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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen and Overseers of Poor

OF THE

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER,

For the year ending Feb. 29, 1860.

PRINTED BY VOTE OF THE TOWN, PASSED APRIL 4, 1853.

BOSTON:

WRIGHT & POTTER, PRINTERS, 4 SPRING LANE.

1860.
REPORT.

In accordance with the vote of the Town, passed April 4th, 1853, the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor present their Annual Financial Report of Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Bridgewater for the year ending February 29, 1860.

At a meeting, held March 14, 1859, the Town passed the following votes, viz.:—

Voted, To raise three thousand dollars for the support of schools for the year ensuing.

Voted, To raise one thousand dollars for the support of the poor for the year ensuing.

Voted, To raise twelve hundred dollars for incidental expenses for the year ensuing.

Voted, To raise one thousand dollars for the present indebtedness of the Town.

Voted, To raise two thousand dollars for the repair of highways for the year ensuing.

Voted, To raise six hundred dollars for repairs on Fruit Street.

At a meeting, held May 9th, the Town passed the following vote.

Voted, To raise one hundred and fifty dollars to build a Hearse House.
RECAPITULATION.

Support of Schools, ............................................. $3,000 00
Support of Poor, .................................................. 1,000 00
Incidental Expenses, ............................................ 1,200 00
Repair of Highways, ............................................. 2,000 00
Indebtedness, ....................................................... 1,000 00
Repairs on Fruit Street, ....................................... 600 00
Building Hearse House, ......................................... 150 00

$8,950 00

Voted, To raise and assess into a tax upon the polls and estates of the town, the sum of eighty nine hundred and fifty dollars.

SCHOOLS, 1859-60.

Town grant, ................................................. $3,000 00
Received from State Fund, .................................... 136 71

Voted, That the amount received from the State Fund may be applied by the School Committee to the School Districts where in their judgment it is most needed.

The following is their apportionment:

School District No. 1, . $13 71 School District No. 8, . $5 00
" " " 2, . 5 00 " " " 9, . 10 00
" " " 5, . 35 00 " " " 11, . 25 00
" " " 6, . 5 00 " " " 12, . 20 00
" " " 7, . 18 00

$136 71

Voted, That the Town grant ($3,000) be divided, one-third on districts, and two-thirds on scholars.

Number of School Districts, ....................................... 13
Number of Scholars, ............................................... 649
The following is the apportionment of three thousand dollars, in accordance with the vote of the town upon each of the school districts.

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\[ \text{Total:}\ \$2,999.96 \]

**District No. 1, Philo Keith, Prud. Com.**

**No. of Scholars, 177.**

| Balance of account, 1858 | 186.80 |
| Proportion of Money, State Fund | 622.37 |

\[ \text{Total:}\ \$640.27 \]

**Summer Term.**

Paid Miss N. Y. Chase, teaching Grammar School, fourteen and one-half weeks, at $8 per week, \[ \$116.00 \]
Miss Julia Wentworth, teaching Intermediate School, eighteen weeks, at $6 per week, \[ \$108.00 \]
Miss L. D. Holmes, teaching Primary School, eighteen weeks, at $6 per week, \[ \$108.00 \]

**Winter Term.**

Paid Mrs. P. J. Leonard, teaching, 13 weeks, \[ \$91.00 \]
Miss Julia Wentworth, teaching, 13 weeks, \[ 65.75 \]
L. D. Holmes, teaching, 13 weeks, \[ 70.25 \]
C. H. Jewett, for hard coal, \[ 36.77 \]
Carting and getting in coal, \[ 3.50 \]
Isaac R. Alden, making fires and care of the house, \[ 9.75 \]
Isaac R. Alden, for pine wood, \[ 1.00 \]

\[ \text{Total:}\ \$610.02 \]

Due March 1, 1860, \[ \$30.25 \]
**District No. 2, Spencer Leonard, Jr., Prud. Com.**

Number of Scholars, 41.

