

History of the Epsom Shoe Factory Company

the building and the people associated with it.

One of the most common occupations during the early and mid 1850's was the making of shoes and boots. There was a cobbler's shop on every corner, like antique shops and gas stations are today. Many farmed during the summer and made shoes during the winter.

As the population increased, so did the need for foot wear. As machinery progressed, shoe manufacturing became one of the first industries to lend itself to mass production.

Several shoe factories started in Northwood - two in the narrows and one or two in East Northwood.



Here are some interesting facts. The Epsom Census of 1850 has 75 people that said they were shoemakers. In 1860 there were only 55 people who said there were shoemakers or cordwainers. Now the 1870 census has only 2 shoemakers by trade, but 30 people said they worked for a shoe factory.

During the mid 1850's some Mass. Businesses sent cut leather to a lot of small family shops to be assembled, sewn and returned to them for so many cents apiece.



Early in 1881 a group of enterprising men of Epsom set out to bring industry to Epsom. This being a shoe factory, which was to become Epsom's first industrial venture. On May 2nd 1881, all interested parties got together and the following was enacted:

Charter of the

EPSOM SHOE FACTORY CO.

We the undersigned Citizens of Epsom, N.H. agree each with the other as follows:

We agree to enter into copartnership for the purpose of building a building for the manufacture of shoes. The location of said building to be uponland of William Goss at the water power near Prescott Bridge, so called; also for the purpose of putting in a wheele. Keeping such premises in repair, and doing all other acts and things whatsoever may be necessary to keep such building and property in suitable condition for renting.

The name of said firm shall be the Epsom Shoe Factory Company and all business of the partnership shall be done under that name.

The Captial Stock of said firm shall be Three Thousand Dollars and each of the subscribing partners agrees to furnish the amout of said Capital Stock which he places opposite his name on this agreement.

The profits and losses of said building & the renting of the same shall be shared by the partners in proportion to the amount they have subscribed to the Capital Stock. The arrangments for managing said business shall be arranged by mutual consent, or by vote of the partners, each twenty five dollars worth of Stock entitling the owner to be one vote in the case of any voting = and a majority of the votes cast at any time shall controle the action of said partnership.

Correct books of accounts shall be kept in which shall be entered all money received or paid out and all matter of account relating to the business of said firm which shall be common and accessible to all the partners. Neither partner shall have power to find the firm as surety in any case, nor their Agent except by the written consent of the other partners.

By a majority vote of the partners this agreement may at any time be changed.

Witness our hands and seals this second day of May 1881.

Name	Number of shares at \$25 per share	Name	Number of shares at \$25 per share
William Goss	32	Hannah P. Steele	2
Silver & Robinson	20	Albion H. French	4
Henry F. Sanborn	6	George Sanders Jr.	2
Horace Bickford	4	Jefferson A. Edmunds	2
Hiram H. Holmes	2	Benjamin Towle	4
Andrew S. Evans	4	Jonathan Marden	4
Zachaariah Leighton	4	George C. Knowles	2
John T. Cotterell	1	David M. Knowles	2
Alfred P. Bickford	4	J.B. Tennant	4
David M. Philbrick	4	Daniel G. Chesley	4
Morrill D. Bickford	4	J.C. Hall & Son	2
William Tripp	3	C.O. Brown	1
Albion Locke	4		
Lowell Eastman	1		126

By Laws of the

EPSOM SHOE FACTORY CO.

Art. 1 The annual meeting of the Company shall be holden in Epsom the first Wednesday in May of each year, at such time and place as the Directors may determine and a notice shall be posted in two or more public places in town ten days prior to any meeting.

Art 2 The Company shall be organized by electing the following Officers - President - Clerk - Five Directors and Treasurer.

Duties of the President

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all the meetings and in his absence a President Pro Tem shall be chosen.

Duties of the Clerk

The Clerk shall make a fair record in a book provided for the purpose of all the doings of the Company and all the proceedings of the meetings of the Company or of the Directors and shall call all meetings under the directions of the Directors. He shall keep a record of all the Capital Stock of the Company. In his absence a Clerk Pro Tem shall be chosen.

Duties of the Directors

The Directors shall act as the building committee and shall have the general management and control of the affairs and business of the company and shall be held responsible to the stockholders therefor. The Directors shall fix the compensation of the Officers of the Company and shall fill all vacancies which may occur.

