

OF THE

Receipts and Expenditures,

THE-

BOARD of EDUCATION

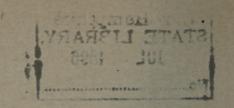
-AND OF THE-

Trustees of the Free Library,

MILFORD, N. H.,

FOR THE YEAR 1878-79.

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AN ACCOUNT

OF THE

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--OF THE-

TOWN OF MILFORD, N. H.,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1879.

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Report of the Overseer of the Poor.

DR.				
To cash received from County,	\$294	84		
" Town Treasurer,	848	26		
CR.		-	\$1143	10
County Paupe	rs.			
Paid as follows:				
Morris Bain and wife,	\$120	00		
Lydia Burnham,	51	00		
Lucy Towne,	80	25		
Susan J. Blanchard,	40	00		
Mrs. Charles E. Richards,	16	98		
Mrs. Mary Power,	II	00	-\$319	23
Paupers Chargeablesto	the '	ro	wn.	
Mrs. Etta Carleton,	\$7	00		
Miss Carrie E. Carleton,	10	00		
Luther C. Duncklee and wife,	58	80		
Dennis Holden,	72	88		
Mrs. Annie Layden and family,	. 69	51		
Michael Holland,	39	95		
John Holland,	49	97		
Mrs. John Holland and 3 children,	319	05		
Mrs. James Hanrahan,	7	50		
Charles O'Connor,	130	38		
George H. Marvell,	5	50		
Transient Persons,	3	33	- \$773	87
Overseer's services			50	00

\$1143 10

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. CLARKE, Overseer of the Poor.

Milford, March 3rd, 1879.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

S. B. EMERSON, Auditors. I. P. ABBOTT,

REPORT OF

THE TOWN TREASURER.

For Amount Received.

DR.		
On hand February 28, 1878,	\$195	83
In hands of Collector Feb. 28, 1878,	1,728	78
Savings Bank tax,	2,595	47
Railroad tax,	811	II
Insurance tax,	66	75
Literary Fund,	193	88
Rents, heating and lighting Town House	1,754	55
Chas. Wilkins, old plank,	2	00
For chimneys, etc.,	1	15
Mrs. Sabin, grave yard lot,	5	00/
Gratuity on account of High street,	25	00
Chas. Clark, pauper's acc't.	3	00
Milford 5c. Savings Institution, note,	2,500	00
R. E. Benden, note,	400	00
Gasoline barrels,	6	75
Chimneys,	1	00
Licenses,	15	00
Interest on taxes 1877,	81	59
J. A. Ober, rent,	87	50
Rent of Town Hall,	110	00
Gasoline barrels,	8	00
Grave Yard lots,	65	00
		\$10,657
Taxes assessed,		19,362

Taxes assessed on dogs,

\$30,160 96

By Payments.

CR. State Tax, County Tax,

\$3,856 00 2,996 77 \$6,852 77

Debt and Interest.

5,000	00		
1,290	00		
1,290	00		
3,150	00		
211	27	10,941	27
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Fire Department.

Burdick & Talbot, repairs on extinguished	r, I	00
J. F. Eaton, labor etc.,	2	70
J. B. Heald, repairing Fog Horn,	2	50
D. S. Burnham, supplies,	16	37
E. F. Marvell, watching fire,	I	75
N. C. Hutchinson,	2	50
Frank R. Marvell, watching fire,	2	50
J. A. Powers, supplies,	1	80
G. B. Wilkins, watching fire,	1	00
J. A. Mixer, repairing fog horn,	1	50
C. F. Colby, watching fire,	1	00
E. F. Marvell, cutting holes in ice,		60
Engine No. 2, Pay roll,	475	00
Extinguisher No. 1, Pay roll,	100	00
John S. Smiley, Steward,	19	90
G. A. McIntire, Steward,	5	00
A. M. Hatch, Alcohol,		76
J. A. Powers, supplies,	3	87
W. W. Hemenway, Fire Ward,	10	00
J. E. Bruce, Fire Ward,	10	00
W. L. Winslow, Fire Ward,	10	00
W. L. Winslow, labor on Fog Horn,	3	65-\$673 40

Watering Troughs.

	0		
Wm. P. Burnham,		\$3	00
Nathan Merrill,		3	00
Luke Smith,		3	00
D. W. Sargent,		3	00
C. P. Colby,		3	00
S. B. Cotton,		3	00
E. L. Woodard,		3	00
Joel Barker,		3	00
Timothy Holland,		3	00
L. M. Jewett,		3	00

Town House.

\$30 0

A. Fifield, repairing door,	1	00
A. M. Hatch, janitor,	105	85
A. M. Hatch, supplies,	16	5.2
Calvin Merrill, coal,	162	89
C. W. Potter, weighing coal,		50
C. A. Weaver, steps,	10	85
A. M. Hatch, supplies,	68	84
A. M. Hatch, salary,	102	50
E. Smith, labor,	1	25
A. E. Gay,	6	37
A. M. Hatch, supplies,	70	09
A. M. Hatch, salary,	102	50
J. A. Powers,	II	44
I. H. Carleton, stone steps,	14	70
A. J. Lynch, repairing clock face,	7	30
Gilbert & Barker M'fg. Co., Gas works,	37	80
Freight on same,	3	94
J. F. Boynton & Co., clock face,	. 5	00
Aaron Mills, labor on pipe trench,		50
Ira Stanyan, " " "		50
Geo. V. Tarleton, labor on pipe trench,		50
Chas, Wilkins	0	00

Bart Ryan, labor,		50	
Freight on pipe	4	22	
J. F. Eaton, labor, etc.,		72	
E. Finerty, repairing clock,	35	00	
D. Heald & Co., lumber for lobby,	43	59	
J. M. Burns, work with team,	3	00	
A. M. Hatch, janitor,	102		
Gasoline and other supplies,	39	64 —\$971	49
		\$19,468	93
Breaking R	oads.		
John Kimball,	7	47	
F. W. Sargent,		75	
Wm. P. Burnham,	. 2	28	
J. J. Savage,	2	20	
John M. Burns,	35	15	
D. W. Sargent,	24	06	
C. J. Gutterson,	23	90	
C. L. Kendall,	8	10	
H. J, Wilson,	II	80	
E. C. Hutchinson,	35	95-\$165	66
Highways and I	Bridges	•	
DISTRICT No. 1	AND 9.		
F. W. Sargent,	\$32	88	
Non Resident Tax,	I	92	
John M. Burns,	29	23- \$64	03
No. 2.			
Wm. P. Burnham,	\$7	19	
" " Pine Valley,		00	`
J. F. Crosby,	I	6 07-\$35	26
No. 3.		, ,	
E. C. Hutchinson,	\$52	48	
Non Resident Tax,	4	85- \$57	33
No. 4.			
C. L. Kendall,	\$13	62- \$13	62

