

We are pleased to report the adoption by the board of education of the foregoing rules and regulations formulated by a joint committee of their board and the board of health; they have been approved by your honorable board and are now strictly enforced. We feel that much good will result from these, and that the prevalence of germ-produced diseases will be lessened. For the first time in the history of our existence there has been a systematic and impartial observance of the vaccination requirement for admission to the public schools. Careful attention is paid to families and neighborhoods where contagious disease exists in children. The health officer and superintendent of schools are in touch—both working for the common good. As these diseases are more readily propagated by school children, it is easy to see how necessary it is to be watchful of the schools. We are anxious to do our full duty in the premises.

If a pupil has been exposed to one of these diseases he is not allowed to go to school until the expiration of the time during which he might have come down with it. Then, if well, he may attend school but only on producing the following certificate :

CITY OF CONCORD BOARD OF HEALTH.

*This certifies that
who has been exposed to a contagious disease, may be re-
admitted to school.*

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If the disease develops he is isolated the required number of days and returns to school bearing this certificate :

CITY OF CONCORD BOARD OF HEALTH.

*This certifies that the apartments, clothing, and body of
have been disinfected under
our direction, and that said
may be readmitted to school.*

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HOSPITAL FOR CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

For the past few years we have called your attention to the need in our midst of some institution where diseases of a contagious character could be treated and, in furtherance of that object, were instrumental in presenting to your honorable body last January a petition bearing the name of every physician then in the city. We were told the matter was referred to the committee on lands and buildings; we do not know of any action taken on it beyond its reference. Plans of a building were drawn, estimates of its cost secured, and at a special meeting of the trustees of the Margaret Pillsbury General Hospital, a suitable site was generously granted the city for a nominal sum.

We respectfully ask that a hearing be given us at an early day so that parties interested may be heard.

A peculiar phase of the subject may be illustrated by a case of recent occurrence. A nurse in the discharge of her duties contracted scarlet fever from the patient, and as she was refused admission to her rooms was removed to the pest-house. Most of our nurses are without homes here, having come from outside the city and renting rooms; now if they are to be told when, in self-sacrificing devotion to their praiseworthy vocation, they fall (as fall they may at any time) a victim to the dread contagion, they are to be treated in a build-

ing unfortunately called pest-house, how far removed is the day when they will refuse to attend such cases? Which one of us will receive the first refusal? St. Paul's School, with its 150 employés, the state insane asylum, with its 100 nurses, the state prison, employing some 15 guards and overseers, represent an element of our population somewhat peculiarly situated. Ever open to the danger of contagion by accessions to its ranks from different localities—our own state, other states, and foreign countries—there is no adequate provision made for them or those with whom they come in contact in case of a contagious disease appearing among them. These three institutions alone should have their interests in this particular safe guarded without even calling to mind the large number of railroad employés, children in the orphan asylums, clerks, domestics, mechanics, and others who are daily with us, but, in case of illness, at the mercy of strangers. Should a fatal epidemic of diphtheria prevail at our asylum for the insane through want of proper facilities on our part to handle the first case, as did happen at the Maine insane asylum a few years ago, Concord would receive harsh though deserved criticism at the hands of the people of the whole state. To offer this or that excuse would be begging the question. Prevention is better than cure.

DIPHTHERIA.

Realizing the vast importance of an early diagnosis of this disease. at the very beginning of the year arrangements were perfected whereby physicians were enabled to have a microscopic examination of suspicious cases made without any expense to them. Many of the medical men availed themselves of this opportunity with great satisfaction to themselves, patients, and community. We solicit all practicing physicians in the city to accept this offer. There is now little justification for allowing a case of diphtheria to go unrecognized more than forty-eight hours. The earlier the diagnosis the better the treatment; true of all remedies, especially of anti-toxine, and we would suggest the advisability of a more

thorough use of serum therapy. Results obtained by many of the best authorities seem to prove that herein lies our greatest strength; when painstaking observers of acknowledged ability and truthfulness reduce the mortality rate from 30 and 40 per cent. to 15 per cent., surely there must be something in it more than coincidence. Dr. Harold C. Ernst, of the Bacteriological Institute, Harvard Medical School, now attends to our microscopical work, telegraphing us at once his findings. The following circular was sent to all of the physicians December 19, 1895, and is self-explanatory:

DEAR DOCTOR:

We have arranged with Dr. H. C. Ernst, of the Bacteriological Laboratory, Harvard Medical School, to make the cultured diagnosis of diphtheria and invite you to avail yourself of this valuable aid in all suspicious cases. Copper boxes containing tubes of nutrient media, wires, blanks, and full directions can be obtained at the Concord Drug Store, corner North Main and Pleasant streets. As soon as possible after specimen is obtained, the outfit is to be returned to the drug store, whence, by first express, it will be forwarded to Boston; results, when determined, will be telegraphed to the health officer.

All will be furnished free of expense to you.

E. A. CLARK, M. D.,
E. N. PEARSON,
D. E. SULLIVAN, M. D.,
Board of Health.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Pulmonary tuberculosis, commonly called consumption, is a disease about which we are hearing much at the present day. Perhaps we hear more of it as affecting cattle than men, but the beast is certainly inferior to the human being and should not receive the greater share of attention. Although milk and beef are carriers of the disease, yet its transmission by man to man is a far more frequent cause. That consumption is a preventable disease—or, to put it in another way, is a disease contracted by means of a poison introduced

into the system—should be made known to everyone within our reach. The great danger lies in the sputa; tubercle bacilli are swarming there and, when dried, are breathed into the lungs. The remedy is evident: destroy the sputa by fire. Our health officer has been instructed to give landlords and tenants all necessary information on this subject, and, when requested, to fumigate the rooms occupied by consumptives.

PLUMBING.