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<td>203.27</td>
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<td>&quot; State Fund</td>
<td>5.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$283.42</strong></td>
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**Summer Term.**

Paid Miss J. Boyden, teaching, 18 weeks, $108.00

**Winter Term.**

Paid Mr. P. D. Leonard, teaching 14½ weeks, $150.50
Paid S. Leonard, Jr., fuel and preparing, 16.50
Making fires and care of the house, 3.00

**Total** $278.00

Due March 1, 1860, $5.42

**District No. 3, Elbridge Keith, Prud. Com.**

Number of Scholars, 99.

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<td>Received from East Bridgewater</td>
<td>7.29</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$528.04</strong></td>
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**Summer Term.**

Paid Miss Mary K. Alden, teaching, 20 weeks, $150.00
Paid Susan Alden, teaching, 20 weeks, 70.00

**Winter Term.**

Paid Miss Mary K. Alden, teaching, 14 weeks, $105.00
Paid Susan Alden, teaching, 14 weeks, 49.00
Fuel and preparing, 18.75
East Bridgewater for Schooling, 7.71
Making fires and care of the house, 3.00

**Total** $403.46

Due March 1, 1860, $124.58
District No. 4, Nahum Pope, Prud. Com.

Number of Scholars, 25.

Balance of account, 1858,. . . . . . . $105 98
Proportion of Money, . . . . . . . . . . 153 96

$259 94

Summer Term.

Paid Miss H. L. Alden, teaching, 16 weeks,. . . $80 00

Winter Term.

Paid Miss H. L. Alden, teaching, 12 weeks,. . $66 00
Fuel and preparing,. . . . . . . . . . 12 25

$158 25

Due March 1, 1860,. . . . . . . . . . $101 69

District No. 5, Robert E. Smith, Prud. Com.

Number of Scholars, 16.

Balance of account, 1858,. . . . . . . $36 99
Proportion of Money,. . . . . . . . . . 126 23
" State Fund,. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 35 00

$198 22

Summer Term.

Paid Mrs. Lydia W. Benson, teaching, 14 weeks,. $70 00

Winter Term.

Paid W. H. Alden, teaching, 12 weeks,. . $120 00
Fuel and preparing,. . . . . . . . . . 7 00

$197 00

Due March 1, 1860,. . . . . . . . . . $1 22

District No. 6, Seth H. Leonard, Prud. Com.

Number of Scholars, 40.

Balance of account, 1858,. . . . . . . $71 93
Proportion of Money,. . . . . . . . . . 200 19
" State Fund,. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5 00

$277 12
SUMMER TERM.
Paid Miss Lucy Copeland, teaching, 14 weeks, $52.50
S. H. Leonard, boarding teacher, 14 weeks, 28.00

WINTER TERM.
Paid E. Boyden, teaching, (not closed,)
Fuel and preparing, . . . . . . $11.50 $92.00
Due March 1, 1860, . . . . . . $185.12

Number of Scholars, 16.
Balance of account, 1858, . . . . . . $61.07
Proportion of Money, . . . . . . . . 126.23
" State Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . 18.00
$205.30

SUMMER TERM.
Paid Miss Ellen E. Shedd, teaching, 4 weeks, $22.00
Sarah Leach, teaching, 12 weeks, . . . . . . 66.00

WINTER TERM.
Paid Miss Augusta Towle, teaching, 10 weeks, $55.00
Fuel and preparing, . . . . . . . . 4.00
Making fires and care of the house, . . . 2.50
$149.50
Due March 1, 1860, . . . . . . $55.80

District No. 8, James M. Leonard, Prud. Com.
Number of Scholars, 48.
Proportion of Money, . . . . . . . . $224.84
" State Fund, . . . . . . . . . . . . 5.00
$229.84
SUMMER TERM.

To Amount overdrawn, 1858, . . . . $4 89
Paid Miss Thalia Alden, teaching, 16 weeks, . 112 00

WINTER TERM.

Paid S. G. Stone, teaching, 46\(\frac{1}{2}\) days at
$2.10, . . . . . $97 65
Fuel and preparing, . . . . . 16 72
Making fire and care of the house, . . . . . 3 13
--- $234 39

March 1, 1860, overdrawn, . . . . . $4 55

District No. 9, Gad Robinson, Prud. Com.

