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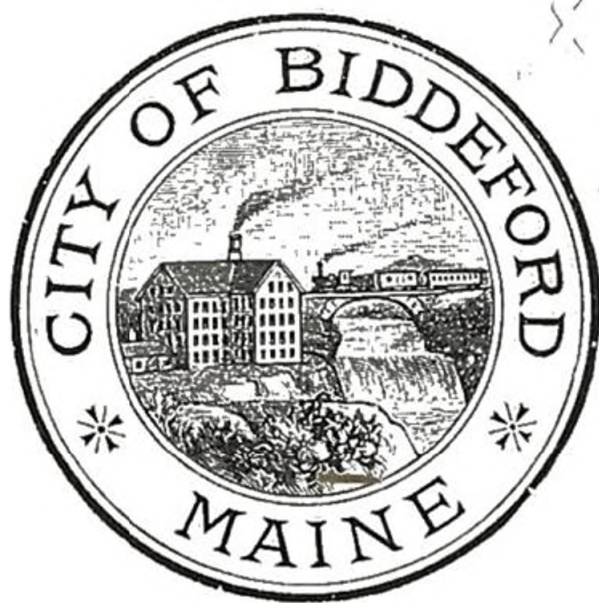
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THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
CITY OF BIDDEFORD,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1893,
TOGETHER WITH THE
INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF THE MAYOR,
HON. E. W. STAPLES.

DELIVERED MARCH 20, 1893.



BIDDEFORD:
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MAYOR'S ADDRESS.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

We have been elected to our respective places of honor and responsibility by the suffrages of the tax-payers of this City.

It becomes us to give our best thought for the ensuing year to the interests of our city. "To give your best is to do your utmost." Let us then at all times put forth our best efforts in behalf of the citizens; when we have done this, we shall have made our city more attractive to business men, and more pleasant homes for ourselves.

It seems to me we are to see great growth and prosperity in our fair city in the near future. It is an industrious and enterprising city; therefore, let us always seek to lend our influence in every direction where right and justice prevail.

We must be careful to speak a good word for our city, rather than evil; for, to our enemies and those jealous of our improvements and prosperity shall be left the words of malice, and evil speaking, while seeking with all their power to overthrow our work. Whatever is lofty, fair—and patriotic in public conduct let us endeavor to emulate.

The year is before us. We enter upon our duties unattended by a majority of the former members of the city government. I congratulate the retiring gentlemen that they are able to withdraw honorably with a record of work so well done. They merit the applause of their fellow-citizens for their faithfulness

and ability in the discharge of each duty which has been presented to them.

All bills have been paid and the city debt reduced a small amount. I think all will agree with me when I say, this condition of affairs is far preferable to an increase of the debt.

Statement of the financial condition of the city as it stood January 31st, 1893:

LIABILITIES.

Bills payable (notes).....	\$ 167,656.00	
City bonds.....	240,000.00	
Due school house acct. Dist. 4.....	351.28	
Due school districts.....	1,285 66	
Total liabilities		\$409,292.94

RESOURCES.

Cash.....	18,170.19	
Real estate bought for taxes.....	5.00	
Tax of 1875.....	145.60	
“ 1876.....	312 93	
“ 1881.....	1101.11	
“ 1882.....	1784.96	
“ 1883.....	254.15	
“ 1884.....	1469.47	
“ 1885.....	1773 95	
“ 1886.....	4351.03	
“ 1887.....	4643.07	
“ 1888.....	2958.17	
“ 1889.....	4863.45	
“ 1890.....	7485.30	
“ 1891.....	25,711.40	
“ 1892.....	33,256 96	
“ 1887 school.....	452.67	
“ 1888 “.....	379 63	
“ 1889 “.....	593.73	
“ 1890 “.....	1602.81	
“ 1891 “.....	2483 99	
“ Non-Residents.....	1162.60	
School house acct. Dist. No. 1.....	207.12	
Free text books.....	351.28	
School districts.....	12,039.15	
Stock in city Liquor Agency.....	2014.88	
City building.....	80,000.00	
Total resources,		\$209,574.60
Net debt		199,718.34
		\$409,292.94

NET DEBT.

Jan. 31st, 1892.....	201,512.30	
Jan. 31st, 1893.....	199,718.34	
Net reduction of city debt		\$1793.96

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Fire Department has met with a great loss in the recent death of Chief Engineer William Boston. For the past ten years he has served the public with all the faithfulness and courage which his position demanded. Possessed of wonderful foresight and calmness he was at once an inspiration and a controlling power with his subordinates. His extremely manly qualities are worthy of imitation; and his kindness of heart and true worth should be long remembered by his friends in the Fire Department. He was universally liked and his death is deeply regretted by all.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Library is well patronized by our citizens, and I think they would appreciate additions of new works from time to time.

The moral tone of a city may be improved by good literature placed in its Public Library. I recommend a liberal appropriation for the purchase of books.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND SEWERS.

In this department a large amount of money must necessarily be expended to keep in good repair, and make improvements each year as they become urgent by the growth of the city. I think that not less than fifteen thousand dollars should be expended in these three directions the ensuing year. Money expended in the way of extending brick sidewalks during the past ten years has been of great benefit to the public. I recommend that this good work be continued for this year. There has been a large amount of work the past year in the way of building new, and extending old sewers. The health of the city demands the continuation of sewers as fast as possible. Many of our streets are well paved, and in the past have been kept clean; as I trust they will be in the future.

STREET LIGHTS.

I think our streets are well lighted at present. The cost of lighting the city last year amounted to \$8,475.94. I shall not recommend any increase of expense in this direction, neither can I see any way to reduce the expenditures.

HYDRANTS.

The expense for use of water from the hydrants the past year amounted to \$3,238.56 and will continue to be about the same for two years more; after 1895 all water from hydrants will be free to the city.

PAUPER DEPARTMENT.

The poor we have with us at all times. The worthy poor should always receive our sympathy, and not one should go needy from our door. In every case, however, people should do all within their power to help themselves.

Much discretion should be used in helping the poor, lest habits of indolence be fostered and the money expended in the wrong direction. This department needs kind-hearted and prudent men in charge.

The expenses of this department during last year amounted to seventeen thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars and fifty cents.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Our public schools during the past year have been in the hands of an able and efficient Superintendent, and corps of faithful teachers, and stand second to none in the State. The members of the School Board have done all in their power for the best interests of the schools, in the welfare of which all our citizens are deeply interested. Quite extensive repairs have been made including the refurnishing of the Summer St. School building. We should be liberal in our appropriations for this department, that its efficiency may not be hampered through lack of funds.

POLICE.

This department is a very important one in the city, and has been well managed under Marshal Tarbox's supervision. But I think as we are trying to economize in other departments we should pay some attention to economy in this direction. The cost of the Police Department the past year amounted to \$7,359.35. I do not think it necessary to employ a policeman on some of the outside streets of our city, as has been done in the past. I think one policeman and the Marshal can do all that is necessary by day; therefore, I recommend a reduction of two men on the regular force.

CONCLUSION.

We are here to represent the wishes of our citizens and to conduct our municipal affairs in a business-like manner. You cannot exercise too great care in the selection of your officers, to whom you must intrust the affairs of the city. Let each one strive to work for the best interests of the city in whatever department he is placed; thus, a good result will be obtained. I trust you will be ever ready to aid me by your advice and hearty co-operation in all official business.

E. W. STAPLES, MAYOR.

GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF BIDDEFORD,

1893-94.

MAYOR,

HON. E. W. STAPLES.

CITY CLERK,

EDGAR A. HUBBARD.

ALDERMEN.

PRESIDENT,.....JOHN R. BONSER.

WARD 1. EMERY JOHNSON, Pool Road.

“ 2. JEREMIAH MURPHY, 26 High St.

“ 3. FRANK P. WATERHOUSE, 4 School St.

“ 4. EDWARD J. JONES, 60 Summer St.

“ 5. JOHN R. BONSER, 47 Green St.

“ 6. EDWIN BARDSLEY, 11 Hooper St.

“ 7. GEORGE W. CARTER, 317 Main St.

COUNCILMEN.

PRESIDENT.....JOHN CONWAY.
 CLERK.....WILLIAM COUNTY.

- WARD 1. FOREST L. BENSON, Oak Ridge.
 EDW. W. GOLDTHWAITE, Pool Road.
 JOHN H. FINNARD, Pool Road.
- WARD 2. JOHN CONWAY, 13 Pike St.
 GEORGE H. CARTIER, 29 Pike St.
 JAMES GLEASON, 23 High St.
- WARD 3. DENNIS T. BUCKLEY, 19 Bacon St.
 ROBERT E. BARDSLEY, 1 Oak St.
 ROMEO SPINARD, 14 Laconia Block.
- WARD 4. CHARLES W. ROSS, 19 Birch St.
 BELONIE LALIME, 55 Alfred St.
 JAMES E. GOWEN, 135 Alfred St.
- WARD 5. ISRAEL SHEVENELL, Jr., 23 Green St.
 HAROLD KELLEY, 35 Jefferson St.
 FRANK W. ROBERTS, 23 Adams St.
- WARD 6. J. THACHER EMERY, 11 Hooper St.
 RICHARD SIMPSON, 8 Vetromile St.
 JOSEPH PICHE, 31 Vetromile St..
- WARD 7. WILLIAM H. HOOPER, Hollis Road.
 FRED C. WATSON, 52 Bradbury St.
 WINBURN A SMALL, 82 South St.

CITY MARSHAL,
 DANIEL COTE.

JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT,
 EDWIN J. CRAM.

RECORDER OF MUNICIPAL COURT,
 GORHAM N. WEYMOUTH.

CITY TREASURER,
CHARLES E. GOODWIN.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,
JAMES A. STROUT.

CITY SOLICITOR,
CHARLES T. READ.

CITY PHYSICIAN,
C. J. EMERY, M. D.

CITY LIQUOR AGENT,
GEORGE F. GOODWIN.

JANITOR OF CITY HALL,
WILLIAM P. YATES.

HARBOR MASTER,
DANIEL GOLDTHWAITE.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,
FRED G. SCOTT.

ASSESSORS,

FRANK J. SMITH,
FREDERICK F. BEAUREGARD,
CHARLES H. NELSON,

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

HENRY CARROLL,
TRISTRAM HANSON,
VICTOR GARNACHE.

HEALTH OFFICERS,

DANIEL COTE,
JAMES BEAUMONT.
ARTHUR SIMPSON.

CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT,

JOHN LEONARD,
1st Assistant, CHARLES E. HOYT,
2nd Assistant, BENJAMIN GOODIER, Jr.,

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

ROYAL E. GOULD.

SUPERINTENDENT SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND AGENTS.

CHAIRMAN.....JOHN H. BURNHAM.

JOHN H. BURNHAM.
FRANK W. ROBERTS,
EDWARD W. STAPLES,
CARLOS H. MCKENNEY,
NORTH M. WEST,
SAMUEL F. PARCHER,
FRED A. TARBOX,
JEREMIAH G. SHAW,
EDWIN STONE.

STREET COMMISSIONERS.

District No. 4,	FREDERICK YATES.
River Road, Western Div.,	WASHBURN T. EMERSON.
“ “ Eastern “	CHARLES A. GOODWIN.
“ “ Pool District	DAVID B. LEGALLEE.
Fortune's Rocks “	ARTHUR W. BURNHAM.
Newtown “	WILLIAM H. PATTEN.
Oak Ridge “	EUGENE FOSS.
Ward 7, Eastern Division,	JOSEPH DEARBORN.
“ Western “	THOMAS D. SUHR.
“ Northern “	JOHN R. LOWELL.
Kennebunk Road District,	WILLIAM W. CENTER.

REGULAR POLICE.

Joseph Newcomb,
James Mogan,

Joseph Palardis,
Geo. W. Rumery.

SPECIAL POLICE.

John Goodier,
Edward J. Sullivan,
Irving W. Mason,
Albert Nason,
Samuel C. Milliken,
William Bretton,
Frank Hazeltine,
Fred A. Tarbox,
John M. Akerly,
F. G. Scott,

Patrick Meeds,
Alex Velandry,
James Murphy,
W. S. Morse,
W. T. Emerson,
Fred E. Tate,
W. A. Chadbourne,
Richard Coughlin,
William P. Yates,
W. G. Parker.

ELECTION CLERKS.

Ward 1. Daniel Goldthwaite, Orin Stackpole.
Ward 2. Edward A. Lord, Charles H. Roberts.
Ward 3. Victor Garnache, George W. Averill.

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- Ward 4. Joseph Cartier, Waldo B. Anthoine.
Ward 5. Adolphe Simard, William H. Bryant.
Ward 6. Frederick F. Beauregard, David F. Woodman.
Ward 7. Charles H. Andrews, Tristram Hooper, Jr.

BALLOT CLERKS.

- Ward 1. Washburn T. Emerson, John R. Staples.
Ward 2. John Leonard, Charles W. Pierce.
Ward 3. Albert H. Wardwell, Benjamin P. Ross.
Ward 4. Harry H. Milliken, Charles N. Marston.
Ward 5. Frederick P. Abbott, Harry S. Twambley.
Ward 6. North M. West, Nathaniel Coffin.
Ward 7. Patrick Meeds, Melville Woodman.

WARDENS.

- Ward 1. David B. Legallee,
Ward 2. Daniel F. Duggan.
Ward 3. Frank B. Whitten.
Ward 4. Henry B. Hayes.
Ward 5. George E. Townsend.
Ward 6. Samuel Dolliff.
Ward 7. Leonard R. Hooper.

WARD CLERKS.

- Ward 1. Fremont K. Tarbox.
Ward 2. George O. E. Smith.
Ward 3. Andrew J. Whitney.
Ward 4. Arthur W. Verrill, Jr.
Ward 5. John M. Murphy.
Ward 6. John F. Hannaway.
Ward 7. Fred A. Small.

CONSTABLES.

- Ward 1. Oren B. Edwards.
- Ward 2. John W. Hayes.
- Ward 3. Joseph Petrin.
- Ward 4. Hector Guilbert.
- Ward 5. Remi Gagnon, Jr,
- Ward 6. Remi Gagnon.
- Ward 7. John F. Hooper, Jr.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

ON FINANCE,

The Mayor,	Councilman	Harold Kelley.
Alderman Jeremiah Murphy,	"	Dennis T. Buckley.
	"	J. Thacher Emery.

ON ACCOUNTS,

Alderman Edwin Bardsley,	Councilman	George H. Cartier
	"	Frank W. Roberts.

ON PUBLIC PROPERTY,

The Mayor,	Councilman	Robert E. Bardsley
Alderman Emery Johnson,	"	Richard Simpson,
	"	John H. Finnard.

ON FIRE DEPARTMENT,

The Mayor,	Councilman	James Gleason,
Alderman Jeremiah Murphy,		Charles W. Ross,
" John R. Bonser,	"	Edward W. Goldthwaite.

ON PRINTING,

Alderman Emery Johnson,	Councilman	Belonie Lalime,
	"	Romeo Spinard.

ON PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND CITY LIBRARY,

The Mayor,	Councilman Charles W. Ross,
Alderman Edward J. Jones,	“ John H. Finnard,
	“ Joseph Piche.

ON POOR,

The Mayor,	Councilman Romeo Spinard,
Alderman Edward J. Jones,	“ Joseph Piche,
“ Frank P. Waterhouse,	“ John W. Finnard.

ON STREETS, SEWERS, DRAINS, AND STREET LIGHTS,

The Mayor,	Councilman John Conway,
Alderman John R. Bonser,	“ Israel Shevenell, Jr.,
“ Frank P. Waterhouse,	“ James E. Gowen,
	“ Edward W. Goldthwaite

GENERAL EXPENSE.

