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ACCOUNT
OF THE
SELECTMEN
OF THE
TOWN OF HOPKINTON,

FOR THE YEAR 1851.

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State Capital Reporter Office, Concord, N. H.

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|----------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| The Selectmen charge themselves with orders drawn on the |        |           |
| Treasurer, amounting to                                  |        | \$4901 38 |
| Cash rec'd of State Treasurer, Railroad tax,             | 129 30 |           |
| “ “ “ “ to pay 73 soldiers,                              | 73 00  |           |
| “ “ “ “ for bounty on 585 crows,                         | 58 50  |           |
| “ “ “ “ 24th div. Literary fund,                         | 103 38 |           |
| “ “ of the county for support of paupers,                | 47 00  |           |
| “ “ of William Hobbs, Jr. belonging to G. Emerson,       | 3 08   |           |
| “ “ of Mrs. Euran, for rent,                             | 5 00   |           |
| “ “ for timber sold from pauper farm,                    | 55 00  |           |
| “ “ of Mrs. Uran, for rent,                              | 3 00   |           |
|                                                          | 477 32 |           |
|                                                          |        | \$5378 70 |

Accounted for as follows:

*Paid Religious Societies:*

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| 1st Congregational, | 28 55 |
| 2d “                | 56    |
| Union Baptist,      | 18 20 |
| Calvinist Baptist,  | 14 37 |
| Episcopal,          | 7 64  |
| 1st Universalist,   | 6 27  |
| 2d “                | 8 13  |
| Methodist,          | 4 28  |
|                     | 88 00 |

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*Paid School Districts :*

|                    |        |                     |               |
|--------------------|--------|---------------------|---------------|
| To District No. 1, | 150 82 | To District No. 12, | 55 88         |
| “ “ 2,             | 74 07  | “ “ 13,             | 70 02         |
| “ “ 3,             | 70 02  | “ “ 14,             | 54 87         |
| “ “ 4,             | 68 00  | “ “ 15,             | 54 87         |
| “ “ 5,             | 51 84  | “ “ 16,             | 70 02         |
| “ “ 6,             | 62 95  | “ “ 17,             | 63 96         |
| “ “ 7,             | 82 14  | “ “ 18,             | 43 76         |
| “ “ 8,             | 65 98  | “ “ 19,             | 75 07         |
| “ “ 9,             | 56 89  | “ “ 20,             | 107 39        |
| “ “ 10,            | 131 63 | “ “ 21,             | 46 79         |
| “ “ 11,            | 78 10  |                     |               |
|                    |        |                     | <hr/> 1535 07 |

*Paid Superintending School Committee :*

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Isaac Story,      | 19 00       |
| S. L. F. Simpson, | 19 50       |
| Perley W. Beck,   | 10 50       |
|                   | <hr/> 49 00 |

*Paid Militia :*

|                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Services of 73 soldiers,     | 73 00       |
| For enrolling soldiers, &c., | 7 00        |
|                              | <hr/> 80 00 |

*Paid Enginemen :*

|               |       |
|---------------|-------|
| For services, | 66 00 |
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*For Support of Paupers :*

|                                                                                               |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Paid David Tucker, Superintendent,                                                            | 210 00 |
| “ order on the Treasurer,                                                                     | 50 00  |
| “ med. attendance, Dr. Simpson,                                                               | 24 00  |
| “ “ “ Dr. Tyler,                                                                              | 9 74   |
| “ “ “ Dr. Tyler, for J. Witherell,                                                            | 3 50   |
| “ town of Grantham, for support of J. C. Dunbar's family,                                     | 69 46  |
| “ town of Stafford, for support of Wid. Buswell,                                              | 33 60  |
| “ J. Stanwood, for articles furnished Dube family,                                            | 35 00  |
| “ M. F. Knowlton, for support of Simeon Eastman,                                              | 10 00  |
| “ Samuel Bickford, for assistance rendered James Witherell, during last sickness and funeral, | 10 00  |
| “ Phebe Barton, for support of Hiram Straw,                                                   | 39 00  |
| “ John Foster, “ “ H. C. Burbank,                                                             | 16 00  |
| “ “ “ “ “ “                                                                                   | 11 00  |
| “ Parker Marshall, for support of wife of J. K. Greene,                                       | 6 00   |
| “ Ebenezer Morrill, wood for Mrs. White,                                                      | 6 75   |
| “ Louisa E. Drake, support of Clara A. Dunbar,                                                | 2 00   |
| “ Herrick Putnam, articles furnished Mrs. White,                                              | 3 00   |
| “ J. D. Merrill, wood for H. C. Burbank,                                                      | 1 25   |
| “ S. B. Sargent, articles furnished P. Bruce,                                                 | 2 89   |
| “ Nancy Ripley, support of Mary K. Ripley,                                                    | 3 75   |
| “ “ “ “ “ “                                                                                   | 6 00   |
| “ H. Putnam, for 2 cords wood for H. C. Burbank,                                              | 4 00   |
| “ Benjamin Dowse, for support of Mrs. Huse,                                                   | 8 00   |

|                                                         |              |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Paid S. B. Sargent, articles furnished J. Witherell,    | 1 01         |
| “ Nathaniel Kezer, for digging grave for H. C. Burbank, | 2 00         |
| “ J. N. Hersey, for coffin for H. C. Burbank,           | 3 50         |
| “ James Palmer, for making 4 coffins,                   | 12 50        |
| “ Moses Cross, for digging 6 graves,                    | 10 50        |
| “ Joseph Stanwood, expense on pauper business,          | 13 60        |
| “ C. C. Davis, “ “ “                                    | 8 62         |
|                                                         | <hr/> 616 67 |