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C T Cuttoman	No. 5.	825	25	805	25
C. J. Gutterson,		82	25	W-3	~3
	No. 6.	#==	.6	\$ 70	46
H. J. Wilson,	ST. W	\$72	46	\$12	40
	No. 7.	\$47	AT		
Daniel W. Sargent,			92	\$40	22
Non Resident Tax,			00	249	33
John Daniels, gravel,		•	09		
S. D. Chandler, drain pip Geo. F. Parker, edge stor			63		
" " " " " " "		00	94		
Frank Hartshorn, planks	for bridge.		12		
D. Heald & Co., lumber		3	19		
S. B. Emerson, plank for			90		
John A. Powers, drain pi		19	42		
W. L. Winslow, putting i		, 2	30	\$214	59
	cellaneou				
Auditors,			00		
W. H. W. Hinds, ret. of b	oirths and deat				
w. A. Jones,	cc cc c				
J. Fleeman,	•		75		
Free Library appropriation			00		
Decorating Soldier's grav T. B. Dearborn, ret. of b			50		
	"" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" ""		25		
H. G. Loomis, Sexton,			00		
H. Holt, sealer of weigh	ts and measur	_	35		
M. V. B. Green, blank b			00		
			75		
Sam'l Goss land damage	,		2 50		
W. W. Hemenway, notic		. 2	00		
D. S. Burnham, padlocks			3 87		
W. W. Hemenway, Repo	orts,	2	8 00		
John F. Grafton, concre	te,	3:	2 55		
Moses Ordway, repairing	g pump,		85		

W. W. Hemenway, Notices,	I	75
" " Town Reports,	2 I	00
N. Pierce, damage to wagon,	3	37
Farrer Follet & Co., wire,	6	93
J. G. Raymond, 2 iron doors,	12	00
N. I. Foundry, sewer grate,	2	24
Nashua Cement Pipe Works,	19	23
Jonathan Snow, Moderator,	5	00
J. F. Grafton, concrete,	41	70
H. G. Loomis, Sexton,	24	00
W. W. Hemenway, printing,	36	40
H. G. Loomis, Sexton,	37	65
G. M. Center, extra police,	3	00
J. M. Laws, salary Town Clerk,	75	00
F. T. Sawyer, salary Treasurer,	75	00
H. S. Gilson, extra police,	3	00
S. D. Chandler, cement,	I	50
Geo. E. Clarke, guide boards,	5	15
" Surveyor,	6	00
Hervey Putnam, repairing cemetery,	3	25
Wm. P. Coburn, flagstones,	5	25
W. W. Hemenway, printing,	19	00
66 66 of 66	2	25
Abatement of tax 1877,	30	80
F. W. Sargent, labor in cemeteries,	13	05
Chas. Wilkins, widening street,	98	90
J. E. Bruce, oil,		29
G. E. Clarke, bounty on hawks and Fo	xes, 6	60
F. W. Sargent, Sexton,	37	75
G. E. Clarke, street lamps and repairs,	5	42
" " express, stationery, etc.,	4	98
" " making extra invoice	6	00
" " miscellaneous expense,	11	87
E. Stickney, Police, etc.,	21	00
J. M. Burns, Extra Police,	3	00
Appropriation for Schools,	5,500	00

Literary fund,	193	88
Dog-tax for Schools,	235	00
Lighting Street Lamps,	46	76
John Town, lighting street lamp,	I	50
Geo. E. Clarke, services as Selectman,	185	00
Chas. Wilkins, " " "	95	00
J. T. Burns, " " "	70	00
Liquor Agent,	75	00
A. M. Hatch, Collector,	130	00
Balance due on Liquor account,	72	98
Liquor prosecutions,	20	00
Wadleigh & Wallace, services,	25	00
Over tax and abatements,	37	25
Support of Poor,	848	26
Uncollected Tax Bills,	698	74
Water-works as per report,	561	09
Balance in Treasury,	2	61

\$30,160 96

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. T. SAWYER, Treasurer.

Milford, March 3, 1879.

We have examined the foregoing account and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

S. B. EMERSON, Auditors. I. P. ABBOTT,

Summary.

Financial standing of the Town of Milford, March 1879.

LIABILITIES.

Bonded debt March 1, 1878,	\$45,000	00		
Bonds matured October 1, 1878,	5,000	00		
Total bonded debt to date,			\$40,000	00
Notes payable March 1, 1878,	3.300	00)	
Amount paid during the year,	250	00		
Total notes payable,			3,050	00
Accrued interest on bonds,	1,000	00		
Accrued interest on notes,	129	50		
Coupons not presented for payment,	360	00-	1,489	50
Dog tax for 1878 for schools,	141	00	-141	00
	ji.		44,680	50
Assets as follo	ws:			
Cash in Treasury,	\$2	61		
Uncollected tax bills,	698			
Due from U.S. as per former reports,	3,331	27		
Due for rents in Town House,	100	00		
Due for heating and lighting Tow	n n			
House	423			
Liquors on hand,	309			
Coal and wood,		00		
Oil barrels,	•	00		
Lumber and cement,	_	25		
Old iron, cooks	5	00-	-4,963	55
Net indebtedness, March 1, 1879,			39,716	95
Net indebtedness March 1 1878,	42,833	28		
Net indebtedness March 1, 1879;	39,716	95		
Decrease during the year ending				
March 1, 1879,	\$3,116	33		

Report of Committee on Waterworks.

\$561 00

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DR.

