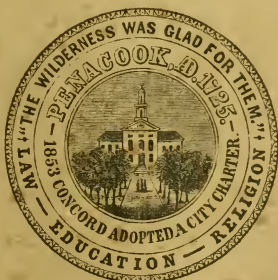


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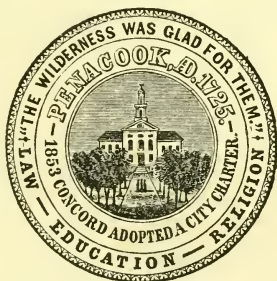


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REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Joint Standing Committee on Finance, in conformity with the requirements of the ordinance prescribing their duties, "establishing a system of accountability in the expenditures of the city," submit to the City Council their Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures of the financial year ending February 1, 1856.

We have examined the Treasurer's books, and those of the City Clerk, and find that all payments therein recorded are duly authenticated with appropriate vouchers, and that the several items, footings and balances are correctly cast and stated, and that the books of those officers have been faithfully kept, and with a system that cannot fail to give satisfaction to the tax payers of the city.

RECEIPTS.

The revenue of the year has been derived from the following sources, viz :

Received of B. F. Gale, Collector, on account of taxes,.....	\$28,888 44
Received of J. L. Cilley,.....	752 34
" " J. E. Lang, Treasurer, balance,..	382 78
" Literary Fund, 1855,.....	558 14
" County of Merrimack, for paupers,..	1,059 84
" Conn. & Merrimack Rivers R. R., for land damage,.....	100 00
" For licenses,	148 40
" of Rufus Clement, for paupers,	31 00

Received for bonds sold,	503 66
“ Railroad tax,	3,221 17
“ of Police Judge, for fines, &c.,.....	215 93
“ town of Lempster, for pauper,.....	6 15
“ dividend on 4 shares Mechanicks Bank,	32 00
“ of Moses Humphrey, for stone sold from Poor Farm,	125 00
“ for rent of McDaniel house,.....	65 00
“ town of Deerfield, for pauper,	13 00
“ of J. S. Rollins,.....	150 55
“ Joseph Low, for lamp post,	25 00
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	\$36,638,40

EXPENDITURES.

The expenditures of the year have been as follows, chargeable to the respective appropriations, viz :

NEW DEBTS.

Paid State tax,	2342 20
“ County tax,.....	4672 44
“ for schools,	6414 14
“ School District, No. 3, for schooling children at the Poor Farm,.....	20 00
“ for roads and bridges,.....	3173 49
“ “ abatement of taxes,.....	51 92
“ “ school-house taxes,.....	2069 15
“ “ Teachers’ Institute,.....	176 00
“ “ printing and stationery,	468 92
“ “ watch and police,	984 53
“ “ County paupers,	568 68
“ “ City paupers,.....	815 11
“ “ incidentals,	662 13
“ “ fire department,	1233 75
“ “ interest and principal on City debt,....	3931 66
“ “ cemeteries,	131 92
“ “ salaries,.....	2118 00
“ “ streets and common sewers,	507 14
“ “ professional services,.....	69 00
“ “ parsonage fund,.....	281 80
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	\$30,691 98

OUTSTANDING DEBTS.

Paid for roads and bridges,	280	98
“ “ City paupers,	113	45
“ “ County paupers,	406	67
“ “ professional services,.....	331	58
“ “ incidentals,	415	82
“ “ fire department,	45	50
“ “ salaries,	965	00
“ “ printing and stationery,.....	221	83
“ “ police and watch,.....	117	66
“ “ streets and common sewers,.....	44	25
	2,942 74	
	30,691 98	
	\$33,634 72	

The details of the expenditures will be found under the several heads of the appropriations appended.

Annexed are also schedules of the property at the City Farm, a statement of the City debt, and debts due the City, present value of our bridges, the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, &c.

JOHN ABBOTT, GEO. B. CHANDLER, JAMES THOMPSON,	}	Committee on Finance.
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February 15, 1856.

EXPENDITURES
OF THE
CITY OF CONCORD,

UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1856.

NEW ACCOUNTS.

State Tax.

Paid State Treasurer,.....\$2342 20

County Tax.

Paid County Treasurer,.....\$4672 44

For Schools.

Paid Dist. No. 1,	109 25	Paid Dist. No. 15,	65 14
“ “ “ 2,	73 90	“ “ “ 16,	51 13
“ “ “ 3,	245 19	“ “ “ 17,	46 60
“ “ “ 4,	77 14	“ “ “ 18,	99 89
“ “ “ 5,	82 49	“ “ “ 19,	153 74
“ “ “ 6,	58 98	“ “ “ 20,	381 69
“ “ “ 7,	95 30	“ “ “ 21,	93 51
“ “ “ 8,	109 73	“ “ “ 22,	55 85
“ “ “ 9,	1006 37	“ “ “ 23,	14 50
“ “ “ 10,	2468 95	No. 8, in Hopkinton,	3 12
“ “ “ 11,	799 55	P'd A. Buswell & Sons,	3 14
“ “ “ 12,	140 07		
“ “ “ 13,	107 75		\$6414 14
“ “ “ 14,	71 16		

Paid School District No. 3, for schooling children
at the Farm,..... \$20 00

Roads and Bridges.

Paid Alfred C. Abbott, snowing bridge,	3	95
“ Benjamin Hoit, breaking out road,	6	50
“ Merr. & Con. River R. R. freight of plank,	15	52
“ A. Burbank, 10,252 feet of plank,	107	50
“ George W. Brown, lumber for bridge,	174	59
“ James Thompson, rebuilding road on Davis' hill,	46	39
“ Edward P. Farnham, work on road,	15	25
“ Reuben Goodwin, building bridge,	100	00
“ John Corliss, Jun., work on highway,	36	37
“ Gilman W. Holt, work on highway,	19	62
“ James Thompson, work on Soucook bridge, ...	10	75
“ Wm. B. Thompson, work on highway,	21	70
“ M. B. Abbott, plank and work on road,	3	01
“ Charles Hall, for plank and work,	24	50
“ Wm. B. Thompson, work on highway,	12	00
“ Abel B. Holt, labor on Free Bridge Road,	324	00
“ Abel B. Holt, working out indictment on road, .	819	37
“ Abel B. Holt, new bridge, west of Free Bridge, .	119	51
“ Abel B. Holt, plank and labor on Free Bridge, .	232	48
“ John Ewer, 1361 ft. plank, and work on road, .	136	68
“ F. F. Hoit, repairing highway and snowing bridge,	16	17
Paid James E. Brown, 1085 ft. plank,	14	07
“ Ephraim C. Elliott, 11 3-4 days work on road, .	11	75
“ S. H. Dumas, damages allowed for new street, .	101	60
“ Hiram Simpson, abutment at Soucook,	717	50
“ Charles Graham, 20 days work in Dist. No. 14,	28	40
“ James Thompson, 175 ft. plank, spikes, &c., .	6	72
“ A. S. Smith, 196 ft. plank, and labor,	4	47
“ Town of Pembroke, work on Soucook bridge, .	3	92
“ Samuel L. Baker, work on road,	15	00
“ Henry H. Potter, work on road,	3	00
“ James Sanborn, work on road,	6	00
“ Matthew N. Brown, 12 days work on road,	10	50
“ B. G. Davis, breaking out road,	4	75
		\$3173 49

Abatement of Taxes by order on the Treasurer.

Paid Robert Davis,	5	04
“ Nelson Tenney,	3	60

Paid Samuel Kelley,.....	4	06
“ James F. Sargent,.....	2	00
“ Charles P. Adams,.....	3	82
“ J. L. Fowler,.....	1	53
“ Edward Gould,.....	1	47
“ Alfred Burroughs,.....	1	15
“ Aaron Lamprey,.....	2	29
“ James Sanborn,.....	3	82
“ C. C. Shaw,.....	13	50
“ Charles L. Morgan,.....	4	59
“ John Eastman,.....	7	65
“ C. H. Stearns,.....	7	40
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		\$51 92

School House Taxes.

Paid Dodge Hayward, District No. 1,.....	50	00
“ Eleazer Jackson, “ “ 10,.....	1100	63
“ Matthew N. Brown, “ “ 14,.....	14	17
“ H. H. Brown, “ “ 20,.....	535	00
“ Abbott Saltmarsh, “ “ 22,.....	43	35
“ “ “ 2,.....	326	00
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		\$2069 15

Teachers' Institute.

Paid Edmund Worth,.....	\$176	00
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Printing and Stationery.

Paid Amos Hadley, printing 2d Annual Report,....	101	02
“ “ “ advertising,.....	1	50
“ Jos. C. Peters, stereotyping Charter,.....	20	08
“ Mower & Nye, printing 2 quires blanks,.....	1	50
“ Barton & Hadley, advertising ordinances, &c.,.	32	37
“ Jones & Cogswell, printing Municipal Register,	139	13
“ Wm. Butterfield, printing,.....	12	28
“ Morrill & Silsby, paper, printing, &c.....	40	31
“ G. P. Lyon, stationery,.....	6	55
“ McFarland & Jenks, printing and advertising,.	102	56
“ Merriam & Merrill, stationery,.....	11	62
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		\$468 92

Watch and Police.

Paid James M. Ordway, service as watch,.....	2	00
“ Chas. G. Hook, witness fee,.....	3	87
“ S. B. Whicher, watchman from Jan. 25 to Mar. 31,.....	82	50
Paid Reuben Lake, police service one day,.....	1	50
“ Gas Co., gas for Marshal’s office, Feb. 1 to July 1,.....	6	00
Paid J. B. Stanley, police badges,.....	33	75
“ E. E. Sturtevant, services as watchman and po- lice officer,.....	108	25
Paid James Hazelton, ribbons for police badges,....	2	41
“ Rolfe & Marshall, professional services in Police Court,	3	58
Paid Wm. H. Buntin, police service,	51	29
“ E. E. Sturtevant, watchman and police,.....	101	00
“ B. F. Gale, wood for Marshal’s office, &c.,....	35	08
“ Wm. T. Locke, police service,.....	10	50
“ S. B. Whicher, “ “	20	00
“ E. E. Sturtevant, watch and police service,....	113	90
“ H. H. Holt, 3 1-2 days police service,.....	5	00
“ bills for building Lobby, as per Resolution,....	147	50
“ Wm. T. Locke, police service,.....	130	00
“ Brown & Young, 3 chairs for Marshal’s office,.	1	50
“ G. C. Houston, police service,.....	2	00
“ C. S. Root, rent of lobby,.....	6	00
“ Isaac Eastman, police services,.....	5	00
“ Jacob P. Wheeler, police services,.....	13	50
“ H. Langley, wood for Marshal’s office,.....	14	50
“ C. H. Norton, rent of Marshal’s office,.....	75	00
“ J. L. Pickering, articles for lobby,.....	1	90
“ J. A. Coburn, police services,.....	10	50
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		\$984 53

County Paupers.

