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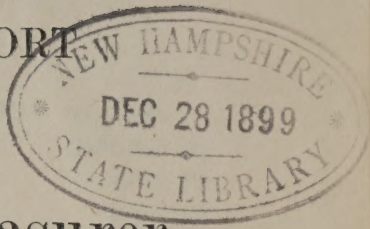
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ANNUAL REPORT



— OF —

Selectmen, Treasurer,

— AND —

Superintending School Committee

— OF THE —

Town of Kensington,

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1881.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1st, 1880.

Invoice of residents,	\$239,360 00
Invoice of non-residents,	34,070 00
No. of polls, 158,	15,800 00

\$289,230 00

Rate, State, County, Town and School tax, \$1.56 per 100.
Highway tax, 22c per 100.

APPROPRIATIONS.

For Contingent expenses,	\$500 00
Support of Schools,	553 00
State tax,	632 00
County tax,	944 75
Town debt and interest,	1,500 00

TOWN DEBT.

Four notes bearing interest at 5 per cent.	3,900 00
Three town bonds, " "	3,060 00
Assets,	685 74
Total net debt,	6,214 26
Remaining in hands of Collector, 1875,	20 75
" " 1876,	12 75
" " 1877,	17 06
" " 1878,	8 74
" " 1879,	68 51
" " 1880,	154 78

LEROY S. SANBORN, } Selectmen
 AMOS T. ROWE, } of
 JOSEPH N. AUSTIN, } Kensington.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

John A. Blake, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Kensington, for the year ending March 1, 1881.

Dr.

To cash on hand, March 1, 1880,	\$1,141 58
Received of S. N. Hobbs, Col. 1878,	57 25
“ “ 1879,	268 00
“ F. A. Mace, Col. 1880,	4,178 70
“ County Commissioners for support of poor,	97 50
“ State Treas. Railroad tax,	22 00
“ “ Savings Bank tax,	269 02
“ “ Literary Fund,	47 36
“ T. H. Blake, use of town house,	2 00
“ H. D. Peacock, for watch of S. R. Brown,	2 00
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	\$6,085 91

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By payments as follows, by order of the Selectmen :

Paid State tax,	\$632 00
County tax,	944 75
For support of Schools,	600 36
Support of poor,	152 03
Making snow paths,	456 41
Highways and bridges,	182 97
Contingent expenses,	150 73
Bounty on Hawks,	13 00
Notes and interest,	1,365 21
Non-resident highway taxes,	49 51
Abatements,	23 37

Paid for Services of Town officers in the case of Smith vs. Town of Kensington, ton,	987 92
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	\$5,682 76
Balance in hands of Treas.	403 15

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid C. L. Johnson, Prudential Com., Dist. No. 1,	\$197 00
J. A. Blake, Prudential Com., Dist., No. 1,	96 50
D. E. Palmer, Prudential Com., Dist. No. 2,	306 86
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	\$600 36

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid Jemima Hilton, for support one year to March 1, 1881,	77 00
J. N. Austin on account of J. Klenkage, a transient pauper,	20 50
L. S. Sanborn, boarding and lodging two transient persons,	1 00
H. D. Peacock, boarding S. R. Brown three weeks,	12 50
H. D. Peacock, medicine for S. R. Brown,	1 03
John A. Blaisdell, boarding S. R. Brown twelve days,	5 00
Dr. C. C. Odlin, attendance on same,	8 00
J. N. Austin, time and team in case of S. R. Brown,	3 00

Paid A. T. Rowe, time and team in case of		
S. R. Brown,	3	00
Ira Fellows, time in case of S. R. Brown,	3	00
Funeral expenses of	18	00
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		\$152 03

MAKING SNOW PATHS.

Paid Andrew Jackson Shaw, Surveyor,	\$29	25
A. G. M. Titcomb,	26	85
J. A. Blake,	31	35
Samuel Batchelder,	53	70
C. A. Evans,	57	13
Robert Beckman,	60	71
D. G. York,	42	45
L. E. Gove,	55	48
Gilman Lamprey,	51	69
J. W. Brown,	27	30
Henry Mitchell,	14	40
Norris Roby,	3	25
F. L. Blake, 1879,	2	85
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		\$456 41

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid F. L. Blake, extra labor on highway,		
1879,	2	16
F. L. Blake, cash for the use of scraper,	1	00
" labor on highway in 1880,	30	
C. L. Johnson, gravel,	4	00
John Collins, " "	1	00
" " 1879,	90	

Paid L. E. Gove, lumber and other material for repairs of highway and bridges, and labor on same,	78 76
J. N. Austin, repairs on bridge,	9 85
D. G. York, stringers, lumber and spikes for repairs of bridges,	26 53
D. G. York, labor on highway and bridges,	27 85
J. W. Brown, extra labor on highway,	8 25
A. J. Shaw, for cedar posts,	5 20
" extra labor on highway,	9 00
Gilman Lamprey, "	6 32
Henry Mitchell, "	1 25

