

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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*To the City Council:*

Thirty-nine formal complaints have been made to the Board of Health during the past year, as follows:

Sink drains on top of ground, . . . . .	9
Filthy hog-pens, . . . . .	7
Filthy stables, . . . . .	7
Filthy cellars, . . . . .	4
Filthy privy vaults, . . . . .	8
Filthy back yards, . . . . .	4
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We do not include in the above a large number of verbal complaints made to individual members of the board. In every case the nuisance has been abated without prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CONNELL,  
*Health Officer.*

Dec. 31, 1885.

# STREET DEPARTMENT.

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## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS.

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*To the City Council :*

The disbursements for the year 1885 in the care of the streets and highways of the city have amounted to \$24,281.51, being an increase of \$94.67 in the gross expenditures.

The net expense, however, is more favorable, because the collections from abutters, on account of sidewalks, are considerably in excess of last year, and show an actual gain in net results of \$534.55, which, considering the extra amount of work accomplished, is even better than anticipated.

The detailed statement of payments will be found in the account of "Running Expenses," under the heading of "Highway Department."

The subdivision of the labor pay-rolls has been carefully made, and the expenses, as given under the various headings, indicate very nearly the cost of the different branches of work required for the proper maintenance of the streets in the central district.

In the outside districts no subdivision is attempted, the work in most cases falling under the head of "General Repairs."

In the central district the heading of "General Repairs" includes all payments which cannot be properly classified under one of the terms employed for subdivision of expenses.

For "Bridges and Culverts" the outlay amounts to \$839.99, and includes the expense of lighting the Free bridge and Lower bridge, and the snowing of the same in winter, bridge plank and lumber required for repairs of bridges and culverts, and for concreting when needed.

The Federal bridge at East Concord has been thoroughly ex-

amined, and the decayed parts of the planking in the roadway replaced by sound timber, and carefully concreted for future protection.

The wooden abutments of the bridge near Moses Brown's on the old Hopkinton turnpike have been replaced by substantial stone abutments, and the bridge thoroughly rebuilt under the direction of Mr. George W. Chesley.

Most of the bridges in the city are now provided with stone abutments, and I believe there are but three remaining in all the city which are built wholly of wood. One of these (at the Soucook river on the Pittsfield road) was erected after the severe freshet in 1869, and has thus far answered well its purpose, but will undoubtedly require rebuilding in the near future. A new stone culvert has been built across the Pittsfield road near Richardson's mills, to relieve the cross road from the water which has overflowed it every spring, and rendered travel difficult and sometimes dangerous.

Many culverts have been cleaned out and repaired, and when practicable have been enlarged and strongly rebuilt to ensure their permanent usefulness.

But little has been expended for "Fences and Signs," as guide-boards have heretofore been erected whenever a suggestion has been made as to their desirability, and the fences maintained by the city along bank walls are mostly permanent and in good condition.

The "macadamizing" expenses for the year amount to \$2,391.94, including rent, insurance, and repairs of boiler and machinery. Almost all the stone used for crushing has been obtained at the city gravel banks, and the work of obtaining gravel for highway purposes has been materially aided by thus keeping the banks cleared. State street has been macadamized from Washington to Franklin street, and the west side of South Main street from Freight to Thorndike street, and the east side from Freight to Fayette street. This makes the most durable roadway which can be built in this section, and requires the least outlay for repairs. To make it perfect, a steam road roller should be used, but, with the limited amount which it is possible with our present appropriations to build each year, it is perhaps questionable whether an outlay of \$6,000 for the purchase of such an engine would be expedient.

The expenses for sidewalks and crossings aggregate \$4,204.22, the larger part of the sum being for concreting, edgestones, and flagging stones. Granite flagging stones have been laid for cross walks wherever required across a macadamized street, and although expensive are the most durable of anything which can be procured for the purpose. The whole expense of concreting sidewalks is paid by the city, and one half afterwards collected back from the abutters. The collections upon this account will be found in detail at the end of the report of the commissioner of highways.

More than the average number of sidewalk petitions have been granted by the Board of Aldermen, and, in addition to the small pieces granted throughout the city, long stretches of concrete have been laid on North State street above the old cemetery; on the east side of North Spring street, from Maple to Washington; on the east side of Union, south from Washington; on the north side of Cross street, from State to South street; on the north side of West street, from South Main to Mills street; and on the east side of South street, from Fayette to Perley street.

In the expense for "Cleaning and Sprinkling Streets" is included only the account of *one* of the city teamsters, and then only when engaged directly in that work. If the work in this department, now accomplished by the other teams used in connection with the fire department, were to be hired from other parties, the expense would be increased about \$800.

More attention than formerly is given to cleaning the gutters, not only on account of the improved appearance of the streets, but for their better protection during the spring rains.

The item of "Breaking Roads" in the central district amounts to \$1,336.62 for the year. The expense for this purpose is of course variable, and depends largely upon the character and severity of the storms of winter.

Various expedients have been resorted to for the purpose of avoiding the drifting of snow in exposed localities, but in our climate there must always be a considerable expenditure for breaking out the roads and making them passable after each snow-storm.

In most of the outlying districts the expenditures have been

confined to the ordinary work of repairs, and few extensive improvements have been undertaken. The expenses in each district will be found under the appropriate heading in the "Running Expense" account.

In the Borough district the easterly abutment of the Borough bridge has been entirely rebuilt, of split granite, in a substantial manner, at an expense of \$200. The old abutment was built of small boulders, and by the lapse of time had so fallen to pieces as to become insecure, thus rendering its rebuilding imperative.

In the village of Penacook a new bank wall has been built near Amsden's factory, and surmounted by a substantial fence, thus providing for a level walk along a part of the street which, from its sloping character, was frequently rendered dangerous when the ground was covered by ice. In this district, also, the old wooden drain leading from a point near the Washington house to the canal was so badly decayed as to require extensive repairs, and it has been replaced by twelve-inch Akron pipe, thus ensuring its durability for many years.

In several districts a large amount of work has been done with the road machines, and judging from the comments of travellers much has been accomplished, and to the general satisfaction of the travelling public.

The work of building the new street laid out by the Board of Aldermen, under the name of Forest street, has been done by this department without any special appropriation for that purpose, and the new street fifty feet in width, well made and fully completed from Valley street to Auburn street, is a very apparent improvement to that locality. The expense of building Harrod street has also been included in this department without special appropriation, the work having been done by our regular force, and without detriment to other duties. The expense for both was about \$250, and is included under the heading of "General Repairs," the items being almost entirely in the labor pay-rolls.

In the prosecution of the work of the department I have had, as heretofore, the invaluable assistance of Mr. James H. Rowell, the superintendent of streets, upon whom I have relied for the execution of all projected improvements; and to his experience and knowledge of the wants of the department, is due much of

the economical administration of the affairs of this branch of the public service.

I am also indebted to the several foremen who have been employed, and to the laborers who have so satisfactorily discharged their duties, for the manner in which all suggestions have been received, and the willingness and celerity with which all orders have been executed.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR H. WOODMAN,

*Commissioner of Highways.*

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There has been paid to the city treasurer, on account of highways, the sum of \$1,580.65, made up from the following

RECEIPTS.

Cash of individuals on city account as follows :

Of Mrs. A. M. Allen, concrete, 1884,	.	\$15.40
George F. Sanborn, " "	.	11.40
L. K. Peacock, " "	.	3.88
M. F. Coffin, " "	.	38.29
N. M. Keyes, old pipe,	. . .	5.60
John Bartlett, concrete, 1884,	. . .	11.43
G. B. Whittredge, " "	. . .	12.35
John Murphy, " "	. . .	12.53
E. P. Prescott, " "	. . .	18.56
E. H. Houston, " "	. . .	12.89
M. N. Robinson, " "	. . .	5.00
W. E. Morton, " "	. . .	15.40
J. H. Rowell, broom,	. . . .	.38
Mrs. M. N. Robinson, concrete, 1884,		3.91
Methodist Church, concrete, bal., 1883,		2.76
P. Ahern, " "	. . .	11.10
Mrs. T. Daignan, " "	. . .	6.40
M. H. Bradley, pipe, &c.,	. . .	11.00
J. C. Ordway, concrete,	. . .	4.60
J. E. Sargent, " "	. . .	18.45

