

REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, AUDITORS

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF DUNBARTON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1, 1860.

CONCORD:

McFARLAND & JENKS, STEAM PRINTERS.

1860.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

1859.	Dr.
To amount of parsonage and other notes, up to March 1st, 1859, principal and interest,	1,273.36
To amount due on John Burnham's collection for the year 1858,	1,621.91
Cash received of the old treasurer,	128.13
Town taxes assessed 1859,	524.26
Railroad tax,	76.02
Literary fund,	60.76
Cash received for county paupers,	369.59
March 1st, 1860—Interest on parsonage notes, due past year,	76.40
	\$4,130.43

1860. <i>March 1.</i>	Cr.
By amount of parsonage and other notes, principal and interest, to this date,	1,349.76
Amount of orders and receipts,	1,094.32
Paid on Putney note,	410.40
Paid on Crombie note,	370.00
Due on John Burnham's collection,	7.00
Due on Clifford's collection,	175.00
Cash in treasurer's hands,	719.95
	\$4,130.43

We, the undersigned, have examined the above, and find it correctly cast and duly vouched.

JONA. IRELAND, }
 LEONARD ROWELL, } *Auditors.*

Paid to school districts,	822.45
State tax,	250.60
County tax,	558.33

Notes paid by the town the past year, principal and interest,	1,000.00
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DEMANDS AGAINST THE TOWN.

Notes now against Town.

April 20, 1857, N. H. Wheeler,	100.00
Oct. 10, " Justus Lord,	300.00
" " " Mary Johnson,	246.00
" 20 " N. H. Wheeler, *	400.00
July, 1858, Nancy Wilson,	200.00
" " Elizabeth Marshall,	125.00

Orders given by Selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1860.

To Daniel H. Davis, services as Selectman,	62.95
Lyman Woodbury, " "	45.24
John C. Mills, " "	40.86
Ira C. Brown, services as town clerk,	13.00
Leonard Rowell, one day at treasurer's and repairing town-house,	3.25
Daniel Bailey for services on new road,	60.00
Charles A. Upham, cash and order for services as superintendent of town farm,	200.00
Jeremiah P. Jameson, services as superintendent of schools,	30.00
Leonard Rowell, services as auditor,	1.00
James H. Brown, " "	1.00
Henry Johnson, " "	1.00
John P. Parkinson, keeping fire at town house, and repairing lock,	2.75
John Burnham, services as moderator in 1858,	2.00
Samuel B. Hammond, " 1859,	2.00
Daniel H. Parker, for cash paid on J. Lord's note for board of Perkins boy, for counsel and stationery,	264.23
Daniel H. Parker, for services Com. to examine treasury, in 1858,	1.00
Henry Putney, for services Com. to examine treasury in 1858,	1.00
John Stinson, abatement of poll tax,	1.13
John Wilson, over tax,	.92
Brown and Greer, over tax,	.47
Henry Putney, for printing reports of town for past year, for teachers' institute and pauper expense,	34.32
Benjamin Hoyt, over tax,	1.40
Charles Kimball, for book for records,	6.80
Charles Kimball, for repairing town-house,	10.00
Oliver Bailey, abatement of tax on money taxed in Bow,	14.10

E. R. Sargent, for S. Colby's school money,	3.43
Thomas W. Kimball, for bridge plank in Dist. No. 21,	3.44
Rhoda Webber, abatement of tax,	2.43
Henry L. Burnham, furnishing water in public road,	3.00
George W. Page, " " " "	3.00
Almira Gile, for supporting her mother from Oct. 31 to March 1st,	26.14
Thomas J. Clifford, for collecting tax of 1859,	25.00

Bills against Town.

Jeremiah P. Jameson, for services as Superintending School Committee, past year,	30.00
Charles Kimball, services as town clerk, past year,	12.00
Enoch P. Marshall, for notifying and qualifying 21 town officers,	5.00
Leonard Rowell, for searching records, collecting facts and taking counsel in relation to parsonage fund,	5.00
For supporting Perkins boy at reform school, past year,	52.00
J. Ireland, services as auditor,	1.00
L. Rowell, " " "	1.00
Benjamin Hoit, services as town treasurer,	10.00

Town of Dunbarton to Henry Putney, Dr.

