Tenth Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the City of Auburn, for the Fiscal year Ending February 28, 1879; Together With Other Annual Reports and Papers Relating to the Affairs of the City.

Auburn (Me.).
TENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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1879.
CITY OF AUBURN.

IN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN, 
March 17th, 1879.

Ordered, The Common Council concurring, that the City Clerk, under the direction of the Committee on Printing, cause twelve hundred copies of the Financial Report, together with the Reports of the several Departments, a list of the City Officers for the ensuing year, and the Address of the Mayor, to be printed for distribution.

Read and passed, sent down for concurrence.

HENRY M. SPRAGUE, City Clerk.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, March 17th, 1879.

Read and passed in concurrence.

M. B. WATSON, Clerk.
MAYOR'S ADDRESS.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

After a retirement of four years from the cares and perplexities of municipal duties, I have been called by a majority of my fellow-citizens to take part in the administration of the municipal affairs of our City.

And now permit me to say that my election to the office of Mayor was unsolicited by me, and unexpected. Yet I feel that this election has placed me under stronger and more lasting obligations to the good citizens of Auburn than any, or even all, previous ones, for by their votes they have vindicated my character against, what seems to me, an unprovoked and scandalous attack made in a public journal printed in this city, and largely circulated, on the last secular day previous to the election, for the purpose of influencing the voters against me. But, gentlemen, I cherish no ill feeling against the authors of the vile and slanderous articles, and feel that I can honestly and impartially discharge the duties devolving upon me alike to all. And, gentlemen, I now take this occasion to return to my fellow-citizens my most sincere thanks and grateful acknowledgments for their appreciation of my services, and especially for this last expression of their confidence.

Upon assuming the office of Mayor it becomes necessary for me to make such suggestions and recommendations as may appear to me to be required by the wants and necessities of our City.

The responsibilities imposed upon us are important, and I trust we shall meet and discharge them in such manner as will contribute to the prosperity of the City, and meet the approbation of those we represent.

It will be my endeavor to cooperate with you in every well-considered and commendable effort that will tend to the advancement of the interests of our City; but whatever steps
may be taken in this direction should be well matured, and proper care taken that no unnecessary burdens are imposed upon tax payers. At all times, and especially when business is depressed and our City burdened with a large debt, it is our duty to practice the strictest economy, but in our endeavor to accomplish so desirable an end we should not overlook the importance of making such improvements as the growth and necessities of our City may require.

As the welfare and prosperity of our City largely depends upon the wisdom and fidelity with which we discharge the trust committed to us, it is proper at the commencement of our official duties that we should acknowledge our dependence on Him who controls the destiny of communities as of individuals, and seek for that wisdom and support which will carry us successfully through all the duties that we may be called upon to perform.

The receipts of the City for the year ending February 28th, 1879, have amounted to the sum of $104,877.86; the expenditures have amounted to the sum of $94,553.33, leaving a cash balance in the hands of the Treasurer of $10,324.53.

The total indebtedness of the City, after deducting the available resources, amounts to $218,751.47. Of this amount $21,500 falls due at different times prior to March 1st, 1880. It will be your duty to make the necessary provisions for its prompt payment. I am of the opinion that it will not be wise to raise the whole amount by assessment, as I have no doubt five per cent. bonds can be sold at par, and perhaps at a premium. We should assess sufficient for all necessary expenses of the City, for the payment of the interest upon the debt, and a small sum for the reduction of the debt.

It seems to be well understood by our citizens that we have a large debt, and many of them seem to think that it is through the fault and extravagance of the City Council, when, in fact, a large portion of it has been created in compliance with a vote of the people themselves. When we take into consideration the great number of petitions presented to the City Council, asking for every conceivable project which by any possible means could be legally granted by the City, it is strange that our debt is not larger.

I will give some of the principal items that have caused the debt we now have.
At the close of the financial year March 1st, 1867, the town of Auburn found itself with a debt growing out of the expenses of the war, and the building of Auburn Hall, of $83,732.55, all having been created by a direct vote of the people. On the twenty-sixth day of February, of that year, the town of Danville was, by an act of the Legislature, annexed to Auburn (and not purchased by me as has been represented in a public journal of the City), and with it came a debt of $28,007.37, thus swelling the debt of Auburn to $111,739.92.

During the year ending March 1st, 1868, $3,876.69 were expended for building new roads laid out by the County Commissioners, and increasing the debt from $111,739.92 to $112,170.26.

From March 1st, 1868, to March 20th, 1869, when the first City Government was organized, no special improvement was made and the debt was reduced from $112,170.26 to $110,397.79.

From March 20th, 1869, to March 1st, 1870, the first year's existence of the City, $16,387.45 were expended for building new school houses. During this year the City received from the State on account of soldiers, $27,893.33, and the debt was reduced from $110,397.79 to $94,602.14.

From March 1st, 1870, to March 1st, 1871, $7,547.76 were paid for building and repairing school houses, $5,051.78 for building Engine House, $7,413.90 for a Steam Fire Engine, and the debt was increased from $94,602.14 to $110,497.91.

From March 1st, 1871, to March 1st, 1872, $3,675.08 were paid as balance for building Engine House, $3,920 for damages to persons supposed to be injured upon the highway, $15,908.35 for building Court Street bridge, increasing the debt from $110,497.91 to $129,386.61.

From March 1st, 1872, to March 1st, 1873, $5,394.62 were paid for building new roads, $14,900 toward the Lewiston & Auburn Railroad, increasing the debt from $129,386.61 to $142,159.69.

From March 1st, 1873, to March 1st, 1874, $3,575.02 were paid for building and repairing school houses, $3,234.54 for building new county roads, $59,600 on account of Lewiston & Auburn Railroad, as per vote of people, $9,476.04 for purchase of poor farm, repairing buildings, and for furniture, in place of buildings burnt, $8,904.89 for sewers, and increasing the debt from $142,159.69 to $214,323.89.
From March 1st, 1874, to March 1st, 1875, $24,194.45 were paid for building Broad Street bridge, $31,114.05 for building school houses, $2,973.98 for sewers, $10,000 for High School grounds, $2,894.25 for building county roads, and increasing the debt from $214,323.89 to $252,101.42.

From March 1st, 1875, to March 1st, 1876, no special improvement was made, and the debt was decreased from $252,101.42 to $247,254.57.

From March 1st, 1876, to March 1st, 1877, $3,024.84 were paid for building sewers, $721.78 for new roads, $996.59 for building stable, and the debt was reduced from $247,254.57 to $223,396.87.

From March 1st, 1877, to March 1st, 1878, $6,840.04 were paid for building new roads and two iron bridges, $3,451.62 for sewers, $3,984.41 for paving Court Street, $13,328.21 for High School building and grounds, and enlarging the debt from $223,396.87 to $228,793.50.

From March 1st, 1878, to March 1st, 1879, $7,171.26 were paid for finishing High School building and fencing lot, $2,000 for reservoirs and hydrants, $901.64 for enlarging house on poor farm, $1,150.45 for building sewers, $1,481.16 for building new roads, $3,000 has been received for insurance on the Engine House burned, and the debt has been reduced from $228,793.50 to $218,751.47, which is now the total indebtedness of the City.

You will, therefore, see that the debt at the organization of the first City Government, in 1869, was $110,397.79, there has been since added to it by vote of the inhabitants, $74,500 on account of the Lewiston & Auburn Railroad, and $15,000 for building new High School house, making $199,897.79, all created by direct votes of the people. Now if you add the amount paid for building new county roads and bridges, laid out by the County Commissioners (and over their action the City Council have no control and are, therefore, not responsible), you have $24,194.45 for building Broad Street bridge, and $8,342.90 for various county roads, in all $32,537.35, amounting to $232,435.14 for which the City Council is in no way responsible, as every dollar has been either created by the voters themselves or by the County Commissioners upon petitions largely signed by the voters.
It will, therefore, be seen that sufficient money has been assessed from year to year to pay all bills created by the City Council, and to reduce the debt created by the votes of the people and the action of the County Commissioners, $13,683.67.

The repairs of highways are always attended with difficulty, and many of our citizens are ready to find fault with those whose duty it is to make repairs, whether any sufficient cause of complaint exists or not. But in my experience as a municipal officer, the greatest fault finders are not entirely successful when they undertake to make repairs. We should, therefore, be charitable toward those whose duty it is to keep our highways in repair. From my observation as a traveler, I am satisfied that our roads are in a much better condition than in any town in the county, except Lewiston, and I think they compare favorably with the roads in that city.

It will be necessary to build a new bridge over the Royal's River, near New Gloucester line, the present year. A large amount of county roads have been located within the limits of the City within the past two years, but I think the time allowed for building them will not expire within the year. The Indian Brook Gully, near Minot Corner, is in bad condition and I trust when it is repaired it will be permanently done, as it has for years been a source of trouble and expense for the reason that it was not suitably built. I would recommend an appropriation sufficient to keep our highways in first-class condition, and then take measures, if possible, that the money be judiciously expended.

I am satisfied that there has been a very marked improvement in the condition of our schools within the past few years, and I think there is room for still more. I do not doubt your Committee have done all that could be reasonably expected to make our schools satisfactory, but I am aware that it is a difficult task to perform. More school room is very much needed in the vicinity of Barker Mill, and I recommend a house be erected at once, suitable to accommodate the increasing wants of that section of the City.

Our High School is in a flourishing condition, yet many of our citizens are of the opinion that it is too expensive. I, therefore, recommend that an investigation be made, and if any curtailment in the expenses can be made, without detriment to the
school, it most certainly should be made. I am of opinion that 
the salaries of the Principal and his Assistant should be fixed 
by the City Council, and also those of the Grammar School. I, 
therefore, call your attention to this matter.

Many of our school houses are getting out of repair, and 
need to be painted and put in a respectable condition. I 
recommend that your Committee on Public Property inspect, 
not only the school houses, but all our public buildings, and 
especially Auburn Hall, with a view that they may not be 
allowed to go to decay. I recommend you to make a liberal 
appropriation for our schools, for certainly we cannot afford to 
take any retrograde steps in the matter of schools.

Our Poor Department has been, in my judgment, judiciously 
and prudently managed the past year, and the poor well cared 
for at a very small expense. Our farm and the buildings are in 
good condition, and I trust an appropriation will be made suffi­
cient to keep the property of the Department in its present 
good condition, and suitably provide for all who may be so 
unfortunate as to require assistance.

Our Fire Department, though small, is in good condition and 
has first-class officers and men connected with it. Unfortu­
nately both for the Department and the City the Engine House 
has been burned the past year, and it will be necessary to build 
a new Engine House the present year in order to protect the 
property of the Department. I would recommend that the 
building be of brick.

Our Police force is not large in numbers, but it has been 
effective. Good order has generally prevailed, the laws of the 
State and the Ordinances of the City have been well enforced, 
and our citizens feel that their persons and property are well 
protected, and I trust that such provisions will be made as will 
insure an honest and effective police.