It is the intention of this board at an early date to submit for your consideration regulations governing this matter justly deemed of vital importance and which has not been advanced with other work. The plan will embrace:

First. Filing plans and specifications at the office of the board of health on such form as they will provide, which shall be in accordance with the regulations and be approved by the board in writing before any person shall proceed to construct or to alter any portion of our drainage system except to repair leaks.

Second. Notice to the board when such work is ready for inspection and which must be left uncovered and convenient for examination until inspected and approved.

Third. Inspection. All plumbing work in new buildings and new work in old buildings must be tested by the board or their executive officer with the hydraulic or such other test as they may direct.

(Signed) E. A. CLARK, M. D., *Chairman*,
E. N. PEARSON, *Secretary*,
D. E. SULLIVAN, M. D.,
Board of Health.

CONCORD, N. H., January 1, 1896.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT.

To the Board of Health :

GENTLEMEN, — In compliance with the city ordinance relating to the preservation of the public health, I herewith submit a full report of this department for the year ending December 31, 1895.

The tabulated reports speak for themselves, and prove the oft-repeated assertion that we have a remarkably healthful city. The work accomplished by this department in the abatement of nuisances, by reason of complaints and those found by house inspection, and the correction of other sanitary defects, of a greater or less importance, can be seen by the following summary :

Accumulation of decayed fruit, coal ashes, etc.	35
Bad well water	2
Bad sink drainage	14
Broken sewer traps	17
Catch basins, not trapped	15
Dead animals	24
Decayed meat and fish	3
Defect in house sewers	11
Dumping rubbish	16
Dropping manure in street	1
Defective plumbing	12
Filthy stables	17
Filthy cellars	12
Filthy swill barrels	15
Filthy back yards	9
Filthy alleyways	3
Foul and offensive cesspools	6
Keeping hogs	18

Keeping hens	8
Night-soil, not covered	1
Offensive manure heaps	19
Offensive privy vaults	87
Offensive catch basins on street	12
Offensive odors in houses	14
Offensive odors from stables	5
Privy vaults full	15
Private sewers obstructed	4
Sinks found without traps	3
Sewer emptying into pond	1
Sewer gas in houses	7
Stagnant water on vacant lots	4
Street sewer obstructed	3
Sewers not properly ventilated	3
Surface sink drains	10
Throwing swill in alleyways	3
Throwing swill in ash-barrels	14
Throwing coal ashes in street	4
Throwing slops in catch basin	3
Throwing slops in street	12
Water-closets without water supply	9
Water-closets not ventilated	8
Water-closets foul and offensive	25
Water-closets out of repair	15
Total	<u>524</u>

As can be seen, a good many inspections by the sanitary officer have been necessary in order to properly deal with this branch of the work. The complaints have been for the most part well founded, only six having proved to be without any cause. All complaints are regarded as strictly confidential by the board. Nearly all the nuisances complained of have been abated.

SANITARY INSPECTION.

I consider the sanitary condition of our city very good, with the exception of a few localities. House inspection has

been continued during the year, as time would permit, but with increased duties in other important directions I have been unable to accomplish what ought to be done, and I would suggest that an assistant be employed for two or three months during the early spring to make a systematic inspection of the entire city.

Much improvement has been made in the condition of premises throughout the city since the adoption of the ordinance by the city council in September, 1895, prohibiting the destruction of garbage and other refuse matter by fire, but providing for the removal of all such matter by the highway commissioner, which has been faithfully done by that official, nearly every family availing themselves of the privilege of cleaning their yards and having the refuse removed without personal expense.

The number of inspections made during the year is given in the list below :

Private dwellings	63
Tenements	178
Churches	3
Stables	49
Meat markets	8
Hotels	2
Factories	4
School-houses	12
Business blocks	17
Public buildings	5

A record of each inspection is made, giving the name of the person owning the premises, street and number, date of inspection, condition of yards, stables, out-buildings, privy vaults, cesspools, water supply, plumbing, drainage, water-closet ventilation, cellars, number of tenements, by whom occupied, kind of buildings, and other remarks, according to the condition of the premises.

• The value of intelligent, careful inspection of houses cannot be overestimated in its importance to the health of

their occupants. The question of plumbing and drainage is one in which the whole public is concerned, and which should be decided and carried out by public authority, and the work held under strict supervision of a competent inspector, to protect the public against the use of poor work and defective material, liable, as it is, to be placed out of sight or where it might be concealed from the eye of the inspector.

The doctrine that filth plays an important part in the cause of disease lies at the foundation of very much of the sanitary administration of cities and towns throughout all civilized countries. The popular impression and undoubtedly the belief among a very large part of the medical profession as well as of the officials who have charge of the sanitary administration is that filth is, in itself, the active cause of disease, and that little else is essential to the production of certain infectious diseases, and I earnestly renew my suggestion of last year, of the enactment of ordinances governing plumbing and placing the same under the care of an inspector.

SEWER INSPECTION.

In compliance with the city ordinance I have endeavored to perform my duty in regard to the enforcement of the rules and regulations relative to sewers and drains. In all cases, so far as known, I have personally inspected the connections made and work completed. A complete record has been made and filed of the 104 sewers, giving location of inlet, size and kind of pipe used, rate of fall per foot, total length and name of drain-layer doing the work.

It will be seen from the following table that a smaller number of sewers and water-closets have been put in the present year, owing to the fact that most of our houses are now supplied with sewers, and water-closets have taken the place of privy vaults and cesspools that have been abolished by order of the board.

Number of water-closets put in during the year	215
Number of privy vaults removed	103

The following table shows the various sizes and kinds of pipe used:

	196	feet of 8-inch Akron pipe,
1,348	"	6-inch "
4,796	"	5-inch "
642	"	4-inch "
163	"	4-inch iron pipe,

making a total of 7,145 feet, or an average of 68 feet for each lateral sewer. This amount of drainage has been furnished to the following classes of buildings:

Private dwellings	32
Tenement houses	48
Public institutions	3
Business blocks	5
Stables	2
Markets	2
Factories	5
Surface drains	4
Stores	3
Total	<u>104</u>

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

Happily the city has escaped all forms of epidemic during the year, the diseases that are more or less contagious having been broadly scattered and mild in character. Every possible effort has been made to carry out the quarantine rules and regulations, and in no instance have I known of the disease being spread after having been reported and the house placarded and isolation ordered. There have been reported to this office 258 cases of contagious disease during the year.

