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TREASURER'S REPORT.

ROBINSON BROWN, TREASURER OF GOFFSTOWN FOR 1881.

DR.

\$527 50 Cash on hand March 8, 1881. Charles Morgrage, money refunded on abatement of taxes 16 26 123 23 Received of county railroad tax " 249 40 2,314 21 savings-bank tax . 150 93 literary fund bounty on hawks . 6 80 John Brown, for old plank 1 00 Charles Morgrage, for old plank. 1 00 Alonzo Poor, for old 3 84 plank A. H. Annis, lot in Center graveyard . 4 00 50 00 selectmen of Goffstown. Charles Morgrage, collector for 1879. 234 00George P. Hadley, 2d, collector for 1880-81 8,702 40 Interest on school-fund 23 95 money grange, for use of townhouse for 1881. 56 00 W. A. Holt, for use of lower hall 3 00 **_____ \$12,467** 52

			01.	
By State tax			$$2,576\ 00$	
county tax			1,965 15	
orders paid			6,771 60	
			———— \$11,312 75	

In treasurer's hands at time of settlement with auditors .

\$1,154 77

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ROBINSON BROWN, Treasurer.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The[§]following is the report of the Selectmen of the town of Goffstown for the year ending March, 1882:—.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid	Caleb Stowell, labor on highway		
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 1	\$13 39	
	S. E. Hills, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 1	4 55	
	and broaking rouds, Dist. 100.1		\$17 94
	E. Richards, 2d, labor on high-		
	way and breaking roads, Dist.	10.05	
	No. 2	$46 \ 25$	
	C. C. Hadley, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 2	1 95	
	Wm. Lyman, labor on highway	1 0.5	
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 2	$2 \ 73$	
	O. B. Pierce, labor on highway	4 0.0	
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 2	4 86	
	H. B. Wicom, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 2	71	
	and broaking roads, bist. 100. 2		\$56 50
	S. J. Tenney, labor on highway		
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 3	14 76	
	E. and H. Scribner, labor on		
	highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 3	4 23	
			\$18 99
	A. J. Pierce, labor on highway		
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 4	$20 \ 97$	
	James Ferson, labor on highway	6 61	
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 4	0.01	

Paid	J. G. Dodge, labor on highway				
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 4	\$10	59		
	C. W. Eiszimmer, labor on high-				
	way and breaking out roads,				
	Dist. No. 4	4	10		
	M. B. Jones, labor on highway	-			
	Dist. No. 4	9	86		
	August Stacher, labor on high-	<u>ت</u>	00		
	way and breaking roads, Dist.	0	0 0		
	No. 4	6	38		
				\$51	51
	D. T. Butler, labor on highway				
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 5	8	71		
	C. A. Upham, labor on highway				
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 5	5	55		
	S. B. Gilchrist, labor on highway				
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 5	1	50		
	D. W. Hoit, labor on highway and	-			
	breaking roads, Dist. No. 5.	7	50		
	C. Morgrage, labor on highway	•	00		
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 5	9	85		
		9	00		
	E. W. Cram, labor on highway	-			
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 5	1	17		~~
	4 T TT			\$34	28
	A. J. Hazen, labor on highway				
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 6	\$20	02		
	J. B. Moore, labor on highway				
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 6	8	70		
	Charles Hazen, labor on high-				
	way and breaking roads, Dist.				
	No. 6	1	30		
		-		\$30	02
	Daniel Shirley, labor on highway			400	02
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 7	\$24	00		
	and breaking roads, Dist. NO. 1	φist	00	0.01	00
	D. Woothorseon Jahon an Link			\$24	υų
	D. Weatherspoon, labor on high-				
	way and breaking roads, Dist.	07	0.5		
	No. 8	27	05		
	A. Richards, labor on highway				
	and breaking roads, Dist. No. 8	1	80		
			e	\$28	85
	,				