*Paid for Roads and Bridges :*

|                                                  |              |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Paid C. C. Davis, for 8598 ft. plank,            | 64 79        |
| “ Hazen Kimball, for land for road,              | 38 00        |
| “ Moses Hoyt, 3d, for repairing Tyler's bridge,  | 24 52        |
| “ Eunice Elliott, for land for road,             | 42 00        |
| “ J. S. Story, plank for bridges,                | 5 88         |
| „ Daniel Chase, 2d, for plank and rep'g bridges, | 5 86         |
| “ Seth G. Emerson, “ “ “ “                       | 8 37         |
| “ Hazen Kimball, for building 37 rods road, &c., | 40 15        |
| “ Herrick Putnam, rep'g Hill's bridge,           | 1 00         |
|                                                  | <hr/> 230 57 |

*Miscellaneous Expenses :*

|                                                                                 |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Paid Road Commissioners,                                                        | 59 40 |
| “ “ “                                                                           | 34 35 |
| “ Pierce & Minot, services on discontinuance of road,                           | 90 85 |
| “ Peaslee & George, “ “ “                                                       | 83 00 |
| “ H. M. Fuller, serving notices on road petition,                               | 2 00  |
| “ James Hoyt, journey to Weare on road matters,                                 | 1 50  |
| “ Charles Gould, copying school report for 1850,                                | 2 00  |
| “ Joab Patterson, services as clerk, stationery, and notifying jurors, &c.,     | 15 17 |
| “ Isaac D. Merrill, services as town treasurer,                                 | 18 00 |
| “ John Cushing, rep'g grave yard fence,                                         | 50    |
| “ Joseph Stanwood, postage,                                                     | 1 24  |
| “ “ “ stationery,                                                               | 7 07  |
| “ “ “ expenses perambulating lines,                                             | 4 23  |
| “ “ “ “ on road business,                                                       | 9 73  |
| “ D. N. Smart, for lumber used at pauper farm,                                  | 2 68  |
| “ C. C. Davis, rep'g guide boards,                                              | 1 00  |
| “ “ “ expenses perambulating lines,                                             | 1 00  |
| “ “ “ “ in relation to road business,                                           | 1 25  |
| “ “ “ for stationery,                                                           | 38    |
| “ J. D. Merrill, “ “                                                            | 2 50  |
| “ Ezekiel Adams, for injuries rec'd at Hill's bridge, self, sleigh and harness, | 20 00 |
| “ John W. Page, building 20 rods wall on pauper farm,                           | 20 00 |
| “ H. M. Fuller, wood and cleaning meeting house,                                | 6 00  |
| “ Joshua Morse, for work on town house,                                         | 4 50  |
| “ Ira Dimond, abatement of tax,                                                 | 75    |
| “ Ichabod Eaton, abatement of highway tax, 1850,                                | 75    |
| “ Stephen Sibley, abatement of poll tax,                                        | 2 25  |

|                                                                                  |         |
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| Paid H. M. Fuller, services town vs. N. G. Chase,                                | 15 76   |
| " J. N. Hersey, for building hearse house,                                       | 48 00   |
| " John L. Dodge, for storing hearse,                                             | 1 00    |
| " J. C. Pillsbury, services town vs. D. Downing,                                 | 6 28    |
| " H. Kimball, services in sale of N. G. Chase's house,                           | 2 00    |
| " Timothy Chandler, rep'g and taking care town house.                            | 4 25    |
| " C. S. Lerner, storing hearse one year,                                         | 1 50    |
| " Auditors for services, Feb., 1850,                                             | 4 00    |
| " Selectmen and Treasurer, services on settlement,                               | 4 00    |
| " Expense of settlement, 1850,                                                   | 7 50    |
| " Jos. Stanwood, for journey and expense to Concord, on getting reports printed, | 1 75    |
| " Currier & Hall, for 600 reports for 1850,                                      | 18 00   |
| " Jos. Stanwood, for making deed and cash paid for recording,                    | 84      |
| " J. A. Putney, collector, amount of State tax,                                  | 370 20  |
| " " " " County tax,                                                              | 406 32  |
| " Selectmen, for bounty paid on crows,                                           | 58 50   |
| " Interest on Lerner female charity fund for 1850 and 1851,                      | 50 00   |
|                                                                                  | <hr/>   |
|                                                                                  | 1392 00 |

*Collection and abatement of Taxes :*

|                                                 |        |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Paid J. A. Putney, collecting town tax,         | 35 00  |
| " " " " 6 school-house taxes,                   | 10 00  |
| Non-resident highway tax, paid in labor,        | 17 16  |
| Abatement of taxes for 1851,                    | 25 55  |
| " " taxes in district No. 10, 2 30, and 13, 85, | 3 15   |
|                                                 | <hr/>  |
|                                                 | 90 86  |
| Cash paid town treasurer,                       | 477 32 |

*School-House Taxes :*

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Paid school districts No. 6, | 113 21 |
| " " " 7,                     | 104 03 |
| " " " 10,                    | 204 41 |
| " " " 13,                    | 102 39 |
| " " " 14,                    | 62 17  |
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|                              | 586 21 |