Paid William P. Hardy, articles delivered paupers,..	11	60
“ Smith & Batchelder, “ “ “ ..	15	67
“ D. C. Peaslee, case of small pox,.....	50	00
“ R. Clement, cash paid paupers,.....	22	30
“ Rolfe & Marshall, rent of house for Mrs. Rowe,	25	50
“ Moores & Barker, supplies for James Dorety,..	68	

Paid	N. H. Asylum, board of D. Scannell,.....	32	78
"	" " " " " " H. Ryan,.....	32	00
"	E. W. Upham, expense of removing Heath and family,.....	13	60
Paid	R. Clement, cash paid for Mary McCarty,.....	10	00
"	Seth Eastman, rent of house for Drew,.....	3	50
"	Wm. H. Smart, med. att. on County paupers,..	117	50
"	Joseph Brown, for funeral services,.....	5	00
"	J. F. Hoit, goods to County paupers,.....	6	88
"	T. H. Bickford, robe to pauper,.....	2	50
"	Daniel A. Hill, coffin,.....	4	00
"	Willard Clark, for rent of house,.....	3	00
"	Wm. P. Hardy, goods delivered pauper,.....	2	48
"	N. H. Asylum, board of Scannell & Ryan,....	70	53
"	S. C. Badger, house rent for Mrs. Buckman,..	70	00
"	Amos Blanchard, goods to County paupers,....	13	81
"	John Gass, boarding Mrs. Voghler,.....	11	00
"	Samuel Evans, goods to David R. Tandy,.....	5	00
"	B. F. Gale, aid to paupers,.....	34	35
"	A. C. Pierce, wood to Richard Lee,.....	5	00
			\$568 68

City Paupers.

Paid	John Abbott, journey to Bennington, about pauper,	5	00
Paid	John Batchelder, supplies to Eleazer Davis,..	6	86
"	N. G. Spiller, for support of parents,.....	6	50
"	Batchelder & Smith, goods for paupers,.....	17	05
"	Rufus Clement, journey to Bennington,.....	3	00
"	N. G. Spiller, support of parents,.....	6	50
"	Town of Bennington, keeping pauper,.....	9	75
"	Rufus Clement, cash paid for Mr. Dow,.....	16	20
"	Ira Abbott, 6 months board of child,.....	9	00
"	Joseph Greenough, expenses of Coroner's inquest,	12	25
Paid	R. Clement, clothing for John Frank,.....	12	00
"	N. Wight, medical attendance on pauper,.....	6	25
"	Moses Gill, for Poor Farm,.....	100	00
"	Orris J. Ayer, case of small pox,.....	25	00
"	Isaac Clement, aid to Moses Lull,.....	7	00
"	N. H. Asylum, board of Eleazer Davis,.....	11	33

Paid N. G. Spiller, aid from June 20, 1855, to Feb. 21, 1856,.....	28	17
Paid Town of Pembroke, support of J. Batchelder,.	34	00
“ B. F. Gale, aid to paupers, as per vouchers,...	38	75
“ John L. Hadley, expenses of V. Worthen, of Plymouth,.....	27	50
Paid Town of Plymouth, expenses of Sim. Eastman,	40	35
“ David Watson, cash to Jonathan Knowles,.....	2	00
“ Moses Gill, for Poor Farm,.....	100	00
“ Clement & Bean, rent for Moses Lull,.....	15	00
“ John Batchelder, goods to Eleazer Davis,.....	15	11
“ M. Farnum, support of Rebecca Currier,.....	39	00
“ A. Blanchard, goods to Moses Lull's family,...	68	61
“ B. F. Gale, aid to Mrs. Collier,.....	10	00
“ B. F. Gale, aid to paupers, as per vouchers,...	9	51
“ Joseph Brown, coffins, &c., for paupers,.....	7	50
“ Samuel Evans, aid to D. R. Tandy,.....	5	00
“ H. Langley, wood to paupers,.....	9	28
“ N. H. Asylum, board of Scannell & Ryan,....	74	43
“ C. H. Clough, goods to paupers,.....	4	46
“ J. A. Coburn, coffin to paupers,.....	5	50
“ John Abbott, to paid paupers,.....	6	00
“ W. H. Smart, attendance on paupers,.....	21	25
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		\$815 11

Incidentals.

Paid Batchelder & Smith, wood for Marshal's office,	1	87
“ Jacob Carter, Post Office bill,.....	2	55
“ George D. Abbott, 7 guide boards,.....	7	00
“ James Prescott, damage to horse,.....	25	00
“ J. B. Stanley, clock for Marshal's office,.....	5	00
“ Jacob Carter, Post Office bill,.....	1	72
“ N. Bouton, new engraving of City seal,.....	5	00
“ Jacob Carter, Post Office bill,.....		64
“ Hiram Simpson, damage from defect in highway,	150	00
“ David Watson, extra services,.....	22	72
“ Gas Company,.....	4	00
“ James H. Chase, lining stove in Clerk's office,.	1	59
“ George W. Frost, 1-2 cord wood for Clerk's office,.....	2	25
Paid Dudley & Corning, carriage hire,.....	22	75
“ John Abbott, making taxes.....	43	00

" David Watson, numbering houses,.....	25	00
" E. H. Rollins, burning fluid,.....	1	56
" Granite Guards, as per resolution C. Council, ..	100	00
" Sylvester & Eastman, 3 spittoons,	1	26
" John Eaton, sawing 1 1-2 cord wood,.....	1	50
" Jacob Carter, Post Office bill,.....	1	31
" Robert Buswell, wood for Clerk's office,.....	5	00
" Samuel Coffin, journey to Plymouth, &c.,.....	11	97
" Nathan Wiser, sanding streets,.....	2	50
" G. & E. Hutchins, use of Phenix Hall,.....	25	00
" Benjamin Parker, use of horse and wagon,....	2	50
" 19th School District, use of school room,.....	4	00
" S. G. Sylvester, service on committees,.....	2	00
" Samuel Curtis, damage on road,.....	5	00
" County of Merrimack, costs on indictment,....	2	57
" Benjamin Parker, surveying,.....	24	00
" Ira Osgood, damage on highway,.....	3	00
" Wm. P. Hardy, shovel,.....	1	75
" 3d School District, use of school house,	4	00
" Moses Humphrey, attending on committees,....	23	00
" Peter Dudley, " " "	19	00
" J. C. A. Hill, blank book for Ward 6,.....	1	12
		\$662 13

Fire Department.

Paid John Wheeler, moving Engine House,.....	10	00
" O. G. Ingalls, work on Engine,	10	70
" Hunneman & Co., for signal lanterns,	73	00
" Shelton & Cheever, for hose and screws,.....	18	75
" N. P. Fogg, repairing reservoirs,	5	50
" True Osgood, services as Chief Engineer, &c.,	35	75
" Board of Engineers,	15	50
" Morrill & Silsby, printing and stationery,.....	11	17
" William Butterfield, printing,	11	00
" Engine Co. No. 7,	123	06
" Horace H. Holt,	12	87
" Engine Co. No. 2,.....	122	00
" " " " 3,.....	120	62
" " " " 4,.....	121	00
" " " " 6,.....	138	06
" " " " 8,.....	127	04
" Hook and Ladder Co.,.....	78	00

" Hosea Fessenden, hose, &c.,	48	55
" John D. Teel,	25	63
" Lowell Eastman,	3	38
" Nathan Call, damage to Aqueduct,	10	00
" Brown & Young, settees for Engine No. 6,	29	00
" Engine House, No. 6, painting,	34	93
" John A. West, lamps for No. 2,	3	84
" L. P. Fuller, taking care of Engines,	44	40
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		\$1233 75

Interest and Principal of City Debt.

Paid Joseph B. Walker, 1 year's interest on town note,	60	00
Paid interest on \$500, borrowed by J. C. Brown, ..	3	33
" R. Clement,	8	33
" Coupons,	2860	00
" 1 bond due,	1000	00
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		\$3931 66

Cemeteries.

Paid Samuel M. Griffin, repairing hearse, &c.,	34	25
" Hiram Farnum, repairing fence,	69	67
" Robert L. Hall, making hearse sleigh,	28	00
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		\$131 92

Salaries.

Paid Enos Blake, Assessor in Ward 5,	28	00
" A. C. Pierce, " " " 6,	22	00
" S. Seavey, " " " 4,	20	00
" D. Knowlton, " " " 7,	12	00
" G. W. Frost, " " " 2,	14	00
" John C. Brown, salary 3-4 of year,	37	50
" John Abbott, Assessor in Ward 3,	20	00
" John Batchelder, services as Assessor, Ward 1, ..	9	50
" Josiah Stevens, Judge of Police Court,	250	00
" David Watson, City Clerk, 1 year,	300	00
" Amos Hadley, Clerk of Common Council,	75	00
" B. F. Gale, City Marshal,	450	00
" Superintending School Committee,	150	00

Paid L. D. Stevens, City Solicitor,	100 00
“ Timothy Haynes,	5 00
“ Moses Gill, Overseer of the Poor Farm,	400 00
“ Mayor’s salary,	200 00
“ W. Odlin, City Treasurer,	25 00
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	\$2118 00

Streets and Common Sewers.

Paid A. B. Holt, 5189 feet plank, &c.,	159 07
“ Charles Nutting, stone, &c.,	215 00
“ A. C. Pierce, work on drains, &c.,	122 05
“ Samuel Fletcher, curb stones and posts,	10 00
“ Fletcher & Mann,	1 02
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	\$507 14

Professional Services.

Paid Ira Perley, term fee in Elliot v. Concord,	12 00
“ Asa Fowler, various services,	33 00
“ George & Foster,	24 00
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	\$69 00

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## OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS.

### Roads and Bridges.

|                                                                  |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Paid Wm. C. Greenough, work on highway, near Smoky Hollow, ..... | 2 00  |
| Paid Benj. Packard, for breaking road, different times, .....    | 5 00  |
| Paid G. J. & S. Colby, 2 days work breaking road, .....          | 2 00  |
| “ George Foss, “ “ “ “ .....                                     | 2 00  |
| “ Wm. M. Carter, 3900 feet stone, .....                          | 39 00 |
| “ S. D. Colby, self and cattle breaking road, ...                | 2 00  |
| “ D. S. Webster, hauling sand, .....                             | 3 00  |
| “ Wm. H. Brown, for work on highway, .....                       | 29 00 |
| “ B. G. Davis, breaking out road, .....                          | 2 75  |
| “ S. B. Locke, for 175 feet plank for bridge, ...                | 2 10  |
| “ James Sanborn, for 269 feet plank for sewer, ..                | 3 22  |



|                                                                           |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Jacob N. Flanders, highway surveyor, work in Dist. No. 20.....       | 6 60     |
| Paid Moses B. Abbott, highway surveyor, breaking out road,.....           | 5 80     |
| Paid Richard J. French, damage for defect in highway in Fisherville,..... | 8 00     |
| Paid James Prescott, for carriage hire,.....                              | 5 50     |
| “ James F. Lund, balance on account,.....                                 | 17 08    |
| “ Cyrus W. Paige, balance of his account,.....                            | 70 39    |
| “ Robert B. Hoit, for snowing Horse Hill bridge,                          | 7 00     |
| “ Wm. S. Curtis, drawing 28 loads of sand,....                            | 2 24     |
| “ Thomas Eastman, 9 days work on highway,..                               | 9 00     |
| “ John Ewer, highway surveyor, work in Dist. No. 2, .....                 | 20 70    |
| Paid Samuel Hutchins, highway surveyor, work in Dist. No. 2.....          | 6 75     |
| Paid Samuel Runnels, highway surveyor, work on road, over-tax, .....      | 4 35     |
| Paid O. G. Frye, repairing road,.....                                     | 15 50    |
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|                                                                           | \$280 98 |