Duties of the Treasurer

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys of the Company and pay out the same by order of the Directors and preserve all vouchers for the same and report a full and accurate statement of his doings at each annual meeting - he shall give a bond with suitable sureties to the satisfaction of the Directors.

These By Laws may be changed or amended by a majority of the Company.

[FIRST MEETING]

May 4th 1881

Meeting and organization for the Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

Meeting called to order by Benjamin Towle.

A committee of three appointed by the chair to nominate permanent officers of the Company, committee consisting of Andrew S. Evans, Henry F. Sanborn and Jacob F. Robinson, who reported the following:

For President, Benjamin Towle

For Five Directors, Morrill D. Bickford, William Goss, Henry F. Sanborn, David M. Philbrick and Andrew J. Silver.

For Clerk, Jacob F. Robinson

For Treasurer, Daniel G. Chesley

Voted that the report of the nominating committee be accepted and the following persons voted in as permanent officers of the Co., President, Benjamin Towle; Directors, Morrill D. Bickford, William Goss, Henry F. Sanborn, David M. Philbrick, Andrew J. Silver. Clerk, Jacob F. Robinson, Treasurer, Daniel G. Chesley.

Voted to adopt a set of By Laws. Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the Directors.
-Jacob F. Robinson, Clerk

BOND OF THE TREASURER

Know all men by these presents that we, Daniel G. Chesley as principall and John Chesley as surety are indebted and firmly bound unto the Epsom Shoe Factory Company, in the sum of Four Thousand Dollars to the payment whereof we bind ourselves and our heirs by these presents

Sealed with our seals and daated this Fifth day of July 1881.

The condition of this obligation is such that whereas the said Daniel G. Chesley has been chosen a Treasurer for said Company, now if the said Daniel G. Chesley shall true and faithfully perform all the duties of his said office then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of us.

Daniel G. Chesley

John Chesley

DEED OF LAND & WATER POWER

Know all men by these Presents

That we, William Goss of Epsom in the county of Merrimac and state of New Hampshire - and I Rebeckah Goss, wife of the said William Goss, for and in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred dollars to us in ahnd before the delivery hereof, well and truly paid by the Epsom Shoe Factory Company of Epsom, county and state aforesaid, a company duly organized and doing business in said Epsom, the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge, have granted bargained and sold, and by these presents do give, grant, bragain, sell, alien, convey and confirm unto the said Epsom Shoe Factory Company, and assigns forever ~

A certain mill privilege situated in said Epsom on little Suncook river so called and near a certain bridge over siad river known as Prescotts Bridge, together with a certain lot of land bounded and described as follows to wit - Beginning at the eastern end of the notherly abutment of said bridge, thence northerly and easterly by the main road to a stake and stones two rods east of the mill dam, thence southerly to the bank of said river to the first named bounds the same to include all the land now owned by us on the easterly side of said bridge, and northerly side of said river, to the points as above named, together with a right of way over land on the southerly side of said bridge to and from a Dam proposed to be built by said Company. The Mill privilege granted by these presents allows the said Company to build and maintain a Dam across said river of fourteen feet in highth at a point about eight rods east of said bridge and gives to the said Company the exclusive use and benefit of all land flowed by said Dam reserving the right to cut and take off all wood now standing on said flowage.

To have and to hold the said granted premises with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging to us the daid Shoe Factory Company and their heirs and assigns to them and their only proper use and benefit forever - And we the said William Goss and I Rebekah Goss, and our heirs, executors and administrators do hereby covenant, grant and agree to and with the said Shoe Factory Company and their assigns, that until the delivery hereof we are the lawful owners of said premises and are seized and possessed there of in our own right - in fee simple and have full power and lawful authority to grant and convey the same in manner aforesaid; that the said premises are free and clear from all and every incumberance whatsoever; and that we and our heirs, executors and administrators shall and will warrant and defend the same to the said Shoe Factory Company and their assigns against the lawful claims and demands of any person or persons whomsoever - And I Rebekah Goss, wife of said William Goss, in consideration aforesaid do hereby relinquish my

right of dower in the before mentioned premises. And we and each of us do hereby release discharge and waive all such rights of exemption from attachment and levy or sale on execution and such other rights whatsoever in said premises and in each and every part thereof as our family homestead as are reserved or severed to us or either of us by the statute of the State of New Hampshire passed July 4, 1857 entitled "An Act to exempt the homestead of families from attachment and levy or sale in execution" or by any other statute or statutes of said State.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Seventh day of August in the year of our Lord 1881.