I have not deemed it necessary at this time to give much 
detail in relation to the several Departments of the City Gov­
ernment, but I ask you to closely scrutinize the management of 
every branch of the Government, and refer you to the reports 
of the officers of the several Departments, and to these reports 
we must turn for much of the information that is to guide us 
the coming year.

Having called your attention to a few matters of the largest
importance, I can only promise to you my best efforts to act with you in making an administration of the City Government creditable to ourselves and satisfactory to our constituents, and I trust we shall maintain toward each other, in the discharge of our duties, such relations and respect as will promote the end for which we ought to unitedly labor. And now let us so act that when our duties are closed, we shall feel that all our acts have been honestly performed, and I have no doubt our constituents will be satisfied.

THOMAS LITTLEFIELD.
FINANCIAL REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of Auburn:

Gentlemen,—I have the honor to submit my report of the receipts and expenditures of the city, from February 28th, 1878, to March 1st, 1879.

RECEIPTS.

The receipts of the city from February 28th, 1878, to March 1st, 1879, have been as follows:

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<td>Cash in Treasury, March 1st, 1878</td>
<td>$5,565.76</td>
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<td>Received for bonds sold, for premium on bonds sold</td>
<td>75.50</td>
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<td>on John Gowell's note, for interest on John Gowell's note</td>
<td>800.00</td>
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<td>of town of Turner, account of Chas. Hobbs, of city of Lewiston, account of Geo. Jones, of city of Biddeford, supplies to poor, of town of Sidney, of town of Ripley, of town of Livermore, of city of Portland, of town of Buckfield, of town of Temple, of town of Paris, of town of Wilton, of town of Bowdoin, of town of Pittsfield, of town of Turner, of town of Pownal, of city of Portland, of town of Otisfield, of town of Wellington,</td>
<td>90.53 44.50 101.29 10.00 17.50 115.39 79.36 41.00 32.03 13.00 39.00 19.32 15.75 6.75 13.71 49.44 98.05 33.50</td>
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Received of Silas A. Shaw, insane, $2 89
of Samuel L. Stevens, supplies furnished, 181 52
of E. F. Goss, board of Russell on farm, 7 50
of D. G. Hall, license for billiard hall, 10 00
of James S. Nash, for horse sold, 50 00
of Glover’s Cornet Band, for rent of hall, 22 00
of city of Lewiston, for repair of bridges, 70 00
of J. W. Beede, for books sold, 1 40
for tuition to High School, 15 00
of Fire Association, Phila., for insurance, 990 00
of Merchants In. Co., Newark, N. J., for insurance, 990 00
of People’s Fire Association, for insurance, 993 00
of dog license fund of 1877, 249 80
for hay sold from Poor Farm, 84 88
of G. C. Burrill, for liquors sold, 2,145 95
of G. C. Burrill, for rent of hall, 182 00
for sewer tax, 325 00
of Stevens & Foster for rent of Armory, 100 00
of Lewis W. Haskell, for old iron and brass sold, 19 02
of C. S. Emerson, for old iron sold, 4 50
of State, school fund, 1,508 88
of State, mill tax, 2,835 26
of State, for High School, 500 00
of Franklin Co., settlement of suit, 429 13
of N. H. Woodbury, for stove sold, 2 50
from interest on taxes of 1877, 720 93
of D. W. Verrill, Collector on tax list of 1877, 29,936 00
of D. W. Verrill, Collector on tax list of 1878, 49,144 93
on note of E. M. Nevens (from contingent account), 44 39

Total receipts, $104,877 86
EXPENDITURES.

The amounts paid from the Treasury from February 28th, 1878, to March 1st, 1879, have been as follows:

FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

For teaching:

To Emma F. King, $900.00
Florence N. Robbins, 316.67
Georgia J. Owen, 100.00
Fannie E. Beal, 80.00
Grace G. Billings, 300.00
Annie L. Larrabee, 100.00
Eva M. Richmond, 300.00
Allie M. Ham, 67.50
Maud Bell, 290.00
Nellie Dexter, 235.00
Augusta Prescott, 240.00
Mabel L. Dunn, 90.00
Flora Ham, 80.00
Mary Jordan, 240.00
Ari Barker, 200.00
Mary J. Bean, 240.00
Emma Whitney, 184.00
Carrie E. Drake, 100.00
Hattie E. Merrill, 240.00
Alice M. Packard, 217.00
Flora R. Bunker, 147.50
Etta Wallingford, 60.00
Avilda Hersey, 220.00
Lena M. Johnson, 60.00
Nettie E. Rose, 195.00
Martha O. Gowell, 210.00
A. J. Bolster, 360.00
A. M. Crafts, 35.00
Laura F. Dodge, 172.50
Annie M. Verrill, 80.00
Sarah Webber, 215.00
To Earnestine L. Parker, $195.00
Annette Littlefield, 215.00
Etta L. Freeman, 65.00
Ida J. Martin, 128.00
M. E. Waterman, 75.00
Anna Ingersoll, 68.50
Ella F. Rounds, 213.50
Anna M. Moody, 127.50
Annie Nason, 70.00
Abbie F. Stone, 75.00
Emma A. Marvel, 60.00
Jennie E. Metcalf, 225.00
Addie F. Hayden, 200.00
Hattie L. Cutter, 170.00
Edith Leavitt, 145.00
Allie M. Ham, 80.00
Fannie J. Cushman, 160.00
Mary A. Hathaway, 200.00
Gertrude B. Hersey, 124.00
Lucy D. Crafts, 200.00
Jennie S. Merrill, 150.00
Nellie M. Parker, 170.00
Helen F. Gowell, 120.00
Lizzie W. Smith, 120.00
Vesta F. French, 63.00
Rose C. Hersey, 58.50
Nellie A. Walker, 130.00
J. F. Hammond, 63.00
Dora M. Farnham, 135.50
N. H. Woodbury, 140.00
Robert Rolfe, 48.00
Jennie M. Mower, 54.00
—— Downing, 70.00
Fred A. Allen, 82.50
Eben G. Eveleth, 77.00
Nettie L. Washburn, 71.50
J. F. Hammond, 77.00
Ella Merrill, 66.00
Alton J. Shaw, 82.50
For care of school houses:

To Horace O. Merrill, $3 00
James Maxwell, 1 00
E. C. Elliot, 200 00
Auletus Phillips, 137 00
Geo. Sturtevant, 20 00
B. C. Luce, 11 75
E. L. Drake, 5 00
Frank Bennett, 5 00
F. A. Allen, 5 00
Eddie Howe, 17 10
Arden A. Tubbs, 10 00
Edwin Merrill, 8 00
Geo. Vosmus, 10 00
R. Luce, 15 00
Willie Plummer, 5 50
A. R. Hodgkins, 5 50
Julian Merrill, 5 50
Horace Merrow, 5 50
O. S. Woodbury, 5 50
E. Freeman, 5 50
Willis Arris, 5 50
Willie Jordan, 6 00
N. H. Woodbury, 6 50
Harry Piper, 2 50
Arthur Webb, 5 50
Howard Kinsley, 5 50
James E. Wag, 5 50
Clinton A. Whitney, 5 50
M. L. Verrill, 5 50
Warren R. Stinchfield, 5 50
Justin F. Libby, 5 50

For fitting wood:

To A. Waterman, 3 08
James Maxwell, 3 00
A. E. Hodgkins, 6 45
R. Luce, 11 10
Wm. B. Webb, 1 50
J. B. Libby, 1 50
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To J. B. Verrill, $3 83
   Addison Vosmus, 60
   L. J. Pollard, 7 50
   Geo. Boutelle, 1 80
   B. F. Dailey, 1 80
   P. W. Penley, 1 50
   E. E. Millett, 2 40
   S. R. Robinson, 5 40
   C. F. Curtis, 1 20
   James B. Davis, 1 80
   E. D. Bailey, 5 85
   John Penley, 1 50

For fuel:
To D. Jordan, 11 25
   H. P. Dorman & Co., 6 00
   Wm. B. Webb, 11 25
   Joseph Small, 77 12
   W. W. Pollister, 11 25
   Frank G. Vickery, 9 00
   E. H. Libby, 22 50
   Leroy Leavitt, 16 00
   G. H. Dillingham, 20 00
   Lucius Packard, 125 37
   John Penley, 11 25
   S. R. Robinson, 11 25
   W. W. Pollister, 2 10
   N. B. Lord, 16 00
   Holway & Robinson, 585 00
   N. H. Woodbury, 11 47
   Zibeon Crafts, 12 00
   Clinton Whiting, 1 75
   Geo. W. Bailey, 11 20
   E. T. Landers, 32 25
   Geo. C. Young, 20 00
   B. M. Royal, 15 50
   James Wagg, 9 20

For repairs on school houses:
   G. W. Woodbury, 4 02
   James Maxwell, 1 00
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To Thos. Dillingham, $4.25
Addison Vosmus, 1.07
R. Luce, 4.00
Geo. H. Dunham, 3.75
Chas. Flagg, 2.25
T. J. Freeman, 5.08
M. J. Russell, 2.25
D. W. Jones, 13.45
Lovewell Goding, 1.80
I. T. Merrill, 6.55
Asa Rose, 1.20
Geo. H. A. Bradbury, 13.12
D. H. Rendall, 19.50
Milburn Furbish, 1.67
J. T. W. Stanchfield, 1.25
F. D. Mixer, 12.58
Albert Jordan, 4.79
Chas. Flagg, 8.76
Justin Crafts, 6.50
L. W. Haskell, 1.20
F. B. Rounds, 1.34
Geo. Vosmus, 1.00
B. B. Wentworth, 1.00
W. S. Larrabee, 5.92
Charles McKenney, 2.00
Solomon Larrabee, 2.75
Thomas Merrow, 3.50
William T. Libby, 2.50
Rideout & Burgess, 22.19

For cleaning school rooms:
To G. W. Woodbury, 8.50
R. Luce, 10.78
J. H. Townes, 21.50
Mrs. Rosina Hooper, 1.75
Mrs. Miller, 3.00
J. B. Verrill, 2.00
G. W. Hunnewell, 6.99
John O. Paul, 9.00
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For miscellaneous supplies:

To Thomas Dillingham, painting blackboards, $7 00
Bradford, Conant & Co., for supplies, 27 88
S. S. Starbird, for brooms, 14 11
Robinson & Beede, for supplies, 28 58
O. D. Chase & Co., for map, 15 00
Assessors, for taking census of scholars, 37 50
Tobie & Clark M‘f’g Co., for pump and repairs, 10 25
Willard Small & Co., for supplies, 145 00
Dingley & Brewster, for supplies, 7 07
J. Stimson & Son, for supplies, 4 01
Proprietors of Lewiston Journal, for printing, 22 88
W. S. Morse, for printing, 25 60
Florence N. Robbins, for extra work for schools, 6 00
Wm. Ware & Co., for books, 61 22
J. L. Hammett, for books, 122 76
A. C. Stockin, for books, 28 58
M. W. Tewksbury, for books, 142 45
G. A. Robertson, for books, 15 00
Thos. T. Bailey, for books, 32 40
S. S. Hersey, for supplies, 68 42
Levi Sawyer, for trucking, 4 25
Cutler Bros. & Co., for chemicals, 24 25
H. B. & W. O. Chamberlain, chemical apparatus, 59 36
O. D. Stinchfield, for tuning piano, 2 00
Thayer, Babson & Co., for supplies, 63 22
O. H. Small, for trucking, 50
Haskell & Co., for blackboards, 55
Clark, Pierce & Co., for painting roof of Grammar School House, 38 75
N. H. Woodbury, for labor, 2 50
Hoyt, Fogg & Donham, for globes, 4 50
Chas. E. Smith, for chemicals, 19 70
William Rolfe, for horse hire, 3 25
John Dinsmore, for rent of building, 43 00
Town of Minot, for tuition, 15 00
A. L. & E. F. Goss, for supplies, 34 63
Eastern Express Co., for charges on books, 2 30
Frank Bartlett, for brooms, 1 00
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To Edwin A. Merrill, for labor, $1.75
B. Brooks, for supplies, 8.47
A. Phillips, for sash and blinds, 4.35

Total, $12,896.34

FOR REPAIRING ROADS.