Will H. Watson, printing.....	\$ 28.25
B. & S. Water Co., water for street sprinkling.....	150.00
B. & S. Water Co., repairs.....	3.62
Owners of Exchange Block, rent of Infantry Hall.....	87.50
George W. Bruce, charcoal.....	.75
C. B. Babcock, lock for court room safe.....	37.00
State Reform School, board for prisoners.....	39.00
Peltier Bros., ice.....	9.00
York Light & Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
John B. Lowell, use of stoves in ward room.....	3.00
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	10.00
W. Bradbury, towels.....	2.60
Townsend Bros., repairs.....	10.75
T. B. Mosher, stationery, books &c.....	73.75
Joseph Shevenell, services in collectors office.....	49.50
Mrs. A. E. Clifford, trimming trees.....	2.25
York Light and Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
F. J. Smith, services on U. S. census and for State Board of Assessors.....	35.00
H. I. Lord, expenses of burial of William M. Burbank...	35.00
E. W. Staples, damage on wagon.....	20.75
T. B. Mosher, Stationery, books &c.....	66.25
Joseph Shevenell, services in collectors office.....	47.67
Frank McGarty, services for board of registration.....	54.00
H. I. Lord, expenses for burial of Charles S. Wakefield..	35.00
F. M. Rose, services attending hearing of E. C. Luques to extend wharf.....	6.00
C. H. McKenney, services attending hearing of E. C. Luques, to extend wharf.....	6.00
S. F. Parcher, services attending hearing of E. C. Luques, to extend wharf.....	6.00
F. Yates, services attending hearing of E. C. Luques to	

ITEMS OF GENERAL EXPENSE.

extend wharf.....	6.00
Frank McGarty, services for board of registration.....	13.50
J. Murphy, services attending hearing of E. C. Luques, to extend wharf.....	6.00
J. M. Akerly, stock and making check list boards and posting notices.....	16.01
Mrs. F. M. Burnham, stationery &c.....	79.30
Frank McGarty, services for registration board.....	15.75
N. B. Walker, services as member of board of regis- tration	150.00
Roberts Bros., printing.....	30.75
Israel Shevenell, sprinkling streets.....	125.00
John F. Hannaway, Ward Officer.....	2.00
John Hanscom, " "	2.00
Hugh M. Milliken, " "	2.00
Benj. Goodier, Jr., " "	2.00
Daniel Finnell, " "	2.00
F. K. Tarbox, " "	2.00
Harold Kelley, " "	2.00
Samuel Dolliff, " "	2.00
J. E. H. Townsend, " "	2.00
Geo. E. Haley, " "	2.00
Luther W. Day, " "	2.00
J. A. Simpson, " "	2.00
Joseph Edwards, " "	2.00
Geo. O. E. Smith, " "	2.00
Joseph Bourassa, repairs on sprinkler,.....	3.75
Will H. Watson, printing &c.....	41.50
H. I. Lord, salary as pension agent.....	25.00
Joseph Shevenell, services in collectors office.....	66.00
Frank McGarty, services for board of registration.....	18.00
W. A. Hooper, services on widening Main street.....	15.00
York Light & Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
Geo. R. Andrews, services as member of board of regis- tration	150.00
F. X. Cote, use of store for election.....	20.00
Samuel W. Luques, services as member of board of registration.....	150.00
F. G. Scott, posting notices for assessors.....	2.00

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John M. Akerly, labor in Ward rooms.....	5.75
Dennis T. Buckley, services for board of registration	2.00
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	4.00
Townsend Bros., repairing snow plow.....	6.00
Hugh Allison, use of store for election.....	20.00
H. Jelleson, " " " " "	25.00
E. W. Staples, services attending hearing E. C. Luques, to extend wharf.....	6.00
John F. Johnson, care of pump.....	3.00
F. A. Tarbox, expenses to Hallowell and pasting elec- tion warrants.....	27.20
H. I. Lord, expenses of burial of John Wadleigh.....	35.00
H. I. Lord, " " " " Noah Ladd.....	35.00
Geo. R. Andrews, services as member of board of regis- tration	45.00
N. B. Walker, services as member of board of registra- tion	27.00
S. W. Luques, services as member of board of registra- tion	21.00
York Light & Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
W. H. Watson, printing.....	8.00
A. J. Small, advertising notice to voters.....	10.00
Owners Exchange Block, rent Infantry Hall.....	87.50
Peltier Bros., ice.....	9.00
Frank D. Heiser, assisting assessors.....	25.00
F. C. Gordon, " "	25.00
Roberts Bros., printing.....	54.00
Geo. W. Bruce, charcoal.....	.75
J. F. Farrington, board of prisoners Reform School.....	39.00
T. B. Mosher, stationery, books &c.....	57.00
E. S. Morris, assisting assessor.....	25.00
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	10.00
Simon Palardy, assisting assessor.....	25.00
William County, " "	25.00
Geo. A. Shaw, " "	25.00
Fred A. Tarbox, services as Truant Officer.....	50.00
C. H. Grant, services as " "	50.00
O. E. Cote, assisting assessor.....	22.00
S. C. Milliken, " "	30.00

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H. I. Lord, expenses of burial of Daniel Cleaves.....	35.00
J. E. Gowen, teams for committee,.....	76.00
W. H. Watson, printing.....	7.00
T. B. Mosher, stationery, books &c.....	19.95
“ “ “ “ “	18.00
Townsend Bros., repairs on sprinkler.....	18.50
Joseph Edwards, use of team.....	4.00
W. A. Greenough & Co., directories.....	16.00
Roberts Bros., printing.....	15.00
Hill & Burnham, coal.....	7.50
E. Rowell Jr., board of Rose Broulotte at Industrial School for girls.....	19.50
B. & S. Water Co., watering trough, Lincoln St.....	40.58
H. H. Hill, trucking.....	1.00
York Light & Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
F. J. Smith, team for assessors.....	3.00
W. H. Watson, printing.....	8.00
C. A. Wardwell & Son, rent of rink for election.....	15.00
Grant Post G. A. R.....	100.00
Sheridan Post G. A. R.....	100.00
Carlos Heard, use of team.....	5.00
W. H. Watson, printing.....	14.00
T. Drew, use of team.....	4.00
Dolphus Rugh, use of hall election.....	20.00
H. I. Lord, salary as pension agent.....	25.00
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	11.00
Edwin Woodman, expenses of burial of Geo. S. Watson	35.00
York Light & Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
O. Drown, labor in city clerks office, post office and city building.....	127.10
Roberts Bros., printing.....	8.00
E. H. Goldthwaite & Co., paints.....	24.75
C. R. Berry, awnings for clerks office.....	13.00
C. H. Prescott, printing and advertising.....	46.75
C. L. Murch, ringing bell, July 4.....	2.00
York Light & Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
J. L. Burnham, ringing bell July 4.....	2.00
John Lord, examination of insane.....	6.25
Owners of Exchange Block, rent Infantry Hall.....	87.50

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W. H. Watson, printing.....	20.50
F. O. Furber, pumps.....	20.00
Peltier Bros, ice.....	9.00
Morrill & Harris, painting.....	29.58
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	8.00
Roberts Bros., printing and advertising.....	36.00
A. J. Small, printing and advertising.....	1.00
O. Drowns, labor at shooting range.....	44.00
Banks Bros., lumber.....	9.76
H. I. Lord, salary as pension agent.....	25.00
York Light and Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
J. R. Farrington, board of prisoners at Reform School	39.00
W. H. Watson, printing.....	11.50
G. N. Donhaue, Maine Registry.....	18.00
York Light & Heat Co.,.....	3.36
T. B. Mosher, books and stationery.....	55.50
W. H. Watson, printing.....	14.00
H. Fenderson, use of towels.....	2.40
Burbank & Twambley, stamps for elections.....	10.50
E. Simpson, repairs on sprinkler.....	3.65
F. A. Tarbox, report of hearing.....	7.30
Dan Callaghan, ringing bell July 4.....	2.00
Frank McGarty, services for board of registration.....	56.25
James C. Furbush, " " " " ".....	8.00
Amos Lane, " " " " ".....	2.00
Brooks Bros., tables and chairs for ward room.....	24.50
Frank McGarty, services for board of registration.....	18.00
Fred A. Tarbox, posting election warrants.....	5.00
Fred A. Tarbox, serving notices to voters.....	13.50
F. J. Smith, report for census bureau.....	50.00
York Light & Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
M. F. Verrill, ringing bell July 4.....	2.00
O. Drowns, labor on booths.....	125.00
Brooks Bros., use of chairs.....	4.00
S. W. Luques, services as member of board of registra- tion	24.00
N. B. Walker, services as member of board of registra- tion	24.00
Joseph Dearborn, blasting out for lamp post.....	15.00

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H. I. Lord, expenses for burial of Benjamin Tibbetts	35 00
H. Jelleson, iron work for booths and rails.....	44.90
F. G. Scott, posting notices.....	2.50
S. W. Luques & L. Bryant, damages on Deans Hill.....	100.00
Biddeford & Saco Water Co., water for sprinkling.....	150.00
Biddeford & Saco Water Co., watering trough.....	50.00
McKenney & Heard, hardware &c.....	76.47
N. B. Walker, professional services.....	19.00
T. F. Cosgrove & Co., use of teams.....	21.00
G. R. Andrews, services as member of board of registration	40.00
A. J. Whitten, labor and stock making boards for check lists	3.13
Frank McGarty, services for board of registration.....	18.00
Owners Exchange Block, rent Light Infantry Hall.....	87.50
York Light and Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
W U Telegraph Co., telegrams.....	.82
Peltier Bros., ice.....	9.00
Biddeford Savings Bank, use of store for election.....	20.00
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	10.00
Mrs. F. M. Burnham, stationery &c.....	88.47
T. B. Mosher, books &c.....	6.00
State Reform School, board of prisoners at Reform School	32.71
Maine Industrial School, board of prisoners at Maine Industrial School.....	24.75
Brooks Bros. waste baskets.....	3.75
J. E. Gowen, trucking.....	6.00
O. Drowns, labor.....	49.00
York Light & Heat Co., Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
York Light & Heat Co., light for ward room.....	5.00
Biddeford Military Band, expenses Columbus Day.....	55.00
Painchaud's Band, " " "	35.00
Spruce Street Drum Corps " " "	12.00
J. O. Lord, " " "	2.00
Secours Mutual Society Drum Corps, expenses Columbus Day.....	12.00
William Boston, expenses Columbus Day.....	23.00
J. F. Rhoades, " " "	10.00
Youths Companion, " " "	3.75

ITEMS OF GENERAL EXPENSE.

Joseph Bourassa, repairs on sprinkler.....	3.50
H. E. Brooks, services for board of registration.....	28.00
T. B. Mosher, stationery &c.....	12.00
Frank McGarty, services for registration board.....	36.00
Samuel W. Luques, services as member of registration board	24.00
N. B. Walker, services as member of registration board	24.00
Geo. R. Andrews, services as member of regirtration board.....	40.00
Frank McGarty, services for registration board.....	13.50
F. K. Tarbox, Election officer.....	6.00
H. J. Tetrault, " "	9.00
L. W. Day, " "	6.00
H. M. Milliken, " "	6.00
J. Murphy, " "	6.00
J. Hannaway, " "	6.00
C. T. Read, " "	6.00
C. O. Johnson, " "	6.00
Wm. County, " "	6.00
D. B. Finnell, " "	6.00
Geo. E. Haley, " "	6.00
J. E. H. Townsend, " "	6.00
S. Dolliff, " "	6.00
F. B. Harris, " "	6.00
J. R. Staples, " "	6.00
W. T. Emerson, " "	6.00
C. W. Pierce, " "	6.00
John Leonard, " "	6.00
B. P. Ross, " "	6.00
A. H. Wardwell, " "	6.00
S. F. Gibson, " "	6.00
H. H. Milliken, " "	6.00
H. S. Twambley, " "	6.00
F. P. Abbott, " "	6.00
N. M. West, " "	6.00
E. L. Cowan, " "	6.00
P. Meeds, " "	6.00
M. Woodman, " "	6.00

ITEMS OF GENERAL EXPENSE.

V. Garnache, Election officer.....	6.00
D. Goldthwaite, " ".....	6.00
O. Stackpole, " ".....	6.00
C. H. Roberts, " ".....	6.00
E. A. Lord, " ".....	6.00
Geo. W. Averill, " ".....	6.00
J. Cartier, " ".....	6.00
A. Smith, " ".....	6.00
A Semard, " ".....	6.00
W. H. Bryant, " ".....	6.00
F. F. Beauregard, " ".....	6.00
D. F. Woodman, " ".....	6.00
C. H. Andrews, " ".....	6.00
T. Hooper, Jr., " ".....	6.00
A. J. Whitten, making box.....	3.00
W. T. Bardsley, papers.....	7.00
W. H. Watson, printing.....	19.50
H. Jelleson, use of store for election.....	25.00
H. Allison, " " " " ".....	30.00
C. A. Wardwell & Son, use of store for election.....	30.00
F. X. Cote, " " " " ".....	20.00
T. F. Cosgrove & Co., use of teams.....	11.00
Roberts Bros., printing.....	18.00
Robertst Bros., printing.....	136.38
W. T. Emerson, labor on watering trough.....	4.37
Roberts Bros, printing.....	5.00
H. Fenderson, use of towels.....	1.20
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	10.00
Townsend Bros., repairs.....	2.40
A. S. Hamilton, use of teams.....	8.00
J. Goldsbrough, use of store.....	4.00
D. Rugh, use of store for election.....	20.00
Roberts Bros., printing.....	33.00
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	14.00
G. H. Bayes, use of horse.....	2.50
J. C. M. Furbush, salary as pension agent.....	25.00
R. D. Flood, supplies.....	2.25
T. B. Mosher, stationery.....	8.00
Brooks Bros., use of chairs.....	3.75
York Light & Heat, Light Infantry Hall.....	8.33
Roberts Bros., printing and binding city reports.....	185.00
J. G. C. Smith, flags.....	24.00
E. E. Clark, stamps.....	22.50
Dana Hill, settlement of damages.....	50.00

APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1892-93.

We herewith submit a statement of the expenditures of the city in each department during the municipal year ending Jan. 31, 1893.

BRIDGES.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$1,764.07
Appropriations,	\$1,500.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	264.07	
	<hr/>	\$1,764.07

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Overlay for abatement,		\$5,360.84
Taxes abated as per Treasurer's book and warrants drawn,	\$1,106.10	
Transferred to Contingent Fund,	4,254.74	
	<hr/>	\$5,360.84

CITY BUILDING.

Cr. as per Treasurer's book City Building,	\$3,823.98	
“ “ “ “ “ Hall,	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,823.98
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$4,234.78	
Transferred to Contingent fund,	589.20	
	<hr/>	\$4,823.98

DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$7,292.40
Appropriations,	\$6,500.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	792.40	
	<u> </u>	\$7,292.40

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,	\$7,500.00	
Cr. as per Treasurer's book,	756.00	
	<u> </u>	\$8,256.00
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$7,800.21	
Transferred to Contingent Fund,	455.79	
	<u> </u>	\$8,256.00

GENERAL EXPENSE.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$6,615.14
Appropriations,	\$5,500.00	
Cr. as per Treasurer's book,	508.40	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	606.74	
	<u> </u>	\$6,615.14

INTEREST.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$20,658.22
Appropriations,	\$18,000.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	2,658.22	
	<u> </u>	\$20,658.22

HIGHWAY DIST. NO. 4

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$9,667.76
Appropriations,	\$7,500.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	2,167.76	
	<u> </u>	\$9,667.76

OAK RIDGE DISTRICT.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$420.20
Appropriations,	\$300.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	120.20	
	<hr/>	\$420.20

NEWTOWN DISTRICT.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$384.50
Appropriations,	\$300.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	84.50	
	<hr/>	\$384.50

POOL DISTRICT.

Expended by warrants drawn,		259.56
Appropriations,	\$250.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	9.56	
	<hr/>	\$259.56

RIVER ROAD, EASTERN DIVISION.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$349.04
Appropriations,	\$300.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	49.04	
	<hr/>	\$349.04

WARD 7, EASTERN DIVISION.

Appropriations,		\$700.00
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$633.85	
Transferred to Contingent Fund,	66.15	
	<hr/>	\$700.00

WARD 7, WESTERN DIVISION.

Appropriations,		\$550.00
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$540.13	
Transferred to Contingent Fund,	9.87	
	<hr/>	\$550.00

PAUPER DEPARTMENT.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$17,250.50
Appropriations,	\$16,000	
Cr. as per Treasurer's book,	190.80	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	1,059.70	
	<hr/>	\$17,250.50

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$7,359.35
Appropriations,	\$7,000.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	359.35	
	<hr/>	\$7,359.35

INSANE.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$2,210.02
Appropriations,	\$2,000.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	201.02	
	<hr/>	\$2,210.02

SEWERS AND DRAINS.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$5,643.25
Appropriations,	\$4,000.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	1,643.25	
	<hr/>	\$5,643.25

SIDEWALKS.

Expended by warrants drawn.		\$4,503.54
Appropriations,	\$4000.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	503.54	
	<u> </u>	\$4,503.54

SALARIES.

Appropriation,		\$6,000.00
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$5,224.33	
Transferred to Contingent Fund,	765.67	
	<u> </u>	\$6,000.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		\$1,500.00
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$1,446.52	
Transferred to Contingent Fund,	53.48	
	<u> </u>	\$1,500.00

STREET LIGHTS.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$8,475.94
Appropriation,	\$8,000.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	475.94	
	<u> </u>	\$8,475.94

CITY LIBRARY.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$567.15
Appropriation,	250.00	
Cr. as per Treasurer's book,	179.56	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent fund,	137.59	
	<u> </u>	\$567.15

FORTUNES ROCKS DISTRICT. .

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$382.34
Appropriations,	\$350.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	\$32.34	
	<u> </u>	
		\$382.34

CITY LIQUOR AGENCY.

Cr. as per Treasurer's book,		\$29,092.55
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$25,924.86	
Transferred to Contingent Fund,	3,167.69	
	<u> </u>	
		\$29,092.55

RIVER ROAD, WESTERN DIVISION.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$516.13
Appropriation,	\$500.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	16.13	
	<u> </u>	
		\$516.13

CITY CEMETERY.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$75.00
Cr. as per Treasurer's book,	\$32.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	43.00	
	<u> </u>	
		\$75.00

KENNEBUNK ROAD DISTRICT.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$239.68
Appropriation,	\$200.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	39.68	
	<u> </u>	
		\$239.68

HYDRANTS.

