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TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

O. T. MAXFIELD.
JEREMIAH GARVIN.
F. B. SHAW.

TOWN CLERK.

JEREMY L. SANBORN.

TOWN TREASURER.

WALTER S. LANGMAID.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

BENNING SANBORN.

AUDITORS.

CALVIN F. LANE.
HENRY M. SANBORN.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

LESTER W. HUTCHINSON.
CATHERINE M. LAKE.
ARTHUR A. GROVES.

ROAD AGENTS.

EDSON C. BERRY.
CHARLES BAILEY.
WALTER C. BATCHELDER.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

INVENTORY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY APRIL 1, 1895.

Polls,	171		\$17,100.00
Acres,	12,370		214,705.00
Horses,	240		14,350.00
Oxen,	44		2,570.00
Cows,	458		11,504.00
Other neat stock,	63		1,410.00
Sheep,	220		640.00
Cash			3,835.00
Stock in banks			17,385.00
Stock in trade			7,725.00
Mills and machinery			1,900.00
Buildings not designated			1,240.00
			\$294,364.00

AMOUNT OF TAXES.

Voted by town	\$3,000.00
“ school district	200.00
Overlay	96.85
	\$3,296.85

Rate per cent, \$1.12 per \$100.

CASH RECEIPTS.

RECEIVED OF STATE TREASURER.

Railroad tax	\$442.80
Savings-bank tax	1,316.94
Literary fund	93.24
	\$1,852.98

RECEIVED OF COUNTY.

Support of poor	\$307.50	
Dependent soldiers	25.15	
	<hr/>	\$332.65
Received of N. G. Edmunds, for nails	\$1.32	
Received of G. M. Munsey, on Hannah Morgan account	8.75	
Received of Albert Thompson, road agent, on 1894 account . . . . .	.73	
Received of Charles Bailey, use of hearse	2.00	
Received of town of Pittsfield, on account perambulating line	1.25	
	<hr/>	\$14.05
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		\$2,199.68

EXPENDITURES.

PAID BY ORDER ON TOWN TREASURER.

State tax	\$905.00	
County tax	922.45	
Treasurer of school board	1,175.04	
	<hr/>	\$3,002.49

COUNTY PAUPERS ACCOUNT.

Paid G. M. Munsey, support of H. Morgan	\$19.50
T. M. Page, per order F. E. Cram	5.00
G. M. Munsey, support of H. Morgan	19.50
Stephen P. Perkins, wood for T. M. Page	8.00
H. T. Leavitt, supplies to Mitchel Herbert	12.50
G. M. Munsey, support of H. Morgan	19.50
S. C. Bennett, support of O. S. Bennett	45.00
C. F. Lane, wood to T. M. Page	8.00
Joseph Morse, supplies to Martha Marston	20.75

Paid Stephen P. Perkins, wood to T. M. Page	\$4.50
H. T. Leavitt, supplies to W. E. Burgess	1.82
H. T. Leavitt, supplies to Mitchel Herbert	37.55
S. C. Bennett, support of O. S. Bennett .	33.00
G. P. Haines' estate, supplies to T. M. Page	40.43
G. P. Haines' estate, supplies to J. Marston	40.20
J. T. Lake, wood to T. M. Page	1.00
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	\$316.25

Received of G. M. Munsey, on H. Morgan account	8.75
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	\$307.50

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS ACCOUNT.

Paid H. T. Leavitt, supplies to H. G. Lake .	\$21.15
A. L. Sanborn, wood to H. G. Lake	4.00
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	\$25.15

ABATEMENTS.

Paid J. S. Hoyt's estate, loss of horse	\$0.45
Benjamin Noyes' estate, overtaxed	2.24
Stephen P. Perkins, loss of cow	.40
J. F. French, neat stock under three years old47
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	\$3.56

Paid Benning Sanborn, collector in 1894 :

Thomas Berry, horse in trust, paid in Pittsfield	\$2.24
Albert P. Carpenter, paid in Boston, Mass.	1.40
Fred L. Towle, paid in Massa- chusetts	1.40
Edward Giddis	3.76
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	\$8.80

Paid Benning Sanborn, collector in 1895 :

G. M. Bailey, paid in Providence	\$1.12	
C. A. Brown	1.12	
Charles Brace	1.12	
Albert P. Carpenter	1.12	
John L. Chesley	1.12	
G. B. M. Knowles	1.12	
Fred L. Towle	1.12	
John D. West	1.12	
		<u>\$8.96</u>
		\$21.32

RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

Paid Baptist society, 1894		\$7.48
Congregational society	\$23.89	
Methodist Episcopal society	16.51	
Baptist society	7.48	
		<u>\$47.88</u>
		\$55.36

ROAD AGENTS, 1894.

Paid E. C. Berry	\$18.10	
S. C. Marden	52.65	
		<u>\$70.75</u>
Received of Albert Thompson, balance account . . . . .	.73	
		<u>\$70.02</u>
Paid E. C. Berry, 1895	\$365.50	
Charles Bailey	375.67	
W. C. Batchelder	478.75	
		<u>\$1,219.92</u>
		\$1,289.94

PUBLIC WATERING PLACES.