To R. C. Pingree & Co., for lumber, $339.51
Geo. Morgan, for labor and damages, 6.88
Mrs. Jones, for damages, 1.00
J. E. Tebbetts, for grain, 30.22
Charles Flagg, for hauling stone, 8.50
J. Stimson & Son, for pails, 70
Owen & Hall, for supplies, 34.43
Lewiston Steam Mill Co., for lumber, 35.76
A. T. Gammon, for whitewashing, 7.50
D. T. French, for gravel, 29.70
Auburn Aqueduct Co., for water, 6.50
W. Small & Co., for supplies, 4.65
H. N. Hood, for balance on bridge, 15.00
Wm. Pollister, for lumber, 12.85
G. H. Field & Co., for cement and pipe, 6.21
Chas. Dunn, for brick, 1.20
Willis, Parsons & Co., for grain, 346.70
Stevens & Lord, for blacksmith work, 103.55
G. W. Brett, for blacksmith work, 65.26
Wood & Walker, for supplies, 98.93
Chas. F. Nason, for repairs, 9.87
Ross & Jordan, for building culverts, 70.00
C. H. Briggs, for shavings, 7.00
S. S. Hersey, for supplies, 13.17
B. Brooks, for supplies, 44.03
J. H. Merrill, for blasting, 2.85
A. B. Jordan, for blasting, 12.00
James Bennett, for stone, 1.00
J. S. Smith, for filing saws, 5.25
Smith & Smith, for repairs, 1.25
Auburn Foundry Co., for castings, 3.64
Benjamin Conant, for lumber, 64.50
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To Chandler, Wheeler & Co., for supplies, $4 62
W. G. Goombs & Son, for blacksmith work, 17 80
Haskell & Co., for supplies, 2 50
D. H. Leavitt, for stone, 15 60
A. S. Parker, for lumber, 30 86
Jordan, Frost & Co., for lumber, 5 92
Randall, Jordan & Co., for supplies, 9 97
Bradford, Conant & Co., for lumber, 15 87
H. S. Decker, for stone curbing, 36 30
J. M. Boutelle, for lumber, 6 97
Charles Keith, for culverts, 24 00
P. Maney, for trucking, 9 50
Robinson & Beede, for supplies, 4 63
O. B. Morse & Co., for lumber, 65
Stevens & Foster, for supplies, 84
Frank Bartlett, for supplies, 50

For labor:

To O. T. Additon, 480 00
D. C. Church, 500 25
H. C. Church, 457 50
L. Brock, 200 00
Wm. Bickerton, 256 00
Thos. Carroll, 266 25
Daniel Conner, 250 25
Con Driscoll, 158 75
James Flynn, 168 74
D. Haley, 187 75
Timothy Hagerty, 238 50
E. Mann, 253 75
M. McCarty, 300 00
Dennis Minnehan, 173 00
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Robert Moore, 4 00
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Geo. Cobb, 3 12
W. S. Hunnewell, 2 50
Henry Frazier, 3 30
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Z. C. Kinsley, 50
G. A. Bailey, 4 00
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W. F. Brown, 2 00
H. M. Shaw, 2 00
Jacob S. Parker, 4 69
Frank Robinson, 2 25
Dyer E. Goss, 3 64
Woodbury Pride, 11 00
I. G. Haskell, 9 25
Florence Driscoll, 14 50

Total, $11,711 48

ENLARGING ALMS HOUSE.

To H. L. Coburn, for labor, $52 50
G. L. Coburn, for labor, 17 75
A. J. Coburn, for labor, 125 47
J. J. Smith, for labor, 18 00
R. C. Pingree & Co., for lumber, 261 73
S. S. Hersey, for supplies, 43 37
Charles Dunn, for brick, 23 85
W. A. Coombs, for plastering, 65 00
A. L. & E. F. Goss, for supplies, 84 45
O. B. Morse & Co., for lumber, 13 06
Chas. E. Smith, for paint, oil, etc., 52 34
B. B. Foss, for labor, 47 25
Harrison Atwood, for labor, 12 25
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To D. B. Stevens, for doors, windows, and blinds, $68 15
Dingley & Brewster, for lime, 6 05
Bradford, Conant & Co., for furniture, 20 90
J. L. Hamlin, for painting, 10 12
Smith & Miller, for door and grates, 4 50
E. R. Lovejoy & Lord, for blacksmith work, 3 00

Total, $930 64

FOR SUPPORT OF POOR.

To Thomas F. Alexander and wife, services as Superintendent, $400 00

To J. Stimson & Son, for supplies delivered:
  Daley children, 9 00
  Johnson girl, 1 98
  Mr. Grant, 26 20
  Lovejoy, 2 00
  Chas. Hammond, 10 00
  Miss Fuller, 52 94
  City farm, 59 05
  Samuel Stevens, 10 00
  City farm, 42 08
  Jenkins, 3 00

To Bailey & Moulton, for supplies delivered:
  Kate Daley, 20 50
  Mary O'Conner, 21 20
  Ellen McCarty, 25 96

To Peables & Penley, for supplies delivered:
  Mrs. Jenkins, 6 00
  Mrs. Crooker, 5 05
  Betsey McCarty, 4 32
  Mrs. Cox, 5 00
  Ellen McCarty, 8 50
  Daily children, 8 50
  Mrs. Larrabee, 8 00
  Mrs. Jones, 5 00
  Stevens, 3 00
  Pettengill, 3 22
To Peables & Penley, for supplies delivered:
City farm, $23 92
Wm. Doughty, 13 00
E. Patten, 58 42

To Robinson & Beede, for supplies delivered:
Mrs. Lynch, 1 90
Dr. Oakes, 55
Curran, 2 10
Mr. Grant, 15 90
M. McCarty, 10

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To Charles E. Smith, for supplies delivered:
Samuel Stevens, 4 70
City farm, 15 15
John Connor, 1 40
Ellen McCarty, 15
Betsey McCarty, 90
A. P. Leonard, 15 05
Miss Cotton, 65
Edward York, 2 65

To Bradford, Conant & Co., for supplies delivered:
Daley children, 8 00
M. McCarty, 6 00
Maggie D. Grant, 6 00
Given, 9 00
Berry, 6 00
Wood, 10 00

To Thos. Littlefield, for supplies delivered city farm, 68 00
J. E. Tebbetts, for supplies delivered, 44 26

To J. E. Metcalf, for supplies delivered:
L. Gammon, 61 00
R. Pettengill, 33 41
A. Lovejoy, 9 50

To K. F. Holmes, for medicine and care of Mrs. Smith, 30 50
S. O. Verrill, for medicine and care of Mrs. Johnson and children, 58 88
Mrs. L. G. Tarbox, for boarding Wm. and Chas. B. Stewart, 29 50
FINANCIAL REPORT.

To Clark Mitchell, for supplies delivered David Given, $3 00
Clark Mitchell, for supplies delivered Emma Jordan, 1 50
Emery A. Howe, for supplies delivered city farm, 38 67
F. R. Rounds, for supplies delivered city farm, 13 37
Hollis B. Hill, for supplies delivered city farm, 33 25
Hollis B. Hill, for supplies delivered city farm, 63 25

To A. M. Peables, for medical attendance on:
Mrs. Johnson, 28 00
Mary E. Smith, 16 00
Miss Sawyer, 5 00

To E. W. Bird, for wood delivered W. French, 16 00

To S. F. Haskell, for goods delivered:
Mrs. McCarty, 3 10
Mrs. McCarty, 2 15
Mrs. Pettingill, 1 75
City farm, 11 50

To Rolfe, Mitchell & Co., for goods delivered L. Gammon, 5 00
L. Macomber, for goods delivered Mrs. Emma Jordan, 5 00
Mrs. E. J. White, for goods delivered Mrs. Dyer, 1 56
Willis, Parsons & Co., for supplies delivered city farm, 62 64
Chas. Dunn, for wood delivered Conner, 5 50
Cram & Oxnard, for rent for R. Pettengill, 19 00
E. F. Goss, for expense to Emden, 10 75
E. F. Goss, for expense of Mrs. Johnson to Biddeford, 3 33
E. F. Goss, for stationery and stamps, 1 10
Dingley & Brewster, for supplies delivered city farm, 47 29
A. L. & E. F. Goss, for supplies delivered city farm, 44 90
Frank Bartlett, for supplies delivered city farm, 68 65
A. J. Coburn, for expenses to Portland, 5 20
T. F. Alexander, for expenses to Portland, 7 35
T. O. Callahan, for goods delivered Henry McCarty, 3 37
Knight & Chase, for goods delivered Pettengill, 16 32
Frank Bartlett, for goods delivered Samuel Stevens, 37 90
A. J. Fickett, for board of Olive Fickett, 92 00
Moses Hanscom, for attending funeral, 3 00
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To D. W. Verrill, for goods delivered A. B. Bailey, $6 00
B. Brooks, for supplies delivered city farm, 2 54
City of Portland, for board of Flynn and Haskell, 42 37
A. D. Keene, for board of Annie Sawyer, 27 00
A. W. Miller, for goods delivered Wm. Doughty, 3 00
I. A. Johnson, for wood, 2 25
Stevens & Foster, for goods delivered Chas. Larrabee, 2 00
Dr. Torrey, attendance on Annie Sawyer, 13 00
For support of persons at Insane Hospital:
   Elmira D. Randall, 136 04
   Katharine Keefe, 121 36
   Abbie G. Fitz, 119 83
   Martha A. Hill, 132 85
   Geo. Goss, 5 82
   Elizabeth L. Hancock, 117 48
   Lucy B. Verrill, 123 31
   Mary L. Shaw, 2 89
Total, $3,260 20

