ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF CHELMSFORD

TOGETHER WITH THE

SCHOOL REPORT

AND -

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1895.

LOWELL, MASS.
COURIER-CITIZEN COMPANY, PRINTERS.
1895.

Officers of the Town of Chelmsford for 1894.

[An asterisk against a name indicates that the person did not qualify.]

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor — Eben T. Adams, George F. Snow, Martin Robbins, Newell E. Parker, Arthur H. Sheldon.

Town Clerk - George A. Parkhurst.

Town Treasurer - ERVIN W. SWEETSER.

Auditors — Ziba Gay, Edward F. Richardson, Perley P. Perham.

School Committee — Three years: Samuel Hagerman, Orrin Pierce, Charles F. Randlett; two years: Daniel P. Byam, John H. Redman, Charles H. Andrews; one year: George A. Byam, Hubert Bearce, Joseph A. Parkhurst.

Constables — James P. Emerson, Fred E. Nason, David A. Pol-Ley, John H. Whidden, George F. Dyar *, James H. McFar-Lin*, Charles S. Carter, William J. Quigley.

Trustees of Public Library — Three years: A. Heady Park, Miss Louisa A. Allen; two years: Mrs. Harriet M. Bartlett, Luther H. Sargent; one year: Henry S. Perham, S. Ingersoll Briant.

Collector of Taxes - William L. Gordon.

Fence Viewers — James P. Emerson, Albion J. Lamphere*, Daniel P. Byam.

Appraisers of Personal Property at the Town Farm — James P. Emerson, Daniel P. Byam, James S. Wotton.

Weighers of Hay — Marcus H. Winship, Eben T. Adams, Elisha H. Shaw, James P. Emerson, Daniel W. Bickford, Henry H. Emerson*, S. Waldo Parkhurst, George W. Proctor.

Measurers of Wood — S. Waldo Parkhurst, George W. Proctor, Newell E. Parker, Elisha H. Shaw, James P. Emerson*, Marcus H. Winship, Daniel A. Reardon.

Surveyors of Lumber — R. Wilson Dix, Newell E. Parker, Edwin K. Parkhurst*, George E. Spaulding*, E. Lincoln Russell, Myron A. Queen.

Field Drivers — Fred L. Fletcher, Aleck J. Park, David A. Polley.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN:

Superintendent of Streets — Daniel W. Lane. Sealer of Weights and Measures — True Morton.

- Weighers of Coal S. Waldo Parkhurst, Geo. W. Proctor, Daniel W. Bickford, Marcus H. Winship, Myron A. Queen, Elisha H. Shaw.
- Superintendent of Town Farm EBEN T. ADAMS.
- Superintendents of Burials L. K. Howard, John H. Whidden (deceased), Daniel P. Byam, Arthur H. Sheldon, Alfred G. Parkhurst.
- Superintendent of Burials of Indigent Soldiers L. K. Howard.
- Inspector of Animals Kept for Slaughter Edwin C. Perham.
- Fire Wards Myron A. Queen, C. F. Scribner, George W. Chamberlain, Almon W. Holt, Daniel P. Byam, Marcus H. Winship, John O'Connor, Frank C. Byam, Warren Berry.
- Forest Fire Wards Amos B. Adams, Charles H. Holt, Warren Berry, George F. Snow.
- Fish Warden EVERETT F. SMALL.
- Special Police Officers THOMAS C. MOONEY (appointment revoked), GEORGE F. DYAR, JAMES H. McFARLIN.
- Special Police Without Pay From Town John H. Nichols, George C. Moore, Eben T. Adams, Charles Andrews, Thomas Brown.
- Janitors of Public Buildings John II. Nichols, Centre Town Hall; William J. Quigley, North Village.
- Registrars of Voters Lewis M. Dutton, Chairman; Stewart Mackay, John F. McManomin, George A. Parkhurst, Clerk, ex-officio.
- Precinct Wardens (1) WARREN BERRY, (2) CHARLES H. DUTTON,
 - (3) EUGENE W. S. DUTTON.
- Deputy Wardens (1) WALTER PERHAM, (2) WILLIAM J. QUIGLEY, (3) EDWIN F. COBURN.
- Precinct Clerks—(1) Joseph E. Warren, (2) Fred K. Ripley, (3) Marcus H. Winship.
- Deputy Clerks (1) John H. Redman, (2) Charles H. Holt, (3) Joseph A. Parkhurst.
- Inspectors (1) Almon W. Holt, Arthur M. Warren; (2) George Hyde, Hubert Bearce; (3) Alfred G. Parkhurst, Joseph G. Quessey.
- Deputy Inspectors (1) Daniel P. Byam, Robert S. Ross; (2) John C. Hobbs, John C. McEnaney; (3) Samuel Naylor, John J. Quessey.
- Librarian Rev. H. A. CORNELL.



Report of the Town Clerk

For the Year Ending February 28, 1895.

BIRTHS.

Females			. 33
Т	otal		68
Increase	over 1893		25
	f native parentage		
Births of	f foreign parentage		. 30
	f native and foreign parentage		
Non	re Births occurring late in the year are	e some	times
returned	without the Christian name In all such co	ases pa	rents
	eturn the name to the Town Clerk as soon as sel	-	
	eteness of the record may involve much trouble i		
	MARRIAGES.		
Whole r	number		25
	natives		
	foreigners		
	natives and foreigners		
	ord grooms		
	ord brides		
Solemnia	zed in Chelmsford		15
	zed in Lowell		
One eacl	in Somerville, Saco, Me., Westford and Law	rence	4
Less tha	in in 1893		12
	DEATHS.		
Date.	Name. Yrs.	Mos.	Days.
Jan. 10	. Sarah Blood		
12	. Betsey A. Dearborn 81	5	28
20	. Bartholomew O'Neil 70		
21	Collient I Popolitic Collins C	10	
24		5	12
31		10	
31	Johanna Sheehan		

Date.	Name.	Yrs.	Mos.	Days.
Feb. 2.	Agnes Mooney		3	14
2.	Ruth W. Smith	76		
6.	Mary Mahoney	63		
March 4.	George B. A. Holt	19	1	
11.	Catherine E. Shields		10	
16.	John R. Churchill	77		
17.	Eliza T. Dean	82	2	17
April 29.	Hannah A. Shields	17	1	5
May 11.	Daniel A. Brown	56		
June 8.	Henry McCabe	62		
10.	James Holland	36		
13.	Ellen Keenan	33		
20.	Eugene McEnnis		4	21
21.	Alfred Day	68	2	15
July 1.	Gerritt J. Bradt	40	11	26
15.	Sarah E. Stone	74	4	21
15.	Lillie May Sweat	17	6	20
Aug. 5.	Emma L. Blanc	3	4	
8.	John H. Whidden	51	11	
25.	Francis J. Burns		2	
Sept. 2.	Walter C. McCoy	2	7	
13.	Jane L. Copp	40		
13.	Stearns L. Ripley	67	11	17
15.	Annie Devitt	13	11	6
Oct. 6.	Benjamin M. Hildreth	68	4	12
14.	Isabelle Smith	46	7	
18.	J. Baptiste Tredeau	48		24
18.	William H. Brown	68		9
Nov. 2.	William Toye	94		
3.	Fred Hodgson	7		
6.	Ann E. Marshall	61	11	17
8.	Ellen M. Stackpole	50		
9.	George W. Streeter	37	8	3
17.	— McEnnis	(Infa	ntile.)	
	Males, 22; females, 19; total, 41.			
	Less than in 1893, 23.			
	DOG LICENSES.			
Number of	f dogs licensed			247
Males		• • • • • •		229
Females.		• • • • •		18
	eceived for licenses			8 00
	f fees, 20 cents per license			9 40
Paid to the	e County Treasurer as per receipts on fil	e • • • • •	49	
96½ per ce	nt. refunded	• • • • •	48	1 15
	GEORGE A. PARKI	IURST	Γ,	
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Town Clerk.

Report of Town Treasurer

For the Year Ending February 28, 1895.

Your Treasurer charges himself with cash received as follows: Of		
Edwin H. Warren, as balance in treasury at last		
annual settlement	\$ 636	28
State Treasurer (at hand of E. H. Warren) on account		
of Corporation tax for 1893	354	96
(at hand of E. H. Warren) on	001	•
account of temporary support of		
State paupers	90	75
on account of temporary support of		••
State paupers	8	41
on account of Corporation tax for		
1894	1135	42
on account of National Bank tax	1100	12
for 1894	1018	42
on account of Military aid	64	
on account of State aid	862	
on account of burial of Indigent	002	00
Sailors and Soldiers	17	50
on account of Armory rent	300	
on account of Armory Tent	300	00
School Fund	293	15
County Treasurer, on account of dog licenses for 1894	481	
County Treasurer, as award for land damage	1300	
Matthias Hutchins, on account of hospital bills	169	
	119	
City of Somerville, on account of aid to paupers		50
City of Lowell, on account of aid to paupers Chas. Andrews, on account of tuition of non-resident	90	30
	0	00
pupils	J	00
the care of the John Parkhurst lots in the		
	100	00
cemetery at Chelmsford Centre E. H. Shaw, agent, dividend on insurance policy in	100	00
Traders and Mechanics Insurance Company	49	00
City Institution for Sorvings, interest on Edwards fund		02
City Institution for Savings, interest on Edwards fund	0	04
Town of Billerica, on account of surveying, and set-	11	75
ting bounds on town line	11	75
A. G. Parkhurst, on account of sale of lots in ceme-	5	00
tery at West Chelmsford	3	UU
Amount carried forward	\$7,083	09

Amount brought forward	\$7,083	09
Lowell and Suburban Street R. R. Co., on account of grading road and widening Lowell road	225	00
(Centre)	93	50
John H. Nichols, on account of rent of Town Hall (Centre)	134	75
Wm. J. Quigley, on account of rent of Town Hall		
(North Chelmsford) Eben T. Adams, on account of sale of manure at	15	0.0
Town Hall stable	2	00
		00
hearse	1	00
on account of slaughter-house licenses	6	00
on account of sale of sand to Horace		
Holt		50
Overseers of Poor, as proceeds of Town Farm H. A. Cornell, Librarian, on account of sale of	1,754	54
catalogues	4	50
on account of fines collected for		
keeping books overtime	9	58
Arthur H. Sheldon, on account of sale of lots in come-	0.5	50
tery at North Chelmsford	50	50
on account of sale of hay from		00
cemetery at North Chelmsford	4	00
on account of paint and oil		
returned to C. B. Coburn &		~ .
Co. (school-house job)	4	24
D. P. Byam, on account of sale of lots in cemetery at		
South Chelmsford	5	50
on account of tuition of non-resident		17
pupil	6	50
L. K. Howard, on account of sale of lots in Centre Cemetery		
Cemetery	27	00
on account of sale of hay from Centre		
Cemetery	12	00
Geo. F. Snow, on account of sale of school books and		
supplies	53	75
Cash received on account of taxes as follows: Of		
William L. Gordon, tax of 1892 in full	610	48
as interest on same	73	14
on account of tax of 1893	2,176	63
as interest on same	132	01
on account of tax of 1894	14,344	67
as interest on same	83	06
Cash hired for use of Town, as temporary loan	6,000	00
Making a total of	\$32,899	94
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And is credited as follows: -

By cash paid State tax for 1894	\$ 1,680	00
County tax for 1894		27
For care of Kimball lot in Centre C	Ceme-	
tery	5	00
For care of Emerson lot in Centre C	Ceme-	
tery	5	00
For care of Marshall lot in Centre C	leme-	
tery	5	00
For care of Edwards and Howard		
in Cemetery at North Chelmsfo		25
Orders drawn for the municipal year		
1894		
Temporary loan in full		
as interest on same		99
Balance in treasury as found on settlement	110	60
	\$ 32,899	94

E. W. SWEETSER, Treasurer.

CHELMSFORD, March 4, 1895.

Report of the Assessors

For the Year Ending February 28, 1895.

VALUATION MAY 1, 1894.