Paid J. F. Leavitt, 1894	\$2.00	
C. A. Langmaid	1.50	
	<hr/>	\$3.50
Paid C. A. Langmaid, 1895	\$3.00	
Asa F. Hutchinson	3.00	
G. M. Warren	3.00	
James Hook	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$11.00
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		\$14.50

REPAIRING TOWN HOUSE.

Paid A. A. Groves, drawing shingles, etc., from Concord	\$6.00	
Fairfield & Co., for shingles, nails, finish, etc.	46.80	
F. Brown, for labor	21.68	
C. H. Martin & Co., for paint stock	46.76	
Call Brothers, labor	18.00	
" " getting stock	3.00	
" " for glass . . . .	.20	
" " for black . . . .	.25	
	<hr/>	\$142.69
Received for stock returned	5.37	
	<hr/>	\$137.32

PERAMBULATING TOWN LINES.

Epsom and Chichester line :		
Paid George W. Lane	\$2.00	
George W. Lane, for monument and setting	1.00	
selectmen	6.00	
Horace Carpenter, dinners	1.25	
	<hr/>	\$10.25

Chichester and Pittsfield line :

George W. Lane	\$4.00
selectmen	12.00
John W. Severance, dinners	2.50
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	\$18.50

Received of town of Pittsfield, on John

W. Severance bill	1.25	
	<hr/>	\$17.25
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		\$27.50

SCHOOL-BOOKS.

Bills approved by board of education :

Paid American Book Co.	\$62.03
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn	22.32
“ “ “	11.22
Thompson, Brown & Co.	1.67
The Werner Co.	107.69
American Book Co.	1.01
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	\$205.94

1894.

Paid American Book Co.	\$2.32
University Publishing Co.	15.25
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	\$17.57
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	\$223.51

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid F. B. Shaw, clerk school district, 1894	\$1.50
H. T. Leavitt, treasurer school district, 1895	5.00
A. A. Groves, member of school board	30.00
Albert Thompson, constable and dog killer	9.00
Charles Bailey, hearse agent	14.00
J. L. Sanborn, town clerk	15.00
L. W. Hutchinson, member of school board	35.00

Paid Catherine M. Lake, member of school board	\$30.00
C. F. Lane, auditor for 1894	1.50
H. M. Sanborn, auditor for 1894	1.50
W. S. Langmaid, town treasurer	25.00
J. F. French, constable, 1894 and 1895	6.00
Benning Sanborn, collector of taxes, 1894	1.87
“ “ “ “ 1895	46.82
O. T. Maxfield, services as selectman	60.00
“ “ overseer of poor	18.00
Jeremiah Garvin, services as selectman	45.00
“ “ overseer of poor	6.00
F. B. Shaw, services as selectman	46.50
“ “ overseer of poor	2.50
“ “ services as district clerk, 1895	1.50
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	\$401.69

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid F. B. Shaw, wood for town hall	\$1.00
N. E. Martin, legal advice, 1894	10.00
Republican Press Asso., printing reports	29.50
H. S. Knowles, attendance with hearse, 1894	5.00
H. G. Sargent, legal advice	2.00
for dinners for election officers, March 12	1.60
H. B. Langley, dinners for officers	2.50
Temple & Farrington, blank books, etc.	2.68
G. W. Lane, order from cattle commissioners	5.00
J. L. Sanborn, printing ballots and cards, express, and license blanks	7.00
Eddie S. Edmunds, picking up shingles at town house	1.25
W. A. Deering, damage to fowls by dogs	1.00

Paid H. T. Leavitt, stationery	\$0.10
John Wheeler, return of death . . . . .	.25
C. G. Sanders, guide-post and setting . . . . .	.50
W. S. Langmaid, for posts at town house and setting . . . . .	.80
S. W. Langmaid, board of officers	10.50
Roscoe Hill, for returning births	1.00
O. T. Maxfield, two trips to Concord	4.00
G. P. Haines' estate, stationery and postage	1.95
F. B. Shaw, for wood for town house	2.25
E. C. Eastman, pamphlet laws and postage	1.50
F. B. Shaw, copying	1.00
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	\$92.38

RECAPITULATION.

Paid state, county, and school tax	\$3,002.49
county paupers account	307.50
dependent soldiers account	25.15
abatements	21.32
religious societies	55.36
road agents	1,289.94
public watering places	14.50
repairing town house	137.32
perambulating town lines	27.50
school-books	223.51
town officers	401.69
incidental expenses	92.38
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Total expenses	\$5,598.66

REBATE OF ORDERS.

Albert Thompson, account as road agent . .	\$0.73
G. M. Munsey, Hannah Morgan account . .	8.75
Town of Pittsfield, on account perambulating line	1.25
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Total amount of orders on treasurer .	\$5,609.39

OTIS T. MAXFIELD,
JEREMIAH GARVIN,
FREDERICK B. SHAW,
Selectmen of Chichester.

We hereby certify that we have examined the financial accounts of the selectmen for the fiscal year ending February 15, 1896, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

CALVIN F. LANE,
HENRY M. SANBORN,
Auditors.

CHICHESTER, February 20, 1896.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENTS.