Number of Scholars, 79.
Balance of account, 1858, . . . . . $39 52
Proportion of Money, . . . . . 320 37
" State Fund, . . . . . 10 00
--- $369 89

SUMMER TERM.

Paid Miss Pauline Wood, teaching, 16 weeks, . $92 00
" Mary P. Padelford, " 16 " . 70 00

WINTER TERM.

Paid Nahum Leonard, Jr., teaching, 5 weeks, . $52 50
Marcellus Howard, teaching, 5 weeks, . 50 00
Fuel and preparing, . . . . . 24 50
Making fires and care of the house, . . . . . 2 50
--- $291 50

Due March 1, 1860, . . . . . $78 39

District No. 10, Isaac S. Wilbar, Prud. Com.

Number of Scholars, 20.
Balance of account, 1858, . . . . . $40 75
Proportion of Money, . . . . . 138 55
--- $179 30
SUMMER TERM.
Paid Miss Mehitable C. Leonard, teaching, 20 weeks, . . . . . . $90 00

WINTER TERM.
Paid Miss Mehitable C. Leonard, teaching, 8 weeks, . . . . . . $44 00
Fuel and preparing, . . . . . . 5 81
Making fires and care of the house, . . . . . . 2 00
$141 81

Due March 1, 1860, . . . . . . $37 49

District No. 11, William Case, Prud. Com.

Number of Scholars, 26.
Balance of account, 1858, . . . . . . $51 24
Proportion of Money, . . . . . . 157 04
State Fund, . . . . . . 25 00
$233 28

SUMMER TERM.
Paid Miss Mary Ann Howard, teaching, 12 weeks, . . . . . . $60 00

WINTER TERM.
Paid Nathan E. Willis, teaching, 11 weeks, . $110 00
Fuel and preparing, . . . . . . 9 00
$179 00

Due March 1, 1860, . . . . . . $54 28

District No. 12, John A. Lothrop, Prud. Com.

Number of Scholars, 9.
Balance of account, 1858, . . . . . . $50 98
Proportion of Money, . . . . . . 104 66
State Fund, . . . . . . 20 00
$175 64
11

**SUMMER TERM.**

Paid Miss Mary Leavitt, teaching, 9 weeks, $40.50

**WINTER TERM.**

Paid Darius Dunbar, teaching, \(2\frac{6}{10}\) months, $71.66
Fuel and preparing, \(\ldots\) 11.00
Making fires and care of the house, \(\ldots\) 1.50

\[= 124.66\]

Due March 1, 1860, $50.98


Number of Scholars, 53.
Balance of account, 1858, $23.64
Proportion of Money, $240.25

\[= 263.89\]

**SUMMER TERM.**

Paid Miss B. L. Wilder, teaching, 20 weeks, $120.00

**WINTER TERM.**

Paid James E. Alden, teaching, 12 weeks, $120.00
Fuel and preparing, \(\ldots\) 16.12
Making fires and care of the house, \(\ldots\) 3.50

\[= 259.62\]

Due March 1, 1860, $4.27

**RECAPITULATION OF SCHOOLS.**

Expended in Dist. No. 1, $610.02 Due March 1, 1860, $30.25

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 278 & 00 \\
3 & 403 & 46 \\
4 & 158 & 25 \\
5 & 197 & 00 \\
6 & 92 & 00 \\
7 & 149 & 50 \\
8 & 234 & 39 (Overdrawn, $4.55.) \\
9 & 291 & 50 Due March 1, 1860, 78.39 \\
10 & 141 & 81 \\
11 & 179 & 00 \\
12 & 124 & 66 \\
13 & 259 & 62 \\
\end{array}
\]

\[= 3,119.21 \quad = 729.49\]

Amount due School Districts March 1, 1860, $729.49.
TOWN GRANTS.

Town grant in money, ........................................... $2,000 00
Overlay on the same, ........................................... 95 82

$2,095 82

Voted, That the Highway Surveyors, with the Selectmen, be a Committee to apportion the amount of money raised for the support of Roads, upon the several Highway Districts.

The following is their apportionment:

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<td>$219 15</td>
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District No. 1, East, Mitchell Hooper, Surveyor.

