## ANNUAL REPORT

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## NAMES AND EXPENDITURES

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# TOWN OF CHELMSFORD

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# SCHOOL REPORT.

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### ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

### RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

# TOWN OF CHELMSFORD,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 29, 1888.

LOWELL, MASS.:

VOX POPULI PRESS: 130 CENTRAL STREET.

1888.

### OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF CHELMSFORD,

#### 1887.

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor—Lewis K. Howard, Charles W. Flint, John Q. Battles, R. Wilson Dix, George F. Snow.

Town Clerk-George A. Parkhurst.

Town Treasurer - EDWIN H. WARREN.

School Committee—Three years: Frank A. Furlong, Frank C. Byam, Riley Davis; two years: Edwin E. Dutton, Royal S. Ripley, Marcus H. Winship; one year: Nathan C. Saunders, T. S. Edmands, John C. Hobbs.

Collector of Taxes - William L. Gordon.

Highway Surveyor - LYMAN S. GALE.

Constables — James P. Emerson, Alfred Day, George F. Dyar, Samuel J. Garland, John H. Whidden.

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

Appraisers of Personal Property at the Town Farm—Elisha H. Shaw, Daniel P. Byam, James P. Emerson.

Auditors—Ziba Gay, Edward F. Richardson, J. Adams Bartlett.

Weighers of Hay—George A. Parkhurst, S. Waldo Parkhurst, Marcus H. Winship, Eben T. Adams, Elisha H. Shaw, Thomas M. Gerrish.

Measurers of Wood—George A. Parkhurst, S. Waldo Parkhurst, Eli P. Parker, Elisha H. Shaw, James P. Emerson, Marcus H. Winship.

Surveyors of Lumber—R. Wilson Dix, Eli P. Parker.

Sealer of Weights and Measures — TRUE MORTON.

### REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

For the Year Ending Feb. 29, 1888.

Births recorded — Males, 26; Females, 25. Total.  Births of native parentage.  Births of foreign parentage.  Births of native and foreign parentage.  Marriages recorded.  Marriages between natives.  Marriages between natives and foreigners.  Deaths recorded, 38: Males, 20; Females, 18.  Number under 5 years of age.	28 12 11 19 13 6
Between 5 and 10	1
10 20	
" 20 " 30	3
" 30 " 40	
" 40 " 50	
" 60 " 70	, 6
" 70 " 80	. 4
" 80 " 90	
" 90 " 100	

Causes of death: old age, 6; lung diseases, 10; infantile, 9; accident, 3; other causes, 10. The age of the oldest person was 91 years 11 months 17 days. The number of deaths in each of the consecutive years, 1885, 1886, and 1887, was the same, viz., 38.

Note. — Births occurring late in the year are sometimes returned without the Christian name. In all such cases, parents should return the name to the Town Clerk as soon as selected, as an incompleteness of the record may involve much trouble in the future.

#### REPORT ON DOG LICENSES.

Paid into the treasury of Middlesex County, on account of dog licenses, as per receipts of the Treasurer on file, dated respectively June 16, 1887, and Dec. 16, 1887, the sum of three hundred and sixty-nine dollars and sixty cents (\$369.60).

Number of dogs licensed	187
Males	176
Females	11
Amount received for licenses	\$407 00
Amount of fees (20 cents per license)	37 40
Paid to the County Treasurer as per above statement	369 60
95 per cent refunded	351 12

#### GEO. A. PARKHURST,

Town Clerk.

### REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

For the Year Ending Feb. 29, 1888.

Your Treasurer charges himself with cash balance in		
treasury, as found at last annual settlement	\$1,170	16
Cash received as follows:—		
State Treasurer, as State Aid for 1886	429	00
Relief to Indigent Soldiers and Sailors	62	50
Corporation tax for 1887	1,429	08
National bank tax for 1887	1,444	
Armory rent	100	
Income Massachusetts School Fund	181	01
County Treasurer, on account of dog licenses for 1887	351	12
Town of Acton, on account of pauper	69	68
Town of Lunenburg, on account of aid to pauper	17	79
Town of Truro, on account of aid to pauper	82	40
City of Lowell, on account of aid to paupers	65	65
Matthias Hutchins, on account of hospital bills	171	03
George F. Snow, on account of sale of books and school		
supplies	26	44
John Bowden, on account of damage to school-books	60	00
Henry S. Perham, for old desk	3	00
Rev. N. C. Saunders, on account of sale of prepared		
wood	15	56
Chas. W. Flint, as returned premium from Traders and		
Mechanics' Insurance Co., Lowell	_	00
Lyman S. Gale, on account of sale of drag plank	5	50
Lyman S. Gale, on account of extra work with town		
team	13	00
L. K. Howard, on account of sale of lots in Center cem-		0.0
etery	14	00
D. P. Byam, on account of sale of lots in cemetery at		= 0
South Chelmsford	4	50
Dawson Pollard, on account of sale of lots in cemetery		00
at West Chelmsford	. 4	00
Amount carried forward	\$5.732	17

Amount brought forward	\$5,732	17
Geo. E. Spalding, on account of use of Town Hall at		
North Chelmsford		00
A. J. Lamphere, on account of use of Town Hall at		
Center	33	90
Cash received of—		
R. S. Ripley, tuition of non-resident pupils	41	40
R. S. Ripley, on account of error in bill		80
A. H. Sheldon, tax of 1885 in full	17	84
A. H. Sheldon, interest on same	1	76
A. H. Sheldon, on account of tax of 1886	941	33
A. H. Sheldon, on account of interest on same	60	85
Wm. L. Gordon, as tax of 1887	11,988	
Wm. L. Gordon, as interest on same		64
Overseers of Poor, as proceeds of Town Farm	777	
Hired for use of Town, as temporary loan	3,500	00
Making a total of	\$23,185	73
And is credited as follows:—		
By cash paid —		
State tax for 1887	\$ 2,070	00
Orders drawn present year	16,861	
Care of Kimball lot in Center cemetery	5	00
Temporary loan in full	3,500	00
Interest on same	61	
Balance in treasury as found on settlement	687	43
	\$23,185	73

E. H. WARREN,

Treasurer.

CHELMSFORD, March 3, 1888.

### REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

For the Year Ending Feb. 29, 1888.

### VALUATION MAY 1, 1887.

Real estate (resident)	198,715 \$261,660	00 \$	<b>1,315,</b> 890	00
" " (non-resident)	2,500	00	264,160	00
Total valuation		\$1	1,580,050	00
Number of polls       670         " assessed on polls only, 269       269         " assessed on property, 732       732         Total number assessed       1,001         Number of horses       423         " " cows       1,000         " " neat cattle other than cows       26         " " sheep       6         " " swine       146         " " dwellings       571         " " acres of land taxed       14,132		_		
TAXES.				
Rate on \$1,000, \$8.00. Polls, \$2.00 each State tax.  County tax.  Appropriation for public schools  " "school incidentals  " text books and supplies  " poor  " highways  " repairs public build-	\$2,070 967 \$5,000 450 400 2,000 3,500	95 00 00 00 00 00	\$3,037	95
ings  Amounts carried forward	\$11,650		\$3,037	95

Amounts	brought forward	\$11,650	00	\$3,037	95
Appropriation	for indigent soldiers and				
	sailors	100	00		
46	" town officers and com-	0.50	0.0		
"	mittees	850	00		
**	" collection and abate- ment of taxes	400	00		
"	" enforcement of the	400	00		
	· liquor law	200	00		
"	" fire apparatus	500			
"	" care and improvement				
	of cemeteries	300	00		
"	" cistern and pump at	400	0.0		
"	No. Chelmsford	100	00		
•	" survey and plans of	95	00		
"	town wood lots " new town way near	20	UU		
	residence of Israel				
	Putnam	50	00		
66	" miscellaneous expenses	300	00		
				14,475	
Overlayings				142	45
				***	
T				\$17,655	
Less estimated	receipts			2,700	00
				\$14,955	40
Less taken from	m the treasury			975	
				\$13,980	40
Tax on 670 no	lle	\$ 1,340	00		
Tax on proper	llsty	12,640			
z on proper	4				
				\$13,980	40
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#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Increase of the town's State and County taxes over last year, \$828.28. Average rate of tax, \$15.06 on \$1,000. Highest rate, \$25.00 on \$1,000 in Marlboro'. Lowest rate, \$4.40 on \$1,000 in "Manchester-by-the-Sea."

