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REPORTS

OF THE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN,

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FIRE DEPARTMENT,

OF THE

TOWN OF TOPSHAM,

For the year ending February 16th 1884.

1884.

Printed at the
HERALD BOOK AND JOB PRINTING OFFICE,
BRUNSWICK, MAINE.
Cash from towns for aid to paupers, 444 08
" individuals for highway taxes, 78 67
One demand note, 30 00
Cash from all other sources, 13 37
Outstanding orders, Feb. 16, 1884, 433 86

\[ \text{Total: } \$ 27,225.98 \]

**EXPENDITURES.**

Outstanding orders, February 17, 1883, $163 38
State tax, $3,282 14
County tax. 1,195 46

\[ \text{Total: } \$ 4,477.60 \]

Paid Common Schools, 2,746 92
   High School, for teaching and expenses, 986 12
   Poor, out of the House, 653 38
   Town Farm, 220 00
   Highways and Bridges, 968 48
   Abatements and Discounts, 525 16
   Fire Department, 525 16
   Notes paid by orders, 400 00
   Interest paid by orders, 433 36
   Miscellaneous expense, 694 77
   Coupons, old and new, 695 50

Uncollected taxes due the town Feb. 16, '84, $13,770 90
One demand note, 30 00
Balance in the Treasury Feb. 16, 1884, 46 46

\[ \text{Total: } \$ 27,225.98 \]
HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

By bal. due High school, Feb. 17, '83, 250 00
" Appropriation, 500 00

750 00

HIGH SCHOOL EXPENSE.

To A. M. Edwards, teaching, 500 00
F. I. Brown, teaching, 360 00
other expenses including repairs, 126 12

986 12

Excess of expenditures, 236 12

There is due from the State for High School for 1883, 250 00

PAID FOR TEACHING AND OTHER EXPENSES.

Sandford Baldwin, care of room, 5 50
A. M. Edwards, teaching, 250 00
Willie I. Small, kindlings for fire, 50
M. P. Whitney, brooms, 1 00
W. Treat, repairs on schoolroom, 3 00
Edward Berry, material and repairs on school room, 25 00
Jennie Berry, cl'ning schoolroom, 4 50
A. B. Pendleton, services for High school, 3 95
A. M. Edwards, teaching (in part) 50 00
Mrs. E. D. Toothaker, supplies, 12
B. R. Jordan, supplies for repair, 4 09
A. M. Edwards, teaching, (bal. of) 200 00
A. M. Edwards, paint, schoolroom.  1 10
Thos. H. Riley, use of piano,  5 50
Nathan Pierce, care of schoolroom.  4 50
W. Treat, repairs on schoolroom,  60
R. P. Whitney, broom for schoolroom,  40
F. I. Brown, (in part) teaching fall term, 25 00
“ “ (in full) “ “  155 00
A. W. Townsend, supplies,  20 00
Washington Treat, repairs,  1 00
Adams & Uniacke, supplies for repairs,  5 20
R. P. Whitney, broom,  40
B. G. Dennison, supplies,  3 91
Charles Ward, wood,  32 00
F. I. Brown, teaching High School, winter term,  180 00
W. Treat, repairs, High schoolroom,  2 35
“ “ “ “  1 00

Balance due from High school.  236 12

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Balance due common schools,  $ 950 67
Appropriation,  1,500 00
State, for common schools, '82,  618 32
Interest on town school fund,  33 36

$ 3,102 35

Amount paid common schools,  2,746 92

$ 355 43

BILLS PAID FOR 1880.

Alvin Hunter, cleaning and supplies for schoolhouse,  $ 4 00 $ 4 00
Bills Paid for 1881.

Eugene B. Earle, tuition in Lisbon, **$ 10 30**

Bills Paid for 1882.