William Goss
Rebecca Goss

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us

Benjamin Towle

J.F. Robinson

State of New Hampshire, Merrimac ss August 7, 1881

Their personally appearing thy above named William Goss and I Rebecca Goss acknowledge the foregoing instrument to be their voluntary act and deed.

Before me,
Benjamin Towle
Justice of the Peace

Be it Known that I William Goss of Epsom in the county of Merrimac and State of New Hampshire, Agree and bind myself to furnish power for the Epsom Shoe Factory Company to manufacture Shoes in a building erected for that purpose by said company on a water power near Prescott Bridge, so called in said Epsom in event of scarcity of water

Witness my hand this second day of May 1881.

William Goss

Know all men by these presents that I William Goss of Epsom in the County of Merrimac and State of New Hampshire, am held and firmly bound to the Epsom Shoe Factory Company in the sum of Three Thousand dollars to be paid to said Company to the payment whereof I bind myself and my heirs firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated the 4th day of May A.D. 1881.

The condition of this obligation is that I the said William Goss shall furnish and supply all necessary power for ten years in the event of a failure of water power to operate a Shoe Factory to be built by said Shoe Factory Company said Company to build the Dam and building and wheel and said company to use the water power unless it should fail in which event this obligation is binding, otherwise void.

William Goss

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of

Benjamin Towle

Jacob F. Robinson

LEASE OF WATER POWER OF JOSEPH B. CASS

Know all Men by these Presents

That I Joseph B. Cass of Epsom in the County of Merrimac and State of New Hampshire for and in consideration of the Annual payment of twenty five dollars to be well and truly paid by the Epsom Shoe Factory Company of Epsom, County and State aforesaid have remised released and forever quitclaimed and by these presents do remise release and forever quitclaim unto the said Epsom Shoe Factory Company or their heirs and assigns for the term of ten years, The right to draw lake and use all the water held in the pond owned by me the said Joseph B. Cass, said Company having all the right to use said water at any time when necessary for them to do so and I agree for the above consideration to open and shut the gate as I may be requested by the officers of said Company - that the water may be used or kept back as said Company may need; said Shoe Factory Company agreeing to keep the Dam in good repair so long as the contract shall be in force.

To have and to hold the said premises with all the privileges and appurtenances there belonging to the said Epsom Shoe Factory, their heirs and assigns for ten years. I do hereby covenant with the said Shoe Factory Company, that I will warrant and defend the said premises to the said Shoe Factory Company, their heirs and assigns against the lawful claims and demands of any person or persons claiming by, from or under me.

In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day of May in the year of our Lord 1881.

Joseph B.Cass

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us

Benjamin Towle
Jacob F. Robinson

State of New Hampshire Merrimac ss May 4, A.D. 1881

Personally appeared at the above named Joseph B. Cass and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his voluntary act and deed, before me

Benjamin Towle
Justice of the Peace

AGREEMENT WITH HILL AND PUFFER

The Epsom Shoe Factory Company of Epsom in the County of Merrimac and State of New Hampshire by its directors thereto duly authorized and Alvah H. Hill and S.E. Puffer, both of Lynn, Massachusetts, copartners under the firm name of Hill & Puffer mutually agree with each other as follows.

Said Epsom Shoe Factory in consideration of the agreements of said Hill and Puffer herein contained, agree to erect a building in said Epsom one hundred feet in length by thirty feet in width two stories in high, designed for a shoe Factory, to furnish the same with a suitable water wheel and to have the same ready for occupancy by said Hill and Puffer on or before October 15th 1881, said building to be finished suitably for the carrying on the business aforesaid, to furnish water power for said water wheel not to exceed fifteen horse power, and to make no charge for use of power or building aforesaid for one year next ensuing said October 15th 1881.