CHARLES W. FLINT, R. WILSON DIX, JOHN Q. BATTLES, L. K. HOWARD, GEORGE F. SNOW,

Assessors.

### COLLECTORS' REPORTS.

Collector's report for the year 1885.		
Taxes on list of 1885, uncollected Feb. 28,		
1887	\$17 84	
Interest on same to Feb. 28, 1887	1 76	
· ·		<b>\$19 60</b>
Clark waid Thermy Three sunon as hare	617 04	
Cash paid Town Treasurer as tax	\$17 84 1 76	
Cash paid 10wh Treasurer as interest	1 10	<b>\$19</b> 60
		\$13 00
ARTHUR H. SHE	LDON, Colle	ector, 1885.
	Í	,
Collector's report for the year 1886.		
Taxes on list of 1886, uncollected Feb. 28,		
1887	\$1,033 29	
Interest on same to Feb. 28, 1887	30 64	
Interest accrued since Feb. 28, 1887	39 32	
		\$1,103 25
0 1 ' · · · m m	*0.44 00	
Cash paid Town Treasurer as tax	\$941 33	•
	60 85	
Uncollected taxes to new account  " interest to new account	91 96 9 11	
interest to new account	9 11	\$1,103 25
		Φ1,100 20
ARTHUR H. SHE	LDON, Colle	ector, 1886.
	,	,
Collector's statement for 1887.		
Tax list for 1887	\$13 980 40	
Additional taxes	5 00	
Interest collected since Oct. 1, 1887	81 64	
" accrued on uncollected taxes	30 01	
		\$14,097 05
	:	
Cash paid County Treasurer as County tax		
" " Town " " tax	11,988 05	
Interest	81 64	
Uncollected taxes to new account	1,029 40 30 01	
Interest accrued to new account		\$14.007.05
		\$14,097 05

WILLIAM L. GORDON, Collector, 1887.

### REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending Feb. 29, 1888.

#### PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

#### PAID FOR TEACHING.

No. 1. Charles H. Bates, 34 weeks...... \$678 25

No. 1, Charles II. Dates, of weeks	Ф0:0 ⊒0	
1, Laura L. Butterfield, 34 weeks	295 00	
1, Nellie M. Perham, 34 weeks	295 00	\$1,268 25
2, Blanche E. Henshaw, 32 weeks	282 50	282 50
3, Gertrude W. Byam, 34 weeks	295 00	295 00
4, Mary A. Parker, 11 weeks	88 00	
4, Carrie L. Adams, 10 weeks	80 00	
4, Lenora K. Battles, 1 week	9 00	
4, Helen J. Gookin, 12 weeks	102 00	279 00
5, Nellie Hadley, 30 weeks	180 00	180 00
6, Susie S. McFarlin, 34 weeks	312 00	312 00
7, Mary L. Keith, 34 weeks	272 00	272 00
8, W. F. Parsons, 11 weeks	233 75	
8, William A Woodward, 23 weeks	488 75	
8, Addie M. Taylor, 34 weeks	306 50	
8, Kate Sleeper, 34 weeks	306 50	
8, Laura G. Hoyt, 34 weeks	306 50	1,642 00
9, Carrie M. Robbins, 11 weeks	88 00	1,012 00
9, Ada M. Sheldon, 23 weeks	218 50	
9, Agnes Naylor, 34 weeks	306 50	613 00
Town of Tyngsboro', tuition 6 scholars, 1886,	$25 \ 25$	010 00
" " 1985 or o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o	24 00	49 25
, ,	<b>21</b> 00	10 20
		\$5,193 00
CARE AND CLEANING.		φο,100 00
No. 1, Jasper Elliott, care	\$52 00	
1, Alvin R. Saunders, care	16 50	
1, Mrs. Willard Stone, cleaning	7 00	\$75 50
2, Henry Smith, care	16 00	
2, Mrs. Kelley, cleaning	1 50	17 50
Amount carried forward		\$93 00

Amount brought forward		\$93 00
No. 3, Lyman A. Byam, care	\$17 00 4 00 5 50	21 00
4, Alvin E. Sweetser, care	5 50 7 55	18 55
5, Arthur E. Dutton, care	6 00 3 00 4 00 3 50	9 00
6, T. S. Edmands, cleaning	6 50 17 00	14 00
7, Mrs. Kelley, cleaning 8, Irvin L. Keith, care	60 16 50	17 60
8, Irvin L. Keith and R. L. Ripley, care, 8, Ralph L. Ripley, care and cleaning	36 00 19 47	
8, Willie H. Hall, care and cleaning 9, John Dunn, care	$\begin{array}{ccc} 23 & 25 \\ 25 & 00 \end{array}$	$95\ 22$ $25\ 00$
	_	\$293 37
FUEL.		
No. 1, H. L. Parkhurst, 50,560 lbs. coal	\$151 68	
1, W. S. Parker, $8\frac{1}{2}$ feet pine wood	4 00	
1, C. H. C. Hall, preparing wood 1, William L. Pierce, preparing wood	$\begin{array}{c}4 & 50\\2 & 25\end{array}$	<b>\$162</b> 43
2, E. F. Richardson, 32 feet wood 2, Thomas Sheehan, preparing 32 feet	20 50	<b>\$102 10</b>
wood	5 00	
pared	2 50	28 00
pared	34 75	
pared	2 50	37 25
4, W. S. Parker, 20 feet oak wood, 4 feet pine	15 25	
4, I. L. Putnam, 4 feet wood prepared	3 25 50	19 00
4, Riley Davis, kindlings		13 00
wood	10 00	10 00
wood	24 80	24 80
Amount carried forward		\$281 48

Amount brought forward			\$281	48
No. 7, Robert Fletcher, 24 feet oak, 4 feet				
pine	\$17	00		
7 Dehant Fletcher 2 feet wood prepared	-	$\frac{25}{25}$		
7, Robert Fletcher, 2 feet wood prepared,	1	40		
7, William E. Martin, preparing 3½ cords		F 0		~
oak wood	3		21	75
8, Seth P. Sampson, 168 feet wood	98			
8, Ralph L. Ripley, preparing wood	10	50		
8, Andrew S. Peterson, packing wood	7	50	116	12
9, William E. Edwards, 48 feet oak wood,	33			
9, Levi T. Fletcher, 20 feet wood	14			
of The Thetener, 20 feet wood			<b># 0</b>	4.4
9, John Dunn, preparing wood	6	38	53	44
			<b>#450</b>	70
			\$472	79
SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.				
Coords I Snow Superintendent	<b>\$</b> 000	ΛΛ	<b>\$900</b>	00
George F. Snow, Superintendent	\$200	VV	\$200	UU
N. C. Saunders, services as Secretary School				
Board, 1886 and 1887	20	00	20	00
J. Merrill & Son, ink	$^2$	00	2	00
Boston & Lowell R. R. Co., express and				
freight on books and supplies	8	85	8	85
B. A. Fowler & Co., anatomical charts	60		60	7 1
No. 1 Teamer Elliett nomeins		75	00	UU
No. 1, Jasper Elliott, repairs				
1, Alvin R. Saunders, printing	3			
1, E. R. Marshall, table	3	00		
1, E. Nettel, gong		85		
1, C. W. H. Moulton & Co., ladder	1	25		
1, Charles E. Parkhurst, 1886 and 1887,				
repairs	21	04		
1 S W Poulthurst supplies	_		97	07
1, S. W. Parkhurst, supplies		98	37	01
2, John Smith, cleaning vault		00		
2, J. C. Hobbs, repairs	5	00		
2, Bartlett & Dow, locks	1	00		
2, George H. Smith, repairs	6	00	17	00
3, E. P. Parker, repairs	4	50	4	50
4, Riley Davis, repairs	$\overline{4}$		_	
4 Riley Davis supplies		$\frac{20}{44}$		
4, Riley Davis, supplies				00
4, George Richardson, repairs		00	9	69
5, S. W. Parkhurst, supplies		<b>4</b> 0		40
6, A. B. Chapman, repairs	7	00		
6, C. F. George, repairs	7	81		
6, T. S. Edmands	1	95		
6, Bartlett & Dow, hardware	ī			
6, T. S. Edmands, supplies		$\frac{20}{20}$		
6, Orrin Pierce, map frame		50	90	71
o, orther refee, map traine	3	00	22	11
Amount againsed forward			<b>\$969</b>	00
Amount carried forward			\$363	02