Paid James McDougall, labor on high-		
way and breaking roads, Dist. No. 9	\$15 00	
Samuel Orr, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 9	5 00	
		\$20 00
A. McDougall, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
10	54 27	
W. L. Roberts, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
10	1 87	***
S. M. Barnard, labor on highway		\$56 14
and breaking roads, Dist. No.	38 90	
		\$38 90
E. C. Emerson, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
12	$18\ 69$	
G. F. Worthley, labor on high- way and breaking roads, Dist.		
No. 12	32 50	
Joseph Tirrell, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
12	$20 \ 43$	
and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
12 J. W. Tirrell, labor on highway	10 80	
and breaking roads, Dist. No.	2 00	
12	2 .80	
highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 12.	2 05	ø
Cyrus George, labor on highway	2 00	
and breaking roads, Dist. No.	4 75	
		\$92 02
Gilman Plumer, labor on high- way and breaking roads, Dist.		
No. 13	31 58	

Paid D. W. Stevens, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
13	\$8 11	
Wm. P. Burpee, labor on high- way and breaking roads, Dist.		
No. 13	4 61	
way and breaking roads, Dist. No. 13	6 33	
	4	\$50 63
B. P. Burpee, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
14 John Greer, labor on roads, cash	29 87	
paid, Dist. No. 14 L. H. Greer, labor on roads, cash	15 55	
paid, Dist. No. 14 N. S. Merrill, labor on roads,	$2 \ 00$	
cash paid, Dist. No. 14.	6 40	
Ira M. Harvey, labor on roads, cash paid, Dist. No. 14.	15 72	
B. Wyman, labor on roads, cash paid, Dist. No. 14.	5 00	
G. W. Fellows, labor on high- way, cash paid, Dist. No. 14	1 60	
J. Watson, labor on roads, cash paid, Dist. No. 14.		
P. C. Cheney Co., labor on roads,	4 10	
cash paid, Dist. No. 14. A. H. George, labor on roads,	$5 \ 20$	
cash paid, Dist. No. 14	11 16	\$96 60
S. J. Wells, labor on roads, cash paid, Dist. No. 15.	$15 \ 82$	****
David Wells, labor on roads,		
cash paid, Dist. No. 15 . T. Worthley, labor on roads, cash	11 30	
paid, Dist. No. 15 L. B. Greer, labor on roads,	2 60	
cash paid, Dist. No. 15 .	3 25	*00.07
		\$32 97

Paid Irad Popaid,	oor, labor on roads. cash , Dist. No. 16	\$45	50	\$45	50
	Harriman, labor on roads, paid, Dist. No. 17	30	21	\$30	
cash	Merrill, labor on roads, paid, Dist. No. 18	21	92	φ90	
paid	lint, labor on roads, cash , Dist. No. 18.	10	22		
cash	s Spencer, labor on roads, paid, Dist. No. 18	10	36		
cash	M. Eaton, labor on roads, paid, Dist. No. 18	14	60		
and 18	itney, labor on highway breaking roads, Dist. No. odbury, labor on highway	3	90		
and 18	breaking roads, Dist. No.	12	00		
	breaking roads, Dist. No.	1	30		
B. Gre No.	er, gravel and plank, Dist. 18	, 19	05	\$93	35
and No.	Faggart, labor on highwaybreaking out roads, Dist.19, 1880, 1881.	36	6 44 ·	000	
and No.	Colby, labor on highway breaking out roads, Dist. 19, 1880, 1881 B. Jones, labor on highway	18	9.7		
a nd 19,	breaking roads, Dist. No. 1881	30) 45		
and	Riley, labor on highway breaking out roads, Dist. 19	2	2 60	\$ 88	46
and	Barrett, labor on highway breaking out roads, Dist. 20	17	7 62	* 00	10

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Paid H. L. Barrett, labor on highway		
and breaking roads, Dist. No. 20	\$0 69	
Wm. Lear, labor on highway and	φ0 05	
breaking roads, Dist. No. 20.	4 10	
Wm. S. Whipple, labor on high-		
way and breaking roads, Dist.	00.04	
No. 20 ⁻ . D. S. Ferson, labor on highway	$29 \ 24$	
and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
20 :	$1^{+}93$	
Mrs. E. J. Ayer	14 95	
N. E. Kimhell, Johan and Lid		\$68 53
N. E. Kimball, labor on high- way and breaking roads, Dist.		
No. 21	$14 \ 25$	
S. Tebbitts, labor on highway and		
breaking roads, Dist. No. 21,		
1879, 1880, 1881	$11 \ 16$	
S. J. Merrill, Dist. No. 21 Peter Merrill, labor on highway	8 45	
and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
21	5 85	
D. L. Merrill, labor on highway		
and breaking roads, Dist No.	7 00	
21	$ \begin{array}{c} \cdot 5 & 20 \\ $	
H. Heath, labor on highway and	00	
breaking roads, Dist. No. 21.	1 17	
		\$46 73
J. B. Gilmore, Dist. No. 22	$52\ 54$	050 F4
J. C. McIntire, labor on highway		\$52 54
and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
23	$27 \ 22$	
S. W. Little, labor on highway		
and breaking roads, Dist. No.	9 10	
L. Stowell, labor on highway,	0 10	
and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
23	$22 \ 70$	

