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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OF FALMOUTH.

1871

FINANCIAL
AND
S. SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORTS,
OF THE
TOWN OF FALMOUTH,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1871.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF FALMOUTH.

The Annual Report of Receipts and Expenditures for the year ending March 1st, 1871, is herein respectfully submitted.

By examining the Report you will find our Liabilities to be \$18,424.36. Availabilities, \$13,110.54, showing the Debt of the Town to be \$5,313.82.

The amount of Bills against the Town not rendered, with the exception of the Bills of the Bowe case, will be about balanced by the unpaid highway tax.

The Report of the account with the Alms House may not look quite as favorable as last year, but owing to a mistake in printing, the account appeared more favorable last year than it really was. We believe the management of affairs on the Farm the present year, will compare favorably with that of years past, and that the Inmates have been kindly treated and cared for.

Believing it for the interest of the Town, we would recommend a different method of raising money, and repairing the highways, than the old and expensive way of assessing a direct Highway Tax, and allowing each tax payer to work, or loaf out his tax, with a hoe and wheelbarrow.

In our opinions, one or more good Road Commissioners should be chosen by the Town, and suitable tools and teams provided. By so doing, money might be saved, and our roads greatly improved.

B. F. HALL,
JOSEPH NEWMAN,
COLUMBUS KNIGHT. } *Selectmen of
Falmouth.*

FINANCIAL.

MONEY RAISED MARCH 7, 1870.

For Schools.....	\$2,500.00	
Interest.....	1,500.00	
Debts.....	1,000.00	
Town Officers.....	500.00	
Roads.....	500.00	
Poor.....	500.00	
Contingencies.....	500.00	
Cobb's Road.....	500.00	
Bridges.....	400.00	
Overlay on Assessments.....	134.96	
	<hr/>	\$8,034.96
Amount of State Tax.....	4,135.59	
County Tax.....	1,057.91	
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Total.....		13,228.46

Total Valuation.....	\$635,919.00
Number of Polls.....	379
Percentage on the dollar, 1 cent 9 mills.	
Poll Tax, \$3.00	

RECEIPTS.

Rec'd State Bonds.....	10,066.00	
“ from Glendy Moody, Tax bills, 1868,	2,339.66	
“ “ “ “ “ 1869,	5,761.00	
“ A. O. Fields, “ “ 1870,	350.00	
“ Interest on Bonds.....	300.00	
“ for Sheep sold from Farm.....	23.00	
“ Hay “ “ “	65.00	
	<hr/>	\$18,904.66

EXPENDITURES.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1869.

Paid B. F. Hall, Selectman.....	\$116.00
“ Albert Winslow, Selectman.....	104.00
“ S. D. Norton, Selectman and Treasurer,	80.00
“ R. A. Hines, Sup., School Committee,	40.50
“ E. H. Ramsdell, “ “	10.00
“ Nathaniel Pinkham “ “	20.75
“ John Noyes, Clerk.....	16.90
“ “ “ “ 1870.....	15.06
“ Glendy Moody, Constable.....	11.50
“ C. W. Winslow, Moderator.....	2.00
“ Smith Barbour, Auditor 1869.....	2.00
“ Sam. Bucknam “ 1868.....	2.00
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\$420.71

PAID FOR REPAIRING ROADS.

William Stone for 1869.....	\$3.00
Columbus Knight, “	5.00
G. R. Leighton, “	13.00
Wilson Libby, “	4.50
James West, “	4.00
Curtis Colley, “	13.50
Charles E. Knight, “	3.20
George W. Knight, “	8.00
Hiram Howard, “	2.00
I. E. Huston, “	3.20
Josiah C. Cobb, “	7.80
Fenwick Merrill, 1870.....	2.20
Joab Black, “	1.30
G. R. Leighton, “	27.55
A. F. Winslow, “	16.20
C. W. Winslow, “	20.00
Daniel Merrill, “	13.20
A. A. Ingersol, “	3.20
Leonard Merrill, “	26.90
Thomas Brown, “	7.75
Edmond Frye, “	3.80
John Woodbury, “	99.03
John Williams, “	92.00
William Leighton, “	16.20
George O. Knight, “	10.00
Peter Gammon, “	11.30
Lorenzo Mountfort, “	18.60
S. C. Jones, “	4.00
David Chenery, “	2.55
Albion Field, “	33.15
Samuel Watts, “	11.40
Richard Mountfort, “	6.30
Robert Leighton, “	9.35
Josiah Allen, “	13.10
Periz Babbidge, “	1.60
Robert Huston, “	63.20
Glendy Moody, “	2.87
Peter Stevens, “	44.30
E. S. Prince, “	5.30
A. G. Marston, “	38.38
James Babbidge, “	5.60
Geo. Mountfort, Jr. “	91.75
Lorenzo Cressey, “	3.00
Jacob J. Merrill, “	43.00
Nathaniel Packard, “	20.37
Oliver Hardy, “	35.06

 \$870.71

PAID FOR BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Hobbs' Bridge.....	\$786.60
F. F. Hall, for Plank.....	186.54
B. F. Hall, Bridges and Culverts.....	40.00
Robert Leighton, Culvert.....	28.75
Arthur Bucknam, ".....	16.50
George Mountfort, Jr., Bridges.....	12.00
Lorenzo Mountfort, Culvert.....	9.50
Curtis Colley, ".....	12.40
Edward Merrill, Plank.....	4.90
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	\$1,097.19

CONTINGENCIES.

