



Annual Report

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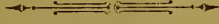

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TOWN OFFICERS.

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Town Clerk.

BENJAMIN R. WHEELER.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

JOSEPH WEBSTER.

WILLIAM R. WHEELER.

EBEN B. WELLS.

Town Treasurer.

LEVI CLUFF.

For Overseer of Poor.

JOSEPH WEBSTER.

Collector.

NATHAN G. ABBOTT.

Superintending School Committee.

GEORGE A. PERKINS.

Auditors.

MATTHEW H. TAYLOR,

JOHN F. SMITH,

DANIEL D. FISK.

Constables.

NATHAN G. ABBOTT,

JOHN J. HUNT,

JOHN H. TAYLOR,

JESSE C. SILVER.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Whole amount of Assets.

Taxes assessed for the year 1882 are as follows:

State, County, Town and School tax,	\$9785 95
Dog tax,	121 00
School house tax, District No. 1,	50 96
" " " " " 2,	129 50
" " " " " 10,	51 38
Received from the County,	322 50
Railroad tax,	334 09
Savings bank tax,	309 14
Literary fund,	143 52
Land redeemed for taxes,	44 04
Bounty on hawks,	2 60
Received of Charles E. Wells,	900 00
Land redeemed for taxes,	388 30
Received for old plank,	2 25
Balance in Treasury,	1726 36
N. G. Abbott, collector for 1881,	1237 20
Town Hall,	8 00
Interest on tax list 1881,	22 70
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	\$15579 49

EXPENDITURES.

Paid on Account of Schools,			
District No. 1, Town appropriation,	\$213	70	
Railroad money,	33	40	
Literary fund,	91	41	
Dog tax,	11	00	\$349 52
2 Town appropriation,	49	22	
Railroad money,	33	40	
Literary fund,	18	42	
Dog tax,	11	00	112 05
3 Town appropriation,	41	00	
Railroad money,	33	41	
Literary fund,	17	38	
Dog tax,	11	00	102 79
4 Town appropriation,	104	80	
Railroad money,	33	41	
Literary fund,	41	39	
Dog tax,	11	00	190 60
5 Town appropriation,	85	22	
Railroad money,	33	41	
Literary fund,	34	19	
Dog tax,	11	00	163 82
6 Town appropriation,	299	20	
Railroad money,	33	41	
Literary fund,	125	62	
Dog tax,	11	00	469 23
7 Town appropriation,	73	73	
Railroad money,	33	41	
Literary fund,	28	95	
Dog tax,	11	00	147 09
8 Town appropriation,	95	26	
Railroad money,	33	41	
Literary fund,	37	88	
Dog tax,	11	00	177 55

District No. 9	Town appropriation,	90	00
	Railroad money,	33	41
	Literary fund,	35	93
	Dog tax,	11	00
		170	34
10	Town appropriation,	53	87
	Railroad money,	33	41
	Literary fund,	21	49
	Dog tax,	11	00
		119	77
	Whole amount,	\$2,002	75

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF CONTINGENCIES.

School District No. 7, school house tax,	\$25	00
Thomas Dustin, damage to sheep by dogs,	10	00
G. C. Bartlett, services in 1880,	20	00
Joshua Conant, in full for services in 1881,	50	00
Wingate & Shaw, printing town reports,	40	00
J. B. Sanborn, books for town,	4	00
Thompkins & Mann, paint for alms house,	69	76
Walker Haigh, labor for painting alms house,	46	71
George C. Gordon, for insurance,	12	50
Nelson Emerson, labor on old cemetery,	5	00
Charles I. Bowker, merchandise,	3	00
H. A. Wardsworth, printing town vouchers,	3	50
W. M. Durgin, copy Enoch Taylor's will,	3	00
Joseph Webster, expense to settle with County Com's,	5	00
Charles Rogers, public watering place,	3	00
School District No. 10, school-house tax,	50	00
Thomas A. Rowell, damage to sheep by dogs,	8	00
School District No. 1, school-house tax,	50	00
J. W. Emerson, public watering place,	3	00