Appropriation,		\$3,300.00
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$3,238.56	
Transferred to Contingent Fund	61.44	
	<hr/>	\$3,300.00

WARD 7, NORTHERN DIVISION.

Expended by warrants drawn,		\$675.11
Appropriation,	\$500.00	
Cr. by transfer from Contingent Fund,	175.11	
	<hr/>	\$675.11

CONTINGENT FUND.

Appropriation,		\$6,000.00
Cr. by transfer from City Building,	589.20	
“ “ “ Fire Department,	455.79	
“ “ “ Abatement of Taxes,	4,254.74	
“ “ “ Highway, Ward 7, Eastern Division.	66.15	
“ “ “ Highway, Ward 7, Western Division,	9.87	
“ “ “ Salaries,	775.67	
“ “ “ Health Department,	53.48	
“ “ “ City Liquor Agency,	3,167.69	
“ “ “ Hydrants	61.40	
	<hr/>	\$15,433.99
Expended by warrants drawn,	\$3,810.71	
Transferred to Bridges,	264.07	
“ General Expense,	606.74	
“ Discount on Taxes,	792.40	
“ Highway, District No. 4,	2,167.76	
“ “ Oak Ridge District,	120.20	
“ “ Newtown “	84.50	
“ “ Pool “	9.56	
“ “ River Road Eastern Divison,	49.04	

Transferred to Pauper Department,	1,059.70	
“ Police Department,	359.35	
“ Insane,	210.02	
“ Sewers and drains,	1,643.25	
“ Sidewalks,	503.54	
“ Street Lights,	475.94	
“ City Library,	137.59	
“ Highway, Fortune’s Rocks Dist.	32.34	
“ “ River Road, Western,	16.13	
“ City Cemetery,	43.00	
“ Highways Kennebunk Road Dist.	39.68	
“ Highway, Ward 7, Northern Division,	175.11	
“ Interest,	2,658.22	
Balance unexpended,	175.14	
	<hr/>	\$15,433.99

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

STREET COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT NO. 4.

TO HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR, AND CITY COUNCIL OF BIDDEFORD:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit the following report of the street department, Highway District No. 4, for the year beginning Feb. 1st, 1892, and ending Feb. 1st, 1893.

BRIDGES.

Main street bridge has been replanked and railing repaired, 6,500 feet of lumber being used.

Bradbury bridge, driveway repaired, walk replanked, 4000 feet of lumber being used.

Spring's Island bridge repaired, 2000 feet of lumber being used.

Gooch Island bridge, replanked with 3-inch oak plank, 8000 feet being used.

All bridges, except Main street bridge, have been painted during the season.

NEW EDGE STONES.

There have been 1,037 feet of new edge stone set.

265 feet on Cleaves Hill.

181 feet on School street.

149 feet on Pool street.

65 feet on Oak street.

48 feet on Hill street.

129 feet on Sullivan street.

150 feet on Everett street.

50 feet on State street.

EDGE-STONES RESET.

There have been 3,468 feet of edge-stones reset.

100 feet on High street.

783 feet on Pool street.

110 feet on Hill street.

138 feet on Foss street.

171 feet on Alfred street.

626 feet on Emery street.

840 feet on Sullivan street.

40 feet on Porter street.

660 feet on Vetromile street.

STONE WALLS.

One on Cleaves' hill, 150 feet long, 3 feet high.

One on State street, 50 feet long, 2 feet high.

INSIDE CURBING.

There have been 475 feet of inside curbing set.

72 feet, on Graham street in front of Nathan Sawyer's residence.

120 feet, on Graham street near Second Congregational church.

150 feet, around plot of land at the meeting of South, Green, and Crescent streets.

133 feet, on Pool street, around Pool street school-house.

NEW POCKETS.

16 new brick pockets have been built and furnished with drain stones.

One on water street, near the Perkins house.

Five on High street, from Bacon to Pool streets.

Two at the corner of Oak and Pool streets.

One at the corner of Bacon and Sullivan streets.

Two at the corner of Birch and Summer streets.

One at the corner of South and Green streets.

One at the corner of Green and Crescent streets.

STREET RECEIVING BASINS.

6 of O'Brien's improved cast iron receiving basins have been purchased and one of them set as follows:

One on Main street, in front of C. A. Lacroix's store.

POCKETS REBUILT AND REPAIRED.

- One on corner of Bacon and Alfred streets.
- One on corner of Bacon and Sullivan streets.
- One on Water street, near gas house.
- One on Sullivan street, near school house.
- One on corner of Summer and Prospect streets.
- One on Elm street, near French church.
- One on Lincoln street in front of number three mill.

STONE DRIVEWAYS.

- 6 new stone driveways have been set and 10 old ones reset.
- One on Hill street.
- Four on Pool street.
- One on Cleaves hill.
- Three on Emery street reset.
- Three on Pool street reset.
- Four on Sullivan street reset.

PLANK DRIVEWAYS.

- Five plank driveways have been placed.
- Two on Sullivan street.
- One on Granite street.
- One on Spring's Island.
- One on Franklin street.

STONE CROSSWALKS.

Sixteen stone crosswalks have been bought and three of them laid as follows:

- One on Birch and Graham streets.
- One on Crescent and Graham streets.
- One on Crescent and Green streets.

CONCRETE CROSSWALKS.

- There have been 473 yards of concrete walks laid.
- One on corner of Bacon and High streets.
- One on corner of Bacon and Emery streets.
- One on corner of Chapel and Hill streets.
- One on Hill street near Advent Chapel.
- One on corner of Sullivan and Bacon streets.

One on corner of Sullivan and Water streets.
One on corner of Foss and Birch streets.
One on South street across to May.
One on Alfred street across Mt. Vernon.
One on corner of Green and Crescent streets.
One on South street in front of the Tarbox and Gooch house.
One on Green street across South.
One on South street in front of the residence of S. Newcomb.
One on South street across Kossuth.
One on South street across Jefferson.
One on Center street.
One on Main street across Vetromile.
One on Center street corner of Jefferson.
One on Gooch street in front of Charles Hurd's store.
One on Jefferson street across Adams.

BRICK SIDEWALKS.

The following brick sidewalks were laid, 8,197 square feet in all.

On Foss street, in front of S. W. Luques' residence, 980 square feet.

On Alfred street, in front of Morin & Fortin's store, 539 square feet.

On Vetromile street, in front of St. Mary's church, 5,280 square feet.

On Graham street, side of the Congregational church, 918 square feet.

On South street, in front of the Tarbox and Gooch residence, 480 square feet.

BRICK SIDEWALKS RELAID.

The following brick sidewalks were relaid, 49,700 bricks used. 36,000 relaid around the New High School building.

13,700 used in repairing sidewalks in different parts of the city.

NEW SEWERS.

3,638 feet of drain pipe have been laid as follows:

On Cleaves hill 40 feet of 12 inch were laid.

On Water street, in front of E. Perkins' house, 144 feet of 12 inch pipe were laid.

On High street, from Bacon to tenement No. 5 on said street, 485 feet of 12 inch pipe were laid, 400 feet being through a solid ledge.

On Pool street, from Middle to Oak street, 165 feet of 12 inch pipe were laid, 135 feet being through a solid ledge.

On Summer street, from Birch to Fall street, 185 feet of 12 inch pipe were laid.

On Alfred street, rear of James E. Gowen's residence, 126 feet of 20 inch pipe were laid, and 100 loads of filling used.

On Vetromile street, 225 feet of 10 inch pipe were laid.

On Foss street, 675 feet of 15 inch pipe were laid, and 48 feet of iron pipe, 150 feet being through a solid ledge and 40 feet through stone reservoir, corner of Bacon and Foss street; said sewer runs from Main to King street.

On Hill street, near skating rink, 54 feet of 6 inch pipe were laid.

On corner of Fall and Hill street, 48 feet of 6 inch pipe were laid.

On Prospect street near the Conners and Perkins residence, 80 feet of 6 inch pipe were laid.

On Crescent street, in front of Parsonage, 36 feet of 6 inch pipe were laid.

On corner of Cutts and State street, 30 feet of 5 inch pipe were laid.

On Kossuth street, rear of Mrs. Frank Dudley's residence, 126 feet of 8 inch pipe were laid, and 25 feet of 5 inch pipe.

On West street, in front of Peter Baker's residence, 21 feet of 8 inch pipe and in front of Philbrook's residence, 30 feet of 12 inch pipe were laid.

On Prospect street, in front of the Connor's residence, 18 feet of 12 inch pipe were laid.

On Elm street, near H. Taylor's residence, 132 feet of 12 inch pipe, and in front of George Andrews' house, 80 feet of 10 inch pipe were laid.

On Cleaves' hill near D. Libby's house, 40 feet of 12 inch pipe were laid.

Rear of Pike street, through land of Mrs. Flinn, 250 feet of 12 inch pipe were laid.

175 feet of 6 and 8 inch pipe were used for outlets to pockets.

SEWERS AND DRAINS REPAIRED.

Brick sewer on Sullivan street repaired, 1000 brick, 1 barrel cement and 8 loads of filling used.

Pipe sewer on Elm street and through land of J. B. Palmer, 200 feet cleaned and repaired and 100 feet newly made.

Stone sewer on Emery street was opened and cleaned and side wall repaired.

Stone sewer on Cutts street, rear of Deering Bros., was cleaned.

Stone sewer on Alfred street, front of Morin & Fortin's store, 30 feet of it was cleaned.

Extension of High street, stone sewer 65 feet long, four by five, running to low water mark, all work on said sewer, tide work.

Stone culvert on Cleaves' Hill, 30 feet of it cleaned and repaired.

One new plank culvert, corner Granite and West streets, 36 feet long.

Two stone culverts on State street, repaired, each 10 feet, 3 by 3½.

12 feet of stone culvert repaired, foot of Highland street near James O. Tarbox's residence, three covering stones were broken, a large amount of earth being removed, and new stones put in, making it one of the most expensive repair jobs during the year.

Brick sewer on Main street, foot of Dean's hill was repaired three times, 40 feet of 24 inch pipe, 3,000 brick, 10 barrels cement, and 30 loads of sand were required to do the work.

30 feet of 6 inch pipe, in Small's Court were cleaned.

60 feet of plank drain, on Water street, near houses of John Buckley, were opened and cleaned twice.

STREETS GRAVELED.

-600 feet on Water street and Cleaves Hill.

100 feet on Middle street.

300 feet on lower side of Water street running to White's wharf.

180 feet on Myrtle street.

300 feet on Fall street.

300 feet on Summer street.

200 feet on Vetromile street.

100 feet on Taylor street.

Total 2,080 feet.

1,000 loads of sand and gravel have been used in repairing holes in streets and covering sewer pipes.

SIDEWALKS GRAVELED.

783 feet on Water street and Cleaves hill.

500 feet on High street.

181 feet on School street.

375 feet on Oak street.

228 feet on Middle street.

913 feet on Pool street.

2,408 feet on Hill street.

1,042 feet on Emery street.

474 feet on Myrtle street.

876 feet on Prospect street.

453 feet on Porter street.

270 feet on Foss street.

1,074 feet on Fall street.

185 feet on Summer street.

850 feet on Birch street.

975 feet on Union street.

642 feet on Graham street.

600 feet on Mason street.

486 feet on Elm street.

750 feet on Vetromile street.

240 feet on Hazel street.

75 feet on Spruce street.

1,500 feet on State street.

Total 15,281 feet.

CONCRETE SIDEWALKS REPAIRED.

1,589 square yards of concrete sidewalks repaired as follows:

One at the corner of Bacon and Alfred streets, 10 by 140.

One on Hill street in front of Advent Chapel, 17 by 46.

One on West side of Sullivan street from Bacon to Water street, 7 by 761.

One on east side of Sullivan street, 7 by 117.

One on Alfred street in front of J. Goldsbrough's store, 10 by 60.

One on South street, in front of J. M. Dearing's residence, 6 by 54.

One around plot of land on South street, 3 by 150.

One on Kossuth street, 6 by 90.

One on Elm street in front of St. Joseph's church, 8 by 190.

One on Main street in front of Goodwin's Block, 11 by 60.

One on Jefferson street, rear of Universalist and Baptist church, 5 by 120.

REPAIRS AND OUD JOBS.

500 feet of plank sidewalk, and 50 feet of railing have been repaired on Elm street, near Milebridge brook.

40 feet of slat fence were built new over arch bridge, at Smith's corner, near Bean Bros. store.

185 feet of new slat fence were built on South street, from the residence of F. A. Day, to the bridge of the B. & M. railroad.

300 feet of new slat fence were built on Western Ave. by land of F. A. Day.

25 feet of fence repaired on Alfred street, in front of the residence of John Wilson.

250 yards of stone blasted at the foot of Taylor street.

All the trees in the city have been slatted and white washed, 9,763 slats being used.

20 dead trees have been cut down.

10 iron gas posts have been removed.

100 rock maple trees have been set out on the following streets: Alfred, Cutts and State streets; all have been well protected.

800 feet of gutter on Hill street have been filled to grade off street, taking 300 loads of stone, loom, and gravel, to do the work.

A new drinking fountain has been set in Liberty Square.

Old stone trough has been moved from in front of Dudley's Blk. and set near the residence of John Johnson, on the Pool road.

All the paving on the streets has been swept 39 times, and scraped once with hoes, and more or less of the paving has been repaired.

All the sewer pockets have been cleaned twice during the year, and many of them several times, owing to the heavy rains during the summer, and some 50 loads of gravel used in repairing wash outs in the lower part of the city.

The following gutters have been cleaned during the year:

From West street, on Granite street, to Gooch and Haines ledge.

1000 feet on West street, from Everett to Hill street.

300 feet on Prospect street.

300 feet on Summer and Winter streets.

200 feet on Elm street, near Milebridge brook.

1000 feet, rear of Alfred street over land of L. W. Emmons, Milebridge brook.

Total 2,800 feet.

In conclusion, I would recommend a Stone Crusher, a Screen, a five ton Roller and portable Engine for running the same; the whole expense would be \$2,500. In my opinion, crushed stone could be used on our streets, with better results than gravel, and at no more expense.

Respectfully submitted,
FREDERICK YATES, Street Commissioner.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIDDEFORD.

The undersigned submits the following report for the municipal year 1892—3.

The Sanitary condition of a city depends upon a variety of causes. Some of these causes are natural ones. The location may be a healthy or unhealthy one and cannot well be changed. Some of the causes of unhealthiness are apparent and easy to be removed by the Health Department, while other causes exist over which this department has no control, and the removal of which belongs to the city government itself. This board can simply point out some of them and suggest a remedy, in the hope that the remedy may be applied by the proper authority in the near future.

DEFECTIVE SYSTEM OF SEWERS AND DRAINS.

Biddeford has grown up from small beginnings. When under a town form of government there were a few business houses on Main and Water streets. The dwellings were situated almost entirely on the portion below the "Heights," few in number and modest in size. For several years after her city life began, this same territory accommodated the people for residences. "Gould's" hill was almost out of town. At that time the sewerage of the city was of little account. Small sewers were built in some of the streets and surface drains in others. With the aid of the natural slope of the land the sewerage was easily carried to the river, then to salt water without any detriment to the health of the city. Within a few years, the residential part of the city has more than doubled its area, and large and elegant

business blocks have been erected on the business streets. Within twenty years the population of the rural districts has decreased, but the city proper has increased more than 100 per cent. This increase of population called for increase in dwellings. Building lots have been taken up far away from business centers. The lines have been extended north and west. New sewers have been built without much system, in one case at least, a sewer of large capacity entering into an old one of not one half its size. The present system of sewers is entirely inadequate to the demands of modern science and the wants of the people.

Formerly the house cistern and well furnished the water for use in the house and shop, and if by reason of drought, this supply failed, Saco river was resorted to for the necessary supply. The introduction of water into the city, calls loudly for better sewerage. Very generally the water has been put into the houses, shops, and other buildings. In the better class of houses, old as well as new, water closets have been introduced, connected with the water service by some approved system of plumbing. Before the introduction of water, the sewerage was bad enough, but was made to answer; now it has been found to be entirely inadequate for the demands of health and convenience. Every day the necessity for a better sewerage is seen, and nothing short of a complete revision of the system, under a competent engineer, will place the city in a good sanitary condition to prevent disease.

Graham and Union streets and portions of Alfred and Elm streets naturally find the outlet for their sewerage into Mile Brook pond. Soon the Piper field will be cut up into house lots and placed on the market. This whole territory must be drained into the same pond. Already several houses discharge the contents of their water closets into the Haley pond, thence into the Mile Brook pond. This pond will soon become a source of pestilence and disease unless a covered sewer of sufficient capacity to accommodate that entire neighborhood be built, leading eventually into the river. It cannot be done in one year, but a beginning should be made and extended year after year until completed to the river. There is now a petition for a sewer on Graham street. When the prayer of this petition is

granted, the houses on that beautiful street will be furnished with bathing rooms and water closets. The waste matter of these houses must flow in the direction of that pond, for the good reason that water must run down hill.