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Personal estate (resident) Personal estate (non-resident)	\$260,825 00 2,915 00	\$263,740 0
Total valuation of assessed estate		\$1,955,085 0
Rate of taxation \$8.50 per \$1,000.00 Polls \$2.00		
Number of polls 884		
assessed on polls only 307		
assessed on property 1,047		
Total number assessed 1,354		
Number of horses assessed 584		
cows assessed 1,026		
sheep assessed 1		
swine assessed 172		
fowl assessed 12,277		
dwellings asses'd 720		
acres of land ass'd 14,219		
Valuation of buildings \$932,085.00		
land 759,260.00		
Taxes.		
State tax	\$1,680 00	
County tax	1,837 27	
Appropriation for public schools	6,000 00	
text-books and sup-		
plies	600 00	
Amount carried forward	\$10,117 27	

Amount brought forward	\$10,117	27		
Appropriation for school incidentals.	350	00		
school apparatus	125	00		
support of poor	2,000	00		
highways	5,000	00		
repairs of public				
buildings	600	00		
relief of indigent				
soldiers and sail-				
ors	100	00		
Town officers and				
committees	1,100	00		
collection and abate-				
ment of taxes	500	00		
enforcement of liq-				
uor law	100	00		
care of cemeteries	200	00		
village clock	30	00		
public library	250	00		
miscellaneous exp's	300	00		
North Chelmsford				
Library Asso	200	00		
bell for school-house				
No. 8	150	00		
Memorial day	50	00		
heating apparatus,				
school No. 8	500	00		
transcribing ancient				
town records	165	00		
preparing military				
records of Chelms-				
ford soldiers		00		
reimbursing caval'y	17	00		
			\$21,901	
Overlayings			13	95
			\$21,915	
Less estimated receipts			2,800	00
			010 11-	
I aga annuanistic of			\$19,115	
Less appropriations from treasury			729	00
Total tax committed			\$18,386	22
Tax on 884 polls	\$ 1,768			
Tax on property	16,618	22		
			\$18,386	22

MISCELLANEOUS - CHANGES IN THE STATE THE PAST YEAR.

The valuation of buildings has increased \$2 land has increased		
Total real estate increase		
Total increase of assessed estate \$4	43,182,476	(
Number of horses assessed 193,433		
cows assessed 182,477		
sheep assessed 44.608		
swine assessed 35,603		
fowl assessed 779,938		
dwelling houses assessed 394,187		
acres of land assessed 4,502,585		
Increase in number of horses 2,255		
Decrease in number of cows		
sheep 1,545		
Increase in number of swine 7,732		
Decrease in number of fowl 100,541		
Increase in number of dwelling houses 10,474		
Decrease in number of acres of land 6,360		
Average rate of tax \$14.80 on \$1.000		

Average rate of tax, \$14.80 on \$1,000.

Highest rate, \$25.00 on \$1,000, in town of Savoy, County of Berkshire.

Lowest rate, \$4.60 on \$1,000, in town of Gosnold, County of Dukes.

There are 30 cities and 322 towns.

No cities and but 18 towns have a less tax rate than Chelmsford.

GEO. F. SNOW,
EBEN T. ADAMS,
MARTIN ROBBINS,
NEWELL E. PARKER,
ARTHUR H. SHELDON,
Assessors.

Collector's Report.

Collector's Report for 1892.			
Taxes on list of 1892 uncollected Feb. 28,			
1894	\$610	48	
Interest on same to Feb. 28, 1894	42	69	
Interest accrued since Feb. 28, 1894	30	45	
amore a contract of a contract			\$683 62
Cash paid Town Treasurer as tax	\$610	48	
Cash paid Town Treasurer as interest	73	14	
		-	\$683 62
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WILLIAM L. GOI	RDON,	Col	llector.
Collector's Report for 1893.			
Taxes on list of 1893 uncollected Feb. 28,			
1894	\$3,123	77	
Uncollected interest Feb. 28, 1894	91		
Accrued interest since Feb. 28, 1894	134		
Accided interest since Feb. 20, 1034	104		\$3,349 69
Cash paid Town Treasurer as tax	\$2,176	63	
Cash paid Town Treasurer as interest			
	947		
Uncollected interest to new account	93		
_			\$3,349 69
			
WILLIAM L. GO	RDON.	Co	llector.
Collector's Report for 1894.			
Taxes on list of 1894	,		
Additional taxes		22	
Interest collected since Oct. 1, 1894		06	
Accrued interest on uncollected taxes	119		
			\$18,660 48

Cash paid Town Treasurer as tax	\$14,344	67	
Cash paid Town Treasurer as interest	83	06	
Uncollected taxes to new account	4,112	77	
Accrued interest to new account	119	98	
		\$ 18,660	48

WILLIAM L. GORDON, Collector.

Report of the Selectmen

For the Year Ending Feb. 28, 1895.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

PAID FOR TEACHING.

No. 1, Susie M. Emerson, 36 weeks...... \$684 00

	1, Susie S. McFarlin, 36 weeks	378	00			
	1, Carrie L. Adams, 17 weeks	153	00			
	1, Alice G. Wheeler, 34 weeks	306	00			
	1, Frances Clark, 19 weeks	171	00	\$1,692	00	
	2, Daisy Hadley, 36 weeks	288	00	288	00	
	3, Gertrude Stiles, 4 weeks school year					
	1893	34	00			
	3, Belle B. Hadley, 24 weeks	204	00			
	3, Helen G. Fulton, 12 weeks	102	00	340	00	
	4, Helen M. Osgood, 33 1-7 weeks	282	20			
	4, Grace I. Washburn, 2 4-7 weeks	23	80	306	00	
	5, Grace E. Mansfield, 36 weeks	288	00	288	00	
	6, Helen E. Gookin, 36 weeks	348	00	348	00	
	8, Arthur W. Trubey, 36 weeks	756	00			
	8, Laura G. Hoyt, 36 weeks	324	00			
	8, Winnifred Miller, 12 weeks	108	00			
	8, Fannie Voter, 24 weeks	216	00			
	8, Nellie M. Baker, 25 2-7 weeks	228	60			
	8, Jennie McKenzie, 103 weeks	92	70	1,725	30	
	9, Ella A. Hutchinson, 12 weeks	108	00			
	9, Carrie E. Erskine, 24 weeks	216	00			
	9, Agnes Naylor, 36 weeks	324	00	648	00	
					_	
				\$5,635	30	
				,		
	CARE OF SCHOOL BUILDING	s.				
No.	1, Jasper Elliott, care	\$ 90	60			
	1, Mrs. Kelley, cleaning	-	25	\$ 98	25	
	2, Walter J. Smith, care	5	00			
	2, David Kelley, care		00			
	2, Mrs. J. T. Smith, cleaning		00	19	00	
	,					
	Amount carried forward			\$117	25	
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				\$360	10
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	9, Charles Jordan, housing wood		00	7	00
	9, Ira G. George, preparing 10 cords		00		
	8, Gardner K. Ripley, 20 cords wood	5	00	16	33
	8, C. A. Vinal, 1 cord wood		25		
	8, Chelmsford Foundry Co., 2360 coal		08		
	6, Michael McKennedy, preparing wood	2	00	13	00
	6, T. S. Edmands, 2 cords oak wood	11			
	5, Geo. A. Byam, housing wood		00	54	00
	5, Geo. A. Byam, 8 cords wood	52		20	00
	4, John H. Redman, housing same		25	29	90
	4, E. L. Russell, $2\frac{1}{2}$ cords slab wood 4, John H. Redman, 3 cords wood	19	15 50		
	3, N. B. Lapham, ½ cord wood		75 15	36	75
	3, Howard Park, ½ cord prepared wood.		50	0.0	
	wood	32			
	3, Daniel P. Byam, 5 cords prepared	-			
	2, J. Bowers, preparing wood	15	50	52	00
	2, J. Bowers, 62 feet wood	36			
	Farm, 1 cord prepared wood	6	50	\$151	12
2101	1, E. T. Adams, Superintendent Town		-		
No.	1, Harry L. Parkhurst, 44,190 lbs. coal.	\$144	62		
	SCHOOL FUEL.				
				\$352	85
	9, J. A. Parkkurst, cleaning	4	95	35	40
	9, John Knowles, care		45	0.5	40
	8, Chris Clausen, cleaning		50	114	00
	8, Gardner Ripley, cleaning		50		
	8, Gardner Ripley, care	108			
	6, Orrin Pierce, cleaning	3	00	21	00
	6, Gertie Barris, care		00		
	6, Lizzie C. Devine, care		00	1.5	. 00
	5, George A. Byam, Jr., care		00		00
	4, Walter H. Redman, care	12	25 00	99	25
	4, Frank Melvin, care		00		
	3, Arthur Hunt, care		75	28	95
	3, Daniel P. Byam, cleaning		00		
	3, John B. Emerson, care		20		
No.	3, Russell George, care	\$6	00		
	22 mount or ought for war a			411.	20
	Amount brought forward			\$117	2.5

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Geo. F. Snow, Superintendent E. Shaw & Son, supplies for evening school,	\$200	00	\$200	00
1893-94	18	15		
E. Shaw & Son, supplies	21		39	87
John H. Redman, Secretary of School Board		00	00	01
expenses	1	21		
setting glass, etc		54		
supplies	1		13	05
S. W. Parkhurst, supplies	17	26		
Emerson & Co., supplies	1	30		
Bartlett & Dow, supplies	4	57		
Jasper Elliott, supplies	7	25		
J. A. Parkhurst, supplies		25		
H. H. Wilder, supplies		42		
Adams & Co., supplies	19	25	43	30
John Knowles, supplies	12	80	40	00
	0			
W. A. Mack, Champion stove	0	50		
F. C. Byam, freight	_	25		
Seth P. Sampson, use of well	8	00		
Fanny Voter, cash paid for repairing chair		40	17	95
J. H. Howard, three outside windows			4	50
Susie M. Emerson, waste baskets, etc	4	60		
Grace E. Mansfield, covering for desk	1	47	6	07
Geo. A. Byam, labor and supplies	11	85		
Gardner K. Ripley, labor		50		
Orrin Pierce, labor	5	00	1.7	35
S. Hagerman, labor	- 0	00	32	-
F. G. Pratt, labor		00	04	00
Edwin E Constant Jahan	4	00		
Edwin E. Sweetser, labor		50		
A. G. Parkhurst, labor		90		
Michael Harrington, labor	1	00		
J. Clark Osterhout, labor		75	8	15
			\$ 383	00
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SCHOOL TEXT-BOOKS AND SUPP	LIES.			
D. C. Heath & Co., books	\$ 17	09		
J. L. Hammett, books and supplies	175			
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books	30	94		
Educational Co., books	1	67		
John E. Potter and Co., books	16	50		
Ginn & Co., books	87			
Wm. M. Sargent, books and supplies	128			
Silver, Burdett & Co., books	61	40		
Geo. F. King & Merrill, books	8	00		
Amount carried forward	\$527	14		
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Amount brought forward	\$527	14		
Porter & Coates, books	8	80		
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, books		00		
Edward E. Babb, books and supplies		80		
American Book Co., books	16	05		
Lee & Shepard, books	12	14		
The Werner Co., books		60		
N. E. Publishing Co., books		60		
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., books		34		
Thompson, Brown & Co., books and supplies Bartlett & Dow, supplies	24 1			
American Express Co express on books		$\frac{20}{62}$		
Geo. F. Snow, services and expenses in	11	02		
buying and delivering books and supplies	50	00		
J O O O			\$716	87
SCHOOL APPARATUS.				
Prang Ed. Co	\$23	04		
Bartlett & Dow, two bells		10		
Thomas Hall & Son, App. and supplies	20			
Strobridge Lithographing Co., 25 diplomas.		75		
W. H. Spalding, hartshorn bottle		25		
Talbot Dyewood Co., chemicals	1	30	\$55	34
American Book Co., dictionaries	17	00		
University Publishing Co., dictionaries		00		
D. H. Knowlton, books	5	00		
Derby & Morse, 4 packages Sal		32	0.0	0.57
Carleton & Hovey, alcohol, etc	1	35	33	67
			\$89	01
SUPPORT OF POOR.				
EXPENSES OUTSIDE OF ALMSHO	use.			
Worcester Insane Asylum in aid of Daniel				
Gilligan	\$169	46		
Ella Hutchins	169	47	\$338	93
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, aid to James				
W. Dunn	39	00	39	
St. John's Hospital, aid to Thomas Lawton.			104	27
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, aid to Mrs.			169	15
Catherine McMahon			109	40
F. Worden	51	07		
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Amount carried forward	•		\$651	65