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Susie Coombs, teaching, $40.00
A. B. Pendleton, services as Supervisor, $7.60
W. Treat, repairs on com. sch'lroom, $1.80
Lettie Plummer, teaching, $40.00
A. B. Pendleton, as Supervisor for December, in part, $10.83
Minnie J. Merryman, teaching, $50.00
A. B. Pendleton, as Supervisor in full for December, $9.08
C. A. Patten, wood for school, $15.50
Nettie Alexander, teaching, $44.00
E. J. Whitten, teaching, $60.35
A. W. Townsend, supplies, $5.18
Washington Treat, repairs on sch'lroom, $25.00
Adams & Uniacke, supplies &c., $6.63
R. P. Whitney, supplies, dist. 6, $65.00
A. B. Pendleton, in part for Supervisor service, Jan. 1884, $9.00
Sadie B. Robinson, teaching, $40.00
Abbie E. Hunter, teaching, $60.00
Mattie L. Tedford, teaching, $42.00
J. F. Blondel, agent, horse hire for Supervisor, $10.50
Affie M. Drinkwater, teaching, $44.00
Horatio S. Webber, teaching, $45.90
Foster B. Meserve, repairs, wood, supplies and cleaning sch'lhouse, $14.50
Rufus Thompson, repairs, wood and cleaning schoolhouse, $8.50
Chas. Ward, wood for village schools, $32.00
Lillie S. Mallett, teaching, $42.00
A. B. Pendleton, services as Super., 4 00
I. E. Mallett, wood for school, 4 00
F. A. Rackley, wood for school, 6 00
Lillie M. Gould, teaching, 44 00
E. D. Gould, repairs and supplies for schoolhouse, 2 00

——— $2,746 92

**AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATION.**

For highways and bridges, $500 00

**BILLS PAID FOR 1880.**

Samuel P Quint, work on highway, $4 87

**BILLS PAID FOR 1881.**

W. B. Purinton, labor on sidewalks, 1881 and 1882, 5 00
W. B. Purinton, lumber for roads and bridges, 1881 and 1882, 191 47
Holman Foster, labor on highways, 5 75
Henry S. Cary, overwork on roads, 1 64

**BILLS PAID FOR 1882.**

Cyrus Flagg, labor and materials, $11 21
Wm. E. Graves, plank for branch bridge, 6 18
Wm. Flye, repairing sidewalks, 5 05
W. Treat, labor on highways, 6 00
Adams & Uniacke, supplies for highways and bridges, 11 76
G. E. Barnes, overwork, self and others, 9 81
A. Q. Goud, supplies to Fire Co.  
W. B. Purinton, Assignee, coal for engine house,  
Adams & Uniacke, supplies for engine,  
Bonny & Quint, supplies for engine.  
Fire Co., attendance at monthly meetings, steward’s fee, clerk’s fee and attendance at three fires,  
D. A. Haskell, land rent for engine house, 1 year,  

**Total** $413.95

Balance due Engine Co. Feb. 15, 1884, $13.22

**Total** $427.17

**REPORT OF THE FIRE ENGINE COMPANY.**

By request, the clerk of the Engine Company respectfully submits the following:

The company at present consists of 58 members. The engine is now in prime order but additional hose are a necessary adjunct to the complete equipment for fire purposes, in the opinion of those whose business it is to know whereof they speak, and who are interested in the safety of property.

The building in which the Engine is kept is in tolerable condition but the foundation should be looked to, by the proper authority as soon as the season permits. Past history of the Fire Company corroborates the remarks of our Foreman, that we are in better condition than ever before, for efficient service.

J. S. Bonney, Clerk.

February 16, 1884.
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS.

BILLS PAID FOR 1882.

F. C. Whitehouse and H. P. Thompson, Auditors, 10 00
D. W. Johnson, posting warrants, 1 50
R. P. Whitney, postal cards, stamps and envelopes, 9 01
D. S. Blake, services as selectman, ’82, 12 75
Daniel W. Johnson, work at Fair house, 1 00
John Dike, printing Town Reports, 25 20
Charles E. Haskell, salary, Treasurer and expense, 50 75
Charles E. Haskell, office supplies, 12 91
G. D. Parks, legal services, Topsham vs. Lewiston, 105 00
B. G. Dennison, tax books, 68

$ 228 80

BILLS PAID FOR 1883.