Said Hill and Puffer agree to put into said building on or before November 15th 1881 one set of machinery at least for the manufacture of shoes and to employ sufficient help to operate the same until October 15th 1882 and if they shall elect to occupy said building for a longer time, they agree

to take a lease thereof with the power for a term of not less than one year at an annual rent of two hundred dollars per annum payable quarterly.

Said company further agree if said Hill & Puffer shall elect to occupy said premises after October 15th 1882, to give them a lease of said premises for a term not less than one year or more than five years at the annual rent aforesaid.

In witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this 25th day of May 1881.

Hill & Puffer

William Goss

M.D. Bickford

Andrew J. Silver

Directors of the Epsom Shoe Factory Company

David M. Philbrick

Henry F. Sanborn

NOTICE

The Stockholders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co. are requested to meet at the office of the Shoe Factory on Tuesday evening at 6 1/2 o'clock PM February 14th 1882.

Per Order of the directors.

J.F. Robinson, Clerk.

Epsom, NH Feb. 2nd 1882

Feb. 14/82 Meeting of the Stockholders Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

Meeting called to order by the President Benjamin Towle.

Discussion of the best measure to pay the debt.

Voted that the Chair appoint a committee of three to see all stockholders not present in relation to assessment & report at the next meeting.

Committee appointed by the chair as follows.

M.D. Bickford

Wm. Goss

J.A. Edmunds

Voted to adjourn to Sat. Feb 18th at 2 o'clock P.M.

J.F. Robinson, Clerk

1882, Feb. 18 Adjourned Meeting of Stockholders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

Meeting called to order by the President. Report of the Treasurer read.

Voted that a committee of 3 be appointed by the chair to audit all accounts.

Committee appointed as follows: J.B. Tennant, Geo. Sanders Jr., Cyrus O. Brown

Voted that the amount of indebtedness of the Co. be raised by assessing the Shares of the original Stock with the proviso that any stockholder may relinquish to the Co. the amount of his stock & be released from the Co. & all interest and liabilities in the same in consideration of such relinquishment. 108 shares voted in favor and none against the above motion.

Voted that the outstanding stock be collected. Voted to adjourn to Sat. Mar. 5th at 3 o'clock P.M.

J.F. Robinson, Clerk

1882 Mar. 5th Adjourned meeting of Stockholders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

Meeting called to order by the President.
Auditors report read and accepted.
Voted to adjourn to the call of the clerk.

NOTICE

The stockholders of Epsom Shoe Factory CO are requested to meet at the office of the Shoe Factory May 3, 1882 at 2 o'clock PM -- April 20th J.F. Robinson, Clerk

Annual Meeting May 3rd 1882

Voted that the following amendment be added to art 2 of By laws. Elected officers who shall hold their office for one year or until others are chosen in their stead.\

Election of Officers

President	Benjamin Towle
Clerk	J.F. Robinson
5 Directors	M.D. Bickford
	Wm. Goss
	Geo. Sanders Jr.
	Daniel M. Philbrick
	Andrew J. Silver
Treasurer	Daniel G. Chesley

Meeting adjourned.

NOTICE

The stockholders of Epsom Shoe Factory Co. are requested to meet at the office of the Shoe Factory May 2, 1883. Epsom, April 20, 1883. J.F. Robinson, Clerk

Annual Meeting of Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

Called to order by the President B.M. Towle. Report of Treasurer read. Voted that the report be accepted and adopted. Report of Auditors read and accepted. Choice of officers by vote of stock - voted that the old board of officers be re-elected. 88 shares voted as follows:

President	Benjamin Towle
Clerk	J.F. Robinson
5 Directors	M.D. Bickford
	Wm. Goss
	Geo. Sanders Jr.
	Daniel M. Philbrick
	Andrew J. Silver
Treasurer	D. G. Chesley
Auditor	Geo. Sanders Jr.

Meeting adjourned

NOTICE

The Stock holders of Epsom Shoe Factory Co. are requested to meet at Silver & Halls Store May7, 1884 at 2 o'clock P.M. per order of the Directors. April 17, 1884 C.S. Hall, Clerk

Epsom, N.H. May 7th, 1884

Annual Meeting of Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

82 Shares present.

Considered matters & accept conditions of matters ~

1 Chase Clerk - C.S. Hall

2 Chase Voted to retain all other officers in office.

Adjourned to call of Clerk, per order of Directors.