Paid Joseph Newman, Bowe Case.....	\$102.25
For Printing.....	23.00
Howard and Cleaves, on account.....	50.00
A. A. Strout, Council for 1867.....	14.00
Charles Cobb, Office Rent.....	12.00
R. E. Carr, services as Undertaker 1867....	9.30
F. O. Pride, Abatement.....	6.00
Hoyt and Fogg, Books and Stationery....	5.71
D. S. Moody, Damage on Road.....	5.00
E. N. Tukesbury.....	3.00
Amos Leighton, School House Tax.....	3.34
J. Pennell, Tax on Wood Lot in Gray....	1.87
John Woodbury, Committee on Roads....	3.00
E. C. Blanchard, Care of Town House....	5.25
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	\$242.72

OUTSTANDING NOTES FEB. 18, 1870.

1 Note dated May 12, 1866.....	\$300.00
1 Note " May 12, 1866, balance due....	400.00
1 Note " Aug. 9, 1866.....	700.00
1 Note " Aug. 10, 1866.....	200.00
1 Note " Aug. 10, 1866.....	430.00
2 Notes " Aug. 10, 1866.....	600.00
1 Note " Aug. 31, 1866.....	1,000.00
1 Note " Jan. 10, 1867.....	200.00
1 Note " Feb. 18, 1867.....	600.00
1 Note " Sept. 2, 1867.....	698.51
1 Note " Nov. 18, 1867.....	100.00
1 Note " Dec. 30, 1867.....	200.00
1 Note " Jan. 3, 1868.....	100.00
1 Note " Jan. 20, 1868.....	1,100.00
1 Note " Feb. 4, 1868.....	300.00
1 Note " Feb. 4, 1868.....	200.00
1 Note " Feb. 7, 1868.....	800.00
1 Note " Feb. 9, 1868.....	1,000.00
1 Note " Feb. 13, 1868.....	1,500.00
Amount carried forward,.....	\$104,28.51

Amount brought forward,	\$104,28.51
1 Note dated Feb. 17, 1868.....	417.00
1 Note " Mar. 27, 1868.....	700.00
1 Note " June 1, 1868.....	200.00
1 Note " Sept. 15, 1868.....	500.00
1 Note " Dec. 7, 1868.....	1,000.00
1 Note " Feb. 8, 1869.....	200.00
1 Note " Mar. 23, 1869.....	350.00
1 Note " Jan. 3, 1870.....	1,100.00
1 Note " Feb. 11, 1870.....	400.00
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Outstanding Orders	\$15,295.51
	2,096.31
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	\$17,391.82

LIABILITIES.

Notes.....	\$15,295.51
Orders.....	2,096.31
Due for Schools.....	500.00
" Peter Gammon, Overseer.....	228.00
" B. F. Hall, Selectman.....	84.00
" Joseph Newman, " and Treasurer.....	85.00
" Columbus Knight, Selectman.....	55.33
Sup. School Committee, (about).....	75.00
D. F. Small, Clerk.....	5.21
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	\$18,424.36

AVAILIBILITIES.

Due from A. O. Field, Collector, 1870.....	\$7,663.95
" " Glendy Moody, " 1869.....	2,000.00
State Bonds and Interest.....	2,045.00
Hay at Poor Farm.....	460.00
Due from Merrill Lee, for Hay.....	400.00
Plank.....	100.00
Cash in Treasury.....	435.00
Due from Town of Poland.....	6.59
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Balance against the Town.....	\$5,313.82

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Greatest number in Alms House.....	5
Present number.....	4
Females 3; Males 1.	

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PRODUCE ON FARM.

Hay above what is required for Stock.....	\$460.00
Two Oxen, value.....	250.00
" Cows "	80.00
" Heifers "	50.00
" Swine "	25.00
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	\$865.00

Fifty bushels of Potatoes, five bushels of corn, two and one half bushels of beans, one bushel of peas, twenty-five pounds of dried apples, one barrel of pork.

ALMS HOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN.

<i>Dr.</i>		
To Peter Gammon, salary as Overseer.....	\$300.00	
" " Supplies, furniture, clothing, &c.....	242.59	
Small & Newman, for supplies.....	111.03	
Hired labor on Farm.....	113.75	
A. L. Mitchell, supplies.....	17.85	
Farming Tools.....	14.90	
E. N. Tewksbury, Medical services.....	4.00	
		\$804.52
<i>Contra,</i>		
By Hay, not sold.....	\$460.00	<i>Cr.</i>
" Sold from Farm.....	65.00	
Produce " " 	232.99	
Sheep " " 	23.00	
Labor off the Farm.....	14.00	794.99
		\$9.53
Balance against Alms House.....		\$9.53

PAID FOR POOR OUT OF ALMS HOUSE.