Of H. G. Sargent, assignee, concrete,	.	\$13.47
Henry McFarland,	" .	131.71
Emma Osgood,	" .	4.37
Chas. Woodman,	" .	13.59
C. C. Flanders,	" .	3.57
Wm. A. Hurd,	" .	6.00
Joseph Bean, rent,	. . .	.50
B. F. Wolcott, concrete,	. . .	6.12
N. G. Curtis,	" . . .	3.15
C. W. Davis,	" . . .	16.49
N. H. Asylum,	" . . .	16.14
Mrs. L. M. Morrill,	" . . .	4.56
G. L. Lovejoy,	" . . .	8.20
Northern R. R.,	" . . .	10.35
J. H. Ballard,	" . . .	17.91
F. S. Crawford,	" . . .	4.84
Richard Ronan,	" . . .	10.28
Patrick Griffin,	" . . .	13.74
Richard Casey,	" . . .	6.42
John Gienty,	" . . .	12.80
J. R. Hill estate,	" . . .	26.00
J. C. A. Hill,	" . . .	13.71
Alma J. Herbert,	" . . .	9.38
Mrs. L. B. Morrill,	" . . .	4.42
Susan Bodwell,	" . . .	9.00
Ira Perley heirs,	" . . .	7.20
F. G. Edgerly,	" . . .	29.94
H. L. Ingalls,	" . . .	9.08
A. S. Ranney,	" . . .	20.16
E. C. Currier,	" . . .	3.62
G. H. Marston,	" . . .	5.61
J. A. White,	" . . .	24.75
Mrs. J. Lund,	" . . .	11.16
John Ducey,	" . . .	10.47
B. S. Warren, ag't, concrete,	. . .	6.72
G. L. Theobald, old derrick,	. . .	25.00
Mrs. Laura Carter, concrete,	. . .	21.11
Thomas Gawler,	" . . .	9.98
James Leahy,	" . . .	26.31

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Of Nelson Abbott,	concrete,	.	.	\$9.09
V. C. Hastings,	"	.	.	17.55
Ellen O'Brien,	"	.	.	14.10
Hazen E. Abbott,	"	.	.	34.75
C. C. Tappan,	"	.	.	10.80
F. G. Edgerly,	"	.	.	8.53
J. B. Smart,	"	.	.	19.85
O. J. Hall,	"	.	.	11.37
Mrs. E. G. Emerson,	"	.	.	14.13
Mrs. A. Fletcher,	"	.	.	35.55
J. C. Eaton,	"	.	.	8.28
W. W. Cochran,	"	.	.	10.27
I. W. Hammond,	"	.	.	20.10
E. N. Pearson,	"	.	.	14.46
J. H. Stewart,	"	.	.	7.40
James H. Chase,	"	.	.	5.88
F. J. Nelson,	"	.	.	5.91
A. G. Jones,	"	.	.	9.98
Mary Cotter,	"	.	.	14.50
J. B. Fellows,	"	.	.	7.70
C. H. Shute,	"	.	.	22.08
Mrs. T. B. Comins,	"	.	.	12.07
Margaret Robinson,	"	.	.	3.00
G. W. Carter,	"	.	.	4.40
F. Allison,	"	.	.	9.95
Cyrus W. Pratt,	"	.	.	6.81
J. M. Hill and Gust. Walker,	concrete,	.	.	5.92
Michael Arnold,	"	.	.	13.45
Annie M. Moulton,	"	.	.	15.39
Peter Sanborn,	"	.	.	7.18
W. G. C. Kimball,	"	.	.	6.71
Mrs. L. G. Webster,	"	.	.	11.65
N. H. Savings Bank,	"	.	.	5.05
J. Robinson estate,	"	.	.	35.19
W. S. Blanchard,	"	.	.	10.32
B. F. Hardy,	"	.	.	3.79
George Clough,	"	.	.	17.28
Wm. E. Hood,	"	.	.	3.29
George W. Crockett,	"	.	.	9.23

Of B. F. Caldwell,	concrete,	\$13.16
G. L. Theobald,	"	23.30
Mrs. Nancy Donovan,	"	9.07
Olive P. Huntington,	"	15.00
Frank J. Pillsbury,	"	2.28
J. A. Miller,	"	9.72
Mrs. L. H. Crapo,	"	7.95
Wm. A. Chesley,	"	6.05
North Church parsonage,	"	3.61
H. S. Shattuck estate,	"	20.01
J. F. Nelson,	"	8.43
N. M. Carter,	"	8.19
Pleasant St. Bap. Church,	"	14.40
Mary S. Dole,	"	11.66
A. C. Hardy,	"	25.52
J. G. Alexander,	"	18.27
A. A. Perkins,	"	58.96
J. H. Albin,	"	7.50
F. P. Mitchell, street sweepings,		2.50
J. E. Fernald,	"	1.50
L. Jackman,	"	1.50
B. S. Warren,	"	1.00
Chandler Stevens,	"	2.00
Irvin S. Ring,	"	.50
V. C. Hastings,	"	.50
W. A. Stone,	"	3.00
F. D. Ayer,	"	1.00
T. M. Lang,	"	.50
C. H. Ordway,	"	1.00
E. H. Greeley,	"	1.00
Warren Clark,	"	1.00
J. B. Rand,	"	3.50
T. H. Ford, concrete,	.	5.00
James Sanborn, concrete,	.	9.95
Total,		<u>\$1,580.65</u>



## SPRINKLING THE STREETS.

The following account of the receipts and expenditures for sprinkling the streets, for the season of 1885, is inserted for the information of the public :

## RECEIPTS.

*From persons on the East side of Main street.*

George Clough, . . . \$5.00	Heath & Tenney, . . . \$3.00
A. D. Ayling, . . . 3.00	R. H. Ayer, . . . 3.00
H. B. Tebbetts, . . . 5.00	Hammond & Thurston, . . . 3.00
H. O. Marsh, . . . 3.00	M. Wolff, . . . 3.00
D. J. Murphy, . . . 1.00	Woodman & Robinson, . . . 2.00
J. E. Dwight, . . . 3.00	S. G. Lane, . . . 1.00
L. A. Smith, . . . 3.00	F. C. Hardy, . . . 3.00
Mrs. J. R. Hill, . . . 5.00	C. N. Towle, . . . 1.00
Cummings Bros., . . . 3.00	G. K. Mellen, . . . 3.00
E. G. Cummings, . . . 1.00	E. B. Crapo, . . . 3.00
S. C. Morrill, . . . 3.00	Dow & Wheeler, . . . 1.00
Elm House, . . . 5.00	Staniels, Allison & Co., . . . 1.00
G. B. Emmons, . . . 5.00	S. C. Eastman, . . . 1.00
Moseley & Co., . . . 2.00	Eagle Clothing House, . . . 1.00
N. H. Dem. Press Co., . . . 3.00	T. W. & J. H. Stewart, . . . 3.00
W. F. Danforth & Son, . . . 2.00	F. W. Yeaton, . . . 3.00
Scribner & Blood, . . . 2.00	F. P. Mace, . . . 2.00
Bachelor & Co., . . . 5.00	Miss E. A. Estes, . . . 1.00
D. H. Aldrich, . . . 2.00	A. H. Crosby, . . . 1.00
W. A. Thompson, . . . 2.00	E. B. Davis, . . . 1.00
J. E. Pecker, . . . 1.00	Sleeper & Hood, . . . 3.00
Rep. Press Asso., . . . 5.00	L. R. Handerson, . . . 2.00
A. P. Fitch, . . . 3.00	Shaw, Jackson & Ahern, . . . 3.00
E. H. Rollins & Son, . . . 3.00	Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, . . . 5.00
S. G. Noyes, . . . 3.00	U. S. & C. Express, . . . 3.00
Page & Donovan, . . . 1.00	E. C. Eastman, . . . 2.00
F. E. Colburn, . . . 2.00	Eagle Hotel, . . . 5.00
Fred Reed & Co., . . . 5.00	W. U. Tel. Co., . . . 3.00
G. A. Young, . . . 2.00	Young Brothers, . . . 3.00
W. D. Thompson, . . . 5.00	J. M. Stewart & Son, . . . 3.00
Phenix Hotel, . . . 5.00	

W. P. Underhill & Co.,	\$3.00	Mrs. C. J. McFarland,	\$2.50
N. H. Savings-Bank,	5.00	W. K. McFarland,	2.50
E. Knight,	3.00	T. M. Lang, 2d,	1.00
J. C. Thorne,	5.00	Miss C. P. Morrill,	2.00
G. W. Wadleigh,	1.00	J. F. Morrill,	2.00
F. H. George,	2.00	J. S. Stetson,	1.00
S. Wardner,	2.00	F. S. Streeter,	5.00
J. D. Johnson & Son,	1.00	John Abbott,	2.00
J. Police,	2.00	Mrs. R. E. Pecker,	5.00
E. E. Fisher,	1.00	A. A. Currier,	2.00
H. M. Brickett,	2.00	P. H. Larkin,	2.00
A. C. Sanborn,	2.00	S. S. Kimball,	10.00
E. H. Randall,	1.00	J. B. Walker,	7.50
J. M. Collins,	1.00	M. C. H. Seavey,	2.00
W. H. Pitman,	2.00	H. M. Clough,	1.00
Mrs. O. Stearns,	5.00	F. W. Rollins,	1.00
F. Battles,	1.00	Cash,	5.00
J. S. Blanchard,	3.00		
W. W. Niles,	1.00		
Mrs. N. Bouton,	1.00		
			\$267.50

