

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

CLERK, TREASURER, SELECTMEN,

ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF POOR,


—AND—

School Committee,

—OF THE—

TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD,

For the year ending Feb. 1, 1892.



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ASSESSORS' REPORT, CONTINUED.

Tax rate per thousand,	\$12 50
No. of Horses assessed,	111
“ Cows, “	249
“ Sheep, “	476
“ Neat cattle other than cows,	398
“ Swine assessed,	33
“ Dwellings, “	115
“ Acres of land assessed,	14165
“ Fowls assessed,	975

TAXES ABATED AS FOLLOWS:

Charles J. Blush, abatement for lack of road, \$2 00

J. T. BRYAN, } Assessors
 GEO. W. COTTRELL, } of
 S. A. KNOX, } Middlefield.

Report of Overseers of Poor.

State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton, for board of D. McCarty, Jr.,	\$169 46	
Expense of Lyman Meacham,	88 87	
“ Albert Gordan,	67 68	
Order to Dr. Boynton, for medical attendance of John Dolman's child,	5 00	\$331 01

J. T. BRYAN, } Overseers
 GEO. W. COTTRELL, } of
 S. A. KNOX, } Poor.

Selectmen's Report.

ORDERS GIVEN FOR REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES.

To W. B. Viets, western division,	\$330 95	
To Henry Sternagle, center division,	354 78	
To J. T. Bryan, eastern division,	332 84	\$1018 57

ORDERS GIVEN FOR MILITARY AID.

To John A. Williams,	\$57 50	
To George F. Friend,	55 00	
To Mrs Sarah Rowen,	48 00	\$160 50

SELECTMEN'S REPORT, CONTINUED.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS.

Orders given for teaching,		\$1056 00	
“ “ Wood and coal,		78 50	
“ “ Supplies,		76 69	
“ “ Building fires,		8 50	
“ “ Transporting scholars,		15 00	
“ “ Salary of School Superintendent,	196 44		\$1331 13
Order given H. O. Sprague & Son, for heating apparatus,			\$195 00

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Mrs. L. S. Newton, services as librarian,		\$3 00	
R. D. Geer, ringing bell,		12 00	
M. L. Robbins, sundries,		2 94	
Express, postage and blanks,		10 16	
C. T. Bagnall, printing reports,		20 00	
George Tyler & Co., scraper-blade and bolts,		6 80	
Geo. W. Cottrell, printing School reports,		10 00	
M. J. Smith, Trustee of Library, for books,		54 35	
W. B. Rowen, sundries,		6 95	
J. T. Bryan, work and plank on Tracy bridge,		12 90	
Election Tellers,		3 00	
Administering oaths,		3 00	
J. T. Bryan, driving hearse,		4 00	
Asher Pease, order of abatement,		2 00	
“ “ discount,		48 41	
“ costs of collecting Macey tax,		7 50	
J. McElwain, work in cemetery,		3 75	\$210 76

TOWN OFFICERS.

M. J. Smith, services as School Committee,		\$11 00	
J. T. Bryan, “ Treasurer,		25 00	
O. U. Church, “ Selectman,		8 75	
O. C. Olds, “ “		75	
Geo. W. Cottrell, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor,		10 50	
Geo. W. Cottrell, services as School Committee,		8 75	
J. T. Bryan, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor,		14 25	
J. McElwain, services as Town Clerk,		22 50	
Asher Pease, Collecting taxes,		40 00	
“ Copying and serving Warrants,		2 00	\$143 53

SELECTMEN'S REPORT, CONTINUED.

SUMMARY.

ORDERS GIVEN FROM FEB. 1, 1891 TO FEB. 1, 1892.

For Poor,	\$331 01	
For Highways and bridges,	1018 57	
For Military aid,	160 50	
For School accounts,	1331 13	
For Heating apparatus,	195 00	
For Incidental expenses,	210 76	
For Town officers,	143 53	\$3390 50

LIST OF JURORS PROPOSED BY THE SELECTMEN.

Howard Smith	Charles M. Combs
Herbert H. Prentice	Willis B. Graves
George W. Howe	Levi Shaw
George S. Bell	Edward D. Blush
Elbert A. Pease.	

J. T. BRYAN,	} Selectmen of Middlefield.
GEO. W. COTTRELL,	
S. A. KNOX,	

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders given.

GEORGE F. FRIEND, Auditor.

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

—OF THE—

Town of Middlefield,

For the year ending March 1, 1892.

No. of persons in town May 1, 1891, between 5 and 15 years of age,	75
Between 8 and 14,	42
No. of pupils enrolled,	119
“ “ under 5 years,	4
“ “ over 15 years,	7
“ “ between 8 and 14,	63
Average membership,	92 2-5
Average attendance,	79 1-4
Per cent of attendance,	85
No. of schools,	6
No. of male teachers,	1
No. of female teachers,	10
Average wages of teachers per month,	\$21 33 1-3

APPROPRIATIONS FOR SCHOOLS.

Raised by Town,	\$800 00	
State School Fund,	359 56	
From Town of Becket,	75 00	
From Town of Worthington,	95 00	
School supervision,	150 00	
Income surplus revenue,	6 00	\$1485 56

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS.

Teachers' salaries,	\$1024 00	
Care of fires,	13 00	
Wood and coal,	81 50	
Books and supplies,	75 69	
Salary of Superintendent,	99 00	\$1293 19
Balance,		\$192 37
Due from State, May 1, for School supervision,	\$66 00	

STATISTICS OF EACH SCHOOL.

BANCROFT SCHOOL.

Dora M. Sternagle,	\$60 00	
Eliza E. Taintor, two terms,	132 00	
Wood and coal,	27 50	
Care of fire,	5 00	\$224 50
Average membership,	35	
Average attendance,	28·15	
Per cent of attendance,	80·50	

FACTORY VILLAGE SCHOOL.

Helen M. Wright,	\$50 00	
Dora M. Sternagle, two terms,	110 00	
Wood,	10 00	
Care of fire,	1 50	\$171 50
Average membership,	12·2	
Average attendance,	10 05	
Per cent of attendance,	82·50	

CENTER SCHOOL.

Mary E. Bryan, three terms,	\$192 00	
Wood,	18 00	
Care of fire,	1 50	\$211 50
Average membership,	21	
Average attendance,	19·75	
Per cent of attendance,	90·80	

PEASE SCHOOL.

R. May Jones, three terms,	\$160 00	
Wood,	8 00	
Care of fire,	1 50	\$169 50
Average membership,	8	
Average attendance,	7·39	
Per cent of attendance,	92·50	

NORTH EAST SCHOOL.

Rosina M. Smith,	\$50 00	
Helen M. Wright,	60 00	
George Alderman,	50 00	
Wood,	8 00	
Care of fire,	2 00	\$170 00

NORTH EAST SCHOOL, CONTINUED.

Average membership,	9.14	
Average attendance,	8.5	
per cent of attendance,	92.50	

SMITH HOLLOW SCHOOL.

Edith M. Smith,	\$50 00	
Abbie W. Hills,	60 00	
F. Lena Smith,	50 00	
Wood,	10 00	
Care of fire,	1 50	\$171 50
Average membership,	7.1	
Average attendance,	6.6	
Per cent of attendance,	83	

Truant Officer, - - . S. A. KNOX.

GEO. W. COTTRELL, } School Committee
 S. A. KNOX, } of
 W. B. MESSENGER, } Middlefield.