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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SELECTMEN OF SKOWHEGAN

For the Year Ending March 3rd, 1879.

Amount of valuation for 1878, \$1,637,660  
No. of polls, 844. Poll tax \$2.00. Rate per ct., 96  
cts. on \$100.

### ASSESSMENTS.

For State Tax,	\$6,335.25	
“ County Tax,	1,730.32	
“ Schools,	3,700.00	
“ Poor and Town Expenses,	4,500.00	
“ Bridges and Culverts,	500.00	\$16,765.57
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Overlayings,		644.34
Tax on 63 dogs,		63.00
Supplemental Tax,		26.64
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		\$17,499.55

### MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS.

Rec'd for Licenses, of circuses &c.,	\$ 56.50	
“ “ Oxen sold from Town Farm,	250.00	
“ of Town of Waterville,	78.26	
“ “ “ “ Canaan,	2.00	
“ for Interest on Town Taxes,	63.97	
“ “ Cash of Frank Weymouth,	21.00	
“ of Eliza Russell's estate,	97.54	
“ for Maine Report,	2.50	
“ “ Interest on R. R. Bonds,	15.28	
“ “ Rent of Armory,	100.00	
“ of Joseph Smiley for use of Cemetery ground,	6.00	
“ “ Town of Sidney,	8.00	701.05
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		\$18,200.60

### STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Am't assessed for State Tax,	\$6,335.25	
“ “ “ County Tax,	1,730.32	\$ 8,065.57
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Am't paid on State Tax,	3,500.00	
“ “ “ County Tax,	930.52	
Balance due on State Tax,	2,835.25	
“ “ “ County Tax,	800.00	\$ 8,065.57
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### SCHOOLS.

Am't voted by Town for Schools,		\$ 3,700.00
“ Bank Tax apportioned by State,	\$ 725.86	
“ Mill Tax,	1,363.93	
“ due School Districts last year,	1,072.24	3,162.03
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		\$ 6,862.03
Am't paid School Districts,	\$5,597.87	
“ due “ “	1,264.16	6,862.03
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## SUPPORT OF POOR.

Am't of labor and supplies, Town Farm,	\$ 723.22	
“ for Paupers off the Farm,	2,515.99	\$ 3,239.21

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There have been 817 weeks board of paupers at a cost of 88½ cents per week, including Overseer's family 1017 weeks, at a cost of 71 cents, exclusive of interest on investment of real and personal property.

### BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Alonzo Richardson, repairing bridge,	\$ 2.00	
Abel Homstead, “ “	9.00	
Perley Ames, culvert built in 1877,	5.25	
M. S. Adams and Judson Packard, plank,	3.00	
Silas Richardson, repairing bridge, per bill,	3.62	
Warren L. Parkman, for culverts,	36.52	
Abel Homstead, rep'g bridges, M. Mills,	30.00	
Levi E. Steward, bridge near E. Bigelow,	12.00	
H. Eaton, building bridge,	505.00	
L. W. Weston, “ “	344.53	
S. F. Steward, repairing bridge,	4.82	
J. F. Buzzell, for plank,	1.39	
Abel Homstead, for railing bridge,	7.00	
L. W. Weston, plank for bridges,	65.32	
S. Sanborn, culvert,	1.00	
A. K. Perkins, repairing bridges,	10.00	
A. G. Blunt, for spikes,	.88	\$ 1,041.33
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Amount voted by Town,		500.00
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Overdrawn,		\$541.33

### BREAKING ROADS.

Abner Hoxie, bill for 1876-7,	\$5.45	
Hazen M. Green, 1876-7,	1.50	\$ 6.95

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### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Co. Com'rs bill, locating Town Way,	\$ 31.73	
“ C. A. Woodbury, printing bill,	24.25	
“ W. R. Eddy, water tub,	6.00	
“ John W. Weston, use of tomb,	15.00	
“ Samuel E. Smith, damage to horse,	6.00	
“ B. M. Hight and Morrison & Morse, Shingles for Daniel Austin's barn,	14.00	
“ Crommett for painting hearse,	10.00	
“ C. C. Arnold; care of Town Hall,	4.00	
“ Geo. W. Johnson, damage to carriage,	1.50	
“ Bixby & Buck, Stationery and Books,	10.23	
“ Emery & Turner, cleaning out Sewer,	3.00	
“ Dyer & Cushing, Books and Stationery,	6.95	
“ Geo. Wentworth, Water rent,	10.00	
“ Charles K. Turner, services as Sexton,	12.00	
“ Scam. Burrell, damage to horse in '77,	25.00	
“ L. H. Folsom, Book, Stamps for office,	5.76	
“ N. C. Steward, cash \$5; Amazeen \$1,	6.00	\$ 191.62

