ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMILTON,

FROM MARCH, 1869,

TO MARCH, 1870.

SALEM:

OBSERVER STEAM PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT,

1870.
REPORT.

Receipts.

Cash in Treasury, March, 1869 $2,094.22
Money hired 3,050.00
From N. B. Butler, collector, 1868 192.15
From N. B. Butler, collector, 1869 6,095.21
State Aid reimbursed 453.13
Corporation Tax 99.06
Received from State for burial George W. Woodman 10.00
" N. B. Butler, interest on County Tax 2.70
" sale of stove in East School
House 142
Massachusetts School Fund 125.13
Dog Licenses from County Treasury 37.62
F. R. Allen collector 1866 1.30
Sale of Burial lot 10.00
Allowance from Isaac Knowlton for sawing wood for East School 1.50
From D. E. Safford for sale of school books 11.86

$12,185.40

Expenditures.

County Tax $524.90

Treasurer's Account.

Notes paid $4,800.00
Interest on notes 1,271.03
State Aid to Feb. 1st 320.00
State Tax paid 1,250.00
Orders paid present year 4,012.15
Outstanding order 1868 3.10

$11,656.28
Schools.

Paid

NORTH.
Edward Wayne, teaching, Winter term 1868, $135 00
Charles W. Appleton, building fire 1868, 3 00
Frederick P. Moore, sawing and splitting wood 1868, 2 50
Laura S. Woodbury, teaching, Summer term 1869, 99 00
Samuel Patch, 2 cords and 2 feet of wood, (sawing and splitting), 19 50
John A. Whipple, building fire, 4 50
R. Henry Parkinson, teaching, Winter term, 160 00

$423 50

SOUTH.
John Foster, sawing and splitting wood 1868 $3 94
Oliver Porter, wood, and building fire 1868, 28 00
Joseph P. Lovering; 2½ cords pine wood and 1½ cords hard, 33 37
(sawing and splitting),
Walter Porter, building fire, 4 50
Sophia F. Lovering, teaching, Summer and Winter terms 245 00

$314 81

EAST.
Isaac Knowlton, 2 cords wood, $16 00
Thirza E. Burnham, teaching, Summer term 99 00
C. W. Byers, building fire 4 50
R. E. Avery, teaching, Winter term, 160 00

$279 50

WEST.
Lydia A Dane, teaching, Summer term, $108 00
George Dodge, 2 cords of wood, (sawing and splitting), 20 00
J. Henry Allen, teaching, Winter term, 160 00

$288 00

At the Annual Meeting, March 9, 1869, the school districts were abolished by a vote of the town.

An appraisal was made of the several School houses, land, and other property owned and used for school purposes as directed by the town. A tax, equal to the amount of said appraisal, was assessed upon all the polls and estates of the tax payers in the town; and upon the estates of non-resident tax payers; and a sum equal
to the said appraised value of its school property thus taken, has been remitted to the tax payers of each School district, as required by the General Statutes of the Commonwealth.

**AMOUNT OF THE APPRAISAL.**

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<tr>
<th>School House</th>
<th>Appraised at</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>No. 1, (North)</td>
<td>$700 00</td>
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<td>2, (West)</td>
<td>900 00</td>
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<td>3, (South)</td>
<td>1,375 00</td>
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<td>4, (East)</td>
<td>900 00</td>
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<td><strong>Total Appraisal</strong></td>
<td><strong>$3,875 00</strong></td>
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The sum of $3,950, was assessed upon the property of the town for the payment of the appraised value of the property thus taken from the districts; and the sum of $3,973 was remitted to the several districts as follows:

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<th>District</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>North, (No. 1)</td>
<td>$720 00</td>
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<td>West, (No. 2)</td>
<td>924 00</td>
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<td>South, (No. 3)</td>
<td>1,404 00</td>
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<td>East, (No. 4)</td>
<td>925 00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$3,973 00</strong></td>
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**Excess of remittance,**