$Amount\ brought\ forward\dots\dots$		\$363	02
No. 7, J. J. Hoyt, repairs	\$ 4 25 4 75 2 35	11	35
8, L. A. Derby & Co., electric supplies	10 00		00
8, Adams & Co., chairs	<b>13</b> 00		
8, Charles E. Adams, locks	<b>1</b> 50		
8, Willie H. Hall, repairs	2 32		
8, E. Shaw & Son, supplies	1 97		
8, George E. Spaulding, use of horse for	2.00		
School Committee	3 00		
slating	18 20		
8, Charles E. Adams, supplies	4 27		
8, George H. Smith, labor and supplies	13 60		
8, C. F. and J. R. Varnum, labor and sup-			
plies	5 53	73	39
9, M. H. Winship, supplies	87		
9, J. C. Butterfield, repairs	1 50		
9, J. J. Hoyt, repairs	2 62	0	0.0
9, W. C. Edwards, repairs	3 33	8	32
		\$476	08
SCHOOL TEXT-BOOKS AND SUP	PLIES.	*	
Harper & Brothers, books	\$113 98		
Geo. S. Perry, supplies	74 14		
Interstate Publishing Co., books	19 98		
Boston School Supply Co., books and sup-			
plies	147 59		
pitos	147 00		
Thompson, Brown & Co., books and supplies,	74 25		
Thompson, Brown & Co., books and supplies, J. B. Lippincott Co., books	74 25 62 87		
Thompson, Brown & Co., books and supplies, J. B. Lippincott Co., books L. A. Derby, supplies	74 25 62 87 5 01		
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### SUPPORT OF THE POOR.

#### PAID FOR EXPENSES OUTSIDE OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

Northampton Lunatic Hospital, in support of	<b>\$183</b>	20		
Laura E. Bailey  Northampton Lunatic Hospital, in support of	\$100	04		
Michael McKeon	126	12	\$309	94
Worcester Asylum for Chronic Insane, in support of Daniel Gilligan	180	96	180	96
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, in support of				
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, in support of Ella Hutchins  Danvers Lunatic Hospital, in support of Cath-	170	95	170	95
erine McMahon	190	53		
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, in support of Rob-	40	01	004	4.4
ert D. Davidson	43	01	234	14
Lawler	121		121	
City of Boston, in aid of Asenath Clapp City of Lowell, in aid of children of Eliza-	71	20	71	20
beth Donahoe	38	50	38	50
E. Shaw & Son, in aid of Mrs. James Mc-	101	00		·
Ennis E. Shaw & Son, in aid of Sarah Quessey	131	50		
E. Shaw & Son, in aid of Geo. A. Lancy	• 12	-		
E. Shaw & Son, in aid of Jonathan Hopkins,	16		160	
Mrs. E. D. Smith, in aid of Geo. A. Lancy		00	5	00
John Keats, in aid of Jonathan Hopkins Geo. T. Sheldon, in aid of Jonathan Hopkins,	10		19	00
Mary W. Stevens, in aid of Gilman Newton,	43		10	00
L. K. Howard, burial expenses of Gilman				
Newton	15		58	
Cathie A. White, in aid of Jeremiah Crowley, Geo. F. Snow, in aid of outside poor		25 00		25 00
Chas. W. Flint, in aid of outside poor		$\frac{00}{25}$	o o	00
William McClure, in aid of 26 tramps		00	16	25
Marden & Rowell, printing 1500 lodging				
blanks	3	50	3	50
			\$1,402	30
EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.				
N. C. Bean, superintendent	\$375	00	\$375	00
N. C. Bean, apples		00		
N. C. Bean, sundries	57	24	75	10
N. C. Bean, hay (6730 lbs.)  Dutton Bros., grain	262		$\begin{array}{c} 75 \\ 262 \end{array}$	
Amount carried forward			\$715	30

Amount brought forward		\$715	30
Dutton Bros., ice	\$ 19 09	19	09
S. W. Parkhurst, groceries	301 79	301	
E. W. Sweetser, meat and provisions	303 15	001	••
Geo. F. Foss, meat and provisions	19 08		
B. Edwards, provisions	59 48		
Timothy Adams, provisions	7 20		
U F Nowag provisions	8 00		
H. E. Noyes, provisions			
Smart & Frost, provisions	3 47	405	10
Putnam Bliss & Co., provisions	4 80	405	18
F. Severance, crackers	20 40	0.7	0.4
L. G. Morse, bread	16 64		04
Pearson's Bakery Co., swill	3 50	3	
C. A. Robinson, fish	18 20	18	
H. L. Parkhurst, 15,990 lbs. coal	47 97	47	
John E. Stevens, vinegar	4 80	4	80
Murdock Soap Co., soap	1 00	1	00
Bartlett & Dow, hardware	9 39		
John Shedd, tools	9 40		
J. T. Parker, hardware	1 60		
W. Chisholm, hardware	4 30	24	69
Massachusetts Carpet Sweeping Co., wringer,	2 75	2	75
F. C. Byam, 5 shotes	37 50	37	50
F. W. Robinson, balance between cows	40 00	40	00
M. C. Wilson, street-lamp and sign	7 70	7	70
Wm. L. Gordon, taxes	44 56	44	
Goo A Parkharat dog ligange	2 00		00
Geo. A. Parkhurst, dog license	5 00	5	
L. K. Howard, burial expenses for E. Kelley,	7 79	7	79
E. L. Russell, sawing lumber	. 1 1 1		19
John Wozencroft, blacksmithing	10 95	1.4	00
D. A. Polley, blacksmithing	3 25	14	20
Oswald & Co., dry goods	13 58	00	00
A. G. Pollard, dry goods	9 04		62
E. Preston, medicines	4 29		29
A. C. Sawyer, harness supplies	7 85	7	85
Estate J. B. Emerson, pasturing cow	4 00	4	00
J. Keats, slaughtering hogs and curing hams,	7 75	7	75
E. Martel, cutting meat	75		75
Solomon Parkhurst, standing grass	9 00		
Mrs. Blackmer, standing grass	7 44	16	44
Lowell One Price Clothing Co., clothing	80		80
L. H. Boardman, boots and shoes	7 30		
C. A. Sylvander, repairing boots and shoes,	1 25	8	55
W. A. Mack & Co., repairs	12 52	_	
H. E. Snickle, repairs	2 00		
Geo. H. Holt, repairs	1 50	16	02
	1 00		
Amount carried forward		\$1,829	13

Amount brought forward			\$1,829	13
A. B. Adams, posts	3	36	3	36
Darius Whithed, scraps		71	1	71
Martin & Langley, furniture		70		70
Lizzie Cromwell, labor	63	00		
Ellen Kenniston, labor	54	00		
W. H. Winchester, labor	19	50		
Peter J. Brennan, labor	10	00		
Chas. H. Lovett, labor	42	00		
William Partridge, labor	28			
Estella Miller, labor	5	00		
Margery Clarry, labor	36	00	257	50
R. Wilson Dix, services and expenses as				
Overseer	16	00		
Chas. W. Flint, services and expenses as				
Overseer	12	90		
Overseer		-		
Overseer	5	50		
Overseer				
Overseer	6	00		
Overseer L. K. Howard, services and expenses as		00		
Overseer	10	00	50	40
Overseer				10
17 cords market wood	17	00	17	00
11 Colus market wood		UU	1.1	UU
			<b>\$2,156</b>	80
			\$2 <b>,1</b> 56	80
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Amounts brought forward..... \$153 12 \$1,402 30

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JAMES P. EMERSON, DANIEL P. BYAM, Appraisers.