To Cash received from Town Treasurer, CR. By Cash paid as follows: Chapman Valve & Hydrant Man'fg Co., \$51 50 Gillis, Morrison & Co., for water-pipes, 119 46 Franklin W. Sargent, labor, tools & team, 70 35 66 Geo. W. Came. 30 75 Robert Chumard 20 25 " and team, 25 50 John O'Brien, 6 25 Aaron Mills. 44 and team 2 70 I. J. Burns, William Brown. 4 00 Isaac P. Abbott, George A. Abbott, 4 00 70 Justus Gutterson, 2 00 James Marvell, 11 6 00 Wm. S. Brown, 17 50 Ezra P. Wright, 28 13 B. Ryan, 23 00 Ira Stanyan, and team, 8 oo Rodney Howard, Edwin Smith, and use of machinery, 15 90 " powder, tuse &c. 15 50 J. E. Bruce, " old lead &c. I. A. Powers, Frank Hartshorn, for lumber, 2 29

Connor & Marvell, labor and material,

W. L. Winslow, labor and material,

John F. Gratton concrete,

W. W. Robbins, expenses,

Freight bills,	35	25
John Ganey, damage to buildings,	4	85
Morse Kaley & Co., damage to buildings,	5	44
Geo. E. Clarke, expenses & labor,	12	88
W. W. Hemenway, " " "	12	33
\$5	61	09

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. E. CLARKE, W. W. HEMENWAY, Sub. Committee.

Milford, N. H., Dec. 1st, 1878.

Milford, N. H., March 3rd, 1879.

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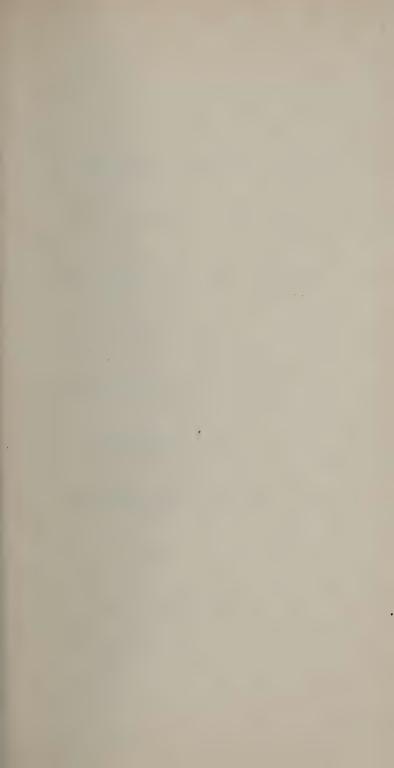
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SEXTON'S REPORT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1879.

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1878.	Y	M	D	1878. X 1	M
Mar. 11, Jerusha Goss,	.85	3	26	" 19, Joanna McCarty, 1	
" 12, Carrie E. Parker,	. '	4	9	24, Morris Mayne,9	6
" 14, Ann J. Wellman,	36	7		Oct. 2, Martha A. Duncklee, 42	
" 15, Sarah E. Parker,	.25	6		" 5, Gilbert Tapley,81	
" 17, John Marrion,	.72			" 10 Frank. Hutchinson, 82	7
" 28, J. Hanrahan, Jr		7	25	" 21, Rufus Crosby,81 1	1
Apr. 4. John Sabin,				" 25, Barzilla Hinds,71	7
" 4, Cath. F. Averill,		7	25	Nov. 14, Mattie L. Lynch,11	
" 16, D. L. Chamberlain,		7		Dec. 1, L. Ger. Wetherbee, 11	8
May 18, George H. Austin, .		11	22	" 3, Mary E. Ware,12	9
June 17 Eva M. Burns,				" 9, Eliza B. Lane,54	9
July 2, Joshua Parker,				" 15, David Burnham 59	
" 10, Dr. S. S. Stickney,		7	24	" 15, Patrick O'Connor, 64	7
" 17, William L. Pierce,		٠	19	" 20, Timothy Holland, 77	
. 30, Intant of C. P. Ros-			10		9
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siter,		10	2	Jan. 1, Susan M. Carroll, 1	4
Aug. 4, George A. Bailey,		10	2	" . 6, Asa Merrill,84 1	1
o, ida b. blown,				" 6, Hannah Wallace,79	
" 27, John J. Stanton,				" 10, Melinda A. Lakin, 54	1
" 27, Victoria Jourette,		9		" 28, Jefferson Heald,72	
Sept. 1, Albert C. French,		11	18	Feb. 10, Joel Barker, 84	
" 1, Frank B. Hamblett,		6			7
" 10, Mary J. Hood,		2	6		6
" 17, Indiana Duncklee,	78			" 20, Martin Layden,78	
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Total number of deaths, 47.





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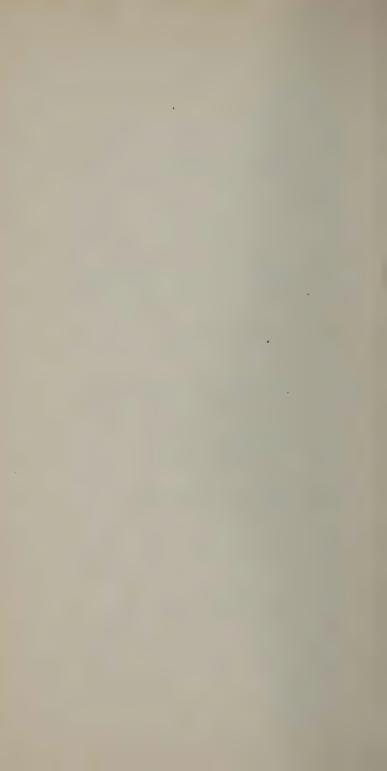
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Report of the Board of Education.

In conformity with the requirements of the General Statutes, the Board of Education submit the following report of the condition of the schools in the town of Milford, for the year 1878-9.

In complying with their duty, they deem that no extensive essay on education is called for, but simply a report of what the schools have been doing through the year, and their actual condition at the close of last term.

At the beginning of the year the Board being unacquainted with all the schools, many of the teachers of the preceding year were retained, who with a few exceptions carried on their work in an acceptable manner. Most of the schools have been fortunate in having the same teacher through the year, for when teachers are changed from term to term there are attendant delays which for a time check the progress of the pupils.

It has been their endeavor to keep in mind the best interests of all parts of the town, and to the best of their ability to do the work with impartiality. They were aware at the commencement of the year, that there was a demand—and they think not unjustly—for practical work in the schools; and have succeeded in obtaining this where the teachers were not too much confined to the text-book, but had sufficient intelligence and general information to draw

upon, to make the studies both profitable and interesting to the scholars; and in engaging the teachers we have considered it as important to ascertain their information on topics in general, as on the actual text-books. They take much pleasure in reporting to the town the steady progress the schools have made, and the good condition in which they are left at the close of the year.

