

REPORT
OF THE
SELECTMEN AND TREASURER
OF THE
TOWN OF GREENVILLE,
RENDERED MARCH 1st, 1883.
WITH THE REPORT OF
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
HIGHWAY SURVEYOR AND LIBRARIAN.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1882,	\$274 99
Received of James Taft, Collector, 1881,	165 38
" Charles F. Marshall, Collector, '82,	8,301 76
" Selectmen,	2,271 43
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	\$11,013 56

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Paid Orders drawn on Treasurer,	\$10,901 75
Cash in Treasury, March 1, 1883,	111 81
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	\$11,013 56

B. P. LAMB, TREASURER.

Greenville, March 1, 1883.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28th, 1885.

CASH RECEIVED BY SELECTMEN.

Borrowed on Town Notes,	\$600 00
For Rent of Town House,	485 25
Savings Bank Tax,	931 13
Literary Fund,	103 96
Railroad Tax,	18 48
Insurance Tax,	7 50
Hillsborough County pauper expenses,	25 18
Library Fines and Catalogues,	12 50
George Hartshorn, old safe,	12 50
John Brown, use of scraper,	1 00
Town of Mason, school money, 1882,	73 43
C. E. Hall, card on town report,	50
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	\$2,271 43

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Notes and Interest,	\$5,062 57
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STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Paid State Tax,	\$1,176 00
" County Tax,	897 13
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	\$2,073 13

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid F. B. Heald for District No. 1,	\$1,003 16
" C. F. Barrett " " 2,	83 79
" A. B. Eaton " " 3,	119 34
" Adron Winship, tuition of scholars,	5 00
" Frank E. Sawyer, tax on Titcomb Place for 1881,	3 55
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	\$1,214 84

PAUPER EXPENSES.

Paid Hartshorn & Whitney, goods furnished Mrs. Cavenough,	\$ 6 20
" M. H. Hardy, wood for Mrs. Cavenough,	4 00
" G. C. Robbins, meat " "	6 62
" G. F. Munsey, medical attendance,	4 50
" C. A. Wood, medical attendance, Mrs. Robinson,	7 75
" T. E. Marshall, for removing Mrs. Rob- inson to Canada,	10 35
" Gustave Doucet, goods for Mrs. Robinson,	6 38
" A. H. Adams, wood for Mrs. Forbush,	10 00
" O. D. Prescott, crackers for tramps,	10
" H. E. Follett, wood for Mrs. Forbush,	3 75
" F. N. Gibson, medical attendance,	1 50
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	\$61 35

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid M. H. Hardy, surveyor for 1882,	\$570 06
" Hartshorn & Whitney, for steel rake,	55
" O. D. Prescott, for powder and fuse,	1 36
" S. B. Thompson, stone for sidewalk,	163 20
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	\$735 17

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid M. H. Hardy, for breaking roads,	\$48 65
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STREET LAMPS.

Paid Elliott Merriam, lighting lamps,	\$82 25
" N. P. Farrar, labor, chimneys and wicks,	10 78
" Hartshorn & Whitney, oil,	16 87
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	\$109 90

POLICE EXPENSES.

Paid T. E. Marshall, services as police,	\$10 90
" G. H. Preston, " " "	5 95
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	\$16 85

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid F. L. Peabody, services as Auditor,	\$ 1 00
" Frank E. Pierce " Town Clerk,	35 30
" C. E. Marsh, " Supervisor,	8 00
" G. H. Livingston " Supervisor,	8 00
" B. P. Lamb, " Treasurer,	25 00
" C. E. Hall, " School Committee,	38 00
" C. F. Marshall, " Collector,	40 00
" C. E. Hall, " Selectman,	57 50
" N. P. Farrar, " Selectman,	57 50
" G. C. Robbins, " Selectman,	52 50
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	\$322 80

LIBRARY EXPENSES.

Paid T. E. Marshall, services as Librarian,	\$52 56
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TOWN HOUSE.