March 19, 1859. To 1 day at the pauper farm,	1.25
31—calling school meeting in Dist. No. 5, and attend- ing the same,	1.00
April 1—½ day at pauper farm,	.62
5—3½ days taking inventory,	4.37
12—5 days making taxes,	6.25
20—recording inventory, taxes, &c.,	5.00
20—1 day making returns,	1.25
April 20—½ day distributing warrants,	.62
June 4—½ day on pauper business,	.62
July 13—½ day to Concord on town business,	.62
Sept. 5—½ day to pauper farm,	.62
Sept. 13—½ day appointing officers, &c., in School Dist. No. 1,	.62
Oct. 31—½ day on pauper business,	.62
Dec. 10—regulating juror box,	.50
1860, Feb. 24—1 day making warrant and check-list,	1.25
Feb. 29—1 day at pauper farm,	1.25
March 2—1 day preparing report and writing orders,	1.25
March 2—½ day revising check-list,	.62

\$28.33

Town of Dunbarton to Daniel H. Parker, for services as Selectman.

	<i>Dr.</i>
March, 1859—to $\frac{1}{2}$ day at Concord, for counsel in relation to parsonage fund,	.62
March 19—1 day at town farm to engage superintendent, and settlement with treasurer,	1.25
March 21—1 day at Concord for counsel in relation to parsonage fund,	1.25
March 29—attendance on drawing jurors,	.50
April 1— $\frac{1}{2}$ day settling with superintendent of town farm,	.62
April—4 $\frac{1}{2}$ days taking invoice,	5.63
April 13—5 days making taxes and filling surveyor's warrants,	6.25
April 18—time spent settling Perkins boy account, and G. Colby's note, at Manchester,	.62
April 26—1 day attending to pauper business and distribution of railroad money,	1.25
April 26—one day making returns to State, county and town treasurers, and appointment of town officers,	1.25
April 28— $\frac{1}{2}$ day distributing surveyors' warrants,	.62
June 7— $\frac{1}{2}$ day at town farm taking affidavits of county paupers,	.62
July 25— $\frac{1}{2}$ day at Concord, in relation to town notes,	.62
Aug. 2—attendance on drawing jurors,	.50
Sept. 5— $\frac{1}{2}$ day at town farm,	.62
Oct. 24— $\frac{1}{2}$ day spent in relation to paupers,	.62
Oct. 31— $\frac{1}{2}$ day providing for Mrs. Gile,	.62
Oct. 31—cash paid H. Hammond for cutting wood for Mrs. Gile,	.25
Dec. 10— $\frac{1}{2}$ day regulating jury box,	.62
Jan. 17, 1860— $\frac{1}{2}$ day taking affidavits of county paupers,	.62
Feb. 4—1 day at town drawing off county paupers' accounts,	1.25
Feb. 6— $\frac{1}{2}$ day in preparing accounts and vouchers for court,	.62
Feb. 8 & 13—2 days at court for claims of county paupers,	2.50
Feb. 25—1 day making warrants and check-lists,	1.25
Feb. 29—1 day taking inventory of property at town farm,	1.25
March 1—1 day settling with town treasurer and collector,	1.00
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ day preparing town reports,	1.84
$\frac{1}{2}$ day regulating check-list,	.62
	\$35.32

Town of Dunbarton to E. R. Sargent, for services as Selectman.

Dr.