*Selectmen's Services :*

|                                                                  |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| 1851 To Herrick Putnam for—                                      |      |
| March, 1-2 day making return of Polls.                           | 50   |
| 1-2 day at Fire-wards' meeting,                                  | 50   |
| 1-2 day appointing Engine men,                                   | 50   |
| 1-2 day with Road Commissioners,                                 | 50   |
| 1 day at Court at Concord,                                       | 1 00 |
| 1 day preparing inventory books,                                 | 1 00 |
| April 6 days taking inventory,                                   | 6 00 |
| 3 days regulating inventory & making taxes,                      | 3 00 |
| 1 day taking inventory and making tax, in school district No. 6, | 1 00 |
| 1 day taking inventory, &c., in dist. No. 10,                    | 1 00 |
| 1 day making school house tax, &c.,                              | 1 00 |

|            |                                                            |      |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------|
|            | 1 day preparing tax for Collector's book,                  | 1 00 |
|            | 3 days on Collector's book and Surveyor's warrants,        | 3 00 |
|            | 1 day on Collector's warrant and returning railroad stock, | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day distributing Surveyor's warrants,                    | 1 00 |
| May        | 1 day taking inventory, &c., in dist. No. 14,              | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day examining town securities, &c.,                      | 1 00 |
| June       | 1-2 day at Rowell's Bridge,                                | 50   |
|            | 1-2 day taking inventory in dist. No. 13,                  | 50   |
|            | 1-2 day appropriating Lerner Female charity fund interest, | 50   |
|            | 1-2 day making orders, notices, &c.,                       | 50   |
| July       | 1 day dividing school money,                               | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day with Road Commissioners,                             | 1 00 |
|            | 1-2 day on petition of E. Hardy,                           | 50   |
|            | 1-2 day on pauper business,                                | 50   |
| Aug.       | 3 days with Road Commissioners, & expenses,                | 3 00 |
|            | 1-2 day dividing parsonage money,                          | 50   |
|            | 1-2 day on petition of Moses Tyler and others,             | 50   |
| Oct,       | 1-2 day Jury meeting,                                      | 50   |
|            | 1 day on road business,                                    | 1 00 |
|            | 1-2 day making return of road,                             | 50   |
|            | 1 day attending Court at Concord,                          | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day on pauper and road business,                         | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day perambulating line at Bow,                           | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day on pauper and road business,                         | 1 00 |
|            | 1-2 day examining and accepting road,                      | 50   |
|            | 1-2 day at pauper farm,                                    | 50   |
| Nov.       | 1 day perambulating line at Concord,                       | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day " " Weare,                                           | 1 00 |
| Dec.       | 1 day revising jury box, &c.,                              | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day with road commissioners,                             | 1 00 |
|            | 2 days " "                                                 | 2 00 |
| Jan. 1852. | 1 day at Hardy corner,                                     | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day on pauper business, &c.,                             | 1 00 |
| Feb.       | 2 days on check list and warrant,                          | 2 00 |
|            | 1 day with collector, (settling),                          | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day settling at pauper farm,                             | 1 00 |
|            | 2 days with auditors,                                      | 2 00 |
| 1851       | To Joseph Stanwood for                                     |      |
| March,     | 1-2 day on collector's and treasurer's bond,               | 50   |
|            | 1 day at Concord, for books, warrants, &c.,                | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day with road commissioners,                             | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day at Court,                                            | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day regulating inventory books,                          | 1 00 |
| April      | 4 days taking inventory,                                   | 4 00 |
|            | 3 days on inventory and making taxes,                      | 3 00 |
|            | 1 day " " making tax dist. No. 6,                          | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day " " " " No. 10,                                      | 1 00 |
|            | 1 day " " school house tax,                                | 1 00 |
|            | 2 days on collector's books, &c.,                          | 2 00 |

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|           | 2 days on surveyor's warrants, &c.,             | 2 00  |
|           | 1 day on collector's warrant,                   | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day distributing warrants,                  | 50    |
| May       | 1 day at school district No. 11,                | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day at Hill's bridge,                       | 50    |
|           | 1 day on inventory and tax, dist. No. 14,       | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day at Concord on road and pauper business,   | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day on inventory and tax, dist. No. 7,        | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day examining town securities,                | 1 00  |
| June      | 1 day at Rowell's bridge,                       | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day at Concord on pauper account,             | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day on inventory and tax, dist. No. 13,       | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day at Concord on road business,              | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day at Hill's bridge,                       | 50    |
|           | Recording taxes,                                | 7 00  |
| July      | 1-2 day at Contoocookville,                     | 50    |
|           | 1 day making school orders,                     | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day with road commissioners,                  | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day at pauper farm,                         | 50    |
|           | 1 day on petition of E. Hardy,                  | 1 00  |
| Aug.      | 3 days on road business,                        | 3 00  |
|           | 1 day dividing parsonage money, &c.,            | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day on road business,                       | 50    |
| Oct.      | 1-2 day drawing jurymen,                        | 50    |
|           | 1 day on road business,                         | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day on school-house matters,                | 50    |
|           | 1 day at Concord on road and pauper business,   | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day settling the building road, &c.,        | 50    |
| Nov.      | 1 day at Concord on road and pauper business,   | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day making pay roll,                        | 50    |
|           | 1 day perambulating at Concord,                 | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day " " Weare,                                | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day on inventory and tax dist. No. 13,        | 1 00  |
| Dec.      | 1 day regulat'g jury box and ex'g town secu'ts, | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day on road business,                         | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day with road commissioners,                  | 1 00  |
| Jan. 1852 | 1 day getting soldiers' money,                  | 1 00  |
|           | 1 1-2 days at Bedford on pauper account,        | 1 50  |
|           | 1 day at Hardy corner,                          | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day at Contoocookville,                       | 1 00  |
|           | 1-2 day " "                                     | 50    |
| Feb.      | 1 day at Concord on road and pauper business,   | 1 00  |
|           | 1 day at Borough on pauper account,             | 1 00  |
|           | 2 days on check list and warrants,              | 2 00  |
|           | 1 day recording Bills,                          | 1 00  |
|           | 2 days with Auditors,                           | 2 00  |
|           |                                                 | 68 50 |
| 1851      | To Charles C. Davis for                         |       |
| March,    | 1-2 day appointing enginemen,                   | 50    |
|           | 1-2 day on railroad crossing,                   | 50    |
|           | 1-2 day making Treasurer's bond,                | 50    |
|           | 1-2 day preparing inventory books,              | 50    |
| April     | 4 days taking inventory,                        | 4 00  |