The attendance during the year has been very good, with the exception of two or three schools. The importance of constant attendance cannot be too highly estimated, for frequent absences seriously impairs the profitable working of a school, aside from the injury to the one absent. They earnestly hope the parents will take the matter home to themselves and insist that their children be as constant as possible in their attendance. Much might be said on this subject, but they trust a hint will be sufficient. They feel grateful to the patrons of the schools for their assistance and co-operation with the teachers, which have made the latter's duties—arduous at the best—both pleasant and profitable.

The schools have been taught by the following teachers, and in the judgement of the Board with the results given below.

High School.

PRINCIPAL:—MR. S. J. BLANPIED.

Assistant:—MISS I. S. WARDWELL, Spring term.

"MISS LOU BLUNDON, Fall and Winter terms.

There were fourteen in the graduating class, the largest class that has graduated from the High School. Six had completed the Classical and eight the English course.

The Graduating exercises occurred in the Town Hall, Friday evening, June 21st, 1878.

GRADUATES.

Classical Course.

CATIE C. DARLING,
BERTHA C. SAWYER,
H. NELLIE WALLACE,
BELLE M. KNOWLTON,
ISABELLE B. HUTCHINSON,
GEORGE P. HOLT.

English Course.

ENNIE M. BURTT,

MAGGIE A. QUINLAN.

BERTHA L. EMERSON,

NELLIE C. FITCH,

KATIE A. GREEN,

JENNIE C. KIMBALL,

EVA J. HUTCHINSON,

DIXIE L. CROSBY.

The close of the Winter term nearly completed the th year that Mr. Blanpied has had charge of the school, uring the past year he has been constantly at work to raise e standard and character of the school, which he has succeeded in doing, as has been shown, both by the written and tblic examinations.

His method of instruction has been eminently pleasing the Board, requiring each scholar to rely on his own culties; not confining himself or pupils to the text-book, it drawing on his general information for the elucidation problems and school work. Thus he has been clear and curate in his explanations and obtained very practical sults. This he has been better enabled to do through the arty co-operation of each scholar, whom he has inspired

by his high sense of the dignity and importance of his professional position.

At the close of the Spring term, Miss Wardwell severed her connection with the school. She labored hard for her scholars and had much scholarship, but a change was thought advisable.

Much care was taken in selecting a teacher for assistant, and Miss Lou Blundon of Delaware, Ohio, was finally engaged to fill the vacancy. The Board are pleased to say that Miss Blundon has more than fulfilled the expectations formed of her fitness for the position. She is thoroughly lady-like in her manners and full of life and energy in her work. Her scholarship is excellent, extending to the little things in the branches taught; she is also well versed on all topics. She at once gained the good will and sympathy of the scholars, by which means and by her persistent energy the classes under her charge have made rapid and thorough progress; while the affection of the pupils for her, has steadily increased.

At the suggestion of Mr. Blanpied a series of weekly lectures was commenced in the Winter term. The object of these lectures was to give the scholars drill in the art of taking notes, which notes were subsequently to be written out and examined by a committee chosen for that purpose.

There have been monthly written reviews during the greater part of the year, which with the written examinations at the close of the term, have been the basis for classification and promotion.

At the examination of candidates for admission to the High School there were thirty-three applicants; twenty-two were successful in obtaining sixty per cent., the only condition for admission. The examination was somewhat severe, and conducted on the number system, so as to avoid any chance of partiality. The papers were carefully examined by the Board and Mr. Blanpied. The school, the Board believe to be in a prosperous condition.

East Grammar School.

SPRING TERM.—The Board were fortunate in securing for teacher Miss Clemmie E. Averill, through whose efforts the school made rapid and gratifying progress. Being thoroughly acquainted with this class of work, she was able to do much in preparing the scholars for higher studies. Good order was maintained, which was easy of accomplishment because of the good will she had of the scholars. Miss Averill resigned her position at the close of the term to accept a position at South Gardner, Mass.

FALL TERM—Miss Ermina E. Holt, whose previous experience and reputation justified her appointment as eacher in this school, fully met the requirements of the Board. She brought to her task an appreciative understanding of its wants and worked zealously for its best neerests and to promote its standard. This was the last term of the school.

At the close of the Spring term, twenty-two of the cholars were admitted to the High School.

West Grammar School.

SPRING TERM.—Miss Eliza A. Thomas, teacher. his lady, who had charge of the school the preceding year, as faithful in the discharge of her duties. She was liked y the scholars, and they presented a satisfactory record at e close of the term. She resigned her position at the ose of this term to go elsewhere.

FALL TERM.—Miss Carra A. Crosby succeeded Miss homas as teacher. The school was conducted with conderable energy and on the whole made good progress. The of the scholars failed to attain satisfactory scholarship, ving chiefly to a lack of interest in their studies. This as the last term of the school.

At the close of the Spring term, three scholars in the st division applied for admission to the High School, and o passed a satisfactory examination.

Grammar School.

In the early part of the year it became evident to the Board that it was for the best interests of all concerned to unite the two Grammar Schools. It was finally decided to refer the matter to the town. At a meeting in November, the town voted to consolidate the schools leaving it to the Board of Education to do it in whateve way they thought best. There were two reasons for uniting the schools; first, it would do away with the necessity of hiring Whittemore Hall, and save the expense of on school; second, the relative scholarship of the two school was such that it was impossible to have a like classification while they remained separate.

On the first week of the fall term an examination of the consolidated school was made for the purpose of grading. This was effected in a few days, although not so close classification was obtained as can be made at the close of the school year, in June next, as the school is now in good working order and the scholarship of each pupil known

The school has had but one term and has been taught be Miss Ermina E. Holt. It has been a hard school to man age, but the teacher has maintained a good degree of order Through her efforts the school has been brought up to condition which bids fair to reach the standard designed for its school has been brought up to condition which bids fair to reach the standard designed for its school has been a hard school has been brought up to condition which bids fair to reach the standard designed for its school has been a hard school to man age.

It has been a source of great annoyance to the instructo in the High School, to have pupils come in who were detained in knowledge of the outlines of studies to be taken under the word of the outlines of language. It is expected that much of this will be relieved by preliminal study in the Grammar school, as most of the pupils entering the High School are graduates from the Grammar School.