Inventory of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co. with the amount of taxes on the assessment of April 1884

			amt of Tax
Wm. Goss	62	April 21/1884 Pd 129.59	155.00
Silver & Hall	20	May 3.84 Pd. in full	50.00
D.M. Philbrick	4	May 3/84 Pd. in full	10.00
Jona Marden	4	May 3.84 Pd. 5.00	10.00
Joseph L. Swain	1		2.50
Sarah M. Swain	1		2.50
James B. Tennant	4		10.00
Morrill D. Bickford	4		10.00
Zachariah Leighton	4	May 3/84 Pd. 5.00	10.00
Heirs of Lowell Eastman	1		2.50
William Tripp	3	May 3/84 Pd. in full	7.50
David M. Knowles	2		5.00
George Sanders Jr.	2	Paid	5.00
Jefferson A. Edmunds	2		5.00
Horace Bickford	4		10.00
D.G. Chesley	4	Paid	<u>10.00</u>
			<u>\$305.00</u>

D.G. Chesley in Acct with the Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

1883

May 2	To Balance in Treasury	\$104.28
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Oct. 25	To Rent received of Mess Hill & Puffer (4th payment)	50.00
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1884

Feb. 9	To Rent received of Mess Hill & Puffer (5th payment in part)	32.12
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May 2	To Rent received of Mess Hill & Puffer (Jan. 15 to April 15)	<u>50.00</u>
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\$236.40

AMT Forward 236.40

1884

May 2	In Taxes received on assessments of April 84	
April 21	In taxes received of Wm. Goss	129.59
May 2	In taxes received of Silver & Hall	50.00
	In taxes received of Jona Marden	5.00
	In taxes received of Z. Leighton	5.00
	In taxes received of Wm. Tripp	7.50
	In taxes received of D.G. Chesley	10.00
	In taxes received of D.M. Philbrick	10.00
	In taxes received of Geo. Sanders Jr.	<u>5.00</u>
		\$458.49

1883 G.G. Chesley, Treasurer

May 15	By Paid order in favor of M.D. Bickford	100.00
July 27	By Paid order in favor of Wm. Goss	18.90
Oct 25	By Paid order in favor of Jona Marden	5.00
Nov 5	By Paid order in favor of Joseph B. Cass	25.00
Dec 8	By Paid order in favor of J.H. Ballard	17.50
1884		
Feb. 9	By Paid order in favor of A.J. Silver (Insurance)	20.00
Apr 21	By Paid order in favor of Wm. Goss	75.94
May 2	By Paid order in favor of M.D. Bickford	15.84
	By Paid order in favor of A.J. Silver (on Bostan)	<u>165.66</u>
		443.84

Amt of Receipt	458.49
Amt of Expended	<u>443.84</u>
	\$ 14.65

D.G. Chesley in acct with individual Stock holders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

1883

May 2	To Balance on Treasurer	49.18
July 27	TO Rent Rec'd of Hill & Puffer (3rd payment)	50.00

1884

Feb. 9	To Rent rec'd of Hill & Puffer (5th payment in part)	<u>17.88</u>
		117.06

Amt of Receipts	117.06
Amt of Receipts Paid	<u>101.89</u>
	\$ 15.17

D.G. Chesley in Acct. with Individual Stockholders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co. Cr.

1883-4

By paid	William Goss Dividend on 62 shares	\$34.49
By paid	Silver & Robinson Dividend on 20 shares @ \$1.376 each	27.52
By paid	Jona. Marden Dividend on 4 shares	5.50
By paid	M.D. Bickford Dividend on 4 shares	5.50
By paid	Z. Leighton Dividend on 4 shares	5.50
By paid	Wm. Tripp Dividend on on 3 shares	4.13
By paid	J.A. Edmunds Dividend on 2 shares	2.75
By paid	Joseph L. Swain Dividend on 1 share	1.37 1/2
By paid	Sarah M. Swain Dividend on 1 share	1.37 1/2
By paid	David M. Philbrick Dividend on 4 shares	5.50
By paid	Geo. Sanders Jr. Dividend on 2 shares	2.75
By paid	D.G. Chesley Dividend on 4 shares	<u>5.50</u>
		101.89

Recapitulation

Bal of Cash in Treasury	\$14.65
Ba. held for delinquent Stock holders in Treasury	<u>15.17</u>
Total amt in Treasury	\$29.82

May 7, 1884

NOTICE

The Stock holders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co are requested to meet at the office of the Shoe Factory on Saturday at 2 1/2 o'clock PM March 28th, 1885, per order of the Directors.

