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## TOWN OFFICERS.

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*Selectmen :*

WILLIAM P. ABBOTT,  
SAMUEL B. CHADWICK,  
JOHN C. PEARSON.

*Town-Clerk :*

CHARLES E. CHADWICK.

*Treasurer :*

WILLIS G. BUXTON.

*Collector of Taxes :*

WILLIAM D. COLBY.

*Auditors :*

LUTHER GAGE,  
WALTER E. SWEATT.

*School Committee :*

REV. FRANK HALEY,  
DR. A. C. ALEXANDER.

*Supervisors of Check-List :*

CHARLES J. ELLSWORTH.  
HENRY C. WADE,  
JOSEPH G. EASTMAN.

# DETAILED STATEMENT

OF THE

## EXPENDITURES OF THE TOWN OF BOSCAWEN, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1885.

State tax paid state treasurer,	\$1,636.00	
County tax paid county treasurer,	1,609.81	
	\$3,245.81	

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid as follows :

1884.

	March 20.	George Neller, balance precinct tax 1883,	\$25.00
		“ “ lighting lamp on engine-house,	12.00
		“ “ lighting lamp on twin bridge,	17.00
	22.	Republican Press Association, printing,	39.50
	29.	F. D. Johnson, digging grave,	2.00
		Samuel Choate, sheep killed by dogs,	19.35
April	7.	George Noyes, printing,	1.00
		F. J. Plumer, digging grave,	2.00
	15.	Richard Pevare, sheep killed by dogs,	26.23
	26.	F. D. Johnson, digging grave,	2.00
May	12.	Northern Railroad, freight,	10.05
	26.	Josiah B. Sanborn, collector's book, &c.,	1.75
		F. D. Johnson, digging grave,	2.00
		S. A. Ambrose, expense, trial of road-machine,	7.62
June	16.	S. B. Chadwick, cash paid bounty on wood-chucks,	5.00
	28.	S. B. Chadwick, cash paid bounty on wood-chucks,	8.00
	29.	C. W. Carter, expense trial of road-machine,	3.63

June	29.	C. E. Chadwick, copying,	\$7.50
		L. W. Conch, ice 1881-1882, Penacook drinking-fountain,	20.00
		Dr. J. H. French, appropriation Grand Army of the Republic,	20.00
July	5.	Webster Whitney, bounty on woodchucks,	.60
		Everett Durgin, bounty on grasshoppers,	.75
	10.	Dr. L. M. Knight, return of births and deaths, county farm,	9.00
		George Neller, for precinct committee,	75.00
		Charles Huntoon, bounty on woodchucks,	.70
	21.	Daniel Webster and others, bounty on woodchucks,	5.60
Aug.	26.	W. D. Howser, bounty on woodchucks,	1.70
		W. P. Burpee, sheep killed by dogs,	2.15
		S. B. Chadwick, cash paid bounty on woodchucks,	10.00
		Daniel Flint, repairs on Fellows house,	6.00
	4.	F. D. Johnson, digging grave,	2.00
	25.	Samuel W. Morrison, bounty on woodchucks, N. S. Webster, water-trough,	3.90 3.00
Sept.	10.	J. W. Bent, digging grave,	2.00
	27.	B. F. Butler, constable, notifying town officers,	11.37
		Cyrus Runnells, surveyor town line,	3.00
	30.	H. O. Morrill, damage to carriage,	5.00
Oct.		George Neller, on precinct tax,	100.00
	9.	N. S. Gale, hardware,	.50
	18.	Hunneman & Co., hose and coupling,	40.00
Nov.	24.	Chase & Streeter, legal fees,	5.00
	29.	Asa M. Gage, bounty on grasshoppers,	87.00
		Everett W. Durgin, care of town hall,	5.35
		Richard Pevare, water-trough, Robert Wier and others, bounty on woodchucks,	3.00 4.00
Dec.	1.	Chandler Eastman, work on road-machine,	8.00
	3.	C. C. Bean, coal for engine-house,	24.00
	5.	Stevens & Duncklee, lantern for bridge,	3.50
	27.	J. H. Story, digging grave,	2.00