Paid Elliott Merriam, janitor of Town House,	\$59 85
" C. E. Hall, care of Town House,	5 00
" O. D. Prescott, supplies for Town House,	10 45
" N. P. Farrar, repairs and material,	13 33
" Charles Lynch, labor and material,	8 58
" James Taft, insuring Town House,	303 90
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	\$401 11

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Irving R. Taylor, 1880,	\$ 3 79
Phebe E. Russell, overtax,	1 50
Sylvia Adams, "	4 50
Alfred Bourgen, 1882	1 50
Bridget Cavenough, "	6 00
Alphonse Chritier, "	1 50
Alfred DeRosier, "	1 50
Charles DeRosier, "	1 50
William Greenwood, "	1 50
Patrick Kelley, "	1 50
Edward Lafarier, "	1 50
James Leavitt, "	1 50
Narcisse Lemay, "	1 50
Oliver Lenauette, "	1 50
Joseph Lucier, "	1 50
Charles F. Newell, "	1 50
George Paquette, "	1 50
William Perry, "	1 50
John St. Pierre, "	1 50
Narcisse Vallee, "	1 50
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	\$39 79

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Wm. M. Sargent, printing town reports,	\$ 15 00
C. A. Wood, recording births and deaths,	5 00
F. N. Gibson, recording births and deaths,	2 00
G. F. Munsey, recording births and deaths,	3 00
Herman Shedd Post, decorating soldiers' graves,	50 00
Frank Bushway, use of team,	1 50
Wadleigh & Fish, fees in Burton lamp case,	25 00
R. M. Wallace, counsel fees,	75 00
Suit of H. O. Hadley,	400 66
E. L. Gray, support of watering tub,	3 00
P. J. Ladoo, treasurer of fire company,	115 83

H. I. Whitney, refreshments at Livingston fire,	\$3 00
Mrs. Olive S. Carlton, damage on highways,	50 00
M. H. Hardy, use of team,	1 00
C. E. Hall, stationery and books furnished indigent children,	4 04
N. P. Farrar, use of team,	3 75
Wm. W. Sawtell, yoke for hearse,	2 25
G. C. Robbins, use of team,	3 00
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	\$763 03

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Notes and Interest,	\$5,062 57
State and County Tax,	2,073 13
Support of Schools,	1,214 84
Pauper expenses,	61 35
Highways and bridges,	735 17
Breaking roads,	48 65
Street lamps,	109 90
Police expenses,	16 85
Town officers,	322 80
Library expenses,	52 56
Town house,	401 11
Abatement of taxes,	39 79
Miscellaneous expenses,	763 03
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	\$10,901 75

GREENVILLE, March 1st, 1883.

We have examined the foregoing accounts for the year ending Feb. 28th, 1883, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

F. B. HEALD, }
S. H. BACON, } Auditors.

CONDITION OF FINANCES, MARCH 1, 1883.

The town is indebted for outstanding notes and interest to March 1st, 1883,	\$20,857 45
Due school district No. 0,	8 44
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	\$20,865 89

AVAILABLE ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Balance in treasury March 1st, 1883,	\$111 81
Balance in collector's hands,	62 10
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	\$173 91
Net debt of town March 1st, 1883,	\$20,691 98
Reduction of debt since March 1st, 1882,	3,276 99
Literary fund for 1882 not appropriated,	103 96

The following claim remains unadjusted:

Wm. Edwards & Co.,	\$50 00
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TOTAL VALUATION OF 1882 BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

REAL AND PERSONAL ESTATE.		POLLS.
District No. 1,	\$468,148 00	247
District No. 2,	35,734 00	15
District No. 3,	17,554 00	9
District No. 0,	6,256 00	4
Polls,	27,500 00	<hr/>
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Total valuation,	\$553,192 00	

AMOUNT OF TAXES ASSESSED IN 1882.

District No. 1,	\$7,392 72
District No. 2,	558 51
District No. 3,	276 81
District No. 0,	99 84
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	\$8,327 88
Dog tax,	27 00
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Total,	\$8,354 88

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1882.

Schooling,	\$1,030 00
Highways and bridges,	600 00
Incidentals,	4,000 00
Decorating soldiers' graves,	50 00
State tax,	1,176 00
County tax,	897 13
Sidewalks,	200 00
Overlay,	374 75
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Total appropriations,	\$8,327 88
Rate of taxes for 1882 on \$1,000,	\$15 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. HALL,	} Selectmen of Greenville.
NATHAN P. FARRAR,	
GEORGE C. ROBBINS,	

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

DR.

Cash received of treasurer by order of Selectmen, \$618 71

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Paid for labor of men,	\$383 32
For labor of horses,	136 58
For repairing tools,	- 6 14
For plank for bridge,	39 06
For breaking roads,	48 65
For damage to land,	3 00
For poles,	1 96
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	\$618 71

M. H. HARDY, Surveyor.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Since the last report 25 new books have been added to the Town Library, 4 books have been burned, and 1 book taken out and not returned (but may be recovered). The number of persons taking out books is about the same as last year, and the books are generally well used. Some of the books have become quite worn by use and should be replaced.