### City Paupers.

|                                                         |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Nancy D. Abbott, board of Mrs. Jenness, .....      | 10 00    |
| “ Thos. W. Abbott, carrying pauper to Farm,....         | 1 50     |
| “ town of Bennington, expenses of Mrs. Bishop, ..       | 39 00    |
| “ E. G. Kilburn, sundries to Moses Lull, .....          | 3 00     |
| “ J. L. Cilley, cash advanced to John Anderson, ..      | 5 00     |
| “ John Carter, board of Rebecca Carter, .....           | 26 00    |
| “ Joseph Brown, coffin for Mrs. Jona. Arlin, .....      | 4 50     |
| “ Amasa Waterman, expenses of Joel Puffer, ....         | 5 25     |
| “ Heman Sanborn, removal of insane person, ....         | 3 00     |
| “ S. P. Durgin, removing paupers, .....                 | 2 15     |
| “ Chase Hill, shoes to Joel Puffer,.....                | 1 75     |
| “ Judith McCoy, expenses funeral of Annette Emery,..... | 7 30     |
| Paid John A. Coburn, coffin for Mrs. Davis,.....        | 5 00     |
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|                                                         | \$113 45 |

**County Paupers,**

|                                                                         |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid N. H. Asylum for board of Dennis Scannell<br>and Honora Ryan,..... | 47 48    |
| Paid R. C. Osgood, supplies to paupers,.....                            | 40 57    |
| “ Kimball & Hoyt, supplies to paupers, .....                            | 8 83     |
| “ James F. Sargent, medical attendance, .....                           | 85 49    |
| “ Thomas Chadbourne, small pox cases,.....                              | 185 00   |
| “ Jona. L. Cilley, aid to paupers, as per vouchers,                     | 39 30    |
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|                                                                         | \$406 67 |

**Professional Services.**

|                                                   |          |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Sylvester Dana, .....                        | 14 08    |
| “ J. F. Sargent, attending paupers not on farm,.. | 93 75    |
| “ George & Foster,.....                           | 223 75   |
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|                                                   | \$331 58 |

**Incidentals.**

|                                                                               |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Robert Davis, for special services in 1853, on<br>committees, &c., ..... | 100 00   |
| Paid Corning & Freese, carriage hire, .....                                   | 1 75     |
| “ C. N. Corning & Co., “ “ .....                                              | 1 75     |
| “ Lincoln & Shaw, rent of Marshal's office, ....                              | 5 21     |
| “ Moore & Cilley, articles of hardware, .....                                 | 13 40    |
| “ Mary Morrison, damages for defect in highway,                               | 167 80   |
| “ T. A. Ambrose, carriage hire, .....                                         | 5 25     |
| “ David Watson, extra services,.....                                          | 50 56    |
| “ Paltiah Brown, recording 3 deeds, .....                                     | 1 00     |
| “ John F. Brown, fluid, &c., for Clerk's office,..                            | 2 65     |
| “ Benjamin F. Watson, enrolling militia, .....                                | 5 00     |
| “ Warde & Walker, for padlocks,.....                                          | 1 50     |
| “ J. L. Cilley, wood and rent of lobby,.....                                  | 8 54     |
| “ James R. Hill, for damage to cellar, .....                                  | 11 75    |
| “ Franklin Low, use of Rumford Hall, Apr., 1855,                              | 5 00     |
| “ Geo. D. Abbott, for 57 guide boards,.....                                   | 28 42    |
| “ John F. Brown, for recording marriages, &c.,..                              | 6 24     |
|                                                                               | <hr/>    |
|                                                                               | \$415 82 |

**Fire Department.**

|                                                           |    |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----|---------|
| Paid C. H. Morrison, repairing engine house, . . . . .    | 1  | 25      |
| “ Philip Sargent, repair on engine No. 2, . . . . .       | 1  | 00      |
| “ E. D. Smart, drawing engine to fire, . . . . .          | 2  | 00      |
| “ James L. Mason, services at fires, . . . . .            | 11 | 25      |
| “ Luther Roby, pay as Chief Engineer, for 1854, . . . . . | 30 | 00      |
|                                                           |    | \$45 50 |

**Salaries.**

|                                                                                   |    |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|
| Paid Zebulon Smith, Selectman in Ward 2 for 1853<br>and 1854, . . . . .           | 6  | 00 |
| Paid S. B. Larkin, services as committee on accounts<br>for 1854, . . . . .       | 17 | 90 |
| Paid H. H. Amsden, salary as Alderman for 1854, . . . . .                         | 33 | 50 |
| “ John L. Tallant, “ “ “ ..                                                       | 31 | 80 |
| “ John Abbott, “ “ “ ..                                                           | 29 | 20 |
| “ Samuel Coffin, salary as Alderman, and on com-<br>mittee on accounts, . . . . . | 36 | 20 |
| Paid True Osgood, salary as Alderman for 1854, . . . . .                          | 27 | 10 |
| “ Geo. B. Chandler, salary as Alderman for 1854, . . . . .                        | 24 | 90 |
| “ Moses Shute, “ “ “ ..                                                           | 25 | 80 |
| “ Rufus D. Scales, Common Council, for 1854, . . . . .                            | 22 | 40 |
| “ Nath'l C. Elliot, “ “ “ ..                                                      | 16 | 00 |
| “ Heman Sanborn, “ “ “ ..                                                         | 16 | 90 |
| “ Sam'l B. Larkin, “ “ “ ..                                                       | 16 | 90 |
| “ Geo. W. Brown, “ “ “ ..                                                         | 15 | 60 |
| “ Moses Humphrey, “ “ “ ..                                                        | 20 | 80 |
| “ Joseph P. Stickney, “ “ “ ..                                                    | 16 | 50 |
| “ Joseph French, “ “ “ ..                                                         | 12 | 10 |
| “ Silas G. Sylvester, “ “ “ ..                                                    | 16 | 50 |
| “ Peter Dudley, “ “ “ ..                                                          | 12 | 10 |
| “ Wm. P. Hardy, “ “ “ ..                                                          | 17 | 60 |
| “ Thomas J. Tuck, “ “ “ ..                                                        | 12 | 10 |
| “ Joseph S. Lund, “ “ “ ..                                                        | 14 | 40 |
| “ Isaac Abbott, “ “ “ ..                                                          | 14 | 30 |
| “ James Thompson, Selectman in Ward 7, in 1853, . . . . .                         | 3  | 00 |
| “ Thomas D. Potter, Selectman in Ward 2, in<br>1853 and 1854, . . . . .           | 6  | 00 |
| Paid Isaac Virgin, Selectman in Ward 2, in 1853 and<br>1854, . . . . .            | 6  | 00 |

|                                                                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Paid Caleb S. Rogers, Selectman in Ward 6, in 1854,                                  | 3 00   |
| “ H. D. White, Clerk in Ward 1, for 1854, . . . . .                                  | 3 00   |
| “ Isaac Abbott, Selectman in Ward 7, for 1853, . .                                   | 3 00   |
| “ Thomas H. Newhall, Selectmen in Ward 6, for<br>1854, . . . . .                     | 3 00   |
| Paid John Ballard, Selectman in Ward 4, for 1854,                                    | 3 00   |
| “ Jefferson Noyes, “ “ “ 4, “                                                        | 3 00   |
| “ Gilbert Bullock, “ “ “ 5, “                                                        | 3 00   |
| “ Simeon Abbott, “ “ “ 3, “                                                          | 3 00   |
| “ A. B. Currier, “ “ “ 6, “                                                          | 3 00   |
| “ James F. Lund, “ “ “ 6, 1853,                                                      | 3 00   |
| “ B. F. Watson, services as Clerk pro tem. . . . .                                   | 12 00  |
| “ Samuel Stevens, Selectman in Ward 5, in 1854,                                      | 3 00   |
| “ Joseph H. Mace, “ “ “ 6, 1853,                                                     | 3 00   |
| “ J. C. A. Hill, Clerk in Ward 6 in 1854, . . . . .                                  | 3 00   |
| “ James M. Otis, Clerk in 1853, Clerk and Select-<br>man in 1854, . . . . .          | 9 00   |
| Paid Josiah Stevens, services as Sup. School Commit-<br>tee in 1854, . . . . .       | 49 90  |
| Paid Charles W. Flanders, services as Sup. School<br>Committee in 1854, . . . . .    | 35 00  |
| Paid Heman Sanborn, services as Com. on Accounts<br>for 1854, . . . . .              | 2 00   |
| Paid J. D. A. West, Clerk in Ward 4, in 1854, . . . . .                              | 3 00   |
| “ Edmund Worth, services as Sup. School Com-<br>mittee in 1854, . . . . .            | 30 00  |
| Paid Eleazer Smith, services as Sup. School Commit-<br>tee in 1854, . . . . .        | 32 00  |
| Paid Wm. M. West, Clerk in Ward 5, for 1854, . . . . .                               | 3 00   |
| “ Thomas Chadbourne, services in Board of Health,                                    | 10 00  |
| “ Superintending School Committee, under the<br>Somersworth act, for 1854, . . . . . | 100 00 |
| Paid Henry A. Kendall, Sup. School Com. in 1854,                                     | 28 00  |
| “ A. Webster, Selectman in Ward 7, in 1853, . . . . .                                | 7 00   |
| “ John F. Brown, Clerk in Ward 6, in 1853, . . . . .                                 | 3 00   |
| “ Sewell Hoyt, Selectman in Ward 4, in 1854, . . . . .                               | 3 00   |
| “ M. T. Willard, Sup. School Com. in 1854, . . . . .                                 | 44 50  |
| “ Simeon Abbott, “ “ “ “ “ . . . . .                                                 | 30 50  |
| “ Edmund Worth and others, Sup. School Com.<br>in 1854, . . . . .                    | 16 00  |
| Paid Caleb Parker, Selectman in Ward 6, in 1853, . .                                 | 3 00   |
| “ Albert H. Drown, Selectman in Ward 1, in 1853<br>and 1854, . . . . .               | 6 00   |

|                                                                    |          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Ira Rowell, Sup. School Com., School Dis. No. 3,              | 5 50     |
| “ Jere. S. Abbott, Selectman in Ward 3, in 1853<br>and 1854, ..... | 6 00     |
| Paid Jos. P. Stickney, services on committees, 1854,               | 7 00     |
| “ Hiram Farnum, Selectman in Ward 3, in 1853<br>and 1854, .....    | 6 00     |
| Paid J. B. Smart, Selectman in Ward 4, in 1853,...                 | 3 00     |
|                                                                    | <hr/>    |
|                                                                    | \$965 00 |

### Printing and Stationery.

|                                                     |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Jones & Cogswell, binding Municipal Register,. | 12 75    |
| “ Joseph B. Walker, maps to History of Concord,     | 150 00   |
| “ Merriam & Merrill, stationery, .....              | 15 68    |
| “ L. L. Mower, printing badges, .....               | 1 75     |
| “ George G. Fogg, advertising, .....                | 21 50    |
| “ Morrill & Silsby, .....                           | 11 17    |
| “ B. W. Sanborn, stationery, .....                  | 8 98     |
|                                                     | <hr/>    |
|                                                     | \$221 83 |