Amount brought forward			\$651	65
Laura E. Bailey	132	33		
James W. Dunn	130		313	86
Northampton Lunatic Hospital, aid to Laura	100	10	010	
E. Bailey	39	79	39	79
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, aid to Eli B. Kit-		••		
tredge			46	43
City of Salem, aid to Fred E. Ward and family			111	
City of Lowell, aid to Fred E. Russell and				-
family			4	00
E. T. Adams, aid to Rufus G. Hildreth and				
family	16	35		
James O'Neil and others		79	20	14
E. Shaw & Son, aid to state paupers				45
Peter Lumbert, aid to state paupers			1	75
Seth P. Sampson, aid to state paupers			6	57
Dr. F. W. Pike, aid to state paupers			10	00
Mary C. Worden, aid to B. F. Worden			64	00
M. H. Winship, aid to James W. Boynton			96	00
Dr. E. H. Chamberlain, aid to tramp	1	50		
Dr. E. H. Chamberlain, aid to W. J. Woods				
and family	22	00	23	50
D. W. Bickford, aid to W. J. Woods and				
family			16	08
Dutton Bros., aid to Geo. W. Chamberlain				
and family			7	22
James P. Emerson, aid to Geo. W. Chamber-				
lain and family			2	50
S. W. Parkhurst, aid to Geo. W. Chamber-				
lain and family			8	03
Dr. A. Howard, aid to Geo. W. Chamber-				
lain and family			10	50
H. L. Parkhurst, aid to Geo. W. Chamber-				
lain and family			3	00
E. W. Sweetser, aid to Geo. W. Chamber-				
lain and family			12	05
H. M. Chamberlain, aid to Geo. W.				
Chamberlain and family			10	00
Dr. G. A. Harlow, aid to James W. Boyn-				
ton			5	00
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			\$1,489	97
EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.				
S. H. Nason, services as Superintendent for				
March			31	25
Amount carried forward			\$ 31	25
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Amount brought forward			\$ 31	25
E. T. Adams, 11 months services as Super-				
intendent			343	75
E. W. Sweetser, provisions			331	45
T. Adams, provisions	7	32		
L. W. Hall & Co., provisions	2	92		
Hall, Perham & Co., provisions		12	13	36
S. W. Parkhurst, groceries	180			00
C. H. Wing, groceries		74		
Caleb L. Smith, groceries	15	40		
W. H. Brown, groceries, 1893	26	03	334	59
Dickson Bros., tea and coffee, 1893	1	70	001	00
Nichols & Co., tea and coffee	20	83		
U. S. Tea Co., tea	1	30	92	83
	11		20	00
L. G. Morse, crackers		12	0.5	07
T. F. Severance, crackers	14	75	25	87
Hiram C. Blackmer, cutting wood, 1893	26	20	0.0	
Hiram C. Blackmer, labor, 1893	37		63	77
John P. Eaton, labor		00		
Mrs. Sanderson, labor		31		
Geo. Haynes, labor	1	80		
Vina M. Nason, labor	119	00		
Orena Webster, labor	11	80		
Sumner Crosby, labor	18	00		
Geo. Hall, labor	3	00		
Joseph O'Day, labor	16	50		
Nels Nelson, labor	15	00	198	41
J. J. Cluin, repairing clock, 1893	1	00		
James Stanley, repairing clock	1	00		
Dutton Bros., grain	385	70		
Dutton Bros. ice	31			
D. W. Bickford, grain	30		449	46
J. B. Hoar, bread		29	110	
H. L. Knowlton, apples	- 3	25		
Dutton Bros., lumber	1	22		
Dutton Bros., grass seed		39		
Paine's Furniture Co., 7 iron bedsteads	31		26	65
	1	72	30	00
Harry L. Parkhurst, freight and express				
Adams & Co., supplies	28			
Geo. M. Wright, blacksmithing		73		
J. Cushing, 6 barrels flour	22			
Dr. E. H. Chamberlin, medicine		75		~~
Bartlett & Dow	10		74	70
Wm. S. Pierce, filing saws		05		
J. L. Chalifoux, clothing		50		
T. M. Bolton, supplies	11	25		
Amount carried forward			\$1,927	09

Amount brought forward			\$1,927	09
French & Puffer, crockery	\$ 21	65		
C. B. Coburn & Co., supplies	-	28		
Jordan, Marsh & Co., towels		50	44	23
S. C. Patrick, tobacco		40		
Ellingwood & Co., disinfectant	1	15		
Cook, Taylor & Co., supplies	14	15		
Green & Co., shoes and boots	11	15	26	85
Armour & Co., butter	36	03	36	03
H.F. Ebert, straps	1	25		
Consumers Brewing Co., grains	44	00	45	25
Hamilton Print Works, prints		78		
Thomas H. Lawler, stamp		50		
Jalmar Karlson, repairs	2	00		
A. W, Ober, horseradish	1	03		
Mr. Chrisholm, settee	1	50	5	81
P. H. Foote, hat		25		
Geo. W. Chamberlain, labor		63		
E. N. Woods, grass seeds	2	03		
Thompson Hardware Co., supplies	1			
A. Kimball, animal food	1	25		
John Keats, dressing hogs	5	25		
Knox & Carleton, fruit jars		70	11	
E. H. Warren, grass		50	3	
Wm. H. Hills, medicine	11	23	11	23
Albert Slade, soldering		25		
E. A. Harmon, supplies		45		
Putnam & Son, clothing		00	10	20
O'Donnell & Gilbride, dry goods	1	52	13	22
C. Vayo, peaches	1	35	1	co
M. G. Mack, poison	9.1	25	$\frac{1}{21}$	$\frac{60}{92}$
William H. Clinton, fish	21	92	21	92
A. L. Butman, harness dressing	1	40		
John H. Nichols, corn fodder	$\frac{1}{29}$	00 43	30	83
H. S. Perham, 1 cow		00	30	00
M. Rozen, 1 pair pants	1	00		
Talbot Mills, flannel	2	75	43	75
Harry L. Parkhurst, coal	21	16	40	
Worthen & Lovering, cotton waste	5		26	16
Arthur M. Warren, use of bull		00	20	10
Geo. E. Emerson, use of bull	1	50	3	50
John H. Breed, cutting hair, 1893	1	00		-
A. G. Pollard, dry goods	9	37		
Patrick Sullivan, cutting wood	23	33		
L. S. Franklin, team plowing	6	75	40	45
discount equival formers			00.000	1.0
Amount carried forward			\$2,293	18

Amount brought forward			\$ 2,293	18
E. B. Rose, 100 poles		80		
Geo. Coburn, straw		60		
J. P. Emerson, 2 shoats	12			
Lowell Rubber Co., rubber bands		70		
C. H. Baldwin, fish, 1893		13		
Farrell & Conaton, pipe		54	2.0	
Lowell Steam Carpet Co., renovating beds.	12		30	27
C. W. Livingston, soap Lowell One Price Clothing Co., clothing	9	16 70		
Washington Pharmacy, poison		25		
Mrs. Richardson, strawberries	1	33		
Emerson Bros., fruit		03		
Hazen Bros., berries		90	15	37
P. H. Knight, repairing wagon	3	25		
W. H. Ward, repairing wagon		50	3	75
E. T. Adams, use of horse		00		
W. R. Fowle, eggs for hatching	1	50	30	50
Martin Robbins, services and expenses as	4.0	4.0		
Overseer	46	40		
Newell E. Parker, services and expenses as Overseer	Q	75		
Geo. F. Snow, services and expenses as	3	10		
Overseer	10	00		
A. H. Sheldon, services and expenses as	10			
Overseer	32	67	98	82
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			\$2,471	
Proceeds of Town Farm			1,754	54
Total expense at Almshouse			\$717	35
Paid for outside poor			\$1,489	0.7
Received on account of outside poor:			Ф1,40 <i>3</i>	34
Mathias Hutchins on account of hospital bills	\$ 169	48		
City of Somerville, aid	119			
City of Lowell	58	50		
Aid to State paupers	99	16	446	14
			\$1.043	83
Expenses of poor at Almshouse			717	35
Total			\$1.761	18
Inmates, 8; males, 4; females, 4; tramps, 4	85.			
MARTIN ROBBINS EBEN T. ADAMS, NEWELL E. PARI ARTHUR H. SHEI	S, KER.		anama a a a a	
GEO. F. SNOW,		C)verseers	•

APPRAISAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT TOWN FARM, MARCH 1st, 1895.

7 cows	\$290	00
1 farm horse	135	00
1 Democrat wagon, \$35.00; 1 box wagon, \$30.00	65	00
1 farm wagon, \$48.00; 1 one-horse cart, \$25.00	73	00
1 pair double harnesses, \$20.00; 1 light harness, \$10.00	30	00
1 farm harness, \$12.00; 1 cart harness, \$4.00	16	00
3 plows, \$18.00; 2 harrows, \$8.00; 1 horse hoe, \$5.00	31	00
1 one-horse sled, \$28.00; 1 pung, \$30.00; robes and		
blankets, \$25.00	83	00
Stable tools, \$3.00; 3 ladders, \$4.00; 15 chains, \$2.50.	9	50
8 shovels. \$3.00; 1 moving machine, \$30.00; 6 hoes,		
\$2.00	35	00
7 forks, \$3.00; 1 grindstone, \$3.50; 6 rakes, \$1.50; 1		
jack screw, \$3.00	11	00
1 hay cutter, \$5.00; sweet corn, \$6.00; 36 barrels, \$5.40	16	40
8 tons E. hay, \$160.00; grain chest, \$6 00; grain, \$12.00	178	00
1 horse rake, \$10.00; 5 shoats, \$40.00; 2000 feet pine		
lumber, \$24.00	74	00
15 cords manure, \$75.00; 66 fowls, \$33.00; lot small		
tools, \$34.00	142	00
Provisions and supplies	304	10
Household furniture and bedding	336	23
	\$1,829	92
T. D. DATEDOON	\$1,023	20

J. P. EMERSON, D. P. BYAM, J. S. WOTTON,

Appraisers.

HIGHWAYS.

monwars.				
Geo. M. Wright, blacksmithing	\$ 72	20		
C. F. M. Fish, blacksmithing	8	60		
Harry L. Parkhurst, express		50		
Harry L. Parkhurst, brick and cement	22	26	\$103	56
Geo. Coburn, 2000 lbs. hay	10	00		
Geo. P. Mansfield, 16,240 lbs. hay	155	09		
Horace Holt, 4670 lbs. hay	46	70		
P. F. Litchfield, 2105 lbs. hay	10	53	222	32
Dutton Bros., grain	291	64		
D. W. Bickford, grain	31	74	323	38
R. W. Dix, labor on culvert	61	42	61	42
C. Finnick, breaking roads, 1893	7	87		
Amount carried forward			\$710	68

Amount brought forward		\$710	68
John McKennedy, breaking reads 1909	0 5 00		
John McKennedy, breaking roads, 1893 Matthew Hayes, breaking roads, 1893	\$ 5 00 5 25	18	19
Chelmsford Foundry Co., 100 loads cinders.	10 00	10	
D. A. Reardon, breaking roads	5 00	10	00
J. H. Hazen, breaking roads	8 30		
J. J. Dunn, breaking roads	4 00		
Edward Doherty, breaking roads	4 50		
Fred L. Fletcher, breaking roads	20 25		
Warren Berry, et al., breaking roads	13 15		
Benj. O. Robbins, et al., breaking roads	34 80		
Wm. Redmond, et al., breaking roads	38 00		
G. P. Mansfield. et al., breaking roads	9 75		
Geo. A. Byam, breaking roads	5 20	1	
Hazen Brothers, breaking roads	16 85		
H. R. Hodson, breaking roads	9 90		
E. E. Dutton, breaking roads	5 92	175	62
James P. Emerson, breaking sidewalks		20	00
E. T. Adams, 6010 lbs. hay	54 00		
B. M. Hildreth estate, 1310 lbs. hay	6 65	60	65
Geo. Suttle, 200 loads gravel	10 00)	
Caleb L. Smith, 100 loads gravel	7.00		
D. M. George, 80 loads gravel	4 00		
F. W. Blodgett, 165 loads gravel	13 20	34	20
I. H. Knight, eart body and painting	15/25		
repairing	6 00)	
labor and supplies	9 10)	
repairs	5 25	35	60
Chas. Dane, cutting brush	5/25	5	
Sarah L. Putnam, chestnut posts	6 25	11	50
Edward Seymour, labor painting bridge	4 40		
H. E. Fletcher, corner and edge stones	152 28		
Staples Bros., drain pipe, cement, etc	161 29		97
John Marinel, labor	3 20		
Charles A. Vinal, labor	1 50		
John Warley, labor	18 00		
George W. Chamberlain, labor	6 30		
William Scoble, labor	5 00		
Peter G. Hall, labor	10 00		
S. O. Sanderson, labor	8 50		
William Brown, labor	7 20		
George F. Snow, labor	10 00		
Fred L. Fletcher, labor	5 70		
M. G. Leonard, labor	5 00		
Charles Andrews, labor	1 45		
Arthur H. Sheldon, labor	5 25		
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Amount carried forward		\$1,394	34

Amount brought forward			\$1,394	34
A. G. Parkhurst, labor	\$ 4	75		
G. H. Mason, labor and supplies	11	10	103	05
J. S. Wotton, covering stone			50	00
Katherine Savage, covering stone	_	20		
A. F. Crosby, edge stone	12	00		
A. F. Crosby, eight stone posts		00		
John Marinel, edge stone		00	47	20
George E. Allen, scraper edge and bolts		50		
Osgood & Snell, surveying		00		
Smith & Brooks, surveying	11	00		50
A. L. Brooks, lumber		10	58	36
S. W. Parkhurst, supplies	45	10		
T. M. Bolton, brushes, oil, supplies for	90			
harnesses		55		
Staples Bros., drain pipe		54 00		
George O. Byam, stone posts	a 1	50		
Bartlett & Dow, supplies	1		112	10
J. S. Shed, plow points E. T. Adams, board of road men	696		696	
Highway pay roll for March	171		090	00
April	322	39		
May	500			
June	325			
July	330			
August	185			
September	-185	19		
October	413	29		
November	340			
December	223			
January	155	00		
February	117	86	3,270	81
			\$5,774	75

APPRAISAL OF HIGHWAY TEAMS AND TOOLS AT TOWN FARM MARCH 1, 1895.

