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# SCHOOL REPORT.

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PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES.	SCHOOL MONEY.	
Dist. No. 1, Henry P. Kimball, Enoch C. Paige.	72	\$478 31
“ “ 2, E. Z. Hastings.	36	235 10
“ “ 3, S. S. Sawyer.	34	181 67
“ “ 4, Levi Curtis.	15	114 50
“ “ 5, Henry Lawrence.	17	59 79
“ “ 6, J. G. Wilkins.	14	41 53
“ “ 7, A. H. Colby.	10	60 61
“ “ 9, Frank Melvin.	9	33 89
“ “ 13.	0	12 85
	207	\$1218 25

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

### PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

MISS LUCY M. BUCKMINSTER, Keene, teacher for the year. A live, energetic teacher, sustained excellent order in a very quiet way, without scolding or reprimanding. Marked improvement made, especially in reading and geography.

### GRAMMAR DEPARTMENT.

MISS J. M. NESMITH, Hancock, teacher for the year. The best of order both indoors and out. Instruction thorough and up with the times. A good deal of attention was given to composition the first term which was both pleasant and profitable to the scholars. The improvement has been exceedingly good. The school is still in session, and at our last visit was progressing as usual. We hope both teachers will be secured for another year.

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

MR. GEORGE E. HASTINGS, Antrim, teacher for the year. Mr. Hastings labored hard for the good of the school, did the best he could, and the examinations showed thorough work and good progress.

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

First term. Teacher: MISS JENETTE S. KNOWLTON, Hancock. Miss Knowlton is well qualified for her work. We were pleased with the closing examination which was brilliant and interesting, and gave evidence of systematic training.

Second term. Teacher: MISS EMMA HYDE, Winchendon. Excellent advancement was made in geography. We are pleased to say that the wall maps were used much of the time in preference to the text book.

Third term. Teacher: MR. MYRON L. KNIGHT, Hancock. Mr. Knight entered into the work with a good deal of earnestness, and secured the good will of the scholars, maintained good order, and a pleasant term of school was the result. Fair improvement was made.

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

The two terms taught by MISS CLARA M. HURLIN, Antrim. A very persevering and patient teacher. The school was well managed, and, though small, made good progress.

## DISTRICT NO. 5.

First term. Teacher: MISS FLORA M. BROWN, Hillsboro'. Miss Brown is a faithful and experienced teacher, gave thorough instruction, and so far as we know, perfect satisfaction.

Second term. Teacher: MISS LAURA A. GILMORE, Hillsboro'. A first class teacher, amiable, energetic, and well qualified. Promptness was the characteristic feature. She labored faithfully and success was the result.

## DISTRICT NO. 6.

First term. Teacher: MISS ROSA E. PROCTOR, Washington. A pleasant term of school, good order, but very little progress made.

Second term. Teacher: MISS ABBY C. MORSE, Concord. Miss Morse is a fine instructor, thorough and practical. The improvement in all the branches pursued was good, and in reading very marked. Much credit is due the teacher for her zealous efforts, and the scholars for hard study and good behavior. We hope her services may be secured in some of the larger schools in town.

## DISTRICT NO. 7.

First term. Teacher: MISS MAY C. GOODELL, Hillsboro'. This was her first school, though we should not have known it from her appearance in the schoolroom. Good order maintained, and fair improvement made.

Second term. Teacher: MR. WALTER F. FELCH, Henniker. Mr. Felch deserves much praise for reducing the number of classes. The school is now well classified and in condition to progress. The register showed no tardiness and only two absent marks. Let other schools follow the example.

## DISTRICT NO. 9.

MISS KATIE S. HARRINGTON, Henniker, teacher for both terms. A wide-awake teacher. She succeeded in awakening enthusiasm in the scholars which was the chief point to be gained. The improvement was good.

## ROLL OF HONOR,

Including the names of all pupils who have been present every half-day of a term without being tardy.

No. 1, G. 1st term. John A. Butterfield, George W. Christie, Richard C. Goodell, Bertollette Paige, Morton Paige, Franc

S. Forsaith, Grace M. Hill, Jennie M. Jameson, Mary E. Munnhall, Emma G. Woodard.

Second term. John A. Butterfield, George W. Christie, Malcolm S. French, Richard C. Goodell, Walter D. Jameson, Carrie E. Nay, Bertollette Paige, Morton Paige, Franc S. Forsaith, Grace M. Hill, Bertha N. Muzzey.

