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Ashland, N. H.

ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

OFFICERS

— OF THE —

TOWN \* OF \* ASHLAND,

EMBRACING THOSE OF THE

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## Town Officers.

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ORA A. BROWN, Town Clerk.

FRANK FIFIELD,  
EARL P. HARRINGTON, } Selectmen.  
JOHN H. EASTMAN, }

ORA A. BROWN, Treasurer.

STEPHEN C. BAKER, Collector.

DANA W. CAREY, Overseer of the Poor.

MELVILLE C. SPAULDING, Health Officer.

THOMAS K. BAKER, Librarian.

SAMUEL S. L. MORRISON, } Janitors of Town Hall.  
HENRY H. GORDON, }

GEORGE B. STEVENS, Road Agent.

EARL P. HARRINGTON, }  
GEORGE W. JONES, } Constables.  
ELMER E. KENDRICK, }

WILLIAM BRETHRICK, }  
ALBERT E. PORTER, } Auditors.  
JAMES F. HUCKINS, }

FRANK L. HUGHES, }  
EDWARD P. WARNER, } Fish and Game Wardens.  
THOMAS P. CHENEY, }

WILLIAM P. NORRIS, }  
EARL P. HARRINGTON, } Fire Wards.  
RODNEY L. HOWE, }

EARL P. HARRINGTON, }  
GEORGE W. JONES, } Police Officers.  
ELMER E. KENDRICK, }  
WILLIAM F. HARRIS, }

FRANK FIFIELD, Superintendent of Water Works.



## Selectmen's Report.

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### INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND, APRIL 1, 1895.

No. Polls, 363,	\$36,300 00
“ Horses, 225,	17,697 00
“ Oxen, 12,	630 00
“ Cows, 198,	4,776 00
“ Sheep, 163,	414 00
“ Fowls, 500,	230 00
“ Carriages, 19,	1,383 00
Stock in Banks,	11,555 00
Interest Money,	4,326 00
Stock in Trade,	55,180 00
Mills and Machinery,	85,250 00
Real Estate,	312,576 00
Non Resident Real Estate,	6,255 00

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Total Valuation, \$536,572 00

### VALUATION BY DISTRICTS.

District No. 1,	\$481,321 00
“ “ 2,	55,251 00
Total,	\$536,572 00





Cash of State treasurer, bounty on hawks,	1 00
"    "    insurance tax,	3 75
"    "    railroad    "	150 55
"    "    savings bank tax,	981 63
"    "    literary fund,	213 36
J. F. Draper, water pipe,	21 43
T. F. Riley, license to sell clothing,	2 00
A. C. Ladd, use of tomb,	3 00
H. C. Dearborn & Co., rent of shed to Feb. 15, '96,	25 50
water works tools sold,	8 56
W. F. Hardy, old street lamp,	2 00
F. L. Thompson, rent for Masonic Hall,	50 00
H. H. Gordon, proceeds Town Hall,	6 71
R. R. D. Dearborn, shelving, old library,	3 14
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Total received,	\$3,096 76

## PAYMENT.

Paid Town treasurer,	\$3,096 76
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## CURRENT EXPENSES.

Paid R. R. D. Dearborn, printing town reports,	\$42 75
E. Howard Clock Co., clock oil,	1 00
Silsby & Son, books for town,	1 77
R. R. D. Dearborn, printing police regulations,	3 90
Hughes & Brown, supplies police department,	8 05
Ashland Electric Light Co., lighting streets, quarter ending May 15, 1895,	188 50
Louie V. Fifield, copying inventory,	5 00
Memorial day appropriation,	50 00
Pollard, Hardy & Co., school books,	24 43
Ashland Electric Light Co., lighting streets, quarter ending Aug. 15, 1895,	188 50

Paid W. R. Lowd, street light July 4th and 5th,	2 00
Ashland Electric Light Co., lighting streets, quarter ending Nov. 15, 1895,	188 50
F. A. Kimball, school books, union dist.,	1 63
“ “ “ maintaining water box,	2 00
Pollard, Hardy & Co., school books,	56 72
Silsby & Eastman, books for town,	1 75
Frank Fifield, bounty on hawks,	1 00
Robie & Brooks, horse hire,	2 00
O. A. Brown, recording births & children's names,	13 90
J. M. Cheney, M. D., reporting 10 births & 5 deaths,	3 75
A. R. Garey, M. D., reporting 14 births, and 10 deaths,	6 00
Hodgdon & Pollard, school books,	36 69
“ “ “ supplies town dist.,	10 21
“ “ “ “ tramps,	5 85
T. P. Cheney, overpaid tax, 1894,	4 76
Ashland Electric Light Co., lighting streets, quarter ending Feb. 15, 1896,	188 50
J. L. Wilson, trying complaints against Bashaw and Fred Norman, and writing application to selectmen of New Hampton and serving the same,	12 00
M. C. Spaulding, M. D., money paid for Board of Health,	5 50
T. K. Baker, moving library,	3 00
F. A. Kimball, school books for town,	22 22
Frank Fifield, money paid out as per bill,	9 94
E. P. Harrington, sheriff, serving papers on town of New Hampton,	3 24
J. R. Stevens, sheep killed by dogs,	6 00
R. R. D. Dearborn, printing notice,	2 38
Total,	<hr/> \$1,103 44

## TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid E. C. Clark, care of town clock,	\$30 00
Geo. W. Jones, police,	18 00
E. E. Kendrick, “	22 00
E. P. Harrington, “	25 00
D. W. Carey, overseer of poor,	30 00
Ora A. Brown, town clerk,	50 00
“ “ “ “ treasurer,	50 00
S. C. Baker, collector of taxes,	100 00
F. A. Kimball, school board, dist. No. 2,	16 00
John H. Eastman, 3d selectman,	30 00
E. P. Harrington, 2d “	50 00
Frank Fifield, 1st “	125 00
“ “ superintendent water works,	100 00
M. C. Spaulding, health officer,	10 00
W. F. Harris, police,	3 00
George F. Dow, supervisor,	5 00
M. G. Tucker, “	5 00
Dexter Sanborn, “	5 00
Wm. E. Brethrick, auditor,	1 00
J. F. Huckins, “	1 00
A. E. Porter, “	1 00
Total,	<hr/> \$677 00