March 13, 1859—to one day at town farm to hire superintendent,	1.25
March 29— $\frac{1}{2}$ day drawing jurors,	.62
April 1—to five days taking inventory,	6.25
April 8—to 5 days making taxes,	6.25
April 29—to distributing surveyors' warrants,	1.00
June 7— $\frac{1}{2}$ day on pauper business,	.50
Sept. 5— $\frac{1}{2}$ day to the town farm,	.62
Oct. 1—to drawing jurors,	.50
Dec. 10—regulating jury box,	.50
Dec. 28— $\frac{1}{2}$ day on pauper business,	.50
Jan. 17, 1860—drawing jurors,	.50
Feb. 24—making warrant, check-list, &c.,	1.25
Feb. 29—1 day at town farm,	1.25
$\frac{1}{2}$ day regulating check-list,	.62
1 day at Concord, to get town reports printed,	1.25
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	\$22.86

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ON THE TOWN FARM,
AS APPRAISED MARCH 1st, 1860.

1 horse,	130.00	290 lbs. cheese,	29.00
2 oxen,	115.00	28 lbs. butter,	5.00
10 cows,	280.00	120 lbs. lard,	14.40
10 young cattle,	200.00	44 lbs. candles,	5.28
20 fowls,	6.50	Flour and meal,	4.00
3 shotes,	42.00	44 lbs. dried apples,	3.52
23 tons English hay,	276.00	10 lbs. tallow,	1.00
3 tons 2d quality,	18.00	$\frac{1}{2}$ bbl. vinegar,	2.00
125 bush. corn,	125.00	5 bbls. cider,	15.00
25 bush. wheat,	36.00	2 sleighs,	30.00
15 bush. oats,	7.00	2 wagons,	65.00
2 bush. peas,	2.50	2 harnesses,	20.00
6 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush. beans,	9.00	2 buffalo robes,	2.50
160 bush. potatoes,	48.00	14 chains,	12.00
50 hds. cabbages, and 2 bush. beets and pars- nips,	3.50	2 harrows,	4.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ barrel apple-sauce,	4.00	1 cultivator,	2.00
600 lbs. pork,	60.00	1 fanning mill,	4.00
100 lbs. beef,	6.00	1 grain cradle,	2.00
300 lbs. ham, & pickled meat,	27.00	1 grind-stone,	3.50
		4 plows,	19.00
		3 iron bars,	3.50
		2 cops and pin,	1.00

3 sleds,	20.00	1 curry comb & brush,	.70
Augers, shaves & chisel,	3.50	1 halter,	1.00
Scythes, rakes & forks,	5.50	Library,	3.00
Shovels, forks and hoes,	5.50	5 earthen pots,	1.00
Beetle and wedges,	1.00	1 butter bowl, cheese	
4 saws,	3.00	hoops and box,	1.00
1 horse rake,	5.00	2 cheese presses,	2.00
2 carts,	30.00	2 cheese strainers and	
Yokes and irons,	9.00	towels,	.75
8 cider barrels,	5.50	10 bedsteads and cords,	5.00
7 meat barrels,	2.25	2 butcher knives,	.50
1 wrench,	1.25	12 comfortables,	7.00
5 axes,	5.00	15 quilts and bed covers,	7.50
1 grub hoe,	.75	5 table covers,	1.00
1 wheel-barrow,	5.00	3 clocks,	7.00
3 barrels apples,	4.00	3 shovels and tongs,	1.00
3 barrels soap,	12.00	2 pairs fire dogs,	1.00
Groceries and eggs,	1.25	10 cups and saucers,	.40
Churns and tubs,	3.50	Plates,	1.50
3 stoves,	6.00	1 desk,	1.00
1 cheese safe,	3.00	2 cases drawers,	2.00
Shingles,	2.00	3 light stands,	.75
Logs and lumber,	10.00	30 chairs,	4.00
Tables and chests,	2.75	5 butter firkins,	1.00
6 flat-irons,	1.00	10 lbs. feathers,	1.00
9 feather beds,	30.00	5 chamber vessels,	.50
9 straw beds,	2.00	6 stone jugs,	1.50
20 pillows, 3 bolsters,	5.00	1 set measures,	.75
12 prs. sheets,	6.00	3 baskets,	.50
13 pillow cases,	1.25	Pails,	.50
19 blankets,	22.00	2 mirrors,	.50
2 brooms, 2 lbs. tobacco,	.90	Child's clothing,	2.50
Garden seeds,	1.00	1 pair shirts,	1.00
5 lbs. nails,	.20	2 pairs hose,	.90
White lead and brush,	.50	1 firkin pickles,	1.00
Tea and coffee pots,	.75	2½ doz. knives & forks,	3.00
2 wash bowls,	1.00	2 plated & 2 silver spoons,	1.90
59 tin milk pans,	6.00	7 tumblers & gimlets,	.80
Tin pails,	2.00	Lot of spoons,	.50
Tin ware,	3.00	Cream pots,	1.40
1 pair boots,	1.00	1 doz. bowls,	.80
2 lamps & candle sticks,	.80	6 meal bags,	1.00
4 pairs shears,	.75	Value of 25 cords of	
6 grocery boxes,	.75	market wood, more	
2 paring machines,	1.00	than on the stump,	35.00
16 flour barrels,	1.30		
1 horse blanket,	1.00		
			\$1,984.30

RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING MARCH 1st, 1860.

1 pair oxen,	122.50	8½ bushels potatoes,	3.65
1 pair oxen,	142.50	8 bushels oats,	3.65
1 pair 3 years old steers,	80.00	44 qts. milk,	2.42
Boot between cows,	5.00	1 gall. boiled cider, and	
1 calf,	12.00	1 gall. of vinegar,	.92
1 cow,	35.00	1 pig,	2.00
1221 lbs. hay,	7.64	2 calves,	4.50
1 hide and 2 calf skins,	6.92	43½ lbs. veal,	1.28
Beef,	7.74	6 bush. apples,	7.55
6 bush. corn,	6.00	For Mrs. Russell, board	
25 " "	25.00	and bringing goods,	10.50
536¾ lbs. butter,	109.35	Pasturing cattle and	
87 doz. eggs,	14.41	keeping bull,	40.00
95 lbs. cheese,	9.49	Use of oxen and self,	7.27
90 lbs. salt pork,	9.87	Keeping colt 2 weeks,	1.00
Use of horse & wagon,	4.62	Cabbages, beets & pars-	
Sleepers,	53.00	nips,	14.66
Wood,	11.50	Apple-sauce, chickens,	
Keeping peddlers.	3.63	old iron sledge, &c.,	10.90
39¾ lbs. lard,	5.00		
68 lbs. ham,	6.80		
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			\$788.27

EXPENDITURES OF TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING MARCH 1st, 1860.

1 pair of oxen,	135.00	Doctors' bills,	15.50
Other stock,	211.25	Grass seed,	5.75
1 buffalo robe,	3.00	Blacksmith's bill,	11.70
Boots and shoes,	11.24	Fish,	2.82
Repairing boots & shoes,	1.92	19½ lbs. nails,	.98
Boot between sleighs,	25.00	Yokes and bows,	2.25
Veal,	3.49	Plaster,	1.65
75 lbs. beef,	5.01	3 barrels flour,	23.87
Clothing for town and		Tin and earthen ware,	7.56
county paupers,	27.74	Labor,	137.82
Thread and buttons,	.94	Expenditures for county	
1 wheel-barrow,	5.25	paupers,	15.50
Sheeting, cotton & wool-		Salt,	9.27
en cloth,	13.39	Use of bull, &c.,	3.25
43 lbs. sugar,	3.71	School books,	1.60
20 lbs. coffee,	2.70	Farming tools,	10.59
8½ lbs. tea,	4.75	Potash, meat barrels, use	
6 pairs socks,	2.75	of oxen, mittens,	
26 galls. molasses,	9.45	knobs, locks, &c.,	28.99
33¾ lbs. tobacco,	8.35		
12 lbs. saleratus,	.87		
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			\$754.91

RECAPITULATION.