No. 1. P. First term. Willie S. Banfill, Geo. W. Butterfield, Mason C. Butterfield, Fred J. Cleaves, Albert N. Curtis, Perlle N. Griffin, G. Kimball Paige, Fred W. Robinson, Sadie M. Adams, Nellie M. Hatch, Mand Kimball, Etta M. Miller, Mattie F. Smith, A. Stella Wallace.

Second term. Geo. W. Butterfield, Mason C. Butterfield, Perlle N. Griffin, John B. Jameson, Elmer O. Johnson, G. Kimball Paige, Fred W. Robinson, Geo. W. Wallace, Lora Beasom, Fannie M. Foster, Gertrude D. Jameson, Etta M. Miller, Mattie F. Smith.

Third term. Geo. W. Butterfield, Mason C. Butterfield, Elmer O. Johnson, G. Kimball Paige, Lena W. Dodge, A. Stella Wallace.

No. 2. Hayward Cochrane, Alden C. Hutchinson, Willie A. Holt, Willie A. Hildreth, John Hastings, Gertie A. Hastings, Linda E. Hutchinson, Minnie A. Hastings, Sophia F. Dodge, Mabel S. Hastings, Nellie J. Holt.

Second term. Charles F. Butterfield, George P. Butterfield, John Hastings, Willie A. Holt, Alden G. Hutchinson, Willie A. Hildreth, Robert Cochrane, Nellie J. Holt, Gertie A. Hastings, Mabel S. Hastings, Sophia F. Dodge, Nettie L. Tenney, Eva M. Butterfield, Minnie A. Hastings, Annie G. Story, Mabel Cochrane, Mary L. Sawyer.

Third term. Ira P. Hutchinson, Hayward Cochrane, Mabel S. Hastings, Sophia F. Dodge, Gertie A. Hastings, Minnie A. Hastings.

No. 3. First term. Mary Clement, Julia A. Charron, Eva Little, Willie Pelsey, Elvin Pelsey, Helen Swain, Eva Sawyer, Grace Swain, Anna Sawyer, Alice Sawyer, Charlie Stacy.



Second term. Lottie Clement, Mary Clement, Clara Curtis, Fred Pelsey, Alice Sawyer, Annie Sawyer, Eva Sawyer, Harry Sawyer, Grace Swain, Helen Swain.

Third term. Alice Sawyer.

No. 4. First term. Fred H. Waite, Iza F. Combs, A. Belle Curtis.

Second term. Iza Combs, Eloise Combs.

No. 5. First term. Lura E. Barrett, Lillie Rockwell, Addie Boutell, James O. Carr, George E. Boutell, Albert L. Boutell, George W. Loveren.

Second term. Minnie V. Holmes, Anna E. Barrett.

No. 6. First term. Lilla M. Goodwin, Mary A. Wilkins, Katie A. Barrett, Maria B. Wilkins, Eugene L. Barker, Artha P. Whittemore, Edwin J. Whittemore.

Second term. Augusta M. Wilkins.

No. 7. First term. Herbert A. Gould, Milton L. Colby, Alton C. Colby, Harlan F. Colby.

Second term. Martha M. Butterfield, Charlie F. White, Charles A. Butterfield, Herbert A. Gould, Wilton L. Colby, Alton C. Colby, George H. Butterfield, Leander L. Loveren.

No. 9. First term. Lillie B. McIlvin, Clara N. Cutter, Nora N. Conn, Eddie D. Conn, Charlie X. Cutter

Second term. Lillie B. McIlvin, Clara N. Cutter, Effie J. Conn.



Fellow citizens :—By way of remarks we have but little to say. We believe that for the most part, the teachers have kept in mind the old adage that “whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well.” Yet there has been an inclination, on the part of some, to teach the scholars too much in too short a time. This cramming method we denounce, and have used what influence we have against it. If teachers would give up the use of their text books and conduct the recitations from their own knowledge of what they contain, made plain by simple and practical illustrations, many advantages would result thereby : The teacher would gain the confidence and respect of the scholars, the recitation would be more interesting, would be deprived of routine methods, the pupils would be compelled to rely upon themselves, and would acquire a power of thought and of language that cannot be gained by the method of book questions and book answers, and would be trained into the habit of careful observation, of accumulating facts, the truth and reality of which are tested by experiment. Text books cannot be entirely dispensed with, but should be used only as a guide to direct the attention of the student to what is to be looked for. Rules are of value only as they can be brought into practice, and scholars should only be required to become familiar with them as they see the need of their use.