The scholars have done good work during the last ter and the examinations at the close, gave evidence of consi erable scholarship.

The school is now in a good condition, and is pr gressing to a higher standard.

The union of the Grammar Schools enabled the Board to raise the grade of the Primary Schools, which made it necessary to designate some of the graded schools differently. The classification adopted is as follows:

GRADED SCHOOLS.

HIGH, GRAMMAR, INTERMEDIATE, EAST PRIMARY, WEST PRIMARY.

Intermediate School.

Miss Lizzie L. Knight, teacher. Miss Knight has taught this school through the year. Being thoroughly conscientious, calm and collected in manner, firm in purpose and having good scholarship, she has been able, by exercising these qualities with good judgement, to raise the scholarship of the pupils so successfully that at the close of last term the scholars were found to be much farther advanced than a year ago. Through her clearness of explanation and persistent effort, those under her care kept pace in thoroughness with the amount accomplished. Miss Knight found the school not in the best of order, but by her careful training better order has been secured during the last two terms.

Scholars come into this school after completing the studies of the Primary Schools, and go from here into the Grammar School.

The management of the school has been; satisfactory and the teacher justly deserves the credit which she has gained by her success.

East Primary School.

This school was, previous to the regrading of the schools, known as the Second Primary. When the Grammar Schools were united, this school was removed from Whittemore Hall, to the Primary School-room in the High School building;

this was done during the Fall vacation. The school has been taught through the year by Miss Alice C. Grav, who has had charge of it for sixteen consecutive terms, which fact of itself shows the acceptable work done by her. She is an energetic, hard working and enthusiastic teacher, never being fully satisfied with the condition of her schoolgood as it is-but is constantly striving for progress. Very few teachers possess more or better qualifications for the instruction of such young children as compose this school. Some of the classes have been taught orally, as preliminary to the use of books, which has been found to work well: the scholars evincing a clearer idea of the book matter after such training. The appearance of the school at the close of the Winter term was highly satisfactory. The pupils were prompt and accurate in their answers and displayed a lively interest in their studies.

West Primary School.

This school has had the same teacher through the year, Miss Josie M. Stevens, who has taught it for three years. It has been managed with considerable skill, much tact being exercised to interest and instruct the pupils, and the order in the school-room has been excellent. The teacher has many qualities which fit her for this important position and she labors in school and out, for the constant advancement of the scholars. The examinations have shown that her efforts have not been in vain, but the pupils have reciprocated her endeavors for their welfare and have heartly joined with her in making this a successful school.

The Board have every reason to believe that in the Primary Schools, which are the cardinal points in our Common School education, a thoroughness and amount of training is being received by the pupils which will qualify them for their work in the higher grades. It is of the utmost importance that the scholars in these schools receive the best of teaching, that their subsequent labors may not be embarrass-

ed by previous bad training. The teachers who have the charge of these schools are alive to their work and fully understand the importance of their professional position.

UNGRADED SCHOOLS.

Abbott School.

Miss Ella S. Burnham, teacher through the year. The instruction given has been clear and accurate; the teacher has endeavored, to the best of her ability, to stimulate her pupils to zealous efforts and has been successful. The improvement of the scholars has been more marked in some classes than in others. At the close of the first term the classes in reading gave evidence of rapid advancement, which has continued through each succeeding term. The classes in mathematics evidently appreciated the careful attention and thought bestowed on them by the faithful teacher; their problems were neatly worked, correctly solved and clearly explained. The school has been a success.

' Duncklee Hill School.

Taught by Miss Clara L. Bennett through the year. Good progress was made in studies; the discipline was good and the scholars manifested an interest in their studies, although in many instances there was an evident lack of a thorough comprehension of the subjects studied, which was the result of too close confinement to text-books. The class in history made a creditable appearance at the last examination. The school did well in many respects but a little more thoroughness will greatly improve it.

Howard School.

Teacher, Miss Mary E. Coburn. The teacher commenced the school with the advantage of considerable experience. The manner in which the work has been carried on in the

school has been highly gratifying. Miss Coburn has a comprehensive idea of the necessity of live work in teaching and she has labored faithfully to bring out the best qualities of her pupils and imbue them with self-reliance. She well merits her success for the conscientious efforts she has constantly employed for the good of the school. Her exertions have been eagerly responded to by those under her care, who have evinced a quickness and an ambition to learn. Through the united efforts of the teacher and scholars, the school has been eminently successful.

Osgood School.

SPRING TERM.—Miss Carra A. Crosby, teacher. Miss Crosby's acquaintance with the pupils and the wants of the school enabled her to continue it with commendable success. The scholars were prompt in answering questions, and their definitions were given with intelligence. The school presented a fine appearance. The teacher kept excellent order and left the school in a good condition. She severed her connection with the school at the end of this term to teach in another school.

FALL AND WINTER TERM.—The school for the last two terms has been taught by Miss Mary L. Kimball. The school has maintained its former good standing and steadily progressed. By her calm, yet firm manner the teacher has had good order and won the respect of her scholars. She is ambitious to have a good school, which has been secured by her careful and persistent labors for its highest interests. Being considerate in the discipline of her classes, and they being bright and disposed to study, she has secured success. The classes have given evidence of faithful industry, being ready and correct with their answers. They appeared to be thoroughly acquainted with the subjects gone over. Some of the higher branches have been taught in this school.

PINE VALLEY SCHOOL.

Miss Mary A. Follansbee, teacher. An energetic prompt and thorough teacher. Miss Follansbee has had charge of the school for nearly two years. During this time by unwavering fidelity to her duties she has brought it to a condition highly creditable to her, and the examinations have been very satisfactory. The classes in the different studies made a creditable appearance and were bright and pleasing in their recitations. Although all of the classes have done well, some have done excellent work. Considerable care has been taken to drill the scholars in rhetoricals and the results have rewarded the teacher for her efforts in behalf of her pupils. There is but little chance for improvement in order, for Miss Follansbee by her prompt and energetic manner has had complete control of the school, which always, when visited, presented almost perfect order.

The scholars have been extremely careless about their attendance which has seriously interfered with the real progress of the school. The matter has been constantly kept before them but without much effect. A few of the pupils have been constant.

NORTH SCHOOL.