4 horses	00 00 00 00	
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Amount carried forward.....\$1,140 00

Amount brought forward	\$1,140	00		
1 two-horse wagon	35	00		
1 Chicago scraper		00		
1 scoop scraper		75		
2 large plows		00		
4 blankets		00		
1 spread chain, \$1.00; 7 shovels, \$4.00; 9	U	00		
picks, \$7.00; 4 iron bars, \$7.00	19	00		
4 chains, \$7.00; 5 hammers, \$6.00; 8 drills,	10	00		
\$6.00; 2 stone picks, .50	19	50		
Whiffletrees, \$1.50; axes, .50; tool chest,	10	00		
\$5 00; 3 wrenches, \$2.00	Q	00		
1 jack, \$1.25; 1 cart body, \$3.00; 1 drag,	J	VV		
\$2.00; 2 bush scythes, \$1.50	7	75		
5 neck-yokes, \$8.00; 1 pole, \$1.50; rope .25;	•	10		
posts and plank, \$18.00	97	75		
2 cesspool covers, \$6.00; 1 grain chest, \$5.00;	21	10		
4 food barra \$2.00	19	00		
4 feed bags, \$2.00	13	00		
New breechings, \$6.00; 2 rakes, .75; hay,				
\$2.50; stable tools, \$2.00; 3 collars,	10	0.5		
\$8.00	19	25		
1 fork, .25; 2 lanterns, .75; axle grease,		50		
\$1.00; halters and rope, \$2.50	4	50		
Shovel and broom, .50; bush hook and 1 saw,				
\$2.00; 5 lbs. dualin, \$3.00; spikes,	-	25		
\$1.75	1	25	01 007	
			\$1,337	10

J. P. EMERSON, D. P. BYAM, J. S. WOTTON,

Appraisers.

REPAIRS OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Dutton Bros., lumber for Almshouse Geo. W. Chamberlain, labor on farm build-	\$ 17	36	
ings	38	73	
E. R. Marshall, lumber for Almshouse		95	
A. P. Bateman, two windows	1	80	
F. G. Pratt, labor on Almshouse	5	98	
A. L. Brooks & Co., shingles, Almshouse	44	79	
Elmer E. Hildreth, labor on barn	4	60	
Geo. M. Wright, grates and labor on tramphouse	3	37	
Amount carried forward	\$ 117	58	

Amount brought forward			\$117	58
Harry L. Parkhurst, 176 brick for Almshouse Chelmsford Foundry Co., fire escape for	\$ 1	54		
Almshouse	134	00	\$253	12
F. G. Pratt, painting stage, Centre hall	6	93		
Geo. W. Chamberlain, labor, shingling				
Centre hall	46	63		
A. L. Brooks & Co., shingles, Centre hall		80		
E. R. Marshall, lumber, Centre hall		70		
Dutton Bros., lumber for staging	^	88		
S. O. Sanderson, labor, shingling	1.5	75		
W. McLarney & Co., urinal and pipe		25		
Joseph Teabo, cleaning up shingles		50		
F. G. Pratt, setting glass, etc		40		
W. H. Mack, two ash-pit doors		00	130	84
G. W. Chamberlain, labor, school-house No. 6		93	100	04
A. L. Brooks & Co., shingles, school-house	U	30		
No. 6	23	16		
F. G. Pratt, painting fence and shed, school-	20	40		
house No. 6	7	62	35	01
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Geo. E. Spaulding, shingles and labor,	101	20		
school-house No. 8	101	00		
Geo. H. Smith, painting school-house, shed,	==	00		
fence, school-house No. 8	99	00		
C. B. Coburn & Co., paint, school-house	0.0	40		
No. 8	_ 38	40		
Amasa Pratt & Co., sash and glass, school-		0 =		
house No. 8	1	05		
Bartlett & Dow, netting, school-house No. 8		46		
Geo. E. Spaulding, material and labor on				
flag staff, school-house No. 8	22	58		
Arthur H. Sheldon, labor and expense,			222	
school-house No. 8	4	75	223	63
Davis & Sargent, shingles and boards,				
school-house No. 2	51	40		
E. P. Barelay, labor and supplies, school-				
house No. 2	70	74	122	14
A. G. Parkhurst, paint and labor, school-				
house No. 9		60		
Charles Andrews, labor, school-house No. 9.	1	10	44	70
Newell E. Parker, repairs, school-house No. 3	2	00	2	00
Wm. Martin, labor, school-house No. 7	1	00	1	00
S. Hagerman, paid for labor and supplies,				
school-house No. 1	36	37	36	37
Peter J. Brennan, labor and stock, North				
Chelmsford hall	4	30	4	30
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			\$853	11

CARE AND IMPROVEMENT OF CEMETERIES.

Serell Parent, 10 days' labor, Centre cemetery William Grimwood, clipping hedge	\$18 7	00 50		
L. K. Howard, labor, Centre		00		
S. W. Parkhurst, powder and fuse, Centre		15	\$32 6	5
Arthur H. Sheldon, paid for labor in North	-	-	WO 2 17	0
Chelmsford cemetery	13	75		
Geo. E. Spalding, building fence, North				
Chelmsford	18	00		
Geo. H. Smith, painting fence, North				
Chelmsford	19	12		
C. B. Coburn, paint for fence, North Chelms-				
ford	21	00	71 8	7
Newell E. Parker, labor, South Chelmsford				
cemetery	3	00		
B. O. Robbins, labor, South Chelmsford				
cemetery	1	50		
Daniel P. Byam, labor, South Chelmsford				
cemetery	12	00	16 5	0
Geo. F. Snow, labor and expense, West				
Chelmsford cemetery	4	00		
A. G. Parkhurst, labor and expense, West				
Chelmsford cemetery	6	00	10 0	0
			\$131 0:	2

CARE OF CEMETERY FROM THE ADAMS EMERSON FUND.

L. K. Howard, labor, with man J. H. Wilson, 5 days' labor with team Eliza A. Fletcher, 80 loads gravel	 50 50 00		
, 3	 _	\$56	00

VILLAGE CLOCK.

C.	E.	A.	Bartlett,	Treasurer,	care o	of	clock	\$30	00)
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TRANSCRIBING ANCIENT RECORDS.

Henry S. Perham, copying records	35	00
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REIMBURSING CAVALRY.

REIMBURSING CAVALRY.		
Elisha H. Shaw, Capt., reimbursement for expense of hall for annual ball, 1894	\$17	00
PUBLIC LIBRARY.		
H. A. Cornell, services and expenses as Librarian		50
Nettie M. Stevens, 63 hours' labor DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., books and cards Estes & Lauriat, books Butterfield Printing Co., supplies and cards,		
A. Heady Park, carrying books	13	
	\$258	35
NORTH VILLAGE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION Clara A. H. Adams, Treasurer	N. \$200	00
Ciara A. II. Maams, Treasurer	\$200	
BILL FOR SCHOOL-HOUSE No. 8.		
Geo. E. Spalding, labor, building belfry	\$ 149	00
LAND DAMAGES.		
O. M. Green, for lowering grade of street in front of premises	\$80	00
MEMORIAL DAY.		
James P. Emerson, expenses of celebration Memorial day	\$ 50	00

COLLECTION AND ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

William L. Gordon, abatement for 1892	\$ 4	80		
1893 1894	125 85		\$ 215	42
Collecting taxes for years	00	20		
1892, 1893, 1894			348	44
			\$563	86
ENFORCEMENT OF LIQUOR	LAW			
Simon B. Harris, services in case of John L.				
A. H. Sheldon, time and expense en-			\$59	86
forcing liquor law			4	00
			\$63	86
STATE AID.				
Paid under Chapter 301, Statutes 1889	\$ 852			
279, 1889	267	00	\$1,119	00
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TOWN OFFICERS AND COMM	HTTE	ES.		
TOWN OFFICERS AND COMM E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as	HTTE	ES.		
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as	HTTE	ES.	\$ 150	00
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	HTTE	ES.		00
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	IITE	ES.	67 15	61 00
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	IITTE		67 15	61
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	\$ 9		67 15	61 00 50
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	\$ 9 11	25	67 15 20	61 00 50
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	\$ 9 11	25 00 25	67 15 20 20	61 00 50
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	\$ 9 11	25 00	67 15 20 20	61 00 50
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	\$ 9 11 9	25 00 25	67 15 20 20	61 00 50
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	\$ 9 11 9 11	25 00 25	67 15 20 20	61 00 50
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer Geo. A. Parkhurst, services and expenses as Town Clerk Lewis M. Dutton, services as Registrar Geo. A. Parkhurst, services as Registrar Stewart MacKay, services as Registrar, 1893 services as Registrar, 1894 John F. McManomin, services as Registrar, 1893 John F. McManomin, services as Registrar, 1894 Warren Berry, services as Warden, Precinct No. 1 J. H. Redman, services as Warden, Precinct	\$ 9 11 9 11 3	25 00 25 00	67 15 20 20	61 00 50
E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer	\$ 9 11 9 11 3	25 00 25 00 00	67 15 20 20	61 00 50

Amount brought forward			\$293	61
Precinct No. 1	\$ 3	00		
Precinct No. 1	1	50		
Precinct No. 1	1	50		
Precinct No. 1	3	00		
No. 1	6	00		
No. 1 F. K. Ripley, services as Clerk, Precinct		50	25	50
No. 2	6			
Wm. J. Quigley, services as Deputy Warden,	3			
Precinct No. 2	1			
Precinct No. 2	3			
No. 2 Hubert Bearce, services as Inspector, Pre-	3			
J. C. Hobbs, services as Deputy Inspector, Precinct No. 2	3			
J. B. McQuaid, services as Deputy Inspector, Precinct No. 2	1 3	50		
Charles A. Holt, services as Teller, Precinct No. 2		50 50	24	00
E. W. S. Dutton, services as Warden, Precinct No. 3	3		24	00
A. G. Parkhurst, services as Inspector, Precinct No. 3	3			
Joseph G. Quessey, services as Inspector, Pre- einct No. 3	3			
M. H. Winship, services as Clerk, Precinct No. 3	6			
Joseph A. Parkhurst, services as Deputy Clerk, Precinct No. 3	3 (18	00
C. A. Holt, services as forest fireward, 1893 services as forest fireward, 1894.	5 6	00	11	
J. P. Emerson, services as Constable D. A. Polley, services as Constable	v		60	
Geo. F. Dyar, services as Constable J. H. McFarlin, services as Constable			53 11	45 25
Amount carried forward			\$ 531	81