About an equal amount of time has been given to each of the branches taught, and we are satisfied with the progress made. Other branches of study might be introduced to advantage into some of the schools. We fail to see the need of so much time being given to arithmetic, grammar and geography ; other studies such as physiology, philosophy, and hygiene might have a share of this time without detriment to the other branches. It is a well known fact that the majority of people are ignorant with regard to the laws of health, and we know of no better way for the coming generations to be made acquainted with these laws than by giving this branch of study a place in the town schools.

The old habit of spending term after term on the same studies should be broken up. Scholars commence the study of arithmetic at about the age of seven or eight years, and continue with it just

as long as they attend school, and then, as a rule, know but little about it practically.

The principal source from which comes this great evil is the frequent changing of teachers. Every teacher has a different method of conducting a recitation and of explaining to a class, and it requires at least half a term for the pupils to become acquainted with the ways and methods of a new teacher, and even a longer time for the teacher to learn the ability, disposition and peculiarities of the scholars: hence much valuable time is lost and money thrown away.

It is hoped that every prudential committee in town will consider this fact and engage such teachers as are competent and likely to give satisfaction, then keep them as long as they do well and please the majority.

The smaller districts labor under the disadvantage of having but two short terms a year, the school money being unequally distributed. We know of no remedy for this except to unite some of the smaller districts, or better still, discard the districts and adopt the township system. By this method each scholar has an equal advantage as far as school funds are concerned. All the towns in Massachusetts that have adopted this system are fully satisfied with it and would not return to the old district system.

Respectfully submitted.

I. G. ANTHOINE,

*Superintending School Committee.*

Antrim, N. H., March 1st, 1880.

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## OF THE

# TOWN OF ANTRIM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1880.

The amount of taxes committed to S. A. Holt, for collection,	\$7,609 12
Interest collected,	8 97
Dog tax,	46 00
	\$7,664 09

### CREDIT.

By sundry receipts from Treasurer,	\$7,586 38
“ taxes remaining in Collector’s hands,	77 71
	\$7,664 09

### RECEIPTS INTO TREASURY.

To cash from Treasurer, 1878,	\$2,580 74
Collector, 1879,	7,577 31
Savings Bank tax,	1,157 45
Railroad tax,	3 42
Literary fund,	75 11
Insurance tax,	13 50
Collector of 1878,	161 50
Interest on taxes, 1879,	8 97
Collector of 1876,	1 90
Interest on taxes, 1878,	10 20
Received from town of Bennington,	21 42
Amount town notes given,	9,400 00
	\$21,011 52

## CREDIT.

Town orders paid,	\$ 3,917 59
State tax       “	1,316 00
County tax     “	1,304 14
Non-resident highway worked out,	42 41
Coupons       paid,	273 00
Town bonds     “	10,300 00
Town notes     “	1,000 00
Interest on town notes,	185 64
“     “     “ bonds,	18 62
Remaining in Treasurer's hands,	2,654 12
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	\$21,011 52

## SCHOOL ORDERS.

District No. 1. E. C. Paige,	\$428 31
1. H. P. Kimball,	50 00
2. E. Z. Hastings,	235 10
3. S. S. Sawyer,	181 67
4. Levi M. Curtis,	114 50
5. H. S. Lawrence,	59 79
6. James G. Wilkins,	41 53
7. Amos Colby,	60 61
9. B. F. McIlvin,	33 89
13. Isaac M. Tuttle,	12 85
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	\$1,218 25

## BREAKING ROADS.

I. P. Wellman,	\$ 3 00	James Richardson,	\$15 89
S. G. Wallace,	10 45	A. D. White,	2 00
A. A. Miller,	5 90	Charles Appleton,	7 70
I. P. Wellman,	2 85	George Brown,	3 75
W. F. Dustin,	9 66	Hiram Eaton,	14 92
William Boutelle,	7 15	George Turner,	7 05
William Stacy,	9 00	Hugh A. Rogers,	4 20
Chester A. Conn,	11 30	Samuel A. Holt,	6 82
Luther Campbell,	17 65	Luther Campbell,	1 12
Daniel Swett,	2 10	A. O. Cutter,	7 49
Robert Hopkins,	14 48	Ira Holms,	5 78
G. G. Hutchinson,	15 50	Josiah Loveren,	9 03
Jackson Boutelle,	9 30	Thomas S. Worthley,	3 90

Luther M. Wilkins,	\$19 45	Louis Simonds,	\$7 60
Amos Dodge,	21 25	G. G. Hutchinson,	67
E. Z. Hastings,	9 23		
James Wood,	14 85		<u>\$281 01</u>