E. C. BERRY, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF CHICHESTER
FOR 1894.

Received by order of selectmen on town treasurer	\$18.10
Paid J. G. Berry, labor	\$1.95
J. S. Marston, " . . . . .	.45
Charles G. Sanders, labor . . . . .	.38
Frank Lock, " . . . . .	.45
Charles Lake, " . . . . .	.15
E. C. Berry, "	10.00
F. L. Winslow, " . . . . .	.90
Dudley Towle, " . . . . .	.90
W. C. Batchelder, " . . . . .	.75
F. A. O'Meara, " . . . . .	.82
F. B. Shaw, "	1.35
	\$18.10

S. C. MARDEN, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF CHICHESTER FOR 1894.

Received by order of selectmen on town treasurer	\$52.65
Paid S. C. Marden, labor	\$2.80
Adin G. Fowler, "	2.40
J. F. Towle, "	1.50
David Cadrett, "	6.75
R. Brodrick, "	2.25
F. D. French, "	1.25

Paid P. L. Marden,	labor . . .	\$2.20
Sidney F. Smith,	" . . .	2.00
Joseph W. Moses,	" . . .	.90
Frank E. Saltmarsh,	" . . .	1.25
F. E. Hook,	" . . .	2.70
W. D. Welcome,	" . . .	2.00
L. W. Towle,	" . . .	3.00
R. W. Dame,	" . . .	2.85
F. Ford,	" . . .	.60
James Hook,	" . . .	3.00
H. B. Langley,	" . . .	5.00
M. E. Prescott,	" . . .	1.60
George W. West,	" . . .	7.25
Jeremiah Garvin,	" . . .	1.35
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		\$52.65

A. THOMPSON, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF CHICHESTER
FOR 1894.

Cash on hand February 15, 1895		\$40.00
Paid A. Thompson,	labor . . .	\$1.50
G. L. Towle,	" . . .	4.25
A. Thompson,	" . . .	4.50
A. A. Groves,	" . . .	.65
A. Thompson,	" . . .	3.00
C. H. Towle,	" . . .	.30
Joshua Lane,	" . . .	3.15
T. M. Cofran,	" . . .	3.30
P. C. Hutchinson,	" . . .	3.75
George Edgerly,	" . . .	1.00
George W. Lane,	" . . .	11.37
Mrs. P. Staniels, housing road		
machine		2.00
N. G. Edmonds, labor50
selectmen, cash73
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		\$40.00

EDSON C. BERRY, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF
CHICHESTER.

Received by order of selectmen on treasurer . \$365.50

Paid Oscar Green	\$2.25
B. M. Tilton	1.00
J. G. Berry	13.94
Charles Shaw	9.60
Charles Lake	3.90
E. C. Berry	31.85
J. T. Lake	1.75
P. S. Elliott, culvert pipe	11.16
Charles Lake, plank	11.42
Charles Sanders, stringers . . . . .	.40
E. C. Berry, stringers	1.50
F. W. Watson	9.87
C. F. Lane	38.12
F. T. Lane	1.50
O. T. Maxfield	10.61
J. B. Clifford	9.00
J. G. Berry	39.73
T. M. Berry	3.38
Herbert Roby	2.48
C. B. Meserve	4.13
J. W. Severance	10.80
Oscar Green	12.96
David Twombly	3.00
I. W. Twombly	1.50
G. M. Warren	12.15
S. C. Bennett	3.00
Ira B. Perry	3.00
S. C. Perkins	9.00
Charles Sanders	4.50
Charles Lake	7.50
John Shaw	7.50

Paid E. C. Berry	\$40.50
Evans & Page, plank	12.08
A. West . . . . .	.15
S. W. Mason . . . . .	.15
F. B. Shaw	3.00
E. C. Berry	15.72
J. G. Berry	5.70
Charles Lake, plank70
E. C. Berry	4.00
J. G. Berry85
O. T. Maxfield15
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	\$365.50

CHARLES BAILEY, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF
CHICHESTER.

1895. Received by order of selectmen on
treasurer \$375.67

Paid Charles Langmaid	\$7.00
Benning Sanborn	6.00
E. M. Reed	8.00
J. K. Towle	7.50
Charles W. Davis	1.50
Clarence Edmunds	1.50
Clarence Sanborn	6.00
John L. Saturley	2.00
H. M. Sanborn	10.50
A. A. Groves	21.00
George A. Towle	6.00
John W. Welch	1.50
Ed. Welch	1.50
George F. Morse	1.50
Fred E. Ford	4.50
John R. Rand . . . . .	.75
Asa F. Hutchinson	6.00

