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ANNUAL REPORT

Of the ACCOUNTS of the TOWN of DANVERS:

FOR THE YEAR 1842.

Commencing March 1, 1842, *and ending March* 1, 1843.

Overseers' of Poor's Department.

Supplies furnished to the Alms-House and Assistance rendered out of the House.

1.	Grain and bread	$582 88
2.	Meals, fish, heads and feet	556 32
3.	Groceries of various kinds	528 91
4.	Clothing and materials for same	207 73
5.	Live stock	450 97
6.	Repairs and additions	102 63
7.	Medicine and medical attendance	46 88
8.	Labor at the House including Master's salary	453 03
9.	Offal for Manure, &c. $78—Salt Grass $50	128 84
10.	Assistance rendered to persons out of Alms-House	749 22
11.	Wood for House	146 12
12.	Blacksmith and Wheelwright bills	135 64
13.	Junk	61 63
	Whole amount of Supplies	$4150 80

Amount drawn from Treasury:—Orders No. 1 to 55			$3719 12
Inventory of Stock on Farm, March 1, 1842		2576 91	
" " " " 1, 1843		2512 62	
Inventory of 1843 less than 1842			64 49
Outstanding bills payable in 1842	356 00		
" " receivable "	317 31		
Balance against the town "		38 69	
Outstanding bills payable in 1843	425 00		
" " receivable "	344 00		
Balance against the Town "		81 00	
Balance out-standing bills owed more in 1843 than in 1842			42 31
Whole amount of charges against the Town			$3825 92
Amount paid into the Treasury by Overseers		1873 83	
" drawn for State Paupers		140 54	
Amount credited by the Town			2014 37
Whole cost of supporting the Poor			$1811 55
The actual charge upon the Treasury is			1704 75

There has been a loss on outstanding claim considered to be good last year of $72 79,—and in consequence of the fall in prices it is stated by the Overseers that the Stock on the Farm is appraised at about fifteen per cent. less than the same would have been last year. The supplies furnished out of the House has been $70 more than in 1841. The average number at the House has been 58—7 of which were foreigners;—there has been 5 deaths and one birth. It appears that the expence of supporting the Poor at the House has been about the same last year it was the year before.——We are pleased to learn from the Overseers, that the use of intoxicating liquors on the Farm has been discontinued, and that all have appeared cheerfully to conform to the requirements of the Overseers in relation to this matter, and that not one case of intoxication has been observed on the Farm during the last year.

Fireward's Department.

Payments made by Orders drawn on the Treasury by this Board—Nos. 1 to 37 inclusive :—

For Engine No. 1, at the Eagle	$6 12
For Engine No. 2, at the New Mills	28 02
For Engine No. 3, at Wilson's Corner	33 81
For Engine No. 4, at the Plains	79 15
For Engine No. 5, at the Eagle	12 37
Pump at Wilson's Corner	7 01
Repairs on Pumps	4 09
Oil and Tallow	12 30
New Ladder at the Plains	10 50
Clerk's Services and Stationary	12 00
	$205 37

There has been furnished to Engine No. 4, the past year, 12 feet of Suction Hose, at a cost of $40 63—otherwise the ordinary expences of this Department are about the same as in former years. No losses by fire have occurred within the town during the year.

Selectmen's Department.

Payments made by Orders on the Treasury---Nos. 1 to 111--- for the following purposes, viz:

I. Education and the support of Public Schools.

1.	Balance of appropriations to school districts in 1841	$1932 69	
2.	In part " " " " in 1842	2186 11	$4118 80
3.	Services of examining committee for the year ending April 30, 1842: John M. Austin $36 75——John W. Proctor $59 25——Milton P. Braman $30 00		126 00
4.	Services of superintending committee		50 00
5.	Books for poor children—per order of committee		22 37
6.	Coloring and varnishing maps for school, and Common School Journal		17 08
			$4334 25

II. Locating, making and repairing Highways and Bridges, exclusive of highway tax, which is $1500 :—

1.	Repairing Road near Crane River	$4 00
2.	" " " Benjamin Porter's farm	45 00
3.	Relaying stone wall near Oakes' Mill	50 00
4.	Railing the Wallis mill dam	76 14
5.	Stones for " " "	18 36
6.	Making Road over S. Putnam's mill dam	342 87
7.	Building bridge over " " "	504 32
8.	Stones used on " " "	20 00
9.	Repairing Iron Factory Bridge and Fowler's Bridge	86 41
10.	" Wallis' Mill Dam	25 08
11.	" Russell Road	34 55
12.	" Andover Turnpike	75 00
13.	Railing Bridge over Frost Fish Brook	8 12
14.	Repairing Bridge at Mile Brook	4 50
15.	Extra services of surveyors and highway taxes returned	104 41
16.	Damages for land in laying out Town ways	26 50
		$1425 26

III. Ordinary Town Expences.

1.	Ringing of Bells	$86 42
2.	Expences on Roads	41 04
3.	Fish Committee	16 00
4.	Stationary, Printing and Binding	67 32
5.	Entertainment of Town Officers	24 75
6.	Repairing Hearse	8 85
7.	" Hay Scales	8 42
8.	Tax on Town Farm for school house	8 80
9.	Rent of Rooms for Light Infantry—two years	80 00
10.	Union Hall $30—Town Rooms $30	60 00
11.	Fuel for Town Rooms	1 56
12.	New standard of Weights and Measures	61 25
13.	Bound stones between Salem and Danvers	30 68
		$495 09

IV. Salaries and Services of Town Officers.

1.	Selectmen & Assessors:—Elijah Upton $70—Joshua Sylvester 61 25 Wm Black $83 75—Joseph Poor jr 68 00—Wingate Merrill 55 62	338 62
2.	R. S. Daniels, Treasurer	30 00
3.	Overseers of the Poor	120 00
4.	Jefferson Putnam's services as Constable in 1840	3 00
5.	Auditors' Accounts for 1841	5 00
6.	S. Upton, as Collector of Taxes, est'd	180 00
7.	S. Upton, as Constable $24—and for preparing list of voters, &c. $6	30 00
8.	Town Clerk—Salary	60 00
	" " recording 781 births and deaths	62 48
	" " for extra services	37 03
		$866 13

Income and Expenditures of the Town of Danvers,

for the Year Ending March 1, 1843.

EXPENDITURES.

Appropriations for the support of Schools	$4000 00
Drawn from the Treasury for the support of the Poor	1704 75
Extra expence on Highways	1425 26
Ordinary Town Charges	495 09
Salary of Town Officers	866 13
Expences of Fire Department	205 37
Discount on Taxes paid before Sept 1, 1842	81 00
Abatement of Taxes paid before Sept 1, 1841	96 10
" " " " 1842	60 00
Refunded poll taxes to the Fire Department	225 00
Balance of interest paid Warren Bank, est'd	80 00
Income from Massachusetts school fund not appropriated	177 30
Excess of income over the expences	572 60
	$9988 60

INCOME.

Amount of Taxes assessed 1842	$9430 27
Income of Massachusetts school fund	177 33
Income of Hay Scales at South Parish	31 00
Rec'd of Fitch Pool from Proprietors of Harmony Grove Cemetery for making a road	350 00
	$9988 60

ELIAS PUTNAM,
LEWIS ALLEN, } *Auditors.*

DANVERS, March 1, 1843.

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