\$1,416 28

#### HIGHWAYS.

Dutton Bros., grain	\$247 19	\$247 19
S. W. Parkhurst, tools and supplies	28 13	28 13
E. Shaw & Son, tools and supplies	3 11	3 11
Rantlett & Down handware	17 65	17 65
Bartlett & Dow, hardware		11 00
William H. Brown, painting guide boards	2 75	
E. P. Parker, making guide boards	2 80	5 55
David A. Polley, blacksmithing	27 85	
John Wozencroft, blacksmithing	41 23	
Durant & Son, blacksmithing	33 16	102 24
James P. Emerson, 4,343 lbs. straw	32 57	32 57
H To Phant harmon annuling		15 96
H. F. Ebert, harness supplies		19 90
A. L. Brooks & Co., lumber	37 00	
Amos B. Adams, chestnut lumber	$22 \ 18$	
J. M. Fletcher, standing chestnut timber	10 00	69 18
William L. Draper, repairing carts	22 90	
H. H. Kimball, repairing road-machine	8 00	<b>3</b> 0 90
Chalmsford Founday Co. iron nine	6 00	6 00
Chelmsford Foundry Co., iron pipe		
W. H. Spalding & Co., paints	3 40	3 40
E. L. Russell, sawing posts	2 97	2 97
John Shedd, labor and supplies	13 30	<b>1</b> 3 30
Charles Finnick, repairing culvert	6 00	
D. A. Reardon, labor	8 00	
John Dunn, labor	1 50	15 <b>50</b>
John Marinal To benefit and bill 1000	-	10 00
John Marinel, Jr., breaking roads, bill 1886.		
B. O. Robbins, breaking roads	2 50	
Charles Dane, breaking roads	1 05	
Joseph Lee, breaking roads	1 05	
William Russell, breaking roads	1 35	
George Mills, breaking roads	1 35	
George Spaulding and others, breaking roads,	9 50	
I P Winn brooking roads	1 00	
J. P. Winn, breaking roads		
H. R. Hodson, breaking roads	6 00	
William Redmond, breaking roads	4 25	
John J. Sullivan	<b>15</b> 00	<b>7</b> 0 <b>2</b> 6
L. Blodgett, 80 loads gravel	8 00	
S. S. Sleeper, 216 loads gravel	21 00	
David Perham, 85 loads gravel	4 25	
Solomon Spaulding, 40 loads gravel	3 20	
P. D. Monshell 50 leads marrel		
B. P. Marshall, 50 loads gravel	2 50	
William Hamblett, 195 loads gravel	13 65	
Jacob Spaulding, 365 loads gravel	$18 \ 25$	
E. F. Richardson, 376 loads gravel	18 80	
Harry B. Emerson, 105 loads gravel	5 25	
William Martin, 200 loads gravel	10 00	
Associate and the discourse of	#10E 10	#CC9 01
Amounts carried forward	<b>\$105 10</b>	\$663 91

Amounts brought forward	<b>\$105</b> 10	\$663 91
F. W. Blodgett, 68 loads gravel	5 44	,,,,,
John Marinel & Co., stone chips, 20 loads	4 00	
Joshua F. Davis, gravel and stone	10 60	
E. Shaw & Son, supplies	9 70	134 64
Lyman S. Gale, use of horse and cart 80		
days	120 00	120 00
Highway pay-roll, March	109 35	
April	156 55	
<u>M</u> ay	167 80	
June	160 30	
July	171 60	
August	182 70	
September	189 55	
October	197 45	
November	184 00	
December	168 35	
January	117 80	
February	<b>115</b> 80	1,921 25
		\$2,839 80
Carried to account of Poor, for board 192	****	
weeks, at \$3.25 per week	\$624 00	004 00
Carried to account of Poor, 20,000 lbs. hay,	200 00	824 00
		<b>60.660.00</b>
Tan Tinkman hill abanning 17 ands mad		\$3,663 80
Less Highway bill, chopping 17 cords wood		17 00
		\$3,646 80
		\$5,040 00
Highway pay-roll includes salary paid highwa	y surveyor	, \$2.00 per
day eight months, and \$1.75 per day for fo	our months	
ADDDATGAT OF HIGHWAY MEANG	ANTE MO	OT C AM
APPRAISAL OF HIGHWAY TEAMS		
CHELMSFORD, MASS., MARCH	1 1, 1888.	
4 horses		\$550 00
3 2-horse carts		150 00
2 sets double harness		60 00
2 2-horse sleds		90 00
10 picks		
8 shovels		10 00
		10 00
6 wedges		6 00
6 wedges		
6 wedges		6 00 2 50
6 wedges		6 00 2 50 3 00

Amount carried forward.....

\$874 00

Amount brought forward	\$874	00
	1	
3 lanterns		00
	3	
Hames and chains	16	
Drills and wedges	10	
Feed trough	1	
4 halters	1	00
Old junk	15	
Bridge plankSponges, wrenches and brushes		00
Daing and mala strong	1	
Reins and pole straps		90
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5 iron bars, 2 iron rakes	_	50
Croin	7	
Grain		00
Straw	•	
4 feed-bags	$\frac{2}{3}$	-
3 heavy chains		
Eveners and whiffletrees	10	
Rocker and cart spear	2	
2 plows	14	
2 road scrapers	13	7.7
1 Kimball road scraper	155	
Old scrapers	_	50
1 drag	_	00
Drag plank		00
1 jigger	50	1 7
2 whips	1	00
	\$1,213	40
JAMES P. EMERS DANIEL P. BYAM	ON,	
	Appraise	200
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DEDAIDS OF DIDLIO DITTIDINGS		
REPAIRS OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS.		
A. J. Lamphere, setting glass at Centre Hall, \$ 5 25	8	85
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A. J. Lamphere, setting glass at Centre Hall, A. J. Lamphere, setting glass at Almshouse. A. W. Walker, repairing roof deck, Centre		85 58
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Amount brought forward		\$138	20
G. F. Wright, labor and lumber, almshouse.	14 4		40
C. B. Coburn & Co., glass	6 9		. 40
C. B. Coburn & Co., paint.	2 1		09
Chas. E. Parkhurst, repairing Centre Town			
Hall	1 2		25
Jas. B. Coburn, repairing school-house No. 8,	1 7	-	75
J. C. Butterfield, painting school-house No. 9,	40 (	0 40	00
Geo. H. Smith, painting school-house No. 8, shed and fence, two coats	137 0	7 137	07
show and ronoo, the countries.	101		
		\$341	86
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ENFORCEMENT OF LIQUOR	R LAW		
Alfred Day, services	<b>\$</b> 66 2	5 \$66	25
STATE AID.			
Paid under Chapter 301, Statutes of 1879	\$455 5	0	
Paid under Chapter 252, Statutes of 1879	80 0		
• .		- \$535	50
SURVEY AND PLAN OF TOWN	WOOD	LOT.	
Thomas E. Symmes, survey and plan	\$12 0	0	
Benj. F. Hodges, assisting surveyor	7 0		
L. K. Howard, assisting surveyor	3 0		
		- \$22	00
COLLECTION AND ABATEMENT	OF TA	XES.	
Wm. L. Gordon, abatement of taxes, 1887	\$ 19 2	0	
A. H. Sheldon, abatement of taxes, 1886	86 2	3	
A. H. Sheldon, collecting \$19.60 tax 1885, at			
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A. H. Sheldon, collecting \$1002.18 tax 1886 and interest, at .015	15 0	2	
Wm. L. Gordon, collecting \$13,037.64, at .0115,	149 9		
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BUILDING NEW ROAD NEAR ISRA	EL PU	TNAM'S	•
L. K. Howard, labor and material	\$17 0		
D. W. Lane, labor	13 0	I	0.0
Frank St. Amour, labor	$\frac{4}{2} \frac{0}{7}$	-	00
Bartlett & Dow, fence wire	3 7 5 7		45
Staples Bros., drain pipe	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		28
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		\$48	73

CISTERN AND PUMP AT HALL, NORT	н сн	ELM	SFOR	D.
C. F. & J. B. Varnum, labor and material	\$54	26		
C. W. Flint, labor		25		
Silas Holden, labor		00	\$63	
W. A. Mack & Co., pump and fixtures	19		19	
S. P. Sampson, cistern		75	37	
George H. Smith, painting gutters	8	25	8	25
			<b>\$128</b>	88
ADDITIONAL FACILITIES FOR EXTIN	GUISE	IING	FIRI	ES.
N. Y. Belting Co., hose	\$188	58	\$188	58
City of Lowell, supplies	108		108	
Silver & Gay, water pipe, etc	61	67		
Chelmsford Foundry Co., water pipe		00		
Proprietors Locks & Canals, iron pipe		40	78	07
S. P. Sampson, laying water pipe	43		-	17
George C. Moore, hydrant valve		00		00
J. A. Walkden, ladder carriage		00	-	00
Bartlett & Dow, hardware		25		25
John Wozencroft, blacksmithing	4	00	4	00
			\$505	03
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CARE AND IMPROVEMENT OF C	EMET	EKI	ES.	
Thomas E. Symmes, survey and plan, Centre,	\$23	00		
L. K. Howard, labor and expense, Centre	35	00		
Charles E. Parkhurst, labor and stock, Centre,		98		
John Keats, labor, Centre	14			
Frank St. Amour, labor, Centre	12			
Willard Stone, labor, Centre		00 50		
A. J. Lamphere, cutting grass, Centre  John Wozencroft, blacksmithing, Centre		00		
E. H. Warren, trees, Centre		00		
W. H. Spalding & Co., paint, Centre		75	\$107	23
Charles H. Dutton, labor and material, North	_	•		
Chelmsford	32	23		
Arthur H. Sheldon, labor and expense, North				
Chelmsford	10			
James D. Dunn, labor		50		
A. S. Peterson, labor		55		
George H. Smith, painting hearse-house	12	95	61	48
George F. Snow, labor and material, West	=	10		
Chelmsford		10		
Amounts carried forward	\$5	10	\$168	71