Paid	Charles Bailey	. . .	\$17.15
	Charles H. Towle	. . .	10.50
	N. G. Edmunds	. . .	4.35
	Fred E. Ford	. . .	5.25
	George A. Bailey	. . .	3.00
	John K. Towle	. . .	6.00
	George A. Towle	. . .	1.50
	Charles Davis	. . .	7.00
	E. M. Reed	. . .	7.00
	R. U. Carpenter	. . .	3.50
	H. M. Sanborn	. . .	3.75
	Julius Leavitt	. . .	12.25
	L. W. Hutchinson	. . .	10.00
	Arthur A. Groves	. . .	10.00
	James E. Rand	. . .	2.75
	Dexter R. Towle	. . .	3.00
	George W. Towle	. . .	1.50
	Charles C. Shaw	. . .	17.75
	O. F. Davis	. . .	7.00
	Franklin Brown	. . .	6.00
	A. L. West	. . .	1.95
	Walter S. Langmaid	. . .	20.50
	E. H. Blood	. . .	1.75
	Charles H. Towle	. . .	4.50
	Lester W. Hutchinson	. . .	9.00
	Charles Bailey	. . .	14.80
	P. C. Hutchinson	. . .	4.75
	John L. Saturley	. . .	1.50
	John K. Towle	. . .	7.50
	Charles H. Towle	. . .	3.75
	George A. Towle	. . .	4.50
	Abraham M. Drake	. . .	1.65
	Lester W. Hutchinson	. . .	5.25
	Charles Bailey	. . .	13.25
	E. M. Reed	. . .	6.00

Paid Benning Sanborn	\$1.25
Walter S. Langmaid	10.67
Noah G. Edmunds	7.60
Clarence W. Edmunds	4.50
Walter S. Langmaid	1.50
Clarence W. Edmunds	1.20
William S. Edmunds	1.20
Franklin Brown	3.00
Oil and cans . . . .	.65
Blasting powder30
Noah G. Edmunds	2.00
Bryant M. Bailey	4.50
Charles Bailey	4.65
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	\$375.67

WALTER C. BATCHELDER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
TOWN OF CHICHESTER.

Received of the selectmen by order on treasurer \$478.75

Paid W. C. Batchelder	\$13.50
L. W. Hutchinson	7.50
Fred O'Meara	9.00
F. B. Shaw	13.80
D. R. Towle	6.00
G. W. Towle	3.00
Dudley Towle	3.75
Charles Durgin	6.00
F. L. Winslow	7.10
O. S. Batchelder	21.00
W. C. Batchelder	9.00
G. W. Towle	3.75
D. R. Towle	3.15

Paid	O. S. Batchelder	.	.	.	\$0.50
	F. B. Shaw	.	.	.	1.65
	H. B. Langley	.	.	.	3.75
	F. D. French	.	.	.	1.50
	James Hook	.	.	.	2.00
	G. M. Munsey	.	.	.	.75
	Edwin Lake	.	.	.	17.50
	W. S. Langmaid	.	.	.	15.00
	H. B. Langley	.	.	.	6.50
	Harry Moore	.	.	.	1.50
	J. K. Towle	.	.	.	1.50
	Ed. Giddis	.	.	.	3.50
	A. A. Groves	.	.	.	2.00
	H. M. Sanborn	.	.	.	1.50
	E. S. Harvey, plank	.	.	.	2.08
	W. C. Batchelder, repairs on				
	road machine	.	.	.	12.00
	Fred O'Meara	.	.	.	7.50
	Jo. Moses	.	.	.	5.63
	F. D. French	.	.	.	12.25
	Adin Fowler	.	.	.	1.88
	David Cadrett	.	.	.	5.75
	Fred Smith	.	.	.	6.00
	A. A. Groves	.	.	.	17.50
	Herbert Sanborn	.	.	.	1.50
	Charles Towle	.	.	.	3.50
	James M. Mitchell	.	.	.	7.50
	L. W. Hutchinson	.	.	.	13.00
	O. F. Davis, dynamite	.	.	.	1.50
	O. F. Davis, labor	.	.	.	3.75
	O. S. Batchelder	.	.	.	23.50
	Fred Hook	.	.	.	3.53
	W. C. Batchelder	.	.	.	24.50
	Walter Ordway	.	.	.	8.50
	Henry Colby	.	.	.	4.50

Paid	F. L. Winslow	.	.	.	\$2.50
	Charles Staniels	.	.	.	7.50
	W. S. Langmaid	.	.	.	2.50
	Julius Leavitt	.	.	.	19.00
	J. K. Towle	.	.	.	1.00
	G. M. Munsey	.	.	.	3.75
	Will Welcome	.	.	.	2.25
	G. M. Munsey	.	.	.	3.00
	D. R. Towle	.	.	.	8.00
	F. D. French	.	.	.	.75
	Jo. Moses	.	.	.	.75
	Julius Leavitt	.	.	.	1.25
	W. C. Batchelder	.	.	.	1.50
	Otis S. Batchelder	.	.	.	1.50
	J. K. Towle	.	.	.	.75
	Julius Leavitt	.	.	.	9.00
	David Moses	.	.	.	11.55
	W. C. Batchelder	.	.	.	2.62
	D. R. Towle	.	.	.	1.80
	J. Garvin	.	.	.	7.50
	Charles Lake, plank	.	.	.	17.73
	Fred Hook	.	.	.	.38
	Fred O'Meara	.	.	.	1.20
	W. C. Batchelder	.	.	.	13.50
	George West	.	.	.	3.25
	O. F. Davis	.	.	.	1.50
	C. A. Towle	.	.	.	2.00
	Sam Marden	.	.	.	12.00
	H. B. Langley	.	.	.	6.75
	Jeremiah Garvin90
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					\$479.25
Received of	Charles Lake, old plank50
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					\$478.75