*West side of Main street.*

C. H. Thorndike,	\$3.00	I. C. Edgerly,	\$3.00
A. F. Holt,	2.00	State Capital Bank,	5.00
J. M. Hill,	3.00	A. G. Harris,	3.00
B. A. Kimball,	5.00	Stevens & Duncklee,	3.00
Mrs. C. C. Lund,	3.00	First National Bank,	5.00
F. Low,	3.00	Morrill Brothers,	3.00
J. H. Abbott,	5.00	B. Biddle,	1.00
F. Evans,	2.00	McLean & Co.,	3.00
J. S. Norris,	2.00	D. B. Jones,	2.00
Norris & Crockett,	2.00	J. R. Hill & Co.,	5.00
Robertson, Rowell & Co.,	3.00	A. P. Sherburne,	2.00
J. McLaughlin,	1.00	J. Hazelton & Son,	3.00
I. M. Savage,	2.00	Clarke and Moore,	3.00
J. F. Hoit,	3.00	H. N. Newell,	2.00
Perkins, Dudley & Co.,	3.00	Underhill & Kittredge,	3.00
J. Welcome,	1.00	Chase & Streeter,	2.00
C. H. Martin & Co.,	3.00	H. M. French,	1.00
H. C. Sturtevant,	3.00	Morrill & Danforth,	3.00
J. S. Hubbard,	1.50	E. W. Willard,	3.00
J. H. Chase,	4.00	A. R. Ayers,	3.00
Silsby & Son,	5.00	R. F. Robinson,	2.00
W. K. Day,	1.50	Ladd and Baker,	2.00
J. G. Chase,	1.00	Jacobs Brothers,	1.00
C. M. Boynton,	3.00	Miss J. L. Crawford,	2.00

J. B. Sanborn, . . .	\$5.00	W. P. Ford & Co., . . .	\$4.00
G. L. Hooper, . . .	2.00	G. H. Marston, . . .	3.00
A. K. Knapp, . . .	1.00	W. G. Carter, . . .	5.00
G. Carugate, . . .	2.00	H. J. Crippen, . . .	5.00
H. L. Shattuck, . . .	1.00	Judge Carpenter, . . .	3.00
Brown & Otis, . . .	5.00	G. F. Page, . . .	2.00
Brown & Fullerton, . . .	2.00	H. McFarland, . . .	5.00
Reed & Mudgett, . . .	2.00	M. R. Holt, . . .	2.00
J. Doherty, . . .	2.00	F. A. Fisk, . . .	4.00
Mrs. C. P. Blanchard, . . .	1.00	E. Gerrish, . . .	5.00
E. S. Nutter, . . .	2.00		
B. S. Warren, . . .	2.00		
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			\$195.00

*East side of State street.*

F. H. Upton, . . .	\$2.00	L. S. Morrill, . . .	\$2.00
C. W. Woodward, . . .	1.00	P. Kittredge, . . .	3.00
C. P. Virgin, . . .	1.00	W. L. Foster, . . .	3.00
Jas. Minot, . . .	3.00	Mrs. S. E. Hamilton, . . .	2.00
G. E. Todd, . . .	5.00	G. T. Comins, . . .	3.00
D. D. Brainerd, . . .	2.00	O. Pillsbury, . . .	5.00
J. Durrell, . . .	1.00	B. F. Virgin, . . .	3.00
A. Atherton, . . .	1.00	W. E. Adams, . . .	1.00
D. D. Taylor, . . .	1.00	C. R. Sanborn, . . .	1.00
W. K. Holt, . . .	2.00	A. J. Batchelder, . . .	1.00
John Kimball, . . .	5.00	W. E. Dow, . . .	1.00
N. White, . . .	4.00	P. C. Bean, . . .	2.00
G. Walker, . . .	5.00		
B. E. Badger, . . .	2.00		
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			\$62.00

*West side of State street.*

H. W. Clapp, . . .	\$2.00	Mrs. H. M. Walker, . . .	\$1.00
O. Ballou, . . .	1.00	J. H. Gallinger, . . .	2.00
F. Webster, . . .	2.00	F. H. George, . . .	1.00
G. H. Emery, . . .	3.00	G. L. Nutter, . . .	2.00
E. L. Peacock, . . .	2.00	J. W. Merrill, . . .	2.00
Mrs. C. Parker, . . .	1.00	G. L. Williams, . . .	1.00
Mrs. E. C. Bixby, . . .	1.00	J. E. Robertson, . . .	3.00
C. H. Martin, . . .	1.00	T. C. Bethune, . . .	3.00
R. T. Crowell, . . .	1.00	A. Folger, . . .	2.00
E. Morrill, . . .	2.00	C. B. Hill, . . .	2.00
Mrs. C. Howe, . . .	3.00	D. C. Roberts, . . .	2.00
Mrs. A. C. Pierce, . . .	2.50	L. A. Levers, . . .	1.00
S. Eastman, . . .	1.00	F. H. Gould, . . .	2.00
M. W. Russell, . . .	2.00		
S. Barrett, . . .	2.00		
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			\$50.50

*Green street.*

T. W. Young, . . .	\$2.00	Mrs. M. S. Osgood, . . .	\$2.00
L. S. Richardson, . . .	2.00	S. U. Clark, . . .	2.00
T. A. Heath, . . .	2.00	G. Bullock, . . .	1.00
G. L. Lovejoy, . . .	2.00	N. H. Haskell, . . .	1.00
W. Annis Bean, . . .	2.00	Mrs. M. E. Flanders, . . .	1.00
J. A. Cochrane, . . .	2.00	P. F. Stevens, . . .	2.00
J. W. Drew, . . .	2.00	C. H. Dunklee, . . .	2.00
H. Clough, . . .	2.00	Z. C. Packard, . . .	1.50
J. H. Morey, . . .	2.00	Unitarian Society, 1884,	2.00
J. H. Morey, 1884, . . .	2.00	W. A. Bean, " . . .	2.00
Mrs. Crow, " . . .	2.00	Frank Simpson, " . . .	2.00
Mrs. Osgood, " . . .	1.00		
Mrs. Howard, " . . .	1.00		\$43.50
M. E. Flanders, " . . .	1.00		

*Pleasant street.*

Bartlett & Davis, . . .	\$3.00	F. A. Stillings, . . .	\$3.00
Spencer & Abbott, . . .	2.00	L. Downing, . . .	5.00
G. L. Lovejoy & Co., . . .	2.00	D. E. Willard, . . .	3.00
G. A. Foster, . . .	2.00	Mrs. J. A. Gove, . . .	2.00
G. L. Stratton, . . .	5.00	Mrs. R. N. Corning, . . .	5.00
Mrs. C. B. Bartlett, . . .	4.00	Waldo A. Russell, . . .	2.00
F. H. Locke, . . .	1.00		
G. H. H. Silsby, . . .	4.00		\$43.00

*Warren street.*

T. Stuart, . . .	\$2.00	W. A. Clough, . . .	\$2.00
W. Ladd, . . .	2.00	J. A. Dadmun, . . .	1.00
W. G. C. Kimball, . . .	2.00	G. W. Jackson, . . .	2.00
S. K. Blanchard, . . .	1.00	Mrs. E. F. Mansfield, . . .	1.00
J. Kimball, . . .	1.00	D. P. Wheeler, . . .	2.00
Mrs. A. Fletcher, . . .	2.00	S. F. Blodgett, . . .	1.00
W. B. Parsons, . . .	1.00		
A. C. Fisher, . . .	2.00		\$27.00
J. Minot, . . .	5.00		

*School street.*

J. H. Rowell, . . .	\$3.00	D. W. Waldron, . . .	\$2.00
G. W. Carter, . . .	1.00	J. D. Perkins, . . .	1.00
Munns & Paige, . . .	2.00	P. Pillsbury, . . .	2.00
G. L. Lovejoy, . . .	2.00	L. R. Fellows, . . .	2.00
W. G. C. Kimball, . . .	3.00	High School, . . .	10.00

Mechanicks Nat. Bank,	\$5.00	J. M. Fletcher,	. \$1.00
W. B. Durgin,	. 2.00	Mrs. L. M. Morrill,	. 2.00
F. S. Crawford,	. 2.00		
Mrs. N. White,	. 2.00		\$43.00
P. W. Myers,	. 1.00		

*Capitol street.*

Gas Light Co.,	. \$3.00	I. C. Evans,	. \$2.00
Mrs. N. White,	. 5.00		
			\$10.00

*Park street.*

Mrs. W. Walker,	. \$2.00	E. A. Stockbridge,	. \$1.00
C. R. Walker,	. 2.00		
Mrs. A. L. Drew,	. 1.00		\$7.00
Mrs. T. Haynes,	. 1.00		

*South street.*

H. W. Ranlet,	. \$5.00	Mrs. S. Marsh,	. \$3.00
Mrs. W. Harriman,	. 5.00	Mrs. C. B. Hutchins,	. 2.00
Mrs. J. W. Little,	. 4.00	Mrs. A. R. Manning,	. 1.00
J. P. Nutter,	. 2.00		
W. Hart,	. 2.00		\$29.00
Mrs. A. Downing,	. 5.00		