C. S. Woodbury, labor on tomb,	8 09
School District No. 2, school-house tax,	125 00
School District No. 3, interest on note,	6 88
Henry Strong, blacksmith work,	5 40
Wiggin & Fernald, legal advice for School District No. 6,	5 00
Sellers Brothers, printing handbills,	1 00
Briggs & Allyn, windows for alms house,	10 55
H. Plummer & Co., shingles for alms house,	13 75
Thompkins & Mann, glass for alms house,	1 26
John C. Ewins, public watering place,	3 00
Edson C. Eastman, inventory books,	3 70
Joshua Conant, services as Supt. in part,	100 00
State tax,	1264 00
County tax,	1593 55
Elizabeth M. Newell, note and interest,	1042 08
“ “ “	521 04
Charles E. Wells, note and interest,	912 13
Eliphalet Coburn, interest on note to Oct. 1, 1882,	934 39
Ebenezer Dustin, interest on note to Oct. 1, 1882,	143 74
Charlotte A. Dustin, interest on note to Oct. 1, 1882,	143 74
Samuel T. Newell, interest on note to Oct. 1, 1882,	107 81
William Taylor, for Enoch Taylor estate, interest on note to Oct. 2, 1882,	61 81
Florence A. Merrick, interest on note to Oct. 1, 1882,	71 84
George W. Noyes, damage to calf by dogs,	15 00
Henry Strong, wood for town house,	75
W. W. Merrill, public watering place, 1881 and 1882,	6 00
William Stanton, public watering place,	3 00
Jesse Burgin, over tax,	1 65
Eben B. Wells, use of horse and wagon,	14 87
Joseph Webster, “	13 50
William R. Wheeler, “	5 00
Joshua Conant, bill on alms house account,	171 64

Joshua Conant, bill as Supt. of alms house, in part for the year 1882,	150 00
Nathan G. Abbott, services as Collector, 1882,	175 00
Gilman D. Kelley, public watering place,	3 00
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	\$8,050 55

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Joseph Webster, labor on turnpike near Keef's,	\$315 37
N. H. Paul, labor on highway,	17 00
Wm. H. Haseltine, labor on highway,	12 00
George Wilson, grading road near A. G. Wilson's,	37 00
Joseph Webster, labor on road near Hassett's,	67 67
“ “	163 58
J. H. Cullen, labor on bridge,	7 50
Obadiah Dustin, plank for bridge,	37 17
A. J. Silver, labor on highway,	8 93
J. P. Stackpole, labor on highway,	11 66
George H. Coleman, labor on highway,	24 65
Joseph Webster, labor on road near H. W. Clark,	39 50
John Webber, labor on road near J. L. Brown,	7 00
Jesse Burgin, for gravel,	2 05
J. W. Wheeler, for plank and spikes,	21 43
Charles Rogers, for gravel,	8 68
Wallace Cole, labor on bridge,	3 00
Charles Bowker, spikes,	1 62
Charles E. Knight, labor on road,	50
Mary E. Emerson, for gravel,	3 50
Phillip Ayer, for gravel,	1 05
John T. Dunlap, labor on bridge near N. H. Paul,	2 20
W. W. Merrill, for gravel,	9 32
Horace B. Silver, labor on bridges,	12 75

Isaac Thom, for labor and iron, building railing on bridge near Moody Foster's,	16 74
Samuel Wood, for gravel in 1880,	9 00
Horace W. Hunt, for gravel,	7 00
Susan E. Bodwell, for gravel,	2 50
Jesse Silver, labor on bridges,	3 00
Town of Methuen, use of road machine,	4 50
Mark A. Blood, working non-resident highway tax,	1 04
Loren E. Bailey, " "	4 75
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	\$863 66

SNOW PATHS.