\$182 97

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid Wingate & Dunton, printing town reports, 1879,	\$13 00
Geo. E. Lane, blanks, books, and stationery,	3 30
Wiggin & Furnald, advice, 1879,	4 00
Dr. Perry, return of births,	50
Dr. Odlin, "	50
Dr. Douglass, " and deaths	50
Frank E. Brown, repairs on town house,	3 30
J. N. Austin, materials for repairing town house and procuring same,	2 05
John P. Blake, washing town house,	1 00
Perley C. Blake, sawing wood,	50
L. S. Sanborn, time and expenses to Concord to settle with State Treasurer,	5 00
John, maintaining a public watering trough,	2 00
W. S. Hobbs, "	20 0

Ira Fellows, attending with hearse, at twelve funerals,	15 00
F. A. Mace, Col, 1880, collecting taxes in part,	41 78
Ira Fellows, clearing up burying ground,	5 00
John T. Blake, services as Moderator at March election,	2 00
J. D. Prescott, " at Nov. election,	2 00
Abram Hilliard, labor on town house,	1 06
L. S. Sanborn, stationery and blanks,	2 15
Jos. S. Poor, half cord of wood,	1 50
J. N. Austin, time and team twice to Exeter to settle with County Commissioners,	2 50
J. W. Creasey, school books,	57
S. N. Hobbs, cost and taxes against M. Wadleigh,	36 27
S. N. Hobbs, collecting taxes in part 1878-79,	3 25

\$150 73

BOUNTY ON HAWKS.

Paid E. A. Tilton, 4 hawks,	80
Frank O. Wadleigh, 5 hawks,	1 00
H. R. Wadleigh, 5 "	1 00
J. L. Eaton, 7 "	1 40
J. Evans, 4 "	80
W. H. Hersey, 2 "	40
B. F. Lovering, 24 "	4 80
Clark Smith, 1 "	20
Sherman W. Shaw, 2 "	40
J. P. Smith, 1 "	20
Perley Blake, 1 "	20

Paid W.H. Hodgdon,	1	"	20
Geo. O. Weare,	2	"	40
Arthur Blake,	1	"	20
C. R. Gove,	1	"	20
Leverett Fellows,	3	"	60
E. Carter,	1	"	20

\$13 00

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid E. B. Brown, note and interest,		\$1050 00
Hrs. of J. L. Lamprey,	"	45 00
Jeremiah Tilton,	"	60 21
J. N. Healey,	"	60 00
Laura E. Hoagg,	"	150 00

\$1365 21

ABATEMENTS, 1880.

Paid Smith & Folsom, overated,		78
E. C. Greeley,	"	89
Benjamin Lang,	"	1 78
Geo. Brown,	"	1 56
J. L. Eaton, abated dog tax,		1 00
J. P. Smith,	"	1 00

1879.

Daniel E. Kerr, abated,		1 65
James Bean,	"	2 65
Herschell E. Collins, abated,		1 65
Lavinia E. Wadleigh,	"	2 31
Mark Cilley,	"	1 65

Paid Jeremiah K. Leavitt,	"	1 65
David E. Shafett,	"	1 65
"	" 1878,	1 59
E. A. Stevens,	" 1880,	1 56
		\$23 37

SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Selectmen for ordinary services,	27 00
" taking inventory,	24 00
" filling out and distributing blanks	9 00
" two days receiving same,	9 00
" examining woodland,	6 00
" taking agricultural statistics,	7 00
" returning inventory to Concord,	1 00
" making taxes and recording in- ventory,	10 00
" Susan L. Brown, services as Supt. School Com.,	15 00
" T. H. Blake, services as Town Clerk,	25 00
" C. E. Tuck, Jos. Poor and David Brown, for their services as Supervisors,	12 50
" J. N. Austin, as overseer of poor,	4 00
" J. A. Blake, services as Treas.	25 00
\$174 50	

CASE OF SMITH vs. TOWN OF KENSINGTON.

Paid witness fees and summoning same,	128 28
C. G. Conner, fees and expense taking deposition of John French,	4 00
A. W. Dudley, one-half cost of surveying road and making plan of same,	5 00
L. G. Towle, four horses and barge to Kensington with Jury,	5 00
Marston & Eastman, damages and costs of suit,	536 48
J. F. Wiggis, counsel for town,	125 00
J. S. H. Frink “	75 00
Jos. Poor, attendance at court and summoning witnesses,	7 16
Selectmen's Bill,	52 00
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	\$937 92

JOHN A. BLAKE, Town Treasurer,

Kensington, March 1, 1881.

Having examined the foregoing accounts we find them correctly cast and properly vouched and approve the same.

