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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

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Paid State Treasurer \$852 00 County Treasurer 793 22
\$1,645 22
SCHOOL MONEY AND LITERARY FUND.
Paid Dist. No. 1, to Enoch Watson
3, to George P. Clarke 203 55
4, to James M. Carr 98 33
5, to Alfred T. Wood 90 32
6, to S. M. McDuffee 90 06
7, to James C. Crombie 119 73
8, to Charles Spofford 105 26
3 in Candia 1 15
*843 20
PRINTING, STATIONERY AND BLANK BOOKS.
Paid Campbell & Hanscom for printing re-
ports for 1875 \$40 00
Temple & Farrington for blank book 87
Charles C. Grant for sundry articles of
stationery and postage stamps pur-
chased during the year for the town \$2 50
Blanks 72
3 ,22
\$44 09
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COLLECTORS, SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND TOWN CLERK'S SERVICES.
Paid Henry Dockham, in full for 1870 \$3 00
Thomas J. Crombie, in full for 1871 22 37 A. T. Wood, in full for 1873 30 27
Frank T. Colman, in part for 1875 68 40
Kate T. Clarke for services as Superin-
tending School Committee 40 00
Simon G. Prescott, Town Clerk 20 73

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Mrs. Charles Warren for boarding Mrs.	011	~
Wm. Rand	\$11	
Mary Ford for boarding Mrs. Wm. Rand	1	62
A. A. Childs for boarding Mrs Wm.		
Rand	3	25
Mary A. Ives for boarding Mrs. Wm.		
Rand	29	16
Rand Shubael Pease for boarding Mrs. Wm.	20	10
Shubael Pease for boarding Mrs. wm.		0.0
Rand	47	90
I. C. Guptill for medical attedance on		
Dunovan girls	60	70
For supplies furnished for Geo. W.		
Stewart	12	09
	1 ~	00
County of Rockingham for boarding Mrs.		
Ellen Kimball 25 weeks, to Aug.		
24, 1875	75	00
Charles C. Grant for wood furnished		
Dunovan girls	40	00
Henry Dockham for supplies furnished		
to E. S. Emery	143	00
Describe Wallace for coffin and robe	1 70	
Pearson & Wallace for coffin and robe	10	0.0
for Nancy Dunovan	12	00
Pearson & Wallace for coffin and robe		
for E. S. Emery	12	00
I. C. Guptill for medical attendance on		
E. S. Emery	22	60
Mary E. Ball for boarding Albert		
Stevens to March 3, 1876	52	50
M. R. Proctor for digging grave and at-		
tending funeral of Nancy Dunovan	3	0(
J. F. Brown for certificate in Walter	0	
J. F. Brown for certificate in waiter	1	06
Carr case	1	U
Lydia Dunovan for nursing Lucretia	4.3	•
Dunovan	12	00
Pearson & Wallace for coffin and robe		
for Mrs. Hamblet	12	00
Henry Dockham for supplies furnished		
Frank W. Ball	3	71
For car fare of Ellen Kimball from		
Brentwood	3	00
I C Contill for modical attendance on		~(
1. C. Guptill for medical attendance on	1.5	00
Mrs. F. W. Ball	15	U
Robert Patten for extra wood furnished	-	0.4
Dunovan girls while sick	5	0(
James F. Brown for medical attendance		
on George Wells	16	0(

IMPROVEMENTS ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid W. I. Gilbert	\$11	25
John P. Griffin	3	00
Daniel C. Abbott	1	50
Robert Patten	12	52
Geo. G. Griffin, plank, posts and railing	31	06
Benjamin Eaton, plank	4	02
Wm. Emery, for 1873-4	2	00
George P. Clarke	1	20
Mrs. Joseph W. Merrill	2	85
Nathan K. Taylor	12	33
Samuel D. Sherburne	10	00
Wm. M. Neal	1	50
J. P. Buswell	4	50
Samuel Neal	7	50
Charles F. Whittemore	6	75
Wm. Severance	12	30
Jacob P. Chase for Bridge	28	05
Patrick Bannan	2	68
Wm. G. Brown	7	12
Prescott & Clarke	16	46
Charles Stickney	7	35
George B. Savage, 1871	10	07
Prescott & Clarke, powder and spikes	1	23
Fletcher Brown, railing for Bridge	8	68
Dennis Dunovan	18	95
H. Sanborn	13	50
Stephen Pingree	1	20
Stephen Pingree, 1874	2	25
George W. Reed	18	12
George W. Reed, plank	33	78
Horatio G. Smith	14	75
A, D. Emery		78
E. M. Leavitt	12	96
Charles W. Calef	4	91
Enoch Watson	26	41
Charles Bunton	7	25
Samuel D. Sherburn	4	17

\$364 95

BREAKING OUT HIGHWAYS.