Amount brought forward			\$5 31	81
John H. Nichols, services as Special Police				
Officer			3	00
F. E. Nason, services as Constable			7	00
C. S. Carter, services as Constable			8	00
Wm. J. Quigley, services as Constable			6	50
Orrin Pierce, services as Truant Officer			1	00
D. A. Polley, services as Truant Officer			11	66
Charles Laflamme, services in case of John				
Whidden			2	50
Lowell Police Department, care of prisoners,	<i>a</i> 0	0.0	1	00
J. P. Emerson, services as Appraiser	\$ 3			
D. P. Byam, services as Appraiser		00	0	00
J. S. Wotton, services as Appraiser E. C. Perham, services and expense as	0	00	9	00
			441	42
Cattle Inspector			441	40
Assessor	95	00		
George F. Snow, copying Tax Collector's	00	00		
book	15	00	110	00
Newell E. Parker, services and expense as	-			
·Assessor·····			50	25
Arthur H. Sheldon, services and expense as				
Assessor			43	50
Martin Robbins, services and expense as				
Assessor			25	00
E. T. Adams, services as Selectman and				
Assessor			125	00
George F. Snow, services and expense as				0.0
Selectman			60	00
Martin Robbins, services and expense as			61	co
Selectman			61	60
Newell E. Parker, services and expense as Selectman			52	25
Arthur H. Sheldon, services and expense as			02	2.)
Selectman			81	37
Newell E. Parker, services as Board of			01	•
Health Officer			15	00
Arthur H. Sheldon, services as Board of				
Health Officer			3	00
George F. Snow, time and expense attend-				
ing hearings			10	00
Ziba Gay, services as Auditor		00		
E. F. Richardson, services as Auditor		00		
P. P. Perham, services as Auditor	3	00	9	00
			01.000	
			\$1,668	87

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Lowell Courier Publishing Co., printing 800	A 0.0	10		
Town and School reports Lowell Courier Publishing Co., printing bill-	\$ 86	10		
heads, notices, etc	7	00	\$ 93	10
Boston Daily Globe, advertising	1	63	1	63
John H. Nichols, services as janitor 11				
months Centre Hall	114	56		
care and expense Cen- tre Hall, February				
and March, 1894	25	80		
supplies for hall	20	77	161	13
S. W. Parkhurst, supplies for hall	21	79		
Harry L. Parkhurst, coal, 12,600 lbs., Cen-	0.0	00		
tre Hall E. L. Russell, wood for Centre Hall		$\frac{30}{25}$		
E. T. Adams, Supt., wood for Centre Hall		54		
A. B. Chapin, 1 block for Centre Hall	Ţ.	25	72	13
Wm. J. Quigley, care and expense of hall				
North Village	75	24		24
J. Merrill & Son, cash book				50
Harry L. Parkhurst, expressage Geo. A. Parkhurst, record books			1 9	40 25
Wm. M. Sargent, letter heads and envelopes				25
Bacheller & Dumas, tax book				25
Wm. H. Hills, postals and stamps			1	75
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, ink			2	00
Henry Howard, Fire Ward, North Village Morton B. Wright, Fire Ward, North Village		00 60		
Frank Pearson, Fire Ward, North Village		00		
Alfred DeCartaret, Fire Ward, North Village		00		
Charles Brett, Fire Ward, North Village	2	00		
M. A. Queen and 20 men, labor at fire,	0.2	0.0	0.4	20
North Village	22	00	34	60
range, North Village	18	49		
C. F. Scribner, labor and supplies, rifle range		23		
Amasa Pratt, lumber for rifle range		06		
E. Shaw & Son, supplies for rifle range		99		
O. Olsen, labor on target		55 13	115	15
Bartlett & Dow, hooks and pulley for target,	10	10	110	40
Centre			1	13
Geo. M. Wright, fire poles and hooks, Centre			8	34
J. J. Cluin, police badge		50	0	00
Harry Raynes, police badge	1	50	3	00
Amount carried forward			\$589	15

Amount brought forward			\$ 589	15
French & Puffer, rep. lamp			2	00
A. O. Richardson, revolver and cartridges. E. A. & A. T. Smith, concreting walk, Cen-			5	50
tre Hall			21	60
Seth P. Sampson, labor on hose house, North			2	00
Joseph Quessey, labor on ladder house, North				28
Jesse Viles, services as veterinary			4	00
Dr. E. H. Chamberlain, vaccinating			2	50
Geo. F. Stiles, services and expenses in				
Mooney case			6	10
Janbard Bros., handcuffs and jack			4	25
Lowell Police Department lodging, prisoners.				50
Dr. G. A. Harlow, reporting births	2	00	2	00
Arthur H. Sheldon, reporting deaths		25		
A. G. Parkhurst, reporting deaths		50		
L. K. Howard, reporting deaths	2	50	6	25
Arthur H. Sheldon, perambulating Town lines	~	00	_	50
Town of Chelmsford, taxes				30
			\$7 08	93

AGGREGATE OF APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

. ACCOUNTS.	APPROPRI-	EXPENDI- TURES.	SURPLUS.	DEFI- CIT.
Schools, Appropriations	\$6,000 00			
School fund	293 45			
Dog tax	481 15			
Tuition, non-resident pupils	15 50			
Teaching		\$5,635 30		
Care of houses		352 85		
Fuel		360 10	\$ 441 85	
Apparatus	125 00	89 01	35 99	
School incidentals	350 00	383 09		\$ 33 09
Free text books, appropriation	600 00	********		
Receipts	53 75	716 87	*****	63 12
Support of poor, appropriation	2,0 0 00	0.001.00	000 00	
Receipts	2,200 68	3,961 86	238 82	
Highway, appropriation	5,000 00	5 FOA PF	*****	
Receipts	1,536 75	5,774 75 852 00	762 00 10 00	
State aid, receipts	862 00 600 00	853 11		050 11
Repairs of public buildings, appropriation	000 00	999 11	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	253 11
Relief of indigent soldiers and sailors, appro-	100 00			- 7
priationRelief of indigent soldiers and sailors, receipts	64 00	267 00		103 00
Town officers and committees, appropriation.	1,100 00	1,668 87		568 87
Collection and abatement of taxes	500 00	563 86		63 86
Miscellaneous expenses, appropriation	300 00			00 00
Receipts	751 51	708 93	342 58	
Enforcement of liquor law, appropriation	100 00	63 86	36 14	
Care and improvement of cemeteries	200 00	131 (2	68 98	
Memorial day	50 00	50 (0		
Village clock	30 00	30 00		
Bell for school-house No. 8	150 00	149 00	1 00	
Public library, appropriation	250 00			
Receipts	14 08'	258 35	5 73	
North Chelmsford Library association Henting apparatus, school No. 8	200 00	200 00	********	
Henting apparatus, school No. 8	500_00	*******	500 00	
Transcribing ancient records	165 00	35 00	130 00 47 00	
Transcribing soldiers' records	47 00	17 00	47 00	
Land damages, North Village	17 00	17 00 80 00		80 00
Care of cemetery at Centre from the Adams		80 00		00 00
Emerson fund		56 00	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	56 00
	\$24,656 87	\$23,257 83 1,399 04	\$2,620 09	\$1221 05 1399 04
	\$24,656 87	\$24,656 87	\$2,620 09	\$2620 09
Appropriations. \$18,384 00 Receipts. 6,272 87 Total. \$24,656 87	Outstandir Surplus	orders		134 00 1,399 04

EBEN T. ADAMS,
GEORGE F. SNOW,
MARTIN ROBBINS,
NEWELL E. PARKER,
ARTHUR H. SHELDON,
Selectmen.

Auditors' Report.

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 28, 1895, and find his receipts and payments properly entered and vouched for, and a balance of one hundred and ten and

400 dollars (\$110.60) in his hands.

We have also examined the vouchers in the hands of the Selectmen, and find in their hands receipts amounting to twenty-three thousand two hundred and fifty-seven and $\frac{8}{100}$ dollars (\$23,257.83), vouching for orders for the same amount drawn by them on the Treasurer, one of which, for one hundred and thirty-four dollars (\$134.00), is outstanding.

We find assets:

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Cash in Treasury			\$ 110	60
Tax of 1893 uncollected	\$ 947	14		
Interest accrued on same	93	91		
Tax of 1894 uncollected	4,112	77		
Interest accrued on same	119	98	5,273	80
School books and supplies on hand			237	75
Due from the State:				
State aid to January, 1895	\$703	00		
State aid for January and February, 1895	149	00		
Relief to January, 1895	127	50		
Relief for January and February, 1895	6	00		
Armory rent	300	00		•
Balance of Corporation tax	340	00		
Balance of National Bank tax	100		\$1,725	50
			\$7,347	65
Liabilities:				
Kimball fund and interest	\$124	52		
Silver fund and interest	152	34		
Emerson fund and interest	219	47		
Marshall fund and interest	100	00		
Shed fund and interest	104	58		
Interest on Edwards fund		77		
Unpaid bills, estimated	665	00		
Tax abatements, estimated	225	-		
	134	-	\$1,726	68
Outstanding orders	104	00	Ψ1,120	
Balance assets			\$5,620	97

ZIBA GAY, E. F. RICHARDSON, PERLEY P. PERHAM,

Chelmsford, March 4, 1895.

Auditors.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Chelmsford, in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said Chelmsford to meet at the Town Hall at Chelmsford Centre, on Monday, the eighteenth day of March current, being the third Monday in said month, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

- ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.
- ARTICLE 2. To hear reports of Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.
- ARTICLE 3. To determine the manner of collecting taxes.
- ARTICLE 4. To determine the manner of repairing the highways, townways, and bridges.
- ARTICLE 5. To choose all necessary Town Officers.
- ARTICLE 6. To act in relation to the list of jurors prepared by the Selectmen.
- ARTICLE 7. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for the current year.
- ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to act as its agent in any suit or suits which may arise during the ensuing year, and also in such other matters which may arise, requiring, in their judgment, the action of such agent.
- ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will accept the gift of a deed of land, with Library building thereon, from Amos F. Adams, located at corner of Adams Street and South Street, Chelmsford Centre, under the following restrictions:

 First—That it shall always be used for a Free Public

First-That it shall always be used for a Free Public Library.

Second—That there shall be no other building of any kind placed upon the lot.

- ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will accept the gift of one hundred dollars, in trust, from Francis Day, as executor under the will of Alfred Day, the income to be used in taking perpetual care of the Alfred Day lot in Chelmsford Centre Cemetery, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 13. At the request of Geo. C. Moore and others, to see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water pipe, with hydrants, easterly along Main Street to Depot Street, in North Chelmsford, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 14. At the request of Rev. John J. Shaw, E. F. Richardson and 73 others, to see if the Town will grant permission to Rev. John J. Shaw, his successors and assigns, to use for the purpose of private burial, a certain lot or parcel of land owned by him, and situated on westerly side of Richardson Road, so called, which leads from the North Chelmsford and Chelmsford highway, to Westford Road, and containing five acres, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to dedicate the new Library building, make arrangements for the same, and appropriate money therefor, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the Public Statutes, Chapter 27, Sections 64-73, inclusive, relating to the election of Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, for the period of three years.
- ARTICLE 17. At the request of Wilbur A. Cheney, Charles T. Haskell and twelve others, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of building a school-house in or near that part of Chelmsford known as "Golden Cove," also to purchase land upon which to locate said school-house, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 18. At the request of Otis Adams, Geo. H. Wilson and 26 others, to see if the Town will vote to reimburse J. M. Fletcher the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500), that amount being a part of the money expended by him in grading that part of Fletcher Street lying between the road leading from the centre of the Town to North Chelmsford, and the house of Otis Adams, and raise and appropriate money therefor, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 19. At the request of Wm. H. Hills, S. W. Parkhurst and others, to see if the Town of Chelmsford, Mass., will take the necessary steps, by petition to the Legislature or otherwise, to secure for the use of the Town, in its several

villages, the several ponds of water known as the "Baptist," or sometimes called "Hart's" pond, near South Chelmsford Village, the "Leach," or sometimes called "Newfield" pond, near North Chelmsford Village. Also the height of ground known as "Robin's Hill," and such other high ground near North and West Chelmsford as may be desirable for reservoir purposes, all for the use of the Town of Chelmsford, Mass., as a system of water supply for domestic use, and fire protection. And to secure the rights of the Town to such meadow lands on River Meadow Brook as may be needed, or desirable for the sinking of wells to supply the eastern part of the Town, and to protect the same from pollution in accordance with the statutes made and provided.

- ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to put lettered boards in the several villages, forbidding the use of bicycles and tricycles upon the sidewalks of the Town.
- ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will make an appropriation to the North
 Chelmsford Library Association, on condition that the
 books of said Library shall be free to all inhabitants of the
 Town, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of decorating the graves of our soldiers in the several cemeteries, on the 30th day of May next, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 23. At the request of F. E. Bickford, Warren Berry, H. H. Emerson, and twenty others, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of digging a well and prepare it for a public watering place, at the South Village, upon the ground as located by the Selectmen, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 24. At the request of Elisha H. Shaw, H. H. Emerson and many others, to see if the Town will assume the charge of lighting the streets in the several villages of the Town, raise and appropriate a sum of money to do the same, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 25. At the request of W. B. Cotton, C. O. Stevens and 18 others, to see if the Town will adopt the Australian ballot system in the election of all Town Officers that are required by law to be voted for by written or printed ballot.
- ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will adopt Sect. 1, Chap. 465 of the Acts of 1893, in regard to using the McTammany ballot box in connection with the Australian ballot. Articles 25 and 26, if adopted, to be in force at all succeeding elections.