N. A. Barker, breaking roads in 1882,	\$17 65
D. M. Hoyt, "	1 80
Isaiah Woodbury, "	17 40
Hiram Woodbury, "	1 20
Albert Palmer, "	90
John Woodbury, "	1 35
N. A. Tilton, "	92
William B. Kimball, "	8 37
William B. Ayer, "	1 50
E. E. Rice, "	4 20
George P. Cross, "	11 70
Loren E. Bailey, "	30 60
R. F. Wheeler, "	16 65
Phillip Ayer, "	11 10
John C. Roberts, "	2 80
Albertus Coburn, "	1 20
Isaac Woodbury, "	3 18
Charles Kimball, "	11 60
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	\$144 12

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF TRANSIENT POOR.

Edith Woodbury, for support,	\$142 92
Berlinda J. Blake, for Reynolds child,	26 00
Levi W. Taylor, for clothing for Reynolds child,	4 92
Levi W. Taylor, goods for Horace Tilton,	2 00
Geo. C. Howard, M. D, attendance on Reynolds child,	3 00
Geo. C. Howard, M. D., attendance on Mrs. Bubier,	13 50
Nelson Emerson, for coffin and service for unknown man drowned in river near G. D. Kelley's,	16 00
Jacob W. Kelley, on account of man drowned,	5 00
Joseph Webster, on account of man drowned,	8 00
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	\$221 34

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Nathan G. Abbott, abatement on tax List of 1881,	37 00
“ “ “ 1882,	45 13
Town Farm tax,	57 91
Discount,	438 65
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	\$578 69

TOWN OFFICERS.

George A. Perkins, services as Superintendent of schools,	\$75 00
Joseph Webster, services as Selectman in part,	36 24
Matthew H. Taylor, services as Supervisor and Moderator,	8 00
Eben B. Wells, services as Selectman in part,	40 00

Charles T. Maxwell, services as Auditor,	2 00
William R. Wheeler, services as Selectman in part,	40 00
Eben B. Wells, services as Selectman in full,	26 00
Joseph Webster, services as Selectman to Feb. 27,	58 76
William R. Wheeler, " "	45 00
Joseph Webster, services as Overseer of the Poor,	26 25
Benjamin R. Wheeler, services as Town Clerk,	52 00
Benjamin R. Wheeler, services as Supervisor,	10 00
Levi Cluff, services as Town Treasurer,	35 00
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	\$454 25

BOUNTIES.

Phillip Ayer, two crows,	20
Frank E. Adams, seven,	70
Edward L. Gordon, seven,	70
William H. Clark, seven,	70
Fred Howard, two,	20
Sydney Foster, one,	10
Frank Robie, one,	10
Frank Roberts, one,	10
Leonard Merrill, three,	30
Dolphus Chapelin, eleven,	1 10
Frank N. Emerson, one,	10
Jonathan Page, twenty-two,	2 20
John H. Hunt, seven,	70
Willie R. Smith, one,	10
Maurice H. Colburn, one,	10
Elmer Bailey, two,	20
Frank W. Bodwell, eight,	80

Orville H. Bodwell, eight,	80
John Peabody, two,	20
Charles S. Coliss, two,	20
George M. Cross, three,	30
Earnest Prescott, two,	20
J. Will Kelly, fourteen,	1 40
Frank Messer, ten,	1 00
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	\$12 50

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount of assets,	\$15,579 49
Paid on account of Schools,	\$2,002 75
Contingencies,	8,050 55
Roads and Bridges,	863 66
Snow Paths,	144 12
Transient Poor,	221 34
Abatement of taxes,	140 04
Town Officers,	454 25
Bounties,	12 50
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	827 82
Paid on account of discount,	438 65
Due from Nathan G. Abbott, collector of taxes,	2,423 81
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	\$15,579 49

OUTSTANDING NOTES AGAINST THE TOWN.

Eliphalet Coburn, note and interest to Mar. 1, 1883,			\$13270	83
Charlotte A. Dustin,	"	"	2041	66
Ebenezer Dustin,	"	"	2041	66
Samuel T. Newell,	"	"	1530	25
Florence A. Mirrick,	"	"	1020	83
Enoch Taylor,	"	"	1225	00
School Dist. No. 10,	"	"	214	16
" 2,	"	"	231	30
" 3,	"	"	140	00
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			\$21,715	69

DUE THE TOWN.