$23 00

**Expenses and Repairs of School Houses.**

Samuel Patch, labor and materials, repairing fence around North School House, $3 25
Nath'l. B. Butler, for water pail, brooms and dipper, for East School, 1 50
Sam'l. Adams, repairing and cleaning West School house, 2 00
John B. Goodhue, setting glass in West School house, 5 28
N. B. Butler, cash paid for window-fastenings, glass, etc., for North School house, and labor repairing the same, 4 75
J. D. & J. W. Eaton, stove for East School house 12 00
M. Newman, stove, pipe, chain etc., for North School house 49 00
Oliver Patch, plastering West School house, 8 50
N. B. Butler, chalk for schools, 35
" setting glass in North School house 1 00
" repairing and cleaning East School house 75
" journey to Salem to purchase stove for East School house, setting it up, etc., 3 15
N. B. Butler, glass for East School house 12
J. Choate, labor and materials, painting North school house, 137 34
George Dodge, labor on West School house, 2 60
Isaac Porter, repairs on South and West School houses 7 50

$230 00
Poor Department.

Paid John Trefry, assistance to travellers, $5 35
Mrs. J. M. Woodman, house rent for Joanna Kent, 15 00
Samuel W. Terry, for medical attendance and advice, rendered Rob't. F. Dodge, and daughter, 40 00
Est. of Geo. Macon, house rent for family of Rob't. F. Dodge, 65 00
Essex Co. Rec, for Insane, board of Kendall Dodge, clothing, 143 39
G. W. Hubbard, groceries f'r'sh'd G. W. Woodman, 100 00
Geo. Brown, clothing for Ed. Hill, 5 50
John Whipple, board of Willie Barker, 15 00
Josiah Woodbury, wood for Rob't. F. Dodge, 22 50
Samuel Ayers, 22 00
Oliver Porter, wood for Joanna Kent, 7 00
Hannah E. Brown, board of Ed. Hill, 46 00
and extra services rendered Ed. Hill, in his last sickness, 56 00
W. B. Woodman, house rent for Joanna Kent, 27 08
John Picket, coal for family of Rob't. F. Dodge, 10 50
Hannah E. Brown, assistance to travellers, 27 00
N. B. Butler, 1 00
Dr. John L. Robinson, medical attendance rendered E. Hill, 12 00
Town of Ipswich, board of Michael Patch, 156 00
George Brown journey to Ipswich on acc't of J. Kent, 3 00
Charles Patch, removing Joanna Kent, 3 00
George Dodge, wood for Joanna Kent, 4 00
W. B. Woodman, funeral expenses of his father, Geo. W. Woodman, paid by him, 10 00
Win. E. Manning, attendance on E. Hill, in last sickness, 3 00
Prince A. Andrews, sheets furnished, 31 08
Daniel Clarke, coffin and grave clothes for E. Hill 16 50
John Tibbets services as undertaker for Edward Hill 5 00
Robert Whipple, groceries delivered family of Robert F. Dodge 90 50

$1,018 40
### Removing Snow.

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<tr>
<th>Paid</th>
<th>Highway District No 1, S. Ayers, surveyor</th>
<th>$15.90</th>
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<td>&quot;</td>
<td>&quot; 2, C. A. Nason</td>
<td>78.95</td>
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<td>&quot; 3, Oliver Porter</td>
<td>35.97</td>
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<td>&quot; 4, Ira A. Dunnels</td>
<td>51.40</td>
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<td>&quot; 5, Charles Patch</td>
<td>77.80</td>
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<td>&quot; 6, Luke Dodge</td>
<td>87.90</td>
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<td>&quot; 7, E. A. Whipple</td>
<td>47.90</td>
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<td>&quot; 8, F. W. Brown</td>
<td>42.60</td>
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### Roads and Bridges.

