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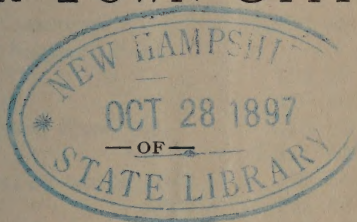
1881

REPORT

OF THE SELECTMEN,

AND

OTHER TOWN OFFICERS



LEBANON, N. H.,

For the Year Ending March 1st, 1881

LEBANON, N. H.:

A. B. FREEMAN, PRINTER, FREE PRESS JOB OFFICE.

1881.

REPORT

OF THE

TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF LEBANON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1881.

Received of former Treasurer,	\$5,923 85
“ Interest on Saving’s Bank deposit,	102 95
“ Amos Jones,	680 10
“ Solon A. Peck, Executor,	315 81
“ Selectmen,	7,248 54
“ F. L. Owen, on tax of 1879,	128 54
“ “ “ “ “ 1880,	17,599 82
“ “ “ Interest,	27 57
	<hr/> \$32,027 18

Paid as per orders drawn by Selectmen—

Ordinary and incidental,	\$4,777 25
Fire department,	462 42
Highway,	1,873 19
Town paupers,	1,116 28
County paupers,	1,263 93
Schools,	4,304 82
Note and interest,	1,243 96
Dog damage,	70 00
County tax,	7,757 58
State tax,	4,608 00
	<hr/> \$27,477 43
Cash on hand to balance,	4,549 75
	<hr/> \$32,027 18

CHAS E. HILDRETH, Treasurer.

REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN OF LEBANON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1st, 1881.

Rec'd of J. G. Ticknor, for fines collected,	\$35 00	
E. P. Liscomb, rent of P. O.,	112 50	
T. D. Freeman, land rent,	20 00	
C. D. Jewett, use of hearse,	24 60	
County pauper account, 1879,	1,352 78	
School district No. 1, over paid in 1879,	4 37	
Abner Flanders,	13 75	
P. P. Cota,	13 00	
State Treasurer. railroad tax,	1,340 78	
“ “ Savings bank tax,	2,802 01	
“ “ Literary fund	220 15	
A. L. Worthen, court terms,	53 35	
J. L. Spring, costs in 4th July cases	10 38	
N. R. R., in E. C. Hardy case,	100 00	
E. Ticknor, use of Town Hall,	179 36	
“ “ Profits on Liquor,	154 48	
Balance of Eldridge Estate account,	312 63	
		<hr/> \$7,248 54
Paid C. E. Hildreth, Town Treasurer, as per his receipts,		\$7,248 54

ORDERS DRAWN ON TREASURER,

FOR ORDINARY AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Sargent & Chase, Atty's, old bill,	\$2 00
Drake & Woodman, books, "	4 68
A. B. Freeman, printing reports, &c.,	52 00
S. A. Peck, expenses to Haverhill,	9 10
E. A. Knight, return of births and deaths,	3 50
J. A. Davis, " " "	10 00
C. W. Manchester, " " "	1 25
T. H. Currie, " " "	4 25
D. G. Brockway, " " "	6 00
E. J. Durant, insurance on Town Hall,	40 00
J. B. Pike, " " " "	40 00
J. E. Dewey, " " " "	80 00
C. V. Cobb, painting cemetery fence,	22 11
S. A. Peck, expense in Eastman case,	16 34
A. B. Freeman, check list, posters, etc.,	15 00
J. G. Ticknor, services as Police Justice,	100 00
W. H. Richardson, books and blanks,	30 85
W. H. Cotton, expense widening Hanover street,	78 41
C. H. Knight, painting sign boards,	12 75
A. H. Barrows, labor in cemetery,	4 00
Hurlbutt & Emerson, "	3 00
Lewis Hinkley, "	13 00
S. A. Peck, expense in Daniels case,	14 00
M. P. Durkee, repairs on Town Hall,	4 00
N. C. Hewes, " "	1 25
J. E. Dewey, insurance on Lyman's bridge,	12 00
Muchmore & Whipple, sign boards,	3 89
Fanny M. Daniels, damage on highway,	1,438 97
Durant & Perkins, sundries,	4 20
A. W. Baker, Moderator services,	13 00
E. J. Durant, recording births and deaths,	26 50
E. H. Cheney, printing,	3 50
E. C. Hardy, damage on highway,	100 00
H. W. Parker, services in Daniels case,	30 00
L. W. Barton, " "	45 00
A. H. Crosby, " "	25 00
Unitarian society, on Eldridge Estate bequest,	1,014 92