Nathan G. Abbott, Collector taxes 1881,	\$353	61
" " 1882,	2070	20
From County of Rockingham,	34	00
Due on account of land bought for taxes on Wm. G. Crowell's tax list,	72	11
Interest on same,	14	43
Balance in Treasurer's hands,	827	82
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	\$3372	17
Leaving a balance against the town of	\$18,343	52

JOSEPH WEBSTER,	}	Selectmen of Salem.
WILLIAM R. WHEELER,		
EBEN B. WELLS,		

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.

Cash on hand, March 1st, 1882,	\$1726 36
Rec'd of John C. Haynes, land redeemed	44 04
Nathan G. Abbott on tax list '81,	869 29
“ “ “ '82,	7526 90
Charles E. Wells,	900 00
State Treasurer, Railroad tax,	334 09
“ Savings Bank tax	309 14
“ Literary funds,	143 52
“ Bounty on hawks,	2 60
County Treasurer for board of county paupers,	322 50
Old plank,	2 25
Rent of Town Hall,	8 00
William G. Crowell, for estates redeemed,	388 30
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	\$12,576 99

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By orders of Selectmen,	\$11749 17
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	827 82
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	\$12576 99

LEVI CLUFF, Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.
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By cash paid for Groceries,	\$94 80
Grain,	247 73
Meat,	83 70
Butter,	10 00
Flour,	28 25
Shorts,	38 79
Dry goods,	16 03
Blacksmith,	15 14
Tin ware,	1 00
Farming tools,	10 15
Tobacco,	20 59
Labor,	77 00
Rubber bumpers,	1 50
Plaster,	2 60
Standing grass,	10 00
Superphosphate,	5 77
Soap,	4 00
Apples,	6 00
Fish,	4 55
Beans,	1 10
Conductors,	2 35
Zinc,	75
Paris green,	90
Pork barrel,	50
Killing hogs,	3 75
Carpenter work,	8 85
Shoes,	3 25
Nails,	2 25
Hay bought of B. A. Pettengill,	60 00
Grain,	176 65
Groceries,	80 30
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	\$1018 31

Dr.	
Cash received for Milk,	\$709 35
Eggs,	15 83
Calves,	10 96
Potatoes,	20 60
Pork,	39 24
Difference between cows,	8 19
Cow,	42 50
of the Town,	171 64
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	\$1018 31

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR.

Paid Supt. Almshouse balance services, in 1881	\$ 50 00
" " " in part 1882,	250 00
on account of transient poor,	221 34
balance on account of Superintendent,	171 64
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	\$692 98
Cash received from County of Rockingham.	\$322 50
Due from County,	34 00
Balance against the town.	336 48
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	\$692 98
Due Supt. of Almshouse, April 1, 1883,	\$50 00

JOSEPH WEBSTER, Overseer of the Poor.

The undersigned have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

MATTHEW H. TAYLOR, JOHN F. SMITH, DANIEL D. FISK,	}	Auditors.
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PERSONAL PROPERTY AT ALMSHOUSE.

Seven tons English hay,	\$140 00
Three and one-half meadow hay,	40 00
One bushel rye meal,	1 00
Six bushels corn,	6 00
Three bushels beans,	10 00
Ten bags meal,	15 00
One barrel flour,	8 50
Seven hundred lbs. shorts,	8 75
One horse,	100 00
Nine cows,	360 00
Three calves,	30 00
One set blocks,	2 50
Twelve bags,	2 50
One wagon,	60 00
One harness,	15 00
One draft harness,	16 00
Five hay forks,	4 75
Four shovels,	2 00
Four manure forks,	2 00
Three crow bars,	3 00
Four wood saws,	3 00
Two hand saws,	2 00
Ten chains,	6 00
One manure hook and flail,	1 00
Four rakes,	1 00
Four hoes,	1 50
One set measures,	50
One barrel,	50
Twelve cords wood,	35 00
Ten cords wood, prepared,	40 00
Twenty-eight fowls,	14 00
Whiffletree and chains,	2 00