Value of stock, tools, produce and household furniture, March 1st, 1860,	1,984.30
Value of stock, tools, produce and household furniture, March 1st, 1859,	1,870.67
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Amount more than in 1859,	\$113.63
Receipts of farm,	788.27
Received and paid into town treasury for expense of county paupers, \$369.59,	
Received and paid into town treasury for expense of county paupers for the past year,	241.50
Yet due for county paupers,	60.00
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	\$1,203.40
Expenditures of farm,	754.91
Services of superintendent and wife,	180.00
Interest on town property,	300.00
Money tax,	21.19
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	\$1,256.10
Expense of town paupers at the farm,	52.70
Cash in the hands of the superintendent,	\$33.36

Of the different paupers who have been at the farm during the year four have been town, and fourteen county paupers.

About seventy rods of stone wall have been built, for which nothing is added as improvement in the above.

The stock is in good order. The dairy has been well managed, and the appearance of all the town's interests at the farm are such as to recommend the superintendent and wife for the situation they occupy.

HENRY PUTNEY,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
DANIEL H. PARKER,		of
ELIPHALET R. SARGENT.		<i>Dunbarton.</i>

SCHOOL REPORT.

The Superintending School Committee of Dunbarton respectfully submit the following report of the schools for the year 1859:

It is with feelings of pleasure that your Committee can report to the citizens of Dunbarton, and to *all* the friends of education, an increase of feeling and interest upon this most important subject—the education and improvement of the young mind. The influence exerted upon society by our “district schools” is indeed great, and vastly important. It is here that the youthful mind receives its first and most lasting impressions, be they good or ill. How desirable, then, that parents and teachers should realize the many responsibilities that rest upon them, in the several relations they hold to the “common school.” Let the great aim of each be to raise the standard of “free schools” high. The public schools of New-England have proved as one of “Heaven’s greatest blessings vouchsafed to man.” May we all fondly cherish the noble Puritanical principle of our forefathers—the great republican doctrine of educating the people at the public expense. I will here remark, that the idea of parents and others calling upon our schools during the term and at the examination, has prevailed the past year to a great extent. A praiseworthy idea, truly; and may it be practiced to a still greater extent hereafter. We little know what the result may be, if we spend but a small portion of our leisure time at the “district school-house” with our children. Will it not tend to convince them that our interest in their welfare is indeed great? Still more, is it not pleasing and encouraging to the teacher to witness at the school-room the presence of those who have given into his or her charge their most cherished hopes—their children? We would still urge upon all promptness in the various routine of school duties. It is this that makes the successful teacher, the good scholar, and the profitable school. Our board of teachers the past year have labored with a good degree of success in advancing the cause of “popular education” in the various schools with which they have been connected; not only this, but they have reflected honor upon themselves and the profession.

J. P. JAMESON,

Superintending School Committee.

DISTRICT No. 1.—*Summer and Winter School in one term*—Mrs. E. S. McIntire, teacher. Mrs. McIntire is an experienced and successful teacher. This school progressed rapidly in the various studies pursued. The pupils did honor to themselves and teacher, taking into consideration the time the school was in session. The exercises at the examination were pleasing and instructive. The scholars of this district labor under one great disadvantage—short schools. Taking this into consideration, the school will compare well with others.

DISTRICT No. 2.—*Summer Term*—Miss Sarah N. Wate, teacher. This school prospered under the able guidance of the teacher. Although the school was very large, and a large proportion of the scholars were quite young, still the quietness that prevailed throughout the term was worthy of notice. A good degree of improvement was made during the time the school was in session. A deep interest is felt by the people of this district upon the subject of schools. The large attendance upon the examinations of this school will warrant the above assertion.

Winter Term—Mr. Samuel P. Putnam, teacher. Mr. Putnam is a young man of talent and intellect—which is so essential to a teacher. He succeeded in gaining the love of his pupils, and led them along rapidly in their studies. He labored under many disadvantages—a great many scholars and a very small, poor house. This school ranks high in point of scholarship. Indeed, the scholars of this district merit a new house, and ought to have one. The examination passed off with promptness and effect.

DISTRICT No. 3.—*Summer Term*—Miss Eliza J. Mills, teacher. The scholars of this district are favored with lengthy schools, and have been under the charge of teachers of merit for a long time. Miss Mills was successful in her trust, judging from the appearance of the school at the commencement of the term. A growing interest upon school matters is prevalent in this district; promptness and emulation to excel is noticed on the part of the scholars.