FOR CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

To E. P. Chase, for liquors for agency, $1,553 87
Lewiston Gas Light Co., for gas at engine house, 43 05
Mary E. Lynch, for cleaning city rooms, 1 50
A. M. Pulsifer, for rent of ward room, 25 00
L. Maxwell, for notifying city officers elect, 3 00
J. B. Verrill, for cleaning ward rooms, Nos. 2 and 5, 3 00
J. B. Verrill, for repairs in city council rooms, 1 50
John Read, for plan and schedule of abutments, 5 00
John Read, for measurements of outlet of Wilson Pond, 3 00
N. I. Jordan, for insurance, 230 00
Geo. W. Welsh, for damage to horse by defective highway, 75 00
Herman Eminger, Messenger and Janitor of city rooms, 15 00
D. W. Verrill, for services as Constable, 20 00
Willard Small & Co., for stationery, 10 36
Auburn Land Co., for extension of High Street, 750 00
D. T. French, for gravel, 152 55
To John Read, for cross sectioning hill near Chas.
   Dunn’s, $10 00
John Read, for locating extension of High Street, 5 00
S. S. Hersey, for supplies for Mayor’s office, 2 60
P. Maney, for completing extension of High Street, 785 79
John S. Bangs, for cash paid witnesses, City vs.
   Franklin Co., 12 54
P. Maney, for sprinkling bridge, 50 00
Samuel L. Stevens, in settlement of claim in court, 1,250 00
John Read, for cross sectioning and labor, 26 50
Alvah Doten, for settlement of claim, 25 00
Randall, Jordan & Co., for watering-trough on Summer Street, 5 66
N. C. Perry, for land damages, 25 00
Randall & Burgess, for lumber and work, 3 00
A. Phillips, for lumber and work, 3 00
Randall, Jordan & Co., for labor and material, 23 51
T. R. Herbest, for judgment against the city, 13 82
Charles Dunn, for brick, 6 80
Cyrus Cobb, for supplies for engine company, 5 00
Dinsmore & Greenleaf, for labor and material, 91 55
G. C. Burrill, for horse hire, 4 50
Cyrus Greeley, for estimate on engine house, 3 00
E. Libby, for supplies, 1 62
Robert Martin, for expenses to Portland, 7 00
Thomas Mckenney, for wood, 4 37
Wm. S. Young, for supper for firemen, and keeping horses, 6 00
John T. Randall, for amount paid to be qualified as a Director of L. & A. R. R., 130 00
F. M. Jordan, for amount paid to be qualified as a Director of L. & A. R. R., 130 00
Estate of Edward A. Little, for amount paid to be qualified as a Director of L. & A. R. R., 130 00
R. Dresser, for surveying, 35 43
D. W. Verrill, Treas., for costs on cases in court, 202 81
Geo. S. Woodman, for recording oaths, 4 3$P
G. O. Burrill, for care of hall and gas bills, 172 32
Peables & Penley, for rent of ward room, 16 00
J. W. Trask, for sawing wood, 2 00
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To D. W. Verrill, for stationery and postage, $6 60
Raynes & Ross, for calcimineing room, 5 00
B. Brooks, for paper and tacks, 6 01
I. A. Johnson, for wood, 5 00
A. Phillips, for repairs on window of school house, 2 00
D. W. Verrill, for note of E. M. Nevens, 44 39
J. B. Verrill, for work on new city rooms, 4 00
Dinsmore & Greenleaf, for work on new city rooms, 160 19
Bradford, Conant & Co., for tables and carpets for city rooms, 402 50
Dinsmore & Greenleaf, for lock and keys, 1 80
S. S. Hersey, for supplies for city stable, 4 80
D. W. Verrill, Treas., for non-resident taxes, 1877, 92 90
Geo. S. Woodman, for postage, 11 37
E. Evelth, for surveying town line, 13 10
G. C. Burrill, for rent of agency, freight, etc., 150 95
D. W. Verrill, Collector, for collecting taxes, year 1877, 677 23
Total, $7,674 29

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To Chandler, Wheeler & Co., for repairing engine, $9 03
Chandler, Wheeler & Co., for repairing hydrant, 1 05
Chandler, Wheeler & Co., for supplies and labor, 82 91
Stephen Hayes, for repairs on engine house, 1 25
A. A. Miller, for repairing and cleaning engine for No. Auburn, 5 00
A. A. Miller, for hack fare for Burleigh from fire, 1 00
A. A. Miller, for cash for repairs on engine and harness, 6 00
A. A. Miller, for cash paid for oil, express, etc., 7 85
J. Stimson & Son, for supplies, 3 90
J. Stimson & Son, for supplies, 1 18
Rolfe, Mitchell & Co., for supplies, 2 02
O. S. Keene, for painting hat for Engineer, 60
O. S. Keene, for lettering coats, 3 00
Wm. C. Bailey, for lumber, 6 36
M. C. Railroad, for freight, 12 71
Auburn Aqueduct Co., for water in engine house, 8 00
To Lewiston Gas Light Co., for gas in engine house, $39 90
R. C. Pingree & Co., for lumber, 1 63
C. W. Allen, for supplies, 5 65
J. P. Longley, for repairing hose, 81 25
Chas. E. Smith, for oil, benzine, etc., 17 19
Wood & Walker, for whip and straps, 16 80
Lewis W. Haskell, for labor and supplies, 76 11
Nonpareil Leather Dressing Co., for hose dressing, 51 00
J. F. Smith, for work on engine house, 15 00
Samuel Eastman & Co., for hose and spanners, 1,736 10
S. S. Hersey, for supplies, 3 62
R. S. Bradbury, for use of horse at fires, 1 00
Levi Sawyer, for trucking hose, 4 50
A. B. King, for labor and wire, 15 00
O. H. Small, for trucking, 1 00
Holway & Robinson, for coal and wood, 169 64
Barker Mill, for waste, 5 20
Hunneman & Co., for hydrant shut-off gates, 25 00
Rideout & Burgess, for hardwood chest, 5 75
Smith & Smith, for labor and supplies, 12 77
Washington Parker, for hauling hose, 40
Darius Bunker, for fitting wood, 1 80
Dinsmore & Greenleaf, for labor and supplies, 12 23
D. H. Rendall, for chimney in city stable, 6 35
Charles Cole, for trucking, 3 50
Charles Dunn, for brick, 13 75
C. T. Nevens, for brake block, 85
G. E. Kilbourne, for watching at engine house, 6 25
C. H. Briggs, for hauling hose, 1 60
Benj. Conant, for wood, 3 50
Thomas Griffin, for watching at engine house, 1 50
S. F. Chaplin, for watching at engine house, 1 50
Geo. T. Wilson, for watching at engine house, 1 50
B. H. Josslyn, for bucking up window, 2 75
Stackpole & Woodman, for supplies, 7 78
John Taylor, for labor on engine, 2 00
B. B. Foss, for labor, 10 00
B. Brooks, for supplies, 6 73

Total, $2,519 96
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FOR POLICE.

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FOR LIGHTING STREETS.

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CITY OF AUBURN.

FOR SALARIES.

To H. R. Smith, Mayor, $250.00
F. W. Hunton, Auditor, 37.50
L. L. Small, Auditor, 37.50
Geo. S. Woodman, City Clerk, 150.00
D. W. Verrill, Treasurer, 200.00
O. D. Bailey, F. M. Jordan, Joseph Littlefield, 450.00
Assessors,
E. F. Goss, A. J. Coburn, C. H. Record, Overseers of Poor, 150.00
J. S. Nash, Street Commissioner, 700.00
M. B. Watson, Clerk of Common Council, 40.00
G. C. Burrill, Liquor Agent, 300.00
A. M. Peables, City Physician, 75.00
Geo. O. Wing, City Solicitor, 75.00
A. A. Miller, Chief Engineer, 50.00
Geo. L. Duston, Engineer of steamer, 200.00
Arthur B. King, Assistant Engineer of steamer, 75.00
C. W. Allen, Fireman of steamer, 50.00
Steward of steamer, 50.00
Steamer Company, 325.00

Total, $3,465.00

FOR PRINTING.

To Proprietors of Lewiston Journal, $266.12
W. S. Morse, 6.75
Fogg Brothers, 6.50

Total, $279.37

FOR HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING AND PARK.

To Wells & Greenleaf, for balance on contract, $3,129.00
Wells & Greenleaf, for labor and material, 193.00
P. Maney, for grading walks, 251.97
P. Maney, for excavating and laying stone, 515.29
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To Stevens & Coombs, Architects, $200 00
G. H. Field & Co., for cement pipe, 81 00
Holway & Robinson, for coal, 70 00
Grand Trunk Railway Co., for freight, 32 12
S. S. Hersey, for supplies and labor, 938 68
S. S. Hersey, for laboratory supplies, 82 75
Randall, Jordan & Co., for water pipe and labor, 123 83
Joel Vickery, for labor on Park, 152 17
J. W. Tucker & Co., for blackboards, 33 50
H. S. Decker, for buttresses and steps, 639 00
R. N. Phillips, for services, 98 44
Michigan School Furniture Co., for furniture, 337 88
Levi Sawyer, for trucking furniture, 4 00
Jordan, Frost & Co., for lumber, 18 73
Dingley & Brewster, for oats, 67
Haskell & Co., for labor and material, 78 18
Rideout & Burgess, for labor and material, 59 97
Rideout & Burgess, for posts for fence, 33 00
A. C. Libby, for engineer on Park, 32 00
Dinsmore & Greenleaf, for labor and supplies, 16 47
John F. Vickery, for labor, 46 75
D. H. Rendall, for labor, 3 50

Total, $7,171 90

FOR HYDRANTS AND RESERVOIRS.
To Auburn Aqueduct Co., $2,000 00

FOR NEW ROADS AND BRIDGES.
To E. W. Merrow, for balance due on new roads, $38 70
Owen & Hall, for pipe, 6 24
P. Maney, for widening High Street extension, 589 72
P. Maney, for building Oakes road, 200 00
John Read, for levels on roads, 16 50
O. D. Bailey, for building Mineral Spring road, 450 00
Chas. Dunn, for building Oakes road, 180 00

Total, $1,481 16
CITY OF AUBURN.

FOR HIGH SCHOOL.

To Charles E. Fish, for teaching, $1,533 33
Sarah F. Litchfield, for teaching, 766 67
Henry W. Oakes, for teaching, 200 00
Bessie Bell, for teaching, 345 00
Addison Vosmus, for care of house, 114 30
F. W. Hunton, for filling diplomas, 5 00
Levi Sawyer, for trucking, 11 75
Eastern Express Co., for express, 5 05
Chas. E. Smith, for chemicals, 18 66
B. L. Hurd, for teaching, 366 66
Auburn Aqueduct Co., for water, 25 00
Randall, Jordan & Co., for pipe and labor, 18 83
Rideout & Burgess, for plank, 7 86

Total, $3,413 11

FOR SEWERS.