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Cash received of treasurer of 1894 . \$2,604.28

Received of state treasurer for dis-

eased cattle . . .	4.00
Benning Sanborn, taxes in 1894 . . .	125.00
Benning Sanborn, col- lector . . .	3,121.63
A. C. Brown, pedler's license . . .	2.00
J. L. Sanborn, town clerk, dog license .	76.80
True Center, pedler's license . . .	2.00
selectmen, for shingle- nails . . .	1.32
selectmen, money over- drawn on Hannah Morgan account .	8.75
selectmen, railroad tax	442.80
selectmen, savings-bank tax . . .	1,316.94
selectmen, literary fund	93.24
selectmen, county charges . . .	332.65
selectmen, perambulat- ing town line . .	1.25

Received of selectmen, on Thompson account	\$0.73
selectmen, hearse account	2.00
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	\$8,135.39

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Paid town orders drawn by selectmen	\$5,609.39
bond and coupon due March 1, 1895	520.00
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	\$6,129.39

Cash in hands of treasurer, Feb. 15, 1896 \$2,006.00

WALTER S. LANGMAID,

Treasurer.

TOWN FUND.

Parsonage fund loaned town \$864.66

TOWN PROPERTY.

Town house at cost	\$475.00
Hearse and hearse house	500.00
Hearse harnesses	45.00
Road machine	250.00
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	\$1,270.00

DUE THE TOWN.

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$2,006.00
Due from Benning Sanborn, collector	175.22
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	\$2,181.22

Indebtedness of town parsonage fund loaned town \$864.66

Balance in favor of town Feb. 15, 1896 . \$1,216.56

WALTER S. LANGMAID,

Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the financial accounts of the town treasurer for the fiscal year ending February 15, 1896, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

CALVIN F. LANE,
HENRY M. SANBORN,

Auditors.

CHICHESTER, N. H.

MARION D. LAKE TRUST.

Income to be devoted to care of cemetery lot of Reuben Lake.

Capital	\$100.00
Invested by deposit in New Hampshire savings bank	\$100.00
Balance from last year	\$3.35
Cash for interest to January 1, 1896	3.25
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	\$6.60

EXPENDED.

Paid Charles Lake, expense incurred	\$3.60
Balance on hand	3.00
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	\$6.60

CHARLES LAKE,

Agent.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1896.

To conform to the law and a time-honored custom, it becomes the duty of your chairman, with suggestions from other members of the school board to submit to you, as a people, a report of the manner in which business appertaining to schools has been conducted during the past year. The abilities of teachers employed, the different branches of English language which have been taught and supplies considered necessary for the advancement of education. By reason of the requirements of the law, we were under obligations to appoint an agent for the enumeration of children, and it being less expensive, Frederick B. Shaw, one of the selectmen, was appointed to act in that position, who reported to us that upon a canvass of the town he had found there were 57 boys and 56 girls between the ages of five and 16 years, which you will find upon further perusal of this report, have been assigned to the different studies taught, according to their qualifications. It being economy to furnish a school in each district, the board have employed teachers and supplied means for schooling in each, although it is not imperative for present chairman to report from the commencement of the year until the close, yet it has been thought essential to do so that you may be better able to ascertain the expenses which have accrued for the support of schools during the past year. Owing to the fact that our reading-books were in such a condition

that several copies were unfit for use, and a large number must have been procured to properly equip the different schools, it was deemed advisable to make a change, and by so doing new books were obtained at 20 per cent discount, and an exchange price allowed for old books of any description; this reason was also true in regard to the smaller arithmetic with an addition of the Werner Mental Arithmetic, with these exceptions books remain the same. Requiring as it did some two weeks or more to supply books for the schools at the beginning of the year, we have prepared the coming board for such an emergency by ordering a sufficient number of copies to stock each school, which we have on hand. In the report ending March 1, 1891, you will find the following: "Your school-houses are in quite as good repair as a year ago, requiring for the year an expenditure of \$24.47. With the outlay for books the past year and our desire for as many weeks of schooling as possible, we have not seen our way for any extensive repairs, such as painting the buildings and general or particular renovation or procuring of improved seats, with which we hope some day to see our school-room supplied." Now we do not wish to have you understand us as quoting from the report of 1890 for the purpose of criticising that particular report more than we should any subsequent one. It is not for the purpose of criticism that we have made a selection from a former report, but we wish to explain from that report why there has been expended more money for repairs during the past year than any year since the abolishing of the old district system of schools. To continue in the steps of our predecessors by curtailing expenses for repairs has been impossible. As you will see from the remarks made in the report of 1891, they wished to have as many weeks of schooling as could be

secured by cutting down expenses for repairs. This has been the endeavor of every board since that time. It has been the continual saying of each chairman that they will want something to do next year, until we find the school-houses in such a condition that it cannot be avoided any longer. Yet we feel that in making such repairs as were judged necessary we did not wrong ourselves by any violation of our obligations to you as a school board.