## MISCELLANEOUS TOWN ORDERS.

Morrill & Silsby, books, stationery, &c.,	\$ 12 85
F. A. Thompson, printing reports, 1879,	25 50
“ “ “ notices,	3 40
E. P. Campbell, services as Supervisor,	4 00
Samuel A. Holt, damage to horse,	50 00
Harry E. Clark, land damage,	55 00
Goodell Co., lumber, 1878,	58 09
D. H. Goodell, land damage,	40 00
Eben Bass, labor on Baldwin road,	27 37
I. G. Authoine, records for births and deaths,	3 75
Luther S. Curtis, labor on road, 1878,	8 83
Enoch C. Paige, decorating expences,	36 55
Eben Bass, labor on highway and bridges,	16 75
J. E. King, use of Derrick,	6 00
F. A. Thompson, Printing,	38 10
J. D. Clement, labor on bridge and highway and cash paid, 185 14	
Silas C. Taft, “ “ “ “ “ “ “	9 00
George Buffum, travel through field,	5 00
Clarence E. Sawyer, labor on road and cutting bushes,	14 75
Cyrus J. Whitney, Jr. “ “ “ “ “ “	10 27
Wm. M. Conn, building stone bridge,	50 00
Miles B. Tuttle, damage on highway,	6 07
D. P. Bryer, blacksmith work,	3 20
Clarence E. Sawyer, labor on road and bridges,	10 62
Chauncey White, “ “ “ “ railing,	18 75
S. S. Sawyer, “ “ “ “ plank,	25 00
A. B. Crombie, “ “ “ “	10 00
Horace Gould, “ “ “ “ bridges,	26 62
P. W. Clark, “ “ “ 1878,	7 75
J. D. Clement, “ “ “ and bridge,	49 20
D. H. Goodell, land damage, Hatch road,	25 00
G. A. Cochran, labor on Thompson bridge,	42 85
Natt F. Swett, “ “ road and cutting bushes,	9 15
William Stacy, “ “ “	35 85
Luther Campbell, building railing,	5 62
“ “ watering trough,	3 00
“ “ labor on road and bridges,	18 90

Free-man Pelsey, travel through field,	\$ 3 00
Samuel Dinsmore, poll tax,	1 60
John Emery, watering trough, 1878-9,	6 00
Elijah F. Gould, labor on road,	9 71
Jackson Boutell, " and plank,	6 45
" " road through field,	1 00
Wm. R. Carr, labor on road and cutting bushes,	21 08
" " " services as sexton,	18 00
John G. Hudson, building new road	110 00
Gilman Stacy, bridge plank,	7 15
James Robb, labor on Forest road,	23 00
Isaac M. Tuttle, labor on road and bridge,	25 60
James G. Wilkins, " " " " "	7 50
John Cummings, " " " " "	2 50
Luther M. Wilkins, " " " " "	10 42
I. L. Robinson, stone lifter,	25 00
Amos Dodge, road through field,	1 00
Geo. F. Parmenter, labor on road	9 45
E. Z. Hastings, " " "	10 19
S. G. Wallace, building Hatch road in part and mov'g wall,	45 00
J. W. Perkins, labor and bridge plank,	8 13
Thomas Poor, land damage for Hatch road,	10 00
M. D. & A. M. Poor, rent of tramp house, and plank,	15 80
Goodell Co., lumber for bridge,	43 77
E. D. & L. W. Putney, powder and fuse,	4 75
Hiram J. Combs, labor on road,	5 50
Eben Bass, " " "	39 39
A. A. Miller, " " "	3 77
Lawson A. White, " " "	5 53
Morris Christie, " " "	10 00
G. P. Fletcher, damage on highway,	10 00
Wm. G. Roach, building stone bridge,	50 00
C. F. Holt, damage on highway,	7 00
C. F. Holt, services as constable.	3 50
Wm. G. Wheeler, overtax on real estate,	80
D. J. Parkhurst, lumber for bridge,	7 55
Homer Gould, labor on road and bridge,	12 62
C. B. Dodge, services as town clerk,	20 00
C. B. Dodge, recording and returning births and deaths,	11 75
J. T. Stowell, damage on highway,	18 00
J. W. Cooledge, surveying town lines,	1 00
Wm. Curtis, stone and labor,	6 00
A. Fairfield, use of room,	2 00