Proportion of money, ........................................... $294 84
Amount of labor done, ........................................ $302 32
Overworked and allowed by Auditors, .................................. 7 48

District No. 1, West, Francis Copeland, Surveyor.

Proportion of money, ........................................... $219 15
Amount of labor done, ........................................ $229 74
Overworked, .................................................. 10 59
Allowed by Auditors, ........................................ 10 00
Not allowed, .................................................... $0 59

District No. 2, Kenelm Winslow, Surveyor.

Proportion of money, ........................................... $121 83
Amount of labor done, ........................................ $124 67
Overworked and allowed, ....................................... 2 84

District No. 3, John J. Howard, Surveyor.

Proportion of money, ........................................... $75 43
Amount of labor done, ........................................ $82 57
Overworked and allowed, ....................................... 7 14

District No. 4, Horace W. Hill, Surveyor.

Proportion of money, ........................................... $89 89
Amount of labor done, ........................................ $95 19
Overworked and allowed, ....................................... 5 30
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District No. 13, George King, Surveyor.

Proportion of money, $137 16
Amount of labor done, $144 35
Overworked and allowed, 7 19
Whole amount expended on highways, $2,103 42

STREETS.

Fruit Street (widened by Selectmen.)

Town grant, $600 00
Paid George Bassett, land and fencing, $96 88
James M. Leonard, 143 93
Sylvanus Keith, 6 00
Albert Keith, 18 00
"fixed driveway", 8 00
Sylvanus Keith, building, Section No. 1, 18 00
George King, 2 & 3, 136 50
Galen Conant, 4, 120 00
Seth D. Hall, 5, 100 00
J. L. Bassett, 6, 83 00
J. M. Leonard, extending culvert, 2 00

$732 31
Paid Albert Keith, (gratuity towards the above street,) $10 00
Alpheus Leach, 10 00
James C. Leach, 15 00

$35 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Town grant, $1,200 00
Paid Printing Town Reports for 1858, $63 95
Wm. White, 6 valuation books, 20 00
George Phinney, printing, 5 38
H. W. Dutton & Son, printing Committee's Report on School Districts, 9 00
Perkins and Hobart, blank books and stationery, 3 26
Blank book for Collector, 1 13
Paid Wm. H. Adams, work on Pratts’ causeway by order of Selectmen, $20 00
M. Hooper, covering stones used near Hobart’s store, 5 28
F. Copeland, covering stones used near Hobart’s store, 6 30
D. Dunbar, repairing well near Alden’s bridge, 60 00
Dunbar & Soule, lumber for railing and freight, 9 39
Bates, Hyde & Co., bolts for railing, 83
Perkins & Hobart, brimstone for railing, 80
“ nails and spikes, 1 85
J. Harden, work on railing, 1 50
M. Swift, drilling for railing, 3 00
“ work on Conant street bridge, 1 87
A. P. Benson, straightening ditch, 1 00
S. Tucker, repairing road near Titicut Depot, by contract, 74 50
S. Tucker, extending culvert on Titicut street, 10 00
S. Alden, making culvert opposite his house, by agreement with Selectmen, 3 50
S. Leonard, Jr., lumber and labor, on Pope’s bridge, 51 09
S. Leonard, Jr., plank for Paper Mill bridge, 22 43
S. Leonard, Jr., plank for Woodward’s bridge, 4 27
Hosea Washburn, repairs on Titicut bridge, by order of Selectmen, 24 00
S. Keith, stone monuments for Fruit St., 3 00
C. C. Gilbert, damage to tin shop by raising the grade of sidewalk, 20 00
D. H. Wilbar, making culvert on Conant street, 2 00
Ambrose Keith, making guide boards, 2 72
Bridgewater Cemetery, use of hearse house, 3 00
J. F. Alden, error in highway account, 1858, 1 58
C. Christian, refunded money, (bill 1858,) 3 00
E. Tilson, shoveling snow, (bill 1858,) 1 50
S. & B. R. Alden, lumber for Pope’s bridge, (bill 1858,) 3 17
Gould’s Express, 25
Van R. Swift, work on Bedford street, 44 63
Eli Washburn, care of hearse and oil, 6 14
Paid M. Hooper, repairing gully on Spring street, by order of Selectmen, . . . $3 25
Wm. Lazell, work on Woodward's bridge, 1 50
H. W. Hill, covering stones used on Plymouth and Mill streets, . . . 3 00
C. H. Wilbar, carrying men to State Almshouse, . . . . 1 50

$504 57

TOWN COMMITTEES.