Paid Wm. M. Neal	\$5	00
Charles F. Whittemore	5	70
Patrick Bannan	7	05

Albert Pratt	10	81
Wells C. Underhill	14	71
Stephen Kimball	9	00
Benjamin Chase	9	64
Marvin R. Proctor	2	40
F. W. Emery	1	05
E. A. Savage, 1873	3	60
E. A. Savage	2	40
Lary Morrill	1	35
John C. Morrill	1	20
H. Sanborn	6	00
Stephen Pingree	9	45
Stephen Pingree, 1874	3	75
Daniel C. Abbott	3	00
True E. Reed	3	00
Andrew F. Fox	1	50
A. D. Emery	1	50
E. M. Leavitt	6	50
W. I. Gilbert	20	25
Charles W. Calef	15	46
James Ray	1	20
John Ray	8	40
Charles C. Grant	3	00
James M. Carr		67
James M. Carr, 1873	1	35
Robert Patten	3	00
Frank C. Patten	8	25
John P. Griffin	12	00
Henry C. Sanborn	24	40
Wm. Emery		30
George P. Clarke	6	90
Wm. Severance		90
George W. Pingree	10	50
John M. Hall	11	55
Wm. Hall	3	00
Leroy McDuffee	2	85
David R. Ball	4	05

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAXES WORKE	D OUT.
	D 001.
Paid Enoch Watson	
Dennis Dunovan 3 24	
Frank D. Emery	
Francis P. Clarke	
Horatio G. Smith	
George W. Reed	•
Stephen Pingree, 1874	
Wells C. Underhill	
Charles Stickney 2 75	
Patrick Bannan 34 34	
Daniel W. Clark 9 51	
Alfred T. Wood, certificate 1874 2 16	
Frank T. Colman, sundry certificates 22 08	
	\$162 35
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.	
Paid on Thomas J. Crombie's list for 1871:	
Ebenezer Dunham gone from town \$4 69	
Preserved Ford " " " 4 69	
Warren Kelly " " 4 69	
Samuel Clark " " 8 96	
Isaac J. Farrington " " " … 6 69	
John Leavitt	
Richard Emery, deceased 7 49	
William Dickerson, deceased 3 15	
Paid on Alfred T. Wood's list for 1872:	\$54 22
Edwin F. Leavitt gone from town \$3 90 Preserved Ford " " " 2 60	
Warren Kelly " " " 2 60 Richard Emery, deceased	
John S. Couch, wrong tax 4 40	
	\$ 18 70
Paid on Alfred T. Wood's list for 1873:	\$10.10
Daniel Hogan gone from town \$2 81	
Warren Kelly " " 2 60	
Preserved Ford " " " … 1 25	
Oliver Henderson " " " … 1 75	
Estate of Richard Emery 8 65	
-	\$17 06

Paid on Alfred T. Wood's list for 1874:			
Charles W. Small gone from town \$	4 52		
	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		
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Preserved Ford " " "	$\frac{10}{276}$		
	2 76		
777	2 76		
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D. I. A. DI. I. T.	3 02		
	2 00		
	5 72		
Joshua Whidden, on horse, paid in Man-			
chester ·	3 15		
	0 24		
	5 58	6	
		\$51	03
Paid on Frank T. Colman's list for 1875:			
(7)	3 36		
	382		
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A. C. Wallace,	90		
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A 2 2 2 2 2 2	1 50		
Moses W. Kenniston, over tax	1 82		
Samuel Lawrence, over seventy	1 79		
John Davis 2d, cow lost	54		
Horatio G. Smith "	36		
Betsey Roberts "	64		
Daniel C. Abbott, buildings burned	7 41		
		\$75	08
<i>b</i> 1			
		\$216	08
DEBTS PAID.			
Daid Was D. H. Jankin			
Paid Wm. P. Underhill, note and interest \$82	5 23		
Mary Patten, note and interest 117	4 22	A1000	
~		\$1999	45