### Police and Watch,

|                                                                       |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid S. B. Whicher, services as watchman and police<br>officer, ..... | 38 25    |
| Paid A. H. Drown, services, &c., .....                                | 60 36    |
| “ James F. Lund, police service, .....                                | 6 75     |
| “ John Pettingill, “ “ .....                                          | 11 30    |
| “ E. S. D. Ordway, police service, .....                              | 1 00     |
|                                                                       | <hr/>    |
|                                                                       | \$117 66 |

### Streets and Common Sewers.

|                                              |         |
|----------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid Norton & Fife, work on reservoir, ..... | \$44 25 |
|----------------------------------------------|---------|

## BILLS ALLOWED, BUT NOT PAID.

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Isaac Abbott,   | 6·86    |
| M. N. Brown     | 10·50   |
| E. S. Colley,   | 4·61    |
| S. D. Connell,  | 6·50    |
| John Corlis,    | 2·00    |
| Cyrus Robinson, | 2·25    |
|                 | ————    |
|                 | \$32·72 |

## ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| J. C. Marston,   | 3·82     |
| True George,     | 8·71     |
| Samuel Carter,   | 2·29     |
| Joseph Barnard,  | 6·79     |
| M. H. Clough,    | 26·77    |
| H. A. Kendall,   | 24·57    |
| Hunt and Lund,   | 15·36    |
| John H. Maynard, | 15·30    |
|                  | ————     |
|                  | \$103·61 |

## PAUPER ACCOUNT.

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| James Flanders, | 2·88    |
| C. C. Davis,    | 6·00    |
| John Carter,    | 26·00   |
|                 | ————    |
|                 | \$34·88 |

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

|               |         |
|---------------|---------|
| L. P. Fuller, | 44·40   |
| C. I. Elliot, | 2·58    |
|               | ————    |
|               | \$46·98 |

## INCIDENTALS.

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Nathan Stickney,        | 48·00    |
| C. H. Sanborn,          | 1·40     |
| J. C. Brown,            | 2·00     |
| John Foss,              | 5·12     |
| Costs in Elliot v. Con- |          |
| cord,                   | 63·26    |
|                         | ————     |
|                         | \$119·78 |

|                         |      |
|-------------------------|------|
| STREETS & COMMON SEWERS |      |
| Fletcher & Mann,        | 1·02 |

## SCHOOL HOUSE TAX.

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| School District No. 2  | 326·00 |
| Sup. School Committee, | 150·00 |

## PRINTING &amp; STATIONERY.

|                   |      |
|-------------------|------|
| Jones & Cogswell, | 2·25 |
|-------------------|------|

**Parsonage Funds.**

|                                        |       |
|----------------------------------------|-------|
| North Congregational Society, .....    | 41 42 |
| West Congregational Society, .....     | 19 87 |
| South Congregational Society, .....    | 34 30 |
| East Congregational Society, .....     | 19 53 |
| Methodist Society, .....               | 14 58 |
| First Baptist Society, .....           | 27 88 |
| Pleasant Street Baptist Society, ..... | 8 76  |
| Universalist Society. ....             | 26 35 |
| Unitarian Society, .....               | 31 52 |
| Episcopal Society, .....               | 16 00 |
| First Free Will Baptist Society, ..... | 6 20  |
| South Free Will Baptist Society, ..... | 3 00  |

|                                         |    |          |
|-----------------------------------------|----|----------|
| Christian Society at Fisherville, ..... | 5  | 85       |
| Congregational Society, " .....         | 10 | 19       |
| Methodist Society, " .....              | 3  | 90       |
| Baptist Society, " .....                | 10 | 70       |
| Universalist Society, " .....           | 1  | 75       |
|                                         |    | <hr/>    |
|                                         |    | \$281 80 |

### Assets of the City, Feb. 1, 1856.

|                                                    |        |            |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|------------|
| 4 shares Mechanicks' Bank, .....                   | 400    | 00         |
| George Bradley's note and interest, .....          | 127    | 44         |
| City Hall lot, .....                               | 10,000 | 00         |
| Balance due from Abraham Bean, .....               | 112    | 00         |
| "    "    John C. Pillsbury, Collector in 1853, .. | 2188   | 35         |
| "    "    from J. L. Cilley, Collector in 1854, .. | 743    | 94         |
| "    "    B. F. Gale, of uncollected taxes, ....   | 3085   | 13         |
| Due from Montreal Railroad, .....                  | 700    | 00         |
| McDaniel house, .....                              | 1163   | 00         |
| Legacy of Abiel Walker, for benefit of schools, .. | 1000   | 00         |
|                                                    |        | <hr/>      |
|                                                    |        | \$19519 86 |

### Inventory of Property at Marshal's Office.

|                                                                                       |    |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---------|
| 1 clock, .....                                                                        | 5  | 00      |
| 1 desk for Police Justice, .....                                                      | 15 | 00      |
| 1 writing table, .....                                                                | 8  | 00      |
| 1 book case and table, .....                                                          | 3  | 00      |
| 27 silver police badges, .....                                                        | 33 | 75      |
| 2 set of handcuffs, (3 set mentioned in last year's in-<br>ventory, not found,) ..... | 2  | 67      |
| 8 lobby keys, .....                                                                   | 1  | 50      |
| Lock on door to Marshal's office, and 6 keys to same,                                 | 1  | 75      |
| 1 small axe, .....                                                                    |    | 75      |
| 6 common chairs, .....                                                                | 1  | 00      |
| 2 arm chairs, .....                                                                   | 2  | 00      |
| 1 copy N. H. Compiled Statutes, .....                                                 | 1  | 83      |
| 1 pitcher, .....                                                                      |    | 50      |
| Stationery, &c., .....                                                                | 3  | 00      |
| 4 lanterns, .....                                                                     | 3  | 00      |
| 1 stove and funnel, .....                                                             | 9  | 00      |
| 1 snow shovel, .....                                                                  | 1  | 00      |
|                                                                                       |    | <hr/>   |
|                                                                                       |    | \$92 75 |

**Inventory of property at City Clerk's office.**

|                                                                                            |          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1 long writing table, 6 drawers, valued at.....                                            | 10 00    |
| 1 short " " 1 drawer, " " .....                                                            | 5 00     |
| 2 large cases,.....                                                                        | 24 00    |
| 1 pine desk, .....                                                                         | 2 00     |
| 12 common chairs,.....                                                                     | 6 00     |
| 3 arm chairs, .....                                                                        | 4 50     |
| 2 book racks, .....                                                                        | 1 00     |
| 1 book case,.....                                                                          | 2 00     |
| 2 lamps and fluid can,.....                                                                | 1 25     |
| Shovel, tongs, brush, dust pan, pitcher, hatchet, and<br>sundry other indispensables,..... | 2 00     |
| 2 inkstands, pen rack, sand box, shears, stationery, &c.,                                  | 4 00     |
| 1 small trunk,.....                                                                        | 1 25     |
| 1 Compiled Laws of N. H.,.....                                                             | 1 83     |
| 1 Town Officer, .....                                                                      | 75       |
| 1 Geology of N. H.,.....                                                                   | 2 87     |
| 13 vols. of N. H. Reports, .....                                                           | 45 50    |
| 1 Transactions of N. H. Agricultural Society,.....                                         | 2 00     |
| 3 vols. Laws of N. H., (old.).....                                                         |          |
| 1 Compendium of 6th Census,.....                                                           |          |
| 1 Statistics of 7th Census,.....                                                           |          |
| 1 Tax Maker,.....                                                                          |          |
| 1 List of U. S. Pensioners, .....                                                          |          |
| Picture of Concord, in frame, .....                                                        | 3 00     |
|                                                                                            | <hr/>    |
|                                                                                            | \$118 95 |

**Estimated value of Property belonging to Cemeteries.**

|                                           | Hearses. | Houses. | Value.   |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| North Cemetery,.....                      | 140·00   | 100·00  | 240·00   |
| East Village Cemetery, .....              | 135·00   | 65·00   | 200·00   |
| West Village " .....                      | 128·00   | 65·00   | 193·00   |
| Fisherville " .....                       | 100·00   | 65·00   | 165·00   |
| Mill Village " .....                      | 100·00   | 65·00   | 165·00   |
|                                           |          |         | <hr/>    |
| Total value, exclusive of lots and fence, |          |         | \$963·00 |

**Debts due from the City.**

The debt of the City, amounting in April, 1854, to \$32,425 11, was funded and increased by expense of building the City Hall, to \$54,500 00.



# REPORTS.

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## THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## COMMITTEE ON THE CITY FARM.

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*To the Board of Mayor and Aldermen :*

The undersigned, Joint Standing Committee on the City Farm, having attended to the duty of taking an inventory of the real and personal property of the Farm, would submit the following statement as the third annual report under the City charter :

|                                                |          |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Appraised value of farm and buildings in 1855, | 7,400 00 |
| Appraised value of personal property in 1855,  | 2,811 12 |

Total, .....\$10,211 12

|                                                |          |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Appraised value of farm and buildings in 1856, | 7,400 00 |
| Appraised value of personal property in 1856,  | 2,839 63 |

Total, .....\$10,239 63

|                                                |    |
|------------------------------------------------|----|
| Whole number now at the Farm, .....            | 20 |
| Number who have received aid at the Farm,..... | 14 |

The receipts and expenditures for carrying on the Farm during the last year will appear under the report of the Overseer. We cannot close this report without adding an approval of what was said in the two last annual reports by

the Committee on the Farm, in respect to the Overseer and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Gill, who fully sustain the reputation awarded them by the former committee, in their system and order of arrangement in carrying on the Farm, and taking care of the unfortunate paupers. We found the house in complete order, a pattern of neatness from cellar to attic ; and in the barn and sheds, there was a place for every article and every article in its place.

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES HUMPHREY, }  
HIRAM FARNUM, } *Committee.*  
ROBERT B. HOYT, }

Concord, Feb. 2, 1856.