Number houses placarded	237
Number visits made	1,149
Number of funerals attended	15

The various cases have been reported to this office by months, as follows :

1895.	DIPH- THERIA.		SCARLET FEVER.		TYPHOID FEVER.		MEMBRA- NOUS CROUP.		MEASLES.	
	No. cases reported.	No. deaths.	No. cases.	No. deaths.	No. cases.	No. deaths.	No. cases.	No. deaths.	No. cases.	No. deaths.
January.....	6	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
February.....	5	.....	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
March.....	10	2	4	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
April.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	23	.....
May.....	.....	.....	12	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	87	.....
June.....	1	.....	7	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	.....
July.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
August.....	.....	.....	2	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
September.....	.....	.....	2	.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
October.....	6	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
November.....	5	1	4	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
December.....	1	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	35	8	44	8	21	3	.....	.....	158	.....

RECORD OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES BY WARDS.

WARDS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total.
Diphtheria.....	2	.....	18	1	6	7	.....	1	35
Scarlet fever.....	2	1	23	5	5	1	6	1	44
Typhoid fever....	1	1	.....	3	1	1	10	3	1	21
Membranous croup
Measles.....	27	28	52	42	3	6	158

Weekly reports of contagious diseases existing in the city have been prepared and sent to the state board of health, stating what action was taken by the health officer in each case.

The above table does not include cases of typhoid fever brought to the city hospital for treatment. Total number of cases reported from the hospital 24, but two cases proving fatal.

The number of cases of contagious disease reported to this office the past year has been somewhat in excess of the

number reported in 1894. This is due in part to the increased faithfulness with which physicians and households have reported such cases. Special effort has been made during the year to afford a larger amount of protection to the public from this source of danger.

The rules regarding the method of reporting such cases, the condition of quarantine, disinfection, school attendance, and use of the public library, have been extended and increased in efficiency.

The rules pertaining to contagious diseases adopted by your honorable board and approved by the city council, May 14, 1895, were sent to the physicians in general, teachers in the schools, and left in places where contagious diseases existed, and proved of much assistance to those in whose hands they have been placed.

Number of rooms fumigated	296
Number of hacks and carriages fumigated	12
Number of school-houses fumigated	2
Number of churches fumigated	1
Number pieces bedding destroyed by burning	53
Number pounds sulphur used in fumigating	850

HOSPITAL FOR CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

The lack of proper hospital accommodations for the care of persons sick with diphtheria or scarlet fever, have been more forcibly brought to my attention the past year than ever before. November 17, a nurse while in the discharge of her duties, contracted scarlet fever, and, having no home in the city, at her request I moved her to the pest-house, procured a trained and competent nurse, and provided everything possible for her comfort. After careful treatment for three weeks she was pronounced recovered by the attending physician.

This building, which has been kept for a small-pox hospital, is in no way suitable for cases of diphtheria or scarlet fever. Its location is objectionable; it has no water supply; and its drainage is of the most primitive kind.

We need, and need badly, a well-constructed and well-equipped hospital for contagious diseases. We believe in public improvements, but do we need more or better developed parks, or better graded and paved streets more than we need this hospital where we can properly care for persons without a home stricken with a contagious disease? I hope that the city council will take immediate action towards providing a suitable building for such purposes.

Schedule of property owned by the City of Concord in care of the board of health :

Office furniture and fixtures	\$40.00
Pest-house and lot	500.00
Pest-house furniture and fixtures	25.00
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Total	\$565.00

This report will conclude with the monthly mortuary reports which have been compiled with the greatest possible care. The record of births by months to some extent is incomplete, owing to the neglect of some of the attending physicians to send in their reports. The records of deaths, since the passage of a general law by the legislature, giving the board of health the charge of granting burial permits, which went into effect May 15, 1895, reach this office through necessity and are accurate, and will be found to contain much valuable and reliable information concerning the causes of death in Concord during the year 1895.

These statistics have been furnished the daily papers and sent in exchange to nearly one hundred different cities in the United States and Canada.

I most respectfully return sincere thanks to his honor the mayor, and members of the city council, to the board of health, and all others who have assisted me in any way, for their uniform courtesy and kindness, thereby answering every reasonable demand made upon them.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. PALMER,
Health Officer.

REPORT OF THE CITY PHYSICIAN.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council :

The undersigned respectfully submits his annual report for the year ending December 31, 1895 :

School children vaccinated	65
Whole number of visits	62
Office consultations	8
Confinements attended	2
Examination of insane persons	2

Respectfully submitted,

N. W. McMURPHY,

City Physician.

CONCORD, N. H., January 1, 1896.

POOR DEPARTMENT.

TWENTY-EIGHTH

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1895.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned herewith submits the twenty-eighth annual report of expenditures for the poor, including Wards 1 and 2, for the year ending December 31, 1895, as follows :

Families and individuals having a settlement in the city have been aided, in part or in full, during the time, to the amount set opposite their respective names.

Ernest Beliveau paid State Industrial	
School	\$36.00
James Berry (Alexandria)	38.83
Lydia Couch	100.25
Estella Davis paid town of Ashland	22.72
Dennis Donovan	12.00
Mary B. Doyle	23.25
Patrick Keenan, board of children	60.00
Peter Keenan	129.66
William J. Mitchell	25.60
John Murphy	50.41
Royal E. Norton	4.00
William S. Page	9.25

Elmer S. Quimby	\$49.12	
George H. Robinson	3.00	
Samuel Truett	127.60	
Mrs. George Tucker (Canterbury)	31.01	
	<hr/>	\$722.70

COUNTY POOR.