There are other demands before the City Council for better sewerage accommodations. In time they must be built at a heavy expenditure of money. Health and human lives are more valuable than money. When the city is provided with a good system of public sewers, house drainage can be more easily enforced. In fact the clamorous demands for public sewers is made that houses may be made more healthy residences, cellars more easily and thoroughly drained and the contents of water closets be carried away by pure water instead of trusting to the honesty of the drivers of the filthy night carts.

STABLES.

The millennial day for the health of Biddeford will not come until the stables on Washington, Franklin and Alfred streets are removed. The accumulation of manure in large quantities, made by a large number of horses kept in these stables, continually worked over by the swine kept upon it, must be a source of disease to all who dwell in the vicinity. A great quantity of water is used in and about these stables. The swill under and about them become "soaking wet." The moisture from the heated manure and the urine of the horses and hogs are readily absorbed by this wet soil, to be evaporated by the sun's heat, filling the atmosphere with the germs of disease and death. For the health and beauty of the city it is hoped that our great corporations may utilize this land for more healthy purposes and these unhealthy and unsightly stables be removed far away from their present locations. Then Franklin street will not show such a high death rate of its inhabitants.

TENEMENT HOUSES.

Another prolific source of disease is the imperfect ventilation and overcrowded condition of many tenement houses. In the warm season the matter of ventilation will in a great measure take care of itself for the doors and windows will be open a large part of the time, but when winter comes they must be carefully

closed to keep out the cold. The air of these rooms is made impure by being heated to a high degree, this impure air is breathed over and over again by the families until it becomes charged with noxious gases and is a threatening source of disease. Is it any wonder that children suffer and die under these conditions, thus swelling the percentage of mortality. The problem before the Board is, how can this state of affairs be remedied. The tenants of these houses are usually laboring people. In the winter when the cost of living is increased, the bread winner may be "out of a job." To save rent and fuel, the tenements are crowded and money saved at the expense of life and health. There is a great need of plain, healthy tenements with rent within the means of the working class. Till that want is supplied it will be difficult to better their condition.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

The Physicians of the city have been very careful to report the cases of contagious diseases that have come under their notice. The law requires them to make such a report and we have reason to believe that they have been faithful and have complied with the letter and spirit the law. They have reported cases of scarlet and typhoid fever and diphtheria and proper care has been taken to prevent the spreading of these diseases. These diseases have not appeared in our schools but have been confined to the houses in which they originated. We wish to testify to the skill and care with which the physicians managed these scattering cases, and to their thorough disinfection of the premises and persons where they occurred.

PEST HOUSE.

Many of these cases have been and will in the future be found in houses where it will be very difficult to properly isolate and quarantine them, to prevent spreading. This Board would recommend that the Pest House on the city farm be put in proper repair and condition to receive patients that cannot be cared for in tenement houses, where they can be isolated, cared for and nursed at the City's expense. Small pox may appear among us. Cholera from European immigration may come. Let the city be ready to meet and care for all cases that require quarantine, that the spread of disease may be checked. "Forewarned forearmed" should be our motto.

VISITS.

The board has been the recipient of a great many complaints in regard to the unsanitary condition of various premises. One or more members have inspected and examined these complained of premises, and had them put in proper condition. Privy vaults have been found in bad condition, sometimes full to overflowing. At our order, they have cleaned out. Sink spouts and sink drains have been overhauled and put in good condition, and cellars and yards have been cleaned up by our order.

WASTE AND GARBAGE.

The waste and garbage of the city has been taken away and properly cared for. Ashes and dirt have been removed to proper places. For this purpose this Board has employed the teams of the Fire Department two days in each week. These teams and a man to assist the driver have been paid out of the appropriations made for the board of health. The time will soon come when it will be found necessary to have a competent man to make a thorough inspection from house to house. When such an inspection is made many disease breeding places will be found which do not now come to light and are unknown even to the householders themselves. Diseases brought on by imperfect ventilation, defective drainage and a general filthy condition of the premises are very much more easily prevented by proper care, than cured when once seated. "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

For the Board,

DANIEL COTE, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith respectfully submit to your honorable body my tenth annual report of the condition and operation of this department for the past year, comprising the apparatus and property under their charge, the number of hydrants and their locations, the number of Fire Alarm boxes, also the fires and alarms.

Our City has had another fortunate year as regards loss by fire, at the same time there has been no abatement in care or vigilance in keeping up the efficiency of the fire department, and it is with pleasure that I can report at the close of this municipal year that all the apparatus connected with this department are in good condition.

I trust the recommendations which I deem it my duty to submit will commend themselves to the judgment of your honorable body.

The department consists of two steam Fire Engines, one Hose Wagon and one Hook and Ladder Truck, one Hose Pung, officered and manned as follows:

CHIEF ENGINEER.....	WILLIAM BOSTON.
FIRST ASST. ENGINEER.....	CHAS. E. HOYT.
SECOND " "	JOHN LEONARD.

RICHARD VINES S. F. E. CO., NO 1.

Walter I. Gordon.....	Foreman.
Daniel Kerwin.....	Ass't Foreman.

Fred J. Grant.....	Clerk.
John Goodier.....	Engineer.
Irving W. Mason.....	Pipeman.
Nathaniel P. Verrill.....	"
Henry Hayes.....	Hoseman.
Chas. Bonser.....	"
Edward Sullivan.....	"
Israel Velandre.....	"
George Wilson.....	"
Michael Murphy.....	"
William Haley.....	"
Frank Proctor.....	Driver.

EBEN SIMPSON S. F. E. CO., NO. 2.

Clarence M. Watson.....	Foreman.
Samuel W. Hubbard.....	Ass't "
Charles E. Rumery.....	Clerk
George W. Leavitt.....	Engineer.
Erwin S. Gowen.....	Fireman.
John Dean, Jr.....	Pipeman.
Hartley J. Goodwin.....	"
Charles Blair.....	Hoseman.
Edward Stackpole.....	"
Charles Trot.....	"
Harry S. Sawyer.....	"
Frederic Shaw.....	"
William Winship.....	"
David Elliott.....	Driver.

WELCOME HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1.

Albert H. Wardwell.....	Foreman.
John R. Bonser.....	Ass't "
George E. Haley.....	Clerk.
John Doyle.....	Axe and Ladderman.
Noel Velandre.....	" "
George H. Hooper.....	" "
Benj. Goodier.....	" "
W. B. Mildon.....	" "
James E. Gowen.....	" "
Fred Green.....	" "

Thomas Cullinan, Jr..... Axe and Ladderman.
 John B. Lovely..... “ “

FIRE ALARM.

The condition of the Fire Alarm Telegraph is in good order. During the past year there have been about thirty-one alarms of fire by telegraph and all have been given correctly. And in only one case has there been more than one box pulled at a time for the same fire, and that was at the fire of the Knights property on Birch street.

Occasionally some citizen or member of the City Government will drop into the fire alarm room, “Well” he will say, “I was never in here before, nor was I aware that we had so much fire alarm apparatus or that it required so much attention.” When he goes away he always says, “This is an important branch of our fire department and should be supplied with the needed improvements of the times and I would again recommend that a few more boxes be put in the coming year.”

HOSE.

There is in use in this department at the present time about 6,000 feet of good reliable hose. No hose was purchased last year. The hose is constantly depreciating by wear and more will soon be needed on this account.

I would respectfully renew the recommendation I made in my last report of last year that the city purchase one thousand feet (1000) the coming year.

HORSES.

The number of horses belonging to the department is four (4). Nothing unusual has happened to them since my last report. They are all in good condition and reflect credit on the drivers having them in charge.

ENGINE HOUSES AND STABLE.

The engine houses generally, are in very fair condition, although there will have to be some repairs both in the engine houses and in the drivers' tenements this coming year.

LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.

1. City Farm yard.
2. Main street, corner of Highland street.
3. " " near Eastern R. R. depot.
4. " " corner of Western Avenue.
5. " " " Bradbury street.
6. " " " Elm street.
7. " " " Jefferson street.
8. " " " Adams street.
9. " " " Lincoln street.
10. " " " Washington street.
11. " " " Franklin street.
12. " " " Alfred street.
13. " " " Emery street.
14. " " " Hill street.
15. Water " " Sullivan street.
16. " " " Pike street.
17. Pike " " Cross street.
18. Pool " " Oak street.
19. " " near residence of Geo. W. Leavitt.
20. " " corner of Clifford street.
21. " " near residence of H. P. Atkinson.
22. Sullivan street, corner of Bacon street.
23. Hill " between Main and Bacon streets.
24. " " corner of Pool street.
25. " " " Acorn street.
26. " " " Fall street.
27. " " near residence of Geo. W. Ward.
28. " " corner of Bacon street.
29. Foss " " Pool street.
30. " " " Mount Vernon street.
31. " " " Fall street.
32. Alfred " " Bacon street.
33. " " " Pool street.
34. " " " Mount Vernon street.
35. " " " Birch street.
36. " " " Myrtle street.
37. " " " Union street.

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38. Alfred street, near residence of Israel Emmons.
 39. " " " " J. H. Fogg.
 40. " " at Five Points.
 41. Washington street, corner of Jefferson street.
 42. South street, corner of Jefferson street.
 43. " " " Green street.
 44. " " " Elm street.
 45. " " " State street.
 46. " " near residence of Geo. O. Burnham.
 47. " " " " Tristram Hooper.
 48. " " corner of Highland street.
 49. Highland street, in the center of the street.
 50. Elm street, corner of Walnut street.
 51. " " " Gooch street.
 52. " " " Emery's Court.
 53. " " near residence of Geo. A. Berry.
 54. " " corner of Union street.
 55. " " near B. & M. R. R. depot.
 56. Hooper street, top of hill.
 57. Lincoln street, near corner of Pool street.
 58. Green street, corner of Birch street.
 59. Union street, corner of Graham street.
 60. Summer street, near residence of J. W. Wormwood.
 61. Smith street, opposite Water Power Foundry.
 62. Wentworth street, near school house.
 63. Lincoln street, corner of Stone street.
 64. Elm street, corner of Pearl street.

During the past year there have been thirty-one fires and alarms and are as follows:

FIRES AND ALARMS IN 1892.

March 10, fire 1.20 p. m., Box 25, K. W. Sutherland Candy Store, Elm street, near B. & M. depot.

March 15, fire 4.30 p. m., Box 25, Hamilton Saw mill, Gooch street. Damage slight.

March 16, fire 8.25 a. m., Box 57, Atkinson House Furnishing Store, Alfred street. Chimney.

March 18, fire 2 a. m., Box 29, near oil tank, Eastern depot.

March 28, fire 6.20 p. m., Box 57, A. S. Wright's jewelry store, Main street.

April 1, fire 3.40 p. m. Box 29, Thomas Morins' hen house and pasture land on May street.

April 15, fire 11.50 a. m., Box 37, grass land near Five Points.

April 22, fire 1.30 a. m., Box 54, F. Nichols shoe store, Marselles faney goods store, and others, all consumed.

April 23, fire 7.30 a. m., Box 34, house near French church, Elm street.

April 30, fire 2.35 p. m., Box 48, C. Babb carriage house, Westbrook hill, consumed.

April 21, fire 5.15 p. m., Box 57, Atkinson House Furniture Store, Alfred street, chimney.

May 1, fire 2.45 a. m., Box 25, Currier's & Hooper's Saw Mill Spring's Island.

May 6, fire 9.10 a. m., Box 56, house on Franklin street. Slight damage.

May 7, fire 12 o'clock m., Box 26, house on corner Spruce and Hazel streets, partially consumed.

May 8, fire 4.30 a. m., Box 25, C. Littlefield Saw mill, Saco.

May 27, fire 5.10 p. m., Box 25, house on Gooch street. No damage.

June 15, fire 7.55 p. m., Box 45, Mr. Knights' barn on Birch street, consumed.

June 19, fire 9.55 a. m., Box 58, house on Water street. Oil stove exploded.

June 23, fire 5.45 p. m., Box 27, lumber pile near Eastern depot.

July 22, fire 1.10 p. m. Box 54, J. M. Deering's Carpet Beater rear of City Hall. No damage.

July 26, fire 1 o'clock p. m., Box 54, G. W. Donnell's Clothing store, Main street. Slight damage.

July 28, fire 12.15 a. m., Box 26, Electric Light Station. No damage.

August 4, fire 1.30 p. m., Box 25, Saco Lumber Co. board pile, River street.

Sept 20, fire 1.25 p. m., Box 54, S. Newcomb's yard. Brush.

Nov. fire 3.30 a. m., Box 57, building corner Main and Foss street. Damage slight.

Nov. 27, fire 10.50 a. m., Box 57, building corner Main and Alfred street. Damage slight.

Dec. 6, fire 12 m., Box 25, Saco Lumber Co. River street, boiler house,

Dec. 6, fire 2.10 p. m. Box 58, false alarm.

Dec. 30, fire 6.10 p. m., Box 57, Maxcy shoe store, waste paper in cellar. Slight damage.

Jan. 9th, '93 12.40 p. m., Box 54, Mrs. Day's dining house and Cote's Furniture store partially consumed.

Jan. 23, fire 7.30 p. m. Box 58, building on Water street. No damage.

In conclusion I wish to convey through this official channel my warmest thanks to his Honor the Mayor, the City Council and Committee on Fire Department, for their cordial support of such measures for the good of the department, as have been recommended during the past year.

The Board of Engineers and members of the fire department will also accept my thanks for their prompt and energetic co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. HOYT,

1st Assistant Engineer.

BIDDEFORD FIRE ALARM.

NUMBER OF BOXES AND THEIR LOCATION.

NO.

25. At Smith's Corner in front of Mosher's Block.
26. On Elm street, near Main, opposite the end of Pilsbury & Co.'s store.
27. On Main street, near corner of Western Avenue.
28. On Highland street, near corner of Main.
29. On South street, opposite residence of H. G. Holmes.
34. At King's corner, near residence of J. B. Palmer.
35. At corner of South and Green streets, opposite residence of Wm. A. Roberts.
36. On Elm street, near Brick Yard.
37. On Alfred street, near residence of Nathaniel Kimball.
38. On Union street, near residence of V. A. Sprague.
43. On Alfred street, near residence of J. B. Murphy.
45. On Summer street, corner of Mt. Vernon street.
46. On Pool street, near the Methodist church.
47. On Pool street, near Pike street.
48. On Pool street, opposite residence of H. P. Atkinson.
49. On Bacon street, near corner of Pierson's Lane.
54. On City Building, near entrance to the Hall.
56. At Richard Vines Engine House, Washington street.
57. On Main street, corner of Alfred, near Meeds' Block.
58. On Main street, opposite foot of Hill street.

REPORT
OF THE
CITY LIQUOR AGENCY.

BIDDEFORD, Feb. 1, 1893.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
CITY OF BIDDEFORD.

The report of the Liquor Agency for the year ending Jan. 31st
1893, is herewith submitted.

Dr.

To stock and fixtures Feb. 1st, 1892	\$874.00
To paid State Commissioner,	23,971.36
To paid for bottles, corks, jugs, etc.,	685.32
To paid expenses, including salary, clerks, rent, freight, light, etc.,	2,605.30
To profits net,	3,006.63
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	\$31,142.61

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By stock and fixtures Feb. 1st, 1893,	\$2,014.88
By cash received and paid Treasurer,	29,092.55
By bills receivable,	35.18
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	\$31,142.61

Respectfully,

GEO. F. GOODWIN, Agent.

REPORT OF THE CITY MARSHAL.

City Marshal Office, Biddeford, Me. March, 1893.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF
BIDDEFORD.

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit to you my 4th annual report of the doings of the Police Department for the year ending March, 1893.

ORGANIZATION.

City Marshal, Fred A. Tarbox.

Deputy Marshal, Jos. Newcomb.

Patrolman, Wm. Breton,

“ Geo. W. Rumery.

“ James Mogan.

“ Jos. Palardis.

“ Fred Tate.

“ Thomas Cullinan.

Hall Police, Patrick Meeds.

“ John Goodier.

Sunday Police, Wm. G. Parker.

“ Bazille Roussin.

“ James Murphy.

There were two cases calling for a hearing before the Mayor and Aldermen. That of Chas. H. Grant and Chas. T. Charland, who were regular officers prior to the appointment of Mr. Newcomb and Breton. Chas. T. Charland resigned, going with his

family out of the city. Consequently there was no hearing in his case. Chas. H. Grant was investigated and I am pleased to say that the charges were not proven. I always considered Mr. Grant a reliable and efficient officer and during my 4 years, I never had occasion to speak to him. Robert Mountain, the young man that caused the investigation to be made, ran away and has never been in the city since.

There has been a much larger amount of business performed by the police the last year than at any time since I took control of the Department, 4 years ago, and in this connection I would suggest an addition to the force.

There have been committed to the asylum at Augusta, 7 insane persons, three having been there before. I have sent one boy to Reform School, upon complaint of his mother. I have visited the Parochial school a number of times and talked with the children about playing truant, and on the whole I am satisfied that my visits resulted in good. Have arrested a large number and returned them to school without making any complaint to the Court.