Stone hammer,	1 00
Four wedges,	1 00
One mowing machine,	50 00
One harrow,	3 00
One cultivator,	2 50
Scythes and snath,	4 00
Grindstone,	2 50
Drag,	1 00
Bush scythe and snath,	1 50
Three plows,	20 00
Brush and comb,	1 00
One wrench,	75
One horse rake,	2 00
Two ox yokes,	1 00
One wheelbarrow,	4 00
Two brass kettles,	3 00
Fetters and halters,	2 00
One tub,	50
Eighty lbs. ham,	10 00
Four hundred and twenty-five lbs. salt pork,	81 00
Three pork barrels,	1 50
Sixty-five lbs. lard,	7 80
Twenty lbs. butter,	5 00
Two barrels cider and casks,	8 50
Two and one-half barrels vinegar and three casks,	14 00
Oil and can,	1 50
Ladders,	5 00
Garden rake,	75
Five baskets,	1 00
Twenty-five bushels potatoes,	25 00
Nine bushels small potatoes,	4 50
Soap and barrel,	1 00
Two wash-boards,	50

Sugar,	3 00
Tea,	1 20
Churns and pails,	5 00
Cheese press,	1 00
Butter box,	1 00
Tray and bowl,	1 00
Tin ware,	12 00
Two lanterns,	1 80
Stone jars,	2 00
Flat irons,	2 00
Lamps and candle sticks,	1 50
Steelyards,	50
Mortar,	50
Fourteen feather beds,	35 00
Quilts and comforters,	25 00
Twenty-eight pillows,	8 00
Forty-two pillow-cases,	4 50
Eight bolsters,	2 00
Fifteen pair of sheets,	5 00
Wearing apparel,	40 00
Chairs and tables,	10 00
Thirty-six towels,	3 00
Nine bedsteads,	9 00
Nine straw beds,	4 50
Two clocks and mirrors,	2 50
Trunks, chests and drawers,	7 00
Six jugs,	1 00
Crockery ware,	5 50
Warming and bed-pans,	2 00
Apple-parer,	50
Cranberry rake,	1 00
Eight axes,	3 50
Forty flour barrels,	6 00

One cross-cut saw,	1 00
Five milk cans,	3 00
Augers,	1 75
Clothes wringer,	2 00
Two broad axes,	1 00
Lot carpenter's tools,	6 00
Hammer and stone tools,	2 00
Old iron,	1 00
Three brooms,	50
One side board,	2 00
Two iron kettles,	1 00
Stoves and funnel,	18 00
Clothes line,	1 00
Whitewash brush,	1 00
Rubber cushion,	2 00
Clothes basket,	50
Tubs,	2 00
Blankets,	3 00
Two horse blankets,	2 00
Oak and pine plank,	6 00
Three picks,	2 85
Horse sled,	20 00
Farm Wagon,	15 00
Corn cutter,	1 90
Cart body,	10 00

\$1515 40

APPRAISAL OF PROPERTY OWNED BY TOWN

Town Farm, valued at		\$5,000 00
Woodland,		150 00
Town House,		1,000 00
Personal property at Alms House,		1,515 40
Town safe,		200 00
Town hearses,		700 00
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		\$8,565 40

SCHOOL HOUSE TAX.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Whole amount assessed,		\$50 96
Collection and abatement,	96	
Paid the District,	50 00	50 96

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Whole amount assessed,		\$129 50
Collection and abatement,	4 50	
Paid the District,	125 00	129 50

DISTRICT NO 10.

Whole amount assessed,		\$51 ³⁸
Collection and abatement,	1 38	
Paid the District,	50 00	51 38

JOSEPH WEBSTER,
WILLIAM R. WHEELER,
EBEN B. WELLS, } Selectmen
of
Salem.

PINE GROVE CEMETERY.