Winter Term—Miss Annette Ring, teacher. The labors of this teacher were not lost upon her pupils, but, rather, her efforts for the good of her scholars were amply repaid by willing obedience and attention to study. Industry, quietness, and kindness were the actuating principles of each pupil. In point of numbers this school stands as number two. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the examination was not what it would have been under different circumstances. A course of thorough instruction was adopted throughout the school. Miss Ring is a teacher of experience, and is interested in her work.

DISTRICT No. 4.—*Summer Term*—Miss Margarette C. Holmes, teacher. The people of this district were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Holmes as teacher. Her labors in this department have ever been successful; she wins both the love and respect of her pupils unconsciously, as it were, and encourages them from day to day in the path of duty, both by precept and example. The people of this district are awake to the interest of their schools, since they have erected that pleasant and inviting house for their children.

Winter Term—Henry L. Burnham, teacher. Mr. Burnham, as a teacher, is experienced, and, we may say, emphatically successful. His labors, the past winter, were duly appreciated by each member of the school. The progress made during the term was highly commendable to both teacher and scholar. The school was unfortunate, somewhat, by being broken up by sickness, as there are but few scholars when *all* are present. Parents we find every where eulogize "good schools," but what do they do to make them so? Do they visit the common school often? We may safely answer, no. Then let us urge a reform in this, and our schools will improve.

DISTRICT No. 5.—*Summer Term*—Miss Lizzie M. Fuller, teacher. A great increase in the number of scholars over last year was noticed, which speaks well for the school. The interest manifested and the progress made during the term was very good. An interesting examination was the result of Miss Fuller's labor and untiring perseverance.

Winter Term—Miss Sarah N. Wate, teacher. The importance of education, evinced during the summer school by the pupils of this district, was still regarded through the winter term, under the instruction of Miss Wate. Her willing labors for the good of the school, under her charge, were well repaid by the love and respect of her scholars. The improvement of the school was great, and well worth noticing. Should the parents co-operate with their teachers, and often visit the school-room, and see that their scholars are as diligent and studious as they should be, it would lessen the labors of teachers, by greatly increasing the interest of their children in their studies. Will the citizens of this district ponder upon the above remark.

DISTRICT No. 6.—*Summer and Winter Terms*—Miss Carrie Page, teacher. This district have been favored with the most lengthy schools of any in town. They have, also, been very fortunate in the selection of teachers. The past year this school has been under the able instruction of Miss Page, who at once won the love and respect of her pupils. Also, the approbation of all was tendered in her labor of love. Nothing is more detrimental to the cause of education, than for parents

to withhold their sympathy from the teacher, and, perhaps, give it to those scholars who may be disposed to make trouble in school. The examinations of this school were interesting and entertaining. The opinion prevailing here is, that an *industrious* and *quiet* school is what makes a *good* school.

DISTRICT No. 7.—*Summer Term*—Miss Jennie M. Putnam, teacher. The number of scholars attending this school is quite small; still, Miss Putnam succeeded in getting up a good degree of interest on the various studies pursued, and quietly led her pupils in the road to knowledge and true greatness. The common school interest is gaining ground in this district. The new house exerts an influence upon the scholars for good. This fact is noticed throughout the town where new houses have recently been erected.

Winter Term—Miss Ellen I. Kittredge, teacher. The success of the teacher in her labor here merits a word of commendation. The studies attended to were thoroughly demonstrated to the scholars, and a good degree of progress was perceptible at the close of the term. Promptness and good order prevailed at all times. The examination was pleasing and satisfactory. Will not *all* the people of this district make it a rule of action to visit their school?

DISTRICT No. 8.—*Summer Term*—Miss Mary J. Wheeler, teacher. Miss Wheeler is quite young; still she won the love and esteem of her pupils, and performed the duties appertaining to the school-room with credit to herself and the school. The school, though small, was attended with profit, and a good degree of proficiency was perceptible at the close. The interest felt upon the subject of free schools in this part of the town, is praiseworthy. Ambition to advance laudably is a sterling virtue.