Chapter 91, section 17, of the Public Statutes, reads: "The schools of a district shall be kept in its school-houses, if it has suitable houses that will accommodate the scholars; if not, the school board shall provide suitable ones at the expense of the district." We submit that the school-houses were not suitable and have accordingly made such repairs as were in our judgment considered necessary. Our books are open for your inspection. Our bills are supported by proper vouchers. We are in debt and we make no concealment but what we are, but our debts have not fallen upon us by reason of neglect of duty; all debts are just ones and have not been contracted unnecessarily. It would occupy quite a space to explain the different repairs made in each district, and we know of no particular need of doing so. We do not think it important for us to lengthen our report by requesting you to make appropriations for the advancement of education. We do not think it important to praise our efforts in doing the business relating to schools to a better advantage than formerly, but we submit this report for your consideration, subject to criticisms and we hope approval. Following you will find a few remarks relating to teachers, their success and abilities:

DISTRICT No. 1. — Taught by Miss Edna M. Brown, a resident of this town. Much effort was put forth by

the teacher to engage her pupils in their studies and to give them those habits of order, attention, and thoroughness which are necessary to good progress, and this effort was crowned with an amount of success which could reasonably be expected. The labor of a teacher who is interested in her school and consequently for the advancement of her scholars are undoubtedly followed with marked and gratifying results. It was so in this case.

DISTRICT No. 2. — The services of Miss Lilla N. McKerley were secured here, it appearing upon investigation to be the desire of parents of this district. Miss McKerley is an experienced teacher, and experience is valuable in all pursuits and labors, but especially in the case of those whose sole business it is to impart knowledge to the mind and virtue to the heart. A good teacher cannot be too highly prized nor too much honored and that district must be considered benefited which like this has had secured for it such a one, and may she be retained as long as is deemed beneficial.

DISTRICT No. 4. — Taught by Miss Mary J. Prescott, of Deerfield, N. H. A school of this size, consisting of only five pupils, cannot be expected to make as great an advancement of proficiency as one five times as large, yet in this school we find our smartest and most advanced scholars, which has been attributed to no other cause but the energy and persistent efforts of the teacher. Miss Prescott devoted her time to the improvement of her school and has rendered it as pleasant and profitable as could be expected under the circumstances.

DISTRICT No. 5. — Taught by Miss Lenore F. Towle, a resident of this town and district. Miss Towle has taught this school for a number of terms in succession, and by her perseverance and faithfulness has won the affection and confidence of pupils and parents.

DISTRICT No. 6. — Taught by Mr. Joseph D. Danforth, of Massachusetts. Mr. Danforth came to us as a stranger, bearing recommendations from the principals of Nashua and Groton High Schools, and as a graduate of the last named institution, and as far as scholastic abilities were concerned, Mr. Danforth was fully equipped and passed a most satisfactory examination, and we feel called upon to state that he labored most assiduously to promote the best interests of the school; to this end he regarded universal order and thorough instruction as requisite. No morbid sensibility made him afraid to use the rod when necessary, yet his energy of character rendered this necessity of rare occurrence. Yet we were not so successful in this school as we had hoped to be. It was due, we think, to the inexperience of the teacher, and for that reason his services were dispensed with as soon as convenient and advisable.

PINE GROUND DISTRICT. — Taught by Mr. Fred B. Smith, a graduate of Kingston Seminary, Kingston, N. H. In this school in the past there has been some difficulty in obtaining a teacher who was able to conform to the desires of all parents, but we feel justified in making the statement that Mr. Smith was generally liked. One fact is certain, that there has not been so much advancement and improvement noticeable in this school for some time past as was accomplished under the direction and supervision of this teacher.

Respectfully submitted,

L. W. HUTCHINSON,
CATHERINE M. LAKE,
ARTHUR A. GROVES,

Board of Education.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

To cash from treasurer of 1894	\$34.24
cash from town treasurer	1,175.04
tuition of scholars from Epsom	17.50
H. T. Leavitt, 12 lbs. pads	1.20
books . . . . .	.80
	\$1,228.78
Total receipts	\$1,228.78

EXPENDITURES.

Paid teachers in school No. 1	\$143.00
“ “ “ No. 2	138.50
“ “ “ No. 4	143.00
“ “ “ No. 5	132.00
“ “ “ No. 6	161.00
“ “ “ No. 8	165.00
	\$882.50
Paid for cleaning school-houses	\$11.50
for wood and fitting	25.74
bill for charts, 1894	48.00
for labor and supplies	261.04
	\$346.28
Total expenditures	\$1,228.78

OUTSTANDING BILLS.

Due C. R. Sanborn, labor and supplies	\$23.81
C. J. Shaw, for lumber	3.50
Geo. P. Haines' estate	9.88
E. C. Eastman	5.40
W. S. Langmaid	2.00
H. T. Leavitt	2.05
	\$46.64
Total indebtedness	\$46.64

L. W. HUTCHINSON,
ARTHUR A. GROVES,
School Board.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

DISTRICT No. 1.

BOYS.

Karl Deering.
 Earle Deering.
 Charlie T. Lane.
 Ralph S. Perkins.

GIRLS.

Augusta M. Clifford.
 Lula A. Fellows.
 Blanche R. Lane.
 Elsie M. Lane.
 Lilla M. Trickey.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Justin E. Cate.
 John F. Leaver.