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Paid J. Haselton, labor on highway		
and breaking roads, Dist. No.	\$3 64	
A. Colby, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 23.	$2 \ 21$	
A. R. Pecoy, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.	5	
23	4 20	
and breaking roads, Dist. No.	0.5	
23 A. Colby, labor on highway and	65	
breaking roads, Dist. No. 23.	1 30	\$71 02
V. B. Martin, labor on highway		ψι υ2
and breaking roads, Dist. No. 24	$55 \ 47$	
J. M. Perley, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
24	5 59	
G. W. Towne, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
24	4 59	
breaking roads, Dist. No. 24.	$12 \ 20$	
F. Martin, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 24.	8 95	
S. Kidder, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No. 24 .	7 90	
A. M. Whipple, labor on high- way and breaking roads, Dist.		
No. 24	4 20	
Wm. Kidder, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
24	5 20	\$104 10
G. H. Hoit, labor on highway and and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
25	$39 \ 75$	
E. Richards, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
25	2 60	

Paid A. W. Russell, labor on highway and breaking roads, Dist. No.		
25	\$3 90	
R. Johnson, labor on highway	11 54	
and breaking roads, Dist. No. D. W. Hoit, Dist No. 25 .	$\begin{array}{ccc} 11 & 54 \\ 9 & 60 \end{array}$	
	 \$67 39	
D. G. Davis, Dist. No. 26	8 75	
George Patten, " " 26 .	8 67	
J. B. Pattee, " " 26	5 75	
A. W. Whipple	$5 \ 00$	
F. H. Woodman	3 00	
P. F. Hanay, Jahan and Jaharah	\$31 17	
B. F. Hazen, labor on and break-	15 99	
ing out roads in Dist. No. 27. J. Stiles, labor on and breaking	10,99	
out roads in Dist. No. 27	12 75	
G. Tenney, labor on and break-	12 10	
ing out roads in Dist. No. 27.	1 95	
J. Kidder, labor on and breaking		
out roads in Dist. No. 27	1 83	
S. R. Fillebrown, labor on and		
breaking out roads in Dist.		
No. 27	2 73	
L. Kidder	3 09	
I W Hoit Johan on highman in	\$38 34	
J. W. Hoit, labor on highway in Dist. No. 28, and lumber	34 28	
D. W. Hoit, labor on highway in	0 1 40	
Dist. No. 28 .	3 25	1
G. H. Hoit, stringers and labor.	462	
G. P. Hadley, 2d	1 30	
J. Richards	52	
	\$43 97	
Alvin Hadley, labor on highway		
in Dist. No. 29	13 44	
G. W. Rowe	6 28	
Z. T. Pierce	3 46 1 05	
L. Sargent	$\frac{1.95}{$	
Rodney Tirrell, labor on highway		
in Dist. No. 31	23 75	