Christopher C. Abbott	\$76.06
Sarah Abbott	20.00
Peter Allard	3.25
George N. Ash	20.50
Mrs. A. W. Bailey	21.02
Louis Bassett	6.00
Joseph Benoit	69.00
Frank Bordeau	34.00
Coleman Bray	159.55
Mary Byrne	84.00
Benjamin Cailler	15.25
Arminda Caples	60.00
John Carroll	30.62
Louis Carrow	20.50
Joseph Champagne	7.75
Levi Chenette	15.00
Bridgett Collins	64.28
Mary Collins	61.62
James H. T. Craigie	22.00
Michael Daley	14.37
Mrs. Dendrow	26.00
John Doherty	215.37
Mary Dorgan	42.00
Kate Dornan	107.75
Fred Dumell	24.00
Roland Edgeworth	22.00
Caroline M. Edmunds	7.87
James B. Fraser	27.00
Mrs. Ella Friend	63.85
David Giroux	34.42

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Edward Gonyer	\$60.00
Sally Haines	18.88
Sarah J. Hall	97.37
Melinda Howard	31.83
Mrs. A. E. Hoyt	143.46
Mrs. William Hunneymen	169.50
Fred W. Heath	5.00
Napoleon Jordan	84.30
John Kemp	73.41
George M. Lamprey	8.00
Philomene Langley	40.00
Charles Laundry	12.61
Charles A. Locke	4.19
George H. Lougee	56.37
Mrs. Joseph Lucier	83.97
Theophilus Lupine	10.00
Maxim Melanson	96.76
Mrs. J. Melanson	132.37
Albert Mason	2.00
Fred W. Nudd	18.13
Michael O'Connell	2.00
Robbins T. Orr	134.75
Edward Osier	56.00
Mary J. Paine	84.00
Frederick Paradis	88.25
Mrs. O. Philbrick	85.87
Amos Pichette	2.87
Felix Previe	35.50
George H. Randall	4.00
J. W. Richardson	96.00
Annie Rushlow	123.00
Mrs. Lizzie Sargent	2.00
Mrs. Mortimer Scanlon	44.50
Michael Sculpini	49.50
Albena Shepard	20.00
W. G. Smith	35.25
John Storin	104.00

Frederick W. Story	\$28.00	
Mrs. D. R. Tandy	20.00	
George F. Thompson	11.50	
Charles Truchon	16.70	
B. G. Tucker	20.75	
Henry A. Ward	9.00	
John Welcome	21.00	
Clara C. Wiggin	36.25	
Mrs. John Williams	77.75	
Polly Woodbury	26.00	
George A. Wright	8.87	
Transient account	198.19	
		<u>\$3,964.68</u>
Clara C. Wiggin, 1894		14.25
		<u>\$3,978.93</u>

Amount paid for support of city poor . \$722.70

Amount paid by the city for support of
county poor 3,978.93

Total amount paid on account of poor . . \$4,701.63

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH A. COCHRAN,

Overseer of the Poor.

Aid to Dependent Soldiers and their Families rendered
during the year 1895.

CHARGEABLE TO CITY.

G. W. Johnson	\$602.55	
Orrin Larkins	34.00	
W. B. Nudd	13.00	
Mrs. Henry M. Sanborn	74.20	
		<u>\$723.75</u>

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CHARGEABLE TO COUNTY.

Mrs. Harriet Ash	\$43.50
Charles W. Brown	8.00
Asa Clark	48.25
Minnie Crawford	8.00
Mrs. L. A. Danforth	53.50
N. W. Davis	32.00
Charles M. Davis	5.00
Mrs. Cornelius Driscoll	15.63
Lyster Fletcher	47.02
O. E. J. Fuller	98.12
John Heath	36.00
Henry W. McMichael	54.00
Mary A. Morrison	60.75
E. N. Pinkham	411.00
B. F. Philbrick	17.36
Otis Reister	40.12
W. H. Sargent	85.35
John B. Stickney	6.12
Michael Storin	182.00
Eli Sturgeon	18.75
Honora Sullivan	89.87
William Wallace	116.63
James English	27.50
John Walker	14.87
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	\$1,519.34
Total amount	<hr/>
	\$2,243.09

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF THE CITY MARSHAL.

To the Board of Mayor and Aldermen :

I herewith submit my annual report of the police department for the year 1895 :

	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.
Whole number of arrests (including Penacook)	691	699	697	720	649
Whole number of arrests at Penacook	47	72	50	44	65
Brought before the court	536	487	560	628	617
Total amount received for fines and costs, — 1891, \$3,306.92 ; 1892, \$3,027.78 ; 1893, \$5,352.19 ; 1894, \$4,396.60 ; 1895, \$6,418.92.					
Total amount paid out, — 1891, \$462.21 ; 1892, \$480.50 ; 1893, \$363.73 ; 1894, \$557.23 ; 1895, \$933.64.					
Discharged by the court			2	17	4
Discharged without being brought before the court	116	140	110	93	85
Whole number of lodgers (including Penacook)	608	584	936	1166	908
Whole number of lodgers at Penacook	93	94	170	251	201

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	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.
Number doors found open and secured (including Penacook)	108	103	68	184	290
Number doors found open and secured at Penacook . . .	14	11	6	9	22
Lost children returned to their parents	21	18	15	21	18
Number boys cautioned to attend school	18	21	21	28	19
Number girls cautioned to attend school	4	4	3	2	3
Called to quell disturbances	56	44	61	80	72
Stray teams found	14	13	13	16	12
Number times city ambulance required	31	29	38	28	31
Assault	25	31	18	19	16
Aggravated assault			3	1	1
Assault with attempt to kill					3
Attempt at robbery					4
Abusing child under thirteen years of age					1
Accessory to murder					2
Adultery				2	3
Breaking and entering	23	1	14	14	18
Bastardy			1	3	5
Common drunkard	6	4	1	2	5
Cruelty to animals					2
Drunkenness (including Penacook)	400	399	340	365	378
Drunkenness at Penacook			35	30	60
Evading railroad fare	10	5	1	1	3
Fast driving					2
For out of town officers					2
Fornication					2
Gambling				16	10
Horse-stealing					1
Hens allowed to run on land of another			1	1	1

