipe,	112 82
“ for cement, powder, fuse, etc.,	23 40

\$1667 00

Audited and found correct.

O. C. Hatch, Auditor.

Littleton, N. H., Feb. 28th, 1885.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF LITTLETON,
FOR THE
Year Ending February 28, 1885.

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REPORT.

To the People of Littleton :

The fiscal year now ending has not been marked by anything out of the usual course of events with the schools of the town. Our educational machinery is very imperfect in many respects. To these defects the attention of the people may be most profitably directed.

DISTRICT LINES.

Ten years ago particular attention was called to the condition of the schools in the small and remote districts. Since that time No. 16. has been partitioned among the neighboring districts, leaving fourteen districts outside of Union District. We renew the suggestion then made that No. 13 be united with No. 6, that a new arrangement be made for Districts 19, 18 and 11 at the West part of the town, and that the territory of No. 12 on Dalton line be partitioned among the neighboring districts in both towns.

We do not by any means assert that the money is thrown away, as it is now expended for schools in these districts ; but it certainly is expended without returning the benefits that ought to be realized.

Every pupil of school age in this town should have first class common school privileges within reasonable traveling distance from his own home.

In one third of our districts this is not now possible, without new school houses, longer schools, more apparatus, and more experienced teachers. In the future we shall gather bitter fruit from these neglected fields. Next to a town without any schools is the town with poor schools, in the descending scale in morals and manhood.

The difference between the school house in one part of the town with its destitution of suitable appliances, and the one in the village with its clock tower will be marked before many years in matters more important than architecture.

If reform cannot be effected in some of the district alignments, the sooner the town system is adopted and the school money expended for the benefit of all the pupils irrespective of locality, the better it will be for all concerned.

CHARACTER OF INSTRUCTIONS.

With good school houses, good apparatus, good sized schools, good length of terms and good pay, good teachers are readily obtained by the exercise of ordinary discrimination. It is time for an organized and efficient movement for the establishment, in each school division of the town, of thoroughly equipped schools. Such teachers as every school in town should have, will not work for the wages or with the apparatus which this, the capital town of northern New Hampshire, provides in half a dozen of its school districts. Is it creditable to such a town, in its centennial year, to have it known throughout the land that its school teachers get but \$1 $\frac{70}{100}$ a week, with board added, provided the teacher will itinerate from house to house? We are ready to vote millions to establish at the South just such schools as we will not give the children of one third the territory of our own town. The true doctrine was laid down long ago. "If any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel." There is a disposition throughout the whole community to sustain the teachers in everything except equipment and wages. In fractions of the town these also are amply supplied. Our argument is for the extension of equal privileges to all.

RESULTS ACCOMPLISHED.

The work of teachers and pupils this year has been characterized by diligence and all the success that we had the right to expect. At best the time given for preparation for the business of life is limited. While it is unjust for the town to restrict these privileges by a parsimonious or inefficient school policy, it is nevertheless fatal to the future of the youth of the town to neglect the opportunities that are provided. So few have been the instances of willful neglect of duty, in the desk and bench that no occasion is given for a particular mention of them.

These views of a single year's workings of the school system of Littleton are respectfully submitted with the earnest hope that the people will add the necessary things that are now lacking, for the thorough education of the rising generation, and that no step backward may be taken.

	SUMMER.		WINTER.		All by lady teachers except summer term in District 19.	NO. SCHOLARS.		
District	1.	8 weeks.	9 weeks			Dist.	1,	11
"	2.	16	"	11	"	"	2,	19
"	3.	16	"	10	"	"	3,	40
"	4.	18	"	12	"	"	4,	18
"	5.	9	"	9	"	"	{ 5,	16
"	6.	16	"	12	"	"	{ 6,	35
"	7.	8	"	12	"	"	{ 7,	26
"	10.	8	"	12	"	"	{ 10,	13
"	11.	16	"	0	"	"	{ 11,	8
"	12.	21	"	0	"	"	{ 12,	18
"	13.	8	"	10	"	"	{ 13,	10
"	14.	10	"	14	"	"	{ 14,	54
"	18.	19	"	0	"	"	18,	8
"	19.	8	"	14	"	"	19,	11

NO. ATTENDING TO

Reading,	287.	Spelling,	276.	Penmanship,	167.
Arithmetic,	188.	Geography,	90.	Grammar,	45.
History,	13.	Composition,	13.	Physiology,	49.
Book-keeping,	6.	Algebra,	3.	Astronomy,	1.

Whole No., of scholars, 259.

GEO. M. CURL, Supt. Com.