Dec.	27.	F. D. Johnson, digging grave,	\$2.00
	29.	W. P. Abbott, cash paid bounty on wood- chucks,	18.40
		F. J. Plumer, digging grave,	2.00
		W. P. Abbott, sheep killed by dogs,	1.07
1885.			
Jan.	6.	Torrent Engine Co., pay-roll,	250.00
		George Neller, on precinct tax,	75.00
		I. Baty, stove for engine-house,	25.50
	15.	W. P. Abbott, expense on road machine,	5.65
	24.	E. C. Eastman, outstanding bill,	7.21
	31.	S. B. Chadwick, cash paid bounty on wood- chucks,	10.00
		Benjamin Pritchard, work on out-building,	14.80
		Geo. L. Pillsbury, cash " "	28.40
Feb.	3.	Wallace Burleigh, sheep killed by dogs,	1.29
	9.	W. P. Abbott, wood for town hall,	4.25
		E. G. Cate and others, bounty on wood- chucks,	.80
		Burbank Brothers, lumber for out-building,	28.51
	21.	J. F. Stoneham, digging graves, &c.,	3.50
		E. E. Graves, return of births and deaths Jan. 1, 1885,	5.75
		N. S. Gale & Co., hardware,	2.40
		C. M. & A. W. Rolfe, sash, &c.,	.80
		Dr. W. H. Hosmer, return of births and deaths,	1.00
		Mary L. Dodge and sisters, water-trough,	3.00
	26.	Town of Webster, care of Beaver Dam cem- etery,	3.75
		C. W. Carter, nails and spikes,	3.01
		S. G. Noyes, school-books,	2.90
		Mrs. F. S. French, land for out-building,	10.00
		S. B. Chadwick, board of selectmen,	10.00
	27.	S. G. Noyes, printing,	5.75
		S. B. Chadwick, horse hire and cash paid out,	8.79
		Dr. J. J. Dearborn, return of births and deaths,	1.25
		J. C. Pearson, use of team, postage, &c.,	15.00

Feb.	27.	Rev. Frank Haley, school books,	\$1.96
		George Neller, balance of precinct tax for 1884,	50.00
		George Neller, lighting lamp on engine-house, 1884,	12.00
		George Neller, lighting lamp on twin bridge, 1884,	17.00
	28.	William P. Abbott, use of team and cash paid out,	15.00
		Daniel Flint, to work on Fellows house and cash paid,	2.82
		Isaac K. Gage, water-trough,	3.00
		Willis G. Buxton, attorney fees,	21.70
		William D. Colby, collector, discount on taxes paid July 1, 1884,	283.20
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			\$1,614.21

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

1884.	Paid as follows :		
March	11.	M. W. Bowles, work, 1883,	\$3.50
	20.	Frank Peverly, lighting Canterbury bridge,	15.00
	29.	Ben W. Rowell, breaking road,	5.40
April	5.	Geo. P. Chadwick, “	1.85
	26.	Henry Atkinson, plank,	6.48
	29.	J. G. Eastman, breaking roads, 1883,	1.00
June	28.	N. S. Webster, surveyor, highway tax in part,	60.00
	29.	F. A. Colby, work on roads,	3.22
		E. W. Atkinson, work with road machine,	22.00
		H. S. Annis, repairs on road machine,	2.58
		J. Hadlock, for road machine,	250.00
		E. W. Atkinson, work,	2.95
		E. W. Atkinson, surveyor, highway tax in part,	14.39
		F. L. Gerrish, “ “	50.00
		Ira N. Colby, “ “	28.00
		W. B. Burpee, “ “	17.00
		J. V. Smith, work with team,	4.50
		Ira N. Colby, work on road,	6.70
		Joseph Crowell, surveyor, highway tax in part,	27.99