## REPAIRS HIGHWAYS.

Appropriations,	
Unexpended appropriation, Feb. 15, 1895,	\$698 32
1-4 of 1 per cent. of valuation,	1,341 43
Extra appropriation,	500 00
Total appropriation,	<hr/> \$2,539 75

Paid Geo. B. Stevens,	\$1,450 00
C. H. Sleeper, surveying,	8 64
Vermont Construction Co.,	
iron bridge,	391 52
Anna Deane, land taken for street,	100 00
J. B. Carr, " " " "	40 00
H. Hodgdon, " " " "	50 00
L. B. Brooks, " " " "	25 00
Unexpended, Feb. 15, 1896,	474 59
Total,	<hr/> \$2,539 75

## PAID FOR EDUCATION.

	<i>School</i>	<i>Repair</i>	<i>Dog</i>	<i>Literary</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Money,</i>	<i>Money,</i>	<i>License,</i>	<i>Fund,</i>	<i>Amount,</i>
			1894,		
Dist. No. 1,	\$1532 19		\$91 25	\$142 24	\$1765 68
" " 2,	216 15	200 00	45 63	71 12	532 90
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Totals,	\$1748 34	\$200 00	\$136 88	\$213 36	\$2298 58
					Bal. due dist. No. 2, Feb. 15, '95,
					26 37
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Total,					\$2324 95

## Paid out as follows :

Paid D. N. Pollard, for dist. No. 1,	\$1765 68
J. R. Stevens, repair money, dist. No. 2,	200 00
J. H. Blanchard, for dist. No. 2,	316 60
Due district No. 2,	42 67
Total,	<hr/> \$2324 95

## COUNTY PAUPER EXPENSES.

Amount due from county Feb. 15, 1895,	\$73 30
Paid D. W. Carey, coffin for Davis child,	5 00
" " " for C. Clough, milk for Davis family,	3 85

Paid John Levalle, care Mrs. G. Guyett,	7 50
Mrs. Lamond, " " " "	7 00
J. M. Cheney, medical attendance upon Mrs. Gonyer,	5 00
D. W. Carey, cash paid for Mrs. Brooks,	14 29
P., H. & Co., goods " " "	2 25
H. W. Boynton, rent for C. Randall,	18 90
B. & M. R. R., ticket for Mrs. Brooks' body to Champlain,	7 59
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Total,	\$144 68
Received from county,	\$118 19
Due " "	26 49
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Total,	\$144 68

#### SETTLEMENT WITH COLLECTOR.

Amount state, county, town, school and highway taxes,	\$10,182 23
non-resident taxes,	120 09
interest collected,	16 02
overpaid town treasurer,	29 25
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Total,	\$10,347 59

#### Accounted for as follows :

Amount abatements,	\$80 54
discounts,	224 49
treasurer's receipts,	10,042 56
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Total,	\$10,347 59

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,	\$350 00
Paid W. P. Norris, firemen's badges,	\$44 00
R. R. D. Dearborn, printing by-laws for firemen,	7 50
hose company, No. 1, services,	52 50
"      "      " 2,      "	55 10
W. P. Norris, freight on ladder truck,	1 92
Hughes & Brown, supplies,	1 02
C. W. H. Moulton, ladders and truck,	150 00
Unexpended appropriation,	37 96
Total,	<hr/> \$350 00

## HOSE HOUSE EXPENSE.

Paid F. L. & F. M. Hughes, land and building,	\$800 00
"      "      "      "      "      "      assignment insurance,	1 92
B. & M. R. R. freight on rods and chimney lining,	5 12
Concord Foundry Co., 2 chimney caps,	6 38
Cole Mfg. Co., rods,	15 91
Benj. Deane, teaming,	4 75
Fiske, Holmes & Co., chimney flue lining,	19 11
H. H. Shepard, lumber,	300 12
E. P. Warner, brick and labor,	184 12
Shepard & Fletcher, window frames and supplies,	43 95
Paul Perkins, foundation and bank wall,	157 14
Geo. H. Clark & Co., windows,	39 78
B. & M. R. R., freight on lumber,	5 09
Howe & Harrington, painting outside,	27 75
H. H. Shepard, lumber,	291 32
B. & M. R. R., freight,	2 91
H. H. Shepard, lumber,	60 92

Paid F. M. Hughes, insuring house,	27 00
Hodgdon & Pollard, settees and chairs,	31 40
Geo. H. Clark & Co., doors and finish,	318 57
Hughes & Brown, hardware and paint,	219 57
J. E. Smith, 1-2 M. shingles,	1 82
Howe & Harrington, painting,	59 75
C. A. Huckins, sawing wood,	1 25
F. H. Derby, wiring for electric lights,	32 00
Geo. B. Stevens, granite,	6 88
O. D. Thompson, supplies and labor,	65 08
Shepard & Fletcher, tables, roll for tower,	26 11
Wm. Bateman, teaming,	15 95
F. I. Jordan, bolts,	1 00
C. A. Huckins, sawing wood,	75
Frank Fifield, labor and cash paid building house,	507 35
W. P. Norris, lamps,	5 25
Total,	<u>\$3,286 02</u>

## TOWN LIBRARY.

Appropriation,	\$250 00
Paid T. K. Baker, supplies and books,	\$140 00
G. E. Scribner, rent of room,	60 00
T. K. Baker, services as librarian,	50 00
Total,	<u>\$250 00</u>

## RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1896.

## RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1895,	\$1,404 18
Total receipts during year,	18,006 25
Total,	<u>\$19,410 43</u>

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Total disbursements during year,	\$18,466 27
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1896,	944 16
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Total,	\$19,410 43