A. G. M. TITCOMB, }
DANIEL E. PALMER, } Auditors.

THE ANNUAL REPORT
— OF THE —
Superintending School Committee.

For the year ending March 1, 1881.

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Many circumstances combined have rendered our schools, for the past year, unusually prosperous and successful.

The time has now come when it seems fitting for us to cast a retrospective glance over the work accomplished, and review the excellencies which were many, and consider the defects which were commendably few.

The Prudential Committee were especially fortunate in securing faithful and efficient teachers, and in retaining them throughout the year.

It is unnecessary to devote much space to the consideration of the advantages arising from the system of employing and retaining teachers of ability, as these have been duly set forth by preceding committees and must be apparent to all.

Parents and friends have evinced a marked degree of interest by frequent visits, as reference to the statistics will show; and the pupils of each district, with remarkably few exceptions, have labored zealously and cheerfully to promote the interests of the school. The study of Composition has been encouraged by the friends of Temperance and Education belonging to the Hoosac Division S. of T. established in this town; prizes being awarded by them for essays on the Duty of Total Abstinence, written by the pupils of our public schools. Fourteen competitors entered the lists and received the

prizes. It is encouraging to observe the citizens of our town joining in the general movement now being made in many of our large cities, to interest the children of our subject of Temperance.

Thus the cause of education has prospered in our midst, and teachers and pupils may, in the future, reflect with satisfaction upon the work accomplished within the period of this scholastic year.

DISTRICT No. 1.

CHARLES L. JOHNSON, *Prudential Committee*

MISS EMMA WEBSTER, *Teacher.*

The school has previously been in charge of this experienced and popular teacher, consequently her methods of instruction are familiar to all.

Another year of earnest toil has advanced this school to a standard of scholarship far above the average of common schools, while it has crowned the energetic and accomplished teacher with fresh laurels. Miss Webster possesses the faculty of rendering the schoolroom attractive and study pleasant; as the regular attendance, smiling faces, and eager responses of the pupils testify. The exercises at the closing examination were of a high order, and exceedingly interesting to the numerous visitors who assembled notwithstanding the severity of the weather, and who were apparently well satisfied with the work done during the year.

DISTRICT No. 2.

DANIEL E. PALMER, *Prudential Committee,*

East School, MISS CLARA F. KIMBALL, *Teacher.*

Although this is Miss Kimball's first attempt at teaching, she has proved herself well adapted to the vocation. Under her management, the scholars have appeared orderly, industrious and warmly attached to their teacher.

Satisfactory progress was made in the different studies and the school closed with every evidence of success

Through the kindness of parents and friends residing in this section of the district, a fine dictionary was pre-

sented to the school. It is a valuable acquisition, and we trust it will be preserved by them as such.

West School, CHARLES W. EASTMAN, *Teacher*,

Mr. Eastman came to us without recommendations, as this has been his first school; but he soon gave conclusive evidence that he was amply qualified for his position.

The *discipline* of this school has been unexceptionable; the scholars being at all times quiet, studious and respectful in their deportment. The course of instruction was comprehensive and thorough, and the recitations prompt, accurate, and giving evidence of careful drill on the part of the teacher. Mr. Eastman possesses qualifications which combined with experience, will render him a successful teacher, and deserving of a high position.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Dist. No. 1. Marion Hilliard, Nellie Hilliard, Annie A. Tuck, Walter Hilliard, John Kimball, Daniel B. Prescott, Fred W. Rollins, Frank L. Tuck.

DISTRICT No. 2.—EAST SCHOOL.

Lily B. Day, Ellen F. Day, Charlie N. Robie, Ned W. Brown.

SUSAN L. BROWN, Supt Com.

Kensington, Feb, 18, 1880.

STATISTICAL TABLE.		
District.	Term Ending.	
		Wages of Teachers per month.
		No. of visitors.
		No. studying Composition.
		No. studying Grammar.
		No. studying Geography.
		No. studying Arithmetic.
		No. studying Penmanship.
		No. studying Spelling.
		No. studying Reading.
		No. studying History United State
		No. studying Ancient History.
		No. studying Physiology.
		No. studying Philosophy.
		No. studying Botany.
		No. studying Book-keeping.
		No. studying Algebra.
		No. studying Drawing.
		No. Pupils not Absent.
		No. of Scholars under 5.
		No. of Scholars over 15.
		Average Attendance,
		Whole No. Scholars,
		No. Weeks of School,
Number 1	{ June 25, 1880 Nov. 5, 1880 Feb. 3, 1881	2438 3836 3938
Number 2	{ June 25, 1880 Oct. 29, 1880 Feb. 4, 1881	1820 2220 4420
East School	{ June 25, 1880 Oct. 29, 1880 Feb. 3, 1881	22020 18189 161613
West School	{ June 25, 1880 Oct. 29, 1880 Feb. 3, 1881	1220 520 1120