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Paid B. E. Stevens, labor on highway		
in Dist. No. 31 J. G. Roberts, labor on highway	\$3 77	
in Dist. No. 31	3 40	
J. W. Merrill	$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 95 \\ 1 & 95 \end{array}$	
L. G. Merrill	1 90	\$34 82
W. H. Poor, labor on and break-	10.05	
ing out roads in Dist. No. 32. G. W. Hunkins, labor on and	40 25	
breaking out roads in Dist.		
No. 32	15 25	
S. J. Dow, labor on and break-	7 00	
ing out roads in Dist. No. 32.	7 00	\$62 50
John Butterfield, labor on and	•	
breaking out roads in Dist.	04 75	
No. 33	$24 \ 75$	
ing out roads in Dist. No. 33.	6 15	
J. Murphy, labor on and break-		
ing out roads in Dist. No. 22.	15 52	\$46 42
Jos. Cram, labor on and break-		φi0 i2
ing out roads in Dist. No. 34.	$29 \ 45$	
Denil Wells shorts start shorts and		\$29 45
David Wells, chestnut plank and stringers in 1880, 1881 .	35 00	
C. M. Wheeler, 11 feet oak plank		
for B. B. bridge in 1881	27 50	
Abner Hoit, lumber for Dow	40.00	
bridge in 1881 R. Johnson, lumber and plank	49 26	
for Dow bridge in 1881 .	41 00°	
Wm. H. H. Hart, labor on Dow		
bridge in 1881 W. S. Goodhue, labor on Dow	20 50	
bridge in 1881	17 50	
D. Woods, labor and iron for		
Dow bridge in 1881	$214\ 20$	
J. M. & D. A. Parker, 1593 feet 3-inch pine plank for Parker		
bridge	$25 \ 49$	
0		

Paid Burnham & McAllister, expenses on Dodge road Charles Morgrage, labor on bridges, roads and town-house, and cash paid for labor on	\$113	65		
roads and bridges	4 4	64		
George P. Henry, snowing Center			•	
bridge	5	00		
R. Pattee, snowing Dow bridge				
and labor on roads	10	00		
Henry Moore, labor on roads,				
bridges, and town-house, and				
cash paid out for iron, work,				
etc	30	40	,	
H. L. Richardson, labor on roads				
in 1880	3	75		
S. Boyer, land damage in 1879.	1	00		
•			\$2,286	83

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid John Carlton, use of watering-		
tub two years	6	00
John B. Clarke, printing town		
reports for 1880	29	38
C. M. Carr, use of watering-tub		
in 1877, 1878, and land dam-		~~
age	4	25
George L. Hooper, cash paid for record of births and deaths	19	50
Temple & Farrington, collector's	19	90
and surveyors' books and sta-		
tionery	4	88
Moore & Campbell, labor, and	-	0.9
iron for repairing fire extin-		
guisher	18	42
Joseph Thompson, decorating		
soldiers' graves	30	00
E. W. Martin, use of watering		• •
	3	00
F. E. Paige, printing tax bills	G	75
and orders	0	75

Paid	E. Pattee, use of watering-tub .	\$3	00
Luiu	F. O. Colby. " "		00
	A. McDougall " " .		00
	Ches Maurice noid for incur	U	00
	Chas. Morgrage, paid for insur-	20	00
	ing town-house	50	00
	Chas. Morgrage, bounty paid on	_	
	hawks	6	80
	George P. Hadley, 2d, surveying		
	and making transcript of		
	Dodge road	9	00
	Frank L. Moore, service and ex-		
	penses on liquor cases	1 3	25
	John Carlton, labor on town-	10	40
		0	0.0
	house	ð	23
	C. S. &. S. H. Balch, lighting		
	Dow bridge	17	00
	L. H. Greer, lighting Center		
	bridge	20	00.
	Cross & Taggart, service,	26	50
	Parker & Co., spikes, nails, sta-		
	tionery etc	8	99
	tionery, etc P. C. Cheney Co., use of water-	0	00
	r. O. Oneney Co., use of water-	9	00
	ing-tub one year	9	00
	B. F. Harriman, use of watering	0	0.0
	tub one year		00
	L. Rowell, freight on iron	1.	19
	Chas. George, use of watering		
	tub	3	00
	S. L. Gerould, superintending		
	school committee for Dist. No.		
	1 for 1880 and 1881	32	00
	C. C. Stowell, use of watering	01	00
•		9	00
	tub one year	9	00
	C. Morgrage, expense taking in-		
	ventory, to three terms court,		
	to Concord to pay state tax,		
	iron, express, stationery, post-		
	age, etc.	21	63
	B. P. Burpee, use of watering		
	tub four years	5	00
	Moore & Campbell, use of water-	Ű	
	ing tub one year	3	00
	ing tub one year	0	00

Paid	F. S. Young, use of watering		
	tub one year	\$3 00	
	N. E. Kimball, use of watering		•
	tub one year	$3 \ 00$	
	A. Hills, iron and labor	259	
	John Whipple, use of watering		
	tub	75	
	F. T. Moore, witness fees, hand-		,
	cuffs, and police badge	10 96	
	Rand & Laton, zinc	4 35	
	C. M. Carr, use of watering-tub		
	and land damage in 1878 .	4 25	
			\$377 67