Paid Van R. Swift, on roads, . . . . . . . . . . $13 50
   " " horse and wagon, . . . . . . . . . . 3 00
S. Leonard, Jr., on roads, . . . . . . . . . . 9 75
   " " horse and wagon, . . . . . . . . . . 6 50
E. Keith on roads, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 00
Samuel Leonard, on Schools and School Districts, . . . 2 50
Caleb Hobart, " " " . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 25
T. P. Rodman, " " " . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 00
W. Latham, with County Commissioners, . . . . . . . 1 50

$48 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Van R. Swift, Selectman, . . . . . . . . . . $54 75
   " " Assessor, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 36 75
   " " Overseer of the Poor, . . . . . . . . 15 00
   " " use of horse and carriage, . . . . . . . . 11 50
Spencer Leonard, Jr., Selectman, . . . . . . . . . . 25 50
   " " Assessor, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 21 75
   " " Overseer of Poor, . . . . . . . . . . 10 50
   " " use of horse and carriage, . . . . . . . . 12 25
Elbridge Keith, Selectman, . . . . . . . . . . . . . 19 50
   " " Assessor, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10 50
   " " Overseer of the Poor, . . . . . . . . 7 50
   " " horse and carriage, . . . . . . . . . . 1 00
Lewis Holmes, Treasurer, . . . . . . . . . . . . . 25 00
   " " Town Clerk, recording 90 births, . . . . 18 00
   " " " " " " 50 deaths, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 7 50
   " " " " " " 14 marriages, . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 40
Paid Lewis Holmes, Town Clerk, recording militia roll, $2 00
" " distributing laws and resolves, 2 00
" " recording road location, 5 00
" " paying out dog tax of 1858, 3 00
" licensing and recording 98 dogs, 10 00
Thomas P. Rodman, School Committee, 29 00
Philander D. Leonard, " 32 87
Lewis G. Lowe, " 33 36
Van R. Swift, Collector, 119 78
Calvin H. Wilbar, Constable, 20 25
Williams Latham, Auditor, 4 50
Caleb Hobart, " 5 25
Samuel W. Bates, " 3 75

$537 91

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Town grant, $100 00

Dr.

Inventory, March 1, 1859, $950 11
Superintendent's salary, 200 00
Interest on farm, 150 00
Interest on stock and furniture, 40 00
Due from sundry persons, March 1, 1859, 20 79
Sundry persons, for supplies, 365 75
Labor hired on farm, 60 00
Stock purchased for farm, 38 00
Physician's bill, 11 25

$1,835 90

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Inventory, March 1, 1860, $983 23
Due from sundry persons, March 1, 1860, 57 61

$1,040 84

Cost of supporting poor, at the house, $795 06

Whole number of paupers during the year, 19
Average number during the year, 13 3/4
Present number at the house, 15
Average cost per week for support, $1 10
PAUPER EXPENSE OUT OF THE HOUSE.

Paid support of Amanda Randall, (Hospital,) . . . . $157 67
" Oscar F. Conant, " . . . . 156 84
" Theodore Hooker, " . . . . 68 14
Town of Stoughton, supplies and medical aid fur­nished Mrs. C. Robinson, . . . . 16 50
Wood furnished Mrs. Hannah Ashport, . . . . 7 75
Town of Norton, supplies furnished James S. Wash­burn's family, . . . . 3 00
Town of Taunton, burial of Cyrus Bassett's child, 4 25
Town of Taunton, medical aid furnished James S. Washburn's wife, . . . . 10 00
Town of South Scituate, support of Frank Ashport, 10 42
City of Boston, support of Mary Smith, . . . . 8 37
Supplies furnished Benjamin Washburn, . . . . 5 00
Supplies furnished Misses Fuller, . . . . 12 00
Dr. S. Alden, medical attendance on Misses Fuller, 5 90
Dr. S. Alden, medical attendance on Benjamin Washburn's family, 1858-9, . . . . 20 00
T. B. Gould, keeping travelling paupers, . . . . 8 25

$494 09

RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES.