## DEBT.

Liabilities Feb. 15, 1895,	\$32,770 18
Assets " " "	1,477 48
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Balance against town Feb. 15, 1895,	\$31,292 70
Liabilities Feb. 15, 1896,	\$34,324 66
Assets " " "	970 65
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Balance against town Feb. 15, 1896,	\$33,354 01
Increase of balance during year,	\$2,061 31

## RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1895,	\$1,404 18
Taxes from collector,	10,042 56
Justice fines,	18 00
Town Hall,	21 98
Billiard license,	20 00
County, support of paupers,	118 19
Use of tomb,	3 00
Water pipe,	21 43
Bounty on hawks,	1 00
Insurance tax,	3 75
Railroad "	150 55
Savings bank tax,	981 63
Literary fund,	213 36
Water rents,	1,036 91
Tools sold,	8 56
Rent Masonic hall,	50 00



On town notes,	4,700 00
Dog license,	148 93
Water services,	428 02
Old street lamp,	2 00
License to sell clothing,	4 00
Rent, part of old shed,	25 50
Shelves from old library,	3 14
Library settlement, L. A. Dearborn,	3 74
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Total,	\$19,410 43

## DISBURSEMENTS.

County tax,	\$1,170 40
State “	1,090 00
Current expenses,	1,053 44
Highways and bridges,	2,065 16
Schools,	2,282 28
County poor,	71 38
Town “	8 91
Memorial day,	50 00
Town library,	250 00
“ officers,	677 00
Water works,	2,232 83
Settlement with collector,	29 25
Town notes and interest,	3,886 44
Hose house,	3,286 02
Fire department,	312 04
John Peavey, due from last year,	1 12
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Total,	\$18,466 27
Excess of receipts over disbursements,	944 16
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	\$19,410 43

In submitting our annual report, will say that the financial standing of the town Feb. 15, 1896, shows an increase in the balance against the town of two thousand, sixty-one dollars and thirty-one cents (\$2,061.31); and as we have the new town building, large shed and lot of land, also the addition of one more hydrant and 500 feet of 6-inch water pipe laid to show for this increase, we think the showing will compare favorably with any of the preceding years. In erecting this new town building, the selectmen have exceeded the instructions received at our last annual town meeting, in adding the library and selectmen's rooms. As the saving in rents and janitor's fees will pay the interest, at four per cent., on half the building and land, we feel justified in having made the addition, as the building itself is fully completed and furnished; yet, we think, in order to make everything about it complete, the bottom of the basement and ground in front of the building should be concreted, water closets and sewer added.

As the lighting of streets, school books and school supplies costs more than the appropriation made for current expenses, and as the drawback from the state has decreased from last year about six hundred dollars, on account of the reduction in savings bank tax, and as the current expenses of the town are increasing year by year, there should be a larger appropriation made for current expenses; and, we think, for the ensuing year, the town should raise and appropriate fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) for current expenses.

Thanking you all for uniform courtesies extended to us the past year, we most respectfully subscribe ourselves,

Your humble servants,

FRANK FIFIELD,	}	Selectmen of Ashland.
EARL P. HARRINGTON,		
JOHN H. EASTMAN,		



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

## LIABILITIES.

Outstanding notes,	\$31,505 00
Interest due on above notes, Feb. 15, '95,	1,821 51
Unexpended highway and sidewalk appropriation,	474 59
"    fire department                    "	37 96
"    school money, dist. No. 2,	42 67
"    road machine appropriation,	300 00
"    school money on 1895 dog license acct.,	142 93
Total,	<u>\$34,324 66</u>

## ASSETS.

Cash in treasury Feb. 15, 1896,	\$944 16
Due from Grafton county, pauper acct.,	26 49
Total,	<u>\$970 65</u>
Excess of liabilities over assets,	\$33,354 01

## Janitor's Report.

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H. H. Gordon, Feb. 14, 1895, to Mar. 12, 1895.

Received for rent of town hall,	\$30 00
Paid on wood,	10 25
janitor,	10 00
other expenses,	4 75
cash to selectmen,	5 00
Total,	<u>\$30 00</u>

S. S. L. Morrison, Mar. 12, to Nov. 20, 1895.

Received for rent of town hall,		\$88 49
Paid J. F. Huckins, electric light bill,	\$14 95	
Hughes & Brown, wood and supplies,	4 17	
W. P. Norris, electric lamps,	2 40	
P., H. & B., table,	1 25	
Howe & Harrington, repairs on windows,	75	
C. H. Dow, sawing and putting in wood,	75	
O. D. Thompson, oil and stopper,	20	
janitor,	53 75	
cash to selectmen,	10 27	
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Total,		\$88 49
No. Catholic meetings,	16	
" Salvation Army meetings,	6	
" Hose Co.'s	15	

H. H. Gordon, Nov. 22, 1895, to Feb. 15, 1896,

Received for rent of town hall,		\$51 00
Paid for hardware,	35	
electric light bill,	4 50	
for pail,	40	
" cleaning stove pipe,	1 50	
O. D. Thompson bill,	2 05	
electric light bill,	5 04	
Hill, sawing wood,	2 25	
Hughes & Brown,	5 00	
electric light bill,	2 70	
janitor,	20 50	
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Total,		\$44 29
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		\$6 71

## Librarian's Report.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Ashland.

Sirs :

I have the honor to present to you the following report of the Ashland town library :—The work of the past year has been varied on account of important changes made ; viz. : the classifying of the books and the introduction of a new system of delivery ; both of which have been carried out by your appointment, under the supervision of Rev. Robert Henry Ferguson, an experienced librarian.

When I assumed charge of the library last March, no system of classification was then in vogue. The first work consisted in adding new shelving and making some of the old shelves available, thereby increasing the shelf capacity about one hundred linear feet. This was done without much expense to the library, the labor being donated. The next work was labeling and classifying, which was completed early in September.