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## Inventory of Real and Personal Property BELONGING TO THE CITY FARM.

|                                             |            |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|
| Farm, 180 acres, at \$30 per acre,.....     | 5,400 00   |
| Buildings, .....                            | 2,000 00   |
|                                             | \$7,400 00 |
| 1 horse,.....                               | 125 00     |
| 6 oxen, .....                               | 435 00     |
| 1 3-year old bull, .....                    | 20 00      |
| 9 cows,.....                                | 224 00     |
| 17 sheep, .....                             | 44 54      |
| 5 shotes, .....                             | 62 00      |
| 18 tons English hay, at \$20 per ton, ..... | 360 00     |
| 8 tons brook hay, at \$10 per ton,.....     | 80 00      |
| 1 ton rye straw, .....                      | 6 00       |
| Corn fodder,.....                           | 20 00      |
| 20 bushels rye, .....                       | 25 00      |
| 115 bushels corn,.....                      | 138 00     |

|                                                  |        |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 100 bushels oats, .....                          | 55 00  |
| 4 1-2 bushels peas, .....                        | 4 50   |
| 18 bushels beans, .....                          | 45 00  |
| 300 bushels potatoes, at 25 cents, .....         | 105 00 |
| 25 bushels turnips and beets, at 25 cents, ..... | 6 25   |
| 241 lbs. fresh beef, at 8 cents, .....           | 19 28  |
| 92 lbs. mutton, at 7 cents, .....                | 6 44   |
| 48 lbs. fresh pork, at 8 cents, .....            | 3 84   |
| 209 lbs. ham, at 10 cents, .....                 | 20 90  |
| 40 lbs. shanks, at 2 cents, .....                | 80     |
| 332 lbs. cheese, at 12 cents, .....              | 39 84  |
| 63 lbs. butter, at 25 cents, .....               | 15 75  |
| 125 lbs. lard, at 12 1-2 cents, .....            | 15 62  |
| 160 lbs. tallow, at 10 cents, .....              | 16 00  |
| 50 lbs. soap grease, at 6 cents, .....           | 3 00   |
| 50 lbs. dried apple, at 5 cents, .....           | 2 50   |
| 30 lbs. tea, at 27 cents, .....                  | 8 10   |
| 3 1-2 barrels beef, at \$13 per bbl., .....      | 45 50  |
| 4 barrels pork, at \$20 per bbl., .....          | 80 00  |
| 1 barrel flour, .....                            | 11 62  |
| 1 barrel vinegar .....                           | 4 00   |
| 1-2 barrel pickles, .....                        | 2 50   |
| 4 barrels soap, at \$5 per bbl., .....           | 20 00  |
| 3 gallons molasses, .....                        | 1 32   |
| 14 yards flannel, .....                          | 7 00   |
| 9 yards frocking, .....                          | 3 78   |
| 4 lbs. sole leather, .....                       | 80     |
| 3 lbs. rolls, .....                              | 1 50   |
| 2 M. feet boards, .....                          | 24 00  |
| 10 cords wood, .....                             | 120 00 |
| 1 sleigh and harness, .....                      | 25 00  |
| 2 gig wagons, .....                              | 80 00  |
| 1 carts, .....                                   | 15 00  |
| 2 pair cart wheels, .....                        | 20 00  |
| 6 plows, .....                                   | 30 00  |
| 3 harrows, .....                                 | 12 00  |
| 7 saws and axes, .....                           | 5 00   |
| 2 shovels, .....                                 | 1 50   |
| 5 scythes and snaiths, .....                     | 5 00   |
| 6 hoes, .....                                    | 3 00   |
| 1 winnowing mill, .....                          | 6 00   |
| 2 sleds and 1 barrow, .....                      | 8 00   |
| 40 dry casks and tubs, .....                     | 12 00  |

|                                             |          |
|---------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1 horse rake, .....                         | 8 00     |
| Horse-collar, chains and whiffletree, ..... | 3 00     |
| 2 beetles and wedges, .....                 | 2 00     |
| 3 grindstones, .....                        | 4 00     |
| 1 cultivator, .....                         | 2 50     |
| 4 ox yokes, .....                           | 12 00    |
| 4 augers and chisels, .....                 | 1 00     |
| 5 chains and bar, .....                     | 6 00     |
| 10 baskets, .....                           | 4 00     |
| 1 square and shave, .....                   | 1 00     |
| Cross-cut saw and steel trap, .....         | 2 00     |
| Set dry measures, .....                     | 1 00     |
|                                             | \$271 00 |

The household furniture remains as last year, valued at \$339 25.

## RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AT CITY FARM.

### Received at City Farm.

|                                   |                               |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Feb. 1, '55, cash on hand, 107·16 | For 194 lbs. hide, 12·61      |
| For one pair of oxen, 145·00      | “ 8 pelts, 6·67               |
| “ 18 lbs. cheese, 2·25            | Of the City Treasurer, 100·00 |
| “ 32 1-4 lbs. cheese, 4·51        | “ Moses Humphrey, for         |
| “ 1 calf, 3·75                    | use of land, 12·00            |
| “ 24 bush. potatoes, 21·00        | For pasturing 2 cows, 16·00   |
| “ 13 “ “ 11·37                    | “ 1-2 bush. beans, 1·25       |
| “ 13 “ “ 9·75                     | “ 1 pair of oxen, 145·00      |
| “ 1 “ “ 1·00                      | “ 6 lbs. pork, 90             |
| “ 1 calf, 4·25                    | “ 1 calf, 5·00                |
| “ 2 bush. oats, 1·34              | “ milk, 22·00                 |
| “ 4 qts. beans, 25                | “ feeding and yarn, 17·00     |
| “ 2 bush. oats, 1·33              | “ eggs, 8·00                  |
| “ 1 calf, 4·50                    | “ pair of shirts, 1·00        |
| “ 1 bush. beans, 3·00             |                               |
| Of the City Treasurer, 100·00     | \$767·89                      |

## Expenditures at City Farm.

|                                |       |                       |        |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|--------|
| For 1 pitch fork,              | 70    | For 1 scythe,         | 92     |
| " 1 bbl. flour,                | 12·25 | " 1 rake,             | 67     |
| " 1 bush. salt,                | 58    | " 1 pair of oxen,     | 130·00 |
| " 4 lbs. sugar,                | 28    | " 1 pair of oxen,     | 110·00 |
| " 1 bag salt,                  | 28    | " 3 lbs. saleratus,   | 21     |
| " 1 bushel salt,               | 67    | " 1 oz. nutmeg,       | 10     |
| " 10 lbs. fish,                | 43    | " 2 lbs. tea,         | 84     |
| " 8 lbs. tobacco,              | 1·10  | " 4 lbs. coffee,      | 46     |
| " 2 lbs. saleratus,            | 14    | " 6 lbs. sugar,       | 42     |
| " 1 quart oil,                 | 25    | " 4 lbs. sugar,       | 38     |
| " 100 lbs. fish,               | 4·00  | " 6 pipes,            | 04     |
| " 1 bbl. flour,                | 10·50 | " 2 gals. molasses,   | 60     |
| " 1·4 lb. linen thread,        | 24    | " burying clothes,    | 75     |
| " 47 lbs. tea,                 | 12·69 | " 10 lbs. tobacco,    | 1·40   |
| " 1 pair shoes,                | 1·25  | " 1 lantern,          | 50     |
| " 6 yards cassimere,           | 4·62  | " blacksmith bill,    | 9·76   |
| " 22 lbs. tobacco,             | 2·81  | " seed corn,          | 2·50   |
| " 7 yards cassimere,           | 4·45  | " 10 lbs. tobacco,    | 1·50   |
| " quart oil,                   | 25    | " 1 lb. tea,          | 50     |
| " 2 lbs. saleratus,            | 14    | " 8 lbs. sugar,       | 64     |
| " 2 bbls. flour,               | 23·25 | " 6 lbs. coffee,      | 75     |
| " 1 lb. pepper,                | 17    | " 2 lbs. tea,         | 90     |
| " 1 lb. wicking,               | 25    | " 2 hats,             | 25     |
| " 1 pair of boots,             | 1·33  | " peppermint,         | 25     |
| " 1 leach tub,                 | 50    | " 24 lbs. sugar,      | 2·02   |
| " 30 3·4 gal. molasses,        | 9·22  | " screws and brads,   | 16     |
| " 7 bushels salt,              | 4·37  | " 5 pigs,             | 10·00  |
| " crackers,                    | 2·00  | " 8 bushels rye,      | 11·50  |
| " 2 yards gingham,             | 25    | " 4 lbs. coffee,      | 52     |
| " thread, silk, twist,         | 1·17  | " 2 lbs. tea,         | 92     |
| " 2 pairs suspenders,          | 34    | " 5 lbs tobacco,      | 70     |
| " 218 1·2 yds cotton<br>cloth, | 18·59 | " 13 3·4 days work,   | 17·00  |
| " books,                       | 50    | " tin ware,           | 3·00   |
| " combs,                       | 50    | " 7 1·2 lbs. tea,     | 3·94   |
| " 1 gross matches,             | 60    | " 10 lbs. coffee,     | 1·25   |
| " twine, shoe thread,          | 40    | " thrashing oats,     | 8·00   |
| " 3 lbs. ginger,               | 30    | " tailoress work,     | 1·00   |
| " 4 lbs. saleratus,            | 28    | " 34 lbs. sugar,      | 3·42   |
| " 4 oz. camphor gum,           | 24    | " pasturing cattle,   | 32·00  |
| " 7 oz. indigo,                | 63    | " boy driving cattle, | 50     |
| " 4 lbs. coffee,               | 50    | " 3 bushels rye,      | 4·50   |
|                                |       | " 2 days work,        | 2·08   |

|                         |       |                        |        |
|-------------------------|-------|------------------------|--------|
| For pins, hooks & eyes, | 48    | For 1 bbl. cider,      | 2.00   |
| “ 4 bags salt,          | 1.12  | “ 8 lbs. raisins,      | 1.35   |
| “ 1 pair shoes,         | 1.00  | “ pain killer,         | 13     |
| “ 7 lbs. rice,          | 49    | “ 1-4 lb. cassia,      | 13     |
| “ 1 lb. starch,         | 14    | “ 1-4 lb. nutmegs,     | 31     |
| “ burgundy pitch,       | 25    | “ peppermint,          | 25     |
| “ 1 clothes line,       | 30    | “ 1 gallon new rum,    | 62     |
| “ 2 bed cords,          | 60    | “ 2 lbs. rice,         | 14     |
| “ 2 lbs. copperas,      | 12    | “ 8 lbs. rosin,        | 24     |
| “ 4 lbs. coffee,        | 50    | “ 1-2 lb. pepper,      | 07     |
| “ butchering,           | 2.00  | “ 1 bbl. flour,        | 10.00  |
| “ 1 quart of oil,       | 58    | “ 3 lbs. logwood,      | 15     |
| “ 2 lbs. saleratus,     | 14    | “ buttons and thread,  | 25     |
| “ 1 lb. ginger,         | 10    | “ 1 lb. pepper,        | 15     |
| “ sawing 4523 feet      |       | “ 3 yards drilling,    | 45     |
| of boards,              | 9.04  | “ 1 lb. allspice,      | 16     |
| “ 2 gals. molasses,     | 88    | “ 3 lbs. epsom salts,  | 37     |
| “ 1 cow,                | 17.00 | “ medicine,            | 1.37   |
| “ 3 pairs shoes,        | 3.00  | “ solder,              | 20     |
| “ 7 lbs. tobacco,       | 1.12  | “ 1 hat,               | 50     |
| “ 2 lbs. wicking,       | 50    | “ 1 pair of shoes,     | 75     |
| “ 1 bbl. apples,        | 1.25  | “ handkerchiefs,       | 1.00   |
| “ 2 gals. molasses,     | 90    | “ 3 chambers,          | 75     |
| “ 3-4 ton plaster,      | 6.75  | “ tape,                | 25     |
| “ 1-2 lb. tea,          | 25    | “ 10 lbs. batting,     | 1.00   |
| “ 100 lbs. fish,        | 4.00  | “ 12 lbs. sugar,       | 1.00   |
| “ 3-4 bush. herds’      |       | “ 68 yards print,      | 6.95   |
| grass seed,             | 3.00  | “ 2 bushels salt,      | 1.34   |
| “ 25 lbs. clover seed,  | 3.37  | “ tape and salt peter, | 16     |
| “ 1 bbl. flour,         | 12.00 | “ 1 lb. cream tartar,  | 42     |
| “ 1 bbl. mackerel,      | 8.00  | “ 2 brooms,            | 50     |
| “ 100 lbs. fish,        | 4.12  | “ 1 paper tacks,       | 10     |
| “ 13 1-2 yds. denims,   | 1.89  | “ filing saw,          | 1.17   |
| “ 9 lbs. nails,         | 45    |                        |        |
| “ 1 broom,              | 25    |                        |        |
| “ 1 bed cord,           | 30    |                        |        |
|                         |       |                        | 608.89 |

# REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

*To His Honor the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Concord:*

In obedience with my duty as Chief Engineer, as provided in the ordinance in relation to the Fire Department, I hereby report as follows:

The Fire Department, as at present constituted, consists of a Board of Engineers, six Engine Companies, and one Hook and Ladder Company, as follows:

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, True Osgood, Chief Engineer; A. B. Holt, First Assistant Engineer; and Lowell Eastman, John Abbott, James L. Mason, Chas. E. Savory, David A. Brown, Cyrus Robinson, Assistant Engineers, and B. H. Lincoln, Clerk.