Less than 25 tramps have been sent to jail during the year. We have had a large number of tramps to feed and lodge but by order of the Court, have turned them off in the morning.

The Municipal Court judge has sentenced a great many to jail for various offences, mostly drunks and assaults, but I am pleased to say a round number of habitual drunkards have taken the Bi Chloride of Gold treatment and are now reckoned among our best citizens. A number of cases of intoxication have been suspended by Judge Cram, upon my recommendation, that the parties might be taken to Conway, and good results have followed. In conclusion I want to say, I think there should be one man at the station day and night to answer the many calls and attend the office. I am as a whole satisfied with my officers and the manner in which they have attended to their several duties and in closing I wish to thank Mayor Staples and the members of the Board of Aldermen for their many kindnesses and to Judge Cram and his recorder I am under obligations for advise and good counsel.

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. TARBOX.

Affray.....	13
Arson.....	1
Assault.....	48
Bail.....	1
Bastardy.....	3
Breaking and entering.....	1
Disturbing the peace.....	8
Disturbing religious meeting.....	4
Forgery.....	1
Gambling.....	1
Indecent exposure.....	1
Idle and disorderly.....	2
Impersonating an officer.....	1
Insane.....	7
Intoxication.....	340
Larceny.....	9
Malicious mischief.....	12
Nuisance.....	1
Night walking.....	3
Peddling (no license).....	1
Peace warrant.....	1
Railers.....	2
Search and Seizure.....	3
Shell Game.....	1
Single Sale.....	2
Tramps.....	56
Truants.....	2
Vagrancy.....	3
Total.....	528

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
BIUDEFORD:

GENTLEMEN: We have the honor to submit the following report for the municipal year 1892 and 1893:

We have rendered assistance to 168 families, numbering 640 persons. We have furnished to these 131 loads of wood and 24½ tons of coal, besides medicines and provisions. The number of deaths outside Alms House was 56. Number of persons sent out of city, 178. Amount paid other towns, \$24.00.

ALMS HOUSE.

Number of inmates during the year.....	75
“ discharged.....	19
“ deaths.....	7
“ births	4

Amount appropriated by City Council.....\$16,000.00

Cash turned into Treasury.....52.50

Total amount of resources....	\$16,052.50
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EXPENDITURES.

On account of pauper on City Farm\$6,461.02

“ “ salaries of overseers..... 925.00

“ “ paupers outside of farm..... 9,926.86

“ “ paupers outside of city..... 24.00

Total amt. of bills approved....	\$17,336.88
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Expended over resources.....	1,284.38
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\$16,052.50

E. H. LORD, HENRY CARROLL, TRISTRAM HANSON.	}	Overseers of Poor.
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REPORT OF THE CITY PHYSICIAN.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF BIDDEFORD:

I have the honor to submit the following as my report for the municipal year 1892-93.

There have been three births and six deaths at the City Farm during the year. The deaths were caused by the following diseases: Influenza one, Phthisis one, Apoplexy one, Anemia one, Heart disease one, Pneumonia one.

Have had seven births and eleven deaths outside of City Farm. The deaths were caused by the following diseases: Scarlet fever, four, Cholera Infantum, three, Phthisis, two, Senile Gangrene, one, Diphtheria, one.

I have been called upon by the local Board of Health forty-seven times, to investigate contagious and infectious diseases reported by physicians, and have aided them in abating numerous nuisances, which in my opinion were dangerous to public health.

The case of Leprosy reported by one of our irresponsible daily papers and copied extensively throughout the State to the injury of our city, upon investigation proved to be a case of simple Senile Gangrene, and was cared for as soon as his condition was brought to the notice of proper authorities.

Typhoid fever prevailed to considerable extent during the summer and fall, so much so that it was deemed best to seek the cause, and I, in conjunction with the Board of Health, procured sample of our drinking water and forwarded it to the Secretary of State Board of Health for analysis, but up to the present writing we have heard nothing from it. Our letter to Dr. Young concerning the same, was not even acknowledged.

The Biddeford & Saco water company learning of our fruitless attempt at having an analysis of Saco river water, sent and procured a bottle from our State Board of Health (which we have since learned was prerequisite) and filled and sealed the same in the presence of Dr. John Lord and myself, but have heard nothing from it as yet.

I will state that local Boards of Health have been requested to send samples of suspected waters to our Secretary of State Board of Health, for analysis, free, and I sincerely hope that Dr. Young may favor us with some explanation.

Respectfully,

C. J. EMERY.

REPORT OF THE CITY SOLICITOR.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF BIDDEFORD:

In submitting my report as City Solicitor for the fiscal year 1892-3, permit me to express my thanks to the heads of the various departments for their uniform courtesy in my official relations with them and to express my gratification because of their ability in the management of the several departments, in most of which the officials were so familiar with the duties and complications arising, that I rarely found it necessary to give more than cursory attention to the matters brought to my notice.

Upon assuming the duties of the office I found the following matters pending against the municipality, viz:—There was an appeal from the City Council to the S. J. Court by one Lydia J. McBride of the Pool. In this matter the City had by regular proceedings, accepted and laid out a reserved street at the Pool and awarded to the said Lydia H. McBride the sum of one dollar, nominal damages, from which reward she appealed to the S. J. Court. At the May term of said Court (May 1892) the appeal was heard upon an agreed statement of facts, before Mr. Justice Libbey, who ruled that the appeal would not lie, and dismissed the same with costs.

There were two causes pending against the City growing out of the "Gove Sewer," so-called, one an action at law and the other a bill in Equity. No action has as yet been taken by either

party to dispose of the former, while the latter has gone forward, the respondents having filed a demurrer which was joined by the complainant, and upon that issue the matter was reported by the presiding Justice to the full Court. I have no hesitation in expressing the belief that the respondent's demurrer will be sustained and the bill dismissed.

There was also pending an action at law, commenced by one Margaret J. Gilpatric, against the City, for damages alleged to have been sustained by her, by reason of the extension of the "Fall Street Sewer." This case was in the law Court upon my assuming the duties of the office, the defendant's counsel having filed a demurrer at the entry term of the action, which upon joinder by the plaintiff was overruled by the presiding Justice, *pro forma*, and upon exceptions went forward. At the July (1892) term of the law Court I presented the case for the defendant in writing. Just before the January term of the S. J. Court the clerk of the Courts for this County received a rescript sustaining the ruling at *Nisi*. At the last named Court the case was opened to a jury, Hamilton & Cleaves appearing for the plaintiff, and the testimony for the plaintiff taken out. At this point, believing that no case had been made against the Municipality, I moved a non suit, which the presiding Justice was disposed to order, if it could not be agreed to report the matter to the full Court, which was finally done.

It is my firm conviction that the plaintiff will be non suit and the matter thus finally disposed of. Right here I will say that the action at law, brought by one Chas. G. Gove, above mentioned, will be settled according to the result in the Gilpatric case, and that means a verdict for the City.

At the May term of the S. J. Court, 1892, there was entered against the City an action at law by one Dana Hill of Dayton, for damages sustained by reason of the running away of horses belonging to the City, and at the time engaged in the collection of waste, etc., from the streets. After carefully investigating the matter I determined that the best interests of the defendant were to be conserved by a settlement of the matter, and so advised, and the case was disposed of by the payment of fifty dollars by the City, a settlement which I consider we were very fortunate in being able to obtain.

In the settlement of the last named case and the trial of the Gilpatric vs. Biddeford action, at the request of the Mayor I associated N. B. Walker, Esq., and I should feel that my report was very incomplete did I not make special mention of the ability and energy with which he labored for the interests of his client.

Your Obedient Servant,

CHAS. T. READ.

REPORT

OF THE

CITY TREASURER.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF BIDDEFORD:

The following statement for the year 1892 is respectfully submitted:

Cash on hand January 31, 1892.....	\$ 17,194.77
Received from all sources.....	265,281.05
	\$282,475.82
Total payments during the year.....	\$264,305.63
Cash on hand January 31, 1893.....	18,170.19
	\$282,475.82

A detailed statement will be found herewith:

	Receipts.	Payments.
Tax of 1882.....	\$75.30	
do 1888.....	3,209.75	
do 1889.....	6,758.77	
do 1890.....	6,074.00	
do 1891.....	11,611.40	
do 1892.....	130,400.00	
do 1888 School.....	361.40	
do 1889 do	550.12	
do 1890 do	1475.00	
do 1891 do	252.00	
do Non-Residents.....	535.80	
School Fund and Mill Tax 1891.....	9,356.04	
do do 1892.....	10,650.31	

City Hall.....	1,000.00	
Railroad and Telegraph Tax 1892.....	62.75	
City Liquor Agency.....	29,092.55	27,015.01
City Cemetery.....	32.00	75.00
City Building.....	3,823.98	4,332.59
City Library.....	179.56	568.31
General Expense.....	508.40	6,150.81
Bills Payable (Notes).....	54,500.00	51,800.00
Pauper Department.....	190.80	16,976.58
Fire Department.....	756.00	7,624.36
State Pensions.....	780.00	780.00
Police Department.....		7,316.24
School District No. 1.....		191.60
do " 2.....	87.52	195.33
do " 3.....		253.16
do " 4.....	250.00	26,912.55
do " 6.....		312.26
do " 7.....		223.00
do " 8.....		419.23
do " 8 Kennebunkport.....		12.25
do " 9.....		219.89
do " 10.....		336.58
do " 11.....		180.50
do " 12.....		236.36
do " 13.....		316.62
School House account District No. 4....		10,429.17
Free Text Books.....		629.61
Contingent Fund.....		3,684.51
Street Lights.....		8,473.94
Sewers and Drains		5,426.40
Sidewalks.....		4,379.45
Health Department.....		1,446.00
Salaries.....		5,634.33
Bridges.....		1,696.91
Insane account.....		2,219.02
Hydrants.....		3,238.56
Paving.....		149.00
Interest.....		20,658.22
County Tax 1892.....		7,852.35

State Tax 1892.....	20,774.77
Abatement of Tax 1885.....	3.00
do 1889.....	7.21
do 1890.....	29.15
do 1891.....	25.97
do 1892.....	1,020.02
Highways District No. 4.....	10,302.05
do River Road Eastern Div.	336.32
do do Western do	456.51
do Ward 7, Eastern do	506.70
do do Western do	528.13
do do Northern do	519.51
do Pool District.....	266.31
do Oak Ridge.....	284.33
do Fortunes Rocks.....	336.05
do Newtown.....	313.54
do Kennebunk Road.....	228.36
January 31st, 1892 Balance.....	17,194.77
January 31st, 1893 Balance.....	18,170.19
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	\$282,475.82 \$282,475.82

CITY BONDS.

Due May 1, 1895 4½ per cent.	\$25,000.00
do July 1, 1897, 4 “	25,000.00
do July 2, 1897, 4 “	20,000.00
do May 1, 1900, 4½ “	25,000.00
do July 1, 1901, 4 “	25,000.00
do May 15, 1904, 4 “	50,000.00
do May 15, 1905, 4 “	50,000.00
do Sept. 1, 1906, 4 “	10,000.00
do July 1, 1907, 4 “	10,000.00
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	\$240,000.00

Respectfully,
C. E. GOODWIN, Treasurer.

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1892-3, IN DETAIL.

DEPARTMENT.	Cash Rec'd & credited including balance on hand Jan'y 31, 1892.	Approp't'ns including School Money.	Other Credits	Total Credits	Cash Paid & charged in- cluding bal- ance Jan'y 31, 1893.	Other Charges including Tax Levy	Total Charges	Credit bal- ances trans- ferred.	Debit balances transferred.
Balance January 31, 1892	17194 77	.....	.....	17194 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tax of 1882	75 30	.....	.....	75 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1888	3209 75	.....	.....	3209 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1889	67 8 77	.....	.....	6758 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1890	6074 00	.....	.....	6074 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1891	4319 00	.....	8224 20	12543 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1892	130400 00	.....	.....	130400 00	.....	163656 96	163656 96	.....	.....
do 1890 Non-Resident	78 88	.....	.....	78 88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1891 do	456 92	.....	.....	456 92	.....	931 80	931 80	.....	.....
do 1888 School	361 40	.....	.....	361 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1889 do	550 12	.....	.....	550 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1890 do	1475 00	.....	.....	1475 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do 1891 do	252 00	.....	.....	252 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
School House acct, Dist. No. 4 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10429 17	250 00	10679 17	.....	.....
School Dist. No. 1 .....	.....	161 23	.....	161 23	191 60	.....	191 60	.....	.....
do 2	87 52	193 47	.....	280 99	195 33	.....	195 33	.....	.....
do 3 .....	.....	541 72	.....	541 72	253 16	.....	253 16	.....	.....
do 4	250 00	27890 93	250 00	28390 93	26912 55	.....	26912 55	.....	.....
do 6 .....	.....	335 35	.....	335 35	312 26	.....	312 26	.....	.....
do 7 .....	.....	167 67	.....	167 67	223 00	.....	223 00	.....	.....
do 8 .....	.....	335 35	.....	335 35	419 23	.....	419 23	.....	.....
do 9 .....	.....	109 63	.....	109 63	219 89	.....	219 89	.....	.....
do 10 .....	.....	483 67	.....	483 67	336 58	.....	336 58	.....	.....
do 11 .....	.....	102 39	.....	102 39	180 50	.....	180 50	.....	.....
do 12 .....	.....	206 37	.....	206 37	236 36	.....	236 36	.....	.....
do 13 .....	.....	122 53	.....	122 53	316 62	.....	316 62	.....	.....
do 8 Kennebunkport .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 25	.....	12 25	.....	.....
Free Text Books .....	.....	500 60	.....	500 00	629 61	.....	629 61	.....	.....
School Fund and Mill Tax 1891	9356 04	.....	.....	9356 04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
do do 1892	10650 31	.....	.....	10650 31	.....	10650 31	10650 31	.....	.....
Abatement of Tax 1885 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	3 00	.....	3 00
do 1889 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 21	.....	7 21	.....	7 21
do 1890 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 15	.....	29 15	.....	29 15
do 1891 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 97	.....	25 97	.....	25 97
do 1892 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1020 02	.....	1020 02	.....	1020 02

City Liquor Agency.....	29092 55			29092 55	27015 01		27015 01	2077 54	
City Cemetery.....	32 00			32 00	75 00		75 00		43 00
City Building.....	3823 98			3823 98	4332 59		4332 59		508 61
City Library.....	179 56	250 00		429 56	568 31		668 31		138 75
City Hall.....	1000 00			1000 00				1000 00	
General Expense.....	508 40	5500 00		6008 40	6150 81		6150 81		142 41
Bills Payable (Notes).....	54500 00			54500 00	51800 00		51800 00		785 78
Pauper Department.....	190 80	16000 00		16190 80	16976 58		16976 58		
Fire do.....	756 00	7500 00		8256 00	7624 36		7624 36	631 64	
Railroad and Telegraph Tax 1892.....	62 75			62 75				62 75	
State Pensions.....	780 00			780 00	780 00		780 00		
Police Department.....		7000 00		7000 00	7316 24		7316 24		316 24
Contingent Fund.....		6000 00		6000 00	3684 51		3684 51	2315 49	
Street Lights.....		8000 00		8000 00	8475 94		8475 94		475 94
Highways Dist. No. 4.....		7500 00		7500 00	10302 05		10302 05		2802 05
do Riv. Road East. Div.....		300 00		300 00	336 32		336 32		36 32
do do West. ".....		500 00		500 00	456 51		456 51	43 49	
do Ward 7 East. ".....		700 00		700 00	506 70		506 70	193 30	
do do West. ".....		550 00		550 00	528 13		528 13	21 87	
do do Northern ".....		500 00		500 00	519 51		519 51		19 51
do Pool Dist.....		250 00		250 00	266 31		266 31		16 31
do Oak Ridge Dist.....		300 00		300 00	284 33		284 33	15 67	
do Fortunes Rocks Dist.....		350 00		350 00	336 05		336 05	13 95	
do Newtown Dist.....		300 00		300 00	313 54		313 54		13 54
do Kennebunk Road Dist.....		200 00		200 00	228 36		228 36		28 36
Sewers and Drains.....		4000 00		4000 00	5426 40		5426 40		1426 40
Sidewalks.....		4000 00		4000 00	4379 45		4379 45		379 45
Health Department.....		1500 00		1500 00	1446 00		1446 00	54 00	
Salaries.....		6000 00		6000 00	5634 33		5634 33	365 67	
Bridges.....		1500 00		1500 00	1696 91		1696 91		196 91
Insane acct.....		2000 00		2000 00	2219 02		2219 02		219 02
Hydrants.....		3300 00		3300 00	3238 56		3238 56	61 44	
Paving.....					149 00		149 00		149 00
Interest.....		18000 00		18000 00	20658 22		20658 22		2658 22
County Tax 1892.....			7852 35	7852 35	7852 35		7852 35		
State Tax of 1892.....			20774 77	20774 77	20774 77		20774 77		
Discount on Taxes.....		6500 00		6500 00		7292 40	7292 40		792 40
Overlay and Gain 1892.....			5360 84	5360 84				5360 84	
Dog Tax 1892.....			669 00	669 00				669 00	
January 31st, 1893, Balance.....					18170 19		18170 19		
	\$282,475 82	\$139 650 31	\$43,131 16	\$465,257 29	\$282 475 82	\$182,781 47	\$465 257 29		

Total Credit Balances Transferred,

\$12,886 65

Total Debit Balances Transferred.