To G. H. Field & Co., for sewers and catch-basin, $1,138 10
D. S. Whitehouse, for catch-basin, 12 35

Total, $1,150 45

FOR PAYMENT OF DEBT.

Paid bonds, $12,900 00

FOR PAYMENT OF INTEREST.

Paid coupons, $15,446 00

DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

To D. W. Verrill, Collector, $2,657 26

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

To D. W. Verrill, Collector of 1874, $3 00
D. W. Verrill, Collector of 1875, 3 00
D. W. Verrill, Collector of 1876, 35 56
D. W. Verrill, Collector of 1877, 756 79
D. W. Verrill, Collector of 1878, 573 94

Total, $1,877 26
RECAPITULATION.

Total amount of receipts for the year ending Feb. 28th, 1879, $104,877 86
Total expenditures for the same year, 94,553 33
Cash in treasury, $10,324 53

STATEMENT

Showing the amount of the several appropriations, the payments made from them, the receipts added to them, and the deficiency or excess of each.

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<th>Item</th>
<th>Bal. from last year</th>
<th>Appropriations</th>
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| Total                               | $19,960.79          | $76,500.39     | $29,189.78 | $7,365.86 |

$12,367.59
LIABILITIES AND RESOURCES.

LIABILITIES.

The indebtedness of the city, Feb. 28, 1879, was as follows: For outstanding bonds, bearing interest at six per cent., due as follows:

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Bonds bearing interest at five per cent., due as follows:

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Total amount of liabilities, $258,500 00
**FINANCIAL REPORT.**

**RESOURCES.**

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<td><strong>Total Resources</strong></td>
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Liabilities of the city after deducting available resources,

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<td>$218,751 47</td>
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L. LINN SMALL, *Auditor.*
SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY
OWNED BY THE CITY.

Stock in Lewiston & Auburn Railroad, $75,000 00
Lot near the Park, 1,000 00
Old Grammar School House and lot, 2,000 00
City Stable and lot, 2,000 00
High School building and Park, 30,000 00
Auburn Hall and lot, 20,000 00
Engine house lot, 1,500 00
Old Armory lot, 800 00
Gravel lot, 1,000 00
Lot and house at North Auburn, 300 00
Old Poor Farm, 1,000 00
Poor Farm, stock, and fixtures, 10,000 00
Twenty-two school houses outside the city, 13,200 00
Five school houses in the city, 13,000 00
New Grammar School House, lot, and furniture, 30,000 00
Armory and lot, 2,000 00
Steam Fire Engine, hose, etc., 6,500 00
Hand Engine, hose, etc., 500 00
Hose for hydrants, 250 00
Lot of land in rear of Roak Block, 1,000 00
Safe in Treasurer's Office, 250 00
Five horses in the road department, 750 00
Three double dump carts, 300 00
One single dump cart, 25 00
Three sleds, 50 00
One derrick, 150 00
Tools, etc., 25 00

$212,600 00

HANNIBAL R. SMITH, Mayor.
REPORT OF CITY TREASURER.

MARCH 1ST, 1879.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I have the honor to present herewith my account as City Treasurer for the financial year ending Feb. 28th, 1879.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Mayor's warrants:

For repair of roads, $11,711 48
Support of Schools, 17,310 09
Contingent fund, 7,674 29
Police and Night Watch, 2,283 70
Support of Poor, 3,289 20
Fire Department, 2,519 96
High School Building and Park, 7,171 26
Street lights, 935 21
New roads, 1,481 16
Sewers, 1,150 45
Salaries, 3,465 00
Payment of debt, 12,900 00
Payment of interest, 15,446 00
Discount on taxes, 2,657 26
Abatement on taxes, 1,377 26
Printing, 279 37
Enlarging Poor House, 901 64
Hydrant and Reservoirs, 2,000 00
Balance in the Treasury, 39,748 53

$134,301 86

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury, March 1st, 1878, $36,346 15
Received on contingent account, 6,366 92
Road account, 120 00
CITY OF AUBURN.

Received on Poor account, $824.86
School account, 4,863.04
Interest account, 886.96
Sewer account, 325.00
Debt account, 6,000.00
Tax list of 1878, account, 78,568.93

$134,301.86

RESOURCES.

Balance due on taxes, $29,424.00
Cash in Treasury, 10,324.53

$39,748.53

LIABILITIES.

Bonded debt of the city, $258,500.00
Debt less resources, $218,751.47

DEXTER W VERRILL, Treasurer.

The Joint Standing Committee on Accounts have examined the accounts of the City Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 28th, 1879, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for, and hereby approve the same.

N. I. JORDAN,
J. W. PEABLES,
Committee on Accounts.
REPORT OF OVERSEEERS OF POOR.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

The Board of Overseers of the Poor respectfully submit the following as the result of their labors in the discharge of the duties intrusted to their care during the past year:

The amount appropriated by the City Council for the support of poor and insane persons, was $3,500.00

We have received for support of insane persons:
From Mary L. Shaw, 2 89

We have received from other towns for supplies furnished paupers, as follows:

From City of Portland, $128 80
Biddeford, 101 29
Lewiston, 44 50

Town of Turner,
Buckfield, 41 00
Sidney, 10 00
Ripley, 17 50
Livermore, 115 39
Paris, 12 99
Temple, 32 03
Wilton, 39 00
Bowdoin, 19 32
Pittsfield, 15 75
Pownal, 18 71
Wellington, 33 50
Otisfield, 98 05

$729 58

Received for hay sold from the Poor Farm, 84 89
from Russell, for board, 7 50

Total amount received, $4,324.86
Paid Superintendents of Poor Farm, $400 00
  for supplies, clothing, medical attendance, etc., at farm, 700 90
  for support of poor off the farm who have a settlement in the city, 930 16
  for support of poor who have no settlement in the State, 126 33
  for support of poor who have a settlement in other towns, 336 26
  for support of insane who have a settlement in the city, 750 87
  for support of insane persons who have a settlement in other towns, 8 71
  for cow, 25 00

  Total expenditures, $3,278 23

There has been furnished to the Street Commissioner from the Poor Farm, 13 tons of hay, worth $130, which, if allowed to the credit of the farm, would reduce the expense on the farm to $970.90.

There is now due the city the following sums:

From Town of Hebron, $5 00
  Town of Poland, 11 13
  City of Lewiston, 39 42
  City of Bath, 7 70
  Town of Otisfield, 3 00

  $66 25

The following statement shows the account of the Poor Department with the City, for the year commencing March 1st, 1878, and ending Feb. 28th, 1879:

Appropriation made by the City Council, $3,500 00
Received from other towns, 729 58
  Mary L. Shaw, 2 89
  Russell, for board, 7 50
  for hay sold, 84 89
Due from other towns, 66 25

  Total resources of department, $4,391 11
OVERSEERS' REPORT.

Paid for insane persons, $759.58
for support of poor, 2,493.65
for stock, 25.00
Due other towns, 47.00

$3,325.23

Balance in favor of department, $1,065.88

Average number on the farm during the year, 26; number now on the farm, 24.

We now have upon the farm: 3 horses, 9 cows, 6 hogs, 15 hens, 18 bushels corn, 15 bushels barley, 12 tons hay, 4 bushels beans, 3⅓ barrels pork, 1 barrel beef, 100 bushels potatoes, 10 gallons molasses, 50 pounds lard, 30 pounds tallow, 20 cords fitted wood, 2½ tons coal, and a good stock of groceries; also 1 riding wagon, 1 pung, 1 single farm wagon, 1 dump cart, 2 plows, 4 harrows, 1 set double harnesses, 1 single harness, 1 cultivator, 1 two-horse mowing machine, 1 horse rake, 1 roller.

In May, 1878, the City Council appropriated $1,400, and instructed the Overseers to enlarge the almshouse on farm. We have done so by adding a wing 44x24, two stories high, finishing two sitting rooms on first floor,—one for ladies and one for gentlemen,—and four sleeping apartments on second floor, putting in heating apparatus and furnishing the rooms. The total expense of enlarging and furnishing building, was $900, leaving a balance in favor of appropriation of $500.

The buildings on Poor Farm are in good condition, and will need no great outlay for repairs for a number of years.

We have added considerable new furniture during the year, and everything about the house is in the best of order.

Two persons have died on the farm during the year, and two have married and have homes of their own.

Harriet Millett who has been on the farm for the last two years is now at work in Bethel, supporting self and child.

Thomas F. Alexander and wife have had charge of the farm and have discharged their difficult duties faithfully, and to our entire satisfaction.

We shall consider the city fortunate if the services of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander can be retained for many years to come.

Dr. A. M. Peables, the City Physician, has attended to his duties satisfactorily, and been prompt in his attendance upon all cases.
One hundred and forty-five persons, including children, have received aid, and 6 have been supported at the Insane Hospital, making the whole number of persons who have received aid during the year 151.

FOR SUPPORT OF POOR.

For expenses upon the farm:
To Thos. F. Alexander and wife, for services as Superintendent, $400 00
To Stimson & Son, for goods, 93 55
Dingley & Brewster, for goods, 51 64
Peables & Penley, for goods, 66 69
Benson & Moulton, for goods, 5 67
Stevens & Lord, for blacksmithing, 17 05
S. F. Haskell, for shoes, 7 60
S. S. Hersey, for goods, 3 94
H. P. Dorman, for coal, 18 00
John W. Stevens, for cow, 25 00
Joseph Littlefield, for shoes, 1 00
Wood & Walker, for repairs, 2 15
Bradford, Conant & Co., for coffin, 9 00
A. J. Coburn, for shoes, 3 00
Barker Brooks, for goods, 2 54
J. E. Tebbetts, for grain, 44 26
Thomas Littlefield, for flour, 68 00
Hollis Hill, for goods, 96 50
Willis, Parsons & Co., for goods, 48 21
Emery A. Howe, for clothing, 48 42
Frank Bartlett, for goods, 61 88
A. L. & E. F. Goss, for goods, 37 90
Chas. E. Smith, for goods, 13 90
— $1,125 90

For expenses of poor off the farm:
For John Webb and family:
To Eben Stinchfield, for wood, $5 50
John W. Stanchfield, for wood, 7 75
Peables & Penley, for goods, 2 00
— 15 25
OVERSEERS’ REPORT.