C. A. Dole, Supervisor,	\$45 00
H. P. Goodrich, "	30 00
George Blood, "	8 00
O. S. Wright, "	10 00
J. L. Spring, "	7 50
C. A. Dole, Att'y fees,	75 35
J. L. Spring, "	108 73
H. P. Goodrich, expense as sealer of weights and measures,	15 48
Police,	86 25
Witnesses in Daniels case,	43 00
M. S. Woodman, books for poor children,	3 90
G. H. Durkee, (old bill) damage to horse,	60 00
S. A. Peck, bounty on hawks,	3 40
E. J. Durant, Town Clerk,	26 00
E. Ticknor, care of clock,	25 00
E. Ticknor, truant officer,	5 00
N. C. Bridgman, "	5 00
C. E. Hildreth, Treasurer,	50 00
C. M. Hildreth & Son, sundries,	14 59
S. M. Clay, damage on bridge,	12 50
C. H. Day, recording Eldridge Estate deed,	3 00
J. E. Robins, school committee,	50 00
Jennie M. Stearns, "	50 00
S. A. Peck, 16 small bills,	6 00
J. S. Freeman, Selectman,	80 00
C. B. Drake, "	140 00
S. A. Peck, "	284 00
Auditors,	15 00
F. L. Owen, collecting taxes of 1879,	2 59
" " " 1880,	220 00
E. P. Liscomb, stamps,	2 50
Dan'l Hinkley, W. L. cemetery,	5 00
	<hr/> \$4,777 26

NOTE AND INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Paid Elotia Hoffman, note and interest,	\$85 96
Balance of coupons due Jan. 1st, 1880,	30 00
" " July 1st, 1880,	594 00
" " Jan. 1st, 1881,	534 00
	<hr/> \$1,243 96

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid A. G. Smythe, Treas., County tax,	\$7,757 58	
Solon A. Carter, Treas., State tax,	4,608 00	
		—————\$12,365 58

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Engine Co. No. 3,	\$234 50	
Extinguisher Co.,	87 09	
Hook and Ladder Co.,	91 25	
Shaw Hose Co.,	49 58	
		—————\$462 42

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid N. P. Sargent, plank,	\$13 38	
F. H. Lovejoy, land damage,	10 00	
Hiram Orcutt “ “	1 00	
Stetson & Moseley, hard pine for found- ry bridge,	78 00	
J. Mace, freight, foundry bridge,	21 81	
M. A. Northrop, stone work “	80 18	
J. A. Templeton, “ “	14 00	
N. C. Claffin, labor “	24 25	
N. C. Hewes, “ “	31 50	
C.M.Hildreth & Son, nails etc. “	8 36	
S. Worthy, labor, “	12 40	
A. H. Smith, “ “	52 87	
Hurlbutt & Emerson, lumber, “	186 04	
Muchmore & Whipple, “ “	7 10	
S. Cole & Son, iron work, “	158 83	
Stetson & Moseley, hard pine for East Lebanon bridge,	30 23	
J. Mace, freight, E. L. bridge,	10 00	
N. C. Claffin, labor, “	38 50	
N. C. Hewes, “ “	36 75	
A. S. Rowell, “ “	6 95	
A. H. Smith, “ “	49 50	
Jason Densmore, “ “	67 08	
Muchmore & Whipple, lumber, “	70 23	

Paid E. F. Foster, lumber, E. L. bridge	\$205 13
Hurlbutt & Emerson, " "	22 75
S. Cole & Son, iron work, "	40 62
C.M.Hildreth & Son, nails, etc., "	15 63
E. F. Foster, plank,	19 55
Wood & Waterman, "	48 55
J. S. Chandler, "	27 61
J. K. Willis, damage on road,	5 00
Hurlbutt & Emerson, lumber and labor,	163 73
Emerson & Densmore, " "	55 66
A. H. Smith, labor on bridges,	5 63
Durant & Perkins, paints for bridges,	19 60
C. A. Freeman, gravel,	12 00
L. P. Colburn, labor,	63 06
Jason Densmore, "	16 30
H. H. Cota, lighting bridge,	15 00
E. H. Bagley, " "	5 79
W. S. Stearns, snowing "	10 00
C. M. Emerson, labor,	14 10
M. A. Northrop, culvert work,	32 00
F. F. Pinney, on Eldridge road,	42 00
Thos. Manchester, lumber,	24 52
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	\$1,873 19

DOG ACCOUNT.

Paid Abel Storrs,	\$30 00
Wm. M. Kendall,	18 00
J. F. Peabody,	7 00
F. S. Slayton,	7 00
Jerub Dyer,	8 00
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	\$70 00
Whole amount of dog tax 1880,	\$116 00
No claims filed for damage by dogs.	
Due school districts,	\$116 00

PRESCOTT BEQUEST.