Amounts brought forward	\$5	10	\$168	71
J. W. Mason, labor, West Chelmsford	5	00		
George Bussey, labor, West Chelmsford		45		
Dawson Pollard, labor		20		
Badger & Brooks, chestnut post		00		75
D. P. Byam, labor, South Chelmsford	10	00	10	00
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			\$191	46
TOWN OFFICERS AND COMM	ITTE	ES.		
Paid E. H. Warren, services as treasurer	\$50	00		
E. H. Warren, expenses	_	50	\$62	50
Geo. A. Parkhurst, services and ex-	1-	00	Ψ02	00
penses as town clerk	57	43		
Geo. A. Parkhurst, services and ex-				
penses as registrar	17	73	75	16
N. B. Edwards, services and expenses				
as registrar (bill of '86, '87)	15	75	15	75
L. M. Dutton, services and expenses as				
registrar	9	00	9	00
H. S. Perham, services as warden,	0	0.0		
Precinct 1	3	00		
E. T. Adams, services as warden, Pre-	9	00		
cinct 1	9	00		
cinct 1	2	00		
J. P. Emerson, services as constable,		00		
Precinct 1	3	00	12	00
Arthur H. Sheldon, services as warden,			-	
Precinct 2	3	00		
Chas. H. Dutton, services as warden,				
Precinct 2	3	00		
Fred T. Ripley, services as clerk, Pre-				
cinct 2	3	00		
Alfred Day, services as constable, Pre-	9	00	10	00
cinct 2	3	00	12	00
	2	00		
Precinct 3	9	00		
Precinct 3	3	00		
M. H. Winship, services as clerk, Pre-				
cinct 3	3	00		
J. H. Whidden, services as constable,				
Precinct 3	3	00	12	00
Amount carried forward			\$198	41

Amount brought forward	<b>\$1</b> 98	41
Paid L. K. Howard, services as selectman \$80 00		
L. K. Howard, expenses as selectman 12 50	92	50
C. W. Flint, services as selectman 72 00	~~	
C. W. Flint, expenses as selectman 27 00	99	00
R. Wilson Dix, services as selectman 39 00	00	
R. Wilson Dix, expenses as selectman 15 00	51	00
John Q. Battles, services as selectman, 40 00	0.1	00
John Q. Battles, expenses as selectman, 15 00	55	00
Geo. F. Snow, services as selectman 35 00	00	V
Geo. F. Snow, expenses as selectman 15 00	50	00
C. W. Flint, services as assessor 90 00	00	00
C. W. Flint, expenses as assessor 11 85	101	85
L. K. Howard, services as assessor 38 00	101	00
L. K. Howard, expenses as assessor 3 00	41	00
R. Wilson Dix, services as assessor 9 00	7.1	00
R. Wilson Dix, expenses as assessor 5 00	14	00
John Q. Battles, services as assessor 25 00	17	0.0
John Q. Battles, expenses as assessor 10 00	35	00
Geo. F. Snow, services as assessor 32 00	00	00
Geo. F. Snow, expenses as assessor 12 00	44	00
Alfred Day, services enforcing dog law, 12 42	•	
Alfred Day, services as constable 5 00	17	42
J. H. Whidden, services as constable 5 00		00
N. B. Edwards, services as committee		00
on burying-grounds 5 75	5	75
J. P. Emerson, services posting warrants, 3 00		
J. P. Emerson, services notifying 17		
town officers 5 10		
J. P. Emerson, traveling fees 2 50	10	60
J. P. Emerson, traveling fees 2 50 J. P. Emerson, Daniel P. Byam, services		
as appraisers	6	00
Geo. F. Dyar, services as constable 7 50		50
Ziba Gay, E. F. Richardson, services as		
auditors 6 00	6	00
	\$843	03

#### MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

S. W. Huse & Co., printing 600 Town and		
School Reports	\$48 00	)
S. W. Huse & Co., printing	7 25	5
S. W. Huse & Co., printing warrants	5 00	)
S. W. Huse & Co., stationery	7 30	\$67 55
Marden & Rowell, printing election cards	11 00	)
Marden & Rowell, printing voting lists	10 50	)
Marden & Rowell, printing license ballots	2 00	23 50
Bacheller, Dumas & Co., precinct books	5 00	5 00
Sargent & Gay, printing precinct notices	1 2	
M. R. Warren, order book	6 50	6 50
Traders & Mechanics Insurance Co., insuring		
school-house No. 1	36 7	4
Springfield Fire Insurance Co., insuring		
school-house No. 6	8 00	) 44 74
G. H. Heald, et al., witnesses (Litchfield case),	45 00	)
Alfred Day, services and witnesses' fees paid		
(Litchfield case)	58 10	)
H. S. Perham, time and expense in Litchfield		
case	10 00	113 10
James Kennedy, special police, District 6	21 00	)
Alfred Day, special police, District 6	26 50	47 50
Geo. H. Holt, pump for Centre Hall (bill of		
1886)	16 38	5
Geo. H. Holt, lengthening pump (bill of 1886)	3 50	
L. K. Howard, labor on Centre town well	6 50	
A. B. Adams, plank, Centre town well	1 72	2
William Livingston, cement, Centre town		
well	1 40	9 62
John Wozencroft, 1 set Kimball patent run-		
ners for Centre hearse	40 00	
Jerry Ryan, stove pipe, etc., Precinct 3	4 28	
John E. Berry, chairs, Precinct 3	4 00	
Geo. F. Snow, expenses, Precinct 3	3 00	
Bartlett & Dow, 3 draw-locks, Centre Hall	1 50	
Dawson Pollard, reporting 2 deaths	50	
A. J. Lamphere, care Centre Hall	9 50	
A. J. Lamphere, repairs and supplies	1 30	10 80
Geo. E. Spaulding, setting glass in hall at		
North Chelmsford	1 50	
L. K. Howard, reporting 23 deaths, 1886-87,	5 75	
Daniel P. Byam, reporting 5 deaths	1 25	5 1 25
		\$411 14

# AGGREGATE OF APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS, AND EXPENDITURES.

ACCOUNTS.	Appropr tions.	ia-	Expend tures.		Surplu	s.	Defici	t.
abook appropriation	\$5,000	00	111					
schools, appropriation School fund	181					- 1		
Dog tax	351							
Tuition from non-resi-	001	1~		1				
dent pupils	42	20						
Teaching	12	-	\$5,193	00				
Care of houses			293					
Fuel			472					
Sale of fuel	15	56					369	2
chool incidentals	450	00	476	08			26	0
ree text-books, appropriation	400	00						
ree text-books, receipts	86	44	716	08			229	6
Support of poor, appropriation.	2,000	00						
Support of poor, receipts	1,184	54	2,718	10	466	44		
Highway, appropriation	3,500	00						
Highway receipts	18	50	3,663	80			145	3
State aid, receipts	429	00	455	50			26	5
Repairs of public buildings, ap-								
propriation	300	00	341	86			41	8
Relief of indigent soldiers and								
sailors, appropriation	100	00						
Relief of indigent soldiers and								
sailors, receipts	62	50	80	00	82	50		
Town officers and committees,								
appropriation	850	00	843	03	6	97		
Collection and abatement of								
taxes, appropriation	400	00	270	72	129	28		
Miscellaneous expenses, appro-								
priation	300	-						
discellaneous expenses, receipts,	179	-	411			26		
Enforcement of liquor law	200	00	66	25	133	75		
Cistern and pump for Town Hall,			100					
North Chelmsford	100	00	128	88			28	8
Care and improvement of ceme-						<b></b>		
teries	300	00	191	46	108	54		
Survey and plans of town wood-		~ ~		^^		~~		
lots		00	22			00		
ownway near Israel Putnam's	50	00	48	73	1	27		
Additional facilities for extin-		^^	505	00			_	,
guishing fires	500	00	505	03			5	(
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Appropriations\$14,475			it of ord					
Receipts	Zi Sui	pru	* • • • • • •	• • •		•••	127	
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L. K. HOWARD,
CHARLES W. FLINT,
R. WILSON DIX,
JOHN Q. BATTLES,
GEORGE F. SNOW,
Selectmen.

### AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have examined the account of the Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 29, 1888, and find his receipts and payments properly entered and vouched, and a balance of six hundred and eighty-seven

dollars and forty-three cents (\$687.43) in his hands.

We have also examined the vouchers in the hands of the Selectmen, and find bills and receipts amounting to sixteen thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven dollars and eighty-two cents (\$16,897.82), vouching for orders drawn by them amounting to sixteen thousand eight hundred and sixty-one dollars and eighty-two cents (\$16,861.82), paid by the Treasurer, and one for thirty-six dollars (\$36) outstanding.

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We und —				
Cash in the treasury			\$687	43
Tax of 1886, uncollected	\$ 91	96	*	
Interest due on tax of 1886	9	11		
Tax of 1887, uncollected	1,029	40		
Interest due on tax of 1887	30	01	1,160	48
School books and supplies			192	86
Due from the State—				
For State Aid to January, 1888	\$448	50		
State Aid for January and February	77	00		
Relief to January, 1888	42	50		
Relief for January and February	7	50		
Armory rent	150	00	725	50
			\$2,766	27
Outstanding order	\$ 36	00	<b>*=</b> 9.00	
Kimball Fund	100			
Interest on Kimball Fund	22	64		
Silver Fund	100	00		
Interest on Silver Fund	13	00		
Liabilities (estimated)	200	00		
Abatement's (estimated)	100	00	571	64
Balance of assets			\$2,194	63

ZIBA GAY, E. F. RICHARDSON,

Auditors.

CHELMSFORD, March 3, 1888.

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

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

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

- ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator.
- ART. 2. To hear reports of town officers and committees, and act thereon.
- ART. 3. To determine the manuer of collecting the taxes.
- ART. 4. To determine the manner of repairing the highways, townways, and bridges.
- ART. 5. To choose all necessary town officers.
- ART. 6. To act in relation to the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen.
- ART. 7. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be required to defray town charges for the ensuing year.
- ART. 8. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer to borrow such sums of money as may be required for the demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year, and payable therefrom.
- ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for the current year.
- ART 10. To see if the town will vote to sell the Parker wood-lot, so-called, containing four acres, more or less, or act in relation thereto.
- ART. 11. At the request of Riley Davis, E. W. Sweetser, and others, to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) to dig a well and put in a pump at the school-house in District four, or act in relation thereto.
- ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to pay T. S. Edmands the sum of ten dollars (\$10) for police service in School-district number six.
- ART. 13. At the request of Samuel Naylor, J. A. Parkhurst, J. H. Whidden, and others, to see if the town will vote to put in a bank wall in front of school-house number nine, in village of West Chelmsford, and properly grade said lot, and appropriate four hundred dollars (\$400) for the same, or such an amount as may be deemed sufficient.

- ART 14. To see if the town will vote to accept a townway as laid out by the selectmen, beginning at the terminus of an old townway, near the residence of Ephraim Crosby, running easterly about one hundred and eight rods to a stake and stone in a wall, about forty rods northerly of the point where the Old Colony railroad crosses the road from Chelmsford Center to Lowell.
- ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to remove the pound and locate another in some more desirable place, or act in relation thereto.
- ART. 16. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to act as their agents in any suit or suits which may arise during the ensuing year.
- ART. 17. First, To see if the town will vote to instruct the town clerk to collect the old School-district Records and place them in the town safe; second, To see if the town will vote to instruct the town clerk to catalogue the records and documents belonging to the town; third, To see if the town will vote to transcribe the early town records and raise and appropriate money for the several objects of this article.
- ART. 18 At the request of the School Committee, to see if the town will appropriate money to provide suitable closets for the safe keeping of books and school apparatus; also, to provide sinks for use of such schools as may need them.
- ART. 19. To see what provision the town will make for the education of truants, or act in relation thereto.
- ART. 20. At the request of Charles E. A. Bartlett and others, to see if the town will raise and appropriate money to make necessary alterations in town building at Chelmsford Center, or act in relation thereto.

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

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

the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-eight.

> L. K. HOWARD, CHARLES W. FLINT, R. WILSON DIX, JOHN Q. BATTLES, GEORGE F. SNOW,

> > Selectmen of Chelmsford.

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

A true copy attest: JAMES P. EMERSON,

Constable of Chelmsford.

### ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

# TOWN OF CHELMSFORD,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 29, 1888.

LOWELL, MASS.:

VOX POPULI PRESS: 130 CENTRAL STREET.

1888.



### SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT.

Your School Committee herewith respectfully submit their Annual Report for the year 1887-8. The term of service of S. J. Garland, J. H. Hazen, and George F. Lock having expired, the following were elected their successors at the March election: F. C. Byam, Riley Davis, and F. A. Furlong; subsequently Mr. Furlong resigned from the board, he having moved from Chelmsford to Lowell; and at a special joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and School Board, called at the request of R. S. Ripley and other members of the board. Mr. Robert Fletcher was elected to fill the place made vacant for such time, or until his successor shall be elected at the regular Town Meeting at this coming March election.

As re-organized, the board made choice of R. S. Ripley chairman, and Rev. N. C. Saunders secretary. The board then proceeded to the election of Superintendent of Schools, and George F. Snow was unanimously elected, and it goes without saying that he has given the most perfect satisfaction,

not only to your School Board, but to the teachers and scholars of all the schools. He is justly fitted for the manifold duties incumbent upon a Superintendent; for while he is knowing to the wants and requirements of the schools, he has the ability, tact, and determination to carry out the same for the best interests of all concerned. You will find his report herewith appended in all its completeness.

Your Committee have reason to feel satisfied that the school work as a whole, for the past year, has in no way deteriorated from their previous good work, but has rather advanced a step forward in the march of improvement, as called for by all interested in our public schools, and in the education of our children. We are endeavoring to please all by—

First. Making our schools so good that all scholars will love to come, and parents will insist on sending them.

Second. By procuring the best Superintendent and teachers for our schools, and by proper treatment and good salaries, keeping them with us.

Third. By teaching more the English branches, in order that the majority of our children may receive an education more in keeping for the general and active duties of life, leaving the sciences for those who desire a profession as a means of livelihood.

Fourth. To fully carry out the provisions of the law relating to the employment of minors under

fourteen years of age, or over fourteen years who can neither read nor write the English language, in order that they may become, by education, honored and respected citizens, rather than a disgrace and burden on our commonwealth, by reason of ignorance.

Many new ideas and suggestions are continually being advanced, to further the efficiency of our common schools, and your Committee are honestly and conscientiously trying, each in his several district, to carry out such work as will best meet the pleasure and approbation of all citizens, whose servants we are. While your Committee have tried to keep the school expenditures within the appropriation, the past year, they know they have exceeded it somewhat slightly by reason of the increase of salary which they thought necessary to many of the lady teachers, it seeming to us proper to comply with a general demand from all over the State that this be done, in order that we may keep with us those to whom we may safely entrust the moral and physical, as well as the mental, welfare of our children. We believe the compensation none to, high now, for we demand now a higher qualification as teachers than in the past, and must of necessity pay for it. Your Committee find it difficult to procure suitable masters or principals for their high schools, many declining to come on account of the meager salary, and those

who do come only do so until such time as they may receive better positions. Now, as we have two high schools in Chelmsford, we feel as though a larger school fund would be necessary if we may have and keep the best teachers for these schools. We would therefore most respectfully ask the voters of Chelmsford to see the wisdom of our request, and see to it that we get such sums as shall permit us to carry out the school work as shall do honor to all, and that shall compare favorably with other schools in the State.

Your Committee also recommend the extending of the school term from thirty-four (34) weeks to forty (40) weeks. Most of the larger towns, and all cities, have the longer term, and there seems no just reason why we may not. We find, by inquiry among many parents,—in fact, almost without exception, outside the farming districts,—it to be the desire of all to so lengthen the school year. Can this be done in the near future, we shall have accomplished much good and a much-needed reform, at a little extra expense.