C.S. Hall, Clerk Epsom, NH Mch 17/85

Meeting as per above notice called to order by President Benjamin Towle.

Business of the meeting to discuss the means of disposing of Puffer & Goss and get satisfaction relating thereto

which was done and a committee of 3 was chose to proceed according to law to make arrangements with Puffer & Goss and see if desirable parties could not be formed to lease the Shop & this committee consisting of Nathan Goss, C.S. Hall, D.G. Chesley.

Vote to adjourn at Call of Clerk.

NOTICE

The stock holders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co are requested to meet at the Shoe Factory Office on Wednesday May 6th at 2 1/2 o'clock P.M. 1885. Per order of the Directors.

Epsom April 22, 1885

C.S. Hall, Clerk

Annual Meeting of Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

Meeting called to order by President Benjamin Towle. Report of the Treasurer read and accepted.
Report of Auditor read and accepted. Choice of officers by vote of stock.

President Benjamin Towle
Clerk C.S. Hall
Directors same board to remain in office
Treasurer D.G. Chesley
Auditor G. Sanders Jr.
Meeting adjourned.
C.S. Hall, Clerk

NOTICE

Annual meeting of Epsom Shoe Factory Co.
The Stock Holders of Epsom Shoe Factory Co. are requested to meet at G.A.R. Hall, Wednesday
May 15th 1886 at 2 o'clock PM
Epsom N.H. April 23/86
C.S. Hall Clerk

Annual Meeting of Epsom Shoe Factory Co.
May 15th 1886

Meeting called to order by D.G. Chesley to present Wm. Goss, A.J. Silver, D.G. Chesley, C.S. Hall

Report of treasurer read and accepted.
Report of auditor read and accepted.
Choice of officers
President Benjamin Towle
Clerk C.S. Hall
Directors same old board to remain in office
Treasurer D.G. Chesley
Auditor G. Sanders Jr.

Meetin adjourned. C.S. Hall, Clerk

1884 D.G. Chesley Treasurer of Epsom Shoe Factory Co. Dr.

May 8	To balance in Treasury	\$29.82
Aug. 30	To Received of Simon E. Puffers 3 mos rent	50.00
Aug. 30	To Received of Wm. Goss for lumber	13.50

Taxes received on Assessment of April 1884

Recd of Sarah M. Swain	2.50
Recd of Joseph L. Swain	<u>2.50</u>
	98.32

Taxes received on Assessment of Aug. 1884

Sept. 24

Rec'd of	D.G. Chesley	20.00
	Jona Marden	20.00
	M. Bickford	20.00
	Z. Leighton	20.00
	Wm. Tripp	15.00
	J. Edmunds	10.00
	Silver & Hall	100.00
	George Sanders Jr.	<u>10.00</u>
	Amt of Receipts	313.32
	Expenditures	<u>288.46</u>
		24.86

May 24	By order in favor of Wm. Goss	30.00
Aug. 30	By order in favor of J.B. Cass	25.00
	By order in favor of J.B. Cass	8.05
Oct	By order in favor of Silver & Hall	95.14
	By order in favor of J.A. Edmunds	2.25
	By order in favor of Z. Leighton	8.75
	By order in favor of J. Marden	28.64
Nov. 1	By order in favor of A.J. Silver	25.00
1885		
Feb. 21	By order in favor of Albion Locke	6.74
1884		
Sept. 24	By order in favor of Wm. Goss	<u>58.89</u>
		\$288.46

1885 D.G. Chesley Treasurer of Epsom Shoe Factory Co. Dr.

May 6	To Balance in Treasury	24.86
May 23	To Rec'd of Simon E. Puffer 2 mos rent	33.33
Feb. 10	To Recd Ins on Shoe Factory	397.00
	Unearned premium	6.08
1886		
May 5	Vinton & Jenkins 2 mos rent on Shoe Factory (ending Mar 31, 1886)	37.50