\$12,233 57

JOINT RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

CITY COUNCIL.

RULE 1. At the commencement of the municipal year the following joint standing committees shall be appointed by the Mayor, unless otherwise ordered by the respective Boards, viz:

ON FINANCE.—To consist of the Mayor, one Alderman, and three members of the Common Council.

ON ACCOUNTS.—To consist of one Alderman, and two members of the Common Council.

ON PUBLIC PROPERTY.—To consist of the Mayor, one Alderman, and three members of the Common Council.

ON PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND CITY LIBRARY.—To consist of the Mayor, one Alderman, the President and two members of the Common Council.

ON FIRE DEPARTMENT.—To consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council.

ON PRINTING.—To consist of one Alderman and two members of the Common Council.

ON POOR.—To consist of two Aldermen and three members of the Common Council.

ON ORDINANCES.—To consist of the Mayor, and two members of the Common Council.

ON ROADS, STREETS, SEWERS, DRAINS, AND STREET LIGHTS.—To consist of the Mayor, two Aldermen, and four members of the Common Council.

On all joint committees wherein it is provided that the Mayor shall be a member, in case of the non-election, decease, inability, or absence of that officer, the chairman of the Board of Aldermen shall act ex-officio.

The member of the Board of Aldermen first named on every joint committee, of which the Mayor is not a member, shall be its chairman; and in case of his resignation, or inability, the other members of the same board in the order in which they are named; and after them the members of the Common Council first in order, shall call the meetings of the committee, and act as chairman.

RULE 2. In every case of disagreement between the two branches of the City Council, if either Board shall request a conference, and appoint a committee of conference, and the other Board shall also appoint a committee to confer, such committees shall, at a convenient hour, to be agreed upon by their chairmen, meet and state to each other verbally, or in writing, as either shall choose, the reasons of their respective board, for and against the matter in controversy, confer freely thereon, and report to their respective branches.

RULE 3. When either Board shall not concur in any action of the other, notice of non-concurrence shall be given by written messages.

RULE 4. Either Board may propose to the other for its con-

currence, a time to which both Boards shall adjourn; and neither shall adjourn without giving notice to the other Board, and receiving notice from said other Board that it is also ready to adjourn.

RULE 5. In all votes, when either or both branches of the City Council express anything by way of command, the form of expression shall be "ORDERED;" and when either or both branches express opinions, principles, facts, or purposes, the form shall be "RESOLVED."

RULE 6. No committee shall act by separate consultation, and no report shall be received, unless agreed to in committee actually assembled.

RULE 7. It shall be the duty of every joint committee, to whom any subject may be specially referred, to report thereon within four weeks, or ask for further time.

RULE 8. The Reports of all committees, agreed to by a majority of the members, shall be made to the Board in which the business referred to originated, and all committees may report by ordinance, or otherwise.

RULE 9. All reports and other papers, submitted to the City Council, shall be written in a fair hand; and no report of any kind shall be endorsed on the memorials or other papers referred to the committee of either branch; and the Clerk shall make copies of any papers to be reported by committees, at the request of the respective chairman thereof.

RULE 10. No business shall be transacted by the City Council in convention, except such as shall have been agreed upon, unless by unanimous consent.

RULE 11. After the annual appropriations have been passed,

no subsequent expenditures shall be authorized for any object, unless provision for the same shall be made by a specific transfer from some of the appropriations contained in the annual resolutions, or by expressly creating therefor a city debt; but no such debt shall be created, unless the resolution authorizing the same pass by the affirmative votes of two-thirds of the whole number of each branch of the City Council voting by yeas and nays.

RULE 12. Every joint resolution shall have as many readings in each Board as the rules of each Board require, after which the question shall be on passing the same; and when the same shall have been passed, it shall be sent to the other Board for concurrence; and when such resolutions shall have been passed by each Board, the same shall be enrolled by the City Clerk, and examined by a committee of the Common Council; and on being correctly enrolled, without further reading or question, shall be signed by the President of the Common Council and sent to the other Board, when a like examination shall be made by a committee of that Board; and if found correctly enrolled, the same shall be presented to the Mayor for his signature.

RULE 13. Every ordinance shall have as many readings as the rules of each Board require, after which the question shall be on passing the same to be enrolled, and it shall be sent to the other Board for concurrence; and when such ordinance shall have so passed to be enrolled in each Board, the same shall be enrolled by the City Clerk, and examined by a committee of the Common Council; and on being found by said committee to be correctly enrolled, the same shall be reported to the Council, when the question shall be on passing the same to be ordained, and when said ordinance shall have so passed to be ordained, it shall be signed by the President of the Common Council, and sent to the other Board, where a like examination shall be made by a committee of that Board; and if found to be correctly en-

rolled, the same shall be reported to the Board, and the question shall be on passing the same to be ordained; and when the same shall have been passed to be ordained, it shall be signed by the Mayor.

RULE 14. No enrolled ordinance or resolution shall be amended.

RULE 15. No chairman of any committee shall audit or approve any bill or account against the city, for any supplies or services which shall not have been ordered or authorized by the committee.

RULE 16. No vote by which an order, resolve or ordinance has been passed in its final stage, shall be reconsidered in either Board, after the same has been finally acted upon in either Board, unless the motion for reconsideration be made, or notice given at the same meeting at which the vote to be reconsidered passed; and when any order, resolve or ordinance shall have been rejected, no other substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member, during the municipal year, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

RULE 17. No member of either Board shall be allowed to serve or vote on any committee to which any question is referred where his private right or interest is concerned, distinct from the public interest.

RULE 18. None of the foregoing joint rules and orders shall be suspended, amended or appealed, unless two-thirds of the members present consent thereto.

RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN.

RULE 1. The Mayor shall take the chair at the hour appointed for the meeting, and call the members to order; and a quorum being present, shall cause the minutes of the preceding meeting to be read. In the absence of the Mayor, the Board shall elect a president, pro tempore.

RULE 2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Board, by motion regularly seconded; and no other business shall be in order till the question on the appeal is decided.

RULE 3. He may read sitting, but shall rise to state a motion or put a question.

RULE 4. He shall declare all votes; but if a vote is doubted he shall cause a return of the members voting in the affirmative, and in the negative without debate.

RULE 5. He shall take the sense of the Board in yeas and nays, on all questions whatsoever, provided any member shall so request.

RULE 6. After a motion is stated or read by the presiding officer, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Board, and shall be disposed of by vote.

RULE 7. When a question is under debate, the presiding officer shall receive no motion but to adjourn, lay on the table, to postpone to a certain time, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged.

RULE 8. Every member when about to speak, shall rise and respectfully address the presiding officer, confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personalities. No member shall speak while out of his place without leave.

RULE 9. No member speaking shall be interrupted by another but by a call to order, or to correct a mistake.

RULE 10. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question without leave of the Board, nor more than once until other members choosing to speak shall have spoken.

RULE 11. Every member, who shall be present when a question is put, shall give his vote unless the Board shall excuse him.

RULE 12. Every ordinance shall pass through the following stages, before it shall be considered as having received the final action of this Board, viz:—first reading, second reading, passage to be enrolled, passage to be ordained; and every joint resolution shall have two several readings, before the question shall be taken on its final passage.

RULE 13. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the presiding officer shall so direct, or any member request it.

RULE 14. The following standing committees of the Board shall be appointed, viz:

On Elections,

On Police,

On Licenses,

On Enrolled Bills.

The Committees on Police and on License to consist of the Mayor and two Aldermen, and each of the others to consist of three Aldermen.

RULE 15. Committees of the Board, to whom any matter is specially-referred, shall be required to report within four weeks, or ask for further time.

RULE 16. All committees shall be appointed and announced by the Mayor, unless the Board shall determine otherwise.

RULE 17. The foregoing rules and orders shall be observed in all cases unless suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, for a specific purpose.

RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL.

DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT.

RULE 1. The President shall take the chair precisely at the hour appointed for the meeting, and shall call the members to order. Before proceeding to business, he shall cause the minutes of the preceding meeting to be read. In the absence of the President the oldest member present shall call the Council to order, and preside until a president pro tempore be chosen.

RULE 2. He shall preserve order and decorum; may speak to points of order in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Council by any two members.

RULE 3. He shall rise to address the Council, to state facts or to put a question, but may read sitting.

RULE 4. He shall declare all votes; but if a vote be doubted, the President shall without further debate, require the members voting in the affirmative and negative to rise and stand until they are counted, and he shall declare the result.

RULE 5. He may call any member to the chair; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment; and when out

of the chair, the President may express his opinion on any subject under debate, and shall not resume the chair while the same question is pending.

RULE 6. All questions shall be propounded in the order in which they are moved, unless the subsequent motion be previous in its nature, except that in naming sums and fixing times, the largest sum and the longest time shall be put first.

RULE 7. After a motion is stated by the President, it shall be disposed of by vote of the Council, unless the mover withdraw it before a decision or amendment.

RULE 8. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order; that, and the motion to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.

RULE 9. The previous question shall be in this form: "Shall the main question now be put?" It shall only be admitted when demanded by a majority of the members present; and until it is decided, shall preclude all amendment and further debate of the main question.

RULE 10. When two or more members happen to rise at the same time, the President shall name the member who is to speak first.

ELECTION AND DUTY OF CLERK.

RULE 11. The clerk of the Council shall be elected by written ballots.

RULE 12. The Clerk shall keep brief minutes of the votes and proceedings of the Council, entering thereon all accepted resolutions; shall notice reports and memorials and other papers submitted to the Board, only by their titles, or a brief description of their purport.

RIGHTS, DUTIES AND DECORUM OF MEMBERS.

RULE 13. The yeas and nays shall be taken on any question, upon the request of any two members present.

RULE 14. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Council, he shall rise in his place and respectfully address the presiding officer, confining himself to the question under debate and avoiding personality.

RULE 15. No member speaking shall be interrupted by another but by a call to order, or to correct a mistake. If any member in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Council, the President shall, or any member may, call him to order; in which case the member so called to order shall immediately sit down unless permitted to explain; and the Council, if appealed to, shall decide on the case but without debate. If the decision be in favor of the member so called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed; if otherwise, he shall not proceed without leave of the Council.

RULE 16. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Council.

RULE 17. When the President or any other member is speaking, none shall stand up or pass unnecessarily before the person speaking.

RULE 18. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it.

RULE 19. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, for the previous question, to postpone to a certain day, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely; which several motions shall have the preference in the order in which they are arranged, and no

motion to postpone or commit shall be allowed twice in the same day in the same stage of the ordinance or proposition.

RULE 20. A motion for the reconsideration of a vote shall be open to debate, but such motion shall not be considered unless made by a member voting with the majority, or unless notice thereof be given at the meeting at which the vote passed, in which case the motion shall be made at the next meeting after, and only one motion for the re-consideration of any vote shall be permitted.

RULE 21. Every member who shall be in the Council when a question is put, shall give his vote, unless the Council for special reasons excuse him.

RULE 22. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under discussion, shall be admitted under color of an amendment

RULE 23. All motions and reports may be committed or re-committed at the pleasure of the Council.

RULE 24. The division of a question may be called for when the sense will admit of it.

RULE 25. When the reading of a paper is called for and objected to, it shall be determined by a vote of the Council.

RULE 26. No rule or order of the Council shall be repealed or amended without one day's notice being given of the motion therefor, nor unless a majority of the whole Council concur therein.

RULE 27. No member shall be obliged to serve on more than two committees at the same time, or be the chairman of more than one.

RULE 28. Members of the Council may attend meetings of its Committees, but shall not vote thereat.

RULE 29. Every member shall take notice of the day and hour to which the Council stands adjourned, and shall give his punctual attendance accordingly; and shall attend all special meetings properly called.

RULE 30. The rules and orders of the Council shall be observed in all cases unless suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, for specific purposes.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, &C.

RULE 31. All memorials, and other papers addressed to the Council, shall be presented by the President, or by a member in his place, who shall explain the subject thereof, and they shall be taken up in the order in which they were presented, unless the Council shall otherwise direct.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

RULE 32. All ordinances and resolutions shall have two several readings before they shall be finally passed by the Council.

RULE 33. No ordinance or resolution imposing penalties or authorizing the expenditure of money, shall have more than one reading the same day.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.

RULE 34. All Committees, except such as the Council determine to select by ballot, shall be nominated by the President.

RULE 35. Standing Committees shall be appointed on the following subjects: On Elections and Returns, on Enrolled Bills—each to consist of three members.

RULE 36. No Committee shall sit during the sitting of the

Council, without special leave, except the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

RULE 37. The rules of proceedings in the Council shall be observed in Committee of the whole, so far as they may be applicable, except the rule limiting the time of speaking.

RULE 38. When a committee is nominated by the Chair, the person first named shall be the chairman. In election of Committees by ballot, when a chairman is not specially chosen, the person having the highest number of votes shall act as chairman, and in case of an equality of votes between two or more candidates of a Committee, the members thereof shall choose a chairman.

RULE 39. All Committees of the Council shall consist of three members, unless a different number be specially ordered. And no report shall be received from any Committee, unless agreed to in Committee actually assembled, and all reports shall be in writing.

RULE 40. It shall be the duty of every Committee of the Council to whom any subject may be specially referred, to report thereon within four weeks, or ask for further time.

PAYMENT OF BILLS.

Regular monthly meetings, second Monday evening in each month at 7.30 o'clock.

Tuesday of each week is PAY DAY on all bills properly approved and allowed.

All bills against the city must be presented at the City Clerk's office on Monday of each week, at or before 9 a. m., for inspection of Committee on Accounts. All bills not so presented will remain over until the next week.

All bills presented for payment must be approved by the proper officers; and must specify what the article or articles were for, and for what department; and when for labor where it was performed, with proper dates.

Items charged to different departments must be made on separate bills.

When bills have been once presented, ascertain if allowed before duplicating the amount on a subsequent bill, as is sometimes done.

CHARTER OF THE BIDDEFORD AND SACO WATER COMPANY.

CHAPTER 124—PRIVATE LAWS OF 1881.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BIDDEFORD AND SACO WATER COMPANY.

- SECTION 1. Corporation. Corporate name.
- “ 2. Authorized to take and use certain waters and erect dam and reservoirs.
- “ 3. Damages and adjustment thereof.
- “ 4. Authorized to lay pipes, etc. Consent of the citizens of Saco required. Liability for damages.
- “ 5. May cross and change direction of Sewers.
- “ 6. Surveys to be made and notice of location to be published.
- “ 7. Penalty for injuring property or corrupting waters.
- “ 8. Capital stock.
- “ 9. Biddeford and Saco may subscribe to the stock.
- “ 10. First meeting, how called.

AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF BIDDEFORD AND SACO WATER COMPANY.

CHAPTER 180—PRIVATE LAWS OF 1883.

- SECTION 1. Chapter 124. Special Laws of 1881, amended,
- “ 2. Corporators. Corporate name.
- “ 3. May hold real and personal estate. Limit.
- “ 4. Authorized to take and use certain waters, erect dams and reservoirs.
- “ 5. Damages and adjustment thereof.
- “ 6. Capital stock.
- “ 7. Authorized to lay pipes, etc. Liability for damages.
- “ 8. May supply water, to United States, etc.
- “ 9. May cross and change direction of sewers.
- “ 10. Penalty for injuring or corrupting waters.
- “ 11. May issue bonds.
- “ 12. Charter null and void unless works completed in given time.
- “ 13. First meeting, how called.

CHAPTER 240—PRIVATE LAWS OF 1887.

- SECTION 1. Doings of Biddeford and Saco Water Company made valid.

CHAPTER 312—PRIVATE LAWS OF 1889.

- SECTION 1. Company authorized to issue bonds and mortgage property.
- “ 2. May make contracts to supply water.
- “ 3. Contracts already made, legalized.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

SECTION 1. James M. Andrews, Edward W. Staples, Horace Ford, Alfred Goodwin, R. W. Randall, William Hill, George W. Donnell, Samuel G. Twambley, Albert K. Cleaves, E. H. Banks, C. E. Hussey, Thomas Haley, W. H. Fields, O. H. Staples, Oliver C. Clark, John S. Derby, John Quinby, George F. Owen, William J. Bradford, Enoch Lowell, with their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Biddeford & Saco Water Company, for the purpose of conveying to, and supplying the cities of Biddeford and Saco, in York county, with pure and wholesome water; and said corporation, for said purposes, may hold real estate and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, not exceeding in amount two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized for the purposes aforesaid, to take, detain and use the water of Kennebunk pond, or Saco river, or either of them, in either or all the towns of Lyman, Hollis, or the city of Biddeford; and is also authorized to erect, maintain dams and reservoirs, and lay and maintain pipes and aqueducts necessary for the proper accumulating, conducting, discharging, distributing and disposing of water, and forming proper reservoirs thereof; and said corporation may take and hold any lands necessary therefor, and may excavate through any lands where necessary for the purpose of this incorporation.