Paid Town of Jay for Mrs. Blackstone,	\$313.50	
E. N. Tewksbury, Medical services,	35.00	
Charles Lufkin, for Mrs. Bewley,	6.59	
Portland, for Robert Jones,	11.70	
		\$366.79
Wood furnished Robert Jones,	20.00	
" " Alpha Knight,	14.00	
" " Mrs. B. F. Merrill,	17.36	
		\$51.36

RECAPITULATION.

Total amount of Receipts,		\$18,554.66
TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.		
For Schools.....	2000.00	
Interest.....	1640.79	
Bridges and Culverts.....	1097.19	
Highways.....	870.71	
Contingencies.....	242.72	
Town Officers..	420.71	
Poor out of Alms House.....	366.79	
Debts Paid.....	7,177.85	
		\$13,816.76

SUMS RECOMMENDED TO BE RAISED.

For Schools.....	2000.00	
Debts.....	2000.00	
Interest.....	1200.00	
Bridges and Culverts.....	1000.00	
Town Officers.....	500.00	
Contingencies...	500.00	
Poor.....	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,700 00

B. F. HALL,
 JOSEPH NEWMAN,
 COLUMBUS KNIGHT. } *Selectmen*
 of *Falmouth.*

GENERAL REMARKS.

Fellow Citizens:—

We hope you fully realize that your committee have labored the past year, under many disadvantages. In opposition to the wishes of the people, empowered by act of Legislature, to employ teachers, and being desirous to employ such as the several districts preferred, it frequently happened that no teacher was engaged for a school, until it was nearly time for it to commence; and as good teachers are not always to be obtained at short notice, we employed the best that we could, under the existing circumstances.

Yet notwithstanding the many disadvantages attendant, upon putting in operation the new law, the services of many good teachers have been secured; our schools have made creditable improvement, and with the exception of No. 12, in Summer, and Nos. 4, 7 and 9, in Winter, which were somewhat deficient in order and discipline, have been satisfactorily managed, and in most instances, a good degree of interest was manifest. In our opinion, the town acted wisely last year, in increasing the usual amount of school money, and thus lengthening the terms of school. We think that the last three or four weeks of our short terms of school, (if the time is well spent,) is of vital importance, and much is accomplished in that time; therefore, we sincerely hope that our schools may not be shortened by vote of the town, but if any change is made in that respect, it may be to increase, rather than diminish the amount of money raised.

E. H. RAMSDELL,	}	<i>Superintending School Committee.</i>
R. A. HINES,		
D. O. MOULTON.		

FALMOUTH, ME., Feb. 23, 1871.

TABULAR VIEW OF THE SCHOOLS OF FALMOUTH,
For the Year Ending February, 1871.

No. of District.	NAME OF TEACHER.	NAME OF TEACHER.	Whole Number of Scholars.	Attendance, Summer.	Average Attendance.	Attendance, Winter.	Average Attendance.	Length of school in days.	Wages of Teacher per mo. (including board.)
	SUMMER TERM.	WINTER TERM.							
1	Mrs. H. H. Anderson,.....	E. H. Ramsdell,.....	61	29	24	48	41	49	\$26.40
2	Miss E. A. Mountfort,.....	Wm. Parves,.....	58	26	22	30	25	65	00.10
3	D. O. Moulton,.....	D. O. Moulton,.....	112	74	68	79	64	65	20.00
4	Miss M. A. B. Wilson,.....	Miss O. H. Merrill,.....	25	40	34	15	13	80	50.00
5	Miss M. A. B. Wilson,.....	Miss M. A. B. Wilson,.....	64	40	34	15	13	60	65.00
6	Miss M. J. Russell,.....	Frank B. Blanchard,.....	39	40	35	25	21	70	32.00
7	Miss M. J. Russell,.....	Albert N. Whimery,.....	62	40	35	25	21	78	40.00
8	Miss E. A. Mountfort,.....	Miss E. A. Mountfort,.....	32	26	23	46	41	84	82.00
9	Miss E. V. M. Paine,.....	Miss E. A. Mountfort,.....	42	20	16	25	22	66	54
10	Miss O. H. Merrill,.....	Miss Ferguson,.....	49	20	17	25	18	40	00
11	Miss M. Sturdivant,.....	Mr. I. G. Athbone,.....	26	26	23	42	38	40	29.00
12	Miss M. Sturdivant,.....	Miss Addie A. Stevens,.....	42	26	23	30	21	45	32.00
	Miss M. Sturdivant,.....	Mr. Wm. Parves,.....	26	26	23	30	21	55	30.00
	Miss M. Sturdivant,.....	Mr. Wm. Parves,.....	42	26	23	32	25	54	20.00
	Miss M. Sturdivant,.....	Mr. Wm. Parves,.....	42	26	23	32	25	30	44.00