We also desire to bring to the attention of the voters of Chelmsford the much-needed improvement in the manner of heating our school-rooms, especially in the larger schools. As now, we have the old box stoves, which have been in vogue for many years in all the schools, except the school at Chelmsford Center. We do not need to enter

into a discussion of the many reasons why the present method should be done away with, and new systems substituted, such as furnaces, or what is much more valuable, steam heat, because you are well aware of the many disadvantages which accompany the first, as compared with the many advantages of the last, way. As you value the health and comfort of your children above all money consideration, would it not be well to carefully look into this matter, and see that some change shall be made, tending to the better health and comfort of our children, and teachers as well?

There are many things which your Committee would like to speak of, but time and a desire not to tax your patience forbid.

We can not close our report without extending to Mr. George F. Patridge, a former principal of the high school at North Chelmsford, our most grateful thanks for his very valuable gift to the above school of a set of three (3) volumes of "The People's Cyclopædia." They are now being constantly used by the teachers and scholars, and found to be one of the most valuable acquisitions to our schools.

Your Committee find that the position and duties on the School Board are no sinecure, but rather thankless ones, and often criticised and blamed for any and all real or imaginary shortcomings that may occur in the school work; and coming, as it

does, from those whose only interests are governed by its increased expenses, leads us to ask, Do you wonder it is hard to find capable and willing men to serve you under such circumstances?

Yet, there are many pleasant things connected with the duties of your Committee, which give them courage to go on doing their work as they, in their judgment, think best, bearing in mind at all times that they are but carrying out the desires and wishes of the tax-payers of Chelmsford.

R. S. RIPLEY, Chairman,
N. C. SAUNDERS, Secretary,
J. C. HOBBS,
T. S. EDMANDS,
RILEY DAVIS,
M. H. WINSHIP,
F. C. BYAM,
E. E. DUTTON,
ROBERT FLETCHER,

School Committee.

NORTH CHELMSFORD, Mass., March 1, 1888.

# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Gentlemen of the School Committee:

It is a pleasure to report a steady and substantial growth in the educational affairs of this town, rather than any decided innovations.

During the past year I have made one hundred and eighty official visits. These visits were made without notice to any one, so that I found the schools in their ordinary working condition. Allowing the teacher to proceed with the regular order of work, I was thus enabled to judge of the teacher's ability to instruct and the quality of work done. During or at the close of these visits I asked such questions and made such suggestions as, in my judgment, seemed called for. The good spirit in which all suggestions have been received, and the willingness to comply with the same, have pleasantly impressed me with their desire to heartily cooperate with all school authorities in measures tending to improvement.

Our schools have taken no step backward; and while there is certainly room for improvement in some, the majority are in the most flourishing and healthy condition, and good results are flowing from the efforts of the teachers employed in them, — results gratifying alike to teachers, Superintendent, and patrons.

### CHANGE OF TEACHERS.

Fortunately for the town, but few changes have occurred in our corps of teachers during the year. Teachers should be engaged, not for a single term or a single year, but during satisfactory service, or until attacked by the all too fatal malady — matrimony.

### CAREFUL PREPARATION.

Our teachers are endeavoring to better prepare themselves, both in matter and method, for teaching the various subjects required in the schools. Educational papers are taken by all of them, and have a tendency to arouse discussion as to the best manner of presenting different subjects, and often suggest valuable ideas. Most teachers realize that it is as essential for them to read educational works as for the physician or lawyer to read books devoted to their professions.

### SCHOOL-BUILDINGS.

Our school-buildings are generally in good condition, but their surroundings ought to be made more attractive. Public sentiment in each district should be turned in this direction. The teachers can do much toward arousing such a sentiment by inducing pupils to interest themselves in improving the school-room and grounds. I have gone from a school-room, with bare and cheerless walls, to one in which the teacher and pupils had placed plants and fragrant flowers in the windows, and decorated the walls with paper and pictures, and the contrast has greatly impressed me. A different atmosphere seemed to pervade the latter school. Whatever work one does can be better done in the midst of pleasant surroundings, and this applies equally to the school-room, the

workshop, and the office. Parents do not thoughtfully consider how many hours their children spend in and about the school-house, or they would take a greater interest in the improvement of buildings and grounds. The school-house and its patrons should be brought closer together. Let us applaud all efforts toward bringing about this much-desired result.

### TEXT-BOOKS.

Since the introduction of Lippincott's series of readers (five in number), the interest in the reading lesson has greatly increased; the pupils have been more attentive, and there has been a decided improvement in tone, pronunciation, and fluency.

That still better work may be accomplished, I would recommend that new books be procured, in sets of eight or ten copies each, especially for Primary and Middle grades, and no two sets alike; exchanges between schools to be made each term, or as often as circumstances may require, the books when not actually in use being kept at the teacher's desk.

In this way the scholars would not become so familiar with their reading books as to be indifferent to the lesson long before the grade is passed. With fresh books, and intelligence and activity on the part of the teacher, pupils in the lower grades will certainly advance with greater rapidity, and the expense to the town would be no more.

### ATTENDANCE.

It has been the experience of your Superintendent, and the united testimony of the teachers, that a great obstacle in the way of advancement in a majority of our schools is irregular attendance.

To what better place than the school-room can we send our children to acquire habits of punctuality, application, and obedience? A child untutored to habits of punctuality, who is habitually absent or late at school, will, when a man, be always missing his appointments.

If the wrong done was confined to the tardy or absent pupil, the right to complain would be less; but the injury is felt by the whole school. The frequent absentee, from whatever cause, is a dead weight upon his class; and when any considerable number are frequently absent, the whole school is retarded and lowered in rank.

It is hardly just to keep the constant and diligent pupil back to favor the indifferent; yet, in a graded, classified school, the frequently absent must either be made of no account, or else the faithful must be robbed of their just rights.

If it is the business of the child to acquire an education, it is manifestly his duty to be in his place of business; — duty to himself and to his class requires it.

As representatives of the town, and friends of education, let us heartily assist the teachers, who are so earnestly laboring to accomplish a reform in this direction.

In conformity with custom, a very brief synopsis of the year's work in each school is now given:—

### No. 1. -- CENTER CHELMSFORD.

High School. — Mr. Chas. H. Bates, who had charge of this school during the year, is a gentleman of fine talent and a thoroughly practical teacher. He applied himself faithfully to his work, devoting his whole time and energy to the improvement of his pupils, and highly satisfactory progress was made under his tuition.

Grammar School. — This department, under the leadership of Miss Laura L. Butterfield, has given evidence of good discpiline and general improvement in the various branches taught. The annual examination clearly showed that careful and thorough work had been done.

Primary School. — This, our largest Primary School, has been under the charge of Miss Nellie M. Perham during the year. This school requires no small amount of energy and perseverance. Miss Perham has both of these qualifications. The progress of her little pupils was in a high degree gratifying.

### No. 2. - North Row.

Miss Blanche E. Henshaw, teacher for the year. An experienced teacher, and one of our best. Her faithful efforts in this school during the year were crowned with a good measure of success.

### No. 3. - South Chelmsford.

Miss Gertrude W. Byam had charge of this school during the year. It has been one of our most cheerful and progressive schools, every thing being done in a prompt, wide-awake manner. The examination at the close of the year was eminently satisfactory.

### No. 4. - South Row.

This school has been unfortunate — a different teacher each term: Miss Mary A. Parker in the spring, Miss Carrie L. Adams in the fall, and Miss Helen J. Gookin during the winter.

Miss Parker, though a teacher of long and successful experience, failed to secure the co-operation of parents

and scholars, and consequently did not accomplish desired results.

Miss Adams entered upon her work with zeal, and soon gained the love and respect of her pupils. She was compelled, however, by a severe illness, to relinquish the work before the close of the term.

The result of the winter's work, under the instruction of Miss Gookin, has been satisfactory to the people of the district, as it certainly has been to your Superintendent.

No. 5.—Byam's Neighborhood.

Miss Nellie Hadley, teacher for the year. This was her first attempt at teaching, and as such must be regarded as quite successful. She secured the love of her pupils, and thus led them easily and pleasantly and secured good improvement.

No. 6. - EAST CHELMSFORD.

Miss Susie S. McFarlin, who has successfully taught this school for several years, was continued during the present year; and, though the maliciousness of boys caused much unpleasantness for her and large expense to the town, she met all difficulties with determination, and accomplished better work than could have been expected under the circumstances.