SECTION 3. Said corporation shall be held liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any land, or other property, or by flowage, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of laying down pipes and aqueducts, building dams and reservoirs, and also damages for any other injuries resulting from said acts; and if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid, and said corporation shall not mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, such person may cause his damages to be ascertained in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of highways.

SECTION 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay down in and through the streets and ways in said towns of Lyman, Hollis, or the cities of Biddeford and Saco, all such pipes, aqueducts, and fixtures as may be necessary for the purposes of their incorporation, under such reasonable restrictions as the aldermen and selectmen of said towns and cities may impose. Said corporation shall have no authority to lay down in and through the streets and ways in said city of Saco, any pipes, aqueducts or fixtures, unless and until the said city of Saco by a majority vote of its citizens at any legal meeting called for that purpose shall consent thereto. And said corporation shall be responsible for all damages to persons and property occasioned by the use of such streets and ways and shall further be liable to pay to said cities and towns all sums recovered against said cities and towns for damages from obstruction caused by said corporation, and for all expenses, including reasonable counsel fees incurred in defending such suits, with interest on the same.

SECTION 5. Said corporation shall have power to cross any private or public sewer, or to change the direction thereof, where necessary, for the purposes of their incorporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof; and said corporation shall be liable for any injury caused thereby.

SECTION 6. Said corporations shall cause surveys to be made for the purpose of locating their dams, reservoirs and pipes and other fixtures, and cause accurate plans of such location to be filed in the office of the city clerk of said Biddeford, and notice of such location shall be given to all persons affected thereby, by publication in some public newspaper in said county; and no entry shall be made upon any lands, except to make surveys, until the expiration of ten days from the said filing and publication.

SECTION 7. Any person who shall wilfully injure any of the property of said corporation, or who shall knowingly corrupt the water of said Kennebunk pond or Saco river, or any of their tributaries, in any manner whatever, or render them impure, whether the same be frozen or not, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not less than

one year, and shall be liable to said corporation for three times the actual damage, to be recovered in any proper action.

SECTION 8. The capital stock of said corporation shall be two hundred thousand dollars, which may be increased to two hundred and fifty thousand dollars by a vote of said corporation; and said stock shall be divided into shares of fifty and one hundred dollars each.

SECTION 9. Either of the cities of Biddeford and Saco are hereby authorized to subscribe to the stock of said corporation to an extent not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars by a majority vote, at any legal meetings called for that purpose, and the mayor and city councils, or either of them, may take possession and complete said water works.

SECTION 10. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any seven corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand or by leaving the same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of meeting.

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect when approved. [Approved March 12, 1881.]

AMENDMENTS

To Charter of the Biddeford and Saco Water Company.

CHAPTER 180—PRIVATE LAWS OF 1883.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOUR OF THE PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS OF THE YEAR EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BIDDEFORD AND SACO WATER COMPANY."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-one is hereby amended by striking out all of said chapter after the word "company" in eighth line, and inserting instead thereof the following: "For the purpose of conveying to and supplying the towns of Lyman, Dayton and Scarboro, and the cities of Biddeford and Saco with pure water."

SECTION 2. Said corporation, for said purposes, may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, not exceeding in amount four hundred thousand dollars.

SECTION 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized, for the purposes aforesaid, to take, detain and use the water of Kennebunk pond, Swan's pond, or Saco river, or either of them, and all streams tributary thereto in either or all the towns of Lyman, Hollis, Dayton, Kennebunkport, Buxton, cities of Biddeford and Saco, and is also authorized to erect, maintain dams and reservoirs, and lay down and maintain pipes and aqueducts necessary for the proper accumulating, conducting, discharging, distributing and disposing of water and forming proper reservoirs thereof;

and said corporation may take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands or real estate necessary therefor, and may excavate through any lands where necessary for the purpose of this incorporation.

SECTION 4. Said corporation shall be held liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any persons by the taking of any land or other property, or by flowage, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of laying down pipes and aqueducts, building dams and reservoirs, and also damages from any other injuries resulting from said acts; and if any person sustaining damage as aforesaid and said corporation shall not mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, such person may cause his damage to be ascertained in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of railroads.

SECTION 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be two hundred thousand dollars, which may be increased to four hundred thousand dollars by a vote of said corporation, and said stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

SECTION 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay down in and through the streets and ways in said towns of Lyman, Hollis, Dayton, and Scarboro, and the cities of Biddeford and Saco, and to take up, replace and repair all such pipes, aqueducts and fixtures as may be necessary for the purposes of their incorporation, under such reasonable restrictions as the mayor and aldermen of said cities and selectmen of said towns may impose. And said corporation shall be responsible for all damages to persons and property occasioned by the use of such streets and ways, and shall further be liable to pay to said cities and towns all sums recovered against said cities and towns for damages from obstruction caused by said corporation, and for all expenses including reasonable counsel fees incurred in defending such suits, with interest on the same.

SECTION 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, and with corporations and inhabitants of cities and towns through which the pipes of the com-

pany may or shall hereafter be located for the purposes of supplying water as contemplated by said act; and any city or town in which the pipes of this corporation shall be laid are hereby authorized, by its city council or selectmen, to enter into contract with said company for a supply of water, and for such exemptions from public burdens as the towns and cities herein named and said company may agree, which, when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties thereto.

SECTION 8. Said corporation shall have power to cross any private or public sewer, or to change the direction thereof, where necessary for the purposes of their incorporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof; and said corporation shall be liable for any injuries caused thereby; whenever the company shall lay down any pipes in any street, or make any alterations or repairs upon its works in any streets, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, and shall at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavements removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.

SECTION 9. Any person who shall wilfully injure any of the property of said corporation, or who shall knowingly corrupt the waters of said Kennebunk pond, Swan's pond, Saco river, or any of their tributary streams, in any manner whatever, or render them impure, whether the same be frozen or not, or who shall throw the carcasses of dead animals or other offensive matter in said waters, or who shall wilfully destroy or injure any dam, reservoir, aqueduct, pipe, hydrant or other property held or owned by said corporation for the purposes of this act, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not less than one year, and shall be liable to said corporation for three times the actual damage, to be recovered in any proper action.

SECTION 10. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction of its works, upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, not exceeding the sum of four hundred thousand dollars, and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise and property of said company.

SECTION 11. In case the works of this corporation shall not have been put into actual operation within three years from April one, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, the rights and privileges herein granted shall become null and void.

SECTION 12. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any seven corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand or by leaving the same at his last usual place of abode seven days before the time of meeting.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect when approved. So that said chapter as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 1. James M. Andrews, Edward W. Staples, Horace Ford, Alfred Goodwin, R. W. Randall, William Hill, George W. Donnell, Samuel G. Twambley, Albert K. Cleaves, E. H. Banks, C. E. Hussey, Thomas Haley, W. H. Field, O. H. Staples, Oliver C. Clark, John S. Derby, John Quinby, George F. Owen, William J. Bradford, Enoch Lowell, with their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Biddeford & Saco Water Company, for the purpose of conveying to, and supplying the towns of Lyman, Dayton and Scarborough, and the cities of Biddeford and Saco with pure water.

SECTION 2. Said corporation, for said purposes, may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, not exceeding in amount four hundred thousand dollars.

SECTION 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized for the purposes aforesaid, to take, detain and use the water of Kennebunk pond, Swan's pond or Saco river, or either of them, and all streams tributary thereto in either or all the towns of Lyman, Hollis, Dayton, Kennebunkport, Buxton, or cities of Biddeford and Saco, and is also authorized to erect, maintain dams and reservoirs, and lay down and maintain pipes and aqueducts necessary for the proper accumulating, conducting, discharging, distributing and disposing of water and forming proper reservoirs thereof; and said corporation may take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands or real estate necessary therefor, and may excavate through any land where necessary for the purposes of this incorporation.

SECTION 4. Said corporation shall be held liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person by the taking of any land or other property, or by flowage, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of laying down pipes and aqueducts, building dams and reservoirs, and also damages for any other injuries resulting from said acts; and if any person sustaining damage as aforesaid and said corporation shall not mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, such person may cause his damages to be ascertained in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of railroads.

SECTION 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be two hundred thousand dollars, which may be increased to four hundred thousand dollars by a vote of said corporation, and said stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

SECTION 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay down in and through the streets and ways in said towns of Lyman, Hollis, Dayton and Scarboro, and the cities of Biddeford and Saco, and to take up, replace and repair all such pipes, aqueducts and fixtures as may be necessary for the purposes of their incorporation, under such reasonable restrictions as the mayor and aldermen of said cities and selectmen of said towns may impose. And said corporation shall be responsible for all damages to persons and property occasioned by the use of such streets and ways and shall further be liable to pay to said cities and towns all sums recovered against said cities and towns for damages from obstruction caused by said corporation, and for all expenses including reasonable counsel fees incurred in defending such suits, with interest on the same.

SECTION 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, and with corporations and inhabitants of cities and towns through which the pipes of the company may or shall hereafter be located, for the purposes of supplying water as contemplated by said act; and any city or town in which the pipes of this corporation shall be laid are hereby authorized, by its city council or selectmen, to enter into contract with said company for a supply of water, and for such

exemption from public burden as the towns and cities herein named and said company may agree, which, when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties thereto.

SECTION 8. Said corporation shall have power to cross any private or public sewer, or to change the direction thereof, when necessary for the purposes of their incorporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof; and said corporation shall be liable for any injury caused thereby; whenever the company shall lay down any pipes in any streets, or make any alterations or repairs upon its works in any streets, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, and shall at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavements removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.

SECTION 9. Any person who shall willfully injure any of the property of said corporation, or who shall knowingly corrupt the waters of said Kennebunk pond, Swan's pond, Saco river or any of their tributary streams, in any manner whatever, or render them impure, whether the same be frozen or not, or who shall throw the carcasses of dead animals or other offensive matter into said waters; or who shall wilfully destroy or injure any dam, reservoir, aqueduct, pipe, hydrant or other property held or owned by said corporation for the purposes of this act, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not less than one year, and shall be liable to said corporation for three times the actual damage, to be recovered in any proper action.

SECTION 10. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction of its works, upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, not exceeding the sum of four hundred thousand dollars, and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise and property of said company.

SECTION 11. In case the works of this corporation shall not have been put into actual operation within three years from April one, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, the rights and privileges herein granted shall become null and void.

SECTION 12. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any seven corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand or by leaving the same at his last usual place of abode seven days before the time of meeting.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect when approved. [Approved February 3, 1883.]

CHAPTER 240—PRIVATE LAWS OF 1887.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE BIDDEFORD AND SACO WATER COMPANY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. The acts and doings of the Biddeford and Saco Water Company under their charter as amended, in relation to its organization, and in issuing its bonds, and securing the same by mortgage on its franchise, are hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect when approved. [Approved March 11, 1887.]

CHAPTER 312—PRIVATE LAWS OF 1889.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BIDDEFORD AND SACO WATER COMPANY TO ISSUE BONDS AND TO MAKE VALID ITS DOINGS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Biddeford and Saco Water Company is hereby authorized and empowered to issue its bonds for the payment of its debts, and for the further construction and improvement of its works, for such amount, and upon such rate and time as it may deem expedient, not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars, in addition to the amount of its present bonded debt, and to secure the same by mortgage or deed of trust of its franchises and property.

SECTION 2. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered to make additional contracts with any city or town, through which its pipes may be laid, for the supply of water for the extinguishment of fire and other purposes.

SECTION 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed to impair the contracts already made with the cities of Saco and Biddeford dated January three, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, and the said contracts are hereby authorized, ratified, confirmed, made valid as to all the provisions thereof. [Approved February 5, 1889.]

CONTRACT
BETWEEN, THE
CITY OF BIDDEFORD AND BIDDEFORD & SACO
WATER COMPANY.

This memorandum of agreement made and entered into at Biddeford, in the State of Maine, this third day of January, A. D., 1884, by and between the city of Biddeford, a body corporate and politic established by law, by the Mayor of said city, hereunto duly authorized by vote of the City Council, approved March 24th, 1884, and acting within the scope of said order, party of the first part, and the Biddeford & Saco Water Company, a corporation established and organized under the laws of the State of Maine, and having a place of business at Biddeford, party of second part,—witnesses:

That for the consideration hereinafter mentioned, the party of the second part agrees with the party of the first part, that water from the Saco river shall be introduced into said city of Biddeford by a twenty (20) inch hydraulic main, within one year from January 1st, 1884, and shall lay before October 1st, 1886, not less than the following quantities of pipe in addition to the twenty inch main, viz: 4,000 feet sixteen (16) or twelve (12) inch pipe, 10,000 feet of eight (8) inch pipe, 10,000 feet of six (6) inch pipe, 6,000 feet of four (4) inch pipe, and that said party of the second part will furnish water for the extinguishment of fires for such number of post hydrants, not less than forty (40), as said first party may locate, at any time or any street or place where said company may locate. and lay down its pipes while the works are under construction, and until January

1st, 1886, and order set with suitable gates, pipes and connections, so as to connect said hydrants with the pipes of the Company. All hydrants, gates, pipes, and connections required by said City until January 1st, 1886, shall be furnished and the work done at the sole expense of the party of the second part, provided, however, that after January 1st, 1886, the said City may at its own expense, furnish hydrants, gates and pipes, and lay the same ready to be connected by said Company with the pipes, and said Company shall connect the same at the expense of said City.

Said party of the first part agrees to pay said second party for each and every hydrant set by said Company, or by said City, and maintained and kept in good repair by said Company, the sum of fifty (50) dollars per annum, payable in advance, one-half each on the first day of July and January of each year until July 1st, 1895, provided that after July 1st, 1895, all hydrants shall become the property of said City, and shall be maintained and kept in repair at the expense of said City.

The said Company shall furnish all hydrants owned by said City with water for the extinguishment of fires after July 1st, 1895, without charge being made to said City; said party of the second part also agrees to furnish said party of the first part, without charge being made therefor, water for three (3) drinking fountains for man and beast, the flow of water to be sufficient for a supply of water for said fountains.

Also for five (5) cup fountains, with self-closing cocks, to be used for persons only; all said fountains to be furnished, set and connected with the pipes of said Company at the expense of said City.

In consideration of the premises, the party of the first part agrees to exempt the property of said corporation necessary and used for the purpose of supplying water under its charter, and its capital stock from taxation for the term of thirty (30) years from Oct. 1st, 1883, and during the said thirty years the said Company shall have the exclusive right to lay pipes in the streets of said City for supplying water for municipal, domestic and manufacturing purposes, and to establish tariff rates therefor, and said Company agrees to furnish said City with water during

said time for the purposes above enumerated; but in case of accident or the extension of said work, time is to be given for repairs and making said extension.

It is further mutually agreed that the water to be furnished as above specified shall be supplied and regulated by such reasonable rules and regulations as said Company may establish for its management, provided that the location and elevation of the reservoir at the time of location shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Water, but it shall not be less than two hundred (200) feet above mean low tide to the top of the cap stone, and that the kind of post hydrant to be adopted and set in said City shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Fire Department.

In the event of any dispute or disagreement which may hereafter arise between the City of Biddeford and the said Water Company by reason of this agreement or any other cause which may occur between the said Water Company and City, it shall be settled by reference to three disinterested men, one to be selected by said City, one to be selected by said Company, and the third to be selected by the two parties already named, and their decision, when made, shall be final and binding upon both parties.

The party of the second part reserves the right to annul this contract, provided said party of the second part cannot within six months from January 1st, 1884, for a satisfactory compensation, acquire from the corporations claiming to own the water of said river for manufacturing purposes, the right to take and use the water of Saco river for the purposes named in the charter of the party of the second part.

In witness whereof we have hereunto interchangeably set our hands and seals this third day of January, A. D. 1884.

Biddeford and Saco Water Company, by

J. P. GILMAN, President. [L. s.]

GEO. P. WESCOTT, Treasurer. [L. s.]

E. W. STAPLES, Mayor. [L. s.]

Countersigned by

N. B. WALKER, City Solicitor.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF BIDDEFORD.

When Richard Vines with his little company of adventurers visited the coast of New England in 1616, he chose for his winter quarters the sheltered basin now known as Biddeford Pool. He was acting in the interest of his patron and friend, Sir Ferdinando Gorges, and devoted the winter to short exploring trips to the interior, with a view to form a settlement. His men were engaged in fishing and trade with the natives.

Vines may thus be called the first settler, though his stay at this time was only temporary. Several years after this and prior to 1623, he planted a colony at the mouth of the Saco and called the place Winter Harbor, using it as his chief resort in repeated voyages which he made afterward during twenty-five years.