|            |                                              |      |       |
|------------|----------------------------------------------|------|-------|
|            | 1 day regulating inventory,                  | 1 00 |       |
|            | 2 days making taxes,                         | 2 00 |       |
|            | 1 day taking inventory, district No. 10,     | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day making taxes,                          | 1 00 |       |
|            | 2 days making collector's book,              | 2 00 |       |
|            | 2 days making highway tax and warrants,      | 2 00 |       |
|            | 1 day on collector's warrant,                | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day distributing surveyor's warrants,      | 1 00 |       |
| May        | 1 day taking inventory in district No. 7.    | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day examining town securities,             | 1 00 |       |
| June       | 1-2 day at Rowell's bridge,                  | 50   |       |
|            | 1-2 day dividing Lerner legacy,              | 50   |       |
|            | 1 day making orders and notices,             | 1 00 |       |
| July       | 1 day dividing school money,                 | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day on road at Buswell's corner,           | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day on petition of E. Hardy,               | 1 00 |       |
| Aug.       | 1-2 day on pauper business,                  | 50   |       |
|            | 2 days with road commissioners,              | 2 00 |       |
|            | 1 day examining Tyler's bridge and road,     | 1 00 |       |
| Oct.       | 1-2 day drawing jurymen,                     | 50   |       |
|            | 1 day on road near H. Kimball's,             | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day perambulating Bow line,                | 1 00 |       |
| Dec.       | 3 days at Grantham on pauper business,       | 3 00 |       |
|            | 1 day regulating jury box and making orders, | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day with road commissioners,               | 1 00 |       |
|            | 2 days " " "                                 | 2 00 |       |
| Jan. 1852. | 1 day dividing Lerner legacy,                | 1 00 |       |
| Feb.       | 1 day on check list,                         | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day making warrant,                        | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day settling with collector,               | 1 00 |       |
|            | 1 day settling at Pauper farm,               | 1 00 |       |
|            | 2 days settling with auditors,               | 2 00 | 44 50 |

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### RECAPITULATION :

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Religious Societies,            | 88 00     |
| " School districts,                  | 1535 07   |
| " Superintending School Committee,   | 49 00     |
| " Militia,                           | 80 00     |
| " Engine Men,                        | 66 00     |
| " for support of Paupers,            | 616 67    |
| " for Roads and Bridges,             | 230 57    |
| " Miscellaneous bills,               | 1392 00   |
| " collection and abatement of taxes, | 90 86     |
| " town treasurer,                    | 477 32    |
| " School-house taxes,                | 586 21    |
| " Selectmen's services,              | 167 00    |
|                                      | \$5378 70 |

### Treasurer's Account :

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Taxes assessed for 1851, | 3908 85 |
|--------------------------|---------|

*Accounted for as follows :*

|                                                       |                   |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Cash received of collector,                           | 3852 93           |          |
| Discount on taxes,                                    | 55 92             |          |
|                                                       | <u>          </u> | 3908 85  |
| Cash securities as per settlement of Feb. 28th, 1851, | 668 88            |          |
| Received as interest,                                 | 19 39             |          |
|                                                       | <u>          </u> | \$688 27 |

*Accounted for as follows :*

|                                                                    |                   |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Received as principal, and interest on securities,                 | 158 27            |           |
| Securities on hand,                                                | 530 00            |           |
|                                                                    | <u>          </u> | \$688 27  |
| Securities on Literary fund, as by settlement of<br>Feb. 28, 1851, | 2332 707          |           |
| Cash in the treasury, Feb. 28, 1851,                               | 347 96            |           |
| Interest received on securities,                                   | 96 83             |           |
|                                                                    | <u>          </u> | \$5776 85 |

*Accounted for as follows :*

|                                                             |                   |         |
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| Received as interest on securities,                         | 96 83             |         |
| Securities on hand,                                         | 2671 99           |         |
| Cash in treasury,                                           | 8 04              |         |
|                                                             | <u>          </u> | 2776 86 |
| Amount of Lerner Legacy, as by settlement Feb.<br>28, 1851, | 477 08            |         |
| Cash in treasury, Feb, 28, 1851,                            | 22 92             |         |
| Rec'd as interest,                                          | 25 99             |         |
|                                                             | <u>          </u> | 525 99  |