The system adopted is the Dewey Decimal system, modified to adapt it to the use of this library. The books are now divided into three parts : Standard works ; Fiction ; Poetry. Fiction and Poetry are each classed alphabetically by authors, while the Standard works are divided into ten classes, viz.

0. General works.
1. Philosophy.
2. Religion.
3. Sociology.
4. Philology.
5. Natural Science.
6. Useful Arts.
7. Fine Arts.
8. Literature.
9. History.

Each division being divided and sub-divided as occasion requires. This is an invaluable aid to both readers and librarian. The loss of books, possible and actual, under the old system of delivery, as well as the unpleasant disputes over fines and such like, rendered imperative some new system of delivery, which should be at once efficient and simple. Such was devised, approved by the selectmen, and is now in use; the new system and rules going into effect December 28, 1895. By this system dispute is practically impossible, and the whereabouts of each volume is known and can be referred to at a moment's notice.

Furthermore, there is a much needed dictionary catalogue in process of construction, but, under the present circumstances, work upon this is very slow. Endeavor is also being made to bring the library into closer contact with the public schools.

There have been added during the year two hundred volumes. Of this number, fifty-seven volumes were purchased, and one hundred forty-three volumes added by exchange or donation; and to the following donors the Library returns its thanks:—

Hon. Wm. E. Chandler,  
 Col. Thomas P. Cheney,  
 State Librarian of N. H.  
 Mr. George Scribner,  
 Mrs. Alfred G. Langley, Newport, R. I.,  
 Rev. Robert Henry Ferguson,  
 Commissioner of Education, Washington,  
 Secretary of Agriculture,  
 American Unitarian Association,  
 American Swedenborg Publishing Society,  
 American Humane Society.

Many volumes have been discarded and destroyed as too much worn for further use. There are at present in the library 2441 volumes. At the suggestion of the State Librarian, the

Town Clerk has deposited in the library New Hampshire Annual Reports, State Papers and other volumes necessary to complete sets. There is now an alcove devoted to works on New Hampshire.

Total number volumes in library, Feb. 15, 1895,	2269
Discarded, worn out,	34
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	2235
Total number added,	206
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Total number Feb. 15, 1896.	2441

The receipts and expenditures for the past year have been as follows:—

## RECEIPTS.

Amount rec'd from appropriation,	\$140 00
“ “ for fines,	10 22
“ “ from fees, non-residents,	1 00
“ “ for duplicate card,	10
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Total,	\$151 32

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid bill of Library Bureau, viz.:	
decimal classification,	\$5 00
white index cards,	6 75
guides, A to Z,	1 25
“ thirds,	60
size rule,	20
Total,	<hr/> \$13 80
for 1 tin tray, japanned,	\$1 25
“ 4 M. labels, uncut,	1 20
“ expressage and postage,	50
Total,	<hr/> \$2 95



expressage on books, July 10,	95
Library Bureau, pad and dater,	75
for rebinding books,	36 30
“ freight and cartage on bks. rebound,	70
bill of Courier Publishing Co., viz. :	
1 M. delivery cards,	\$3 50
5 M. drawing slips,	4 50
500 registration cards,	2 00
express prepaid,	35
Total,	—10 35
Paid for Granite Monthly for 1895,	2 00
“ wood,	1 15
express on books,	1 10
for glue,	65
sundries of Mr. Baker,	75
for electric burner,	30
kerosene oil,	15
three chairs,	2 00
furniture for new room,	25 25
packing, carting, express, freight etc.	
on a part of furniture and all of	
new books,	3 25
B. & M. R. R., freight on furniture,	1 58
for new books, 56 volumes,	45 70
expense on exchange of imperfect book,	20
Balance of cash on hand,	1 44
Total,	<hr/> \$151 32

THOMAS K. BAKER, Librarian,  
Ashland, N. H., February 15, 1896.

## Superintendent of Water Works' Report.

Appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Balance due A. R. Smith last year,	595 66
"    "    from last year acct.,	59 62
Rec'd for putting in service pipes,	428 02
"    "    water rents,	1,036 91
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Total,	\$3,120 21
Paid E. A. & C. B. Hibbard, written opinion	
in regard to water works, 1894,	45 00
E. B. Stearns, engrossing act concerning	
water works,	3 00
A. R. Smith, bal. due for building dam	
at reservoir,	485 56
C. H. Hunt, labor on water works' hydrants,	2 25
National Meter Co., 1 3-4 inch meter,	23 10
Thomas Sugden, labor on ditch,	2 87
A. Morin, " " "	1 25
J. W. Harford, " " "	4 50
O. D. Thompson, supplies and labor,	176 09
Cole Mfg. Co., 12 curb boxes,	12 00
S. E. Smith, 103 oak posts,	10 30
James Burbank, labor on ditch,	15 00
"    "    "    "    "	16 12
O. D. Thompson, supplies and labor,	111 20
M. G. Tucker, labor on hydrants,	1 20
J. C. Hughes, labor building fence at	
reservoir,	6 25
W. P. Norris, express,	1 50
Frank Blanchard, labor on ditch,	1 93
L. H. Smith, bal. due on land,	100 00
Cole Mfg. Co., 12 curb boxes,	12 00

Paid James Harford, labor on ditch,	14 00
"    "    "    "    "	6 25
G. Vermette, " " "	1 12
James Harford, " " "	25 15
Cole Mfg. Co., 12 curb boxes,	12 00
Ludlow Valve Co., hydrant and gate,	41 38
Chas. Miller & Son, 42 pcs. 6-in. water pipe,	163 80
J. W. Harford, labor on ditch,	5 37
B. & M. R. R. freight on water pipe,	35 19
Radford Pipe & Foundry Co., water pipe,	50 35
J. W. Harford, labor on ditch,	6 02
O. D. Thompson, labor and supplies,	238 64
J. W. Harford, labor on ditch,	14 33
John Vallie, " " "	28 00
John Frazier, " " "	21 00
Joe White, " " "	2 50
Otis Knowles, " " "	5 00
Rodney Baker, " " "	7 30
A. Bovisvert, " " "	13 75
David Guyott, " " "	14 75
Joe Lemarch, " " "	8 12
J. W. Harford, " " "	5 53
T. E. Carr, sharpening drills,	2 20
H. A. Blanding, gate hinges,	1 75
J. W. Harford, labor on ditch,	7 50
Martin Woodman, New Hampton, tax, paid under protest,	270 00
Cole Mfg. Co., 12 curb boxes,	12 00
O. D. Thompson, labor and supplies,	143 29
M. M. Morey, labor on ditch,	1 00
Hughes & Brown, supplies,	31 52
Robie & Brooks, team,	1 50
Ashland Knitting Co., pipe and labor,	5 65
Mrs. F. M. Hoyt, housing water works tools,	5 00