- ARTICLE 27. At the request of L. M. Dutton and others, to see if the Town will vote to take up the article in regard to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, at or before 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and that the polls remain open for voting on said article until the close of the meeting, with the exception of adjournment for dinner.
- ARTICLE 28. At the request of E. H. Shaw and others, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of heating and ventilating the schoolhouse in North Chelmsford, as required by the State Inspector.
- ARTICLE 29. At the request of Geo. F. Snow, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars, to straighten and widen the street and bridge near the railroad station at West Chelmsford, in compliance with an order of the County Commissioners of Middlesex County, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 30. At the request of E. H. Shaw, M. A. Queen and others, to see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to repair the damage done to the premises of E. Shaw & Son, now occupied by them, caused by raising the grade of the highway in front thereof, or act in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will accept the gift of a deed of land from J. Adams Bartlett upon the following express conditions: That said premises shall forever be kept open as and for a Public Park, and that no building shall ever be erected or allowed to stand upon said premises.
- ARTICLE 32. At the request of Peter J. Brennan and others, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of digging a well, providing a pump and prepare it for a public watering place at the northerly end of the Common in North Chelmsford, or act in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the post offices in the centre of the Town, South Chelmsford, North Chelmsford, West Chelmsford, and at the school-house at East Chelmsford, ten days at least before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighth day of March in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

EBEN T. ADAMS, NEWELL E. PARKER, MARTIN ROBBINS, ARTHUR H. SHELDON, GEO. F. SNOW,

Selectmen of Chelmsford.

I have served the foregoing Warrant, by posting up true and attested copies of the same at the places above mentioned, more than ten days before the day of holding said meeting.

JAMES P. EMERSON,

Constable of Chelmsford.

List of Jurors

As prepared by the Selectmen, March 8, 1895.

Andrews, Charles Adams, Timothy Butterfield, John H. Butters, Geo. E. Brown, I. Woodward Coburn, Edwin F. Durant, Geo. E. Dupee, Edmund F. Davis, Albert H. Dunn, John W. Elliott, Jasper Eaton, John P. Fowle, William R. Farrow, John A. Green, Oliver M. Howard, Lewis K. Holt, George H. Hall, John S.

Howard, Henry E. Lee, William M. Merrill, Frank G. Nichols, John H. Perham, Albert P. Pinkham, Arthur C. Parkhurst, Alfred G. Parker, Newell E. Parkhurst, Edwin K. Pickard, Daniel J. Russell, E. Lincoln Reed, Albert S. Richardson, A. Howard Robbins, Martin Sprague, Cordice R. Stetson, George G. Stevens, Ephraim A. Vinal, Charles A.

EBEN T. ADAMS,

Chairman of Selectmen.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Chelmsford, Mass.,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1895.

LOWELL, MASS.
COURIER-CITIZEN COMPANY, PRINTERS.
1895



Report of School Committee.

The School Committee of the Town of Chelmsford for the year 1894–95, held its first meeting March 24, 1894. Samuel C. Hagerman was chosen Chairman, John H. Redman, Secretary. George F. Snow was re-elected Superintendent of Schools and Book Agent for the Board.

As members of the Committee we have endeavored to discharge our various duties in a faithful manner. We feel that we have been favored in many ways, but especially so in the choice of Superintendent and the corps of teachers who have labored with him during the past year. The present satisfactory condition of our schools is a sufficient proof of their persistent and painstaking work. Such work is eminently creditable, when we note the several serious difficulties with which both teachers and pupils have had to contend.

The first and perhaps the most serious of these has been the crowded condition of the schools at the North Village and the Centre. We are glad, however, to report that steps are being taken toward remedying this difficulty. The Town, at its meeting last March, upon the recommendation of our pred-

ecessors, appointed a committee to investigate and report upon this matter. The Chairman of this committee has recently informed us that the members are still giving the matter their careful consideration. In the meantime we have endeavored to afford temporary relief in the matter of ventilation, etc.

A second difficulty has been the lack of co-operation on the part of parents. We will not call it lack of interest, for we do not believe it to be such; but rather the lack of an expression of interest. If the people of Chelmsford expect ideal schools, it is not enough that they appropriate generously for their support. They must visit the schools. Therefore while we heartily thank those who have shown their interest by their visits during the past year, we would remind those who may be displeased with the school work, that they have their part to take in making that work a success.

Finally, a serious difficulty has presented itself in the shape of sickness among the scholars. Especially has this been the case at the Centre, where, owing to several cases of scarlet fever, we found it necessary to close the schools during a week in February.

In connection with this matter we feel that it will not be amiss to call attention to certain laws regarding contagious diseases, etc.:—

Every person having under his control a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, shall annually cause such child to attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides, and such attendance shall continue for at least thirty weeks of the school year, if the schools are kept open that length of time, with an allowance of two weeks' time for absences not excused by the Superintendent of Schools or the School Committee, and for every neglect of such duty the person offending shall, upon complaint of a School Committee, or any Truant Officer, forfeit to the use of the public schools of such city or town, a sum not exceeding twenty dollars; but if such child has attended, for a like period of time, a private day school, approved by the School Committee of such city or town, or if such child has been otherwise instructed for a like period of time in the branches of learning required by law to be taught in the public schools, or if his physical or mental condition is such as to render such attendance inexpedient or impracticable, such penalty shall not be incurred.

The School Committee shall not allow a child who has not been duly vaccinated, to be admitted to or connected with the public schools.

Chapter 198 of the Acts of 1885 provides that the School Committee shall not allow any pupil to attend the public schools while any member of the household to which such pupil belongs, is sick of small-pox, diphtheria, or scarlet fever, or during a period of two weeks after the death, recovery, or removal of such sick person; and any pupil coming from such household shall be required to present to the teacher of the school the pupil desires to at-

tend, a certificate from the attending physician or Board of Health, of the facts necessary to entitle him to admission, in accordance with the above regulation.

No child under thirteen years of age shall be employed at any time in any factory, workshop, or mercantile establishment. No such child shall be employed in any indoor work, performed for wages or other compensation, to whomsoever payable, during the hours when the public schools of the city or town in which he resides, are in session, or shall be employed in any manner during such hours, unless during the year next preceding such employment he has attended school for at least twenty weeks, as required by law.

No child under fourteen years of age shall be employed in any manner before the hour of six o'clock in the morning or after the hour of seven o'clock in the evening. No such child shall be employed in any factory, workshop, or mercantile establishment, except during the vacation of the public schools in the city or town where he resides, unless the person or corporation employing him procures and keeps on file a certificate and employment ticket for such child as prescribed by Section 4 of this act, and no such child shall be employed in any indoor work, performed for wages or other compensation, to whomsoever payable, during the hours when the public schools of such city or town are in session, unless as aforesaid, or shall be employed in any

manner during such hours unless during the year next preceding such employment he has attended school for at least twenty weeks, as required by law; and such employment shall not continue in any case beyond the time when such certificate expires. The Chief of the District Police, with the approval of the Governor, shall have authority to designate any kind or kinds of employment in factories, workshops, or mercantile establishments as injurious to the health of children under fourteen years of age employed therein, and after one week's written notice from the said chief to the employer or his superintendent, overseer or other agent of such designation, no child shall be employed in any such kind or kinds of employment in any factory, workshop, or mercantile establishment.

No child under sixteen years of age shall be employed in any factory, workshop, or mercantile establishment unless the person or corporation employing him procures and keeps on file the certificate required in the case of such child, and also keeps on file a full and complete list of such children employed therein.

Every parent or guardian of a child under fourteen years of age who permits any employment of such a child contrary to the provisions of this act, and every owner, superintendent, or overseer of any factory, workshop, or mercantile establishment who employs or permits to be employed therein any child contrary to the provisions of this act, and any other person who employs any child contrary to the provisions of this act shall, for every such offence, forfeit not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars for the use of the public schools of the city or town. Every parent, guardian, or person authorized to sign the certificate prescribed by Section 4 of this act, who certifies to any materially false statement therein, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

A failure to produce to a Truant Officer or Inspector of Factories the certificate required by the provisions of this act shall be prima facie evidence of the illegal employment of the child whose certificate is not produced.

Every owner, superintendent, or overseer in any such establishment, who employs, or permits to be employed therein, a child under fourteen years of age who cannot read and write, while the public schools in the city or town where such child lives are in session, and every parent or guardian who permits such employment, shall, for every such offence, forfeit not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars for the use of the public schools of such city or town.

Whoever wilfully and maliciously or wantonly and without cause destroys, defaces, mars, or injures a school-house, church, or other building erected or used for purposes of education or religious instruction, or for the general diffusion of knowledge, or

an outbuilding, fence, well, or appurtenance of such school-house, church, or other building, or furniture, apparatus, or other property belonging to, or connected with such school-house, church, or other buildings, shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the jail not exceeding one year.

SAMUEL HAGERMAN,
J. H. REDMAN,
G. A. BYAM,
D. P. BYAM,
ORRIN PIERCE,
CHARLES ANDREWS,
HUBERT BEARCE,
J. A. PARKHURST,
C. A. RANDLETT,

School Committee.

Superintendent's Report.

To the Chairman and Gentlemen of the School Committee:

My annual report as Superintendent of Schools is hereby submitted for your consideration.

In submitting this report I perform one of my last official acts in connection with this office, the duties of which I assumed eight years ago.

It has devolved upon me through your aid and co-operation to make such changes in the schools, both in management and instruction, as seemed likely to improve them.

I trust that the administration has proven of sufficient merit as to recommend it to your approval, and the approval of the public whom you represent.

Allow me to express the hope that the future policy of your Board may be as liberal and progressive as it has been during my connection with your honorable body, and that my successor may find in you that aid and appreciation that has made possible the accomplishment of my plans and wishes in regard to the schools. I desire to express my thanks to the teachers for the cheerful spirit which has characterized their work, and in which they have co-operated with me in carrying forward the suggestions which I have made to them from time to time. This spirit has been not an unimportant factor in making this the most pleasant year of my work with you.

My thanks are due the citizens and parents for their expressions of confidence in the public schools and their outspoken words in their behalf. I bespeak for them the con-

tinued and increased interest of all. What, tell me, has been bequeathed to us by our forefathers more excellent, in honor and in value, than our system of public schools? What better treasure than intellectual and moral worth can we either possess ourselves or bestow on the children of our affections? Our Town has, I know, held for many years an honorable standing, as compared with towns around her, as regards expenditures for maintaining these schools. Long may she be honorable thus; and instead of tiring in the good work, let her rise to even a more liberal and higher position.

PARENTAL INFLUENCE.

Never was parental influence more needed by the teacher than now. Children come home with complaints that the teacher has unjustly punished them or given them too long a lesson.

Now just as soon as the parent sees there is difficulty between the teacher and his children, he ought at once to look into the matter; for it is very indiscreet to decide on the testimony of an angry child, that the teacher is wrong and thus encourage the child in insubordination.

The teacher in all probability is right, and needs your support. Go kindly, then, and see the teacher, for, in nine cases in ten, if not ninety-nine in a hundred, the teacher is right. Examine into the matter and you will find that your child was wrong and needed correction. It is miserably mean to go about the neighborhood and say the teacher is "partial," or "has no judgment," or "hates your child," or "my child is not the worst in school," or "that somebody deserved punishment more."

Why not squarely put the question, is my child wrong? If, upon inquiry of the teacher, you find the child was, then stand by the teacher and sustain her to the end. The good of the school and the good of the community require it. Should the teacher be in the wrong, go to her kindly and tell her so, and she will be happy to correct any mistake she may have made.

Therefore, stand by the teacher and sustain her.

DISCIPLINE.

The general moral effort and influence of the schools have been good in kind and degree, notwithstanding the everpresent and demoralizing influence of indecent and vicious manifestations of character by some pupils. From year to year I have endeavored, directly and indirectly, to inculcate among the pupils habits as well as forms of respect toward one another, toward teachers, toward school requirements, and toward those with whom they may be brought in contact in the great outside world: habits of punctuality, diligence, neatness, trustworthiness, purity of action, in word and deed, care and proper use of property, fidelity to friends and country.