June	29.	Samuel Choate, surveyor, highway tax in part,	\$25.37
		John F. Colby, work, 1883,	2.70
		William Marden, work, 1883,	3.00
	30.	W. P. Abbott, surveyor, highway tax in part,	17.75
July	5.	Hollis Towne, " "	34.79
		Leonard T. Silver, work, 1883,	14.25
		E. W. Durgin, " "	.75
		N. S. Webster, work, etc., 1883,	11.90
		Daniel Flint, work, 1883,	3.00
		Geo. W. Fisher, surveyor, highway tax in part,	24.60
		E. G. Cate, " "	8.85
		N. S. Webster, work,	20.23
		J. H. Flanders, work, 1883,	13.83
		W. D. Howser, " "	10.00
		D. D. Webster, " "	.75
	26.	Burbank Bros., plank,	29.60
Aug.	30.	Nathan Colby, surveyor, highway tax in part,	60.00
		Frederick Gilman, work with road machine,	15.00
		A. W. Folsom, work,	2.25
		Geo. W. Fisher, surveyor, work,	11.75
Sept.	6.	W. B. Burpee, work, 1883,	2.34
		W. P. Abbott, breaking roads, 1883,	2.19
	11.	Frank Peverly, lighting Canterbury bridge,	15.00
	17.	E. W. Atkinson, cutting bushes,	6.75
	23.	Frederick Gilman, surveyor, highway tax in part,	30.00
	24.	Batchelder & Robinson, timber and plank,	63.00
	27.	Nathan Colby, work at trial road machines,	9.00
		Samuel Choate, surveyor, highway tax in part,	10.40
		Nathan Colby, " "	47.24
	30.	H. O. Morrill, work, 1882,	5.00
Oct.	6.	E. B. Atkinson, cutting bushes,	6.00
	29.	Ira N. Colby, work and timber,	6.50
Nov.	12.	J. F. Stoneham, work on Academy sewer,	6.23
	19.	Frank Peverly, lighting Canterbury bridge to date,	3.12
	24.	L. C. Whitney, surveyor,	36.45
	27.	Geo. L. Pillsbury, work on Academy sewer,	50.81

Nov.	27.	J. V. Smith, drawing stone for Academy sewer,	\$10.90
		S. W. Morrison, lumber and work on Academy sewer,	18.75
		S. B. Chadwick, cash paid on Academy sewer,	14.05
	29.	Nathan Colby, surveyor, highway tax in part,	60.00
		W. B. Burpee, work,	9.00
Dec.	27.	Burbank Bros., lumber for outbuilding,	36.98
		N. S. Webster, surveyor, highway tax in part,	26.00
		Joseph Crowell, surveyor, highway tax in full,	7.30
		Foss & Merrill, survey and plan of survey for suspension bridge,	11.50
		N. S. Gale & Co., bridge lamp,	1.00
1885.			
Jan.	31.	F. L. Gerrish, surveyor, highway tax in part,	20.00
		E. G. Cate, surveyor, highway tax in full,	7.29
		Ira N. Colby, surveyor, work,	3.75
		Geo. L. Pillsbury, work on Academy sewer,	3.20
Feb.	21.	A. K. Flanders, breaking roads,	1.25
		W. P. Burpee, “	1.95
		Geo. W. Fisher, “	7.37
	26.	Hollis Towne, “	8.45
		Roswell Pritchard, work,	3.46
		Geo. H. Carter, stone for Academy sewer,	5.00
	27.	Joseph Crowell, breaking roads,	2.00
		T. L. Dowlin, work,	1.50
		N. S. Webster, surveyor, highway tax in full, etc.,	7.98
		Samuel Choate, work,	2.00
		W. P. Abbott, surveyor, highway tax in full, etc.,	12.34
		Daniel Flint, work on Academy sewer,	2.10
	28.	James Connor, surveyor, highway tax,	224.36
		H. S. Ferrin, breaking roads in 1883 and 1884,	8.77
		H. S. Ferrin, damage to land by winter road,	8.00
		Asa M. Gage, work on road machine,	1.50
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			\$1,660.71

## AID TO THE POOR.

Paid as follows :