Received interest of Lebanon Savings Bank,	\$40 40
Paid Polly Garland,	\$18 00
M. B. Hazen,	22 40
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	\$40 40

TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid for John Townsend's family,	\$25 18
Sarah A. Cushing,	220 00
P. P. Cota	60 00
S. E. Bernard's family.	62 01
Isaac Eastman,	77 00
Flynn family,	16 25
Ida Dawson and children,	207 91
Mary Cushing,	137 37
Bela Eastman,	184 27
Daniel Stanley,	78 56
Zovia Wood,	14 06
Ellen Hall,	87
Mrs. Towle,	6 00
F. C. Jennie,	26 80
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	\$1,116 28

COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid for Mrs. Longever and children,	\$79 13
Mrs. Parent, “	111 17
James Simmons,	57 59
Charles Bushwa and family	7 42
George H. Smith and family,	79 40
D. H. Ingerson, “ “	4 52
Frank Carter “ “	116 00
Ancel Douglas “ “	12 81
Mrs. John Barker and family,	21 00
Mrs. N. Marcotte “ “	3 50
Mrs. John Northrop and family,	36 12
Elias Mann,	2 25
Fred Young and family,	57 04
Martin Welch,	25 00
Israel Blanchard and wife,	41 75
Transients,	63 88
S. E. Bernard's family,	48 90
Mrs. Laplant and children,	80 56
P. A. Cushman,	65 50
John Brooks,	25 76
Abner Flanders and wife,	30 75
Lewis Bovia,	44 04
Robert Bean,	9 65
Benjamin Bean,	49 80

Paid for Mrs. A. H. Barrows and child,	\$16 38
Louisa Arguin,	49 50
David Marcotte and family,	14 08
Jennie Rowell or Goodwin,	24 75
Thomas Rogers and family,	52 43
Joseph Bascom and family,	29 25
John Townsend,	4 00
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	\$1,263 93

ELDRIDGE ESTATE.

Rec'd of B. C. Daniels, rent of lot,	\$14 00
D. T. Ross, "	14 00
O. N. Bartlett, " 3 years,	67 50
C. H. Whipple, "	15 00
Lyman Whipple, "	14 00
Geo. S. Shepard, "	15 00
John B. Pike, "	22 50
Frank Sayre, "	30 00
Rufus Baker, " homestead,	150 00
Daniels & Sayre, " meadow,	171 86
Joseph Demosh, for grass on meadow,	12 50
Lewis Pluard, " "	10 50
J. Mace, rent of storehouse,	35 00
Geo. W. Foster, on note,	27 50
Wm. Lynch, use of pasture,	50 00
Jerub Dyer, balance rent of farm '79,	25 00
" " '80,	125 00
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	\$799 36

Paid J. E. Dewey, insurance on meadow barn,	\$3 50
J. B. Pike, " Wilson house,	14 00
E. H. Cheney, printing, (old bill),	1 25
John Davis, repairs at farm,	2 85
Muchmore & Whipple, repairs homestead,	23 17
Durant & Perkins, " "	12 86
F. L. Owen, taxes,	110 54
Hurlbutt & Emerson, fencing,	3 50
C. M. Hildreth & Son, sundries,	2 43
W. H. Richardson, Treasurer of Unitari- rian society,	312 63
C. E. Hildreth, Treasurer of the Town of Lebanon,	312 63
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	\$799 36

INDEBTEDNESS MARCH 1st, 1881.

Town bonds due July 1st, 1886,	\$10,000 00
" " July 1st, 1881,	10,000 00
Interest,	200 00
Due School Districts, unpaid balance,	293 80
" " dog tax, 1880,	116 00
Due on unpaid coupons of July, 1880,	6 00
" " " Jan., 1881,	66 00
Due on town pauper bills, (estimated,)	55 00
	<hr/> \$20,736 80

ASSETS.

Cash on hand,	\$4,549 75
Cart and tools,	30 00
Liquor and cash in hands of E. Ticknor, agt.	200 40
Due on County Pauper account,	1,263 93
Note and int. of C. D. Jewett and others,	528 00
Due on tax bill of 1879,	62 73
" " 1880,	280 99
Lumber on hand,	52 13
	<hr/> \$6,967 93

Total indebtedness March 1st, 1881,	\$20,736 80
Total assets,	6,967 93

Liabilities over assets, \$13,768 87

Liabilities over assets, March 1, 1881,	\$13,768 87
" " March 1, 1880,	11,475 10

Increase of indebtedness, \$2,293 77

NEW CEMETERY ACCOUNT.