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SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid	Hillsborough county, support of Wm. H. Tewksbury, Phebe Worthlay and Larinda, Lare			
	Worthley and Lorinda Jame- son, from Jan. 1, 1881, to Jan. 1, 1882.	\$ 299 00		
	S. B. Davis, support of Daniel, Frank, and Allie Jameson, from March 1, 1881, to March			
	1, 1882	234 62		
	Delia Sippits	$54 \ 25$	\$587	87
	C. W. Morgrage, paid for support of county charges .		\$123	
	SHEEP BILLS.			
	John U. Perley, two sheep killed by dogs in 1879, 1880 J. B. Pattee, on sheep killed by	\$ 8 00		
	dogs in 1881	3 00		
	A. W. Whipple, one sheep killed by dogs in 1881	6 00		
1	Daniel Shirley, ten sheep killed by dogs in 1881	$30 \ 00$		
	J. M. & D. A. Parker, one sheep	5 00	\$52	00

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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

C. W. Morgrage,	colle	ector for	
			900
George P Hadley,	2d,	collector	
			44 83
George P. Hadley,	2d,	collector	
for 1881 .	•		$16 \ 71$
George P. Hadley,	2d,	discount	
			$233\ 31$

\$303 85

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Charles Morgrage, selectma	an.		\$123 50
John Greer, · "		•	80 00
Henry Moore, "			50 00
Robinson Brown, treasurer		•	$30 \ 00$
George L. Hooper, town cl	erk		$25 \ 00$
F. Blaisdell, M. D., superi	ntend	ing	
school committee .			37 50
G. F. Farley, superintendin	ig sch	nool	
committee			37 50
George P. Hadley, 2d, col	llecto	r of	
taxes			150 00
George P. Hadley, 2d, poli-	ce .		$2 \ 00$
F. T. Moore, "			$4 \ 00$
Henry Moore, "			$6 \ 00$
John Bartlett, "			$5 \ 00$
Auditors			$4 \ 00$

\$554 50

TOTAL VALUATION.

						AMOUNT OF TAX.
District	No.	1		۰.	\$423,276	\$2,927 95
	No.	2			34,298	$237 \ 32$
	No.	3			$65,\!624$	453 86
	No.	4			$47,\!474$	$328 \ 44$
	No.	5			73,184	$506 \ 36$
	No.	7	. •		66,024	456 61
	No.	8			51,616	356 84
	No.	9			138,381	957 41
		9			'	

District No. 10 No. 11 No. 12		\$85,475 107,171 28,749		15
	\$1	,121,272	\$7,755	35

DIVISION OF SCHOOL MONEY.

District	No.	1		\$898	32	Kendrick Kendall,	Com.
	No.	2		71	19	A. J. Pierce,	66
	No.	3		137	56	Daniel Shirley,	"
	No.	4		103	26	W. L. Roberts,	44
	No.	5		159	24	Jos. Tirrell,	66
	No.	7		142	70	L. B. Greer,	66
	No.	8		113	63	Wm. S. Whipple,	"
	No.	9		299	16	John G. Roberts,	66
	No.	10		182	07	F. H. Woodman,	66
	No.	11		222	88		66
	No.	12		70	73	Henry Moore,	"
			_			•	

\$2,400 74

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SCHOOL-HOUSE REPAIRS.

District No. 5, Joseph Tirrell	. \$25 00
AMOUNT TO BE RAI	AISED BY TAX.
State tax	. \$2,576 00
County tax	1 005 15
School tax	
Repairs of highways and bridges	. 560 69
Decorating soldiers' graves .	· . 30 00
To defray town charges	. 1 00
Five per cent on the above .	. 369 34
We have assessed on the polls a	and
estates of the inhabitants of t	the
town of Goffstown the sum of	. \$7,755 35
School-house tax in Dist. No. 5	H
Five per cent on the same .	. 1 25

\$26 25

We have assessed on the polls and

estates of the inhabitar	nts of	Dist.		
No. 5, the sum of			26 07	
Dog tax			$115 \ 00$	
Total amount of tax	τ.	•		\$141 07

\$7,896 42

JOHN GREER, CHARLES MORGRAGE, HENRY MOORE,

Selectmen of Goffstown.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

Due fro	m count	y of H	illsbor	ough		\$33	35		
Taxes u	incollect	ed for	1879	•		65	00		
66	"		1880			596	33		
66	46	"	1881			948	98		
In hand	ls of trea	surer				1,154	77		
								2,798	43
Less ou	tstanding	g bills		•	•			75	00
Ba	lance in	favor	of tow	n				\$2,723	43

We have carefully examined the books of the selectmen and treasurer, and find their accounts correct and satisfactory.