Expended for Schools from Mar. 1, '59, to Mar. 1, '60, $3,405 15
Highways, . . . . 2,097 02
Widening Fruit street, . . . . 697 31
Miscellaneous expenses, . . . . 504 57
Town Officers and Committees, . . . . 585 91
Support of Poor at Almshouse, . . . . 795 06
Pauper expense out of the house, . . . . 494 09

$8,682 21
The Selectmen further report that they have examined the Treasurer's account, which stands as follows:

**Dr.**

To cash on hand, March 1, 1859, .................................................. $781 26
Received of Van R. Swift, Collector, 1859, .................................. 9,989 81
I. S. Wilbur, “ 1858, ................................................................. 20 00
from State School Fund, ............................................................. 136 71
Selectmen for Licenses, .............................................................. 13 00
East Bridgewater, for Schooling, ............................................. 7 29
Albert Keith, gratuity for road, .............................................. 10 00
Selectmen, for old bridge plank, ............................................ 5 50
Floyd Robinson, for land, ......................................................... 10 00
Phineas Baker, Surveyor, 1858, ................................................ 13 75
for Dog Licenses, ......................................................................... 102 00

$11,089 32

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By paid State Tax, ........................................................................ $645 00
Miscellaneous orders, ................................................................. 1,817 79
School “ ....................................................................................... 3,405 15
Almshouse “ ................................................................................. 1,180 19
Highway “ .................................................................................... 2,097 02
Betsey Hooper, note and interest, ............................................. 231 30
A. Hale, “ “ .................................................................................. 153 82
Lucy Hale, “ “ .............................................................................. 366 23
Interest on borrowed money, ..................................................... 44 25
Bounty on Crows, ......................................................................... 35 00
Postage, Expressage, and Blank Book, ................................. 4 82
Blanks for Dog Licenses, .......................................................... 1 10
J. F. Leach, sheep damage, ...................................................... 8 00
Brands for sealer, ......................................................................... 2 12
Refunded Dog Tax, 1858, .......................................................... 89 00
Killing Dog, .................................................................................. 50
Cash on hand March 1, 1860, ....................................................... 1,008 03

$11,089 32

We also find that the Town owes the following sums:

To School Districts, March 1, 1860, ........................................... $729 49
unsettled accounts, estimated, .................................................. 349 50

$1,078 99
Available means of the Treasurer for paying above amount:

Cash on hand, March 1, 1860, $1,008 03
Due from V. R. Swift, Collector, 1859, 54 93
Alpheus Leach, 10 00
James C. Leach, 15 00
I. S. Wilbar, Collector, 1858, 7 10

$1,095 06

Balance in favor of the Town, March 1, 1860, $16 07

All of which is respectfully submitted.

VAN R. SWIFT,
SPENCER LEONARD, JR.,
ELBRIDGE KEITH,
Selectmen of Bridgewater.

March 1, 1860.

ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT.

Amount of real estate assessed May 1, 1859, $1,192,638
Amount of personal estate assessed May 1, 1859, 623,008

Total, $1,815,646

Per cent., on true value, four mills, seventy-five one-hundredths on the dollar for State, County and Town taxes. Poll Tax, $1.50.

Per cent. on Labor Tax, ninety-six one-hundredths of a mill on the dollar.

Poll Tax, $0.42. No. of Polls, 836.

Town grant (combined), $6,950 00
Town grant for Highways, 2,000 00
County Tax, 1,822 61
State Tax, 645 00

$11,417 61

Overlayings, 559 93

Total amount assessed and committed, $11,977 54

VAN R. SWIFT,
SPENCER LEONARD, JR.,
Assessors of Bridgewater.

ELBRIDGE KEITH,

March 1, 1860.
Voted, To authorize the Town House Committee to make such necessary repairs on the same, as in their judgment is proper, provided the same does not exceed the amount of income from the Town House for the past, and present year.