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid School Dist. No. 8 school house taxes \$-	100	00
School Dist. No. 3 school house taxes	20	00
Sally George, sheep damaged by dogs	5	10
Chas. W. Calef, " " "	2	19
John Davis, 2d " " "	2	92
Chas. Spofford " " "	1	45
Geo. G. Griffin " " "	29	13
Walter Dolbier " " "	18	21
Kate T. Clarke for books furnished poor		
children and school notices	2	63
John C. Morrill for distributing town		
reports	1	50
John C. Morrill for making sheep orders		75
John C. Morrill for carrying town re-		
ports to Manchester to be printed	2	00
Andrew F. Fox for procuring and dis-		
tributing town reports	' 4	50
Charles Goodwin for making sheep or-		
ders and other town business	3	
Henry M. Eaton for surveying highway	3	00
John Davis, 2d, for keeping public wa-		
tering place	2	0()
Asa P. Haselton for services as police		
in 1874'	•9	00
M. R. Proctor for repairing grave yard		
fence and taking care of hearse		- 0
house	4	50
Geo. K. Eaton for carrying Walter Card		- 0
to County Farm	3	
Amos Jackson, public watering trough	1	50
John B. Varick for tools for burying	-	27
ground	7	- 41
Wm. Emery for measuring road for plan	1	83
in 1874	4	
Geo. P. Clark for use of hall	15	
S. S. Griffin for supplies furnished sun-	10	. 00
dry transients, previous to July 20	5	58
T. J. Crombie for damage to horse in	•	, ,,
April, 1874	90	00
Alfred D. Emery for costs in suit for		
gravel, by vote of Town	38	3 00
H. C. Canney for return of births and		
deaths, 1874	4	1 50
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Charles C. Grant, cash paid for legal ad-			
vice	2 00		
S. S. Griffin for keeping public watering			
place	3 00		
G. H. Allen for attendance at court and			
expenses	12 00		
Horatio G. Smith for services in Griffin			
case, 1874	2 50		
Andrew F. Fox, services as town agent	12 00		
Stephen Emery for services on grave yard	12 15		
Train & Teele, services and costs in tak-			
ing deposition of John H. Johnson	44 75		
I. C. Guptill, return of twelve births and			
deaths	3 00		
Grace Wyman for return of five births			
and deaths	1 25		
Alfred D. Emery for services and ex-			
penses in Griffin case for year 1874	12 16		
Alfred D. Emery for services and ex-			
penses in Griffin case for year 1875	6 45		
Charles C. Grant for expenses as town			
agent	33 45		
Charles C. Grant for services as town	00		
agent	21 75		
Charles C. Grant for cash paid out for	8		
witnesses in referee trial	5 7 34	-	
William Colored Classic Colored		\$903	86

OFF TAMES TO THE PROPERTY OF T	30		
SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE	28.		
CHARLES C. GRANT'S BILL.			
CHARLES C. GRANT'S BILL.			
o expenses during the year for use of horse,			
wagon and sleigh, cash paid out, &c.		\$37	62
WELLS C. UNDERHILL'S BIL	L.		
be a beauty and the company and contains			
o cash paid while appraising real estate in	\$2 25		
September	φ <u>Δ</u> Δυ		
Cash paid town clerk of Raymond and	1 50		
others in pauper cases	$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 50 \\ 2 & 40 \end{array}$		
Expense to Portsmouth	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		
Nine meals for selectmen	2 20		
Use of horse, wagon and sleigh fourteen	11 75		
times	11 70	\$20	15
		\$20	10

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CHARLES STICKNEY'S BILL.

To cash paid while appraising real estate in		
September	\$10 50	
Use of horse and wagon seven times	4 50	
<u> </u>		\$15 00

\$72 77

SELECTMEN'S SERVICES. .