Miss J. Isadore Richardson, teacher through the year. Miss Richardson is well qualified for the position and is a careful and pains-taking teacher. The school was left in a good condition by the former teacher, and it has improved during the year, presenting a very satisfactory closing. Many of the scholars are ambitious and their interest in the school work has increased each term. The teacher exhibited a commendable earnestness and a strong desire to promote the standing of the school, labored to secure the end desired and left it at the close of the year in a prosperous condition. More constant attendance would greatly assist her in carrying out her plans for the school's improvement.

Shedd School.

SPRING TERM.—Miss Nellie C. Butes, teacher. Miss Bates' manner lacked energy and that force which inspires confidence. These defects will be effaced by experience, as she is a good scholar and understands the subjects taught. From a want of method and clear elucidation she failed to bring the school to as good a standing as it is capable of attaining. Good order was kept during the term.

FALL AND WINTER TERM. The last two terms Miss Jennie M. Burtt was teacher. Although without experience in teaching, this being her first school, she has shown herself competent to successfully manage the numerous duties of the vocation she has chosen. By her energy she soon reduced the multiplicity of classes to a more easily managed number and carried on her work with a determination to succeed. The school has improved as it has gone on, closing the year in a condition creditable both to the teacher and scholars.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

Early in the year there was a careful consideration of the various School-houses. It was found that much repairing was needed. The School-house in the Abbott district has been enlarged, shingled, papered, refurnished with modern desks and chairs, the black-board room increased, and a new floor put in. The room is light and pleasant, and is now amply large to accommodate this section of the town. The amount expended in fitting up the room can be found in the Treasurer's account. During the year the following School-houses have been painted; High, Grammar, Abbott, Duncklee Hill, Howard, Osgood, Pine Valley. The fences inclosing the various school grounds have been repaired, and numerous other repairs for the preservation of the buildings and the comfort of the children, have been made.

There are several things that should be done the ensuing year—painting, whitewashing, replacing of broken furniture in one or two schools. The North and Shedd Schoolhouses need painting; the fences about the High, Grammar and Osgood school grounds are too much decayed to be restored, and new fences should replace them. There are no wells at the North, Osgood and Shedd schools, which should be dug before next Snmmer. Numerous minor repairs should be made next year, and the Board recommend that the town appropriate the sum named in their estimated expense of schools for 1870-80.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Classical Course of Four Years. FIRST YEAR,

First Term.—Arithmetic, Grammar, Physical Geography, Reading and Spelling.

Second Term.—Arithmetic, English Composition, Physical Geography, Reading and Spelling.

Third Term.—Arithmetic, English Composition, Physical Geography, Reading and Spelling.

SECOND YEAR.

First Term.—Algebra, Physiology, Latin Grammar and Reader, Reading and Spelling.

Second Term.—Algebra, Physiology, Latin Grammar and Reader, Reading and Spelling.

Third Term.—Algebra, Book-keeping, Latin Grammar and Reader 1-2 term, Cæsar 1-2 term, Reading and Spelling.

THIRD YEAR.

First Term.—Algebra, Natural History or Civil Government, Cæsar, French, Reading and Spelling.

Second Term.—Geometry, Natural Philosophy or Civil Government, Cæsar, French, Reading and Spelling.

Third Term.—Geometry, Natural Philosophy or Botany, Cicero, French, Reading and Spelling.

FOURTH YEAR.

First Term.—Arithmetic, Astronomy or Botany, Cicero, French, Reading and Spelling.

Second Term.—Arithmetic, Astronomy or Rhetoric, Virgil, French, Reading and Spelling.

Third Term.—Arithmetic, Geology or Rhetoric, Virgil, French, Reading and Spelling.

Weekly exercises in Declamation and Composition.

English Course of Four Years. FIRST YEAR.

First Term.—Arithmetic, Grammar, Physical Geography, Reading and Spelling.

Second Term.—Arithmetic, English Composition, Physical Geography, Reading and Spelling.

Third Term.—Arithmetic, English Composition, Physical Geography, Reading and Spelling.

SECOND YEAR.

First Term.---Algebra, Physiology, General History, Reading and Spelling.

Second Term.---Algebra, Physiology, General History, Reading and Spelling.

Third Term.---Algebra, Book keeping, General History, Reading and Spelling.

THIRD YEAR.

First Term.---Algebra, Natural History, Civil Government, Reading and Spelling.

Second Term.--Geometry, Natural Philosophy, Civil Government, Reading and Spelling.

Third Term.--- Geometry, Natural Philosophy, Botany, Reading and Spelling.

FOURTH YEAR.

First Term.---Arithmetic, Astronomy, Botany, Reading and Spelling.

Second Term.---Arithmetic, Astronomy, Rhetoric, Reading and Spelling.

Third Term.---Arithmetic, Geology, Rhetoric, Reading and Spelling.

Weekly exercises in Declamation and Composition.

Roll of Highest Honor.

Names of pupils present every half day of the year vithout being tardy. High School scholars not included.

AMES, WINFIELD*H. BARNES, JOSEPHINE BARKER, PERCY L. CARLTON, ELSY CARLTON, CHESTER EMERSON, MINNIE F. EMERSON, EDITH EASTON, MARY B. FINERTY, MARY T. JONES, FRED KNOWLES, WILLIS LYNCH, GUY M. RIDEOUT, MERETTA SEARS, WALTER C. WILKINS, FRED E. WILSON, BERTHA L.

Estimated Expenses of Schools for '79-'80.

For Instruction	4,300,00
" Fuel and preparing same,	200.00
" Care of School Houses,	110.00
" Repairing and cleaning houses,	100.00
" Supplies for schools,	100.00
" Printing,	25.00
For services of Board of Education,	\$4,835.00 250.00
Total estimate of cost,	\$5,085.00
RESOURCES.	
Balance on hand,	\$206.61

Amount necessary to meet estimate,

Literary Fund, (estimated)

Dog Tax, (estimated)

Tuition, (estimated)

45.00	-\$526.61
	4,558.39
	\$5.085.00

175.00

100,00

We therefore recommend that the sum of forty-five hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for schools the current year. We also recommend that the sum of three hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for painting and other necessary repairs as noted elsewhere in this report.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. H. W. HINDS,
A. W. SMITH,
S. C. COBURN,

Board

of

Education

Milford, N. H., March 3d, 1876.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

RECEIPTS.