Cash received of former Board,	\$29 85	
for lots, .	21 25	51 10
Paid Nelson Emerson,	\$25 00	
Cash on hand,	26 10	51 10

JOSEPH WEBSTER,	} Selectmen of Salem.
WILLIAM R. WHEELER,	
EBEN B. WELLS,	

THE ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

The school year has been, in the main, one of harmony and quiet progress in the schools. It is an advantage to have the same teacher for successive terms, so long as the teacher is successful and thoroughly interested in the school. A majority of the schools have had this advantage the past year; others have had the same teacher for two terms; and in some cases the teacher had previously taught the same school, or others in the town. Credit is due to the teachers for earnest and faithful endeavors, and for good work accomplished. Suggestions made further on with reference to particular schools may be applicable in a less degree to others, and should be noted by all.

Some of the school-rooms have not been sufficiently cared for by the Committee. Smoke is a nuisance in the school-room: worn out and tottering stove-pipe is unsightly and dangerous. Broken panes of glass, and broken fastenings of blinds, and inefficacious door-catches, are annoyances for whose long continuance there can be no excuse.

The number of school-children in the town, between the ages of five and fifteen years, as reported by the selectmen, is 222: boys, 110, girls, 112. Of such 224 are enrolled as attending school. The *whole* number of scholars thus enrolled is 274.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Miss Mary E. Noyes of Derry,—teacher last year—continued in charge of this school during the first term. On the part of both teacher and pupils the interest in their work appeared to be less than during the preceding year. In the closing examination, little girls did finely : older scholars did well in part. Mr. Charles H. Bates, of Davenport, Mass., was secured for the second and third terms. He came well recommended, and has done excellent work, much improving the school. He has the faculty of securing the good-will of his pupils, and stimulating their interest in their studies. The thorough and efficiently conducted examination at the close of the fall term, with quick movements, and prompt, distinct, and generally correct, answers on the part of the pupils, gave much satisfaction. Good specimens of book-keeping, written spelling, and written solutions of mathematical problems, as well as of penmanship, were on exhibition. The large class in spelling had been drilled on 500 words with good result. The reading was characterized by improved strength of voice, and, in general, good expression. The winter term is in successful progress at the writing of this report. The school-room has been much improved in appearance, funds for the purpose having been raised by an entertainment.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Miss Mary E. Eaton, of No. Haverhill, Mass., taught both terms of this pleasant little school. It was her first school ; but she taught with gentleness and fidelity, and good improvement was made. The progress of little girls in reading, and in the use of figures, was specially noted.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Miss Emma B. Gordon, who taught the preceding fall term, was employed for the first term of this year. She did faithful work, and good progress was secured. In the examination in Arithmetic, the pupils were usually prompt and accurate in definitions and tables; some of them less so in practical working. For the second term, Miss Anna C. Hemphill, of Derry, was teacher. The order was good, and the management. Classes in Algebra, Arithmetic, and other branches did very well. In the examination the method of putting questions was not always the best. There was some want of promptness and distinctness in answering. This term was prolonged two weeks by funds raised by an entertainment given by the school. Increased enthusiasm and determination to accomplish the most possible, are needed in this school. Is it necessary that there should be so many absences of pupils?

DISTRICT NO. 4.

The first term had an unfortunate beginning. The teacher first engaged lacked some qualifications essential to success, and left at the end of the first week without conferring with the Superintendent or the Prudential Committee. She received no wages but board, and no account is made of this week in the statistical tables. After another week, Miss Mary A. Taylor took the school,—her first,—and carried it on successfully through the year. Good order was maintained, and good work done. At the close of the third term, the spelling of all the classes was good, and the recitations in Geography and in mental and written Arithmetic. One class was presented for examination in the whole of Greenleaf's Common School Arithmetic, and two scholars in the last forty-nine pages of the National

Arithmetic. The pupils need to learn to *explain* clearly and effectively their work upon the blackboard, without questions; and some need to acquire a distinct enunciation and louder tone; and, in reading, the power and habit of making better cadences. Commendation must be given for constancy and punctuality in attendance. Lizzie E. Goodhue, now about nine years old, whose home is nearly a mile and a half from the school, has been absent only one-half day in three years. Others have done nobly besides those named in the "Roll of Honor."