Z. H. Noves, in part, covering cistern, 10 00
" " " " " " 10 00
" in full, for cleaning out, repairing and covering cistern near Charles E. White’s, 39 18
Androscoggin Engine Co., filling cisterns, 18 00
Charles H. Small, notifying highway surveyors, 7 70
Samson Colby, notifying Town officers and posting warrants, 7 00
J. A. Fisher, sawing lumber, 1 81
Charles E. Haskell, services in office, Feb. and March, 16 50
A. L. Graves, services as selectman, &c., to July 17th, 44 55
H. P. Thompson, rent of selectmen's office one year, 30 00
J. Dike, printing postal cards for Coll., 1 00
R. P. Whitney, P M., supplies for office, 5 90
M. C. Hall, damage to horse on highway, 10 00
U. A. Jack, for services as selectman &c., in full, to Nov. 17, 50 00
W. Treat, labor on cistern, 1 50
A. W. Townsend, office supplies, 1 95
C. E. White, services as town clerk, two years, 1882 and 1883, 40 00
C. E. White, services as selectman, etc., in full to Feb. 15th, 71 25
C. E. White, for year book, express and telegraph charges &c., 2 18
A. L. Graves, services as selectman, &c., in full, to Feb. 16, '83, 30 75
C. E. Haskell, as Treasurer for '83, 50 00
Uriah A. Jack, services as selectman &c., to Feb 16th, '83, 10 75
George D. Parkes, services Pauper Suit, Lewiston vs. Topsham, 6 00

$ 694 77

BOND ACCOUNT.

Old Bonds outstanding February 17, 1884, $ 4,950 00
New Bonds, outstanding February 17, 1884.

8,450 00

$13,400 00

The old Bonds are of the issue of 1867, are due in five years at 6 per cent, and the new Bonds are on 4 per cent.

**INTEREST ACCOUNT.**

**BRIDGE NOTES.**

Int. paid Tr. County of Sagadahoc, $ 200 00

“ Melinda Alexander, 16 00

“ T. of P. Lodge, 20 00

“ A. H. Merryman, 20 00

“ I. S. Balcome, on 2 notes, 120 00

“ Coupons paid, old and new, 695 00

“ Trustees school fund, 33 36

Total int. paid '83 and '84 $ 1,104 36

**NOTE ACCOUNT.**

Amount of notes due Feb., 1883, $ 10,067 28

**NOTES PAID.**

Paid Trustees of Pejepscot Lodge, $ 50 00

“ A. H. Merryman, 50 00

“ I. S. Balcome, 100 00

“ I. S. Balcome, 200 00

$400 00

Amount outstanding, $ 9,667 28

Appropriation for Debts and Int., 2,500 00
ABATEMENT ACCOUNT.

By appropriation, $500 00

BILLS PAID.

Nancy M. Hunter, abatement of tax on real estate owned by daughter 13 33
Rebecca M. Purinton, on account of illegal assessment of R. R. stock for 80, 81 and 82, 54 63
Martin & Mustard, over valuation Polly Hunter lot, for 1882, 1 66

C. H. SMALL, Collector for 1879, Abatement for the following named persons, viz:

Blondel & Thompson, inebility to pay, 4 00
Daniel Hunter, deceased, 33 00
N. Loucraf, worthless, moved away, 7 50
Geo. H. Purinton, unable to pay, 3 00
J. A. Whitten, no disposition to pay, 18
Albert Barnes, gone away, 1 00
E. G. Storer, poor, gone away, 3 70
Ira Leland, error in valuation, 1 90
Wm. H. Rideout, " 2 37

J. F. WHITNEY, Collector of Taxes for 1876. Abatement of Taxes as follows, viz:

J. F. Blondel, poor and cannot pay, 2 45
Isaac Coombs, will not pay, 8 67
Wm E. Dunlap, gone away, 3 00
Geo. H. Goud, absent in 1873, 3 00
Chas. Goud, " " 3 00
Chas. Gould, left town long ago, 3 00
Hannah Hewey and son, both dead, 7 25
Susan Hunter estate, inability to pay, 56
Jude Hyde, estate, inability to pay, 5 68
Alfred L. Jack, gone away, 3 00
N. Loucruff, worthless, gone away, 3 88
Albert Minot, inability to pay, 8 00
J. Mountfort, lame, unable to pay, 2 42
J. M. Purinton, refuses to pay, gone away, 5 42
Geo. O. Rogers, gone away, 3 00
Willis Sprague, deceased, 20
Wm. Small, don't know any such person, 2 12
Chas. H. Small, discount for prompt payment of taxes, 300 16
Thos. M. L. Parker, poverty and ill health, 3 00
C. H. Foster's estate, inability to pay abatement of personal tax for 1880, 1881, 1882 & 1883, 4 41
I. E. Mallett, over tax on wood lot, 1 33
Jacob Merryman and wife, error in valuation, 30 84