Bala	nce fro	m _. las	t year's account,	\$27.16
Cash	rec'd.	from	Town Treasurer,	5,500.00
65	<u> </u>	66	Dog Tax,	235.00
66	66	65	Literary Fund,	193.88
66	15.	66.	Tuition,	40.00
	"	66	Ashes and Use of Land,	8.25
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			EXPENDITURES	

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66	66	Care of Houses, and the state of the state o	109.50
66	"	Fuel and preparing same,	211.36
66	"	Repairs and cleaning houses,	118.19
6,6	66,	Painting School Houses,	298.29
eç.	66.	Supplies for Schools	144.36
66	66	Enlarging, reparing and furnish	ing
		Abbott School House,	388.83
66	66	Rent of Whittermore Hall,	40.00
			5,547.68

SERVICES of the BOARD OF EDUCATION.

W. H. W. Hinds,	\$60.00
A. W. Smith,	125.00
S. C. Coburn,	65.00
7 3 4 7 4 4 7	\$250,00
Balance on hand,	206,61
	\$6,004.29

Milford, N. H., Feb. 28, 1879.

We have examined the foregoing account and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

SUMNER B. EMERSON, | Auditors. ISAAC P. ABBOTT,

TABULAR VIEW OF SCHOOLS.

Total Control	Number of Visitors.	0	148	9	104	96	179	133	43	51	82	114	64	134	20
	Per cent. of Tardiness.	10	.02		67	.03	.25	60.	16:	.52	.05	.85	1.21	2.30	.36
	Number of instances of Tardiness.	20	Н	:	10	63	15	4	23	10	-	80	56	53	0
	No. of instances of Half-day absences.	914	277	158	43	921	169	446	372	730	196	524	1244	326	583
1	Number not absent through the Year.	18	:			00	9	00	-		67		0		60
	Per cent. of Attendance,	96°	.97	96:	06°	88°	.95	£6°	.79	.85	976.	.987	88	.95	16.
	Wages of Teachers per Month.	\$111.12	36.	30.	40.	28.	.20	30.	.96	24.66	25.33	26.66	30.	24.	13.4
CATT	No, between 5 and 15 not attending School.	25		00	0 0			:	4		64	1	6	7	:
1	*Other Branches.	96			0 0	0 0	:	:	1	4	7	4			:
117	Algebra.	89	:		0 0	0 0	:	:		:	I	63	0 0	0 0	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
	United States History.	:	22	12	00	:	:		:	4	1-0	9	5	9	-
	Стаппат.	42	47	20	22	:	:		90	4	9	10	4	10	6
1	Geography.		25	13	32	51	:	19	91	10	10	16	16	~	16
	Arithmetic.	C1	47	50	45	19	40	31	24	19	19	30	25	17	21
	Penmanship.	96	47	07	40	10	333	27	24	15	19	26	30	16	21
	Reading.	96	47	20	45	19	63	42	24	19	19	33	46	23	25
1	Average Attendance.		47	20	45	16	63	42	24	19	119	800	46	23	25
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	.f.sto.T'	96	47	20	45	51	63	42	24	19	19	333	46	23	25
	Girls.	14	21	00	50	34	32	19	12	10	10	14	22	00	=
X7 T	Meeks of School.		56	12	25	19	31	23	12	6	6	119	24	15	14
			23	23	11	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	24
	schools.	НІВН ВСНООГ,	†EAST GRAMMAR,	WEST GRAMMAR,	‡GRAMMAR,	INTERMEDIATE,	EAST PRIMARY,	WEST PRIMARY,	ABBOTT,	DUNCKLEE HILL,	HOWARD	Osgood,	PINE VALLEY,	SHEDD,	North,

* Latin, Greek, French, Geometry, Natural History, Natural Ph.losophy, Geology. Botany, English Literature, Physiology, Book-keeping, Civil Government, Physical Geography, General History, English Composition. †Two terms. †One term.

Report of the Trustees

-OF THE-

Milford Free Library,

FOR THE YEAR 1878.

ORGANIZATION.

CLINTON S. AVERILL, DEXTER S. BURNHAM, Secretary and Treasurer.

President.

TRUSTEES.

C.(S. AVERILL, ELI S. BURNS, M. D. HEALD,

10 66161 6.1 Term expires in 1879.

E. C. BATCHELDER, GEO. F. BARTLETT, S. GUILD,

Term expires 1880.

D. S. BURNHAM, S. B. EMERSON, W. H. W. HINDS.

Term expires 1881.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Trustees of Milford Free Library.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Milford:

In accordance with established custom the Trustees erewith present their eleventh annual report of the condition of the Free Library for the year 1878-79.

The Board organized by electing Clinton S. Averill, resident, and Dexter S. Burnham, Secretary and Treasurer.

The town appropriated at the last annual meeting the om of Two Hundred Dollars for the support of the Library, here has been received from fines, and sale of catalogues, venty eight dollars and forty nine cents, and there was a lance in the hands of the Treasurer from last year's count of three dollars and ninety-nine cents, making a tal of two hundred and thirty-two dollars and forty-eight ents. Of this amount there has been paid for current penses of the Library \$150.95; for periodicals \$29.05; r purchase of new books \$50.81; leaving a balance of .67 in the hands of the Treasurer.

There have been added to the Library fifteen volumes periodicals, received in numbers and bound for permant use, thirty-three volumes by purchase, ten bound, and ar pamphlet volumes by donation, and four volumes have en purchased to replace those worn out by use. A large mber of volumes have also been re-bound.

There has been no diminution of public interest in the use of the Library. The records show that 1005 were taking out books in January of the current year, an increase of thirty readers over last year, and the largest number ever reported since the establishment of the Library. The books taken out for the year ending January 1879, were equal to one volume 11766 times. Seventy-two cards were surrendered during the year.

LIBRARIAN AND LIBRARY HOURS.

Mr. Appleton M. Hatch, who for eight years has served as Librarian to the entire satisfaction of the Trustees, has beenscontinued in charge of the Library the past year and under his efficient management its patrons have been faithtully and courteously served. The hours for the reception and delivery of books have been from two to five o'clock in the afternoon on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays;—and from seven to nine o'clock Saturday evenings.