	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.
Idle and disorderly person	1	1	1	1	1
Illegal fishing					2
Insane	8	9	6	8	4
Keeping dogs without a license				10	9
Keeping malt liquor for sale	9	13	64	53	77
Keeping cider for sale					1
Keeping spirituous liquor for sale	5	7	47	33	57
Keeping disorderly house					2
Keeping gambling house				2	1
Keeping saloon open after 10 P. M.					1
Noise and brawl					5
Obtaining money under false pre- tences	15	5	2	5	2
Over driving			2	3	1
Playing ball Sunday					5
Rude and disorderly conduct	11	18	14	13	6
Riding bicycle on sidewalk					9
Safe keeping	29	59	87	45	41
Selling obscene books					1
Stealing	27	25	28	28	5
Selling spirituous liquor	4	2	4	1	2
Selling mortgaged property					1
Stealing a ride		1	1	2	3
Stubborn children	6	7	3	6	1
Taking boat without right					1
Threatening to do bodily harm					1
United States prisoner	2	1	2	1	2
Vagrant		5	2	1	3
Number of arrests made by G. Scott Locke			33	21	31
James E. Rand			104	88	144
Daniel S. Flanders			44	21	34
Fred M. Eaton			36	69	49
Whitney D. Barrett			33	19	39
James Kelley			9	11	25
Charles E. Kelley			7	22	26
John E. Gay				1	27

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	1893.	1894.	1895.
Number of arrests made by Charles W. Hall .		1	20
Elmer J. Brown .			16
Irving B. Robinson			9
Charles H. Rowe .			8
Assisted in making arrests, G. Scott Locke .	5	1	1
James E. Rand .	75	65	33
Daniel S. Flanders	55	42	53
Fred M. Eaton .	34	29	36
John E. Gay .		3	29
Charles W. Hall .		9	7
Whitney D. Barrett	13	7	5
James Kelley .	13	9	5
Charles E. Kelley .	4	10	22
Elmer J. Brown .			9
Irving B. Robinson			1
Charles H. Rowe .			2
Arrests made by special officers	54	38	50
Special officers assisted in making arrests .	21	48	32

The organization of the police department at the present time is as follows :

G. Scott Locke, city marshal.
 James E. Rand, assistant marshal.
 Daniel S. Flanders, captain night watch.
 Fred M. Eaton, regular police and night watchman.
 Whitney D. Barrett, “ “ Penacook.
 James Kelley, “ “ “
 Charles E. Kelley, “ “ “
 John E. Gay, “ “ “
 Charles W. Hall, “ “ “
 Elmer J. Brown,
 Irving B. Robinson,
 Charles H. Rowe.

The special reserve officers, consisting of fifteen men, have rendered valuable assistance to this department.

SPECIAL RESERVE OFFICERS.

Charles L. Gilmore, captain.

O. H. Bean,	Thomas P. Davis,
George W. Chesley,	Eugene H. Davis,
George H. Silsby,	Ira A. Poore,
John T. Batchelder,	George D. Richardson,
W. H. H. Patch,	Horace Robinson,
Willie A. Little,	George D. Worth,
W. A. Flanders,	William R. Green.
Hoit Robinson,	

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I wish to call your attention to buildings in this city that are unprovided with fire-escapes. I think an ordinance should be passed compelling owners of buildings more than two stories high to provide fire-escapes for the same.

I would recommend a police signal line extending from West street to Penacook, with signal boxes at convenient points. It would be of great service in case of fire at West Concord and Penacook.

I would also recommend that a stable suitable for one horse, one wagon, and the city ambulance be added to the police station. By authority of the city council a team has been purchased which has been of great benefit to this department.

COURTEOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

For the success attained by this department, sincere thanks are due all the officers for their hearty coöperation. In conclusion I wish to return my sincere thanks to the board of police commissioners, to His Honor Mayor Robinson and the board of aldermen for the courteous treatment this department has received at their hands. Harry G. Sargent, city solicitor, has always advised and assisted us, for which our thanks are due him.

Respectfully submitted,

G. SCOTT LOCKE,
City Marshal.

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF THE POLICE COURT.

To the City Council :

The clerk of the police court of the City of Concord submits the following report for the year 1895 :

Number of civil cases entered	147
Received for fees	\$73.50
trials and continuances	22.55
	\$96.05
Paid city treasurer	\$96.05

GEORGE M. FLETCHER,

Clerk of Police Court.

CONCORD, N. H., January 27, 1896.

REPORT OF THE CITY SOLICITOR.

To the City Council :

I have the honor to submit my annual report as solicitor.

The only suits in which the city is now interested as a party are *Kemp v. Concord* and *Mary J. Gay et al. v. Concord*.

The first is a suit to recover damages for an accident caused by an alleged defective railing and dangerous embankment. The amount claimed is one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

The second is a petition for an assessment of damages for land taken by the city for a highway. The petitioners were not satisfied with the award of damages made by the mayor and aldermen and filed this petition to the supreme court.

The case of *Ann Currier v. the City of Concord*, pending at the date of my last annual report, was decided in favor of the city. The court held that the notice filed by the plaintiff was not sufficient.

The suits of *Albin & Martin* and the *Tahanto Real Estate Association*, for damages caused by cutting down the grade of a highway, were settled by my advice and upon terms which I regarded as reasonable for both parties, considering the facts.