Sadie B. Blood.
 Esther E. Brase.
 Gertrude M. Merrill.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Jimmie H. Cofran.

Lillie E. Hoyt.
 Annie S. Cofran.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Leon A. Sanborn.

Sadie A. Langmaid.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of school.	Term.	Names of teachers.	Wages of teachers per week.	Length of school in weeks.	No. of scholars.	Male.	Female.	Average daily attendance.	No. in Reading.	No. in Spelling.	No. in Penmanship.	No. in Arithmetic.	No. in Geography.	No. in Grammar.	No. in Physiology.	No. in Book-keeping.	No. in Algebra.	No. in History.	No. in Composition.
1	Spring..	Miss Edna M. Brown.....	\$6.50	9	24	11	13	21	24	24	24	23	14	6	24	..	..	..	..
2	" ..	Miss Lilla N. McKerley..	6.00	9	13	2	11	12	13	13	12	12	12	6	13	2	..	8	8
3	" ..	Mr. Fred B. Smith.....	7.50	9	31	14	17	29	31	31	25	26	15	11	10	..	..	6	..
4	" ..	Miss Mary J. Prescott....	6.50	9	5	2	3	5	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	2	..	3	3
5	" ..	Miss Lenore F. Towle....	6.00	9	7	6	1	5	7	7	7	7	2	2	2	..	..	2	..
6	" ..	Mr. Joseph D. Danforth..	7.50	9	34	22	12	27	34	34	25	23	19	13	34

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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from town treasurer	.	1,175.04
tuition of scholars from		
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books80
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Total receipts	\$1,228.78

EXPENDITURES.

Paid teachers in school No. 1, 22 weeks	.	\$143.00
" " " 2, "	.	138.50
" " " 4, "	.	143.00
" " " 5, "	.	132.00
" " " 6, "	.	161.00
" " " 8, "	.	165.00

		\$882.50
Paid for cleaning school-house	.	\$11.50
wood and fitting	. . . .	25.74
bills of 1894, for charts	.	48.00
labor and supplies	. . . .	261.04

		\$346.28
Total expenditures	. . . .	\$1,228.78

H. T. LEAVITT,
Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the financial accounts of the treasurer of the school district, and find them correct and properly vouched.

BENNING SANBORN,
CHARLES LAKE,

Auditors.

CHICHESTER, Feb. 15, 1896.

VITAL STATISTICS.

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Births Registered in the Town of Chichester, for the Year ending February 15, 1896.

Date of birth.	Place of birth.	Name of the child (if any).	Sex and Condition.					Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents.	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.	Age of father.	Age of mother.
			Male.	Female.	Living or still-born.	No. of child, 1st, 2d, etc.	Color.									
Mar. 10	Chichester..	Charlie Moses....	M	....	L	2	W	Frank W. Moses.....	Isabell Hosmer.....	W	Chichester...	Carpenter...	Pembroke	Sutton	25	22
May 24	" ..	.....	"	....	"	2	"	Frank L. Winslow...	Mary J. Lake.....	"	" ..	Farming....	.....	Chichester..	27	23
May 28	" ..	Raymond Colby..	"	....	"	3	"	Henry A. Colby.....	Georgia A. Colby....	"	" ..	Engineer ...	Dunbarton ...	Concord.....	40	30
June 31	" ..	.....	"	....	"	6	"	Frank I. Clough.....	Adele Marston.....	"	" ..	Shoemaker.	Wolfeborough.	Chichester..	35	35
July 24	" ..	.....	....	F	"	4	"	Charles R. Sanborn..	Ida L. Ordway.....	"	" ..	Carpenter...	Chichester....	Loudon	39	40
July 28	" ..	.....	....	"	"	3	"	Jeremy L. Sanborn..	Emma S. Cofran....	"	" ..	Farmer	"	Epsom	36	39
Nov. 23	" ..	.....	....	"	"	1	"	Charles F. Mason....	Mabel F. Jones.....	"	" ..	"	"	Pittsfield ...	24	17
Dec. 20	" ..	.....	....	"	"	1	"	Waldo M. Hartford ..	Daisy M. Prentiss...	"	" ..	"	Deerfield	Pembroke ..	20	18