Cash receipts for the year ending February 28, 1859, . $112 72
for the year ending February 29, 1860, . 190 25

$302 97

Deduct for Thomas P. Rodman’s bill, . . . . 11 00

$291 97

Paid Perkins and Hobart, for oil, . . . . $29 30
Lewis Holmes, “ . . . . 4 68
First Congregational Society, for oil, . . . . 1 75
Hillman Robinson, for oil, . . . . 7 17
Lighting Halls, . . . . 34 44
Fuel, . . . . 6 75
Cleaning house, &c., . . . . 27 21
Soap, tacks, &c., . . . . 4 25

115 55

$176 42

Paid J. G. Braman, painting hall and Select-mens room, . . . . $124 46
D. Wadsworth, carpenter work, . . . . 4 14
A. P. Keith, “ “ . . . . 1 75
W. W. Fobes, “ “ . . . . 1 00
A. Keith, “ “ . . . . 11 41
E. S. Loring, mason work, . . . . 7 60
W. W. Fobes, work, &c., . . . . 4 50
Eli Washburn, to Boston twice, . . . . 4 25
“ “ 3 days labor, . . . . 4 50
“ “ use of planks and joist, . . . . 5 00
“ “ 1 M. shingles, . . . . 5 00
Perkins & Hobart, hardware, . . . . 2 81

$176 42

LEWIS HOLMES, } Committee.
ELI WASHBURN,

March 1, 1860.
STATEMENT OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

*From March 1, 1859 to March 1, 1860.*

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<td>Liquor on hand</td>
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<td>10 14</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$75 31</td>
<td>$108 16</td>
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Deduct Agent’s salary, . $25 00

Liquor, Cash and Fixtures, March 1, 1859, . 75 31

Balance in favor of town, . . . . . . . . $7 85

Amount of liquor bought from March 1, 1859, to March 1, 1860, . $104 18

Amount of liquor sold from March 1, 1859, to March 1, 1860, . . . 121 65

All of which is submitted.

March 1, 1860. HOLDEN W. KEITH, Agent.

INTENTIONS OF MARRIAGE.

Recorded in the Town Clerk’s Office, Bridgewater, in 1859.

1859.

January 1, John Welch and Ann Enright, both of Bridgewater.

22, Nahum Pope and Maria E. Stetson, both of Bridgewater.

February 28, William Donovan and Hannah Larey, both of Bridgewater.

March 1, Joseph O. A. Bryant of Bridgewater and Malville Fogg of Turner, Me.


April 2, Rufus Willis of North Easton and Mary C. Lambert of Bridgewater.
May
7, John A. Winslow and Kate S. Loring, both of Bridgewater.
12, America P. Talbot of Bridgewater and Harriet M. Hill of Boston.
14, John Glunn and Margaret Kelley, both of Bridgewater.

June
1, Nathan D. Robinson and Elizabeth L. Parker, both of Bridgewater.
11, John W. Crocker of Bridgewater and Adelaide L. Haynes of East Dennis.
25, Franklin W. Ripley and Susan S. Keith, both of Bridgewater.

August
1, Charles L. Pease of Bridgewater and Mary J. Dunn of Charlestown.
6, Daniel Eagan and Eliza McNeeland, both of Bridgewater.
8, Andrew Naville and Elizabeth Gallager, both of Bridgewater.
17, Morris Sweeney and Ellen O'Brien, both of Bridgewater.

Sept.
3, Morris M. Keith of Bridgewater and Ellen M. Carr of Williamstown, Vt.
17, Darius Cushman of Bridgewater and Elvina Thompson of Halifax.
23, Frank M. Kingman of Bridgewater and Ellen G. Alden of East Bridgewater.

October
27, Nahum McFarland of Pembroke and Mary T. Darling of Bridgewater.

November
4, Joseph A. White and Lucy P. Bessee, both of Bridgewater.
12, Frederick Glover of Bridgewater and Harriet Perry of Roxbury.
25, Frances Carver of Bridgewater and Angeline D. Osborne of Lakeville.

Dec.
31, Hiram Howard of West Bridgewater and Hellen M. Fobes of Bridgewater.
## DEATHS IN BRIDGEWATER,

**During the year 1859.**

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