No. 7. - Spaulding's Neighborhood.

Teacher for the year, Miss Mary L. Keith. Miss Keith has had the experience of several terms, and the knowledge thus acquired was made available by herself and her pupils, to the credit and advantage of both.

No. 8. — North Chelmsford.

High School.— Mr. W. F. Parsons, who so successfully taught the closing weeks of the winter term of 1886-7,

continued during the spring term, giving universal satisfaction. A class of eight was graduated. The exercises, held at the Town Hall, showed thorough preparation, and were highly pleasing to the large audience present. To the regret of all, Mr. Parsons resigned at the close of the term, to resume his collegiate course.

Mr. W. A. Woodward, who taught during the fall and winter, labored under the disadvantage of a brief experience in teaching. He was faithful and conscientious, however, and those who chose to improve their opportunities made good progress.

Grammar School. — Miss Addie M. Taylor, who has so long and successfully instructed in this school, taught during the year. Experience has proved beyond doubt, that with this teacher in charge, success is a moral certainty, and that the school will be a model of its kind. It is sufficient to say that our anticipations have been fully realized.

Intermediate School.—This department was under the guidance of Miss Kate Sleeper, during the year. It is believed she gave general satisfaction to the parents and friends of the school. The examination at the close of the spring term was highly satisfactory to the many who witnessed it.

Primary School. — A good teacher for the year, Miss Laura G. Hoyt. Her former reputation as a teacher was fully sustained, and her valuable services gave universal satisfaction The annual examination was largely attended, and gave proof that the combined labors of teacher and pupils had not been in vain.

No. 9. - WEST CHELMSFORD.

Grammar School. — The services of Miss Carrie M. Robbins were secured in this school, where, during pre-

vious terms, she had won so much praise and esteem. There seemed to be entire harmony between the teacher and scholars, and the result was a pleasant and profitable term. A family affliction caused her resignation at the close of the spring term. Miss Robbins was succeeded by Miss Ada M. Sheldon, who brought to her work considerable experience as a teacher. The reputation of the school was fully sustained. The scholars were not allowed to make haste at the expense of thoroughness, but possessed, at the annual examination, at the close of the year, a good knowledge of all the ground gone over.

Primary School. — Miss Agnes Naylor, teacher for the year. Miss Naylor commenced her labors as a teacher in this school eight years ago; and the fact that she has been continuously employed since, shows the estimation placed upon her services by those best qualified to judge.

I can not close this report without acknowledging the interest manifested by the parents and friends of education. More than eight hundred visits have been made the several schools during the year. This interest I believe is not only unusual, but increasing, and can not but have exerted a good influence upon both teachers and scholars. Frequent visitation on the part of parents is of incalculable benefit. It encourages the teacher to more faithful effort, and stimulates the pupil to greater zeal in study. A deeper interest and sympathy in our school system are awakened, and a better understanding of its necessities acquired. It is impossible to judge correctly of the efficiency of the teacher or the proficiency of the scholar, without a familiar acquaintance with the school-room.

Our public schools are the hope of this country, the mental and moral culture of our youth its crown of glory and strength. Open wide, therefore, the gates of learning, remove every obstacle, but forget not that moral growth and a right understanding of the duties of good citizenship are of equal and even higher importance.

Thanking you, gentlemen, for your confidence and co-operation, the scholars and teachers for theirs, with the wish that I could have served them and the town generally more to their advantage, I respectfully submit this report.

GEORGE F. SNOW,

Superintendent.

# TEXT-BOOK AND SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

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Supplies include maps, charts, writing and drawing books.

## ROLL OF HONOR — PUPILS NOT ABSENT.

Those marked \* were tardy.

### HIGH SCHOOL No. 1.

THE YEAR - Wintie R. Gordon.

Two Terms - Harry L. Merrill, Clara Hutchinson.

ONE TERM — William Fletcher, Fred R. Marshall, James A. Mooney, H. Gertie Fulton, Ella A. Hutchinson, Inez A. Davis, Lillian A. McNutt, Grace E. Mansfield.

### GRAMMAR No. 1.

THE YEAR - Cora Hutchinson.\*

Two Terms - Estelle Hutchinson.

ONE TERM — Clara Hutchinson, Lillian St. Amour, Jessie M. Holt, Sadie Thurlow.

### PRIMARY No. 1.

THE YEAR — Herbert Whitney.

ONE TERM — Karl Perham, Harold Davis, Harry Ward, Harry Hooper, Louise Wiggin, Grace Parkhurst, Estelle Hutchinson.

### MIXED No. 2.

Two Terms - Willie Fulton.\*

ONE TERM — Bridget Driscoll, Thomas Sheehan, Walter Teabo,\*
Henry Smith,\* Willie Kingsbury.\*

### MIXED No. 3.

THE YEAR - Nettie A. Byam.

Two Terms — John H. Cooper, John A. Redmond, Sadie A. Redmond, Ferdie M. Scoboria, Carl M. Mansfield,\* Willie J. White,\* Lyman A. Byam.\*

### MIXED No. 4.

Two Terms — Eddie J. Robbins, Frank Melvin, Alvin Sweetser.

ONE TERM — Irvin Crooker, Edith Davis, Ida Melvin, Florence Cummings.

### MIXED No. 5.

THE YEAR - Arthur E. Dutton.

ONE TERM - Clara Newhall, Stella Byam, Walter E. Newhall.

### MIXED No. 6.

Two Terms — Michael McKennedy, Michael Finnick,\* Walter Devine, Annie Devine, Ellen Devine.

ONE TERM — Bertha L. Teabo, Cora J. Dow, Harry Wilson, Ernest Craven, Lizzie Devine, Sadie Devine.

### MIXED No. 7.

Two Terms - Ella Hodson, Elsie Hodson, Frank Martin.

ONE TERM — Clara Barker, Minnie Savage, Nellie Savage, Oscar Hodson, Willie Martin.

### HIGH No. 8.

Two Terms - Ralph Ripley.\*

ONE TERM — Myra Carkin, Bertha Swain, Grace Washburn, Fred. Naylor.

### GRAMMAR No. 8.

ONE YEAR. - Cecelia A. Marinel.

Two Terms—Della G. Sprague, Fannie G. Holt, G. Walter Peterson, Albert E. Peterson,\* Frank D. Small.\*

ONE TERM—Luella G. Merrill, Blanche L. Sampson, Eliza J. Spaulding,\* Lillie M. Sweat, Eva M. Connell, George B. Holt, Harry C. Libby, Harry I. McLaughlin, Charles McEnnis,\* Joseph J. Quigley, Irving L. Keith.

### INTERMEDIATE No. 8.

ONE YEAR—Minnie Pearson,\* Minnie McManamin, Viola Green,\* Hannah Shields,\* Frank Pearson.\*

Two TERMS - Walter Marinel.

ONE TERM—Gracie Wright, Lena Small, Hattie Hall, Luella Merrill, Mary Dunigan, Frank Small, John McNally, Herman Shaw, Joseph McGrath, Gardner Ripley, Eddie McEnnis,\* George Swain,\* Augustus Duncan, James Leahey, Willie Dunigan.

### PRIMARY No. 8.

ONE YEAR—Theresa McCabe, Delia Shields, Alice Shields, Carl Ripley, Clarence Spaulding.

Two Terms—Sarah Leahey, Grace Merrill, Rose McCabe, Stephen Ward.

ONE TERM—Mary McMahan, Eliza McLaughlin, Hattie Cook, Mary Larkin,\* Edith Merrill, Lizzie Larkin,\* George Spalding, George Lambert, Walter Marinel, Patrick McEnally, Gardner Ripley, George Swain, Willie Chandler,\* Alice O'Donald,\* Georgiana McEnnis,\* Maud Wright, Minnie McCoy,\* Frank Hall, Cora Pearson.\*

### GRAMMAR No. 9.

ONE YEAR -- Oscar N. Naylor.

ONE TERM - Annie Knight, Lottie L. Snow.

### PRIMARY No. 9.

ONE YEAR—Carl E. Spalding, Charles A. Dows, John Boynton.\*
Two Terms—Myra Coburn, Louisa Pelsue, Charles Jordan.

ONE TERM — Julia Wilson, Minnie Pelsue, Freddie Daw, Freddie Snow, John Dane, George Mason.

# STATISTICAL TABLE OF SCHOOLS IN THE TOWN OF CHELMSFORD, MASS.

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