*Depot street.*

Smith & Walker,	. \$5.00	Mrs. C. Hart,	. \$2.00
H. E. Conant,	. 2.00		
			\$9.00

*Freight street.*

Ranlet & Marsh,	. \$3.00	W. S. Davis & Son,	. \$2.00
			\$5.00

*Washington street.*

J. W. Flavin,	. \$1.00	A. T. Whittemore,	. \$1.00
G. S. Foster,	. 1.00	N. H. Shattuck,	. .50
S. M. Griffin,	. 1.00	R. P. Kimball,	. .50
J. F. Harriman,	. 1.00		
A. R. Howe,	. 1.00		\$7.00

*South Spring street.*

N. B. Walker, . . . \$2.00	J. Y. Lane, . . . \$1.00
J. E. Rand, . . . 2.00	J. W. Storrs, . . . 1.00
Mrs. A. Wood, . . . 2.00	James Munns, . . . 1.00
R. N. Philbrick, . . . 1.00	C. S. Smart, . . . .50
E. M. Howe, . . . 1.00	
B. M. Locke, . . . 1.00	
	\$12.50

*Bridge Street.*

Woodworth, Dow & Co., \$5.00	L. E. Currier, . . . \$2.00
A. C. Sanborn, . . . 2.00	
H. W. Brickett, . . . 2.00	
Phelps & Storrs, . . . 3.00	
	\$14.00

**RECAPITULATION.**

From east side of Main street, . . . . .	\$267.50
west side of Main street, . . . . .	195.00
east side of State street, . . . . .	62.00
west side of State street, . . . . .	50.50
Green street, . . . . .	43.50
Pleasant street, . . . . .	43.00
Warren street, . . . . .	27.00
School street, . . . . .	43.00
Capitol street, . . . . .	10.00
Park street, . . . . .	7.00
South street, . . . . .	29.00
Depot street, . . . . .	9.00
Freight street, . . . . .	5.00
Washington street, . . . . .	7.00
South Spring street, . . . . .	12.50
Bridge street, . . . . .	14.00
	\$825.00

HOWARD M. COOK,  
*Solicitor and Collector.*

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SEWERS AND DRAINS.

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*To the City Council:*

The total expenditures for the construction of "sewers" in the year 1885 amount to \$2,694.36, a detailed account of which will be found under the heading of "Precinct," in the general running expenses.

Two important works have been undertaken, the first being the building of a new sewer through Tremont street, from State to Jackson street. This was accomplished with great difficulty owing to the stony character of the ground. The cutting was through a succession of boulders and ledge, requiring the constant use of drills and wedges, and progress was necessarily very slow. For a long distance blasting with powder was resorted to as the only means of reducing the rock to a suitable size for removal. The broken pieces were lifted from the ditch with derricks, but were so large as to be unsuitable to return for filling, and were consequently taken to the stone-crusher to be used for street purposes. The pipe laid was 12-inch Akron, and the work was completed satisfactorily, although at considerable expense, and seems to be appreciated by the residents of that vicinity, for whose particular benefit the outlay was demanded.

The other work of importance was the building of a 4-foot brick sewer under the tracks of the Concord Railroad, from the intervale to the foot of Depot street.

The matter of supplying an extra outlet from Main street sewers to Merrimack river has been under consideration for a long time, but no feasible plan for carrying out such purpose has been presented, until the destruction of the old passenger depot offered the opportunity for making almost a straight sewer from Main street to the river. The railroad officials, recognizing the necessity for additional sewer accommodations in the

vicinity of Railroad square, gave their hearty coöperation in advancing and completing the work. Owing to the large number of trains passing over the route of the proposed sewer, its construction was attended with difficulty and danger; but with the great care exercised by all parties, the sewer was safely completed before the erection of the new train shed of the Concord Railroad, a portion of which now extends directly over the sewer as laid. It was at first proposed to let the whole work by contract, but after mature deliberation it was decided to conduct operations under the supervision of the committee. This has been done, and the sewer as constructed is egg-shaped, of double courses of brick, and four feet across its largest diameter. It has been most thoroughly and carefully built, yet the expense was not as large as was anticipated and provided for. Of the special appropriation of \$2,000, made for the purpose, nearly \$500 remains in the treasury, which will be available for the extension of this sewer the coming spring. As now left unfinished, overflow connections have been made with the Depot street sewer, and the sewer passing in the rear of the Phenix hotel, so as to provide for any possible contingencies pending its construction to the river bank. This necessary extension should be commenced as soon as operations can be conveniently resumed in the spring, and the estimated expense for the same, with proper granite walls to protect the outlet at the river's brink, is not far from \$2,000.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR H. WOODMAN,  
LELAND A. SMITH,  
RICHARD M. ORDWAY,

*Committee on Sewers and Drains.*

# POLICE DEPARTMENT.

## REPORT OF THE CITY MARSHAL.

*To the City Council :*

The undersigned respectfully submits the following report of the doings of the Police Department of the city of Concord for the year ending December 31, 1885 :

The whole number of arrests made during the year, not including those made at Penacook, was . . . . . 275 as follows :

Arson, attempt at . . . . .	1
Assault and battery, . . . . .	13
Assault of an aggravated nature, . . . . .	2
Assault on officer, . . . . .	1
Attempt to rape, . . . . .	1
Burglary, . . . . .	2
Breaking glass, . . . . .	2
Cruelty to animals, . . . . .	1
Common prostitute, . . . . .	3
Defrauding hotel-keeper, . . . . .	1
Evading car-fare, . . . . .	8
For being out late at night, . . . . .	10
For out of town officers, . . . . .	4
Insane persons, . . . . .	9
Intoxication, . . . . .	123
Keeping liquor for sale, . . . . .	17
Keeping beer for sale, . . . . .	11
Keeping saloon open on Sunday, . . . . .	2
Keeping saloon open after 10 o'clock, . . . . .	3
Larceny, . . . . .	11

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Obtaining money by false pretence, . . . . .	7
Rude and disorderly conduct, . . . . .	32
Setting fire on land of another, . . . . .	3
Stubborn child, . . . . .	1
Suspicious persons, . . . . .	7
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Total, . . . . .	275

Of the above cases, 134 were arraigned before the police court, charged with the following offences, to wit:

Arson, attempt at . . . . .	1
Assault and battery, . . . . .	10
Assault of an aggravated nature, . . . . .	2
Assault on officer, . . . . .	1
Attempt to rape, . . . . .	1
Burglary, . . . . .	1
Breaking glass, . . . . .	2
Cruelty to animals, . . . . .	1
Common prostitute, . . . . .	3
Defrauding hotel-keeper, . . . . .	1
Evading car-fare, . . . . .	8
Intoxication, . . . . .	52
Keeping liquor for sale, . . . . .	17
Keeping beer for sale, . . . . .	11
Keeping saloon open on Sunday, . . . . .	2
Keeping saloon open after 10 o'clock, . . . . .	3
Larceny, . . . . .	6
Obtaining money by false pretence, . . . . .	6
Rude and disorderly conduct, . . . . .	5
Stubborn child, . . . . .	1
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Total, . . . . .	134

And were disposed of as follows:

Sentenced to pay fine, . . . . .	109
Sentenced to the industrial school, . . . . .	1
Ordered to recognize to appear at supreme court, . . . . .	18
Discharged by the court, . . . . .	4

Nol. proessed, . . . . .	2
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Total, . . . . .	134
Discharged without complaint, . . . . .	141
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Total, . . . . .	275

Twenty-one buildings have been found open, and secured.

The whole number of lodgers accommodated at the station-house during the year was 223.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CONNELL,  
*City Marshal.*

Concord, Dec. 31, 1885.

## REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CITY MARSHAL.

*To the City Council :*

The undersigned would submit the following report of the Police Department in Penacook, Ward 1, city of Concord, for the year ending December 31, 1885 :

Whole number of arrests made during the year, . . . . .	62
Keeping intoxicating liquor for sale, . . . . .	1
Keeping open Sunday, . . . . .	1
Keeping open after 10 o'clock, . . . . .	1
Assault of an aggravated nature, . . . . .	3
Assault and battery, . . . . .	2
Larceny, . . . . .	5
Using profane language, . . . . .	1
Rude and disorderly conduct, . . . . .	1
For other officers, . . . . .	2
Intoxication, . . . . .	40
Obstructing sidewalk, . . . . .	1
Abusing a horse, . . . . .	2
Not paying their board bills, . . . . .	2
Total, . . . . .	<u>62</u>

Of the above cases, 31 were arraigned before the police court charged with the following offences, to wit :

Keeping intoxicating liquor for sale, . . . . .	1
Keeping open Sunday, . . . . .	1
Keeping open after 10 o'clock, . . . . .	1
Assault of an aggravated nature, . . . . .	3
Assault and battery, . . . . .	2
Larceny, . . . . .	2
Using profane language, . . . . .	1

Rude and disorderly conduct, . . . . .	1
Intoxication, . . . . .	19
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Total, . . . . .	31

And were disposed of by the court as follows :

Sentenced to pay fine, . . . . .	29
Nol. prossed, . . . . .	2
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Total, . . . . .	31
Delivered to other officers, . . . . .	2
Discharged without complaint, . . . . .	29
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Total, . . . . .	62

Whole number of lodgers accommodated at the station-house during the year, 53.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. GREEN,  
*Assistant City Marshal.*

Penacook, Dec. 31, 1885.