Taxes received on assessment of April 1884

May 5	Received of Jona Marden	5.00
	Received of M.D. Bickford	10.00
	Received of Z. Leighton	5.00
	Received of J.A. Edmunds	<u>5.00</u>
		523.77

1885 D.G. Chesley Treasurer Cr.

May 23	By Paid order in favor of	
	J.H. Ballard	31.25
May 23	Benj. Towle	2.50
Nov. 5	Jona Marden	9.35
1886	D.G. Chesley	4.75
Feb. 11	Silver, Hall & others	390.62
Apr 3	M.D. Bickford	16.88
	Silver & Hall	<u>20.00</u>
	Amt of Expenditures	475.35
	Amt of Receipts	523.77

Balance in Treasury 48.42
Epsom May 5th, 1886

1886 D.G. Chesley Treasurer of Epsom Shoe Factory Co. Dr.

To Balance in Treasury	48.42
Received of Nathan J. Goss rent on Shoe Factory	66.67
Recd of Vinton & Jenkins 6 mos rent on Factory	112.50
Recd of Vinton & Jenkins rent for 3 mos ending Dec. 31	56.25

Taxes received on assessment of Aug. 1884

Recd of D.M. Philbrick	20.00	Amt of Receipts 303.84
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1886 D.G. Chesley Treasurer of Epsom Shoe Factory Co. Cr.

Jan. 15	By Pd order in favor of J.B. Cass	12.50
	By Pd order in favor of Wm. Goss	74.08
	By Pd order in favor of Wm Goss	1.00
Dec. 7	By Pd order in favor of Silver A.J.	67.50
1887		
Jan 31	By Pd order in favor of J.C. Philbrick	84.23
Feb. 16	By Pd order in favor of Wm. Goss	25.00
Mar. 3	By Pd order in favor of Wm Goss	15.15
	12 By Pd order in favor of Jona Marden	<u>13.03</u>
	Amt of Expenditures	292.49
	Amt of Receipts	<u>303.84</u>
	Balance in Treasury	11.35

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the treasury of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co for the two years ending April 29th 1887 and found them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

George Sanders, Auditor

NOTICE

The Stock holders of Epsom Shoe Factory Co. are requested to meet at the office of the Shoe Factory May 4th, 1887 at 10 o'clock AM.

April 19th 1887 per order of the Directors. C.S. Hall, Clerk

Annual Meeting of Epsom Shoe Factory Co.
May 4th 1887 at 10 o'clock AM

Meeting called to order by Benj Towle president and the choice of officers was

For President	Benj Towle
for Clerk	C.S. Hall
for Directors	A.J. Silver
	M.D. Bickford
	D.M. Philbrick
	Geo Sanders
	Wm Tripp

Report of Treasurer read and accepted
For treasurer, D.G. Chesley, for Auditor, Geo Sanders

By motion of D.G. Chesley, voted this meeting be dissolved.

A true copy.
C.S. Hall, Clerk

NOTICE

The Stock holders of Epsom Shoe Factory Company are requested to meet at the Shoe Factory office Saturday August 20th 1887 at 2 o'clock PM - to act upon the following subject, viz. to see if the stock holders will vote to release Estate of Wm Goss from obligation of furnishing power ~

Epsom NH Aug. 6th 1887 - C.S. Hall, Clerk

Meeting called to order by Clerk and Z. Leighton chosen President protem and the vote to release granted as follows

Noah W. Goss	62 shares in favor
M.D. Bickford	4 shares in favor
Jonathan Marden	4 shares in favor
Z. Leighton	4 shares in favor
Silver & Hall	<u>20</u> shares in favor
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By motion of M.D. Bickford, vote meeting be dissolved.
A true copy. C.S. Hall, Clerk

NOTICE

The Stock holders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co. are requested to meet at the G.A.R. Hall Gossville NH on Monday Dec. 29th 1890 at 2 o'clock P.M. per order of the directors.
C.S. Hall, Clerk

Epsom N.H. Dec. 19/1890

Meeting called to order by clerk above notice read +
On motion of J.A. Edmunds which motion prevailed
E.P Hill was chosen President
On motion of J.A. Edmunds which motion prevailed
E.P Hill was chosen Director in place of Wm Tripp
On motion of A.J. Silver, voted that when this meeting adjourned it will be at the call of the Clerk.
On motion of E.P. Hill, voted to adjourn.
C.S. Hall, Clerk

NOTICE

Annual meeting of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co. The Stock holders of teh Epsom Shoe Factory Co are requested to meet at G.A.R. Hall Gossville Wednesday May 6th, 1891 at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M. Per order of the Directors/
C.S. Hall, Clerk
Epsom N.H. April 27th, 1891

Epsom N.H. May 6th 1892

Meeting called to order by E.P. Hill, President.