For Azael Lovejoy:
To Stimson & Son, for goods, $2 00
J. E. Metcalfe, for goods, 9 50
For transient persons:
To D. W. Verrill, for supplies, $18 75
E. F. Goss, for supplies, 10 75
For H. French:
To E. H. Bird, for wood, 16 00
For Maggie D. Grant:
To H. A. Cole, for board, $20 00
Bradford, Conant & Co., for coffin, 6 00
Wm. Woodbury, for burying, 2 00
R. S. Bradbury, for funeral expenses, 14 00
For —— Berry:
To Bradford, Conant & Co., for coffin, 6 00
For Chas. Boisul:
To Mrs. L. G. Tarbox, for board, $14 75
F. R. Rounds & Co., for goods, 1 99
For Wm. Steirrat:
To Mrs. L. G. Tarbox, for board, $14 75
F. R. Rounds & Co., for goods, 1 99
For Mrs. Cotton:
To C. E. Smith, for medicine, 65
For Mrs. Nathaniel Larrabee:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, 3 00
For Ellen McCarty:
To Bailey & Moulton, for goods, $25 96
Peables & Penley, for goods, 8 50
B. Conant, for wood, 9 00
C. E. Smith, for medicine, 15
For Timothy Cox:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, $5 00
Stackpole & Woodman, for goods, 7 75
For Henry McCarty:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, $41.32
   Frank Bartlett, for goods, 1.00
   T. Callahan, for goods, 3.37
   C. E. Smith, for medicine, 9.00
   S. F. Haskell, for shoes, 2.65
   Bradford, Conant & Co., for coffin, 6.00
   Geo. T. Wilson, for shaving, 3.00
   R. S. Bradbury, for funeral expenses, 9.00
   ______  67.24

For Chas. Larrabee and family:
To Benson & Moulton, for goods, $8.96
   Stevens & Foster, for goods, 2.00
   Holway & Robinson, for wood, 3.50
   ______  14.46

For Annie M. Lovejoy:
To C. H. Record, for expenses, $5.25
   Town of Paris, for supplies, 66.89
   E. F. Goss & A.M. Peables, for expenses, 9.25
   ______  81.39

For Chas. Hammond and family:
To Stimson & Son, for goods, 10.00

For James Breene:
To paid expense to Ireland, 27.00

For Daley children:
To Bailey & Moulton, for goods, $20.50
   Stimson & Son, for goods, 9.00
   Peables & Penley, for goods, 8.50
   Benj. Conant, for wood, 7.50
   ______  45.50

For Peter La Mont:
To Bartlett & Eaton, for goods, 26.60

For Samuel L. Stevens:
To Stimson & Son, for goods, $10.00
   Peables & Penley, for goods, 3.00
   Willis, Parsons & Co., for goods, 14.43
   Frank Bartlett, for goods, 37.90
   C. E. Smith, for medicine, 4.70
   ______  70.03
OVERSEERS' REPORT.

For Mary A. Jackson and family:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, $2 00
Isaac A. Johnson, for wood, 2 25
C. G. Skinner, for goods, 2 95
 weakest $7 20

For Geo. Dyer:
To E. J. White, for goods, 1 56

For Cordelia Jenkins and family:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, $6 00
Stimson & Son, for goods, 3 00
Benson & Moulton, for goods, 2 00
B. Conant, for wood, 5 50
 weakest 16 50

For A. P. Leonard:
To Chas. E. Smith, for medicine, 16 30

For Amaziah Grant and family:
To Stimson & Son, for goods, $26 20
Robinson & Beede, for medicine, 13 22
 weakest 39 42

For Emma Jordan:
To Clark Mitchell, for shoes, $1 50
S. Macomber, for goods, 5 00
 weakest 6 50

For Perley Andrews:
To J. T. Tracy, for board, 16 00

For Olive Fickett:
To A. J. Fickett, for board, $92 00
A. J. Coburn, for expenses, 5 20
 weakest 97 20

For John Conroy:
To C. E. Smith, for medicine, $1 40
N. G. Estes, for goods, 9 14
 weakest 10 54

For Anna Sawyer:
To A. J. Coburn, for expenses, $1 25
Alpheus D. Keen, for board, 27 00
Dr. Torry, for medical attendance, 13 00
Dr. A. M. Peables, for medical attendance, 5 00
 weakest 46 25

For Hugh Colebrook:
To Benj. Conant, for wood, $5 50
Peables & Penley, for goods, 9 00
 weakest 14 50
For Mrs. Johnson and family:
To Sylvanus O. Verrill, for supplies, $58 88
  Stimson & Son, for goods, 1 98
  Emery A. Howe, for clothing, 3 50
  S. F. Haskell, for shoes, 2 60
  A. M. Peables, for medical attendance, 31 00
  E. F. Goss, for expenses, 3 33
    $101 29
For Mary Conners:
To Bailey & Moulton, for goods, 21 20
For Margaret Flynn:
To E. Eveleth, for milk, $4 08
  City of Portland, for supplies, 5 00
    9 08
For Mary C. Smith:
To K. F. Holmes, for board, $30 50
  A. M. Peables, for medical attendance, 16 00
  Funeral expenses of child, 11 00
    57 50
For Chas. Warren:
To Thos. F. Alexander, for expenses, 7 35
For Patrick Lynch:
To Robinson & Beede, for medicine, 4 55
For Mrs. Fuller and daughter:
To Stimson & Son, for goods, $67 91
  Benj. Conant, for wood, 5 00
    72 91
For Lucretia Jones and family:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, $5 00
  Holway & Robinson, for wood, 1 75
    6 75
For James Faye:
To Robinson & Beede, for medicine, 6 63
For Peter Stone and family:
To Frank Bartlett, for goods, $1 75
  F. B. Rounds, for goods, 9 39
    11 14
For Richmond Pettengill and family:
To Cram & Oxnard, for rent, $21 00
  S. F. Haskell, for shoes, 5 65
  J. E. Metcalf, for goods, 33 41
OVERSEERS' REPORT.

To Knight & Chase, for goods, $16 32
   Peables & Penley, for goods, 3 22
   John F. Pettengill, for wood, 9 75
   Benj. Conant, for wood, 2 75
   ___________________________ $92 10

For Ira Crooker and wife:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, $5 05
   Stimson & Learned, for goods, 2 00
   J. E. Metcalf, for goods, 61 00
   Rolfe & Mitchell, for goods, 5 00
   ___________________________ 73 05

For Eder York:
To Chas. E. Smith, for medicine, 2 65

For Mrs. Cole:
To Johanna Stevens, for nursing, 8 00

For A. B. Bailey:
To D. W. Verrill, for supplies, 6 00

For Orris Oakes and family:
To A. L. & E. F. Goss, for stove, 7 00

For Mary Cox:
To B. Conant, for wood, 2 50

For Annie Haskell:
To City of Portland, for supplies, 37 37

For E. G. Patten and family:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, $10 75
   Benj. Conant, for wood, 2 50
   Holway & Robinson, for wood, 2 50
   ___________________________ 15 75

For Wm. Doughty:
To Peables & Penley, for goods, $5 00
   A. W. Miller, for goods, 3 00
   ___________________________ 8 00

For Geo. White and family:
To A. J. Coburn, for expenses, 14 00

For support of persons at Insane Hospital:
For Catharine Keefe, $121 36
   Abbie G. Fitz, 119 83
   Martha A Hill, 132 85
For Elmira D. Randall, $136 04
  Elizabeth L. Hancock, 117 48
  Geo. Goss, 5 82
  Mary L. Shaw, 2 89
  Lucy B. Verrill, 123 31
                   $759 58
  Total for support of poor, $3,278 23

Respectfully submitted,

ELERY F. GOSS,
A. J. COBURN,
C. H. RECORD,

Overseers of Poor of Auburn.
REPORT OF STREET COMMISSIONER.

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Auburn:

Gentlemen,—Herewith I submit to you a statement of my expenditures as Street Commissioner for the year ending Feb. 28th, 1879, as follows:

For wash-out last fall, $1,200 00
   building Winter and Whitney Streets, 400 00
   culvert on Winter Street, 70 00
   graveling and grading High and Nash Streets,
   and driveway, etc., 400 00
   laying sidewalk and curbstone for Goff Block, 50 00
   covering reservoir in Fossville and fixing place
to set engine at Little River, 50 00
   grading, graveling, and laying sewer on Park, 160 00
   building 14,139 feet of gravel sidewalk, 350 00
   building 500 feet of plank sidewalk, 40 00
   building seven new stone culverts, 233 60
   building 610 feet of under-drain, 165 00
   planking sidewalk on Main Street bridge, 65 00
   repairing ice breakers, 62 00
   tightening up and repairing Broad Street bridge, 75 00
   cutting down Cook Street, 200 00
   general repairs, 8,190 88

Total expenditures, $11,711 48

The roads in general are in fair order. The bridge near Calvin S. Libby's will have to be rebuilt this season; also one near Cobb's Mill, for which the stone have been hauled. The wash-out at Indian Dump will have to be repaired in some manner. I would recommend for repairs on highways, bridges, and sidewalks, $12,000.

The damage by fire to the Department is about $100.
The property of the Department is in good condition, and consists of the following:

- Five horses, $1,000 00
- Three double dump carts and harnesses, 300 00
- One single dump cart, 25 00
- Three sleds, 100 00
- One derrick, 150 00
- Three snow plows, 100 00
- One express wagon, 50 00
- Tools, etc., 20 00

We have a large supply of gravel at the foot of Hampshire Street, ready for use in mud time. We have been supplied with hay from the Poor Farm, for which we render no account.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES S. NASH,
Street Commissioner.

Auburn, March 1st, 1879.
REPORT
OF
COMMITTEE ON DRAINS AND SEWERS.

The Committee on Drains and Sewers make the following report:

Constructed sewer on Goff St., 315 ft., on High St., 428 ft., on Academy St., 1120 ft., at a cost of $930 10
Construct six catch-basins, at a cost of 208 00
Appropriated for sewers, $1,000 00
Received for entrances, 325 00
Balance, 1,325 00

E. EVELETH,
S. P. MILLER,
D. S. WHITEHOUSE,
W. K. OAKES,
DANIEL LARA,
Committee on Drains and Sewers.
REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENT.

Liquor Agency in Account with the City.

1879.

By cash paid Treasurer for liquors sold, $2,145 95
Liquors furnished Poor Farm, 90
" " Henry McCarty, 3 50
" " Samuel Stevens, 1 15
Alcohol " Street Lamps, 40
" " High School, 21 00
Stove and Fixtures, 25 00
Liquors now in Agency, 206 85

$2,404 75

Liquor Agency in Account with the City.

Dr.

To Liquors in Agency, March 1st, 1878, $260 35
" furnished during the year, 1,553 87
Paid Nathaniel Knight, for rent of store, 113 32
for coal for Agency, 16 13
for freights and other expenses, 13 18
salary of Agent, 300 00

$2,256 85

$147 90

GREENE C. BURRILL, Agent.
REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen,—I have the honor to submit to you this, my fifth annual report as Chief Engineer of the Fire Department of the City of Auburn, for the year ending February 28th, 1879, together with such suggestions and recommendations as, in my judgment, are worthy of your consideration.

There have been no additions made, since my last report, to the fire apparatus, the amount and condition of the same remaining as described in my last report.

HOSE.

At the time of my last report there were, in the hands of the Steamer Company, thirty-four hundred feet of hose; but about twenty-four hundred feet of this were burned, with the engine house, on the 7th of December last, leaving about one thousand feet; but the Committee on Fire Department ordered at once one thousand feet of new hose, making two thousand feet of steamer hose. There are about one thousand feet of two-inch hose with the hand engine, at North Auburn, making about three thousand feet in the whole department. There are also two hundred feet of linen hose at the Elm House hydrant, and the same amount at the Roak Block, belonging to the city, but it is not suitable for use on the steamer.