Winter Term—Mr. A. M. Davis, teacher. We still find an interest maintained by the scholars in their studies. The pupils of this school seem to realize the importance of improving their time while at school. The pages gone over during this term were many; quietness and good order prevailed here, which are so desirable in every place of study, especially in the district school. Mr. Davis bids fair for a successful teacher.

DISTRICT No. 9.—*Summer and Winter Terms*—Miss Lizzie M. Fuller, teacher. The progress made under the instruction of Miss Fuller, during the year, was indeed commendable. Promptness and quietness seemed to be the great aim of each scholar. A time for every thing pertaining to the school, and every thing in its proper time, was the daily regulation. The several examinations were highly entertaining and interesting. The members of this district appreciate the many advantages

of having a good school. This is manifest from their presence at each examination. This school can boast of some excellent scholars. Our schools are what the people make them, and our children what they are made in the common school. In order to have the moral discipline of a school effective, the teacher must have the cordial assistance of the parents.

DISTRICT No. 10.—*Summer Term*—Miss E. J. Emerson, teacher. Miss Emerson was well qualified, but, being quite young, and this her first attempt at teaching, the success attending her labors was not as good, perhaps, as was anticipated. Her government was mild. There is occasion for a good degree of *decision* of character in a teacher. A commendable improvement was made during the term.

Winter Term—Miss Lizzie McCurdy, teacher. Miss McCurdy labored under some disadvantages at the commencement of the term. The scholars soon learned that “the way of the transgressor is hard,” and industry and attention to school regulations took the place of idleness and disorderly behavior. The examination proved satisfactory and quite interesting. It may well be remarked that this was a school of profit. The teacher was heartily engaged in her work. Will the people of this district remember that, if they would have their children interested in their schools, they must set them the example. The district merit a word of commendation for the *neatness* and good repair of their school-room.

DISTRICT No. 11.—*Summer Term*—Miss Fannie L. Burnham, teacher. No word of commendation is necessary in speaking of this school, for every thing pertaining to School District No. 11 will speak for itself. Miss Burnham’s easy, quiet way seemed to pervade the very atmosphere of each scholar under her charge. Kindness to each other, and attention to study, were regulations that were heeded by all. The exercises at the close of the session are worthy of notice. The condition of the house needs no word of comment. Why may not District No. 2 look to No. 11 for a little advice?

Winter Term—Miss M. C. and Susan Holmes, teachers. This was a profitable term of school. Miss M. C. Holmes was obliged, on account of ill health, to resign her school to the charge of her sister, who managed it to the satisfaction of all. An interesting and instructive examination was witnessed by a goodly number of spectators at the close. The Misses Holmes are teachers of merit. They are very much interested in the subject of education. Emulation to excel is a praiseworthy trait of this school. The pupil whose ambition is evident, attracts the attention of the teacher favorably, and by some this is called partiality; but it is not so—it is sympathy for the right.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

SUMMER SCHOOLS.					WINTER SCHOOLS.				
No. of District.	Average No. of Scholars.	No. of Scholars.	Wages of Teacher, exclusive of board.	Length of Schools in weeks.	No. of District.	Average No. of Scholars.	No. of Scholars.	Wages of Teacher, exclusive of board.	Length of Schools in weeks.
1	21	26	\$9.00	8	*1				
2	33	37	11.00	11	2	30	40	\$17.00	12
3	22	28	8.00	15	3	25	28	12.00	13
4	10	12	9.00	12	4	12	16	14.00	12
5	15	16	9.00	8	5	15	15	11.00	11
6	13	16	9.00	16	6	13	16	9.00	13
7	5	7	8.00	10	7	9	12	12.00	10
8	11	13	10.00	8½	8	11	14	14.50	10
9	15	17	12.00	9	9	12	13	13.00	9
10	13	15	7.00	10	10	15	19	12.00	12½
11	19	19	12.00	8½	11	16	16	10.00	10

* But one term in the year.