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<th>Paid</th>
<th>Joseph P. Lovering, gravel for highway, 1868</th>
<th>$1.50</th>
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<td>Daniel L. Hodgkins, lumber for railing</td>
<td>22.51</td>
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<td>Francis W. Brown, working non resident tax</td>
<td>9.48</td>
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<td>Samuel Ayers, working non resident tax</td>
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<td>Oliver Porter, working non resident tax (1868)</td>
<td>11.13</td>
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<td>Cash paid Sam'l B. Gregory for gravel (1868)</td>
<td>5.00</td>
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<td>Cash paid laying bridge on Pingree's road</td>
<td>15.00</td>
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<td>Benj. Woodbury, labor railing road by Brown's Hill</td>
<td>3.00</td>
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<td>Anna Brown, for gravel (1868) and 1869</td>
<td>6.50</td>
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<td>Joseph P. Lovering, for gravel</td>
<td>2.00</td>
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<td>Charles A. Nason, working non resident tax</td>
<td>9.48</td>
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<td>Charles A. Nason, tax on estate of Isaac Patch</td>
<td>4.52</td>
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<td>Benjamin Woodbury, labor on factory bridge</td>
<td>2.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nath'l B Butler, labor railing road near Brown's Hill</td>
<td>2.50</td>
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<td>George Brown, labor railing road near Brown's Hill</td>
<td>2.50</td>
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<td>Geo. Brown, drawing lumber from Ipswich for railing</td>
<td>3.00</td>
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<td>George Brown, labor on factory bridge, and nails</td>
<td>3.24</td>
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<td>Charles Patch, labor railing road near Brown's Hill</td>
<td>5.00</td>
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<td>Charles Patch, working non resident tax</td>
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<td>Charles Patch, working tax for Abel Baker</td>
<td>22.10</td>
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<td>Luke Dodge, working non resident tax</td>
<td>9.49</td>
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<td>George Brown, timber for bridge district No. 5</td>
<td>2.50</td>
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<td>Ira A. Dunnels, working non resident tax</td>
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<td>Ira A. Dunnels, tax for John Dane, jr.  .52, George</td>
<td>2.13</td>
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<td>E. A. Dane</td>
<td>1.61</td>
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<td>Ira A. Dunnels, tax for Charles A. Appleton</td>
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<td>Edwin A. Whipple, working non resident tax</td>
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<td>S. Ayers, repairing railing near Wenham line</td>
<td>1.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Daniel L. Hodgkins, lumber for factory bridge</td>
<td>18.72</td>
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**Total:** $438.42
### Salaries, and Fees.

Paid Joseph P. Lovering, services as school committee 1868 $12 00
N. B. Butler, services as collector 1868 44 00
S. F. French, services as school committee 1868 10 00
S. F. French, services as school committee 1869 10 00
Nath'l B. Butler, services as assessor 25 50
Nath'l B. Butler, extra services on account of school districts 23 62
Nath'l B. Butler, overseer of poor 5 00
Nath'l B. Butler, extra services on account of Joanna Kent 1 00
Nath'l B. Butler, services as selectman 17 75
Nath'l B. Butler, school committee 10 00
Nath'l B. Butler, making annual report 3 00
George Brown, services as assessor 24 00
George Brown, overseer of poor 5 00
George Brown, selectman 12 00
George Brown, making annual report 3 00
Charles Patch, assessor 24 00
Charles Patch, overseer 5 00
Charles Patch, selectman 10 00
Charles Patch, making annual report 3 00
Daniel E. Safford, services as treasurer 20 00
Daniel E. Safford, school committee 10 00
Daniel E. Safford, extra services in payment of state aid 6 00
Ira P. Knowlton, services as constable 6 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, services as town clerk 10 00

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### Miscellaneous.