JOHN M. PARKER, J. M. CHRISTIE, Auditing Committee.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

If this part of the town report was read by the majority of our tax-payers, there would be some use in writing it: but we presume that a large number never look at it, being content to know that it is there. We are glad to report that the majority of the schools under our jurisdiction are in good condition and are doing good work; we wish we could say as much of them all. But while the majority of the schools have been satisfactory to your committee, some have made no progress, and one or two have sadly deterio-We notice that the best of our schools are in those rated. districts where the parents are the most interested in the schools, and this interest is manifested in seeing that the children are ready for school in season, that they are not absent from the school unless prevented by something beyond their control, and by the parents often going into the schools so as to be able to judge for themselves. Such an interest on the part of parents will, in the most of these cases, secure a good school; whereas a neglect of them will result in a lack of interest in the scholar, a thwarting of the efforts of the teacher, and a deterioration of the school. If you want a good school in your district, see to it that you have one. Take a personal interest in the school; go in often; if your child gets punished, investigate the matter and see if he didn't deserve it; and you will succeed in getting a good school.

We have endeavored to secure a uniformity of textbooks, believing that the best interests of the schools demand such uniformity: and have endeavored to see to it that the teachers who were secured should be competent and fitted, and we feel that in this respect we have done all that could have been done.

Respectfully,

FRANK BLAISDELL, M. D.G. F. FARLEY, Superintending School Committee.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Last year we were able to say that, in our opinion, the schools in this district never before had been in a more prosperous condition. We are able to repeat the same this year. The three departments have been under the care of the same teachers throughout the year, Mrs. Hooper giving place to Miss Carrie E. Paige, in the primary department. In consequence of continuing the teachers, the scholars have been taken along in their studies as they could not have been by new teachers, who must spend some weeks at the beginning of a term in finding where the pupils will best classify. The teachers have all proved themselves faithful instructors and good disciplinarians. Mr. Remick has had the general oversight of the buildings and the grounds, which have been as well cared for as they well could be. In his department he has the faculty of getting a good deal of work out of his pupils with the least display of authority or strength. If those who have been disposed

to criticise would take occasion to visit the school for themselves, *during the term*, we are sure all cause of complaint would be taken away. The last day is not likely to be a fair sample of the other days, as we who have graduated could testify from recollection of our own experience.

But while we speak in terms of praise, and have so much to commend, there is also occasion for criticism. With all the boasted progress of the present day, in which we fully believe, we have not yet passed beyond the necessity of giving the greatest attention in our common schools to the three R's. Yet we notice upon the part of teachers and pupils, very generally (it is not confined to this district or town), a disposition to pass over reading and writing in the shortest and easiest way. If any thing is to be omitted or abbreviated, these two branches are almost invariably se-As a natural result, we have poor readers and lected. writers. In reading, we have frequently found it difficult to tell what the pupils were reading about; enunciation was indistinct, accent wrongly placed, and the sense not correctly given. This is a matter that needs remedving. In our upper school letter-writing and composition should be taught.

The schools have been somewhat broken into during the last two terms by the ill health of some of the scholars, but this is a misfortune that cannot be helped. This, however, is not so much of an evil as that caused by permitting pupils to leave the school, without apparent reason, before the close of the term. The highest efficiency of the schools can not be secured until the parents realize the importance of sending their children to school *every day*, except when reasons beyond their control compel absence.

No changes have been made in text-books during the year, except placing a primary speller in the primary school, and no changes are needed except in writing-books. The scholars, with a few exceptions, have been well supplied with books; but some classes have been delayed by the necessity of sending away for supply.