1884.		
June	23. John Shaw, aid to F. J. Plumer,	\$27.30
	29. Foote & Morse, aid to Toussaint family, (transient),	25.50
July	5. S. B. Chadwick, aid to transient persons, Daniel Flint, aid to Mrs. D. Fellows, W. W. Kilborn, aid to transient persons,	1.00 31.50 .50
	26. C. M. & M. Co., rent Toussaint family,	9.00
Aug.	11. S. B. Chadwick, aid to L. Bassett family,	6.50
Sept.	15. G. E. Kimball, aid to F. J. Plumer,	13.50
Nov.	29. W. H. Allen, aid to Mrs. D. Fellows, Daniel Flint, " "	2.00 31.50
	Alonzo Gordon, " Eddie Gordon,	4.00
1885.		
Jan.	26. Alonzo Gordon, aid to Eddie Gordon, C. E. Chadwick, school-books,	9.00 4.63
	31. J. P. Sanders & Son, aid to L. A. Gordon, Brown & Foote, aid to J. Hanson family, S. B. Chadwick, aid to tramps, J. P. Sanders & Son, aid to J. Hanson family, W. P. Abbott, by order county commissioners, Charles M. Boyce, aid to tramps,	3.00 5.00 2.25 8.75 15.00 3.00
	27. C. E. Chadwick, aid to poor,	2.00
Feb.	28. Daniel Flint, aid to Mrs. D. Fellows, S. B. Chadwick, aid to tramps, W. W. Kilborn, "	19.50 1.00 .50
	\$137.99 paid by Merrimack county.	
		\$225.73

## SCHOOLS.

Appropriation for 1884, \$1,751.35

Paid as follows :

*District No. 1.*

C. W. Carter, prudential committee, \$231.33

*District No. 2.*

William P. Abbott, prudential committee,	\$79.00
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*District No. 3.*

Edgerton Raymond, prudential committee,	190.00
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*District No. 4.*

Charles A. Folsom, prudential committee,	83.92
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*District No. 5.*

Joseph G. Eastman, prudential committee,	95.57
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*District No. 6.*

Edmund W. Atkinson, prudential committee,	118.53
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*District No. 7.*

Joseph Chandler, prudential committee,	953.00
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	\$1,751.35
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Rev. Frank Haley, school committee,	40.00
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Dr. A. C. Alexander, " "	10.00
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	\$1,801.35
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## SCHOOL-HOUSE TAX.

1884.

District No. 3,	\$75.00
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“ “ 6,	25.00
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	\$100.00
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Paid as follows :

May 31.	Edgerton Raymond, Dis. No. 3, school-house tax in part,	\$30.00
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June 29.	Edgerton Raymond, school-house tax in full,	45.00
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Sept. 27.	Charles W. Hardy, Dis. No. 6, school-house tax in full,	25.00
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	\$100.00
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## ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1885.

Feb.	28.	William D. Colby, collector, list of 1881,	\$26.31
		“ “ “ 1882,	12.28
		Willis G. Buxton, “ “ 1883,	50.54
		William D. Colby, “ “ 1884,	53.85
		“ “ highway taxes,	
		1883,	25.02
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			\$168.00

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAXES WORKED, LIST  
OF 1883.

Paid as follows :

1884.

July	5.	Erwin G. Cate, surveyor,	\$5.88
		Charles J. Rand, “	9.26
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			\$15.14

## NOTES PAID.

Paid as follows :

1884.

July	10.	Isaac P. Sargent, note and interest,	\$542.36
	26.	Samuel Choate, “	366.38

1885.

Jan.	31.	Interest on Shepard Phillips's note to Feb- ruary 1, 1885,	59.67
Feb.	26.	School-district No. 7 in Boscawen, note and interest,	304.46
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			\$1,272.87

## TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid as follows :

1884.

April	7.	Walter E. Sweatt, services as auditor, March 1, 1884,	\$2.00
June	23.	Henry C. Wade, services as supervisor,	10.00
Dec.	27.	Charles J. Ellsworth, “ “	10.00

1885.