## REPORT OF THE POLICE JUSTICE.

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*To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Concord:*

The Police Justice herewith submits the thirty-third annual report relating to the business transacted by him during the year 1885.

Ninety-four civil actions have been entered in the Police Court during the year.

One person of foreign birth has been admitted to full citizenship.

Six other like persons have filed their primary declarations of intention to become citizens.

One hundred and seventy-four arraignments of persons charged with the commission of criminal offences have been made before the Police Justice.

The character and disposition of those cases, with which the City Marshal and the Assistant City Marshal were connected, are stated in the reports of those officers of this date.

The Police Justice charges himself as follows:

For costs belonging to the city, arising			
from criminal prosecutions, . . .	\$106.07		
For fines arising from the same, . . .	632.00		
For fees arising from civil actions, . . .	49.17		
		\$787.24	

And discharges himself as follows:

Paid expenses, etc., . . . .	\$9.17		
Paid to city treasurer, . . . .	778.07		
		\$787.24	

SYLVESTER DANA,  
*Police Justice.*

Concord, December 31, 1885.

## REPORT OF THE SPECIAL JUSTICE.

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*To the City Council:*

The Special Police Justice submits the following report:

During the past year there have been only four criminal arraignments before him.

He charges himself as follows:

For costs on criminal cases, . . . .	\$4.00	
“ fines “ “ . . . .	16.00	
	\$20.00	

And discharges himself as follows:

To cash paid city treasurer, . . . . .	\$20	
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B. E. BADGER,

*Special Police Justice.*

REPORT OF THE CITY SOLICITOR.

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*To the City Council:*

The only civil suits, or legal proceedings of any kind, now pending in which the city is interested, are,—the action of Patrick Kelley against Concord, which is a suit in which Mr. Kelley claims three thousand dollars damages on account of injuries he alleges he received from a fall upon the sidewalk in Penacook; the process was served on the city February 5, 1885, and the matter would probably have been tried at the last October term of the supreme court but for the illness of counsel.

Also, the suit of Engel against Concord (which is a disputed claim for services on the highway) has been continued on the docket for a variety of reasons.

Various claims made against the city during the year have been kept out of the courts by reason of their amicable adjustment by the committee on accounts and claims.

HENRY W. STEVENS,

*Solicitor.*

December 31, 1885.

## LIQUOR AGENTS' REPORTS.

*J. F. Cotton in account with City of Concord:*

1884.			
Aug. 30.	Sales of August,	1884,	. \$47.80
Sept.	“	September, “	. 52.55
Oct.	“	October, “	. 40.51
Nov.	“	November, “	. 47.35
Dec.	“	December, “	. 25.60
1885.			
Jan.	“	January, 1885,	. 23.13
Feb.	“	February, “	. 19.20
March.	“	March, “	. 26.48
April.	“	April, “	. 22.10
May.	“	May, “	. 10.42
June.	“	June, “	. 14.55
July.	“	July, “	. 24.85
Aug.	“	August, “	. 14.55
	“	Penacook agency,	. 14.25
			<u>\$383.34</u>

## EXPENSES.

1884.			
U. S. license,	.	.	\$18.75
Expense to Manchester,	.	.	1.00
Receipt-books,	.	.	10.00
Expense to Boston,	.	.	4.00
Sealing and repairing measures,	.	.	.60
Corks, paper, and tumblers,	.	.	1.30
Help,	.	.	.50
Trucking from City hall,	.	.	1.15
Freight from Boston,	.	.	4.18
Trucking,	.	.	.40
Tags,	.	.	.10

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Paid J. W. Johnson, . . . . .	\$1.81	
Insurance, . . . . .	8.00	
Hutchins's bill, . . . . .	9.29	
U. S. license, . . . . .	25.00	
Expense to Manchester, . . . . .	1.00	
Extra for rent, 10 months, . . . . .	62.50	
Trucking, . . . . .	1.50	
Wood and lights, . . . . .	23.00	
	<hr/>	\$174.08
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		\$209.26

Paid to city treasurer, . . . . . \$209.26

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. COTTON,

*Agent.*

PENACOOK AGENCY.

*J. Irving Hoyt in account with City of Concord:*

Total receipts from sales of liquor furnished by the city, . . . . .	\$145.10
Amount paid city treasurer, . . . . .	\$145.10

Respectfully submitted,

J. IRVING HOYT,

*Agent.*



## EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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The school reports are not prepared until the close of the school year in March, and are consequently omitted from this volume.



# PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

*To the City Council :*

The Trustees of the public library present their report for the year ending January 31, 1886. Accompanying this are the reports of the Librarian and the Treasurer, which are respectfully submitted.

During the year very good progress has been made toward making our library as complete in the walks of general literature as the money at our disposal would warrant, but the end is still far off, even under these circumstances. The annual appropriation, it must be borne in mind, is not wholly available for the purchase of books, about half being used for that purpose. The remainder is expended for salaries, rents, fuel, gas, binding, and other expenses incident to the proper maintenance of our trust.

When so much is needed, a thousand dollars a year goes but a little way toward filling up the gaps that exist, for, besides the incompleteness of many subjects, the current books of the day must be purchased, or we should fall sadly behind in public expectation. A public library should contain books in all branches of knowledge. It should cater to all healthful tastes, and become the repository of all material necessary to a thorough education. It should be, in the broadest sense of the word, the people's college. Books alone can bring this about, and books cost money.

The city of Concord has been liberal in everything connected with its welfare and adornment. It has literally made the wilderness glad ; but when we come to the matter of its library the record is not pleasant. But little attention has ever been devoted to the enlargement or nourishment of this important social factor. It has almost been let alone, and the result of this thirty years of mistaken policy is painfully manifest. For

years the library was hidden away in the upper story of an almost inaccessible court-house, a place so difficult to reach as to deter public patronage, and to cause a widespread indifference toward the institution and its needs. This has been changed, and the present rooms give satisfaction to the constantly increasing number of readers.

Concord has the reputation of being a literary centre, and its public schools are the pride of its people ; but strangely enough, in all the years that the library has been in existence, but two legacies have been left to it. There is something wrong, or the liberally disposed citizens would have bequeathed more than \$2,000 to its support. But this small sum is in generous proportion to the appropriations of the city. In thirty years the library has received from the public treasury \$23,531.67, a large part of which must be reckoned in as running expenses, thus leaving not more than half the amount for the purchase of books. Five hundred dollars a year cannot be considered an extravagant sum for the support of a public library among a community so intelligent and so increasing as our own. Not many years ago the Home for the Aged was established without a single dollar of funds : to-day its friends rejoice that its permanent endowment puts the home beyond the pale of experiment. The same may be said of the City Hospital. Let the Public Library be known as a cherished and fostered institution, and funds will soon be forthcoming.

At present a library building may be impracticable, but, with the school-district out of debt, it seems but reasonable and fair to vote an appropriation which shall be large enough to meet our present urgent wants, and which may be wholly applied for the purchase of books.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. L. FOSTER.

CHARLES R. CORNING.

ABIAL ROLFE.

JOSEPH T. CLOUGH.

PAUL R. HOLDEN.

JAMES S. NORRIS.

WILLIAM W. FLINT.

Concord, January 1, 1886.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

*To the Trustees of the Concord Public Library:*

Nine hundred and twenty-three books have been added to the library during the year now closing, of which one hundred and ninety were purchased from the income of the Lyon and Pierce legacies. Five hundred and fifty-three were purchased from the city appropriation; and one hundred and eighty were presented by national and state officials and individuals.

Among the donations to the library are twenty-five bound volumes of the *Concord Daily Monitor*, and three bound volumes of the *Independent Statesman*, presented by the Republican Press Association; eight bound volumes and unbound files of the *New Hampshire Statesman*, by George E. Jenks, Esq., making, with others previously received, a complete file of the *Statesman* from 4 July, 1851, to 24 September, 1885, and with the exception of one half yearly volume, a complete file of the *Monitor* from 1 January, 1871, to 30 June, 1884.

Partial files of the *New Hampshire Patriot* have been secured from 25 April, 1809, to 1 January, 1819, and complete files of same from 1 January, 1819, to 1 January, 1829, and nearly complete files of the *New Hampshire Statesman* from 18 February, 1826, to 31 December, 1831.

A collection of pamphlets, written or published by citizens of Concord, has been commenced, and partial files of the annual reports of state institutions located in Concord have been collected. To these collections donations are solicited, and will be thankfully received.