RESERVOIRS AND HYDRANTS.

There have been added, since my last report, six hydrants, located as follows:

One, corner Court and Pleasant Streets.
One, corner Pleasant and Drummond Streets.
One, Elm Street, at head of Pleasant Street.
One, corner Elm and Main Streets.
One, Main Street, opposite the Park.
One, Laurel Street, foot of Laurel Hill.

In this connection, I would most respectfully and, at the same time, most earnestly recommend that provisions be made at once for a supply of water in that part of our city known as the Barker Mill District, and also in that part known as Perryville; for it is a positive fact that if a fire should occur in either of the above localities, there would be no way for the department to render assistance, for the want of water. It is claimed by the citizens of the Barker Mill District, that they need better protection, in case of fire, and that there should be a steamer purchased at once, to be located in that vicinity; but the expense of this would be so great that perhaps it would not be advisable, at this time, provided some method could be devised whereby they would be enabled to give an alarm of fire in season for the department to be there in season to render their assistance. And I think this could be done at a very small expense, by establishing a fire alarm telegraph connecting with the department of Auburn and Lewiston, so that there would be no delay in case of fire; and I would recommend that this be done in the Barker Mill and Perryville Districts.

FIRES AND ALARMS.

The department has been called out forty-five times by an alarm of fire. Forty of these alarms came from Lewiston, and five from Auburn. And there have been three fires in Auburn, extinguished without an alarm. There have also been two other fires, of which there was no alarm: one at what is called Lewiston Junction, in Auburn, destroying the station there; and one on the river road, burning a small house owned by D. T. French.

The property destroyed by fire, in the city, the past year, amounts to thirty-two thousand eight hundred dollars ($32,800), on which there was an insurance of eighteen thousand six hundred dollars ($18,600).

It pleases me very much to be able to say that the harmony that has existed between the departments of the two cities still continues, and that the City of Lewiston fully appreciates the
services of the Auburn firemen, is shown by the present of one hundred dollars made by them to Fireman J. Edward Burleigh, of Auburn Steamer Company, who was severely injured while working at a fire in that city. And the Lewiston firemen are entitled to the thanks of the City of Auburn for the assistance they have always been ready to render, in case of fire in our city. And I would say that the Lewiston steamer companies are now supplied with couplings to fit our hydrants, so that they may not meet again with the obstacle which rendered their services less valuable, at our great fire of December 7th, than they otherwise would have been; and I would further state, that the couplings had been ordered at that time, but had not been received.

And, in conclusion, I would say that I should not consider my duty as Chief Engineer complete, if I failed to speak a few words in praise of our firemen. The Engineer, Assistant Engineer, and Fireman on the steamer are gentlemen who thoroughly understand their business and are to be relied upon at all times. The Steamer Company is composed of our best citizens and are an honor to the city; and I shall close my labors as Chief Engineer, feeling that I shall transfer to my successor a Fire Department of which he may well be proud.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. A. MILLER, Chief Engineer.
REPORT OF CITY SOLICITOR.

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Auburn:

I herewith submit the following report of the legal proceedings in which the City of Auburn has been a party, or interested, during the year ending March 15th, 1879.

The following actions were pending in the Supreme Judicial Court, for Androscoggin County, at the time of my election one year since, viz.:

- Inhabitants of Auburn v. The Franklin Company.
- Same v. Same.
- Samuel L. Stevens v. The Inhabitants of Auburn.
- Benjamin Ryerson v. Same.
- George W. Hunnewell v. Same.
- Auburn Land Company v. Same.
- Elizabeth Thomas, Complainant, in Bastardy v. Richard Hutchinson.

I will make report of these suits in the order in which they occur in the foregoing list. The first suit against the Franklin Company was tried at the last January term of the Court, and after a trial, which occupied nearly four days, resulted in a verdict for the city for two hundred and twenty-five dollars. The counsel for the defense submitted a motion for a new trial, and alleged exceptions, but afterwards made a proposal to pay the amount of the verdict and the entire costs of both suits, and settle all controversies thereby. This proposition was accepted, and payment thereof has been made to the City Treasurer. We are now at peace with the Franklin Company.

The suit of Samuel L. Stevens against the City was settled by my advice, and in accordance with the suggestions of my predecessor, by the payment of twelve hundred and fifty dol-
lars, a part of which sum was made up of certain supplies which the Overseers of the Poor had furnished to his family, and for which he accounted in the settlement, thus relieving himself and family from the humiliation of being considered paupers. I am satisfied that Mr. Stevens sustained serious injuries; that his claim was a legal and just one; and that the settlement made with him was a judicious act.

The suit of Benjamin Ryerson against the City was tried at the April term, 1878. After the testimony was out, the action was entered, "neither party," Mr. Ryerson's counsel being satisfied that he could not prevail.

The suit of George W. Hunnewell against the City was brought to trial at the last January term. This was an action to recover for damages sustained by reason of an alleged defect in a highway in the south part of the city. To enable the plaintiff to maintain this action, it was necessary that the municipal officers, or some one of them, should have received notice of the nature and location of the defect which caused such injury, and a specification of the nature of the injury, etc., etc., within fourteen days from the time of the accident. Upon this point of notice the presiding Judge ruled that the plaintiff had not complied with the requirements of the law, and could not maintain his action. Mr. Hunnewell excepted to the ruling of the Court, and I understand contemplates reporting the case for the determination of the Law Court.

The suit of the Auburn Land Company against the City was entered at the April term of the Court, 1878, and was immediately settled by the payment of seven hundred and fifty dollars and the building over and completion, to the acceptance of the Committee on Streets, etc., of the so-called High Street Extension.

The Complaint in Bastardy of Elizabeth Thomas, a pauper of this city, against Richard Hutchinson, has been continued from term to term, and is still undisposed of. It was marked for trial at the last January term of the Court; but the serious illness of the defendant prevented a trial. It will be disposed of, at the coming term of the Court.

The Complaint in Bastardy of Hattie A. Millett, another pauper, against Charles Hobbs, has been settled upon payment of fifty dollars, which sum has been received, which, consid-
ferring the station in life of the parties, was, perhaps, as favor­
able, in a pecuniary point of view, as could have been expected.

But one suit has been commenced against the City, during
the year, and that by the Rev. Samuel T. Record, who claims
that he has sustained damage to the amount of five hundred
dollars, by reason of an alleged defective highway in the vicin­
ity of Danville Junction. His claim, in my opinion, is with­
out foundation, and I advise that it be resisted.

During the last year, considerable controversy has arisen
concerning that portion of Broad Street leading from Conant’s
Mills to the Hackett Road, and the City has been indicted by
the Grand Jury for not building the road. The friends of the
road also petitioned the Court of County Commissioners to
appoint an agent to build the road, upon which petition a hear­
ing was had. The whole matter seems now to be finally settled
by the action of the County Commissioners, who have discon­
tinued the road in question on petition of the municipal officers.
I have appeared for the City, at all of the hearings, and ren­
dered what assistance I could. I have attended other hearings
on road petitions, etc., from time to time, at the request of the
Mayor, and in each case I believe the results have been favorable
to the City. I have, from time to time, given my opinion
in matters of law, to the Mayor and such other City Officers,
as have applied to me.

GEORGE C. WING,

City Solicitor.

Auburn, March 15th, 1879.
REPORT OF CITY PHYSICIAN.

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Auburn:

I respectfully submit the following report, as City Physician, for the municipal year ending March 17th, 1879. During the first part of the year, our city had about its usual amount of sickness. But as the summer wore away and the fall months came, diarrhea and dysentery prevailed, while the cases of typhoid fever were fewer in number than we often find in one season. Throat and lung troubles have been very prevalent during the winter months and up to the present time. There have been cases of scarlatina, whooping cough, and mumps every month in the year. There has been more diphtheria, of a malignant character, than for several years past. With the unusual amount of sickness that we have had during the winter, one might expect that there would be considerable suffering among the poor. But the Ladies’ Aid Society has ever been vigilant and has done much to alleviate the burdens of many a poor family. This Society has done and is doing a good work. There has been but very little sickness at the farm. Those who have been so unfortunate as not to be able wholly to care for themselves have there found a pleasant home. Much commendation is due Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, who have had charge of the almshouse for several years. Cleanliness has been a characteristic feature of this house and its inmates. I would recommend that they be retained for another year.

Whole number of patients treated, 45
Number treated at the farm, 5
Number treated away from farm, 40
Number of deaths (an infant at farm), 1

A. M. PEABLES,
City Physician.
REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the City Council of Auburn:

The Superintending School Committee submit their annual report for the year ending February 28th, 1879.

FINANCES.

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

#### TABULAR STATEMENT.

**SPRING TERM, 1878.**

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### CITY OF AUBURN.

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The High School, despite some hindrances, has done a good year's work. The teaching has, mainly, been thorough and scholarly, and the proficiency in all the branches creditable. Furnished with better facilities than ever before for illustrating the phenomena of natural science, the classes in Philosophy and Chemistry, especially the latter, have acquired more practical knowledge of this increasingly useful subject than did the average graduate of college a decade ago. Whether the best methods are employed in teaching the modern languages, we are hardly qualified to judge; but we have never seen Latin and Greek taught better in any other school, and in only one or two so well. The mental discipline, the increased English vocabulary, the greater elegance of expression, and nicer discrimination in the use of synonyms, the preparation for understanding the structure of our own language, and, finally, the knowledge of a wonderful, historic people, through the writings of their greatest men,—all this and vastly more, acquired through the study of Latin as taught in this school, justifies its Principal in regarding not only Latin Syntax, but, we say, Latin and Mathematics as the backbone of a High School course. We would call attention to his report, below, as worthy of careful perusal and consideration. That something can be done, as he suggests, in the way of consolidating several classes and thereby save time and expense, or make room for studies adapted to fit more thoroughly for social life, business, and teaching in our common schools, we fully believe, and at the commencement of another school year, we hope some change for the better will be inaugurated. We append here Mr. Fish's report.

To the School Committee of Auburn:

I have the honor to submit my fourth annual report of the High School. It is not my purpose to discuss the so-called "High School Question." When we have already a fine site, commodious building, and one hundred and thirty students enrolled, it is ill-timed, if not superfluous, to assert that "Auburn does not need a High School." The average number in our third and fourth classes nearly equals that in the first and second classes of the Grammar School. Is it not absurd, then, to
state that "the High School is not an educator of the people, but only serves the favored few?"

Still, when opinion differs so widely concerning the extent to which instruction should be carried at the public expense, and one party, believing in unlimited opportunities, would even establish technical schools, while the other as strenuously opposes all instruction beyond the most elementary, would it not be advisable to consider whether the several courses of instruction may not be so rearranged and modified as to meet the demands of the people and at the same time lessen the expensiveness of the school. You will recollect that two years ago it was thought we were giving undue prominence to the classics, and that the natural sciences should receive more attention; at the same time, there was a demand for a course of study containing only English branches.