The suits for abatement of taxes in favor of the *First National Bank*, the *National State Capital Bank*, and the *Mechanicks National Bank of Concord*, referred to in my last report, were decided in favor of the banks, the court holding that the taxes assessed were invalid.

During the past year I have been called upon to give advice to the city officers about various matters and have made such complaints and warrants in criminal cases as have been required by the police department.

HARRY G. SARGENT,
Solicitor.

CONCORD, December 31, 1895.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

REPORTS OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

The quarterly reports of the board of police commissioners, summarized, are as follows for the year :

January 1, 1895. Daniel S. Flanders was appointed captain of the night watch.

May 1, 1895. Horace Robinson and Willie A. Little were appointed special policemen.

October 1, 1895. No business was transacted during this quarter.

October 12, 1895. The resignations of Harvey W. Stevens and Jeremiah P. W. Roach, special police officers, were received and accepted.

The resignations of Charles P. Webster and John E. Baker, regular police officers, were received and accepted.

Irving B. Robinson and Elmer J. Brown were appointed regular police officers.

Leave of absence granted to G. Scott Locke, city marshal, for three weeks.

December 10, 1895. Charles H. Rowe was appointed regular police officer.

George D. Worth and William R. Green were appointed special police officers.

Charles C. Plumer was appointed a special police officer.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITY LIQUOR AGENT.

To the City Council:

In compliance with section 10, chapter 112, of the Public Statutes of this state, and the resolution of the board of mayor and aldermen of May 26, 1888, establishing this agency, I respectfully report the transactions of this office for the year 1895.

ON HAND JANUARY 1, AND PURCHASED DURING THE YEAR 1895.

Wines and liquors on hand January 1, per report, 256 $\frac{4}{8}$ gallons, 63 and 122 bottles liquors and malt liquors	\$1,350.24
Purchased of M. S. Brown, liquor commissioner, wines and liquors, 465 $\frac{5}{8}$ gallons, 72 and 48 bottles liquors and malt liquors	1,572.83
Total, 722 $\frac{1}{8}$ gallons, 135 and 170 bottles liquors and malt liquors.	
Freight, cartage, and express on goods purchased	10.80
Empty bottles on hand January 1, 126	2.87
Empty bottles purchased during the year, 120	3.60
	\$2,880.34

MATERIAL AND EXPENSE OTHER THAN STOCK.

Salary of agent	\$600.00
Rent of office	276.00
U. S. internal revenue special tax	25.00
Fuel	21.00
Gas	12.04
Water	6.00
Wrapping paper and corks	3.75

Postage stamps	\$1.00	
Broom . . . . .	.40	
		\$945.19
		\$3,825.53

SOLD DURING THE YEAR.

Wines and liquors and malt liquors for medicinal use; number of sales 3,723 and 499 $\frac{1}{8}$ gallons, and 180 bottles liquors	\$2,150.85	
Empty bottles sold, 186	15.40	
Empty casks sold, 9	10.25	
		\$2,176.50

ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1896.

Wines and liquors, 223 gallons and 126 bottles	\$1,250.56	
Less shortage, 8 gallons	27.25	
		\$1,223.31
Empty bottles on hand January 1, 46	1.26	
		\$1,224.57

COST OF GOODS SOLD AND EXPENSES.

Wines and liquors and malt liquors	\$1,629.26	
Empty bottles sold	5.36	
Other expenditures	945.19	
		\$2,579.81

Cash on hand January 1, 1895	\$11.69	
Cash received for sales	2,176.50	
		\$2,188.19
Cash deposited with city treasurer	\$2,175.00	
Cash on hand January 1, 1896	13.19	
		\$2,188.19

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES LADD,
City Liquor Agent.

CONCORD, N. H., December 31, 1895.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE,
MERRIMACK COUNTY SS.

Personally appeared Moses Ladd and made oath that the foregoing account by him rendered is correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Before me,

J. A. COCHRAN,

Justice of the Peace.

PUBLIC PARKS.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS.

To the City Council :

Under the revised ordinances of the city the duties of the Park Commissioners have been enlarged, and now all the parks and commons of the city are under the control of the Park Commissioners.

The appropriations this year have been as follows: White park, \$3,000; Rollins park, \$1,000; Penacook park, \$100.

The report of the treasurer accompanies this and is made a part of our report.

The work of the year has extended over the above mentioned parks, especially at White park and Rollins park.

WHITE PARK.

The work at White park has been largely of a constructive character, grading and filling, and for this purpose a large amount of grade and loam has been purchased and put upon the grounds. Perhaps more has been done during the year to really extend the improvements than in some years past. Much that has been unsightly has been obliterated and the whole park has appeared in a wonderfully satisfactory condition, notwithstanding the drought in the early summer which was more than made up by the later rains. It is, in some sense, a laborious work to reconstruct and reclaim, but in the end it is found to be very satisfactory and the results obtained are fully appreciated.

Our city, as compared with other cities, is very economical in its expenditures for parks, and perhaps it is wise, although it often seems like delaying matters to be restricted to a certain

amount with which to accomplish a great deal. We take pride in saying that we feel that the money has been expended to the best possible advantage.

If it were possible, with the appropriation we now have, to use some of it for bridges and buildings on the park, the beauty and utility of the grounds and surroundings would be very largely enhanced.

The original plan made by Mr. Charles Elliot, called for a playground, and it is expected in the near future, that this necessary adjunct of the park may be completed.

A new swan was purchased to take the place of the one killed during the previous summer.

A certain amount of lawlessness is still noticed, yet on the whole there is an improvement, and not until we shall have fences and defined entrances will this in a great measure be controlled. The fact that an entrance can be made at almost any point gives an opportunity for travel and dogs, with a consequent destruction of shrubs and grass, which in the first stages of growth need much care and attention. No dog should be allowed in the park without a leash, or without someone who can control it, for much damage is done each year by them.

ROLLINS PARK.