John Frazier, labor on ditch,	75
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Total,	\$2,232 83
Amount received,	\$3,120 21
"    expended,	2,232 83
Total amt. recd. more than expended,	<hr/> \$887 38

## Purposes for which the water is used :

No. of taps,	90	
"    "    families using water,	103	
"    "    persons    "    "	335	
"    "    faucets,	155	
"    "    family faucets,	89	
"    "    bath tubs,	6	
"    "    water closets,	10	
"    "    set wash tubs,	6	
"    "    "    "    bowls,	6	
"    "    heating apparatus,	4	
"    "    stables,	10	
"    "    animals,	41	
"    "    hose for sprinkling,	29	
"    "    stores,	5	
"    "    urinals,	1	
"    "    shops,	1	
"    "    mills,	1	
"    "    meters,	4	
"    "    fountains,	3	
"    "    town hydrants,	40	
"    "    private    "	6	
"    "    feet 12-inch pipe laid,	60	
"    "    "    10    "    "    "	9,444	
"    "    "    8    "    "    "	996	
"    "    "    6    "    "    "	17,756	
"    "    "    4    "    "    "	600	
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Total. No. feet laid,	28,856	

In making my annual report, I am pleased to state everything in connection with the water works in good condition and working finely. The natural flow of water has been sufficient to meet all the demands made upon it for the past year, without its being necessary to open the gate at Jackson pond. The quality of the water has been excellent and has given good satisfaction so far as heard from with one exception, that one being in the vicinity of the depot; and in order to give a purer supply in that vicinity, I would recommend placing a fountain near the depot, in order to create a better circulation. There are parties anxious to have the town extend some of the lines of pipe, that they may be able to connect with them and get a supply of water. In all such cases, where the parties living on such a line agree to take water enough at the established rates, to cover the interest on the cost of such extension, I would recommend that the town extend such a line, and authorize the selectmen to hire, on the credit of the town, such a sum of money, at a rate of interest not to exceed 4 per cent., as will cover the cost of such extension. For the coming year, I think the town should raise and appropriate \$500.00 for the current expense of the water works, which sum will be sufficient to put in all service pipes that may be called for, and for all other necessary expenses that may be called for to keep the water works in as good condition as it is at the present time. Respectfully submitted,

FRANK FIFIELD, Supt. Water Works.

## Road Agent's Report.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1895,	\$75 66
Received of town treasurer,	1,450 00
" " F. Fifield,	6 88
Total,	\$1,532 54
Paid D. M. Leavitt, breaking roads, \$7 50	
C. H. Sanborn, " "	4 80
E. H. Whitten, " "	1 25
G. W. Lambert, " "	3 00
D. S. Baker, " "	37
C. H. G. Dow, " "	3 35
G. O. Kelley, " "	1 25
Chas. Simonds, " "	1 50
Jas. Peavey, " "	1 25
J. F. Dixon, care of road,	8 00
D. C. Merrill, sawdust,	25
F. Moore, sidewalks,	38
J. Guyott, " "	1 25
H. C. Bickford, " "	6 45
P. S. Moore, on road,	2 00
D. M. Leavitt, " "	8 45
W. Maxwell, " "	1 38
C. H. G. Dow, " "	17 20
J. Vallie, on Collins bridge,	9 00
P. Welch, " " "	9 00
J. Guyott, " " "	9 87
A. Morin, " " "	10 49
H. H. Shepard, lumber, Collins bridge,	23 46
C. H. G. Dow, on " "	1 80

Paid C. H. Sanborn, on Howe road,	2 00
F. Hall, " " "	8 18
M. G. Tucker, on sidewalk,	4 13
G. W. Lambert, on road,	3 13
C. H. Sanborn and help, on Howe road,	56 93
J. Peavey, on road,	63
F. Russell, on sidewalks,	1 25
C. H. G. Dow, on road,	10 00
W. B. Smith, " "	4 93
A. R. Noyes, " "	5 75
J. Hill, " "	11 25
F. J. Wadleigh, breaking road,	4 00
C. H. G. Dow, labor on road,	68 00
S. J. Cotton, " " "	59 50
C. L. Small, " " "	21 25
A. Morin, " " "	21 25
J. Guyott, " " "	21 25
J. Frazier, " " "	21 25
Otto Willoughby, " " "	1 75
G. W. Lambert, " " "	5 13
T. Sugden, " " "	3 13
S. Batchelder, " " "	1 40
S. J. Cotton, " " "	5 95
J. Vallie, " " "	8 00
H. H. Shepard, plank, hosiery mill bridge,	46 24
S. J. Cotton, labor " " "	36 75
C. L. Small, " " " "	11 88
J. Guyott, " " " "	12 50
A. Morin, " " " "	8 75
J. Frazier, " " " "	6 88
C. H. G. Dow, " " " "	41 00
T. Sugden, " " " "	3 13
F. D. Eastman, " " " "	1 75
C. & M. R. R., freight on granite,	3 50