No. books in Library as last reported,	1447
No. books added since last report,	25
No. books lost since last report,	5
No. books now in the Library,	1467

Books have been taken out the past year as follows :

March,	681	September,	544
April,	743	October,	458
May,	496	November,	414
June,	475	December,	540
July,	532	January,	514
August,	450	February,	517
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Received for fines,	\$3 70
Received for cards out of town,	6 25
Received for catalogues,	2 55
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\$12 50	

THOS. E. MARSHALL, LIBRARIAN.

March 1st, 1883.

REPORT OF SCHOOLS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 28, 1883.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Prudential Committee,

F. B. Heald.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Number of weeks	11	11	12
Wages of teacher per month,	\$36	\$37	\$40
Whole number of scholars,	39	33	30
Average attendance,	35	32	29

Miss Abbie H. Allen taught this school well, giving the scholars the benefit of her many years experience in successful teaching.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Number of weeks,	11	11	12
Wages of Teacher per month,	\$32	\$33	\$33
Whole number of scholars,	47	41	39
Average attendance,	41	39	33

Miss Harriet D. Gordon came to this school as a stranger but gave the scholars a most excellent drill and discipline.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Number of weeks,	11	11	12
Wages of teacher per month,	\$32	\$33	\$33
Whole number of scholars,	50	61	55
Average attendance,	44	52	48

Miss Lucy E. Goodwin's methods of instruction and manifest disposition towards all the small pupils under her charge can be found in her name Goodwin. Unfortunately the prudential committee and secondarily the position of teacher in the Grammar school in this district have been a sort of bone of contention especially manifest at school meetings for two or three years past. These prejudices have crept into the Grammar school room somewhat so that last year on the one hand and this year on the other, the teachers have encountered some lack of good feeling from a part of the scholars at the outset. This state of affairs is a misfortune which needs speedy correction at our homes. Our public schools should have no part in local or general politics and should be wholly free from all strike and hit back manifestations at school meetings.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Prudential Committee,

C. F. Barrett.

	1st Term.	2d Term.
Number of weeks,	7	8
Wages of teacher per month,	\$20	\$20
Whole number of scholars,	6	6
Average attendance,	5	5

Mrs. Martha M. Goddard has had charge of this school for the year. She handled her little flock well and gave them good instruction.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Prudential Committee,

A. B. Eaton.

	1st Term.	2d Term.
Number of weeks,	7 4-5	8 3-5
Wages of teacher per month,	\$24	\$28
Whole number of scholars,	20	25
Average attendance,	17	19

Miss S. Emma Adams was her own successor in this school from last year. She has been very industrious in school and out of school and has done some very good work. During the winter the attendance became somewhat irregular, making the school not quite as profitable as it should have been. This school, averaging over twenty scholars on its roll needs more than sixteen weeks instruction in a year. In the village district about all the money for the current year has been expended and it would hardly seem advisable to curtail schools where the average attendance is 118, so as to give an additional term here; but if the town would vote to raise \$100 in addition to the present sum, this money might be divided so as to give this district a third term and lengthen the school in district No. 2 to twenty weeks. The school year for all the town has been prosperous and uneventful. The average attendance has been fair and the work accomplished by each pupil has been generally good, with room for improvement in a few cases. Harrington's spellers have been introduced the past year, making the list of text books so complete that no present change is needed. The average cost of educating each scholar the past year has been \$5.51.

With pleasure the following roll of honor is given:

SCHOLARS NOT ABSENT OR TARDY FOR ONE TERM.

Frank Merriam, Celia Connolly, Flora Kimball, Lizzie Mansfield, Bessie Merriam, Nellie Mullen, Jimmie Downs, Addie Adams, Mamie Doyle, Katie Green, Ernest Merriam, Joseph La Salle, Rosa Paquet, David Green, Henry Gainey, Willie Haskell, Sadie Furbush, Myrtie Hartshorn, Hattie Robbins, Charlie Cowdrey, Perley Blanchard, John Livingston, Clara Livingston, Lizzie Brown, Nettie Robinson, Frank Daniels, Josie Keyes, Fred Manning.

SCHOLARS NOT ABSENT OR TARDY FOR TWO TERMS.

Walter Pratt, Fred Robbins, George Adams, Eula Hartshorn, Bertha Peabody, Mabel Stevenson, Mabel Savage, Eddie Connolly, Corinne Salvail, Katie Downs.

SCHOLARS NOT ABSENT OR TARDY FOR THREE TERMS.

Gertrude Robbins, Lillie Bacon, Maude Kenney, Lena
Kimball, Eddie Livingston, Archie Shafter, Hattie Shaft-
er, Josie Connolly, Tommie Mullen.

Gertrude Robbins has not been absent or tardy for two
years. Respectfully Submitted,

C. E. HALL, Superintendent.