*Accounted for as follows :*

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| Rec'd as interest,                                                            | 25 99             |         |
| Securities on hand,                                                           | 477 08            |         |
| Cash in treasury,                                                             | 22 92             |         |
|                                                                               | <u>          </u> | 525 99  |
| Cash in the treasury, as by settlement of Feb. 28,<br>1851,                   | 816 83            |         |
| Cash rec'd of Collector for 1851,                                             | 3852 93           |         |
| Cash rec'd on principal and interest on securities,                           | 158 27            |         |
| Cash rec'd as interest on literary fund,                                      | 96 83             |         |
| Interest on Lerner legacy,                                                    | 25 99             |         |
| Rec'd of State Treasurer, the 24th division of literary<br>fund,              | 103 38            |         |
| Cash rec'd of State Treasurer, for bounty on crows,                           | 58 50             |         |
| Cash rec'd for timber, from town farm,                                        | 55 00             |         |
| Cash rec'd of county for support of paupers,                                  | 47 00             |         |
| Cash rec'd of State to pay soldiers,                                          | 73 00             |         |
| Cash rec'd of State for railroad tax,                                         | 129 36            |         |
| Cash rec'd of selectmen,                                                      | 3 08              |         |
| Cash rec'd of selectmen, for rent on house formerly<br>occupied by S. Ordway, | 5 00              |         |
| Cash rec'd for rent,                                                          | 3 00              |         |
|                                                                               | <u>          </u> | 5428 17 |

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for General North



*Accounted for as follows :*

|                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Paid sundry orders drawn on the treasurer, | 4899 38         |
| Cash on hand,                              | 528 79          |
|                                            | <hr/> \$5428 77 |

We certify that we have examined the Selectmen's and Treasurer's accounts and find the same duly vouched and correctly cast, and that the foregoing is a true statement thereof.

G. W. CURRIER,  
MOSES COLBY,  
NICHOLAS QUIMBY, } *Auditors.*

**Selectmen's Report of the Pauper Establishment.**

## PROPERTY APPRAISED ON PAUPER FARM.

|                                |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Pair Oxen,                   | \$110 00        |
| 7 Cows,                        | 147 00          |
| 7 Young Cattle,                | 77 00           |
| 26 Sheep,                      | 60 00           |
| 24 Tons Hay,                   | 240 00          |
| 2 Tons Meadow Hay,             | 10 00           |
| 45 bushels Corn,               | 36 00           |
| 62 bushels Oats,               | 21 70           |
| 3 bushels Wheat,               | 3 50            |
| 3 Shoats,                      | 30 00           |
| 140 bushels Potatoes,          | 56 00           |
| 4 barrels Apples,              | 10 00           |
| Vinegar and Cider,             | 9 00            |
| 420 pounds Cheese,             | 29 40           |
| 50 pounds Butter,              | 8 33            |
| Beans and Peas,                | 3 50            |
| 450 pounds Pork,               | 45 00           |
| 50 pounds Fresh Pork and Beef, | 4 00            |
| 200 pounds Ham,                | 18 00           |
| 300 pounds Beef,               | 18 00           |
| 65 pounds Lard,                | 6 50            |
| 45 pounds Tallow and Candles,  | 4 00            |
| 1 1-2 barrels Soap,            | 6 00            |
| Garden Sauce,                  | 2 00            |
| Flour and Meal,                | 5 00            |
| 100 pounds Dried Apple,        | 6 00            |
| 9 pairs Feeting,               | 3 37            |
| 29 yards Flannel,              | 14 50           |
| 3 yards Frocking,              | 1 75            |
| 9 pounds Stocking Yarn,        | 7 50            |
| Lumber,                        | 10 00           |
| 9 yards Cassimere,             | 7 50            |
|                                | <hr/> \$1010 53 |

**Pauper Establishment,****Dr.**

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|------------------------------|---------|
| 1851.                        |         |
| March, 1, To Real Estate,    | 3000 00 |
| " Stock, Hay and Provisions, | 954 79  |
| " Tools and Furniture,       | 175 00  |

|                                    |         |           |
|------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| " Interest on the same one year,   | 247 78  |           |
| " Agent's compensation,            | 210 00  |           |
| " Orders drawn on Treasurer,       | 50 00   |           |
| " Doctor's bills,                  | 9 74    |           |
|                                    |         | \$4647 31 |
| 1852.                              |         |           |
| March 1, By Real Estate,           | 3000 00 |           |
| " Stock, Hay and Provisions,       | 1010 55 |           |
| " Tools and Furniture,             | 175 00  |           |
| " Cash in agent's hands,           | 1 51    |           |
|                                    |         | \$4187 06 |
| Balance against the Establishment, |         | 460 25    |
|                                    |         | \$4647 31 |

Average number of paupers supported the past year,  
about 16.

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| HERRICK PUTNAM,  | } Selectmen<br>of<br>Hopkinton. |
| JOS. STANWOOD,   |                                 |
| CHA'S. C. DAVIS, |                                 |

## Report of the Superintending School Committee.

The Superintending School Committee feel no slight degree of pleasure, in being able to present a report of the condition of our schools, so highly gratifying to the lovers of popular education. During the past year, there has been manifested an unusual degree of interest in this subject. Teachers have been more efficient. The parents have manifested a greater degree of interest by their frequent visits to the school-room. By meetings held in different parts of the town, where matters pertaining to the progress and promotion of the objects and removal of the obstacles in the way of the success and elevation of the character and extended usefulness of our common schools, have been examined and discussed.

We have been pleased to observe among the different Districts, a waking up in relation to the School-houses which have disgraced our town. One has been demolished, and in its place a good, convenient and substantial one erected. Two have been repaired and made convenient and comfortable, and two others partially repaired, thus manifesting an interest by contributing "material aid." Some three or four miserable buildings now remain a reproach to the Districts where they are situated, but we hope the welfare of the children, compelled to occupy these old dilapidated monuments of antiquity, will stimulate these Districts to "go and do likewise."