CONCORD, No. 2, located at North End, State Street, has five hundred and fifty feet of hose, all in good condition, and numbers fifty men, whose names are as follows:—H. H. Holt, *Foreman and Steward*, Luther Roby, jr., 2d *Foreman*, C. H. Burr, Clerk, R. M. Ordway, Herbert Seavey, C. R. Cass, John D. West, J. J. Wyman, *Hosemen*, and Wm. J. Locke, George Dame, Joseph Brown, M. D. Drew, F. La Bonta, Samuel Wallace, James Morrill, E. S. Towle, W. Odlin, Sewel Hoyt, C. C. Hartford, S. M. Griffin, George H. Marston, R. F. Foster, J. B. Walker, Wm. Roby, Charles Baxter, Calvin Smart, H. P. Sweetser, T. R. Elwell, L. A. Walker, S. Seavey, Wm. Ballard, M. A. Holt, W. Wallace, A. A. Moore, S. B. Marston, George W. Emerton, John S. Blodgett, E. W. Moulton, D. Kenerdy, George Brackett, John Richardson, M. H. Bradley, A. H. Moores, Daniel Rand, John M. Hill, Isaac N. Elwell, Lowell Sherman, Jacob W. Watson, John M. Bowker.

MECHANICS, No. 3, at South End Main Street, has five hundred feet of hose, and fifty-three members, viz:—L. P. Fuller, *Foreman*, Caleb Parker, *Assistant Foreman*, Daniel Widner, Clerk, Daniel J. Webster, *Treasurer*, J. H. Abbot, *Foreman of Hose*, Josiah Cooper, Charles E. Thompson,

Samuel Shute, *Standing Committee*, and J. S. Abbott, J. M. Cook, Joseph C. Trask, W. E. Morton, Joel Howe, Daniel H. Stokes, Charles H. Abbott, Wm. Stevens, Joseph J. Pillsbury, Charles D. Cate, Joseph Myers, Edward Sanborn, Joseph Lamper, Asa Parker, Charles Butters, Abel Lamper, Chandler Stevens, John K. Stokes, Samuel Gage, James Thompson, J. S. Davis, Luther Lewis, Perry Curtis, A. J. Tilton, Amos Lock, Freeman Sanborn, Charles Bradley, Oliver Turner, B. F. Kimball, S. C. Lull, C. S. Colby, Wm. Cloud, J. H. Stevens, H. J. Collis, Dudley Winslow, E. Hodgkins, John M. Fellows, Thos. Upham, J. F. Whittridge, B. Green, J. M. Otis, Joseph Crummett, Jesse Lull, Albert F. Mores, George A. Fellows.

MERRIMACK No. 4, located on Warren Street, has six hundred feet of hose, and fifty members, as follows:—John D. Teel, *Foreman*, Jonathan Sargent, *Assistant Foreman*, John H. Nichols, *Clerk*, Jeremiah Brown, *Treasurer*, Jonathan Sanborn, I. F. Morse, S. B. Whittier, *Standing Committee*, and Charles J. Elliot, Luther P. Cheney, Rufus Clement, A. B. Holt, Jacob C. Dunklee, J. D. Cooper, Jonathan Sargent, Wm. B. Hoitt, Joseph Keser, James G. Alexander, F. V. Osgood, Calvin Goodspeed, Patrick Morrison, Perkins Gale, J. Hoitt, Perkins Kimball, James Davis, C. C. Webster, L. D. Boynton, W. G. Shaw, D. R. Rowe, Richard Hoitt, Joshua Heath, W. W. Taylor, H. A. Mann, S. D. Greely, Wm. Carr, S. Edmunds, J. W. Prescott, Charles E. Mead, W. J. Mead, H. Conner, W. S. Davis, Nelson Tenney, C. S. Wilson, R. Lake, J. S. Sanders, J. S. Webster, A. Morrison, C. T. Lane, Calvin Gerrish, Albert Ordway, C. H. Kidder, Joseph C. Osgood.

TORRENT No. 6, located at West Concord, has four hundred feet of good hose, and one hundred feet of old hose, and numbers forty-seven members, viz:—John Abbott, *Foreman*, Andrew Jackson, *Second Foreman*, George E. Holden, *Clerk*, and B. F. Dow, Charles R. Brown, Wm. T. Clough, J. Farnum, W. H. Brown, Jeremiah Upton, M. F. Clough, B. F. Holden, R. R. Hall, Charles H. Clough, Alpheus W. Clough, M. H. Farnum, Geo. W. Brown, Asa P. Tenney, Jun., Joseph Eastman, E. C. Ferrin, Moses Humphrey, Daniel Marden, J. Crosby, Chandler Eastman, J. O. Harrington, Elijah Thomas, Charles Upton, O. A. Williams, A. Williams, S. Humphrey, S. W. Killom, Cyrus F. Fletcher, H. M. Goodrich, Lyman Sawyer, Thomas Lyon, S. Ames, Michael Hu-



ben, Rufus Abbott, M. Bedel, J. H. Kellum, A. S. Abbott, V. M. Hall, J. N. Speed, J. C. Rand, B. Humphrey, Wm. F. Speed, Jeremiah Quinn, Hiram Farnum.

OLD FORT, No. 7, situated at East Concord, has three hundred feet of hose, and thirty eight members, viz: Ephraim S. Colby, *Foreman*, W. Page, *2d Foreman*, Charles E. Robinson, *Clerk*, James M. Carlton, *Treasurer*, Ebenezer Eastman, Wm. Page, Charles P. Adams, *Trustees*, and Cyrus Robinson, Isaac Eastman, Heman Sanborn, A. B. Seavy, Chas. H. Sanborn, W. St. Clair, S. Bean, S. T. Bean, J. Sullivan, Lewis Bean, James Frye, Gardner Tenney, J. Kimball, Geo. W. Moody, James Sanborn, M. C. Eastman, W. Hill, Mark Floyd, Jonathan Stinson, A. B. Sanborn, J. E. Pecker, J. F. Batchelder, C. P. Robinson, C. Farrar, Geo. W. Moulton, Wm. Pecker, Benj. P. Kimball, Samuel Moody, R. B. Locke, H. Clark, Geo. Turner, Samuel Eastman, G. W. Stone, J. Clough.

PIONEER, No. 8, located at Fisherville, has five hundred feet of hose, and numbers fifty members, viz: Leonard Drown, *Foreman*, Abial Rolfe, *Assistant Foreman*, Samuel Merriam, *Clerk and Treasurer*, and John A. Coburn, Isaac G. Howe, A. H. Drown, D. A. Brown, S. R. Flanders, C. W. Hardy, W. H. Allen, Nathaniel Rolfe, Hazen Knowlton, S. C. Pickard, Charles L. Batchelder, J. B. Rand, T. C. Rolfe, S. G. Long, Chas. Abbott, N. Emerson, J. S. Shepard, G. B. Elliot, F. Elliot, J. C. Shepard, J. S. Durgin, Benj. Morrill, Jared Sparks, Samuel Holt, A. L. Smith, E. Worth, 3d, D. W. Martin, H. F. Brown, E. M. Ardle, Frank A. Abbott, E. H. Abbott, J. N. Vesper, J. V. Smith, Geo. L. Elkins, C. W. Chase, M. H. Bean, J. W. Jameson, I. P. Durgin, R. C. Danforth, J. S. Bean, S. Cheney, J. W. Eaton, J. S. Tyler, C. D. Rowell, F. Morse, S. Davis, D. Brogton.

HOOK AND LADDER Co., No. 1, on Warren St., in the same building with Engine No. 4, has thirty-nine members, viz: Chas. K. West, *Foreman*, John C. Hall, *2d Foreman*, E. Eastman, *Clerk*, and Jos. B. Smart, John L. Gordon, F. S. Crawford, Thos. B. Jones, Harry Houston, Curtis White, S. N. Farnsworth, Moses M. Chick, Joel C. Danforth, Chas. Burnside, I. A. Hill, S. S. Graves, Josiah B. Sanborn, Chas. F. Barton, Gust. Walker, J. L. Cilley, John C. Pillsbury, Dexter W. Smith, Chas. W. Batchelder, Thos. P. Hill, Robt. Crummett, Lucius Buker, Jeremiah Smith, J. P. Wheeler, J. T. Elliot, M. Dennett, Chas. Dennett, R. L. Tilton, N. M.

Weeks, Geo. Fellows, S. Batchelder, Thos. Burton, J. Leehy, Chas. C. Shaw, Wm. R. Walker.

Especial pains have been taken by the Board of Engineers and by the officers having in charge the various engines and other apparatus belonging to the Department, to have them in good order, and it is believed that the engines, reservoirs, &c., were never in a better condition, than at the present time.

In addition to the above, there are two old engines, one at the north end of Main St., and one at the south end, which have been put in order and supplied with hose which was not considered strong enough for the larger engines, but which will answer for engines of that size. These are now used and kept in good working order by lads of from fourteen to eighteen years of age, who are neatly uniformed, and make a very creditable appearance.

There have been but three alarms of fire during the past year, at which any portion of the Department was called out; the first was at the house of James Frye, at East Concord, at which No. 7 engine only was called out—damage trifling. The second was at the Bog, so called, May 27, to which only No. 6 was called—damage small. The third, Aug. 21, was the house on School St., occupied by Mr. J. Cummings, totally destroyed—loss about \$1000.

You will see by the report from Engine Co. No. 7, situated at East Concord, that that engine has only three hundred feet of hose, a quantity altogether inadequate to the wants of that portion of the city. It seems highly necessary that there should be furnished for that company at least one hundred feet additional.

There have been no new reservoirs built within the past year, and for the location and number already existing, I would refer you to the report of the late Chief Engineer. The interest of the city would seem to require that a reservoir should be constructed during the coming season in the vicinity of the new City Hall. There is also a large portion of the southwesterly part of our city, including the vicinity of Pleasant, Rumford, Merrimack, Warren, School and Tahanto streets, and, indeed, all that section of the city now thickly covered with wooden buildings, which, in case of fire, would have no water to be relied upon short of from one to two thousand feet.

The entire expense of the Fire Department during the current year, for pay of Engineers and Firemen, new articles purchased, repairs of hose, reservoirs, &c., has been \$1115.55.

All which is respectfully submitted,

TRUE OSGOOD, *Chief Engineer.*

Concord, Feb. 20, 1856.

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## REPORT OF POLICE JUSTICE.