1875.	CHARLES C. GRANT'S BILL.		
	13, To one-half day on town business	\$0	75
	22, One-half day at Derry		75
·	27, One-half day settling with T.		
	J. Crombie for damages to		
	horse, April, 1874		75
Apr. 1	to 7, Five days taking invoice	7	50
_	20, One day on town business	- 1	50
May 1	0 to 15, Five days recording invoice		
	and making taxes	7	50
	26, One day making school dis-		
	trict taxes	1	50
	27, One daymaking collector's book	1	50
June	29, One day on town business	1	50
Nov.	18, One day preparing order for		
	hearing on petition for new		
	highway	1	50
	19, One-half day on town business		75
Dec. 1	and 2, Two days on town business	3	00
	4, One day settling accounts	1	50
	5, One-half day on town business		75
	11, One-half day on hearing for new		
	highway		75
	15, One day at Concord to settle		
	with State treasurer	1	50
	27, One day laying out highway		
	and other business	1	50
	One-half d. revising jury list, &c.		75
	29, One day on town business	1	50
1876.			
Jan.	8, To one day settling accounts	1	50
Feb.	5, One day settling accounts	1	50
4.00.	o, one day setting accounts	-	30

Feb.	17, 18,	One day on town business One-half day at Manchester on	1	50		
	19,	business One day making check-lists		75		
		and warrants	1	50		
21,	22,	Two days preparing accounts	3	00		
	23,	One day on town business	1	50		
	26.	One day at Manchester and				
		Candia, and to pay notes	1	50		
March	1,	One day with auditors	1	50		
				_	\$51	00
1875.						
Sept.	To	four days appraising real estate Cash paid showing land and se-	\$6	00		
		lectmen's expenses	2	43		
		·			\$8	43
					\$ 59	43
1875.		WELLS C. UNDERHILL'S BILL				
March	13, T o	one-half day on town business	\$0	75		
	27,	One half day settling damages				
		on T. J. Crombie's horse		75		
	29,	One-half d. on pauper business		75		
Apr. 1	to 8,	Five days taking invoice	7	50		
	20,	One day on town business	1	50		
May 1	to 8,	Five and one-half days making				
		taxes and surveyors books	8	25		
	26,	One day making school house				
		taxes	1	50		
	27,	One d. making collectors book	1	50		
	28,	Two-thirds d. on town business	1	00		
June	29,	One-half day on town business		75		
Aug.	3,	One-half day to Derry on pauper business		75		
Sept.	7 to 30,	Sixteen and one-half days ap-				
		praising real estate	24	75		
Oct.	4,	One day at Raymond on pauper				
		business	1	50		
	8,	One-half d. on pauper business		75		
	28,	One day at Portsmouth	1	50		
Nov	1 2	One-half day on road case		7.5		

Dec. 1	1, 2,	Two days copying Sept. appraisal and other town busi-				
•	4,	ness One day settling bills against	3	00		
		town	1	50		
	11,	One-half day on road hearing		75		
	27,	One-half day laying outroad.		75		
1876.						
Jan.	8, To	One day settling bills against				
		town	1	50		
	18,	One day making return of lay- ing out road and other town	1	50		
Feb.	5,	One day sottling hills against	1	50		
r co.	٠,	One day settling bills against town	1	50		
		One day making check-lists				
	~ .	and warrants	1	50		
	24,	One-half day at Chester on pan-		m =		
		per business Three days settling with col-		75		
		lectors and preparing accts.				
		for printing	4	50		
March	1,	One day with auditors		50		
					\$73)(
1875.		CHARLES STICKNEY'S BILL.				
March	13. To	o one-half day on town business	\$0	75		
	27,	One-half day settling damage	~ -	• •		
		on T. J. Crombie's horse		75		
April	1,	One day taking invoice	1	50		
	20,	One day on town business	1	50		
	29,	One day on town business	1	50		
May	18,	One day at Manchester on town			•	
	0.0	business	1	50		
Luno	$\frac{28}{90}$	One-half day on town business		75 75		
June	7 to 30,	One-half day on town business		(1)		
эсри.	. 10 00,	Sixteen and one-half days appraising real estate	24	75		
Dec.	1, 2,	One and one-half days on town	~ 1			
		business	2	25		
	4,	One day settling bills against				
		town	1	50		

	11,	One-half day on road hearing		75		
	27,	One-half day laying out road		75		
1876.						
Jan.	8, To	one day settling bills against			18.	
		town	1	50		
Feb.	5,	One day settling bills against				
		town	1	50		
	24,	One-half day settling with col-				
•		lector		75		
March	1,	One day with auditors	1	50		
					\$44	25