Since the first of October last the daily average of books given out has exceeded one hundred volumes; and a large increase of the patrons of the library has been secured in Wards 1, 2, and 3.

Many of the older books are badly worn and defaced, and some are quite imperfect. These should be replaced by new ones. For books printed on paper made largely of wood, and miserably bound, three or four years' service in a public library is all that can be reasonably expected.

Respectfully submitted.

D. F. SECOMB, *Librarian.*

Concord, December 31, 1885.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*To the City Council :*

The balance on hand January 1, 1885, was \$518.55, to which has been added city appropriation \$2,000 and library receipts of \$268.75, making a total of \$2,787.30 as available funds for the purposes of the library. Of this sum \$2,000 has been expended as per itemized account in the expenses of the city, and \$639.92 from the funds in the hands of the treasurer in addition to the appropriation, leaving a balance of \$147.38 in the treasurer's hands to be carried to the next year.

## BALANCE SHEET.

		DR.			
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1885,	. . .		\$518.55		
Received from city,	. . .		2,000.00		
Receipts of library,	. . .		268.75		
				<u>        </u>	\$2,787.30
		CR.			
Paid as per city account,	. . .	\$2,000.00			
Chas. Scribner's Sons,	. . .	202.28			
E. C. Eastman,	. . .	366.76			
D. L. Guernsey,	. . .	70.88			
Balance cash on hand,	. . .	147.38		<u>        </u>	\$2,787.30

## TRUST ACCOUNT.

		DR.			
Balance cash on hand Jan. 1, 1885,	. . .	\$240.00			
Received int. from Pierce fund,	. . .	60.00			
"        Lyon        "	. . .	60.00			
				<u>        </u>	\$360.00
		CR.			
By paid for books,	. . .	\$240.00			
cash on hand,	. . .	120.00		<u>        </u>	\$360.00

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. FISKE,  
*Treasurer.*

## CEMETERIES.

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*To the City Council :*

The Cemetery Committee respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1885 :

### BLOSSOM HILL CEMETERY.

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of committee Dec. 31, 1884,  
per report, . . . . . \$722.06

Received from amount due and uncollected, Dec. 31, 1885 :

J. W. Ranlet, repairing lot, . . . . .	\$4.70
J. & B. A. Kimball, care of lot, . . . . .	8.05
L. C. Woods, " . . . . .	2.00
John Barron, " 1883-'84, . . . . .	4.90
R. P. Sanborn, labor of men 1½ day, . . . . .	2.25
G. F. Kelley, repairing lot, . . . . .	1.00
B. G. Tucker, for wood, . . . . .	3.50
James B. Colby, care of lot 1883-'84, . . . . .	4.00
J. F. Webster, " " . . . . .	3.00
Mary Wood, " " . . . . .	3.25
F. P. Swazy, mowing lot, . . . . .	1.50
J. S. Russ, mowing and care of lot 1883-'84, . . . . .	4.00
C. C. Danforth, care of lot, . . . . .	6.00
Mrs. H. M. Walker, " . . . . .	4.00
Sylvester Marsh estate, care of lot 1883-'84, . . . . .	3.00
G. L. Lovejoy, digging graves, . . . . .	76.50
A. C. Fisher, " . . . . .	6.00
Mrs. Edgerly, repairing lot, . . . . .	5.85
Mrs. W. A. Church, " 1883-'84, . . . . .	2.00

Porter Crane, repairing lot, . . . .	\$4.65
R. M. Ordway, " 1883-'84, . . . .	2.00
Mrs. H. C. Sanborn, care of lot, . . . .	1.50
Miss F. A. Goss, plumbing stone, . . . .	.50
Rev. Silas Curtis, care of lot 1883-'84, . . . .	5.00
Mrs. P. R. George, " . . . .	3.00
R. H. Ayer, " . . . .	2.50
R. Burt, " . . . .	3.30
Mrs. G. H. Mansfield, repairing lot, . . . .	6.66
B. F. Caldwell, care of lot, . . . .	2.00
J. M. Hill, " . . . .	3.25
Mrs. Howarth, " . . . .	1.25
John McCauley, " . . . .	1.75

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\$182.86

Received from labor, &c., for 1885, as follows :

Geo. L. Lovejoy, digging graves to Oct. 31, 1885, . . . . .	\$240.25
A. C. Fisher, digging graves to Dec. 9, 1885,	53.50
Geo. L. Brown, repairing lot, . . . .	25.00
Benj. Gage, " . . . .	16.00
Edward Nason, . . . . .	11.00
Charles Peaslee, . . . . .	11.00
Gust. Walker, moving remains, . . . .	15.00
Gust. Walker, mowing lot, . . . .	.50
Mrs. Emma Brown, repairing lot, . . . .	22.00
William Ladd, " . . . .	7.50
Mrs. C. J. Bates, " . . . .	30.00
Mrs. Annette Tucker, removing remains, . . . .	5.00
Wilson Morton, " . . . .	3.00
Mrs. N. White, care of lot, . . . .	17.75
Mrs. D. Warde, " . . . .	5.50
Jos. H. Abbott, " . . . .	13.00
D. T. Holden, " . . . .	5.00
Abby Jane Moore, repairing lot, . . . .	10.00
James McLaughlin, " . . . .	30.00
A. P. Fitch, care of lot, . . . .	3.95
——— MCFarland, care of lot, . . . .	4.00
H. L. Dodge, " . . . .	3.00

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Joseph Palmer, care of lot, . . .	\$4.00
—— Kenniston, hay, . . .	26.00
Estate of Dr. Haynes, repairing lot, . . .	15.00
Charles H. Shute, labor on lot, . . .	40.00
Estate of Dutton Woods, labor on lot, . . .	30.00
Estate of J. L. Pickering, “ . . .	38.00
Miss Fowler, “ . . .	15.00
Wilson Morton, “ . . .	14.00
Mrs. Hill, moving remains, . . .	4.00
Mrs. John Lamprey, labor on lot, . . .	4.00
J. B. Merrill, moving remains, . . .	4.00
Estate of J. R. Hill, moving remains, . . .	7.00
Estate of J. R. Hill, labor on lot, . . .	3.00
B. H. Kimball, care of lot, . . .	6.00
Mrs. Weed, “ . . .	3.00
Stevens & Duncklee, grading and turfing lot,	80.00
Mrs. Geo. Lawrence, care of lot, . . .	2.50
Prescott & Duncklee, “ . . .	1.00
John C. Thorn, “ . . .	.50
R. Burt, “ . . .	1.00
C. C. Danforth, “ . . .	2.00
C. H. Martin, “ . . .	1.00
Geo. Lincoln, labor on lot, . . .	.50
Orrin H. Bean, care of lot, . . .	.50
Frank Coffin, “ . . .	.50
Charles H. Abbott, “ . . .	1.00
L. K. Peacock, “ . . .	1.00
James Blaisdell, “ . . .	1.25
Mrs. James Blaisdell, care of lot, . . .	1.00
John McCauley, “ . . .	1.50
G. H. Whittredge, “ . . .	.50
Stephen Webster, “ . . .	1.00
A. C. Ferrin, “ . . .	1.25
R. M. Ordway, “ . . .	1.25
H. T. Smith, “ . . .	1.25
W. F. Thayer, “ . . .	1.00
A. S. Hammond, “ . . .	1.50
H. W. Clough, “ . . .	1.25
H. & O. Pitman, “ . . .	1.25

Miss Lever, care of lot, . . . .	\$1.50
William Badger, care of lot, . . . .	1.00
J. H. Gallinger, " . . . .	1.25
S. Gill, " . . . .	1.00
S. Russ, " . . . .	1.25
B. F. Caldwell, " . . . .	1.50
T. Jones, " . . . .	1.00
Judge Sargent, " . . . .	2.50
Waldo S. Russell, " . . . .	.50
Miss M. A. Abbott, " . . . .	1.00
Mrs. J. Howarth, " . . . .	1.25
Mrs. O. C. Baker, " . . . .	1.00
Mrs. R. E. Pecker, " . . . .	2.00
Mrs. T. B. Underhill, " . . . .	1.00
——— Blaney, " . . . .	1.50
Estate Asa Fowler, " . . . .	7.00
E. O. Jameson, " . . . .	1.25
Geo. T. Ambrose, " . . . .	1.25
John Wardwell, " . . . .	1.25
Dr. Hildreth, " . . . .	3.75
Thomas Stuart, " . . . .	1.00
M. H. Bradley, " . . . .	.50
Mrs. Trask, " . . . .	2.50
Dr. Tebbetts, " . . . .	2.00
E. H. Rollins, " . . . .	1.25
Henry Robinson, " . . . .	1.00
Ira Perley, " . . . .	2.00
Mrs. W. E. Green, " . . . .	1.00
H. T. Chickering, " . . . .	2.00
Cummings & Young, " . . . .	1.25
George A. Blanchard, " . . . .	1.00
James Lauder, " . . . .	1.25
Isaac A. Hill, labor on lot, . . . .	16.00
Charles Joy, care of lot, . . . .	1.00
J. B. Coleman, " . . . .	1.00
J. H. Albin, " . . . .	1.00
Stratton & Todd, " . . . .	2.00
Ladd & Foster, " . . . .	2.00
Mrs. Herrien, " . . . .	3.00