Jan.	15.	Henry C. Wade, services as supervisor,	\$5.00
Feb.	26.	J. C. Pearson, services as selectman and overseer of poor,	68.00
	27.	Luther Gage, services as auditor, March 1, 1884,	2.00
		Joseph G. Eastman, services as supervisor,	15.00
		S. B. Chadwick, services as selectman and overseer of poor,	81.00
		C. E. Chadwick, services as town-clerk,	39.00
		W. G. Buxton, services as treasurer,	50.00
		W. P. Abbott, services as selectman and overseer of poor,	100.00
		William D. Colby, services as collector of taxes, 1884,	125.00
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			\$507.00

## POLICE.

1885. Paid as follows:

Feb.	27.	Charles M. Boyce,	\$25.00
		Henry Sweet,	13.00
		Ira S. Towle,	10.00
		Roscoe S. Boyce,	10.00
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			\$58.00

## RECAPITULATION.

State and county taxes,	\$3,245.81
Miscellaneous,	1,614.21
Roads and bridges,	1,660.71
Aid to the poor,	224.43
Schools,	1,751.35
School-house tax,	100.00
School committee,	50.00
Abatement of taxes,	168.00
Non-resident highway taxes worked,	15.14
Notes paid,	1,272.87
Town officers,	507.00
Police,	58.00
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	\$10,667.52

## TOWN LIABILITIES.

Notes to Charles D. Glitten,	\$1,500.00
Shepard Phillips, note,	500.00
Note to Gordon Burleigh,	400.00
Estimated interest unpaid,	170.00
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	\$2,570.00

## ASSETS.

Due from J. P. Hubbard, collector, 1875,	\$10.24
W. D. Colby, " 1881,	62.36
" " " 1882,	356.07
W. G. Buxton, " 1883,	45.26
W. D. Colby, " 1884,	617.89
" " " highway tax, 1883,	59.14
Cash in hands of treasurer (including dog tax, \$39),	128.87
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	\$1,279.83
Balance against the town March 1, 1885,	\$1,290.17

WILLIAM P. ABBOTT,  
SAMUEL B. CHADWICK,  
JOHN C. PEARSON,

*Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor in Boscawen.*

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The undersigned, auditors of the accounts of the selectmen and treasurer for the year 1884-'85, report that they have examined the accounts, and find the receipts to have been from March 1, 1884, to March 1, 1885, \$10,798.83; and the disbursements by the treasurer upon outstanding orders, and orders drawn by the selectmen, to have been \$10,669.96, leaving in the hands of the treasurer a balance of cash, \$128.87, all of which are properly vouched and correctly cast.

LUTHER GAGE,  
WALTER E. SWEATT,  
*Auditors.*

March 2, 1885.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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The treasurer respectfully submits his annual report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending March 3, 1885 :

Cash received from former treasurer as per last report,	\$177.57
George W. Marsh, tax paid,	1.73
W. D. Colby, collector of taxes in 1881,	26.31
"    "    "    "    1882,	235.41
W. G. Buxton, "    "    1883,	221.53
W. D. Colby, "    "    1884,	7,394.87
W. D. Colby, collector of highway taxes, list of 1883,	49.42
George W. Taft, for alterations upon road-machine,	17.00
State of New Hampshire, railroad tax,	563.61
savings-bank tax,	1,172.88
literary fund,	127.12
Bounty on woodchucks,	68.70
grasshoppers,	87.75
Merrimack county, aid to paupers,	137.93
Execution <i>v. Rines et als</i> ,	117.00
Cash from selectmen,	400.00
	\$10,798.83

### EXPENDITURES.

Payment of outstanding orders,	\$7.49
Payment of orders drawn by selectmen,	
numbered from 1 to 230 inclusive,	10,662.47
Cash on hand March 3, 1885,	128.87
	\$10,798.83

WILLIS G. BUXTON,  
*Treasurer.*



## SCHOOL REPORT.

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Judged by standards at present applicable to our schools, our school year has been a fairly successful one. The success of some of our teachers, in the face of grave obstacles, has been a continual surprise to me. But our whole system is at fault in its present workings; and in the near future it must become still more wasteful, unless radical changes be made. I do not think it can be an overstatement to say, that, outside of our cities and larger villages, one half of the school-money in New Hampshire is wasted. In other words, our schools might do and ought to do twice the solid work now done or now possible.