Here is found the power of a teacher's personality in creating a high moral tone in and about the school, which shall conduce rather to character building than to mere mental training.

THE SCHOOL WORK.

The year has been one of quiet progress. The work is evolutionary, rather than revolutionary. On the part of the teachers there seems to be a general desire for the best, a willingness to work, a loyalty to the schools. Our schools seem to be exceptionally free from friction, irritation, and avoidable vexations. It is well, too, for there never can exist a thoroughly good school where discontent and discord prevail, or where the spirit of concord dwells not.

The child certainly takes on the character of his environments and is fashioned into the likeness of those in closest contact with him.

Therefore, we should seek most for the spirit of the school and base our conclusion upon this.

I believe an ambitious spirit, a generous spirit, a hopeful and ennobling spirit—in a word, the true spirit, is living and growing in our schools.

May this continue! Aid and gratitude to the teachers who are fostering it. Strict attention was given at the closing of each term to ascertain the rate of each scholar's advancement, and I am pleased to announce that a good degree of progress has been made by nearly all the pupils during the year.

SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

Of our fifteen schools ten have retained the same teachers throughout the year and eight for a longer period.

These veteran teachers have done superior work. Those who have come to us during the year have brought a degree of scholarship, an earnestness of purpose, an elevation of character, and, in most cases, an ability and energy in management, that have won the respect of the school and community and insured a gratifying degree of success.

MIXED SCHOOLS.

The work prescribed for these schools and the manner of doing it, have been carried out through the year with much uniformity and with generally satisfactory results. The prevalence of contagious disease injuriously affected the attendance upon some of these schools. Yet in addition to absences caused by sickness, dread of contagion, or some imperative necessity, how many result from an inconsiderate indulgence of childish notions or parental ease or profit. When the child, grown to man's estate, sees the worth of the precious time thus lost, he will not hold his parents guiltless. Absence for a day, or even a single half-day, is a serious injury to the pupil. Each day's work completed is a sure foundation for the next day's course of discipline and instruction. But the lessons of the day being lost, some of the next are generally unprepared, for the old excuse is ever ready: "I was absent and don't know the lesson."

How difficult it is for instructors to excite and sustain the interest of their pupils, how hard a task for a pupil, unless present at every recitation, to surmount each new obstacle and firmly grasp each new principle, no one but a practical teacher can fully appreciate. Those absent days produce habits of neglect, and failures occur often.

The absentee loses his interest, if he ever had any, in his studies, hangs like a dead weight on the class, and finally drops into a lower division, or out of school entirely. The teachers deserve the highest praise for their unwearied pains to keep tardy and absent marks from their school registers. Those who have interested the parents in this matter of regular attendance have accomplished the most, for, when a teacher manifests a personal interest in a pupil, the parent is pleased and the child will generally be punctual at school.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

As a whole the Primary Schools are in better condition than they were a year ago, and their work is a testimonial to what can be accomplished when the same faithful and conscientious teachers are long continued in their work. If we wish to have pure water in a river, we must look to the purity of the springs at its source; if the springs are pure, the whole river will be pure. So in a system of education we must look to the Primary Schools first. With these working . in the right direction, in the course of time the whole system must be benefited. The task of the Primary School teacher is, in my opinion, more difficult and gathers around itself more discouragements than that of any other teacher engaged in our common school system. Within eight, or at the most nine, years these little ones ought to be brought to the door of the High School, well qualified to run the race which will there open before them.

How important that they be started correctly on this long and wearisome journey! How essential that their impressions at the outset be cheerful, that their ideas be true and noble, and that their love of school be planted deeply within them!

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.

The work of the year has been progressive and satisfactory. In the Intermediate Schools the children by their keen and quick perceptions gain a fair knowledge of the chief elements of arithmetic, geography, history and nature study, and in the years that follow this knowledge is extended more readily and satisfactorily than by spending so much time exclusively upon the few subjects that formed the

staple of the school programme of ten years ago. To the children who are obliged to leave school while in the lower grades, the training in these studies is an advantage, which a postponement of them to the higher grades deprives them of.

Again, and this is the chief advantage, if rightly taught, children will acquire a taste for these subjects, which will lead to formation of habits of reading and study when school days are over. Especial effort has been made in this grade to improve the writing. The results of the effort are now visible and I am able to report great improvement.

The writing in the schools should be uniformly good; and once we reach the standard we are striving for, it can be easily maintained.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The instruction in the Grammar Schools has steadily improved during the year, and the results have been, in most cases, satisfactory. I have endeavored to make prominent in all the schools, and especially in these, practical language work. In addition to the regular exercises in dictation, letter writing, and composition, I have urged upon the teachers the necessity of giving especial attention to such exercises as would lead to correct and fluent expression on the part of the pupils. The ability to express one's thoughts on paper gracefully is an accomplishment greatly to be desired; but the ability to express one's thoughts orally and readily is more than an accomplishment: it is a necessity.

To be able to do this grammatically is well worth any effort that may be required. Practice, constant, persistent practice, alone will do it. Good work in arithmetic has been

accomplished in this grade. This is sometimes called a bread-and-butter science, and has ever appealed with great force to all classes. If a large proportion of what is offered in the written arithmetic should be treated as mental problems, all manual operations being omitted, far more discipline and power would be the outcome. Mental arithmetic leads a pupil to read a problem intelligently, to see conditions readily, to think a correct conclusion, and express the same to others promptly and accurately — far more than can result from much of the figure work of to-day.

HIGH SCHOOLS.

The patient, quiet and progressive administration of the High Schools is making itself felt. The schools have continued to improve, both in the character of the work and in the spirit and conduct of the pupils.

The subjects of study are essentially the same as for the last few years, but the ways of dealing with these subjects are coming more and more into harmony with the laws of physical, mental and moral growth.

The graduating exercises of the High Schools occurred at the close of the spring term, in the presence of audiences limited only by the capacity of the local Town Halls. The platforms were tastefully adorned with floral and other decorations. The well-delivered essays were of unusual excellence, presenting a pleasing variety of subject and thought in an easy and graceful manner.

The following programmes were given:

PROGRAMME.

(Centre High School, Chelmsford, Mass.)

MARCH. Selected.	
ORCHESTRA.	
INVOCATION.	
REV. GRANVILLE PIERCE.	
OVERTURE. "Graduation." Latar	n
ORCHESTRA.	
SALUTATORY ESSAY. "Success."	
MASTER RALPH W. EMERSON.	
FOLK-SONG. "There's One That I Love Dearly." QUARTETTE.	
ESSAY. "A Charcoal Sketch."	
MASTER HARRY A. DUTTON.	
RECITATION. "An Order for a Picture."	
MISS MABEL F. FENDERSON.	
SELECTION FROM "1492."	
ORCHESTRA.	
ESSAY. "Class History."	
MASTER EDWIN L. STEARNS.	
"IF THE WATERS COULD SPEAK AS THEY FLOW." Graha	m
DR. F. R. RIX AND QUARTETTE.	
ESSAY. "Germs."	
MISS AGNES L. NICHOLS.	
CORNET SOLO. "Une Serenade."	lle
ESSAY. "Last Decree of the Delphic Oracle." MISS EDNAH F. BYAM.	
CLASS ORATION. "The Duties of Citizenship." MASTER EDWARD J. ROBBINS.	
SOLO. "To a Spring Flower."	llo
ESSAY. "Class Prophecy."	
MASTER WILLIE II. FULTON.	
SERENADE	tel

QUARTETTE.

ESSAY. "Education."

MISS JESSIE M. HOLT.

"THOSE EVENING BELLS."

Eilenberg

ORCHESTRA.

VALEDICTORY ESSAY. "Friendship."

MISS ALICE M. STEARNS.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.

SUPERINTENDENT GEO. F. SNOW.

CLASS ODE.

BENEDICTION.

REV. H. A. CORNELL.

GRADUATES.

Ednah Florence Byam.
Harry Ayer Dutton.
Ralph Waldo Emerson.
Mabel Florence Fenderson.
Willie Howard Fulton.

Jessie May Holt.
Agnes Lee Nichols.
Edward Jenkins Robbins.
Alice Margaret Stearns.
Edwin Lewis Stearns.

CLASS OFFICERS.

EDWARD J. ROBBINS, President.

EDNAH F. BYAM, Secretary and Treasurer.

PROGRAMME.

(North Chelmsford High School.)

OVERTURE.

ORCHESTRA.

INVOCATION.

REV. S. I. BRIANT.

SALUTATORY WITH ESSAY. "Early American Literature."

LOTTIE L. SNOW.

ORATION. "Architecture."

FRED CHANDLER.

ESSAY. "Flowers."

NELLIE B. TRUBEY.

WALTZ. Selected.

ORCHESTRA.

HISTORY AND ESSAY, "Lucy Larcom."

HATTIE MAY HALL.

PROPHECY AND ESSAY. "Physical Education."

DUET. "Land of the Setting Sun."

MR. AND MRS. HUBERT BEARCE.

VALEDICTORY WITH ESSAY. "Self Control."

LAURA I. LUMBERT.

CONFERRING OF DIPLOMAS.

SUPERINTENDENT.

SINGING OF CLASS ODE.

MISS CLARA A. WRIGHT, ACCOMPANIST.

SELECTION.

ORCHESTRA.

GRADUATES.

Nellie Bertha Trubey.

Laura Isola Lumbert.

Augustus E. Duncan.

Lottie Louise Snow.
Hattie May Hall.
Fred Chandler.

THE NATURAL SCIENCES.

I have learned to believe that children should be put, in their early years, to the study of nature. I did not think so once, but now I do. I have seen a school of intermediate grade, under a competent teacher, studying physics, botany, physiology, and other natural sciences with great enthusiasm and complete success. The work was done without a textbook. The instruction was given orally by conversation, charts, pictures, real objects, and experiments. The children were taught to analyze and draw flowers and plants, to observe and study animal life, and make experiments. The children had no time for mischief, and were very happy in their work. The school governed itself, and habits of careful and constant observation were formed. Of course, the higher ranges of these studies will be reserved for advanced grades

and schools. But if a love for this work and proper habits of observation and reflection are formed in the lower schools they will ensure success in the upper.

I am confident that the proper way to enrich the studies of Grammar and High Schools is to lay the foundation for it in the lower grades. Let us throw out all along the line the rubbish and put in what is practical and disciplinary.

These are the things which interest children and prevent waste. Uninterested schools are noisy schools, but interested schools govern themselves. By saving waste, we shall save our children. I recommend the introduction of nature studies in the lower grades.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I would remind you, gentlemen, and, through you, the citizens of the Town, that the personal, hearty co-operation and sympathy of all, with both teachers and pupils, are essential to the success of our school system. The most perfect of systems, and most learned of teachers, will not alone make satisfactory schools. A school can not be made to run like a piece of mechanism and perfectly accomplish its work. It has a certain personality, whose attributes must be considered. Without enthusiasm on the part of teachers and pupils, school work becomes drudgery and heartless, servile toil. The machinery of the system may run smoothly, but the result will be boys and girls anxious to escape from the servitude of school rather than become educated men and women. What the schools most need now is an enthusiasm that will render the work of pupils and teachers less mechanical and formal, more hearty and earnest. For the inspiration of this enthusiasm, we are dependent almost entirely upon the encouragement and sympathy received from parents and citizens, and this encouragement and sympathy teachers and pupils have, equally, a right to claim at their hands.

I take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the hearty co-operation that has been extended to me by all the members of the teaching staff, and take pleasure in acknowledging their willingness and industry in the performance of the duties of their position.

The harmony and good fellowship that has prevailed throughout has rendered my work easier and pleasanter.

I wish, also, to thank the members of the Board for the assistance given me in the discharge of my duties as Super-intendent. My relations with school official, teacher, child, and parent, were never more congenial.

I wish to leave this record of my gratitude for all favors. Wishing for the schools of Chelmsford the highest attainments and the richest success.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. F. SNOW,

Superintendent of Public Schools.

CHELMSFORD, Mass., Mar. 2, 1895.

Roll of Honor.

[Scholars not absent or tardy; scholars not absent but tardy*.]

CENTRE HIGH, NO. 1.

THREE YEARS - Alice M. Stearns, Jessie M. Holt*.

ONE YEAR AND ONE TERM — Chas. P. Holt, Edward J. Robbins*.

ONE YEAR - May B. Bartlett, Leslie R. Davis.