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J. M. Hill, care of lot, . . . . .	\$1.50	
Charles E. Thompson, care of lot, . . . . .	1.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$929.45

Received from trust funds,—

W. F. Thayer, on account of James Mc- Question fund, . . . . .	\$6.50	
W. F. Thayer, on account of S. M. K. Ad- ams fund, . . . . .	17.50	
W. F. Thayer, on account of E. L. Knowl- ton fund, . . . . .	31.78	
W. F. Thayer, on account of E. W. Upham fund, . . . . .	7.00	
W. F. Thayer, on account of Geo. G. Fogg fund, . . . . .	6.00	
W. F. Thayer, on account of Mary Crow fund, . . . . .	6.00	
W. F. Thayer, on account of Mary D. Hart fund, . . . . .	4.00	
W. F. Thayer, on account of Mrs. C. H. Newhall fund, . . . . .	4.66	
	<u>          </u>	\$83.44

Received from W. F. Thayer, treasurer, int. on invested fund, . . . . .		212.42
Received for sale of lots to Dec. 2, 1885,	\$1,620.25	
Received for sale of lots of R. P. San- born, 1884, . . . . .	42.50	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,662.75

Uncollected accounts assigned to John Hawkins in part pay-  
ment for labor, as follows:—

Jacob Duncklee, fixing lot, . . . . .	\$24.00
Nat Weeks, " . . . . .	10.00
Mrs. Adam Finney, care of lot, . . . . .	4.50
Abel Lamprey, " . . . . .	4.25
Alvin Kimball, " . . . . .	1.25
Mrs. H. H. Aldrich, fixing lot, . . . . .	20.00
Appian Aldrich, " . . . . .	20.00
Harriet Miller, " . . . . .	15.00

G. A. Cummings, care of lot,	. . .	\$3.50
——— Holden, “	. . .	1.50
Luther Lawrence, fixing lot,	. . .	7.00
Couch & Rowell, care of lot,	. . .	1.00
Harvey Williams, “	. . .	1.00
Willard Williams, “	. . .	1.00
——— Brown, “	. . .	1.00
——— Lockerby, “	. . .	1.50
T. E. Sawyer, “	. . .	1.00
Theodore H. Ford, “	. . .	1.00
——— Plastridge, “	. . .	1.00
——— Otis, “	. . .	1.00
——— Perry, “	. . .	.75
Gust Walker, use of water,	. . .	1.00
N. Farley, “	. . .	1.00
——— Morrill, care of lot,	. . .	1.50
Mary E. Caswell, “	. . .	1.00
Mrs. Dole, “	. . .	2.00
Mrs. Bixby, “	. . .	.50
W. P. Ford, “	. . .	.50
——— Winn, “	. . .	.50
Olive Clifford, “	. . .	1.00
J. Nelson, “	. . .	1.00
Willard lot, care,	. . .	1.00
Swazey lot, “	. . .	1.00
Paul R. George, care of lot,	. . .	1.50
Rowell lot, “	. . .	1.00
Sweetzer lot, “	. . .	2.00
Mrs. Cushing, “	. . .	2.00
P. Dudley, “	. . .	1.00
James Colby, “	. . .	1.25
Rufus Clement, “	. . .	1.00
Cyrus Hill, “	. . .	1.00
Bean's lot, “	. . .	1.25
John Stokes, “	. . .	2.25
Mrs. Gay, “	. . .	1.00
Chandler lot, “	. . .	1.25
J. Barron, “	. . .	1.25
C. E. Harrington, “	. . .	1.25

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G. P. Haynes, care of lot,	.	.	.	\$1.25
James Munns,	"	.	.	1.25
H. Bundy,	"	.	.	1.25
H. S. Fairbanks,	"	.	.	.75
Lorenzo Ordway,	"	.	.	1.25
Chas. Thompson,	"	.	.	1.00
Chas. Virgin,	"	.	.	1.00
West lot,	"	.	.	2.00
Jonathan Sanborn,	"	.	.	1.25
				—————
				\$163.25
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				\$3,956.23

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid as follows for contracts of 1884 unpaid Dec. 31, 1884 :

B. G. Tucker, digging graves,	.	.	.	\$72.00
R. P. Sanborn, one faucet,	.	.	.	.75
R. P. Sanborn, dressing,	.	.	.	15.70
R. P. Sanborn, 5 days' labor,	.	.	.	10.00
				—————
				\$98.45

Paid for labor, etc., for 1885, as follows :

Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, rakes and baskets,	.	.	.	.	\$2.20
2 shovels,	.	.	.	.	2.50
2 rakes,	.	.	.	.	1.05
Nails and tacks,	.	.	.	.	.27
Grass seed,	.	.	.	.	2.00
"	.	.	.	.	1.00
Can and oil,	.	.	.	.	.50
2 scythes,	.	.	.	.	1.50
Printing notices,	.	.	.	.	.75
Lovejoy, for canvass,	.	.	.	.	7.00
Wrench and oil,	.	.	.	.	.80
Wilson, repairing lawn-mower,	.	.	.	.	1.50
Kenniston, drawing turf and loam,	.	.	.	.	32.75
2 scythes,	.	.	.	.	1.50
Bradley, for loam,	.	.	.	.	10.00
Weighing hay,	.	.	.	.	.60
Wrench,	.	.	.	.	.10

Tacks, . . . . .		\$ .10
J. Hawkins, plants for Knowlton lot, . . . . .		7.50
J. Hawkins, plants for Adams lot, . . . . .		7.00
Kenniston, drawing turf and loam, . . . . .		35.25
G. L. Theobald, teaming, . . . . .		6.75
Water bill, . . . . .		16.00
M. H. Bradley, turf and loam, . . . . .		33.30
Isaac A. Hill, turf, . . . . .		38.00
J. H. Chase, 50 feet of hose, . . . . .		5.50
Dodge & Bickford, horse 2 days, . . . . .		3.00
Benjamin Tucker, 172 days' labor, . . . . .		301.00
M. Murphy, 170 " . . . . .		255.00
S. McCauley, 139 " . . . . .		208.50
A. Evans, 48 " . . . . .		72.00
P. Drew, 102 " . . . . .		153.00
T. Fox, 66 " . . . . .		99.00
J. Hawkins, 174 " . . . . .		348.00
J. Hawkins, 154 days' labor, team, . . . . .		154.00
Allowed J. Hawkins for collecting unpaid bills, . . . . .		15.03
John P. Durrell, dump-cart, . . . . .		80.00
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		\$1,903.95
Paid city treasurer one half sale of lots, . . . . .		810.12
Balance in hands of J. H. Chase, treas., . . . . .		1,143.71
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		\$3,956.23

### OLD NORTH CEMETERY.

Balance in hands of committee, per report, December 31, 1884, . . . . .		\$80.23
Received from		
R. P. Sanborn, uncollected bill for 1884, . . . . .		\$5.00
J. Stickney, care lot, . . . . .		6.00
Mrs. Warner, digging grave, . . . . .		3.00
Mrs. Morris, moving remains, . . . . .		3.00
J. Holman, hay, . . . . .		5.00
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		\$22.00

## Trust funds,—

W. F. Thayer, for interest on invested fund, . . . . .	\$42.62	
W. F. Thayer, for interest on Wentworth fund, . . . . .	4.00	
W. F. Thayer, for interest on T. French fund, . . . . .	4.00	
	<u>        </u>	\$50.62
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		\$152.85

## EXPENDITURES.

A. Evans, 14 days' labor, . . . . .	\$21.00	
B. G. Tucker, 6 days' labor, . . . . .	10.50	
P. Drew, mowing, and cleaning grave-stones, as per contract, . . . . .	35.00	
Lewis A. Leavitt, breaking avenues, . . . . .	1.50	
Balance in hands of J. H. Chase, treasurer, . . . . .	84.85	
	<u>        </u>	\$152.85

J. H. CHASE,  
 J. E. ROBERTSON,  
 JAMES MINOT,  
*Committee.*

Concord, N. H., Dec. 31, 1885.

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**EAST CONCORD CEMETERY.**

*To the City Council :*

The committee of Pine Grove cemetery respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1885 :

Cash on hand January 1, 1885, . . . . .	\$55.34	
Interest on fund in treasurer's hands, . . . . .	1.37	
Sale of material, . . . . .	.10	
“ lots, . . . . .	45.00	
	<u>        </u>	\$101.81

Expense providing well, removing bodies, and repairs, . . . . .	\$47.04	
Paid city treasurer on account of lots sold,	12.50	
Cash on hand, . . . . .	42.27	
	<u>          </u>	\$101.81

CHARLES E. STANIELS,  
JOHN E. FRYE,  
JOSEPH E. PLUMMER,  
*Cemetery Committee.*

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## WEST CONCORD CEMETERY.