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Town of Auburn in account with Charle	es C. Gra	nt,
Treasurer.	Dr.	
Paid state and county taxes \$1645	22	
School money and literary fund 843		
	09	
Collectors, superintending school com-		
mittee, and town clerk 184	77	
Support of paupers 593	88	
Improvements on highways 364	95	
Breaking out highways 246	64	
Non-resid't highway taxes worked out 162	35	
Abatement of taxes 216	09	
Debts paid 1999	45	
Miscellaneous bills 903	86	
Selectmen's expenses 72	77	
Selectmen's services 176	68	
Services and expense of auditors, and		
expense of selectmen 750	00	
Balance in treasury 583	78	
	\$8045	23
Town of Auhurn in account with Charles	"	
Town of Auburn in account with Charle	s C. Gra	nt,
Town of Auburn in account with Charle Treasurer,	"	nt,
Treasurer,	s C. Gra	nt,
Treasurer, Received of A. F. Fox, balance in treasury,	s C. Gra Cr.	nt,
Treasurer, Received of A. F. Fox, balance in treasury, March, 1875	s C. Gra Cr.	nt,
Treasurer, Received of A. F. Fox, balance in treasury, March, 1875	s C. Gra Cr.	nt,
Treasurer, Received of A. F. Fox, balance in treasury, March, 1875	s C. Gra Cr.	nt,
Treasurer, Received of A. F. Fox, balance in treasury, \$1 March, 1875 \$1 Henry Dockham, collector for 1870, 200 Thomas J. Crombie, collector for 1871, 380	s C. Gra Cr. 77	nt,
Treasurer, Received of A. F. Fox, balance in treasury, March, 1875 \$1 Henry Dockham, collector for 1870, 200 Thomas J. Crombie, collector for 1871, in full 380	s C. Gra Cr. 77	nt,
Treasurer, Received of A. F. Fox, balance in treasury, \$1 March, 1875 \$1 Henry Dockham, collector for 1870, 200 Thomas J. Crombie, collector for 1871, 380	s C. Gra Cr. 77 00 93 00	nt,
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I hereby certify that the above account is correct.

CHARLES C. GRANT, Town Treasurer.

We hereby certify that the above account is correct.

CHARLES C. GRANT,
WELLS C. UNDERHILL,
CHARLES STICKNEY,

Selectmen
of
Auburn.

STATEMENT.

The town of Auburn owes the following notes including interest to March 1, 1876:

William Hoyt	Ø1.407	00		
William Hoyt				
Melinda E. Severance	586	74		
John Ordway	2134	13		
Carrie A. Copp	364	12		
Samuel F. Heath	363	79		
George E. Heath	212	60	*	
Moses Webster	181	05		
Robert Heath	675	22		
James Benson, jr	482	72		
			\$6407	37
Due from A T Wood collector for 1979	¢100	00		
Due from A. T. Wood, collector for 1873	\$100			
Due from A. T. Wood, collector for 1874	450	00		
Due from Frank T. Colman, collector for				
1875	572	00		
Due from the town of Hooksett	16	00		
Balance in the treasury	583	78		
y			\$1721	78
Balance against the town	•••••		\$4685	59

CHARLES C. GRANT, \ Selectmen

Wells C. Underhill, of Charles Stickney, Auburn.

Auburn, March 1, 1876.

This certifies that we have this day examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen and town treasurer, and find them correctly cast, with proper vouchers for the several charges, and we recommend that the town allow the same.

KENDRICK EMERY, ALFRED D. EMERY, PIKE CHASE,

SCHOOL REPORT.

To the Citizens of Auburn the following Report is respectfully submitted:

Our schools have perhaps been as prosperous during the past year as can be expected under existing circumstances. In view of the defects in our educational system, we have no particular fault to find with any school; but leaving the accompanying statistics and list of names to speak for the year just ending, let us consider what can be done for the improvement of our schools during the coming year. It is of the greatest importance that pupils should attend school *constantly*, and, also, that they be in their places *promptly* morning and afternoon.

You will see, from the roll of names in this report, how few have been promptly present every day during any term of the year. This evil is too obvious to need discussion; you are well aware that the matter cannot be regulated by teachers; that the responsibility rests almost wholly with you, the parents.