Early in October, the superintendent, with his force of men, began work on Rollins park. Mr. James H. Bowditch was called to view this plot of ground and met the commissioners and looked over the ground fully. It was his opinion, and also the opinion of the commissioners, that the park should be protected on the north from intrusion and from unsightly surroundings. This is an obstacle in the way of completeness of the park, and it is hoped that the street which was petitioned for will be granted and a thoroughfare laid out.

The nature of this tract of land being such that it was evident in the minds of the commissioners that no special attempt at decoration or beautifying the grounds with choice plants would be wise, but rather to make it accessible by means of drives and paths for a quiet, restful outing, where people could at once be

ushered into dense woods and study the beauties of a woodland park of natural growth.

The appropriation has been nearly exhausted, and it will need from year to year an annual appropriation to carry out the plans already started by the commissioners, and we hope that the wisdom of the city in protecting this and in the care of it will be a source of pleasure and pride to the citizens of Concord.

PENACOOK PARK.

Penacook park has also come under the control of the park commissioners and has been kept in a tidy and neat condition under the superintendence of Mr. O. F. Richardson. Very few people visit these grounds at the present time. An annual appropriation will undoubtedly be needed for their maintenance and care.

HENRY ROBINSON, *ex officio*,
BENJAMIN C. WHITE,
WILLIS G. C. KIMBALL,
BENJAMIN S. ROLFE,
JOHN F. JONES,
WILLIAM P. FISKE,
GEORGE A. YOUNG,

Park Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

WILLIAM P. FISKE, *Treasurer,*

IN ACCOUNT WITH PARK COMMISSIONERS.

WHITE PARK.

To city appropriation	\$3,000.00	
To cash received from sale of grass and wood	71.50	
	\$3,071.50	

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By paid :		
Labor account	\$2,113.54	
For dressing and grade	593.70	
seed and shrubbery	82.44	
swan	37.20	
hardware	24.60	
lumber	44.26	
repairs	14.73	
incidentals	161.03	
	\$3,071.50	

ROLLINS PARK.

To cash appropriation	\$1,000.00	
received from sale of wood and logs	103.55	
	\$1,103.55	

CR.

By paid :		
Labor account, as per pay-roll	\$842.61	
Grade	30.00	
James Bowditch :	28.20	

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Incidentals	\$41.54	
Balance cash on hand	161.20	
		<u>\$1,103.55</u>

PENACOOK PARK.

To city appropriation	\$100.00
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By paid :

Labor account	\$61.63	
Thompson & Hoague	5.30	
O. F. Richardson	18.00	
Balance cash on hand	15.07	
		<u>\$100.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. FISKE,

Treasurer.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS.

To the City Council of the City of Concord :

The Commissioners of Cemeteries beg leave to submit the following report:

The work of care and improvement of the cemeteries has been carried on the past year as rapidly as the funds placed at our disposal have warranted. A great deal of work has been done at both cemeteries in repairing the roads and avenues, grading grounds, etc. We have removed unsightly iron fences and posts at the Old North cemetery, and otherwise greatly improved its appearance.

During the year we have laid out and graded another beautiful plot at the north side of Blossom Hill cemetery, and quite a number of lots have already been taken.

We have completed the grading of a block to be used as single-grave lots; also the grounds where the poor can be buried and suitable headstones will mark their last resting-place.

We have erected a substantial iron fence along the northerly line of Blossom Hill cemetery, which not only adds to the beauty of the cemetery but will be found useful, as quite a thoroughfare had been usurped across the grounds.

The commissioners, while extremely grateful for the appropriation of five hundred dollars by your honorable body, to aid in the erection of a chapel, waiting-room, and office for the superintendent, still believe that there should be erected a building of such dimensions and beauty as will warrant you in largely increasing your appropriation for this object.

We possess a cemetery the natural beauty of which is certainly unsurpassed in the country, and in which every citizen takes just pride.

While the city possesses a cemetery large enough to meet the requirements for several years, yet your commission would respectfully recommend that action be taken by the city council looking to the purchase of land lying between the southerly line of Blossom Hill cemetery and Penacook street.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. O. DICKERMAN,
Secretary of the Board.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF COMMISSIONERS.

BLOSSOM HILL CEMETERY.

Receipts.

Balance on hand from 1894	\$3,181.11
Appropriation for 1895	1,800.00
Interest on invested funds	572.89

Income from trust funds as follows :

George A. Glover and C. A. Osgood	\$1.50
Mrs. Mary D. Allison	1.50
Mrs. S. L. Pixley	2.25
Mrs. H. W. Butters	2.75
S. F. Merrill	2.75
J. B. Merrill	2.75
Matilda Benson	1.75
E. S. Nutter	1.75
James McQuesten	7.25
Mrs. L. M. K. Adams	25.52
E. L. Knowlton	19.32
Mrs. Eliza W. Upham	4.50
George G. Fogg	3.00
Mrs. C. H. Newhall	4.00
Mrs. Mary Crow	4.00
Mrs. Mary D. Hart	11.75
Asa Fowler	18.00
Mrs. Mary Williams	1.50
Mrs. S. E. Irish	3.00
Mrs. Mary E. Walker	6.00
Mrs. Georgiana P. Ela	3.00
John and B. A. Kimball	6.00
B. F. Caldwell	10.50