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## ABATEMENTS AND DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

Abatements on Collector's bills for years 1874-'75-'76-'77 and '78,	\$181.71	
Abatements on Collector's bills for years 1874-'75-'76-'77 and '78,	127.93	\$ 309.64

### TOWN OFFICERS BILL.

Annie L. Bigelow,	\$ 40.00		
Webster Woodbury,	38.25	}	S. S. Com.,
John S. Cushing,	65.00		
Stephen Coburn, Town Agent,	5.00		
Collector's premium,	175.00		
Horace Eaton,	100.00		
Nabum C. Steward,	100.00	}	Selectmen.
Levi H. Folsom,	250.00		
J. B. Dascomb, Treasurer,	40.00		
			\$ 813.25

### LIABILITIES OF TOWN.

Amount due on State Tax	\$2,835.25		
“ “ “ County Tax,	800.00		
“ “ “ School District No. 1,	989.17		
“ “ “ Districts,	1,264.16		
“ “ “ on Outstanding Orders,	271.50		
“ “ “ Pauper bills, prob. am't,	400.00		
“ of probable abatements,	275.00		\$ 6,835.08

### ASSETS.

Am't due from Collector and Treasurer,	6,057.61		
“ “ “ Town of Sidney,	19.37		
“ “ “ “ “ Vassalboro',	8.15		
“ “ “ “ “ Dennysville,	32.73		
“ “ “ State School Fund,	725.86		
“ “ “ Mill Tax,	1,363.93		\$ 8,207.65
Balance in favor of Town for current expenses for 1878,			\$ 1,372.57

### BORROWED MONEY.

By a vote of the Town, April 8, 1878, the Selectmen were authorized to hire money to settle the Gardiner Malbon claim for damage.

May 29th, 1878, the Town voted that the Treasurer hire a sum of money to complete the buildings at Town Farm. The money was hired at 5 per cent. interest, payable in one and two years, amounting to

\$ 5,335.00

In the Malbon case the following sums have been paid :

Witness Fees for Town,	\$ 72.41		
Judgment, costs and interest,	3,268.99		
For copying testimony,	30.50		
“ printing,	115.00		
“ Attorney's fees,	174.00		\$ 3,660.90

**IN THE MATTER OF TOWN BUILDINGS.**

Paid on cellar and underpinning	96.57	
“ Robinson Brothers, per contract,	2,498.00	
“ Alterations, extra work, etc..	50.91	
“ Aqueduct for house and barn,	56.00	
“ Furniture and bedding,	38.35	
“ Cutting twenty cords of wood,	15.00	
“ Barnard & Getchell for plan,	18.00	
“ G. Wentworth et als. per bills,	17.95	
“ J. P. Blunt for services,	40.00	
“ Gray & Foss, stoves etc., per bill,	39.36	
“ Dunbar, rent of house four months,	120.00	
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	\$2,990.14	
Deduct amount of Insurance received,	1,319.92	\$ 1,670.22
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Add Malbon claim,		3,660.90
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		\$ 5,331.12
Leaving balance in treasury,		3.88
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		\$ 5,335.00

The Selectmen recommend raising the sum of \$4,000 for current expenses the ensuing year ; also \$500 for bridges and culverts, in addition to highway money.

They would also suggest that the Town pay about \$3,000, or one half of the principle and interest on the whole amount for borrowed money.

Respectfully submitted,

LEVI H. FOLSOM,	}	SELECTMEN OF SKOWHEGAN.
HORACE EATON,		
N. C. STEWARD,		