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*To His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen of the City of Concord :*

In obedience to the provisions of the City charter, I herewith respectfully submit the third Annual Report of the Police Court of said City :

Number of entries upon the civil docket,.....33  
 “ “ “ “ “ criminal docket,.....92

The following are the crimes for which arrests have been made, viz :

|                                                       |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Murder,.....                                          | 1  |
| Assault with intent to kill,.....                     | 2  |
| Adultery, .....                                       | 5  |
| Fornication, .....                                    | 3  |
| Violation of license law,.....                        | 12 |
| “ “ City ordinances, .....                            | 3  |
| Larceny,.....                                         | 13 |
| Assault and battery,.....                             | 19 |
| Drunkenness, .....                                    | 17 |
| Selling goods by lottery, .....                       | 5  |
| Obtaining goods by fraud, .....                       | 3  |
| Giving dramatic representations without license,..... | 1  |
| Selling goods and wares without license,.....         | 1  |
| Indecent exposure of person, .....                    | 1  |
| Bastardy, .....                                       | 1  |

|                                                                                    |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Assault, .....                                                                     | 2        |
| Passing counterfeit money, .....                                                   | 1        |
| Vagabond, .....                                                                    | 1        |
|                                                                                    | <hr/>    |
|                                                                                    | 109      |
| Of the foregoing—                                                                  |          |
| Sentenced to pay fines, .....                                                      | 37       |
| “ “ House of Correction, .....                                                     | 2        |
| Recognized for trial at Supreme Judicial Court and<br>Court of Common Pleas, ..... | 32       |
| Recognized to keep the peace, .....                                                | 1        |
| Transferred by appeal, .....                                                       | 1        |
| Discharged, .....                                                                  | 19       |
| The amount of fees charged and fines ordered on<br>criminal docket, .....          | 305 94   |
| The amount of fees charged and fines ordered on<br>civil docket, .....             | 21 95    |
|                                                                                    | <hr/>    |
|                                                                                    | \$327 89 |

The undersigned has attended every Police Court which has been held since his appointment.

The attendance of trials in the Police Court comprises but a small part of the labor incident to the office of Police Justice in comparison with the making of records and copies of cases ordered to other Courts, receiving bills of cost, and paying out the same in small sums to numerous persons as witnesses and others, entitled to the same, collecting small bills due the office, &c.

From an examination of the records of the office, it will be found that the Police Court is a source of revenue to the City. No suitable place has yet been provided by the City in which to hold the Police Court, as required by the City charter. During the brief period in which we shall hold the office of Police Justice, we shall be satisfied with such accommodations as the City Council shall deem suitable and proper. But inasmuch as the people are now being taxed for the erection of a building which *should* afford every necessary accommodation, would it not be a matter of economy, seasonably to prepare a suitable room in that building for the Police Courts, which would not be under the control of the county or its officers?

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Josiah Stevens as Police Justice,<br>To the City of Concord,         | Dr.            |
| To cash received for fines, fees, &c., as per book<br>account, ..... | \$249 12       |
|                                                                      | CONTRA.        |
| By cash paid City Treasurer per receipt,.....                        | 215 93         |
| By cash paid to sundry individuals as per account,.                  | 33 19          |
|                                                                      | <hr/> \$249 12 |

JOSIAH STEVENS, *Police Justice.*  
Concord, January 28, 1856.

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## REPORT

OF

## COMMITTEE ON CITY LIBRARY.

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In obedience to the requisition of the sixth article in the fourth section of the Ordinance of the 25th of August, 1855, establishing the Public Library, the Trustees beg leave to submit to the City Council the following

### REPORT.

By reason of the room designed for the accommodation of the library being not yet finished, and the Trustees not deeming it expedient to procure and fit up one for a few months only, even were they furnished with the means to do so, the progress made toward putting the Library in operation has necessarily been slow, and may to some seem even tardy; but the Trustees see no way by which, under the circumstances, its progress could have been hastened.

The Board has been organized by the choice of a President, Secretary and Treasurer.

It has also adopted a code of By-laws for the regulation and management of the Library, and appointed committees for the several purposes of purchasing, numbering and arranging the books, superintending the fitting up and preparing the room for the accommodation of the Library, and for other incidentals necessary to carry the enterprise into full effect.

The fifteen hundred dollars, appropriated for the establishment of the Library by the City Council, has been drawn from the City Treasury by the Treasurer of this Board, and deposited in Merrimack County Bank, ready to be drawn from time to time, as it may be needed for the purchase of books, the preparation of the room, &c.

No money has yet been expended.

A few donations in books have been received, and many persons have signified their intention of doing so, whenever the Library shall go into successful operation.

The donation of \$1300, pledged by three liberal gentlemen in Boston, natives of this City, (to wit,) \$500 by John L. Emmons, Esq., \$500 by John C. Abbott, Esq., and \$300 by Octavius Rogers, Esq., has not yet been collected or called for, but will be, when needed for the purchase of books.

It is the intention of the Trustees, as soon as arrangements can be made, to proceed to purchasing books and preparing them for the Library.

It will be important that they all be numbered and entered upon the catalogue before being placed upon the shelves in the library. A due regard to economy will also require that many of the volumes be covered. All this will require much time and labor, yet it is intended that it shall be accomplished in season for them to be removed to the *Library Room* by the time that shall be prepared for their accommodation.

The sum of \$1500 having been appropriated towards this enterprise by the City Council, \$1300 pledged by natives of this City, but residing and doing business in Boston, beside liberal donations in books and money which may be expected from our resident citizens, it will at once appear manifest that the library will go into operation under very favorable circumstances, and with every reasonable prospect of complete success and of permanent usefulness.

To accomplish this desirable object, however, it will be necessary to enlist in its favor, not only the sympathy, the interest, and the patronage of the citizens of Concord, but also the whole strength of that feeling by which citizens of the same community are bound to the place of their birth or adoption, and which impels them forward in the promotion of great and important enterprises.

The Trustees consider it highly important that the Public Library become *the cherished institution* of the City; of all the *people* of the City; as its benefits are equally *accessible to all*, it is *hoped* that *none* will feel indifferent to its progress and usefulness. It is hoped that the City Council will, from year to year, make liberal appropriations for its growth and prosperity, that all our citizens will most cheerfully bestow their sympathy and munificence upon it, and feel an ardent and abiding interest in its growth, prosperity and usefulness; that our public spirited and liberal individuals will make it *the object* of their generosity and patronage; and that all alike will endeavor to make it what the Trustees hope and wish it may be, an honor and ornament to the City, and useful to the rising generation and to the public.

They hope and confidently expect, that from time to time considerable donations in books will be made to the library by our citizens, and that they will take great pleasure in so doing, to requite, in this way, the advantage derived from the use of the library.

Beside the valuable collections which can hardly fail to be received in this way, it may with equal confidence be anticipated that frequent accessions will be made to the library by the donations of single volumes, or of a small number of books, which, however inconsiderable in a single case, become in the course of time, an important source of increase to the library.

The Trustees, therefore, embrace the opportunity, in presenting this report, to solicit the liberality of the City Council and of the citizens of Concord, and ask them to sustain by their patronage, their zeal, and their warmest sympathies, an institution calculated to be of such vast importance in the advancement of literature and useful knowledge in their midst.

Should the Public Library win the public favor, as the Trustees most fondly hope and confidently anticipate, it will soon reach a size which will be, not only imposing, and in the highest degree useful to the community, but also an honor and an ornament to the City of Concord, and an institution in which she may entertain a just and laudable pride.

Should the expectations of the Trustees be realized and should the Public Library be found to supply an existing defect in our system of education, not only the Trustees, but all friends and patrons of the institution will be highly gratified.

With these views, the undersigned, Trustees of the Public Library, submit the subject to the consideration of the City Council, and to the citizens of Concord.

WM. PRESCOTT,  
SIMEON ABBOTT,  
JOSIAH STEVENS,  
L. D. STEVENS.

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REPORT  
OF THE  
SUPERINTENDENT  
OF  
REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES.

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*To the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Concord:*

The Superintendent of Repairs of Highways and Bridges has the honor to make the following report:

Immediately after receiving my appointment, I commenced operations, by making the following appointments of Sub-Agents in the different Highway Districts of the city, not under my own supervision, together with the amount of tax apportioned to each District.

|                      |    |                                 |     |    |
|----------------------|----|---------------------------------|-----|----|
| Highway District No. | 1, | Reuben Goodwin, . . . . .       | 49  | 29 |
| “                    | “  | “ 2, John Ewer, . . . . .       | 34  | 77 |
| “                    | “  | “ 3, Charles Graham, . . . . .  | 47  | 02 |
| “                    | “  | “ 4, Henry H. Potter, . . . . . | 43  | 22 |
| “                    | “  | “ 5, Abraham D. Mann, . . . . . | 71  | 87 |
| “                    | “  | “ 6, James Sanborn, . . . . .   | 229 | 66 |
| “                    | “  | “ 7, John Lock, . . . . .       | 19  | 82 |

|                      |    |                                     |     |           |
|----------------------|----|-------------------------------------|-----|-----------|
| Highway District No. | 8, | Gilman W. Holt, . . . . .           | 28  | 60        |
| "                    | "  | " 10, William H. Brown, . . . . .   | 144 | 83        |
| "                    | "  | " 11, Alfred C. Abbott, . . . . .   | 22  | 38        |
| "                    | "  | " 12, Hiram Simpson, . . . . .      | 345 | 10        |
| "                    | "  | " 13, Eli Elliot, . . . . .         | 48  | 64        |
| "                    | "  | " 14, Ephraim C. Elliott, . . . . . | 27  | 33        |
| "                    | "  | " 15, Ephraim F. Swett, . . . . .   | 21  | 26        |
| "                    | "  | " 16, Francis F. Hoit, . . . . .    | 37  | 51        |
| "                    | "  | " 17, Wm. B. Thompson, . . . . .    | 28  | 40        |
| "                    | "  | " 18, Samuel Ames, . . . . .        | 60  | 75        |
| "                    | "  | " 19, Henry Martin, Jun., . . . . . | 30  | 16        |
| "                    | "  | " 20, Edward P. Farnum, . . . . .   | 29  | 46        |
| "                    | "  | " 21, John Ballard, . . . . .       | 40  | 00        |
| "                    | "  | " 22, Charles Hall, . . . . .       | 48  | 84        |
| "                    | "  | " 23, John Corliss, . . . . .       | 72  | 62        |
| "                    | "  | " 24, Andrew S. Smith, . . . . .    | 22  | 17        |
| "                    | "  | " 25, Isaac Abbott, . . . . .       | 78  | 12        |
| "                    | "  | " 26, Woodbury Flanders, . . . . .  | 34  | 59        |
| "                    | "  | " 29, Jephtha G. Holmes, . . . . .  | 26  | 70        |
| "                    | "  | " 30, Elbridge Dimond, . . . . .    | 32  | 70        |
| "                    | "  | " 31, Reuben M. Myers, . . . . .    | 11  | 47        |
|                      |    |                                     |     | <hr/>     |
|                      |    |                                     |     | \$1679 75 |

In the above Districts, the tax has mostly been paid in labor, and so far as I have been able to ascertain, has been laid out for the best interests of the city.