A prize was offered by Mr. Remick to that one of his pupils who should make the greatest improvement during the winter term. It was secured by Addie French. Belle Hoitt was present every half-day through the year, without being once tardy. Mary Warren would have had the same honor but for a misunderstanding, for which she was not responsible.

> SAMUEL L. GEROULD, DAVID A. TAGGART, KENDRICK KENDALL, FRANK B. FLANDERS, ELIPHALET RICHARDS, DANIEL B. AUSTIN, Board of Education.

ROLL OF HONOR.

HIGH SCHOOL.

First term. — Mabel Austin, Emma Brown, Etta French, John H. Gerould, Etta Hadley, Edith Hadley, Bert Johonnett, Frank Kendall, Annie Kendall, Alice Lull, Peter Pattee, Annie Stark, Emma Phillips, Belle Hoitt.

Second term. — John H. Gerould, Etta French, Alice Richards, Belle Johonnett, Belle Hoitt, Alice Lull, Lena Jenks, Etta Hadley, NeÎlie Fletcher, Mabel Austin, Carrie Richards.

Third term. — George Phelps, Lewis Hoitt; Belle Hoitt.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

First term. --- Mary Warren, Frank Stark.

Second term. — Minnie Cunningham, Addie Hoitt, Carrie Hoitt, Mary Warren, Willie Buxton, Eddie Hart, Henry Stark.

Third term. — Carrie Hoitt, Addie Hoitt, Eddie Hart, George Paige, Frank Stark.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

First term. - Herbert Blaisdell, Amos Neal, Henry Stark.

Second term. - Myrtie Barnard.

Third term. — Herbert Blaisdell, Amos Neal, Carrie Morgrage.

DISTRICT No. 2.-MOUNTAIN.

Winter term, by Miss Helen M. Cram. There was only one term in this district, and only three scholars to attend it, yet we feel like giving Miss Cram much praise for her faithfulness to those three. This was Miss Cram's first attempt at teaching; but she developed all the characteristics of a successful teacher, and should continue to teach, as she seems peculiarly adapted to the work.

ROLL OF HONOR.-Walter A. Pierce, Nettie A. Pierce.

DISTRICT NO. 3.-SHIRLEY HILL.

Two terms, by Miss Lizzie R. Caldwell. We have had occasion to praise Miss Caldwell's management of this school before, and the district was fortunate in engaging her for this year. The schools were fully as successful as her preceding ones, and much progress was manifest.

ROLL OF HONOR.—*First term*—Helen M. Cram, Georgie E. Cram, Florence S. Shirley, Helen I. Johnson, Lydia D. Shirley, Robert L. Shirley, John R. Ferson.

Second term-Nettie J. Robertson, Hattie D. Cram, Georgie E. Cram, Lydia D. Shirley, Helen I. Johnson, Robert L. Shirley, Shirley M. Johnson, John R. Ferson.

DISTRICT NO. 4.-KENNEDY HILL.

Summer term, taught by Miss Lois L. McIntire. This was a very pleasant school and faithfully taught by Miss Mc-Intire, who seemed to impart a good share of her own energy and enthusiasm to her pupils. The progress made and the final examination were very gratifying to the friends and committee.

The fall and winter terms were conducted by the skill and experience of Miss Sara A. Paige. The friends turned out in good numbers at the close of the school, testifying by their presence the good degree of interest taken in the welfare of their children. The scholars showed by their promptness that they had been well and faithfully taught.

ROLL OF HONOR.—Mary J. Roberts, Georgia Barnard, Helen M. Barnard, Susie M. Roberts, Roscoe Hazen, George M. Goodwin.

DISTRICT NO. 5.-MAST ROAD.

Three terms, taught by Miss Emma J. Paige. This district has a fortunate habit of securing good teachers, and 'keeping them for a number of successive terms. The school appeared to have been thoroughly taught in every branch of study taken up, and reflected great credit upon the teacher and scholars.

ROLL OF HONOR.—Carrie A. Tirrell, Cora B. Pennock, Albert S. Tirrell, Augusta M. Dow, Irving H. Tirrell.

DISTRICT NO. 7.-EAST GOFFSTOWN.

Three terms, taught by Miss Jessie Marshall. Miss Marshall is finely qualified, and very thorough and enthusiastic in her mode of teaching, and a school under her care would need no guarantee of success. Owing to sickness in the school, it closed without an examination.