Paid N. B. Butler, stationery purchased of H. P. Ives $3 90
Salem Observer Office, printing annual report and blank orders 14 50
Daniel L. Hodgkins, shingles for hearse house 11 24
Wesley K. Bell, assistance in searching records in the case of Joseph Dennis 2 00
Salem Gazette Office, for printing tax bills 4 25
Benjamin Woodbury, shingling hearse house 3 50
Isaac F. Knowlton, for fees of appraisers of school district property 15 00
Daniel E. Safford, school books 40 76
Mason Brothers, school books 39 83

$299 87
D. B. Brooks & Bro., school books 14 10
Nath'l B. Butler, journey to Ipswich, searching records in case of Joseph Dennis, and expenses 3 25
Nath'l B. Butler, taking census of children 1 50
Nath'l B. Butler, journey to Lynnfield, on account of school districts, and expenses 2 50
Nath'l B. Butler, express 15
Nath'l B. Butler, dog warrant and certificate 1 50
Nath'l B. Butler, making state aid report 1 00
Nath'l B. Butler, postage and stationery 1 36
Nath'l B. Butler, copying valuation book 10 00
George Brown, journey to Ipswich, on account of Joseph Dennis, and expenses 3 75
George Brown, taking census of children 1 50
George Brown, making state aid report 1 00
George Brown, copying valuation book 10 00
Charles Patch, journey to Ipswich, on account of Joseph Dennis, and expenses 2 00
Charles Patch, taking census of children 1 50
Charles Patch, copying valuation book 8 00
Charles Patch, making state aid report 1 00
S. F. French, postage for letters 60
S. F. French, balance on book account (writing books and spellers) 6 18
Lee & Shepard, balance on book account (geographies) 24 70
Daniel E. Safford, professional advice 5 00
D. P. Dodge, expressing for town clerk, school committee and selectmen 9 65
Isaac F. Knowlton, journey to Beverly on representative vote 2 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, services on account of school district appraisal committee 4 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, postage and stationery 1 80
Isaac F. Knowlton, recording births, marriages and deaths 5 60
John Tibbets, making return of deaths 1 20
Joshua Appleton, repairs on hearse 1 00
Congregational Parish, for use of vestry for selectmen's office 50 00
Salem Gazette Office, printing school reports 9 70

$320 63

Discount on Taxes.
Allowed Nath'l B. Butler, Collector for 1869 $223 82

Abatements.

Allowed N. B. Butler, Collector:
  Jacob Kinsman, part of his tax $5 60
  Joseph C. Conant, poll tax, 1868 2 00

$7 60
Recapitulation.

Paid County Tax .................................................. $524 90
Notes paid .......................................................... 4800 00
Interest on Notes .................................................. 1271 03
State Aid .............................................................. 320 00
State Tax ............................................................. 1250 00
Schools ................................................................. 1305 81
Salaries ................................................................. 299 87
Poor ...................................................................... 1018 40
Miscellaneous ........................................................ 320 62
Removing Snow ....................................................... 438 42
Roads and Bridges .................................................. 207 20
Expense and repairs of school houses ...................... 239 09
Abatements ............................................................. 7 60
Discount on Taxes ................................................... 223 82

Total amount of orders drawn during the year .......... 4,060 83
" " " " " " paid " " " " " ".................. 4,063 93
Two outstanding orders amounting to ................. 45 58
Treasurer's Receipts for the year ....................... $12,185 40
Expenses of Treasurer ............................................. 11,656 28

Balance in cash ...................................................... $529 12
Due on Collector's list for 1869 ......................... 437 88
Credit by excess of remittance ......................... 23 00
Due from Collector ................................................. 414 88
Due from State, about ............................................ 100 00

Cash balance as above ......................................... 514 88
In favor of Town ................................................... $1,044 00

Town Debt.

Amount of notes against the town ..................... $17,761 00
Deduct balance in favor of Treasury ................ 1,044 00

Town Debt .......................................................... $16,717 00

It will be seen by comparing the figures this year and last, that the Town have diminished their debt some $500 00; and the Treasury is not liable for so many unpaid bills as there were last year. But it must also be recollected that the Treasurer has not half the available funds in his hands which he had last year. So that in reality the Town debt is not lessened more than two or three hundred dollars.

If some of the figures which make up the charges appear large, we flatter ourselves that the whole can be explained to the satisfaction of the town.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NATHANIEL B. BUTLER, ) Selectmen
GEORGE BROWN, ) of Hamilton.
CHARLES PATCH,

HAMILTON, March 1, 1870.