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Mrs. Mary W. Farnum	\$3.00
Mrs. Lydia F. Edgerly	3.00
Mrs. Josiah Cooper	2.25
J. L. Lincoln	1.50
Mrs. A. L. S. Bailey	3.00
E. W. Woodward	3.00
G. and E. McQuesten	3.25
Jonathan Sanborn	3.75
E. H. Rollins	5.00
James D. Blaisdell	3.00
J. C. Thorn	3.00
Rev. Nathaniel Bouton	7.50
Samuel M. Chesley	3.00
N. F. Carter	3.00
John B. Sargent	5.00
Mrs. E. C. Bixby	2.75
Robert Woodruff	4.00
C. W. Paige	3.00
Amos L. Colburn	2.00
J. W. and E. J. Little	3.50
W. H. Pitman	3.00
John Gear	1.50
Mrs. Mary N. P. Buntin	3.00
Mrs. N. P. Clough	1.50
Mrs. H. Southmaid	1.50
Mrs. Judith A. Richardson	3.00
Mrs. George L. Reed	2.25
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	\$227.59
Received from sale of lots and grading	\$2,112.17
Received from burials, care of lots, etc. :	
Mrs. F. Pearson, care	\$1.00
Mrs. M. E. Davis, "	1.00
Nathan Mansur, "	2.25
Mrs. Rollins and Young, "	2.00
Miss S. L. Leaver, care and repairs	3.00
Charles M. Brown, care	1.00
A. P. Sherburne, "	1.50

Ira Sanborn, care and repairs . . .	\$2.75
M. W. Russell, care . . .	2.00
E. Morrill, " . . .	1.00
Miss Mary Perley, " . . .	4.00
W. Ray, " . . .	1.25
W. W. Stone, care and repairs . . .	2.00
Luther Lawrence estate, care . . .	1.50
Mrs. J. Titcomb, care and repairs . . .	2.00
Biddle & Marden, care . . .	1.50
J. S. Noyes, " . . .	1.50
Mrs. L. J. Trask, " . . .	1.50
C. A. Dole, " . . .	2.50
F. C. Quimby, " . . .	2.50
C. P. Virgin, " . . .	2.00
H. A. Kendall " . . .	1.00
H. W. Ranlett, care . . .	2.00
Mrs. T. A. Freeman, " . . .	1.50
Mrs. F. Pearson, " . . .	1.00
Mrs. J. A. West, " . . .	2.00
Daniel Holden, " . . .	2.00
Mrs. M. E. Davis, " . . .	1.00
James E. Rand, " . . .	1.00
Mrs. T. H. Ford, " and removal . . .	13.00
J. H. Piper, " . . .	1.50
Mrs. E. P. Reed, burial . . .	3.00
N. H. Shattuck, care . . .	1.50
Nathan Mansur, " . . .	2.00
J. C. Lane, care and repairs . . .	3.00
C. P. Bancroft, care . . .	2.00
Mrs. E. P. Schultz, care and dressing . . .	11.00
Mrs. Rollins and Young, care . . .	2.00
Miss S. L. Leaver, " . . .	2.00
Mrs. Onslow Stearns, " . . .	5.00
E. B. Hutchinson, care and plants . . .	8.50
John Brown, " . . .	2.00
C. M. Brown, " . . .	1.00
Ira J. Hutchinson, " . . .	1.50

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Mrs. G. W. Phipps, care and dressing .	\$2.00
S. F. Morse, "	1.50
C. A. Lockesley, "	1.50
A. P. Sherburne, "	1.50
Granville Buzzell, "	1.00
Perry Kittredge, "	2.00
Miss M. Woods, "	2.00
Mrs. A. S. Marshall, "	2.00
George L. Stratton, "	3.00
J. B. Coleman, burial	3.00
Carroll Hutchins, "	1.50
F. D. Ayer, care	2.00
H. A. Rowell, "	2.00
Mrs. A. A. Currier, "	1.50
Miss C. Edgerly, "	1.00
Underhill Brothers, "	2.00
J. T. Gordon, care and dressing .	6.00
W. E. Dow, burial	3.00
Mrs. L. S. Morrill, care and plants .	2.75
D. C. Allen, care	2.00
H. P. Dame, "	3.00
Charles Barker, "	1.50
Mrs. J. C. Shaw, "	2.00
Mrs. W. Clark, care and plants . .	3.00
Fred Buzzell, care and burial . . .	2.00
Mrs. J. M. Jones, care	1.50
Stevens & Duncklee, "	4.00
A. C. Ferrin, "	1.50
W. H. Allison, "	1.50
John Allison, care and dressing . .	2.25
J. H. Lane, care and plants	3.00
Mrs. R. P. Staniels, care	2.00
Daniel Spline, labor	1.75
Ira Sanborn, care	1.50
George A. Young, care and burial . .	5.00
C. J. Smith, care	2.00
Mrs. J. C. Ordway, "	1.00

Joseph Palmer, care	\$3.00
Charles Kimball, "	2.00
John McCauley, "	2.00
Mrs. W. W. Storrs, "	1.00
M. W. Russell, "	2.00
William M. Chase, "	2.00
Isaac N. Abbott, admr., repairs	7.00
Mr. L. J. Uffenheimer, care	2.00
C. C. Danforth, "	3.00
Ora Osgood, admr., burial and repairs	15.00
John Kimball, burial	9.00
E. Morrill, care	1.00
Miss Mary Perley, "	4.00
H. W. Greenough, "	2.00
William Ray, "	1.25
W. W. Stone, "	1.00
Mrs. H. E. Webster, care and repairs	2.25
Luther Lawrence estate, care and burial	4.50
O. F. Swain, care and burial	11.00
Mrs. P. H. Emerson, care	1.50
J. C. Eaton, "	1.00
George D. B. Prescott, "	1.00
Mrs. J. L. Pickering, "	3.00
J. B. Green, "	1.00
Mrs. J. Titcomb, "	1.00
Mrs. C. L. George, care and plants	7.00
Mrs. H. M. Wyatt, removal and grading	17.00
Mrs. C. L. Whitney, care	1.00
William Vogler, "	1.50
Edson J. Hill, care and repairs	52.13
E. E. Sturtevant Post, G. A. R., care	5.00
George Lincoln, burial	2.00
Mrs. N. G. Mead, care and burial	5.00
Mrs. Lowell Brown, care and dressing	4.00
T. E. Currier, care	2.00
Oscar Holt, burial	2.50
Biddle and Marden, care	1.50