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Miss L. E. Harris, of Windham, who had previously taught this school, was employed for both terms, with satisfaction. In the examinations at the end of the terms, the recitations evidenced thorough drilling, in general, though there were occasional failures. As in some of the other schools, there was a nice little class in primary Arithmetic. An easier modulation and better tone are desirable on the part of some of the scholars in reading.

DISTRICT NO 6.—PRIMARY.

The teacher of the first term, Mrs. Helen J. Bunnell, of Henniker, worked hard, gave thorough instruction, and good progress was made. Miss Mary W. Eastman, a teacher of much experience in the schools of Troy, N. Y., took charge of the school at the beginning of the second term, and continued through the year. She has qualities specially fitting her for this department, winning the confidence of the children and making them happy. The examinations showed good work and much improvement in the branches pursued.

It is difficult to keep in good order so large a number

of little children as are found in this school. Still it may be hoped that more may be effected in this direction another year.

DISTRICT NO. 6.—GRAMMAR.

This school was fortunate in having one teacher for the whole year—Miss Susan C. Eastman, of Henniker. Good order was maintained, and thorough instruction given. Special exercises in elocution were practiced, much improvement in reading was secured, and good progress was made in other branches. Some fine work in book-keeping was done, and the writing of compositions was attended to with good results. It was pleasing to see a large and well-trained class in mental Arithmetic. Three classes were specially drilled in fractions, the last term, and bore good tests of proficiency in that part of Arithmetic. It is not necessary to mention other recitations, which showed fidelity on the part of both teacher and pupils.

The school money of this district was sufficient for only two or three weeks of the winter term. About fifty dollars have been contributed by individuals in the district for lengthening the schools, and a larger sum has been raised by entertainments, through the efficiency of Miss S. C. Eastman, who has also given a week's teaching.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

This school had, for the first term, the same teacher as for the corresponding term of the preceding year, Mrs. Della Kimball. Reviews had not been entered upon when the second visit was made, near the close of the term. A part of the recitations and black-board work was good; but a more vigorous management, with constant reviewing would have secured still better results.

The fall term was taught by Mrs. Senie S. Mason, the teacher in District No. 8 during the former year. The school was well managed, excepting perhaps a lack of sufficient review drilling, and good work was done ; but sickness in the district prevented the constant attendance of several pupils a part of the term.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Miss Harriet E. Crosby, of Methuen, a recent graduate of the High School, taught this school both terms. It was a good school, orderly, well-conducted in general, with good results. Miss Crosby possesses the qualities of a good teacher. There were few absences of members the second term. It was unfortunate that the summer term was prolonged till August, while the fall term did not begin till October.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

This school, taught both summer and winter by Miss M. Edna Haseltine, of Ayers Village, Mass., was found in good order at every visit, and well managed ; and the examinations were in general, very satisfactory. Some of the scholars did finely. Miss Haseltine is a good teacher, and in this school she worked faithfully, under some disadvantages. The smallness of the number of scholars is a disadvantage ; and another is the failure of some of the parents to co-operate wisely with the teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Miss Emma F. Goodhue, who had taught other schools in the town with success, was secured as teacher for both terms of this school. The improvement in reading and spelling was gratifying, and good work was

done in other branches. The final examination resembled in vigor, promptness and correctness that referred to in No. 1.

The roll of honor and table of statistics of the schools are appended.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. PERKINS.

Superintendent of Schools of Salem, N. H.

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Containing the names of scholars who have not been absent or tardy during the year; also the names of those who have not been absent, and have been tardy only once, marked thus (t).

District No. 1.—Rosia M. Carey, Grace B. Emerson.

District No. 2.—Martha P. Haseltine, Cora M. Haseltine, Hannah M. Merrill, Hattie F. Merrill.

District No. 3.—Angie B. Head, Lucy A. Nichols, Annie G. Shannon.

District No. 4.—Lizzie E. Goodhue, Effie G. Taylor, Eva B. Taylor, L. Etta Taylor.

District No. 5.—Alonzo H. Woodbury, Charles C. Hunt (t).

District No. 6, Grammar School.—Albert J. Wells.

District No. 6, Primary School.—George H. McDonald.