You will notice that the largest districts in town, were one, two and three, having in all seventy-eight pupils, report but ten who were neither absent nor tardy during the winter term and thirteen in the summer. Twelve of the thirteen belonging to one district. Of course there are times when absence from school is excusable, but so much irregularity can be avoided, and I appeal to you to improve upon this state of things the coming year.

I also ask your cooperation, which you have given to some extent in past months, with the next committee in regard to text-books, a matter which has been brought before you again and again. While a variety of books for reference would be desirable, a uniformity of those in which daily lessons are assigned is *essential* to real success in the school room; different kinds of geographies, arithmetics and grammars in a school, give rise to an unwarrantable number of classes and to those

of so few numbers that there cannot be found the interest which is likely to be awakened by competition, in larger classes, and which leads to prosperity in study as naturally and surely as in any business of life.

If parents would carefully ascertain the title in full before purchasing, the right books could be more easily obtained, and the classes would gradually diminish in number, giving the teacher more time for each class, and the greater interest would be forthcoming. I respectfully recommend that text-books of the following kinds be purchased by those requiring new ones for the coming summer terms:

Arithmetics—Greenleaf's National, Common School, New Intellectual and Primary; Geographies—Warren's Common School and Primary; Readers—Monroe's Series; Spellers—Worcester's Pronouncing (Cambridge Edition); History—Campbell's Concise School History of U. S.; Writing books—Payson, Dunton & Scribner's; I make no suggestion with regard to the grammar, believing that a change is especially needed in this book, and having done nothing about it during the year, since it is lawful to make a complete change in only one series of books yearly.

Your attention has also often been called to the plain fact that the schools are very destitute of maps, globes, charts and reference books. A small amount of money, appropriated annually, by the town, would, in a few years, bring about great improvement in this respect.

I have been glad to find recorded, in School Registers, the names of so many citizens who have visited the schools, and I ask you to assist in the school work of our town by still more frequent visits: it will prove to teachers and scholars, your interest in what they are doing, and serve as a stimulus and encouragement to them, while you will be able to see more clearly the needs of the schools.

One thing more I would earnestly recommend,—that the Town System of school management be adopted in Auburn. A committee of three persons could spend more time for the schools than one can possibly do. Much might be accomplished by a more extended supervision and a general examination of

teachers whom the committee of three employed, would be nore likely to result in obtaining thorough instructors than when prudential committees employ and afterwards send to the superintending committee for examination, sometimes on the very day when the term begins, and when the school is waiting the presence of the teacher. Examination should precede the employment of teachers. Let us try the new system, for one year at least; let us be ready to thoroughly test any measure which may result in benefit to the youth of our town; let us endeavor, in every practicable way, to improve our schools to such an extent, that it might be said, The schools of Auburn are better in all respects than those of any other town of its size in New Hampshire.

The following are the names of those who have not been absent or tardy during each term:

NUMBER ONE.—First Term, Eddie Chase; Second, Nat Tilton.

Number Two.—First Term, Henry Cutting, John Canfield, Clara Davis, Rosa Lufkin, Josie Leavitt, Mary Pratt, Carrie Canfield, Georgia Davis, Ida Emery, Belle Leavitt, Cora Mc-Kinley, Fred Ray; Second, Cora Emery, Josie Leavitt, Fred Ray.

NUMBER THREE.—First Term, none; Second, none; Third, Ned Chase, Katie Gilbert, Charlie Preston, Harry Gilbert, Angie Heselton, Freddie Preston.

Number Four.—First Term, Clara Carr, Francena Bassett, Cora Carr, Ella Grant; Second, Clara Carr, Cora Carr, Charlie Richardson.

Number Five.—First Term, Isabelle Wood, Annie Davis, Abia Davis, Willie Wallace: Second, Josie Davis, Annie Davis.

Number Six.—First Term, Burton McDuffee, Frank McDuffee.

Number Seven.—First Term, Nellie Buswell, George Leach, Bennie Reed, Herbert Crombie, Shirley Prescott, Alice Reed; Second, Lula Crombie, Herbert Crombie.

NUMBER EIGHT .-- First Term, none; Second, School in session.

KATE T. CLARKE.

S. S. Committee.

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