Two Terms — Christina Ashworth, Theodore A. Cornell, Grace G. Garland, Arthur A. Harmon, G. Thomas Parkhurst, Ralph H. Stearns, Lizzie K. Stearns.

ONE TERM — Alexina Bremner, Harold H. Davis, Pearl F. Dyar, Hattie M. Emerson, John B. Emerson, Willie H. Fulton, M. Etta Gill, A. Hawthorn Howard, Edwin L. Stearns, Lizzie K. Stevens, Florence E. Ward, Annie M. Wood.

CENTRE GRAMMAR, No. 1.

THREE YEARS - E. Belle Adams.

ONE YEAR — Arthur Adams, Ralph Adams, Mabel Nason*.

Two Terms — George French, Arthur Hill, Fred Holt, Ella Hodson, Ever Briggs, Maud Ludwig, Lawrence Marshall, Sadie Newhall, Frank Melvin.

ONE TERM — Anna Bliss, Stanley Cotton, Arthur Staples, Arnold Perham.

CENTRE INTERMEDIATE, No. 1.

ONE YEAR - Louise Adams.

Two Terms — Willie Adams, Paul P. Davis, Emma G. Glidden, Frank Hodson, Aibert Ludwig, M. J. Pratt, Bennie Rowell*, Ralph Caverly*.

ONE TERM—Fred W. Holt, Arthur J. Hill, Bertha E. Ober, Oscar Hodson, Ella Knowlton, Harry Harmon, Alfred Howard, Ethel Daw, Hattie Dryden, Herbert Chamberlin, Clarence Kelley*, Harlan E. Knowlton*, Charles Chamberlin*.

CENTRE PRIMARY, No. 1.

ONE YEAR - Marion Adams.

Two TERMS - Edith Bliss.

ONE TERM — Willie Adams. Lina Chamberlin, Elsie Shattuck, Eugene Chamberlin.

MIXED NORTH ROW, No. 2.

Two TERMS - Eliza Spaulding.

MIXED SOUTH, No. 3.

ONE YEAR - Sydney Dupee.

One Term - Alta B. Byam, Elizabeth Byam, Albert Holtam.

MIXED SOUTH ROW, No. 4.

ONE YEAR—Walter Hosmer Redman, H. Stewart Redman, Willie Robbins.

Two Terms - Edward B. Redman, Leon Parker.

ONE TERM - Frank Melvin, Percy B. Redman.

MIXED BYAM'S, No. 5.

Two Terms - Carrie Newhall, Walter Crooker.

ONE TERM - Francis O. Dutton.

MIXED EAST, No. 6.

ONE YEAR - Marshall Dix.

Two Terms — Ralph Howland, James Leahy.

ONE TERM—Jay Plummer, Arthur Severance, Henry Dix, George Barris, Wilfred Leahy, Florence Leahy, Thomas O'Hara, Benjamin O'Hara, Pearl Dyar*, Harry Wilson*, Alice Dyar*.

NORTH HIGH, No. 8.

Two Terms — Reginald Sheldon, Frank Hall, Walter Marinal, George Lumbert*.

ONE TERM — Stephen Ward, Fred Snow, Arthur Marinal, Florence Winship.

NORTH GRAMMAR, No. 8.

ONE TERM — Stephen Wood, Frank Hall, Regis Sheldon, Thomas McTague, Ina Lumbert, Georgia McEnnis, Hebert Worden.

NORTH INTERMEDIATE, No. 8.

Two Terms - Stewart MacKay, Walter Worden, Edwin Davis*.

ONE TERM — Willie Tobin, Ralph Clark, James McTague, Maud Wright, Georgia McEnnis, Ina Lumbert, May Belle Howard, Gladys Swain, Thomas Towle, Esther Bearce*, Thomas Larkin*.

NORTH PRIMARY, No. 8.

Two Terms — Fred McEnaney, Clifford Queen, John Varney, May McCluskey, Katherine Sheldon, Lester Worden, Chester Worden.

ONE TERM—Ethel B. Wotton, Esther A. Bearce, Martha McCluskey, Florence Queen, Gladys Swain, James H. McCoy, Anna MacKay, Joseph McTague.

WEST GRAMMAR, No. 9.

ONE YEAR - Herbert Jordan.

ONE TERM — Helen Knowles, Emma Holt, George Knowles, Charlie Martin, Ella M. Winship.

WEST PRIMARY, No. 9.

Two Terms — Millie A. Dunn, Harry Daw, Nellie Aberhamson, Harrison Mason.

ONE TERM — Augusta Anderson, Sarah A. Boynton, Fabrie Corrigan, Stella Daw, Henry Jordan, Walter Guyette, Patsy Flynn, Chris Newman, Willie Miller, Albert Miller.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF SCHOOLS IN THE TOWN OF CHELMSFORD, MASS., FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 28, 1895.

SPRING TERM.

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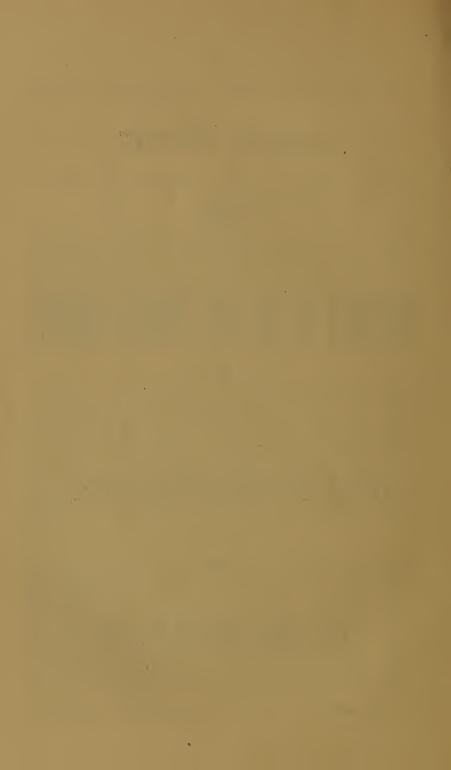
TRUSTEES OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

OF THE

TOWN OF CHELMSFORD, MASS.,

FOR THE

Year Ending February 28, 1895.



Report.

The Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library respectfully submits the following report concerning the second year's administration of the Library:

After organizing by the selection of Mr. H. S. Perham as Chairman, and Mrs. H. M. Bartlett as Secretary, the first duty of the Board was to secure the service of a competent person as Librarian, in place of Miss Nettie M. Stevens, who had resigned. Rev. H. A. Cornell was induced to accept the position, and has served faithfully during the entire year, giving many hours' extra labor to the promotion of the Library's interests, and securing some valuable donations. With the aid of his son, Theodore, the service to patrons has been much expedited, greatly relieving the discomfort and inconvenience of the narrow quarters to which the Library has been confined. It has been impossible to provide any waiting-room for the patrons save the entry of the Town Hall, and as this could not be heated during the cold season, there was much exposure and discomfort, which seemed inevitable, but which has been patiently endured in hope of better things to come. These inconveniences, which were spoken of at length in our former report, have been felt even more during the past year than during the previous one, on account of the longer season during which the Library has been open, and on account of the larger number of persons using it. There is, however, we are happy to say, a prospect of early and permanent relief.

The Library has been open for public use for eleven months of the past year, 96 periods of two hours each, viz.: on Wednesdays from 3 to 5 o'clock, and on Saturdays from 6 to 8 o'clock P. M. The smallest delivery of books at any one time of opening was 36 on June 27, and the largest was 122 on Jan. 2. There is no basis for a comparison of the circulation of this year with previous ones, since the Library was open for but a part of the first year of its existence. Yet such figures as can be given show a gratifying increase of patronage. The number of volumes taken out during the last

year of the old Social Library was reported as 1,910; the number during the first year as a Free Library, open for about five months. was 2,647; the number from March 22, 1894, to Feb. 20, 1895, eleven months, has been 7,342. The first two months of the present year, March to May, show a circulation of 1,374; the last two months, December to February, a circulation of 1.512. The number of persons using the Library this year was 408, against 269 last year. Such an increase amply demonstrates the wisdom of the Town's action in establishing the Library on the basis of a free public, rather than a subscription, library. May we not believe that the public benefit from the circulation of a high class of literature, not simply in the way of amusement, but as well in the increase of intelligence and refinement, has increased in like proportion? An encouraging index of the gratification of such hopes is to be found in the large use of the Library by pupils of the Grammar and High schools, to a considerable extent under the advice and direction of the teachers.

The patronage has come most largely, as would naturally be expected, from the population of the Centre Village and its vicinity. The Trustees have not as yet felt justified in expending any considerable portion of the funds for the transportation of books to other parts of the Town. The service has been performed for the people of South Chelmsford, by Mr. A. Heady Park, one of the members of this Board, for a very small compensation, exchanging the books once in two weeks. The hearty thanks of the Trustees are due and are hereby given to Mrs. N. B. Lapham of South Chelmsford for her kindness in allowing her house to be used without compensation as the distributing and collecting agency for the books circulated in that community. There has also been a fair share of circulation in the East Chelmsford neighborhood, the patrons coming individually. The remainder of the Town has made almost no use of this Library, the people of the North and West Villages being much more conveniently served by the North Chelmsford Library Association, whose excellent collection of books has been made free to all inhabitants of the Town for the past year by an appropriation for its support granted by the Town at its last annual meeting.

Donations have been received during the year as follows: Miss E. Walton, 2 vols., State of Massachusetts, 13; South Chelmsford Library, 4; Geo. A. Parkhurst, 1; New York World, 1; United States Bureau of Education, 6; Prentiss Webster, Esq., 1;

Civil Service Commission, 1; J. Adams Bartlett, 1; Rev. H. A. Cornell, 4; Smithsonian Institute, 3 vols. and a large number of pamphlets; Dr. S. A. Green, 2 vols. and 1 document; Miss Sarah L. Putnam, 1 vol. and 12 magazines; Miss C. A. Stanley, 13 magazines; Hatch Experiment Station, 15 pamphlets. These have been duly acknowledged by the Trustees, with thanks in behalf of the Town.

There have been added by purchase 168 volumes.

The Trustees can not close this report without expressing their great pleasure in anticipation of the occupancy of the new and very handsome and commodious Library building now nearly completed in this village through the generosity and public spirit of our former townsman, Mr. Amos F. Adams of Boston — Messrs. J. A. Bartlett and C. E. A. Bartlett also having greatly aided in securing for the building a fine location, the former by the donation of a valuable piece of land, and the latter by grading the land at considerable expense. Mr. Thomas M. Adams of South Chelmsford has also placed in the hands of the Trustees a donation of \$500 for the purchase of books.

We are expecting a great increase in the public use of the Library through the increased convenience and attractiveness thus to be supplied. We are planning for considerably longer hours of opening and for an increase of facilities for service. The Reading Room, a feature we have not hitherto possessed, will no doubt be appreciated by the general public as well as by ourselves as a most valuable and almost indispensable adjunct to the collection of books which forms the Library.

We announce with regret that Miss Louisa A. Allen, after having served acceptably for two years as a member of this Board, has tendered her resignation.

The extraordinary expenses of removing and re-arranging the present materials of the Library, of preparing for circulation the large additions already donated, and for the care and maintenance of the building, will call for an additional appropriation for the coming year, as follows:

We recommend, if the Library be maintained under the present conditions, an appropriation of \$250 for the coming year; and if the new building be accepted and the Library removed thereto an additional appropriation, as above, of \$350, or \$600 in all.

STATE OF THE LIBRARY.

Number of books and documents in the Library per report of last year	40	2447
Added by donations, volumes Added by purchase, volumes	168	208
Added by purchase, volumes	100	
		2655
Destroyed because of infection, volumes	6	
Lost and untraceable	1	7
Present number of volumes and documents		2648
Net increase for the year		201

There are, in addition to the above, a large number of unbound magazines and pamphlets and two maps.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Money appropriated by Town Received from fines and sale of catalogues			\$250 14	00 08
	164	95		
Miss Nettie Stevens, for arranging				
books and preparing accession list,	12	60		
Harold Davis, for assisting in same	2	50		
for stationery and library cards	9	00		
" Supplies	6	30		
" Librarian's services	50	00		
A. Heady Park, for transporting books				
to South Chelmsford	13	00		
-	258	35		
Unexpended balance	5	73		
\$	264	08	\$264	08

Donation of Thomas Minot Adams in the hands of the Trustees, \$500.00.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY S. PERHAM,
MRS. HARRIET M. BARTLETT,
LUTHER H. SARGENT,
S. INGERSOLL BRIANT,
A. HEADY PARK,

Trustees.