Ira Holmes, bridge plank and labor,	\$29 18
Luther M. Wilkins, labor on road.	5 20
Josiah Loveren " " bridge and lumber,	10 63
Wm. Curtis, use of watering trough,	3 00
H. S. Lawrence, labor on road.	1 05
J. D. Mathews. " " Forest road.	5 00
J. W. Newman, care of town house and tolling bell,	6 50
E. C. Paige, copying invoice for state assessors,	6 00
Robert S. Dodge, poll tax.	1 93
Hiram J. Combs, labor on road,	2 00
G. G. Hutchinson, services as sexton,	1 00
Dana W. King, recording deeds,	2 54
C. W. Kelsea, services as supervisor,	4 00
Mary B. Joy, use of watering trough,	3 00
G. M. Duncan, labor on bridge,	4 40
C. W. Kelsea, check lists, postage and stationery,	2 35
John Munhall, watering trough,	1 50
R. P. Salmarsh, services as sexton,	8 50
S. A. Holt. " " collector,	75 00
John G. Abbott, " " treasurer,	40 00
E. C. Paige, " " selectman,	60 00
Charles W. Kelsea, running town lines,	8 00
" " " copying invoice for state assessors,	6 00
S. S. Sawyer, services as selectman,	86 00
H. Kelsea, boarding selectmen,	5 00
James W. Perkins, services as supervisor,	4 00
S. S. Sawyer, boarding selectmen,	10 00
C. W. Kelsea, services as selectman,	71 00
Morrill & Silsby, note book,	2 25
S. A. Holt, counsel and printing,	4 50
I. G. Anthoine, services as S. S. committee,	70 00
S. S. Sawyer, running town lines,	8 00
F. A. Thompson, printing notices.	2 65
I. G. Anthoine, paid for printing notices,	75
C. F. Holt, bridge plank,	42 00
H. C. French, services as auditor.	5 00
J. W. Perkins. " " "	5 00
J. W. Perkins, labor on bridge,	1 00

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#### PUBLIC CHARITIES.

G. G. Bumpus, boarding and clothing H. J. Curtis, to May 1st, 1879.	34 29
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G. G. Bumpus, boarding and clothing A. J. Curtis, to Sept. 1st, 1879,	\$ 35 14
G. G. Bumpus, boarding and clothing A. J. Curtis, to Jan. 1st, 1880,	34 96
Grafton Curtis, boarding A. J. Curtis family to Apr. 20th, 1879,	9 00
Sarah L. Lovewell, boarding Arthur Rogers,	10 25
Luther M. Wilkins, shoe work for Curtis family,	2 30
E. D. & L. W. Putney, goods for Curtis family,	15 74
S. S. Sawyer, expences to Concord, Manchester and Nashua	15 00
S. S. Sawyer, services as overseer of poor,	12 00
I. G. Anthoine, medical services for Curtis family,	14 50
C. F. Whitney, board and shoe work for Rogers family.	6 90
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	\$190.08

### FINANCES OF THE TOWN.

Whole amount of notes outstanding,	\$8,400 00
Remaining in treasury,	\$2,654 12
Remaining in collector's hands of 1876,	68 43
Remaining in collector's hands of 1877,	22 19
Remaining in collector's hands of 1878,	38 30
Remaining in collector's hands of 1879,	77 71
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Amount of assets,	\$2,860 75
Whole amount of liabilities,	\$8,400 00
Due the town,	2,860 75
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Amount of town debt,	\$5,539 25
Amount of town debt March 1st. 1879,	\$7,388 47
Amount of town debt March 1st, 1880,	\$5,539 25

Respectfully submitted.

SAM'L S. SAWYER,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
CHARLES W. KELSEA,		} <i>of</i>
ENOCH C. PAIGE,		} <i>Antrim.</i>

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the above

accounts of the town officers, and find them properly vouched and correctly cast.

HENRY C. FRENCH, }  
 JAMES W. PERKINS, } *Auditors.*

Antrim, N. H., February 19, 1880.

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REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR.

Bills paid for the past year, \$190 08

The items for which orders were given will be found on page 15 and 16.

Andrew J. Curtis is boarded at the county farm at an expense of \$2.00 per week, which includes clothing and medical attendance, a reduction of 50 cents a week from last year.

Mrs. A. J. Curtis and two children are at Grafton Curtis' at no expense to the town since April 20th, except for clothing and medical attendance.

Almus T. Rogers' family have been assisted to the amount of \$17 50 for the past year.

SAM'L S. SAWYER,

*Overseer of the Poor.*