Year after year, we have read from the reports of our Superintending Committee, some of the reasons why many of our schools fail to meet our wishes. We find urgent appeals to teachers and prudential committees for more vigilance and effort, but something more is necessary—we may have the best teachers—if there is no interest manifested by the parents, the school will fail of affording the benefit desired. The Committee hail the general interest which has been awakened in this community the past year, as the certain harbinger of better results. When the people say we will have good schools,—then and not till then will that time come. So long as dissensions in the Districts and party or personal feuds bear the sway, and more interest is felt by the parties to

these feuds for their particular views to obtain the ascendancy at all sacrifices,—just so long—though we may have a *Solomon for the Teacher*, we fail of successful results. There must be for the success of any school perfect union, and a cordial co-operation of committees—parents—teachers—scholars, all laboring for the one point—improvement.

As a general thing, there exists with us a fault in the frequent change of teachers; a good and faithful teacher is employed, and labors with the school for a season, knows the capacity of the scholars, and their requirements,—but is perhaps by some member of the District, for some cause disliked, this teacher for this reason, must with the first season terminate his connexion with the school, at that time when by leaving, he may do irreparable injury, and some stranger, though perhaps equally competent teacher, fills his place, labors under the same disadvantages, and meets the same doom. This course is all wrong, and if there was a correct spirit having the welfare of our schools at heart, would cease to exist.

Your Committee, believing there is as much money appropriated for the support of schools as is profitably expended, would not recommend an amount to be raised for this object, greater than the appropriation of last year, and we are further of opinion that the expenditure of such a sum, would be productive of more beneficial results, if divided among the different Districts of the town in accordance with the vote of last year. More interest in our schools will accomplish much greater improvement with the present appropriation, than a larger sum expended, as is often done injudiciously.

Hoping that the time is not far distant when our common schools—the boast and pride of New England, will be elevated in character, and usefulness, so as to meet the requirements of the rising generations, we would respectfully submit these remarks—the following detailed report and Tubular Statement:

### TABULAR STATEMENT.

| SUMMER SCHOOLS.   |                          |                  |                      |                                                   |                                           | WINTER SCHOOLS.   |                          |                  |                      |                                                   |                                           |
|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| No. of Districts, | Length of sch. in weeks, | No. of Scholars, | Av. No. of Scholars, | No. of persons bet. 4 & 14, not attending school, | Wages of Teacher per month, ex. of board, | No. of Districts, | Length of sch. in weeks, | No. of Scholars, | Av. No. of Scholars, | No. of persons bet. 4 & 14, not attending school, | Wages of Teacher per month, ex. of board, |
| 1                 | 11-2                     | 54               | 40                   |                                                   | 10 00                                     | 1                 | 10 <sup>1-2</sup>        | 68               | 53                   | 1                                                 | 16 00                                     |
| 2                 | 13                       | 21               | 16                   | 2                                                 | 6 00                                      | 2                 | 9                        | 26               | 22                   |                                                   | 16 00                                     |
| 3                 | 11                       | 20               | 16                   |                                                   | 5 00                                      | 3                 | 8                        | 26               | 23                   | 3                                                 | 16 00                                     |
| 4                 | 11                       | 25               | 18                   | 5                                                 | 4 00                                      | 4                 | 11                       | 24               | 22                   |                                                   | 14 00                                     |
| 5                 |                          |                  |                      |                                                   |                                           | 5                 | 18                       | 14               | 10                   |                                                   | 8 00                                      |
| 6                 | 10                       | 16               | 13                   | 2                                                 | 7 00                                      | 6                 | 11                       | 12               | 10                   | 1                                                 | 8 00                                      |
| 7                 | 12                       | 22               | 18                   |                                                   | 4 00                                      | 7                 | 12                       | 32               | 26                   | 3                                                 | 14 00                                     |
| 8                 | 8                        | 14               | 12                   |                                                   | 6 00                                      | 8                 | 9 <sup>1-2</sup>         | 22               | 19                   | 2                                                 | 13 50                                     |
| 9                 |                          |                  |                      |                                                   |                                           | 9                 | 13                       | 20               | 13                   |                                                   | 13 00                                     |
| 10                | 12                       | 50               | 33                   |                                                   | 8 50                                      | 10                | 14                       | 74               | 60                   |                                                   | 16 00                                     |
| 11                | 13 <sup>1-2</sup>        | 31               | 28                   | 4                                                 | 4 00                                      | 11                | 9                        | 34               | 25                   |                                                   | 14 00                                     |
| 12                |                          |                  |                      |                                                   |                                           | 12                | 11 <sup>1-2</sup>        | 18               | 12                   |                                                   | 13 00                                     |
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| 15                | 11                       | 13               | 11                   |                                                   | 6 00                                      | 15                | 11 <sup>1-2</sup>        | 21               | 15                   | 1                                                 | 12 00                                     |
| 16                | 10                       | 16               | 14                   |                                                   | 5 00                                      | 16                | 12                       | 24               | 23                   |                                                   | 8 00                                      |
| 17                | 8                        | 13               | 10                   |                                                   | 5 00                                      | 17                | 12                       | 16               | 11                   | 4                                                 | 11 00                                     |
| 18                |                          |                  |                      |                                                   |                                           | 18                | 10                       | 7                | 5                    |                                                   | 6 00                                      |
| 19                | 10                       | 27               | 24                   |                                                   | 6 00                                      | 19                | 10                       | 31               | 22                   | 2                                                 | 16 00                                     |
| 20                | 14                       | 42               | 35                   |                                                   | 8 00                                      | 20                | 9                        | 56               | 36                   |                                                   | 18 00                                     |
| 21                | 8                        | 7                | 6                    |                                                   | 4 00                                      | 21                | 9                        | 9                | 8                    |                                                   | 5 00                                      |

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

**SUMMER TERM.**—Marcia M. King, Instructress.

The advancement made by this school in the various branches taught, was very good. Miss K's decision in the government of her pupils and thoroughness in their recitations, would be a high recommendation to any teacher.