Paid J. Hill,	on road,	11 87
J. Gillisbee,	“ “	8 75
E. Santy,	“ “	10 20
J. S. Morrison,	Union bridge,	75
J. Gillisbee	“ “	1 25
J. Hill,	labor on road,	4 37
C. H. G. Dow,	“ “ “	36 00
J. Frazier,	“ “ “	8 12
S. J. Cotton,	“ “ “	31 50
J. Guyott,	“ “ “	12 50
C. L. Small,	“ “ “	5 00
G. B. Stevens,	services,	25 00
D. B. Wheeler,	painting railing,	9 35
J. P. Howe,	drawing sawdust,	8 90
Shepard & Fletcher,	tool chest,	4 50
J. I. Brown,	labor on road,	90
J. Vallie,	“ “ Union bridge,	8 00
G. W. Plummer,	labor on road,	2 27
F. I. Jordan,	blacksmith bill,	4 11
J. Guyott,	on road,	14 37
J. Gamash,	“ “	3 12
C. H. G. Dow,	“ “	47 72
B. & M. R. R.,	freight on stone	
for Boulevard street,		8 00
V. V. Whitney,	2 carloads stone	
for Boulevard street,		25 00
Hughes & Brown,	tiling etc.,	19 24
L. Mousette,	on sidewalk,	3 50
Hughes & Brown,	supplies, Union bridge,	16 50
B. & M. R. R.,	freight on stone	
for Boulevard street,		4 00
D. B. Wheeler,	damages, Union bridge,	6 75
P. Perkins,	labor and stone on	
hosiery mill bridge,		21 02
S. Goss,	on Goss road,	3 12



Paid J. Vallie, Union bridge & Boulevard,	30 20
R. Baker, " " " "	24 00
J. Frazier, " " " "	27 75
W. D. Bateman, " " " "	16 32
T. E. Carr, blacksmith work "	4 34
G. B. Stevens, temporary bridge, hosiery mill,	8 48
B. Deane, labor,	16 37
O. Willoughby, "	2 75
V. V. Whitney, 1 car stone,	10 00
A. Greenwood, labor,	1 25
H. H. Shepard, plank, Union bridge,	68 15
C. H. Sanborn, labor on road,	4 25
H. A. Blanding, blacksmith bill,	4 85
W. B. Smith, on road,	4 00
O. G. Smith, stone, for sidewalk,	31 50
S. J. Cotton, labor,	3 50
H. A. Shepard, lumber, Collins bridge,	23 46
J. Vallie, railing, hosiery mill bridge,	6 95
Wilder & Co., piping, " " "	7 16
B. & M. R. R., freight on snow plow,	1 35
A. Greenwood, on road,	1 95
C. H. G. Dow, " "	4 00
A. M. Asso., bill,	1 60
W. D. Huse, pipings,	1 68
T. E. Carr, blacksmith work,	1 00
O. D. Thompson, labor,	2 07
L. P. Moore, on road,	3 85
E. B. Clement, " "	2 82
T. Bashaw, " "	2 00
S. J. Cotton, " "	5 25
C. S. Baker, " "	1 87
C. H. G. Dow, " "	7 15
M. G. Tucker, " "	3 12

Paid W. D. Bateman,	“ “	11 95
J. Hill,	“ “	5 00
M. Morey,	“ “	40
G. Vermette,	“ “	63
Hughes & Brown, bill,		15 93
L. P. Moore,	labor on road,	5 00
J. P. Peaslee,	“ “ “	1 25
E. Cheney,	“ “ “	4 37
Howe & Harrington,	painting tool chest,	1 00
C. H. G. Dow,	labor,	2 25
S. J. Cotton,	“	1 75
B. Deane,	“	4 20
F. Fifield,	picks and bars,	4 81
G. B. Stevens,	services,	25 00
C. W. Reed,	labor on road,	13 50
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Total,		\$1,453 35
Cash received,		\$1,532 54
“ paid out,		1,453 35
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Cash on hand,		\$79 19

Another year has rolled around and your agent has been called upon by the selectmen for a report of the last year. We hardly know how to furnish one. Early in the spring of 1895 we started with a heavy rain, which caused much damage to the roads and bridges. In the late fall we suffered two bad wash-outs. On the whole, we trust that our roads have been kept as well and are in as good condition as one year ago. One new iron bridge has been built over Squam river, near hosiery mill. The coming year there should be other iron bridges to take the place of wooden ones now in use.

Union bridge has been re-planked and pier repaired at considerable expense. We think that it will be but a few years before the bridge will have to be thoroughly repaired or a new

bridge built. When that is done we trust that the town will be in condition to replace the structure by a substantial iron bridge. In the matter of sidewalks, your agent regrets very much his inability to have had them repaired. Promises may do sometimes, but not in this case.

GEORGE B. STEVENS, Agent.

## Report of the Board of Education.

DISTRICT NO. 1, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1896.

### PRIMARY GRADE.

Teacher, Miss Lillian M. Pollard :	
Whole No. of different pupils registered,	97
Average " " " " belonging to school,	52
" daily attendance,	46
Per ct. " " " "	88.46
No. pupils on Roll of Honor,	13
Visits by parents, citizens and others,	84

### INTERMEDIATE GRADE.

Teacher, Miss. Lizzie T. Elliott :	
Whole No. different pupils registered,	69
Average " " " " belonging to school,	42
" daily attendance,	38
Per ct. " " " "	91.41
No. pupils on Roll of Honor,	24
Visits by parents, citizens and others,	80



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Rec'd for ashes,	\$2 70
.. .. tuition,	58 40
.. .. cash from town,	1,765 68
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Total,	\$1,826 78
Paid teachers, 31 weeks,	\$1,401 00
janitor,	160 00
truant officer,	35 00
for repairs and supplies,	211 69
Cash on hand,	19 09
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Total,	\$1,826 78

This report presents the statistical and financial standing of the district.

The work of the teachers has been painstaking, thorough, successful, with exceptions which have been apparent to intelligent observers. The conflict today is between intelligence and ignorance, between honesty and dishonesty, between temperance and intemperance, between total abstinence from the use of intoxicating liquors and the moderate and immoderate use of intoxicating liquors, between pure thoughts expressed in pure language and impure thoughts expressed in impure language, between a better manhood and a better womanhood and the forces that degrade both.