I do not know, and cannot guess, how long we shall consent to be blind to facts which lie open before our eyes. The school-district system, as it now exists, ought to be abolished or essentially remodelled, adjacent districts consolidated, the schools thoroughly classified, and, so far as possible, graded, a carefully prepared course of study prescribed, thoroughly trained teachers employed, and the pupils ought to be promoted from class to class and from grade to grade only after strict and impartial examination. All this is easily possible, if you will. We have no moral right to withhold at least so much as this from our children. From every point of view, it is our duty to do all in our power for our boys and girls; and what is now recommended is entirely within our power.

Two of our school buildings, giving us three large, sunny rooms, could be used where they now stand, and with slight expense for additional furnishing. The entire attendance during the last term in these six districts, not counting the same

pupil twice, falls short of one hundred pupils—just enough for three good schools of ascending grades, primary, intermediate, and grammar.

Our school-laws allow the use of a liberal percentage of the school-money for the conveyance of children to and from school, and a covered wagon or sleigh could be easily provided for the little ones in rough weather. In addition to what the law allows, this item of expenditure would not be heavy.

In our three smaller districts, for the last term, the whole number of pupils was twenty-nine, and the expense per month \$60! Do we need anything more than this to convince us of the reckless waste of our present system? But this waste cannot be expressed in dollars. We are obliged to hire and “certify” teachers, in some cases but little in advance of their foremost pupils, and in no instance can we secure the services of a teacher who has received a thorough special training for her work. We have, and have had, teachers who have special aptness for their work, who, with a thorough professional training, would soon command a high salary. But we do not accept “aptness,” and a far too limited special preparation and mental equipment, as an open door to any other profession, and in many respects the teacher’s calling is the highest of all professions. In Scotland the teachers, “even in the elementary schools, hold university degrees.” No wise man ever feels his ignorance more keenly than when he attempts to teach a little child. Our primary teachers cannot know too much, and will find ample use for all their knowledge.

Still more: In our schools as now constituted, by reason of a multitude of classes, only a teacher of the rarest executive ability can give more than a few minutes to a class. Much of the work must be hurried, and but little thorough work can be done; and in all our smaller schools the classes lose the stimulus of numbers and of healthful competition.

With slight additional expense we might more than double the efficiency of our schools, and all our pupils might have the privilege of three terms a year.

## DISTRICT No. 1.

First term, Miss Nellie J. Chadwick.

Some, a few, of the pupils seemed determined that this term should not be a success,—a determination which the teacher was unable to overcome. The rest of the pupils were deserving of high praise. Those who tried to learn made fair progress. I cannot justly neglect to say that nothing has shaken my faith in Miss Chadwick's rare aptness to teach, and in the promise of her success should she choose to "try again."

Second and third terms, Miss Carrie A. Craig.

Miss Craig brought rare energy, perseverance, and a large power of work to bear upon this school, and with good success. No teacher has exceeded her in the thoroughness with which she has used the new series of readers. None of the "language lessons" or "heads of composition" were omitted. This teacher was very thorough in her drill of the classes in arithmetic,—indeed, in all her instruction, so far as she had time and means. Worthy of special note was a large class in "Brand's Lessons on the Human Body." This class had seemingly mastered this little book, which, by the way, has been adopted as our text-book on this subject. This school has also been, during the year, under the thorough instruction of Prof. Jackman in music, with excellent results. Permit me again to call your attention to the importance of vocal music in our schools, and to the superior advantages of the Tonic-sol-fa method of instruction, for our children especially.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

*First Term.*

Mabel A. Carter,  
Hattie Colby,  
Ida James,

Aggie Pillsbury,  
Charles H. Carter.

*Second Term.*

Mabel A. Carter,  
Mamie R. Green,  
Mamie F. Huntress,

Charles H. Carter,  
Walter Carter,  
David Perry.

*Third Term.*

Mabel A. Carter,  
 Mary Eastman,  
 Bertha Eastman,  
 Mamie R. Green,

Mamie F. Huntress,  
 Charles H. Carter,  
 Walter Carter,  
 Benj. Smart.