ROLL OF HONOR.—Clara A. Greer, Gertie Harriman, Sadie Harriman.

DISTRICT NO. 8.--TEBBETTS HILL.

Summer and fall terms, by Miss Ella A. Tilton. This was Miss Tilton's first experience in teaching. The school

at each term appeared well, and a good degree of improvement was made.

The winter term was commenced by Miss T. F. Rundlett, who at once secured the respect and confidence of the scholars and friends, and bid fair for a success; but owing to sickness was obliged to retire. She was succeeded by Miss Emma L. Merrill, who successfully concluded the work so fairly begun.

ROLL OF HONOR.— May L. Colby, Josie Butterfield, Nellie J. Colby.

DISTRICT NO. 9.—CENTER.

Summer and fall terms, taught by Miss Mary F. Whitney. This school is much too large for a mixed one for one teacher. The great number of classes makes it very difficult for a teacher to show that individual improvement that can be shown in a smaller one. When the district concludes to grade their school, they will confer great benefits upon their children. The school appeared well, exhibiting a good degree of interest, and improvement was made.

The winter term was taught by Miss Alice C. Taggart. Miss Taggart is abundantly qualified, and a worker, with a happy faculty of interesting her pupils Her method of conducting the various recitations is very instructive, and the school was a decided success.

ROLL OF HONOR.—Nellie B. Roberts, J. Webster Roberts, Ira C. Bartlett, Lizzie M. Flint, Clarence A. Aiken, Mary E. Taggart.

DISTRICT NO. 10.—PATTEE HILL.

The summer term was under the instruction of Miss Susy McLane, who for ten successive terms has had the school under her charge. This is a good school, and much of its success is due to Miss McLane, for the faithful, honest work she has done in it. Commendable progress was manifested, and the appearance of the school at examination fully justified Miss McLane's reputation as a teacher.

The fall term was taught by Mrs. Sarah A. Woodman. This was Mrs. Woodman's first term in the district, and she labored hard for the well-being of those under her care. The school appeared well at its commencement, and at its close particular improvement was noted in reading.

The winter term was taught by Miss Lizzie A. Rogers. This was Miss Rogers's first term in this district, and the school under her charge did well, and fully sustained its reputation. Miss Rogers taught a good school, and the district can do no better than to keep her as long as possible.

ROLL OF HONOR.—*First term*—Emma Whipple, Dora Martin, Etta Tenney, Fannie Whipple, Bertha Pattee, Albert Hazen, George Whipple, James Martin, Frank Tenney, Bertie Whipple.

Second term-Maurice Blaisdell, Lewis H. Blaisdell, Charles H. Hazen, James F. Martin, Bertie A. Whipple, George H. Whipple, Eva B. Blaisdell, Dora M. Martin, Bertha M. Pattee, Maud Kidder, Nettie Kidder, Fannie E. Whipple, Abbie M. Woodman.

Third term—Charles H. Hazen, James F. Martin, George Reed, George Whipple, Dora M. Martin.

DISTRICT No. 11.-PARKER'S.

Summer term, taught by Miss Celia E. Shute. This was Miss Shute's first attempt at teaching in a district school. We found her abundantly qualified to teach, and with an earnest desire to do the best she could for her school. The school appeared well at its commencement, and at its close bore evidence of careful, painstaking work, and much improvement was noted.

ROLL OF HONOR.—Julia B. Johonnett, Gracie E. Robbins, Mary E. Whitney.

Winter term taught by Mr. Isaiah Thomas. Mr. Thomas commenced the school with an earnest desire to bring the school up to where a school of this size should be, and at the commencement the schoolappeared well; but, owing to the school's closing sooner than was expected, your committee could not be present. We find that the register indicates 186 absences. This is decidedly wrong. No school can be prosperous where the pupils are allowed to stay away from school 186 times in a school of eleven weeks in length. Parents should consider this.

DISTRICT No. 12.

Two terms, both taught by Miss Nellie M. Eaton. We have nothing but words of encouragament for the teacher or the pupils of this school. Teacher and pupils worked in harmony throughout both terms, and made all the progress we could expect. Particular attention was given to reading.

ROLL OF HONOR.—*First term*—Alice E. Moore, Freddie R. Davis, Charlie A. Davis.

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