**WINTER TERM.**—Geo. W. Currier, Teacher.

To Mr. C. and his pupils, much praise is due for the high character of this school the past term. The scholars acquitted themselves honorably in the review, considering the unexpected close of the school. It was very gratifying to the committee to meet so many parents and friends at the examination, as it speaks well for the future prospects of this school.

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

**SUMMER TERM.**—Harriet W. Weeks, Instructress.

Miss W. is one of those unassuming characters, whose real worth as a teacher does not appear to the superficial observer. We think she owes it to herself to cultivate a stronger self reliance, and more commanding bearing in school. The progress made by most of the scholars was good.

**WINTER TERM.**—D. P. Woodbury, Teacher.

The energy and decision imparted by this teacher to the scholars was manifest throughout the school. The progress of the scholars was rapid and their lengthy examination at the final visit, exhibited a degree of familiarity with the studies pursued seldom equalled.

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

**SUMMER TERM.**—Louisa C. Weeks, Instructress.

Considering the inexperience of this teacher, we consider her success extraordinary. Energy, united with a dignified, commanding presence of mind, commanded the respect and attention of the scholars. The school was highly successful.

**WINTER TERM.**—D. P. Woodbury, Teacher.

This school was highly prospered under Mr. W's. management, in all the studies pursued; particularly in Geography, by his introduction at his own Expense of Fowl's Outline maps. As great an advancement, as was made here in the study of Geography by the whole school, we think must be very rare. There was great interest manifested here on the part of Parents and others in visiting the school.

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

**SUMMER TERM.**—Susan V. Currier, Instructress.

Miss C. possessed the ability of not only imparting instruction to others, but of gaining the good will of her scholars, which is so necessary for complete success. Her efforts were successful, and the school was highly beneficial.

**WINTER TERM.**—R. F. Morgan, Teacher.

We should judge that this school was highly profitable and satisfactory to all concerned. A high degree of advancement was made in all the studies pursued,—especially in Geography, as the Teacher had the generosity to introduce Fowl's Outline maps, at his own expense. Great attention was paid to writing, and consequently good improvement was made. The parents and citizens are wide awake in this District, to the importance of our schools.

DISTRICT NO. 5—*No Summer Term.*

WINTER TERM—Mary A. Allison, Instructress.

By hiring a most competent and judicial female Teacher, this district enjoyed a long time of profitable schooling. Miss A. possesses a combination of admirable qualities for a Teacher. Energy and precision united with a thorough elementary education and a pleasing manner of imparting instruction. We found some excellent readers and grammarians in this school. The compositions read at the examination would do honor to any scholars.

## DISTRICT NO. 6.

SUMMER &amp; WINTER TERM.—Serena C. Quimby, Instructress.

This school was under Miss Q's instruction both terms. Its management indicated much interest and tact on the part of the teacher.—The reviews at the close of both terms was thorough and highly creditable to the scholars. This District has taken a very important step in favor of popular education, by the improvement of their house the past year.

## DISTRICT NO. 7.

SUMMER TERM—Angelia C. Hawthorne, Instructress.

This school at the final review appeared exceeding well. It was such as would be an honor to any class of pupils. The determination of the teacher to be successful, was plainly manifest in the management, and succeeded admirably well.

WINTER TERM—I. Story, Teacher.

This school at the second visit of the Committee, had several weeks to continue. But there had been evidently a good degree of proficiency. The examination of the different classes, showed a familiarity with what they had passed over, the good order and strict, though easy discipline, gave the strongest evidence that the efforts of the teacher had been in the highest degree successful.

## DISTRICT NO. 8.

SUMMER TERM—Ann R. Webster, Instructress.

We visited this school but once, which was at the commencement.—We found the teacher so well qualified and all so harmonious, that we were confident that her labors would be satisfactory to all concerned.

WINTER TERM—A. P. F. Tenney, and Franklin Abbott, Teachers.

This school was commenced by Mr. T. and continued four weeks, when he left by mutual consent. It was visited but once, therefore we cannot speak of his success. Under Mr A's. instruction we visited it twice and are happy to say, we found a commendable teacher and school. The teacher says "they made great progress in their studies, and very much in their deportment," which is very gratifying and praiseworthy.

DISTRICT NO. 9.—*No Summer Term.*

WINTER TERM—James M. Burnham, Teacher.

This teacher labored with untiring vigilance, and the school appeared well. There was good proficiency in many of the classes, but the attendance was very irregular, thus injuring in some measure the advancement of a portion of the school.

## DISTRICT NO. 10.

SUMMER TERM—H. Matilda Brooks, Instructress.

At the commencement of the term there were strong assurances of the prosperity of the school under the directions of Miss B., but from a misunderstanding as to the time of visiting the school, at its close, between the teacher and your committee, we are unable to judge of the progress made.

WINTER TERM—H. M. Brooks, Instructress.