Agnes Pillsbury was absent the first week from illness ; otherwise her name belongs to the roll of honor of the third term.

## DISTRICT No. 2.

First term, Miss Nellie I. Swetland.

The teacher did her best, and with very good success. She was not given a fair chance by reason of the frequent absences of the pupils, and of the withdrawal of a few from the school. Only eight pupils were present at the final examination ; and looking over the record of absences, I am surprised that so much was accomplished.

The second term was taught by Miss Marian H. Seavey,—her third term in this district. On the whole, this was the banner term of our year in its record of attendance. Parents, pupils, and teacher all seem to be deserving of very high praise. The work of both teacher and pupils must be characterized as enthusiastic and successful. Addie M. Woods, Cora E. Hale, and Preston W. Champion did not “miss” in spelling during the term.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

*First Term.*

Cora E. Hale,  
 Fred G. Hale.

*Second Term.*

Cora E. Hale,  
 Charlotte M. Plumer,  
 Addie M. Woods,  
 Eddie A. Gordon,  
 Fred G. Hale,  
 Geo. B. Plumer,  
 Charles H. Rowell.

## DISTRICT No. 3.

Miss Isabel Seavey, teacher.

A very successful year for an ungraded school. The commendations of previous years might all be repeated with added emphasis. Miss Seavey well illustrates how much may be done by one of natural tact and aptness for teaching; how much may be done through her own enthusiasm, grit, persistence, and hard work of mind and heart and will. Thirty colored maps, neat and accurate, represent only one item in the year's work of these earnest pupils. A class of seven mastered their text-book in physiology. Here, too, Prof. Jackman did needed and successful work.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

*First Term.*

Edith S. Durgin,  
Jessie P. Raymond,  
Lucy M. Raymond,  
Elmer Reno,  
Frank H. Durgin.

*Second Term.*

Mabel H. Colby,  
Hannah L. Plumer,  
Jessie P. Raymond,  
Lucy M. Raymond,  
Elmer Reno.

## DISTRICT No. 4.

Miss Georgianna Chandler, teacher.

Five pupils the first term, and three the second. No possibility of class enthusiasm! The teacher was patient and faithful, and the results were good. The examinations were satisfactory. In some branches the progress was marked. Susie Reed did not "miss" in spelling during the first term, and I think the same was true of the second term. During the last term, also, Susie mastered Brand's Lessons on the Human Body, not failing in a single question in this study from the first day to the last.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

*First Term.*

Jennie Hodge,  
Susie Reed.

*Second Term.*

Susie Reed,  
Ashley Whitney.

## DISTRICT No. 5.

Miss Emma C. Eastman, teacher.

Miss Eastman was faithful, earnest, and thorough in effort, and the result was satisfactory. The order seemed to be good,—excellent. Fair progress was made in all branches. The teacher was quite successful in the use of the new readers. Valuable instruction was given from the text-book in physiology. The record of attendance is excellent.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

*First term.*

Bertha M. Eastman,  
Eva M. Simonds,  
Walter H. Eastman,  
Robert J. Simonds,  
Fred Rowe.

*Secund Term.*

Mary L. Eastman,  
Bertha M. Eastman,  
Susie E. Simonds,  
Eva M. Simonds,  
Clarence A. Eastman,  
Walter H. Eastman,  
Robert J. Simonds.

## DISTRICT No. 6.

First term, Miss Hattie B. Little.

A striking characteristic of this teacher was kindness to the little ones. This, combined with fidelity, secured a good degree of success. The school seemed to be under good discipline, and the pupils to a good degree earnest. Very fair improvement in the different classes was evident,—marked progress on the part of some.

Second term, Miss Gustie J. Stone.

All the classes made good progress. Much hard work was done by both the teacher and the pupils, and very well done. Good work was done “at the board,” but some of the pupils failed in explaining their work. Especially good work was done in grammar.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

*First Term.*

Mattie Hardy,  
 Florence Hardy,  
 George Fisher,  
 Winfred Fisher,  
 Levi P. Fisher,  
 Minnie Atkinson.