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| In Highway Districts No. 9, 27 and 28, which comprise Wards 4, 5, 6, and part of 7, which, by the city ordinance, were made one district, and placed under the immediate care of the Superintendent, the tax amounts to the sum of | 4423 | 50        |
| Rec'd from sundry individuals on account of drains,                                                                                                                                                                                | 40   | 00        |
| Rec'd from City of Concord for sewers as per vouchers, . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                   | 122  | 05        |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |      | \$4585 55 |

Of the above amount there has been col-

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| lected in cash the sum of . . . . . | 3649 | 74        |
| In work, . . . . .                  | 473  | 64        |
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|                                     |      | \$4123 38 |

Leaving a balance in the superintendent's hands unsettled of . . . . . \$462 17



Of the above balance I think I can safely report that there will not remain at the close of the year not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars of taxes uncollected, and of those, two thirds of them are poll taxes of the small amount of 39 cts. each, against individuals which would cost more to collect than they are worth.

Soon after I commenced repairs, several of the citizens called upon me for edge stone for side walks, and as I could not ascertain that there had been any definite or settled policy to guide me in the premises, I adopted this plan—to allow them 12 1-2 cts. per foot for the stone, they paying the expense of setting, which in most cases was entirely satisfactory. Under that agreement, I have paid for 2512 feet of stone at 12 1-2 cts. per foot, \$314,00, and have laid down 494 feet of flag stones at a cost of \$63,07.

Whenever I could use the gravel that belonged to the city, I have done so in all cases, but it is so coarse that a good road cannot be made with it. I have therefore been under the necessity of purchasing about two thousand loads at an expense of \$154. I have taken from the city lot, and from all other sources, as near as I can ascertain, about three thousand loads.

I purchased of Chandler Eastman two ox carts, for which I paid \$130. It was my intention to have bought two yoke of oxen, but upon enquiring I found that they were so high, and feed so dear, the interest of the city would be better subserved by hiring teams.

I have paid A. B. Currier for 6 shovels and 1 hoe, \$6,58 ; Lowell Eastman for snow plough, &c., \$5,02 ; James Hoyt for grates for drains, &c., \$6,31.

I commenced work as Superintendent the 17th day of April, 1855, and I have charged in my account for one hundred and eighty days service at \$2 per day, \$360,00, to Feb. 20, 1856. The balance of moneys which have come into my hands not specified above, has been paid out for labor as my vouchers will show.

Belonging to this Highway District are 2 ox carts nearly new, 2 snow ploughs, 5 shovels, 3 picks, 3 lanterns and 2 stone hammers.

Before closing this report, if not deemed out of place, I will make for your consideration a few suggestions.

The land on which the compact part of the city is built, is so flat and wet, and there has so little attention been paid to

drains for carrying off the water from the streets, it seems to be very necessary that some regular system of drainage should be entered upon at once. The streets could be kept in better order and at much less expense.

Lighting the streets is a subject also which to my attention has frequently been called. Private individuals are putting up lamps to suit their own convenience, but the time will probably soon come, when there will have to be some regular plan adopted, and these private lamps will become the property of the city. One suggestion which I am disposed to think favorably of is, that a separate tax be assessed upon the inhabitants living in the compact part of the city, to defray the expenses of the same. The tax would be trifling compared with the comfort enjoyed, as well as the greater security to property. I think nine out of ten would vote the tax if called upon.

In order to protect and save the south end of Federal Bridge from being undermined, the land on the upper side should be well rubbled. I think the Montreal Railroad Co. would assist in the work, as their bridge is as much exposed as ours is.

I commenced to rubble the river bank near the residence of the late Countess Rumford. I did not complete it for want of time. I think it should be done in order to save the road.

I would call your attention to one other subject, and that is, to the purchase of a lot of land having suitable material for making roads. I have been obliged this year to pay more than the interest on twenty five hundred dollars for gravel, and should have had to pay much more had it not been for the generous gift of a number of hundreds of loads of most excellent gravel from Messrs. Luther Roby and Joseph French, 2d. Not much calculation can be made upon getting gravel, except by paying for it by the load, and at the rate of from one hundred and fifty to two hundred dollars per year, unless the city provide a lot with the suitable material.

So little attention has been paid to laying out new streets, that many of them are left so narrow that it is impossible to make a suitable road with side walks. Would it not be well to have an ordinance in regard to it? I find that the highway in very many instances has been materially encroached upon. In some instances whole buildings are standing in the highway, in others, parts of buildings, and in a great many

instances fences have been put up enclosing from two to ten and fifteen feet of the highway. In order to save neighborhood quarrels and litigation, I would recommend that a Surveyor be appointed to run out the streets, and place bounds so that no dispute need arise in regard to them.

I am sorry to say that owing to the drenching rains of last fall, the roads were not left in so good condition as I could desire, but no one can contend against the elements, and I am in hopes that the roads in the city of Concord will compare favorably with those in the neighboring towns.

I cannot close this report without saying that in all my efforts to lay out the moneys entrusted to me for the best interest of the city, I have been ably and faithfully seconded by Mr. William T. Locke. I hardly know how I should have got along without his valuable services. He has always been ready, in all weathers and at all times, to assist me in improving the streets, to the best of his abilities. I may not have done every thing to suit every body. I have not always been suited myself, but I can conscientiously say that all I have done or attempted to do, has been done with an eye to the strictest economy, and what, in my judgment, was for the best interests of the city.

A. C. PIERCE.

Feb. 20, 1856.

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## REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENT.

Report of the Agent for the sale of Spirituous Liquors and Wines, for medicinal and mechanical purposes, for the city of Concord, for six months, ending Feb. 16, 1856 :

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|-------------------------------------------|--------|-------|
| DR. To cash for sales at retail,.....     | 2337   | 03    |
| Sales to other agents,.....               | 1152   | 08    |
| Sales of casks, demijohns, &c., .....     | 55     | 55    |
|                                           |        | <hr/> |
|                                           | \$3544 | 66    |
| Amount of liquors and wines on hand,..... | 625    | 00    |
| “ “ casks, demijohns, &c.,.....           | 50     | 00    |
| “ “ shop furniture, .....                 | 25     | 00    |
|                                           |        | <hr/> |
|                                           | \$4244 | 66    |

|                                                      |           |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| CR. By liquors and wines purchased, total, . . . . . | 3752 28   |
| " casks, demijohns, &c., purchased, . . . . .        | 46 75     |
|                                                      | <hr/>     |
|                                                      | \$3799 03 |

*Expenses.*

|                                           |         |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| Purchasing liquors in Boston, . . . . .   | 8 86    |
| Freight on liquors from Boston, . . . . . | 53 82   |
| Furniture for store, . . . . .            | 25 00   |
| Coal and light for store, . . . . .       | 24 28   |
| Rent of store 6 months, . . . . .         | 56 00   |
| Salary of Agent 6 months, . . . . .       | 225 00  |
|                                           | <hr/>   |
|                                           | 392 96  |
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|                                           | 4192 00 |
|                                           | <hr/>   |
| Net profit, . . . . .                     | 52 66   |

|                                                 |        |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Whole number of sales at retail, . . . . .      | 7685   |
| "        "        "        wholesale, . . . . . | 38     |
| Average per cent. profit from cost, . . . . .   | 12 1-4 |

Average amount sold at retail, to go into other towns, is about 23 per cent. Amount retailed for mechanical purposes, is about 6 per cent.

CHARLES A. FARNAM, *Agent.*

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MERRIMACK ss. Feb. 28, 1856.

Then personally appeared the above named Charles A. Farnam, and made oath that the above report by him subscribed is true.

Before me—

L. D. STEVENS,  
*Justice of the Peace.*

LIST OF TAXES WHICH FOR VARIOUS CAUSES WERE  
**ABATED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.**  
 ON THE TAX BOOK COMMITTED TO B. F. GALE, FOR 1855.

WARD 2.

|                                       |      |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Bean, Levi, over 70, .....            | 1 84 |
| Heath, William, gone to Vermont,..... | 1 84 |

WARD 4.

|                                                       |      |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Barnard, Abner L., .....                              | 1 84 |
| Bruce, Edwin R.,.....                                 | 2 02 |
| Hill, John H., taxed in wards 4 and 6,.....           | 1 84 |
| Jackman, Thomas W., gone to the west,.....            | 1 84 |
| Knights, John J., not to be found,.....               | 1 84 |
| Lincoln, B. H., taxed in wards 4 and 6,.....          | 2 02 |
| Palmer, Moses T., not to be found,.....               | 1 84 |
| Porter, Charles W., not to be found, .....            | 1 84 |
| Smith, Daniel E., gone to the west, .....             | 2 02 |
| Taylor, William E., gone to the west,.....            | 2 02 |
| Woodman, J. S., gone to Malden, Mass.,.....           | 2 02 |
| Whittier, Alvan M., taxed for property not owning, .. | 7 96 |

WARD 5.

|                                                   |      |
|---------------------------------------------------|------|
| Aiken, Edward, not to be found, .....             | 2 02 |
| Beard, Harrison, taxed in wards 4 and 5, .....    | 2 02 |
| Buswell, George F., taxed in wards 5 and 6,.....  | 2 02 |
| Brown, William, over 70, .....                    | 2 02 |
| Carleton, Thomas C., dead,.....                   | 2 02 |
| Crockett, James S., taxed in wards 4 and 5, ..... | 2 02 |
| Cross, George T., went to the west in April,..... | 2 02 |
| Conner, Timothy H., taxed twice, .....            | 2 02 |
| Dearborn, Willey, not to be found,.....           | 2 02 |
| Holton, H. C., not of age, .....                  | 2 02 |
| Myrick, Henry, taxed twice in ward 5, .....       | 2 02 |
| Orne, William, dead,.....                         | 2 02 |
| Perkins, Wm. W., taxed in wards 4 and 5, .....    | 2 02 |

## WARD 6.

|                                                             |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Ahern, James, gone, . . . . .                               | 1 84  |
| Ballou, George O., gone, . . . . .                          | 1 84  |
| Bachelder, W. B., not to be found, . . . . .                | 1 84  |
| Bickford, William, taxed in Henniker, . . . . .             | 1 84  |
| Boynton, Oliver, went away in March, . . . . .              | 2 02  |
| Foss, D. B., gone to the west, . . . . .                    | 1 84  |
| Glover, John, taxed for house he does not own, . . . . .    | 11 84 |
| Goulden, Peter, gone, . . . . .                             | 1 84  |
| Gordon, William, taxed in wards 5 and 6, . . . . .          | 1 84  |
| Greeley, John, gone to the west, . . . . .                  | 1 84  |
| Jackson, William, house taxed to R. N. Corning, . . . . .   | 2 70  |
| Keyes, H. D., taxed in wards 5 and 6, . . . . .             | 1 84  |
| Lewis, Joseph, gone to Washington, N. H., 1 year, . . . . . | 1 84  |
| McCaffrey, Barney, . . . . .                                | 1 84  |
| Nichols, John H., taxed in wards 5 and 6, . . . . .         | 2 02  |
| Olds, Milton, dead, . . . . .                               | 1 84  |
| Palmer, Brackett, over 70, . . . . .                        | 1 84  |
| Robb, John, not to be found, . . . . .                      | 1 84  |
| Stark, C. C., went away in April, . . . . .                 | 1 84  |
| 'Tago, John, not to be found, . . . . .                     | 1 84  |

## WARD 7.

|                                                     |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------|
| Bodwell, Cleaveland, dead, . . . . .                | 1 84 |
| Glines, Charles M., went off last spring, . . . . . | 1 84 |
| Shute, William, over 70—no property, . . . . .      | 2 73 |

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