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

JEREMY L. SANBORN, *Town Clerk.*

Marriages Registered in the Town of Chichester, for the Year ending February 15, 1896.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age, yrs.	Color of each.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation.	What marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Feb. 27	Chichester.	Charles F. Mason	Chichester.	22	W	Farmer	Epsom	John Mason	Conway	Teamster	1st	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
		Mabel Jones	Pittsfield	16	"	Shoe-shop	Pittsfield	Sarah M. Lake	Epsom	Shoe-shop	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
Apr. 30	Chichester.	Edwin J. Lake	Chichester.	27	"	Farming	Chichester.	Albert Jones	Pittsfield	Farmer	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
		Lilla May Robinson	Pembroke	19	"	.....	Pembroke ..	Nell Welch	Chichester	Farmer	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
May 22	Chichester.	Oscar I. Green	Chichester.	30	"	Farmer	Chichester.	William L. Robinson	Pembroke	Farmer	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
		Myra S. Bullard	Chichester.	24	"	Tailor's shop	Hardwick, Vt.	Nannie Corcoran	Ireland	Farmer	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
June 15	Chichester.	Courtland L. Ordway ..	Chichester.	18	"	Farmer	Chichester.	James S. Green	Loudon	Farmer	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
		Clara B. Sanborn	Loudon	22	"	At home	Loudon	Eunice Tilton	Pittsfield	Farmer	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
Sept. 4	Chichester.	Frank L. Seavey	Epsom	32	"	Farmer	Epsom	Martin Bullard	Canada	Farmer	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
		Clintie W. Lane	Chichester.	27	"	At home	Chichester.	Louisa A. Kent	Loudon	Farmer	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
Sept. 25	Chichester.	Horatio E. Griffin	Cochituate, Mass.	21	"	Shoemaking	Cochituate, Mass.	George E. Ordway	Loudon	Farmer and [civil eng'r]	"	Rev. Samuel H. Amsden, Cong. clergyman, Chichester.
		Nellie A. Stevens	Chichester.	21	"	At home	Chichester.	Jennie F. Kelley	Northwood	Factory supt	"	Rev. George R. Locke, Methodist minister, Haverhill.
								True H. Sanborn	Loudon			
								Caroline B. Green	Loudon			
								William A. Seavey	Chichester			
								Abbie L. Lane	Chichester			
								George W. Lane	Chichester			
								Annie L. Locke	Epsom			
								Daniel D. Griffin	Nova Scotia			
								Arabelle Banister	Cochituate, Mass.			
								Carpenter S. Stevens	Chichester			
								Sarah R. Lakin	Chichester			

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

JEREMY L. SANBORN, *Town Clerk.*

Deaths Registered in the Town of Chichester, for the Year ending February 15, 1896.

Date of death.	Place of death.	Name and surname of the deceased.	Age.			Place of birth.	Sex.	Color.	Single, married or widowed.	Occupation.	Place of birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Occupation of father.	Name and P. O. address of physician (or other person) reporting death.
			Years.	Months.	Days.						Father.	Mother.				
Mar. 13	All in Chichester.	George W. Roby, 1...	81	7	13	Sutton.....	M	M	Farmer...	Sutton.....	Sutton.....	Joseph Roby.....	Dolly Stevens.....	Farmer.....	A. H. French, Pittsfield.	
Mar. 16		James S. Green, 2...	77	10	16	Loudon.....	"	"	"	Pittsfield...		David Green.....	Rheuhama Sherburne	"	Edgar L. Carr, Pittsfield.	
Mar. 20		Thomas Berry, 3...	89	5	7	Chichester..	"	"	"	Greenland..	Pittsfield..	John Berry.....	Sarah Drake.....	"	John Wheeler, Pittsfield.	
May 8		Henry G. Lake, 4....	59	11	27	Epsom.....	"	W	"	Chichester..	Chichester..	Benjamin Lake..	Mary Saturley.....	"	Roscoe Hill, Epsom.	
Aug. 14		Nathan Marden, 5... 61	4	24	Chichester..	"	M	"	"	Chichester..	Newburyport, Mass.	John Marden....	Betsey H. Hook.....	"	W. A. Megrath, Loudon.	
Sept. 7		Harry E. Ordway, 6..	11	3	27	Chichester..	"	S		Loudon.....	Northwood..	George E. Ordway	Jennie F. Kelley.....	Contractor and builder.	E. L. Carr, Pittsfield.	
Oct. 4		Anna O. Twombly... 45	2	19	Barnstead..	F	M	Housewife								
Nov. 23		Infant, 7.....			Chichester..	"	S			Chichester..	Pittsfield..	Charles F. Mason	Mabel F. Jones.....	Farmer.....	Roscoe Hill, Epsom.	
Dec. 5 1896.		Nancy N. Shaw, 8....	63	8	23	Epsom.....	"	M	Housewife	Epsom.....	Epsom.....	Marden Towle...	Hannah Sanborn....	"	W. A. Megrath, Loudon.	
Jan. 12		Louise A. Deering, 9.	69	1	4	Middleville, N. Y.	"	"	"			W. H. Dexter....	Sarah Jannett.....	"	F. H. Sargent, Pittsfield.	
Jan. 14		Charles C. Shaw, 10..	65	8	10	Chichester..	M	"	Farmer...	Chichester..	Chichester..	David P. Shaw...	Clarissa Carpenter...	"	W. A. Megrath, Loudon.	
Jan. 15	Sarah F. Shaw, 11....	37	2		Portsmouth.	F	"	Housewife	Portsmouth.	Portsmouth.	John C. Oxford...	Lydia S. Folsom.....	Merchant....	W. A. Megrath, Loudon.		

DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH.—1, apoplexy; 2, la grippe; 3, pneumonia; 4, suffocation; 5, cardiac dropsy; 6, drowning; 7, debility, premature birth; 8, pericarditis and pleurisy; 9, general paralysis; 10, valvular disease of heart; 11, pulmonary consumption.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. JEREMY L. SANBORN, *Town Clerk.*