*Second Term.*

Ava Griffin,  
 Minnie Atkinson,  
 Sadie McClure,  
 Mattie Hardy,  
 Florence Hardy,  
 George Fisher,  
 Levi P. Fisher.

## STATISTICAL STATEMENT.

No. of District.	Term.	No. of Weeks.	Whole No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Wages per month.
No. 1.....	First	10	20	17	\$24.00
" .....	Second	10	20	19	32.00
" .....	Third	10	23	21	32.00
No. 2.....	First	8	13	8½	16.00
" .....	Second	8	15	15	19.00
No. 3.....	First	9	15	14	24.00
" .....	Second	16	26	20	25.00
No. 4.....	First	9	5	4	19.00
" .....	Second	6	3	3	19.00
No. 5.....	First	8	8	7	22.00
" .....	Second	9	11	10	22.00
No. 6.....	First	9	19	17	20.00
" .....	Second	12	22	18	21.00

Respectfully submitted.

FRANK HALEY.



## REPORT OF SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT NO. 7.

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GENTLEMEN: The close of another school year brings the demand for the annual report, and we are happy to say it can be favorable. No changes have been made in the teachers, and the same is true of the school-rooms, for we have the same old-fashioned and dilapidated benches, the same crowded schools, &c. With all these disadvantages it is impossible that the schools should reach as high a plane of excellence as is desirable; in fact, we have no advantages that are not usually obtained in a common district school. We believe, however, that the present year will see changes instituted that will be of great benefit to our schools.

The primary department throughout the year has been taught by Miss Ella F. Stone. The record of this teacher needs no recommendation from me, and the school has been kept up to her excellent standard. Average number of pupils for the year, 55.

### ROLL OF HONOR.

#### *First Term.*

George Bassett	Lizzie Duffy
Burton Coleman	Myrtie Hanson
Albert Meserve	Carrie Hanson
Ben Rolfe	Lula Ladieu
Olin Sargent	Mary Supry
Maggie Carter	Nellie Supry
Agnes Carter	Lucy Sargent
Bertha DeCato	Emma Demars



*Second Term.*

George Bassett	Elva Holmes
Fred Davis	Myrtie Hanson
Louis Demars	Carrie Hanson
Richard Jenkins	Nellie Ingham
Arthur Sargent	Mary Kimball
Maggie Carter	Lula Ladieu
Agnes Carter	Lizzie Ladieu
Bertha DeCato	Josie Riel
Lizzie Duffy	Lucy Sargent
Lilian Holmes	Mary Supry
Susie Taylor	Nellie Supry

*Third Term.*

Eugene Bickford	Maggie Carter
Burton Coleman	Lizzie Duffy
Moses Riel	Lilian Holmes
Arthur Sargent	Bertha Neller

The average attendance and roll of honor for the winter term was much reduced, owing to the inclemency of the weather and sickness.

The grammar school has been under the charge of Mr. Robert Frame throughout the year. This school has been unfortunate for a number of years past by reason of change of teachers, it being an impossibility for any school to prosper under a continuous change of administration. We have been fortunate in this respect by having the same teacher for at least one year; consequently a good degree of improvement has been made.

The winter term has been especially broken up by absences, mostly excusable, although want of interest manifested by parents has contributed largely to swell the number. "In union is strength," and a successful school is always closely allied to the home interests.

Number of different scholars for the year, 63; average, 48.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

*First Term.*

John Ingham	Harlow Rolfe
Harlan Pearson	Michael Spearman
Earl Sargent	Maud Ackerman
Daniel Webster	Mamie Couch
Annie Berry	Nellie Gilman
Fannie Gage	Mamie Maher
Grace Kimball	Mamie Sweatt
Willie Mann	Mary Weir

*Second Term.*

John Ingham	Willie Mann
Harlan Pearson	Earl Sargent
Daniel Webster	Nellie Gilman
Mamie Maher	Grace Kimball
	Mamie Sweatt

*Third Term.*

Charlie Boyce	Maud Ackerman
Nellie Gilman	Grace Kimball
	Mamie Maher

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. ALEXANDER,  
*Supt. School Com. Dist. No. 7.*