District No. 8.—Lizzie A. Hall, Nellie J. Hall, Lucy A. Jennings.

District No. 9.—Charles T. Woodbury (t).

District No. 10.—Hattie May Plummer, Simeon Levi Duston (t).

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. I.

Districts.	Terms	Name of Teachers.	No. of weeks.	No. of pupils.	Average atten- dance	No. not absent	Wages of teachers per month	Visits of supt. school com.	Visits of pu- dential com.	Visits of others	Prudential Com.
No. 1.	Summer. Fall.	Mary E. Noyes. Charles H. Bates.	9.8 10	35 43	30 35	5 7	\$30 36	3		25 30	J. Adams Martin.
No. 2.	Winter. Summer.	" Mary E. Eaton.	14 9	36 9	29 8	5 5	40 20	4		16 13	Wm. H. Haseltine.
No. 3.	Fall. Summer.	" Emma B. Gordon.	12 14	9 14	8 13	5 6	20 20	2		7	George J. Pattee.
No. 4.	Summer. Fall.	Anna C. Hemphill. Mary A. Taylor.	6.5 10	18 21	14 20	3 12	20 28	2		27 19	Charles M. Taylor.
No. 5.	Winter. Summer.	" Lottie E. Harris.	10 12	22 17	21 16	11 6	28 26.80	2	1	22 12	Lincoln Hunt.
No. 6. Grammar.	Winter. Summer.	" Susan C. Eastman.	11 10	22 20	21 25	11 9	28 38	2	3	11 45	James Ayer.
Primary.	Fall. Winter.	" Hellen J. Bunnell.	11 11.4	25 45	22 42	6 7	40 32	2	6	12 20	Mrs. Katie P. Read.
No. 7.	Summer. Fall.	Mary W. Eastman. Della Kimball.	11.4 9	38 13	35 11	15 2	32 28	2	5	15 8	Mrs. Ella M. Rogers.
No. 8.	Summer. Fall.	Senie S. Mason. Harriet E. Crosby.	12 10	16 19	13 18	4 12	26 30	3	1	25 21	Charles Woodbury.
No. 9.	Summer. Winter.	" M. Edna Haseltine.	10 12	9 12	8 10	1 2	25 23	2		9	Geo. W. Noyes.
No. 10.	Summer. Fall.	" Emma F. Goodhue.	8.6 12.4	22 18	21 15	2 2	23 23	2		27 21	Phillip Ayer. Charles Plummer.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 2.

Districts.	Terms.	No. of scholars in Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition,	Drawing,	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Algebra.	Philosophy.
No. 1.	Summer.	35	35	24	29	21	11							1
	Fall.	42	34	33	32	20	8	4						1
	Winter.	36	32	32	32	25	15	2				4		1
No. 2.	Summer.	9	9	6	5	4	3							
	Fall.	9	9	6	5	4	3							
No. 3.	Summer.	14	14	13	13	7	3	1			4			
	Fall.	17	17	10	13	7	3	2			3	4	2	
No. 4.	Summer.	22	22	11	14	9	4							
	Fall.	21	21	10	14	11	4							
	Winter.	22	22	15	16	10	4							
No. 5.	Summer.	13	13	6	10	6	3							
	Winter.	17	17	10	15	7	5	2						
No. 6. Grammar	Summer.	29	29	29	27	18	22		22		5	10	5	5
	Fall.	25	25	25	25	16	19		25			10	3	4
	Winter.	22	22	22	22	15	22	8	22	20	3	7	2	2
Primary	Summer.	45	45	20	25	16								
	Fall.	44	44	14	30	12								
	Winter.	38	38	17	25	13								
No. 7.	Summer.	13	13	12	12	4	2							
	Fall.	14	14	13	12	6	5							
No. 8.	Summer.	15	5	13	9	9	4							
	Fall.	18	13	17	16	14	8							
No. 9.	Summer.	9	9	8	9	7	4			2				
	Winter.	11	12	10	10	8	7	6	7					
No. 10.	Summer.	22	21	17	17	11	3							
	Fall.	18	18	13	14	5	4							

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