*To the City Council:*

The Cemetery Committee submit the following for the year ending December 31, 1885 :

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1885, . . . . .	\$15.93	
Received from sale of lots, . . . . .	21.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$36.93
Paid city treasurer one half sale of lots, . .	\$10.50	
Paid for care and improvement of grounds, .	16.82	
Cash on hand, . . . . .	9.61	
	<u>          </u>	\$36.93

Respectfully submitted,

B. T. PUTNEY,  
J. M. CROSSMAN,  
O. L. SHEPARD,  
*Cemetery Committee.*

West Concord, N. H., Dec. 31, 1885.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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## CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT.

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I herewith submit the annual report of the Fire Department of the city of Concord for the year ending December 31, 1885, embracing a list of fires and alarms, with losses and insurance, compiled from authentic sources, and also embodying the rolls of membership of the several organizations, and other data of public interest.

### CONGRATULATORY.

In my report for 1884 I took occasion to congratulate our people upon the remarkable immunity we had enjoyed during that year from serious or even ordinary fires, and their attendant calamities. The year 1885 has been almost exceptionally similar in our business centres, and, excluding the outlying districts beyond the aid of any portion of this Department, the losses have been comparatively insignificant. In the Precinct they sum up \$2,385.39; insurance, \$1,955.39. At Penacook, \$1,045; insurance, \$855. In outlying districts, \$17,000; insurance, \$13,100. Total losses, \$20,430.39; insurance, \$15,910.39. Three fires in outlying portions of the city, aggregating the sum of \$16,000, and constituting nearly four fifths of the entire loss, each occurred almost upon the very outside of the municipal limits, and all far beyond our call or assistance. The favorable result in the Precinct is largely due to the prompt responses invariably made to alarms by the Department, no less than to its general efficiency. The infrequency of fires which has with remarkable good fortune characterized the compact portion of our city during the past two years, would very naturally induce laxity in the fire service, but discipline has been well sustained, and the *esprit de corps* of the Department has at all times been excellent.

There have been eleven box alarms during the year, viz., one each from boxes 18, 27, 32, 41, 42, 43, and 45, three from box 25, and one from boxes 5 and 25 at the same alarm.

Upon reference to the list of fires and alarms it will be observed that defective chimneys have been the most fruitful source of fires. In numerous instances, not detailed, assistance has been summoned from the Central Station, or rendered by the engineers and firemen in the vicinity of localities where property was endangered by burning chimneys, and consequently no loss has been sustained, and an alarm has invariably been avoided. The Department stands ready at all times to afford aid of this character, and the practice of sending to the Central Station or the hose-houses in such emergency has very generally obtained among the people of the Precinct, and is a most commendable one, often obviating the necessity of a general call.

#### FORCE, &C.

The force of the Department is as follows: In the Precinct, at the Central Station, two second-class Amoskeag steamers,—“Kearsarge,” with “Kearsarge Hose” (16 men), and “Gov. Hill,” relief steamer, with “Eagle Hose” (12 men). The hose-carriages are both of Amoskeag manufacture, first-class. Hook and Ladder carriage, “City of Concord” (20 men). All the apparatus is drawn by horses. All the men in these companies are *call* men. The permanent employés are steward, assistant steward, and three drivers. There are six horses, besides the steward’s horse, always held within reasonable distance to respond to an alarm.

The “Alert Hose” (12 men), at the North End, and the “Good-Will Hose” (12 men), at the South End, are each provided with a horse, kept constantly at a hack-stable adjoining the hose-houses. The “Alert” uses a modern Department wagon, and the “Good-Will” a second-class Amoskeag, four-wheel carriage. Each has the swinging harness. The men are all *call* men.

The “Pioneer” steamer at Penacook (28 men) is a fourth-class Silsby, with a second-class Amoskeag hose-carriage. The steamer can be drawn by horses or by hand, as necessity may require. Horses are held available.

The "Old Fort" at East Concord, and the "Cataract" at West Concord, are hand-engines, with jumpers for hose. Their complement of men is 30 each.

The board of engineers consists of chief and three assistants in the Precinct, and one assistant each at Penacook, East Concord, and West Concord. The entire force numbers 172 men,—81 in Precinct, and 91 outside.

The apparatus has been properly tested at regular intervals.

The protection of personal property and the control of its removal are in the charge of the city marshal and police force, and whenever required have been promptly and properly rendered.

#### HOUSES AND APPARATUS.

All the properties of the city connected with this Department have been properly cared for during the year. In the three outer wards, the assistant engineers, having control of the houses and providing supplies, and the stewards of companies in charge of apparatus, are entitled to much credit for the performance of their duties. In the Precinct the hose-houses and apparatus have been well attended to by the stewards. A new and modern furnace has been placed in the "Alert" house. At the Central Station, the steward, assistant steward, and teamsters have been constant in attendance, and faithful and unremitting in their services. The Central Station has long held a widespread reputation for its order, neatness, convenience, and elegance. It is visited daily by considerable numbers, and the employés have been uniformly courteous and attentive in showing its apartments and apparatus. Our citizens have felt a just pride in introducing their friends from abroad to its inspection. Its register for the year contains entries of nearly fifteen hundred names of visitors from all parts of our state and of the Union.

#### HOSE.

In the spring of the current year, the city purchased of Messrs. James Boyd & Sons, of Boston, two thousand feet "Paragon" hose, similar to that supplied by the same firm at various times during the past five years. Six hundred feet of this hose was assigned to Penacook, making the complement of fabric hose

of the "Pioneer" steamer eight hundred feet, with a reserve of eleven hundred feet of leather hose. The latter is occasionally called into requisition by reason of the limited water-supply, often requiring unusual length of lines to reach buildings in the outer sections of that village. The Precinct Department received the balance of this hose, and each of its four carriages now carries seven hundred feet fabric hose. We have at the Central Station six hundred feet additional of fabric, and about two thousand feet of leather hose. The last named is all old and unreliable, and can hardly be considered serviceable. It is used only, for very short periods of time, during the drying out of the fabric hose after fires, when it is placed upon the reels temporarily. An additional amount of two thousand feet fabric hose will soon be a necessity. This quantity would constitute an ample supply for general use and change, also. It is due the "Paragon" hose to state that we have had a thousand feet in use for nearly five years. It has never been ruptured, is now in excellent condition, and will safely bear a water-pressure of more than two hundred pounds, double the ordinary steamer pressure and quadruple the hydrant pressure at fires.

#### EXPENSES.

The expenditure for the past year has been \$11,192.14, being about the amount of the ordinary running expenses of the Department for the years 1883 and 1884. In addition, the sum of \$1,547.26 was paid by special appropriation for the purchase of new hose. These expenses compare favorably with other New England cities. The incalculable advantages of the fire-alarm telegraph, the abounding water and hydrant facilities, the perfection of apparatus, and the capacity and convenience of our station, hose, and engine-houses, and the intelligent and well-trained corps of men in service, have accomplished in late years very marked results, which are apparent to every citizen. The conflagrations of fifteen or twenty years ago, when our losses on property, of much less value than at present, rarely fell below \$50,000 annually, and frequently approximated double that sum, can now hardly be repeated; and, notwithstanding the very considerable expense in keeping up to its present standard a department like ours, there is no complaint among the tax-pay-

ers, and no one would desire to curtail its privileges and resources, and exchange the conditions.

#### FIRE-ALARM TELEGRAPH.

It would be an act of supererogation, after what has been said in my previous reports, to comment here upon the great value of the fire-alarm telegraph, in a community where it is so fully appreciated. It demonstrates itself, and shows conclusively that by it

“ A little fire is quickly trodden out,  
Which, being suffered, rivers cannot quench ;”

and its efficiency, since its introduction, has been made more apparent in the very small amount we find constituting the fire losses in the compact portion of the city, where it has been available. I am of the opinion that it would be good policy to increase its capacities, putting in two additional circuits, and exchanging the present two-circuit repeater in the Central Station for a four-circuit, and by the erection of three or four more boxes at outer limits. It would render the alarm more certain and reliable, and entail no increased care or expense in its maintenance. The cost of such an enlargement would probably be \$1,200 to \$1,500.

#### NEW HYDRANTS.

Five new hydrants have been erected during the year, viz. :— Two in the alley in rear of North Main street, one in Eagle court, the other at the intersection of the passway, south of Woodward's block ; one at the corner of School and Giles streets, near the jail ; two on Fruit street, one opposite Critchett's, the other at the corner of Clinton street. The whole number of public hydrants is now 109 ; private hydrants, 22.

The placing of hydrants in the rear of the large business blocks on North Main street is a progressive and very commendable measure, and I hope may be followed up until all the valuable property on this street, between Pleasant and Centre streets, may be commanded by water-supply in its rear as well as its front. The cost will very likely be more than compensated by a single fire.