But other voyagers had visited and superficially explored the vicinity before Vines. Martin Pring with two vessels arrived on the coast of Maine in 1603 and sailed up the Saco for five miles. He returned in 1606 and from this and other early visits, materials were obtained for a geographical outline of Maine or "Mavooshen" including a very curious description of the Shawakatoc, "the Westernmost river of the Dominions of Bashabez" and undoubtedly the present Saco. The renowned Capt. John Smith was here in 1614 and his journal has another name for the Saco, viz: Sawocotuck, while Demonts and Champlain, the French explorers, who came in 1603, called it Chouacoet. So much for early explorers.

The Biddeford patent, by which name the grant made by the council of Plymouth to John Oldham and Richard Vines, on Feb. 1, 1630, is called, coincides very closely with the present limits of the town. It conveyed a tract extending four miles along the coast and eight miles "up into the mainland." The legal ceremony of taking possession of the grant was performed by Richard Vines on June 25, 1630, in the presence of several gentlemen, prominent in early New England history. They were Isaac Allerton, Capt. Thomas Wigen, Thomas Purchase, Capt. Nathaniel Waters, Capt. John Wright, and Stephen Reekes, mariner. Rev. William Blackstone of Boston, William Jefferies, a planter, and

Edward Hilton of Piscataqua were the attorneys of the Council for the delivery of possession, but it does not appear that either was present at the formalities.

The Vines colony and that on the other side of the river were together called Saco for nearly a century after their inception. John Oldham probably took little interest in his patent, for there is no record of his ever having visited the place. It was chiefly at Winter Harbor that the first colonists settled, though their names and number are not recorded. Six years later however the list includes the following: Capt. Richard Bonython, Richard Vines, Thomas Lewis, Henry Boade, John Wadlow, Thomas Williams, Robert Sankey, Theophilus Davis, George Frost, Clement Greenway, John Parker, John Smith, Samuel Andrews, Wm. Scadlock, Robert Morgan, Henry Warwick, Richard Hitchcock, Thomas Page, Ambrose Berry, Henry Watts, Richard Foxwell, Francis Robinson, Arthur Mackworth, Peyton Cooke, Richard Williams, John West, Thomas Wise, Stephen Batson, John Baylie, Thomas Cole, John Wotten, James Cole, John Bonython, Morgan Howell, Arthur Browne, George Jewell and Peter Hogg, a servant. Several of these persons removed to Casco about this time.

These early settlers provided themselves with courts of law to settle the differences which arose among them from time to time. The record shows that in one of these courts, held June 25, 1640, Richard Vines was counsellor and R. Sankey was provost marshal. The court was executive and legislative, as well as judicial in its proceedings, and exercised a general control over the affairs of the province. Its records show that actions were maintained for drunkenness, debt, slander, profanity, sabbath-breaking and other offences. Three parties arrested for swearing were fined one shilling per oath. The first court house in Maine is said to have been at Leighton's point at the Pool.

Agriculture, fishing and trade with the natives were the chief employments of the colonists though there were a few mechanics among them.

Richard Vines remained with his colony until about the close of the year 1645, when he removed to the West Indies. In the last year of his abode at Winter Harbor he held the office of Governor by the election of the General Provincial Court. Before leaving the country, he sold his patent to Dr. Robert Child, who resided in Massachusetts for two years and was then compelled to return to England on account of religious intolerance. Dr. Child appears to have been a gentleman of fortune, with a liberal and enterprising spirit and would doubtless have proved a valuable addition to the colony. Biddeford's early settlers differed from the other New England fathers in that they were not religious refugees, escaping from the intolerance of their native land. They were men of enterprise urged hither by motives of personal interest and worldly gain. The community was purely English in its character and held strongly to the doctrines of the mother church, and

it remained so until changed gradually by the growing power, both civil and religions, of the Puritan colonies.

In 1623, the inhabitants passed under the jurisdiction of Massachusetts and nothing is known of the administration of town affairs before that time. Thomas Williams, Robert Booth and John West were then appointed selectmen by the Massachusetts commissioners of the township of Saco, which then included the Vines patent, on this side of the river. Dr. Child had sold his right to Messrs. Beex & Co., of London and in 1659, the latter firm made it over to William Phillips of Boston for the sum of £90. Mr. Phillips soon after acquired firmer title to his lands by written compacts with the old inhabitants and an extensive purchase from the Indian sachem, Mogg Megone.

Robert Davis was the first representative to the General Court of Massachusetts. That was in 1659, and the second was Robert Hitchcock in the following year. These were the only years in which the town was represented at the General Court during the century, though in 1667, under the regime of the King's commissioners, Brian Pendleton was elected burgess to attend the provincial court.

The following description of the settlements at this time is given by John Jocelyn in his "Voyages" 1672: "About eight or nine miles to the east of Cape Porpoise is Winter Harbor, a noted place for fishers. Here they have many stages. Saco adjoins to this and both make one scattering town of large extent, well stored with cattle, arable land, and marshes and a sawmill."

A union of the settlement with the town of Cape Porpoise was ordered by Gov. Andros, in 1688, but for what reason does not appear, and the union was only temporary. On account of the scattering condition of the houses in the settlement, and their consequent exposure to Indian ravages, the inhabitants of the west side of the river began to seek for a new town organization and a more compact settlement in accordance with the general policy of Massachusetts at that period, to carry out which a committee had been appointed by the General Court "to order and regulate the eastern settlements."

Biddeford accordingly came into existence as a town in 1718. In that year the last meeting of the inhabitants on both sides of the river under the old name of Saco, was held at the house of John Stackpole, when Ebenezer Hill, Humphrey Scamman, and Richard Stimpson were chosen selectmen. On Nov. 14, the General Court resolved on petition of Humphrey Scamman and others, that "the petitioners be invested with the powers of a town according to the ancient bounds thereof; provided that this order shall in no way infringe the just title of any persons to lands there, and that fifty families at the least more than now are, be admitted as soon as may be and settle in a compact and defensible manner,—and the name thereof be Biddeford."

The first recorded town meeting was held in March, 1719. Benjamin Haley and Messrs. Hill and Scamman were chosen selectmen; John

Sharpe, surveyor. In May it was voted that Humphrey Scamman "represent the town before the great and General Court at Boston." In 1722 it was voted to raise £22 to defray the charges of the town; and not to send a representative "by reason of not being of ability to defray the expense."

Biddeford's representatives to the General Court were as follows: Capt. H. Scamman, 1719; Pendleton Fletcher, 1721; Capt. Daniel Smith, 1747-50; Rev. Samuel Hill, 1754; Samuel Jordan, 1756-7, and 1760-1 2-3; Jeremiah Hill, Sr., 1766-72; Abraham Chase, 1768.

SELECTMEN.

Ebenezer Hill, Benjamin Haley, Humphrey Scamman, 1719; Ebenezer Hill, Pendleton Fletcher, H. Scamman, 1720; H. Scamman, Abraham Townsend, Ebenezer Hill, 1721; A. Townsend, E. Hill, H. Scamman, 1722; H. Scamman, E. Hill, John Davis, 1723; H. Scamman, E. Hill, A. Townsend, 1724-5; E. Hill, A. Townsend, H. Scamman, 1726; Samuel Jordan, E. Hill, A. Townsend, 1727; Benjamin Haley, A. Townsend, John Gordon, 1728; S. Jordan, Lt. John Stackpole, H. Scamman, 1729; H. Scamman, S. Jordan, J. Stackpole, 1730; H. Scamman, E. Hill, Richard Stimpson, 1731; Records defective, 1732-4; Robert Patterson, Robert Edgecomb, J. Davis, 1735; E. Hill, J. Davis, R. Patterson, 1736; John Gray, J. Stackpole, S. Jordan, 1737-9; S. Jordan, J. Stackpole, H. Scamman, 1740; E. Hill, H. Jordan, J. Stackpole, 1741; E. Hill, Rishworth Jordan, Samuel Scamman, 1742; J. Gray, S. Jordan, A. Townsend, R. Patterson, J. Davis, 1743; J. Gray, R. Jordan, E. Hill, R. Patterson, Robert Brooks, 1744; J. Gray, E. Hill, R. Patterson, R. Jordan, Dominicus Scamman, 1745; R. Jordan, Thomas Emery, Christopher Bradbury, J. Stackpole, G. S. Scamman, Jr., 1746; J. Gray, R. Brooks, R. Jordan, S. Scamman, Jr., C. Bradbury, 1747; J. Gray, Capt. Daniel Smith, R. Jordan, C. Bradbury, S. Scamman, 1748; J. Gray, J. Davis, R. Jordan, S. Scamman, Jr., James Scamman, 1749; R. Jordan, S. Scamman, J. Scamman, Joseph Dyer, J. Stackpole, Jr., 1750; R. Jordan, J. Scamman, S. Scamman, Jr., J. Stackpole, Jr., J. Dyer, 1751; R. Jordan, S. Scamman, Jr., J. Scamman, J. Dyer, 1752-3; R. Jordan, S. Scamman, Jr., Tristram Jordan, J. Dyer, 1754; R. Jordan, S. Scamman, J. Dyer, T. Jordan, E. Hill, Jr., 1755-6; Capt. T. Jordan, J. Dyer, Amos Chase, Benjamin Hooper, Jeremiah Hill, 1757-8; J. Dyer, B. Hooper, J. Hill, A. Chase, Ebenezer Ayers, 1759; S. Jordan, Capt. T. Jordan, A. Chase, J. Dyer, J. Hill, 1760-2; R. Jordan, S. Jordan, J. Hill, 1763-6; R. Jordan, J. Hill, Benjamin Nason, 1767; R. Jordan, J. Hill, B. Hooper, 1768-70; R. Jordan, Obed Emery, E. Hill, 1771; R. Jordan, J. Hill, B. Hooper, 1772-4; R. Jordan, Joseph Stimpson, Allison Smith, 1775-6; R. Jordan, B. Hooper, B. Nason, 1777; A. Smith, R. Jordan, Joseph Morrill, 1778; John Dyer, A. Smith, B. Nason, 1780; R. Jordan, Capt. B. Hooper, James Emery, 1781; R. Jordan, B. Hooper, A. Smith, 1782-3; A. Smith, John Dyer, Robert Gilpatric, 1784-5; R.

Jordan, B. Hooper, J. Emery, 1786-7; A. Smith R. Gilpatric, Josiah Hill, 1788; A. Smith, R. Gilpatrick, J. Hill, 1789; B. Nason, J. Hill, R. Gilpatrick, 1790; R. Gilpatrick, A. Smith, R. T. Jordan, 1791; J. Hill, R. Gilpatrick, R. T. Jordan, 1792; R. Gilpatrick, J. Hill, R. T. Jordan, 1793; J. Hill, C. Gilpatrick, A. Smith, 1794; R. Gilpatrick, C. Gilpatrick, A. Smith, 1795; J. Hill, A. Smith, J. Morrill, 1796; J. Morrill, J. Hill, R. Gilpatrick, 1797; A. Smith, J. Hill, R. Gilpatrick, 1798; R. Gilpatrick, J. Hill, A. Smith, 1799; R. Gilpatrick, J. Hill, R. T. Jordan, 1800; C. Gilpatric, R. Jordon, J. Morrill, 1801; J. Hill, S. Spring, R. Gilpatrick, 1802; J. Hill, S. Spring, R. Gilpatrick, 1803; I. Fairfield, R. Gilpatrick, J. Hill, 1804; J. Hill, I. Fairfield, D. Cleaves, 1805; J. Hill, D. Cleaves, I. Fairfield, 1806; I. Fairfield, D. Cleaves, J. Hill, 1807; I. Lassell, A. Smith, M. Bradbury, 1808; M. Bradbury, J. Hill, I. Lassell, 1809; J. Hill, M. Bradbury, J. Hill, 1810; J. Hill, N. Goodwin, J. Spring, 1811; S. Merrill, J. Hill, I. Lasell, 1812; J. Hill, S. Merrill, E. Coffin, 1813; E. Coffin, S. Merrill, I. Lassell, 1814; I. Lasell, J. Hill, M. Bradbury, 1815; N. Bradbury, S. Merrill, N. Goodwin, 1816; T. Smith, N. Goodwin, S. Merrill, 1817; T. Smith, N. Goodwin, S. Merrill, 1818; S. Merrill, N. Goodwin, T. Smith, 1819; S. Merrill, W. P. Hooper, N. Goodwin, 1820; W. P. Hooper, S. M rrill, N. Smith, 1821; W. P. Hooper, N. Smith, S. Merrill, 1822; W. P. Hooper, S. Merrill, S. Emery, 1823; S. Merrill, W. P. Hooper, S. Emery, 1824; S. Merrill, W. P. Hooper, S. Emery, 1825; S. Merrill, H. Lowell, E. Dean, 1826; S. Merrill, S. Emery, H. Lowell, 1827; S. Merrill, M. Bradbury, H. Lowell, 1828; S. Merrill, H. Lowell, Samuel Emery, 1829; S. Merrill, H. Lowell, W. Smith, 1830; S. Merrill, H. Lowell, W. Smith 1831; S. Merrill, H. Lowell, W. Smith, 1832; H. Lowell, S. Emery, I. Jordan, 1833; H. Lowell, S. Emery, I. Jordan, 1834; H. Lowell, S. Emery, I. Jordan, 1835; H. Lowell, S. Emery, I. Jordan, 1836, H. Lowell, S. Emery, I. Jordan. 1837; S. Gilpatrick, J. Benson, S. Merrill, 1838; S. Gilpatrick, N. Goodwin, I. Jordan, 1839; S. Gilpatrick, N. H. Goodwin, S. Haley, 1840; H. Lowell, I. Pinkham, I. Jordan, 1841; H. Lowell, I. Pinkham, I. Jordan 1842; H. Lowell, G. H. Adams, C. Gordon, 1843; L. Rumery, G. H. Adams, C. Gordon, 1844; C. Gordon, G. H. Adams, H. Lowell, 1845; M. Bradbury, S. F. Chase, S. Smith, 1846; G. H. Adams, C. Gordon, H. Lowell, 1847; C. Gordon, G. H. Adams, H. Lowell, 1848; H. Lowell, J. Smith, Jr., W. Berry, 1849; H. Lowell, C. Gordon, G. H. Adams, 1850; C. Gordon, W. Berry, T. H. Cole, 1851; C. Gordon, G. H. Adams, H. Lowell, 1852; C. Gordon, H. Lowell G. H. Adams, 1853; C. Gordon, W. H. Smith, B. E. Cutter 1854.

There were four town clerks during this period, as follows: Humphrey Scamman, 1717-34; Samuel Jordan, 1734-41; Rishworth Jordan, 1741-80; Jeremiah Hill, 1780-88.

The town suffered severely from Indian raids during the century following its first settlement, but after the peace of 1748, no further trouble was experienced from them. In the war of the revolution, Bid-

deford acted a highly honorable part, a number of townsmen entering the Continental army, and several privateers being fitted out.

A post-office was first established in the town in 1789, with Benjamin Hooper as postmaster. Biddeford was incorporated as a city in 1855, Daniel Somes becoming the first mayor. Its population by the first census in 1790 was 1,018; in 1800, 1,296; in 1810, 1,563; in 1820, 1,768; in 1850, 6,095; in 1860, 9,350; in 1870, 10,285; in 1880, 12,652; in 1890, 14,443.

MAYORS UNDER CITY ORGANIZATION.

1855-6, Daniel Somes; 1857, James Andrews; 1858-9, Cyrus Gordon; 1860, J. Tuck, (Esreff H. Banks, unexpired term of Jonathan Tuck); 1861-2, Seth S. Fairfield; 1883-4, John Q. Adams; 1865-6, Charles A. Shaw; 1867-8, Ferguson Haines; 1869, James R. Clark; 1870-1, E. W. Wedgewood; 1872, Francis G. Warren; 1873, James H. McMullan; 1874-5, Francis G. Warren; 1876, John H. Burnham; 1877, Alfred Pierce; 1878, Charles M. Moses; 1879, James A. Strout; 1880, Charles M. Moses; 1881-2, Elisha Clark; 1883-5, E. W. Staples; 1886-7, Samuel F. Parcher, 1888-9, Charles E. Goodwin; 1890-3, Edward W. Staples.

CITY CLERKS UNDER CITY ORGANIZATION.

Levi Loring, Jr., 1855-6-7; F. D. Edgerly, 1858-9; George H. Knowlton and F. D. Edgerly from Dec. 5-1860; F. D. Edgerly, 1861-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-'70 and John A. Staples from May 30, '70; John A. Staples, 1871-2; Cyrus P. Berry, 1873; Samuel Tripp, 1874-5-6; Cyrus P. Berry, 1877-8; Frank W. Roberts, 1879; Charles H. Parcher, 1880-1-2; Edgar A. Hubbard, 1883-4-5-6-7-8-9-'90-1-2-3.

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IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, MARCH 20, 1893.

ORDERED :

That the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized and instructed to have printed five hundred copies of the Annual Reports of the Municipal year 1892.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, MARCH 20, 1893.

Read and passed, s. d. f. c.

Attest: EDGAR A. HUBBARD, CITY CLERK.

IN BOARD OF COMMON COUNCIL, MARCH 20, 1893.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Attest: HAROLD KELLY, CLERK.

A true copy.

Attest: EDGAR A. HUBBARD, CITY CLERK.