\[ \text{TOWN FARM FOR 1883.} \]

\[ \begin{align*}
\text{Stock.} & \quad 269 00 \\
\text{Utensils and furniture,} & \quad 342 78 \\
\text{Supplies,} & \quad 414 17 \\
\hline
\text{Total} & \quad 1,025 95
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H. Eaton, digging grave for R. J. Haley, 2 50
Town of Richmond, support of Obediah Additon, 54 52
F. Berry, coffin for Rebecca J. Haley, 12 00
W. B. Purinton, Assignee, coal for Samuel S. Rich, 3 76
G. L. Quint, horse hire, to get doctor for H. Courson's family, 1 00
J. Wallace, sawing wood for M. Flagg, 60
G. M. Lee, M. D., medical attendance on H. Courson's family, 44 25
Insane Hospital, support of C. J. Colby, 26 13
S. M. Foye, for sickness and burial of Lucy Foye, 42 00
Mary Flye, house rent of H. Courson, 8 00
A. L. Graves, support of Humphry Thompson, one year, 52 00
John Rolfe, supplies to Horatio Courson and family, 23 95
Town of Hermon for expense of Rhoda Carter, 14 23
C. E. White, for wood to Mary Flagg, 50 96
C. E. White, supplies to C. E. Ward, 1 50

Total, $ 653 38

COLLECTORS' ACCOUNTS.

Due from J. F. Whitney, Collector, 1878, Feb. 17, 1883, $ 128 21
Paid during the year, 59 15

Due from C. Small, Feb. 17, '83 12,687 39

$ 69 05
Amount committed July 1883,  $7,711 64

$20,379 03

Amount paid during the year,
as per Treas. report,  6,677 29

$13,701 74

Total am't tax due Town Feb. 16, '84,  $13,770 80

Treasurer's Report

C. E. Haskell, in account with Town of Topsham.

Dr.

To cash in Treasury Feb. 17, '83,  $307 92
Highway taxes of 1882 received,  78 67
City of Lewiston, for judgment and cost in Pauper Suit, E. Coombs,  318 98
State on account of Free High School,  250 00
A. Webber, for old bridge stuff,  1 00
J. T. Oxnard, auctioneers license,  5 00
Selectmen, sale of old engine hose,  7 37
Town of Richmond, balance paid on pauper account,  125 10
State for com. schools for 1882,  619 18
State for R. Road & telegraph tax,  29 60
Int. on town school fund,  33 36
J. F. Whitney, collector of 1876,  59 15
C. H. Small, collector,  6,677 29
One demand note,  30 00

$8,542 62
Due from State for schools, $868 32
" city of Lewiston, 77 20
" city of Bath, 3 76
Due on demand note, 30 00
Due from C. E. Haskell, Treas., bal., 46 46

Excess of Liabilities, $9,574 14
Town debt reduced, $2,101 50

As our esteemed Supervisor, Rev. A. B. Pendleton, died after a severe illness on the 18th inst., no report of Schools can be made at this time. We sincerely sympathize with the family in their sad affliction and loss.

All of which is Respectfully Submitted.

A. L. Graves, \ Selectmen
Uriah A. Jack, \ of
Charles E. White, \ Topsham.

The Auditors of the Town of Topsham, have examined the accounts of Receipts and Expenditures presented by the Selectmen, as Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, for the year to, and including, Feb. 16, 1884, and find them correctly kept and properly vouched.

The accounts of the Treasurer, Charles E. Haskell, have been examined and found correct. His statement shows in condensed form the transactions for the year.

Isaac P. Tebbetts, \ Auditors
F. C. Whitehouse, \ of

Topsham, Maine. February 22, 1884.