On motion of J.A. Edmunds voted to retain the old board of officers for the ensuing year.

No other business appearing.

On motion of J.A. Edmunds voted to adjourn to call of clerk.

C.S. Hall, Clerk

Present Election officers are President E.P. Hill. Clerk, C.S. Hall, Directors A.J. Silver, M.D.

Bickford, D.M. Philbrick, George Sanders Jr. and E. P. Hill.

Treasurer D.G. Chesley - Auditor George Sanders Jr.

C.S. Hall, Clerk

NOTICE

The Stock holders of the Epsom Shoe Factory Co are requested to meet at G.A.R. Hall Gossville
N.H. Wednesday May 4, 1892 at 7 o'clock PM

Epsom N.H. April 23/92

C.S. Hall, Clerk

Epsom N.H. May 4th 1892

Annual Meeting of Epsom Shoe Factory Co.

Meeting called to order by E.P. Hill President

On motion of E.P. Hill voted to retain the present board of officers in office

On motion of E. P. Hill voted to accept report of Treasurer for the years of 1887 to 1888.

On motion Jonathan Marden voted to adjourn.

C.S. Hall, Clerk

1887	D.G. Chesley Treasurer	Dr
Sept. 3rd	To balance in Treasury	\$ 11.35
	To 6 months rent on Shoe Factory (ending June 30, 1887)	\$125.00
Nov. 21	To 3 months rent on Shoe Factory (ending Sept. 30, 1887)	\$ 62.50
1888		
Jan. 3	To received of Vinton & Jenkins 3 months on Shoe Factory	\$ 62.50
Mar. 22	To received of Vinton & Jenkins 3 months rent on Shoe Factory (ending March 31, 1888)	\$ 62.50
	Amount of Receipts	\$323.85

1887	D.G. Chesley Treasurer	Cr.
Sept. 3	By paid order in favor of Wm. Tripp	\$60.54
	By paid order in favor of Silver & Hall	\$65.00
Nov. 21	By paid order in favor of Silver & Hall	\$26.05

1888

Jan. 3	By paid in favor of J.H. Ballard	\$34.37
	By paid in favor of R.P. Staniels & Co.	\$34.37
	By paid in favor of Heirs of Wm. Goss	\$84.84
	Amt of Expenditures	\$305.17
	Amt of Receipts	<u>\$323.85</u>
	Bal. in treasury	\$ 18.68

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Epsom Shoe Manufacturing Company and found them correctly cast and properly vouched with an error in a bill of Silver & Hall in their favor of Sixty Dollars.

George Sanders, Auditor

1888	D.G. Chesley Treasurer	Dr.
May	To Bal in treasury	\$18.68

1888	D.G. Chesley Treasurer	Dr.
Aug. 24	By Pd Order in favor of Jona. Marden	\$ 1.55

1889

Jan. 2	By Pd Order in favor of Jona. Marden	\$ 10.00
	By Pd Order in favor of Z. Leighton	\$ 5.00

Assessment of Aug. 1884 on Epsom Shoe Factory Stock

Wm. Goss	62 shares		\$310.00
Silver & Hall	20	paid	100.00
D.M. Philbrick	4	paid	20.00
Jona. Marden	4	paid	20.00
J.L. Swain	1		5.00
Sarah M. Swain	1		5.00
Jas. B. Tennant	4		20.00
M.D. Bickford	4	paid	20.00
Z. Leighton	4	paid	20.00
Heirs of L. Eastman	1		5.00
Wm. Tripp	3	paid	15.00
D.M. Knowles	2		10.00
Geo. Sanders Jr.	2	paid	10.00
J.A. Edmunds	2	paid	10.00
Horace Bickford	4		20.00
D.G. Chesley	4	paid 9/24	<u>20.00</u>