We then purchased about four hundred dollars' worth of Philosophical apparatus, and during the past two years nearly an equal amount has been expended in Chemical apparatus and Chemicals. We have now the means of rendering an English course as attractive and profitable as it would seem possible. We have labored hard to make it popular, and now find that, of one hundred and thirty students, only ten are taking the English course. I do not mean that the natural sciences are unpopular, but that nearly all who have taken Botany, Chemistry, and Natural Philosophy, have elected Latin, too.

I would therefore recommend that while we maintain our college preparatory course and keep it of a high grade, we unite our classical and English courses, selecting the best parts of each and making a practical course, which we may require all to take who do not pursue the college preparatory.

It will comprehend:

**LATIN—FOUR YEARS' COURSE.**

Latin Grammar and Composition; Caesar—Books I.–IV.; Cicero—Eight Orations and Cato Major; Virgil—Eclogues and Æneid—Books I.–VI.

**MATHEMATICS—THREE YEARS' COURSE.**

CITY OF AUBURN.

NATURAL SCIENCES—THREE YEARS' COURSE.

Physical Geography, Physiology, Natural Philosophy, Botany, Chemistry.

GERMAN—TWO YEARS' COURSE.

German Grammar and Reader, Short Stories from Different Authors.

ENGLISH.

English Composition, Declamation, and Reading, throughout the course.

I regard Latin Syntax and Mathematics as the backbone of a High School course, and, in this opinion, I feel sure that the great majority of the people concur. The small minority should yield to the majority, and thus improve the school in thoroughness of instruction, and at the same time save a large amount now paid for teaching. For this plan to be carried out successfully, we must agree upon a fair percentage which all students shall be required to attain, and then promote annually, solely regarding what the student is and not who he is.

I would likewise recommend that each session of school be divided into four periods instead of three, and a recess of ten minutes be given between the second and third periods. In this way, large classes could be divided without receiving an unfair proportion of the time, and forty minutes would be found ample time for the average class.

I append the usual statistics:

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Respectfully,

C. E. FISH.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The Grammar School has had an unusually successful year. There have been, for various reasons, some changes of teachers; but those now occupying the places of those gone are, with one exception, teachers of several years' experience, and most of them have served their apprenticeship in our village schools. We think we have never had a more intelligent, cultivated, enthusiastic, and harmonious band of workers. The
accomplished Principal continues to more than sustain her well-earned reputation. Below is her report:

REPORT OF MISS KING.

To the School Committee of Auburn:

Gentlemen,—The present school year, as well as the two preceding, has brought an increase of numbers and, it is hoped, of prosperity to the Grammar School. It became necessary, at the beginning of this year, to add another to the corps of assistants, and it gives me pleasure to testify to the interest and enthusiasm which they have manifested in their daily work.

Our progress was somewhat retarded, the past term, by the great amount of sickness in the school and the irregular attendance. Our terms are so short, that unless prompt and constant attendance is secured, our advancement is greatly impeded.

Very few cases of insubordination have been reported to me, and harmony and kindness between teachers and pupils prevail.

It has been our constant aim to maintain a high standard of scholarship and to secure the thorough preparation of all students promoted to higher grades. The work of this year will, we believe, compare favorably with what has been accomplished during the two previous years.

To the uniform kindness and sympathy of my assistants, to the general cooperation of the parents, as well as to the constant support and thoughtful consideration of the School Committee, may be attributed the success we believe we are attaining.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

EMMA F. KING, Principal.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

The Primary Schools have, without exception, met the expectations of the Committee.

NORTH AND WEST AUBURN GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

In the spring term, only one teacher was employed, who, aided by an assistant, had both classes or grades under his care and instruction. In this way, a saving in the expenses of the school for that term was made.
The same teacher was retained for the fall and winter terms, and another teacher placed in charge of the second class.

The instruction in this school has been first-class, and although the attendance during the winter term was quite small, still the year’s work here will compare favorably with that of former years.

THE RURAL SCHOOLS

Have been generally successful. In many cases, however, there has been a culpable neglect on the part of the parents; for upon them much depends in making our schools a success. Your Committee may be ever so efficient, model teachers may be secured, yet, unless parents send their children regularly and promptly for instruction, and impress their minds with the importance of discipline and of obtaining a good education, and, furthermore, unless they visit the teacher at her place of labor and encourage her in her work, school funds will not and cannot be used to the best advantage.

CONCLUSION.

In reviewing our experience in the supervision of our schools during the past year, we are forcibly reminded that a good school is the result of many favoring conditions. A good teacher (and here, of course, we use “good” in its largest sense), good pupils, good parents, good attendance and good supervision, good school houses, good books, a good supply of school apparatus and appliances, a good length of term, and with it all a good harmony, can hardly fail to make a good school. That all these conditions should always exist in so many schools in so many different neighborhoods as we have, is hardly to be expected. We have, by instituting a careful and somewhat rigid examination of our teachers, endeavored to secure those intellectually qualified, and have not forgotten that moral qualifications were necessary as well. We fully endorse the following sentiments in regard to our schools, and feel that any Committee is recreant to its trusts, that does not aim, through the character of the teachers employed, to have them realized: “Too much attention cannot be given to morals and manners. They are of first importance. ‘As is the child, so is
THE MAN.' Inculcate, at every proper opportunity, honesty, truthfulness, gentleness, cleanliness, respect for the aged and superiors, duty to parents, chastity, charity, temperance, modesty, and every kindred virtue.'"

Free and uniform text-books have proved a great benefit. The outlay, during the past year has been only $471 for books (a large saving to the people), and in consequence, 150 scholars have attended school who would otherwise have been in our streets. Our school year, in the higher grades, is hardly long enough for the work laid out in our course of study, and we would, therefore, recommend the coming year thirty weeks for the Primary, thirty-three for the Grammar and Rural Schools, and thirty-six for the High School.

As we have already cut down the wages of many of our teachers to a scale corresponding to that of surrounding country towns, and as the small surplus unappropriated is needed to make necessary repairs, and for school apparatus and furniture, and as we are to receive $500 less from the State, it is our unanimous, deliberate judgment that your appropriations for the coming year should be as follows: For the High School, $3,300; for the other schools, $8,700, making in all $12,000. And that in proportion as you appropriate less, will the best interests of our schools be endangered.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRED A. ALLEN,
J. W. BEEDE,
GEO. S. WOODMAN,
N. I. JORDAN,
NATHANIEL H. WOODBURY,

Superintending School Committee.

Auburn, March, 1879.
GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF AUBURN,
1879.

MAYOR.
THOMAS LITTLEFIELD.

ALDERMEN.
SETH P. MILLER, President.

WARD No. 1.—CHARLES H. RECORD.
" " 2.—EZKIEL EVELETH.
" " 3.—SETH P. MILLER.
" " 4.—NATH' L I. JORDAN.
" " 5.—GEORGE W. WAGG.

CITY CLERK.
HENRY M. SPRAGUE.

COMMON COUNCIL.
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H. R. BISBEE.

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WALLACE K. OAKES,
HENRY WILLIS.
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WARD NO. 5.—CHARLES THURSTON, GEO. W. WOODBURY, DAVID S. WHITEHOUSE.

CLERK OF COMMON COUNCIL.
MURRAY B. WATSON.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON FINANCE.

The Mayor.
Alderman.
Ezekiel Eveleth.

Councilmen.
W. K. Oakes,
John Pickard,
Daniel Lara.

Alderman.
Chas. H. Record.

ON ACCOUNTS.

Councilmen.
H. R. Bisbee,
Isaac Haskell.

ON DRAINS AND SEWERS.

Aldermen.
Seth P. Miller,
Geo. W. Wagg.

Councilmen.
D. S. Whitehouse,
R. J. Bradbury,
Isaac Haskell.

ON HIGHWAYS, ETC.

The Mayor.
Alderman.
Geo. W. Wagg.

Councilmen.
J. W. Peables,
John Pickard,
Charles Thurston.

ON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Alderman.
Geo. W. Wagg.

Councilmen.
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Treasurer.—Dexter W. Verrill.

Assessors.—Oscar D. Bailey, Francis M. Jordan, Henry Willis.


Street Commissioner.—James S. Nash.

Chief Engineer.—Addison A. Miller.

Assistant Engineers.—Zebulon B. Blethen, Seth P. Miller, Henry M. Sprague, Lewis W. Haskell.

Collector of Taxes.—Dexter W. Verrill.

City Physician.—Andrew M. Peables.

City Solicitor.—George C. Wing.

Auditor of Accounts.—Charles E. Cobb.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.—Seth P. Miller, John C. Briggs, Joel Vickery, Chas. S. Chase.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.—Chas. H. Record.


Sealer of Leather.—John T. Randall.

Culler of Staves.—James W. Chaplin.

Fence Viewers.—John Gowell, John Townsend, Charles Thurston.

Truancy Committee.—Thomas Vosmus, L. Maxwell, Charles D. Dunn.

Night Watchmen.—Llewellyn Maxwell, Thos. Vosmus, Chas. D. Dunn.

Liquor Agent.—G. C. Burrill.

Pound Keeper.—T. F. Alexander.
CITY OF AUBURN.

Tithing-men.—Fred A. Allen, Ferdinand Penley.

Constables.—Dexter W. Verrill, John Ellis, H. M. Packard,
J. E. Metcalf, T. F. Alexander, David P. Field, Irving T. Ham,
Wm. H. Lunt, James H. McKenney, Charles A. Jordan,
Wm. A. Woodbury, Solomon Larrabee, William J. Merri-
man, Herbert Pride, James S. Nash, Thomas Vosmus, O. D.
Dunn, L. Maxwell, Benj. B. Foss, Zebulon T. Newell, W. S.

WARD OFFICERS, 1879.

WARDEN.

Ward 1.—Justin Crafts.
Ward 2.—Joseph Goss.
Ward 3.—Roscoe N. Phillips.
Ward 4.—H. K. Wagg.
Ward 5.—Jas. F. Ford.

CLERK.

W. Frank Munroe.
Henry M. Sprague.
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CITY GOVERNMENT OF AUBURN,
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MAYOR.
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WARD No. 1.—Oscar D. Bailey.
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CITY CLERK.
GEORGE S. WOODMAN.

COMMON COUNCIL.
Augustus M. Pulsifer, President.
WARD No. 1.—Charles H. Record, Joseph E. Metcalf, Herbert S. Whitman.
WARD No. 2.—Thomas Littlefield, Joshua W. Beede, Daniel Lara.
WARD No. 3.—Jabez H. Merrill, John Pickard, Wallace K. Oakes.
WARD No. 4.—Calvin S. Libby, James W. Peables, Augustus M. Pulsifer.
WARD No. 5.—N. H. Woodbury, Charles C. Rowe, David S. Whitehouse.

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