Miss B. has labored zealously and faithfully for the good and real advancement of her pupils, but irregular attendance by a portion of the scholars, and other causes counteracted the efficiency of her labors in a measure. The final visit was unexpected, and before the close of the term, nevertheless the classes reviewed well and indicated commendable proficiency in the various branches pursued. We would say to the parents, you have a good house, but do not embrace the idea that your labors are done, as that is only one step among the many to raise the common school, to the position it should hold with other institutions of our country.

## DISTRICT NO. 11

SUMMER TERM—Frances E. Daniels, Instructress.

This school appeared well. The review of the classes was thorough and showed that a fair improvement was the result of the commendable efforts of this teacher.

WINTER TERM—Stephen C. Davis, Instructor.

In this school we did not find that healthy state of things so desirable by a liberty loving people to the well being of the youth of our country, yet among the smaller members, there was to some extent an improvement.

DISTRICT NO. 12.—*No Summer School.*

WINTER TERM—Horace Berry, Teacher.

This school made a good degree of advancement in Arithmetic, reading and spelling. The teacher's precision in reading, and his applications of rules for the spelling of derivative words, were worthy of praise. The scholars honored themselves at the examination.

## DISTRICT NO. 13.

SUMMER & WINTER TERMS—Malvina Brown, Instructress.

Great advantage arises by having a school under the same teacher for two terms, as we have witnessed in a few instances the past year. Miss B., acquitted herself honorably and to great advantage to the interests of her pupils and the district. The reviews at the close of both terms were thorough and deserving much credit to the pupils, and may with propriety be called a very successful and profitable school. The appearance of the House in its exterior, interior and adaptedness to the scholars, is an honor to the district.

## DISTRICT NO. 14.

SUMMER TERM—Mary L. Currier, Instructress.

The kindness and patience manifested by the teacher, appeared to be such as should win the love and respect of the scholars. The school was small and made good advancement.

WINTER TERM—Robert H. Tewksbury, Instructor.

The committee were very much gratified by the improvement that was made by all the *reading classes*, evincing a thoroughness on the teacher and pupils not often found. His great endeavor was to impart practical knowledge which should be the end and aim of all instructions in our common schools.

#### DISTRICT NO. 15.

SUMMER TERM—Isabella P. Tyler, Instructress.

Miss T., entered this school without experience as many others have, notwithstanding she succeeded very well indeed. The scholars were in good order, and made commendable progress in their studies, creditable to themselves and their teacher.

WINTER TERM—Mary H. Clough, Instructress.

At our final visit we found this school as anticipated at its commencement in excellent order and prompt in their answers. The teacher's experience and desire for improvement on the pupils part, produced those results so much to be desired and highly commendable to both, and satisfactory to the committee.

#### DISTRICT NO. 16.

SUMMER TERM.—Aterline J. Colby, Teacher.

The connection of Miss C. with this school, was productive of results highly creditable to her and profitable to the district. Well calculated to ensure the regard, and promote the success of those for whom she labored in a faithful and untiring manner.

WINTER TERM.—Aterline J. Colby and C. S. Wadsworth, Teachers.

Miss C. fully sustained the character she had earned in the Summer school, of being a good teacher, but from sickness was obliged to leave the school after having kept six weeks, and was succeeded by Miss W. who, though ably qualified, failed in good discipline, though some proficiency was made.

#### DISTRICT NO. 17.

SUMMER TERM.—Eliza A. Smith, Teacher.

Miss S. succeeded very well in the management of her school. The order was good. The pupils knew their places and kept them, and the progress was highly gratifying and creditable.

WINTER TERM.—George Wingate, Teacher.

This school was successful. Good order prevailed, and especially with the smaller scholars, good progress was made in the elementary branches.

#### DISTRICT NO. 18.—*No Summer School.*

WINTER TERM.—Miss Elisabeth D. Hoit, Teacher.

This school has just commenced. By Miss H.'s previous connection with this school, its condition is well understood by her, and we expect the needful remedies will be applied.

#### DISTRICT NO. 19.

SUMMER TERM.—Augusta C. Davis, Teacher.

The attendance of the scholars in this school, was interrupted by sickness and other causes, and though not what what we could have wished yet in most of the classes improvement was manifest.



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**WINTER TERM.—Charles Gould, Teacher.**

The lengthy examination of this school was very creditable to all interested. Good order, good interest, and consequently good proficiency was the reward of the labor of the teacher. The class in writing made excellent improvement.

**DISTRICT NO. 20.****SUMMER TERM.—Lydia C. Goss, Teacher.**

The reputation of this teacher was fully sustained in her relation with this school. There are many reasons why the advancement in this district is not more rapid. But under the direction of Miss G. the school was all that could have been expected.

**WINTER TERM.—James W. Webster, Teacher.**

The zealous and commendable interest of the teacher in this school, was in a good degree creditable to the district in the judicious selection of the teacher, and for the prosperity of the school. This school will never excel until the scholars are more generally supplied with books, and the attendance more regular.

**DISTRICT NO. 21.****SUMMER TERM.—M. E. Putnam, Teacher.**

This school failed to be of great benefit to the district. Not so much for want of interest and effort by the teacher in connection with the school, as from the relation existing between the district and teacher, previous to its commencement. But a few scholars were present at the examination, and those who attended regularly made some progress.

**WINTER TERM.—Helen J. Stanley, Teacher.**

The untiring perseverance of this teacher, together with the co-operation of parents and scholars, caused rapid advancement in every class, and was worthy of the highest praise.

ISAAC STORY,  
S. LAFAYETTE SIMPSON, } *Superintending*  
PERLY W. BECK, } *School Committee.*

*Hopkinton, March 1, 1852.*