With the active opposition of forces which claim Christian respectability, the influence of the school for the last twelve years has been for a more intelligent, better citizenship.

S. C. BAKER,

Sec. Board of Education.

## TRUANT OFFICER'S REPORT.

Report of the enumeration of pupils for special school district No. 1, Ashland:

Whole No. of pupils,	186
Males,	88
Females,	98
No. born in New Hampshire,	150
Males,	75
Females,	75
No. born in other states,	14
Males,	9
Females,	5
No. born in Canada,	22
Males,	6
Females,	16
Over 16 years old,	11
Males,	5
Females,	6
No attending school,	174
" having regular occupations attending school 12 weeks,	12

S. C. BAKER, Truant Officer.

Ashland, April, 30, 1895.

## Report of the School Board.

### REPORT OF ASHLAND AND NEW HAMPTON UNION SCHOOL.

Number of terms during the year, 2 ; number of weeks, 17 ; amount paid out, \$112.93.—The first term was taught by Miss Eva Howe. Being away from home most of the time, I did not visit the school, but the parents liked Miss Howe very much as a teacher. The second term was taught by Miss Lillian Harrington. She had been assistant teacher before coming here, this being her first school to take charge of. She kept excellent order and the scholars made good progress in their studies.

F. A. KIMBALL.

### REPORT OF DIST. NO. 2, KNOWN AS CALLEY DIST., SPRING TERM.

Whole number weeks school, 10 ; one term, taught by Mary B. Ames. No days attendance of all pupils, 596 ; number of scholars attending, 14 ; pupils taking reading, 14 ; spelling, 14 ; penmanship, 14 ; arithmetic, 13 ; geography, 10 ; grammar, 9 ; history, 6 ; composition, 9 ; physiology, 1 ; algebra, 1. One female, 11 years old, not attending school on account of sickness. Think our school was all could reasonably be expected on account of condition of schoolhouse.

J. R. STEVENS, Member of School Board.





## Auditors' Report.

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We have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen, town treasurer, collector, etc., and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

WILLIAM BRETHRICK, }  
A. E. PORTER, } Auditors.  
J. F. HUCKINS, }



## Births registered in the town of Ashland for the year ending December 31, 1895.

Date of Birth, 1895.	Name of Child (if any).	Male or Female	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child.	1st, 2d, 3d, &c.	Name of Father.		Maiden name of Mother.		Color.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of	
						Color.	Name of Father.	Mother.	Color.				Father.	Mother.
Jan. 1	Edwin H.	M	Living	3		W.	Wilfred F. Brown	Minnie Reed	W.	Ashland.	Druggist	Bridgewater	Dorchester	
" 13	Annie	F	"	2			Joseph Gamash	Nora Guiett	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Wallingford Ct	
" 20	Rosa Anna	F	Stillborn	3			Eugene S. Elliott	Rosa M. Shepard	"	"	Stonecutter	Rumney	Denmark N. Y.	
Feb. 27	Maud Frances	F	Living	5			Theodore Gamash	Mary Boudoux	Franklin	Ashland	Laborer	Canada	Belmont	
Mar. 9	Pauline H.	"	"	1			Edward C. Brogan	Mabel J. Jewell	Ashland	Rest'r ant prop'r	Barber	Johnson Vt.	Canada	
" 10	Mabel	"	"	1			John Gomo	Hermine Hammell	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada	
" 18	Elmer Cutting	M	"	11			Joseph Guiett	Rosa A. Dupond	"	"	Carpenter	Holderness	Center Harbor	
Apr. 8	Lucy Marian	F	"	3			John C. Hughes	Alice M. Boynton	"	"	Farmer	Campton	Fairfax Vt.	
" 19	Mary A. E.	F	"	5			John R. Stevens	Lillian Mordeley	"	"	Hotel propriet'r	Sandstown P. Q.	North Ely P. Q.	
" 21	Grace Eleanor	"	"	1			James F. Perkins	Ella Forbes	"	"	Farmer	Dracut Mass.	Glasgow Scot.	
May 8	Harry Leon	M	"	4			Robert B. McArthur	Margaret McPhee	"	"	Woolen man'fr	Canada	Ashland	
" 22	Joseph A. A.	"	"	3			George Gingras	Mary Cheney	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada	
June 20	Joseph A. A.	"	"	2			Joseph Twombly	Josephine St. Clair	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada	
" 22	Earnor	"	"	2			Adolph Morin	Solima King	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada	
July 5	George Nathan	F	"	9			Victor LeBlanc	Matilda Morin	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada	
Aug. 5	George Nathan	"	Stillborn	4			Charles Beaupre	Zelia Outeau	"	"	Laborer	Bleaucour P. Q.	St. Patrick P. Q.	
" 30	Harold A.	M	Living	6			Orvis D. Thompson	Jessie A. Ketchum	"	"	Laborer	Derby Line Vt.	Canada	
Sept. 1	Dorothea Jessie	F	"	1			Samuel Robidone	Mary Lamonde	"	"	Holderness	Goshen	Hopkinton	
" 6	Ami Ella	"	"	1			Edmund W. Felch	Martha S. Hilliard	"	"	Carder	Canada	Center Harbor	
" 16	James Abner	M	"	2			Abner J. Sanborn	Carrie L. Forsaith	"	"	Bagg'ge mast'r	Holderness	Meredith	
Oct. 5	Eva Ladd	F	"	11			Xavier Boilard	Sarah Gravison	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada	
Nov. 2	James Ladd	M	"	1			Rodney L. Howe	Isabelle S. Sanborn	"	"	Painter	England	Springfield	
" 22	Abraham L.	F	"	5			William H. Wilcox	Addie Greenwood	"	"	Woolen carder	Franklin	Canada	
" 26	Abraham L.	M	"	4			Abraham L. Davis	M. A. Pickett	"	"	W eaver	Quebec	Manchester	
Dec. 12	Irene Mildred	F	"	1			George A. Lafoc	Flora B. Rogers	"	"	Knitter	Quebec	Plymouth	