STATISTICS

2,634

Number of volumes in the library at the commence-

Number of volumes added by purchase during the year, (including periodicals received and

ment of the year,

bound,)	48
Number of volumes added by donation,	10
Number of pamphlets added by donation,	4
Whole number of volumes in the Library at the	
present time,	2,692
Books taken out for the year ending January,	1870,
equal to one volume 3,938 times.	
Rooks taken out for the year ending January	1871

equal to one volume 7,124 times,

Books taken out for the year ending January, 1872,
equal to one volume 11,144 times.

Books taken out for the year ending January, 1873. equal to one volume 9,207 times.

Books taken out for the year ending January, 1874, equal to one volume 9,807 times.

Books taken out for the year ending January, 1875, equal to one volume 13,518 times.

Books taken out for the year ending January, 1876, equal to one volume 14,517 times.

Books taken out for the year ending January, 1877, equal to one volume 10,837,

Books taken out for the year ending January, 1878, equal to one volume 11,812 times.

Books taken out for the year ending January, 1879, equal to one volume 11,766 times.

Number of persons taking out books January 1871, 492. Number of persons taking out books January, '72, 700. Number of persons taking out books January, '73, 750. Number of persons taking out books January, '74, 806. Number of persons taking out books January, '75, 945. Number of persons taking out books January, '76, 956. Number of persons taking out books January, '77, 903. Number of persons taking out books January, '78, 975. Number of persons taking out books January, '79, 1005.

DONATIONS.

The following is a list of the donations received, the ames of the donors being alphabetically arranged:

James O. Adams, Esq., Manchester.

Report of the New Hampshire State Board of Agricultre for 1877.

I bound volume.

Judge Nathan Crosby. Crosby Family.

r bound volume.

Isaac B. Dodge, Esq., Amherst, N. H. A History of Woburn, Mass.

I bound volume.

Hon. John Eaton, Commissioner of Education, Washington, D. C.

Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876. Circular of the Bureau of Education, No. 1.

1 bound volume, 1 pamphlet volume.

George E. Foster, Esq., Milford, N. H.
The Milford Enterprise for the year 1878.

1 pamphlet volume.

Albert E. Pillsbury, Esq., Boston, Mass.

Report of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture
1877-78.

Report of the Massachusetts Board of Health 1877.

Report of Massachusetts Railroad Commissioners 1877.

Report of the Massachusetts Board of Education 1877.

4 bound volumes.

Patents—Commissioner of Washington, D. C.
Patent Office Report, Vol. 13.
Annual Report of the Commissioners of Patents, 1877.
2 pamphlet volumes.

State of New Hampshire.

Hitchcock's Geology of New Hampshire, Vol. 2.

Hitchcock's Geology of New Hampshire, Vol. 3.

2 bound volumes.

Conclusion.

In concluding this report the Trustees desire to call particular attention to the imperative necessity of a new catalogue. In 1870 a complete catalogue of all the books then in the Library was published. In 1871 a supplement was published containing the purchases of that year, and again in 1873 another supplement was published containing all the additions that had been made from 1871 down to that date. Since 1873 there has been no published supplement of the books added, but a written list of such books has been made in the catalogue kept in the Library for the use of its patrons.

The many who use the Library know how difficult and inconvenient it is to hunt up the desired volume through all these supplements and how much time is lost in the search, as well as in waiting their turn for access to the Library catalogue. The Trustees have been a long time conscious of the great need of a new catalogue and the subect has been before brought to the attention of the town, but heretofore no appropriation for such publication has been made, and the Trustees have consequently been cowerless to supply what has longbeen demanded. If the own would make the necessary appropriation for printing and binding, or would direct its cost to be paid out of unds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, it is

believed that the work of preparing the written manuscript for publication could be obtained gratuitously. Eventually the Library fund would be re-imbursed by the sale of the catalogues as has been the case with the edition of 1870. The subject is earnestly recommended to your favorable consideration.

From the establishment of the Library down to 1874 the town annually appropriated the sum of five hundred dollars for the support of the Library. This sum was sufficient to pay all the running expenses and leave a considerable balance for purchase of new books. Had this appropriation continued to be regularly made down to the present time a very valuable growth of the library would have been the result. But since 1874 the amount appropriated has been so small as to but little more than cover the necessary expenses. With the addition of monies received from fines and other incidentals, and carefully economizing in expenditures, the Trustees have been able to appropriate a small amount, for the two past years, to the purchase of books. They have been unable for want of means to gratify the demand for new books, but they have done what they could.

The report shows that 1005 persons were taking books from and using the Library at the close of the year, very nearly half the inhabitants of this town and since its organization there has been a steady increase of readers.

Do not these facts approve the wisdom of those who established it and do they not commend it most eloquently to your support? Can you appropriate any portion of the public money for a wiser or better purpose than the distribution of knowledge and the encouragement of self-culture among the people?

In view of the facts, that no adequate appropriation fo the increase of the Library has been made for the last five years, and of the constantly increasing demand for book which it has not been possible to purchase, it is respectfully recommended that the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the support of the Library the current year.

In the words of one of the most profound thinkers of our own time, "Consider what you have in the smallest chosen library. A company of the wisest and wittiest men that could be picked out of all civil countries, in a thousand years, have set in best order the results of their learning and wisdom. The men themselves were hid and inaccessible, solitary, impatient of interruption, fenced by etiquette; but the thought which they did not uncover to their bosom riend is here written out in transparent words to us, the strangers of another age."

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. AVERILL, for the Trustees.

Milford, March 11th, 1879.

TREASURER'S REPORT

To the President of the Board of Trustees of the Milford Free Library:-

The following report of the receipts and expenditures of the Treasurer of said board for the year 1878-79 is hereby respectfully submitted.

TREASURER OF MILFORD FREE LIBRARY.

To cash on hand from last year's account, \$3.99 To cash of Town Treasurer, (appropriation) 200,00 To cash received for fines and sale of cata-

logues. 28.40 -\$232.48

CR.	
By cash paid A. M. Hatch, Librarian,	\$120.00
By cash paid Wm. Ulman, binding,	25.15
By cash paid for periodicals for 1879,	29.05
By cash paid Estes & Lauriat, new books,	50.81
By cash paid for express, postage, etc.,	5.80
	\$230.81
Balance in hands of Treasurer,	1.67

D. S. BURNHAM, Treasurer.

Milford, N. H., February, 28. 1879.

I have examined the foregoing items of account, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

D. MILTON HEALD, Auditor.

Milford, N. H., March 11th, 1879.