## Marriages registered in the town of Ashland for the year ending December 31, 1895.

Date of marriage, 1895.	Place of Marriage.	Name and surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Color of each.	Occupation of each.	Place of birth.	Names of Parents.	Occupation.	1st, 2d or 3d marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Jan. 5	Ashland	William E. Hanson Mamie E. McClair	Gr'nshb'y Vt Ashland	35 22	W.	Drover Mill Operative	Greensboro Vt Craftsbury Vt	William E. Hanson Ann Maxfield H. A. McClair	Farmer Housewife Farmer	1	E. C. Clarke, clergyman, Ashland
Feb. 23	Plymouth	David Laduke Maud Durgin	" "	21 17	" "	" "	N Chelmsf dms Canada	Nellie Shedd Darius Laduke Amelia Lafoy John Durgin	Mechanic Housewife Laborer	1	G. N. Dorr, clergyman, Plymouth
Mar. 2	Ashland	Frank S. Blanchard Abbie M. Felch	" "	19 21	" "	Leather Dresser Mill Operative	Ashland Holderness	Joseph M. Blanchard Lottie A. Ellison George L. Felch	Leather Dress'r Housewife Farmer	1	E. C. Clarke, clergyman, Ashland
Apr. 25	Tilton	John B. Sullivan Mabel L. Garey	" "	36 21	" "	Merchant	"	Alma A. Fifield Jocannah Sullivan Catherine O'Neil	Housewife Laborer Physician	1	John E. Finnan, priest, Tilton
May 8	Holderness	Warner B. Cogswell Cora M. Tucker	" "	24 24	" "	Operative	Canterbury Plymouth	Alice A. Morrison William M. Cogswell Alice Kelly	Housewife Carpenter Housewife	1	Loren Webster, clergyman, Holderness
Aug. 10	Ashland	George H. Hilliard Alice E. Clarke	" Cent. H'rb'y	23 24	" "	" Housewife	Center Harbor "	Moses G. Tucker Anna Glover Horace Hilliard	Operative Housewife Farmer	1	E. C. Clarke, clergyman, Ashland
Nov. 27	Ashland	T. Bertis Arad Baker Emily Evelyn Sargent	Ashland Holderness	22 19	" "	Knitter Housekeeper	E. Boston Mass Lakeport	Louisa J. Hawkins James O. Clarke Julia Huckins Arabelle Simonds	Housewife Housekeeper Farmer Housewife	1	E. C. Clarke, clergyman, Ashland
Dec. 25	Manchester	Fred L. Goodro Hattie M. Nason	Ashland "	24 18	" "	Knitter Seamer	Barton Vt. Mans'nvill' P. Q.	James M. Sargent Amelia Danton Henry Goodro Mary Drinkwine Albert Nason Addie Ryea	Trav. Salesman Housewife Blacksmith Housewife Sawyer Housewife	1	C. D. Hills, clergyman, Manchester

## Deaths registered in the town of Ashland for the year ending December 31, 1895.

Date of death. 1895.	Name and surname of the deceased.	Age,			Place of birth,	Sex,	Color,	Single, married, or widowed.	Occupation.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.
		Years,	Months,	Days,									
Jan. 1	Edwin H. Brown			13	Ashland	M	W.	S	Papermaker	Bridgewater	Dorchester	Wilfred F. Brown	Minnie E. Reed
" 6	Carl C. Davis	34	2	18	"	"	"	M	Laborer	Canterbury	West Concord	William E. Davis	Estella M. Calef
" 11	Chas. M. Hodgdon	49	2	29	"	"	"	S	"	Northfield	Holderness	Geo. M. Hodgdon	Pamela A. Plaisted
" 20	Frank S. Smith	50			"	"	"	S	"	New Hampton	Center Harbor	John A. Smith	Betsy B. Plaisted
" 28	Elliott	72			Ashland	"	"	W	Papermaker	Rumney	Denmark N. Y.	Eugene S. Elliott	Rosa M. Shepard
Feb. 18	Hollis S. Blake	87	11	18	Holderness	"	"	S	"	Sandwich	Sandwich	Amos W. Blake	Catherine Glines
Apr. 1	John C. Scribner	23	10	19	Andover	"	"	W	Housekeeper	Andover	Andover	John Scribner	Abigail Emery
" 5	Sarah A. Rogers	76	10	12	Ashland	F	"	S	Housekeeper	Sandwich	Holderness	James W. Stewart	Lucy E. Tyrrell
" 17	Alvira E. Stewart	76	10	12	Salem	F	"	W	Laborer	Andover	Holderness	James W. Stewart	Lucy E. Tyrrell
May 21	Albert F. Salter	76	9	23	Newburyport Eng.	M	"	W	"	Andover	Holderness	James W. Stewart	Lucy E. Tyrrell
June 19	Gertie Morey	50	10	25	Ashland	F	"	M	Farmer	Brownfield Me.	Holderness	James W. Stewart	Lucy E. Tyrrell
" 30	Hannah F. Mitchell	76	10	25	Plymouth	F	"	M	Housekeeper	Wilmot	Warner	Marcus M. Morey	A. M. Hardy
" 31	Geo. N. Thompson	76	10	25	N. Y.	M	"	W	"	Goshen	Gilford	James Chase	Eliza Ann Davis
Aug. 31	Pauline H. Gomo	5	23	1	"	F	"	S	"	Johnston Vt.	Hopkinton	Orvis D. Thompson	Jessie A. Ketchum
Sept. 3	Robidou	1	6	0	"	F	"	"	"	Canada	Canada	Samuel Robidou	Mary Lamonde
Oct. 7	Luther J. Wadleigh	60	1	18	Meredith	M	"	M	Mason	Meredith	Meredith	James Wadleigh	Hannah Parsons

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ORA A. BROWN, Town Clerk.