Received of E. W. Hough Estate, lot sold,	10 00
“ Jabez Hough “ “	10 00
“ Mrs. G. B. Pushee, “	10 00
“ S. D. Slayton & Sons, “	20 00
“ Grass sold,	14 00
	—————\$64 00
 Paid Hurlbutt & Emerson,	 \$21 75
“ A Balch,	19 25
“ F. O. Thompson,	12 25
	—————\$53 25
Cash in hands of Selectmen,	\$10 75

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

SOLON A. PECK,	} Selectmen of Lebanon.
JOHN S. FREEMAN,	
CHAS. B. DRAKE,	

REPORT

OF THE

LIQUOR AGENT OF THE TOWN OF LEBANON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 12, 1881.

Cash received for liquors sold during the year,		\$1,397 46
Amount of liquors purchased,	\$1,091 83	
Paid town.	154 48	
Agent's salary,	150 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,396 31
Balance in hands of agent,		<u> </u> \$1 15
Merchandise on hand Feb. 12th, 1880,		\$200 40
" " " " " 1881,	\$199 25	
Cash in hands of Agent,	1 15	
	<u> </u>	\$200 40

E. TICKNOR, Agent.

Grafton, SS, Feb. 25th, 1881.

Then appeared Elisha Ticknor and made oath that the foregoing statement, by him signed, is true.

Before me,

SOLON A. PECK,
Justice of the Peace.

REPORT

OF

E. TICKNOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN HALL.

	DR.	
1880		
Feb. 14, 29, Jonas Scott,		\$2 00
Feb. 18, Mar. 12, A. E. Hough,		10 00
“ 20, School exhibition,		8 00
March 4, Shaw Rifles,		11 00
“ 18, 19, Maynard & Hatton,		16 00
“ 26, Nonabel Society,		10 00
“ 29, A. M. Shaw,		1 00
April 8, Dartmouth Pinafore Co.,		12 00
May 10, Jubilee Singers,		10 00
“ 11, Mr. Russell,		2 00
“ 12, Cotholic Society,		12 00
“ 24, Dance, lower hall,		5 00
“ 25, Rentz Troupe,		12 00
June 9, J. M. Colville		10 00
July 13, Reform Club for 6 month,		17 00
“ 31, Jonas Scott,		75
Sept. 5, John Perrin,		50
“ 8, 9, Guy Family,		25 00
October Agricultural and Library So.,		12 00
“ 27, Dupree & Benedict,		15 00
Nov. 6, Republican Club,		30 00
“ 13, Prof. Remenyi,		12 00
“ 19, G. Bennett,		6 00
“ 24, Engine Co.,		17 00
“ 25, Catholic Society,		12 00
Dec. 10, Unitarian Society,		11 00
“ 13, Nonabel Society,		12 00
“ 25, G. Bennett,		4 00

1881	DR.	
Jan. 14,	Masquerade Party,	\$18 00
“ 15,	Rentz Minstrels,	15 00
“ 29,	J. M. Maynard,	9 00
Feb. 10,	Democratic Club,	15 00
“ 11,	E. H. Thompson,	48 00
“ 11,	A. E. Hough, 7 nights,	35 00
“ 12,	E. P. Liscomb, gas for P. O.,	15 00
		<hr/> \$455 25

CR.

Paid services as agent,	\$96 75
For Gasoline,	103 58
“ Wood,	61 88
“ Freight,	11 78
“ Express,	90
“ Drafts, stamps, etc.,	1 00
Balance paid Town,	179 36
	<hr/> \$455 25

E. TICKNOR, Agent.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing statements, to which the Treasurer, Agent and Selectmen of Lebanon have affixed their respective signatures, do hereby certify that their accounts are properly vouched and correctly cast.

The vouchers, consisting of paid coupons on Town bonds, balance of all coupons due Jan. 1st, 1880, amounting to \$30, with coupons of July 1st 1880, to the amount of \$594, and coupons of Jan. 1st, 1881, to the amount of \$534, were burned in the presence of Selectmen and Auditors.

O. W. BURNAP,	} Auditors.
L. C. PATTEE,	
C. B. PLAISTRIDGE.	

STATISTICS.

	<i>Value.</i>
No. of polls, 746,	\$74,600
“ Horses, 469,	37,695
“ Mules, 2,	100
“ Oxen, 126,	6,725
“ Cows, 715,	18,197
“ Neat stock, 429,	7,195
“ Sheep, 6,730,	21,666
“ Hogs, 68,	582
“ Carriages, 112,	10,345
Stock in public funds,	49,860
“ Banks,	64,500
Surplus capital of banking institutions,	10,000
Money on hand and at interest,	280,655
Stock in trade,	139,500
Real Estate,	1,323,250
	<hr/> \$2,044,870

TAXES ASSESSED.

State,		\$4,608 00
County,		7,757 58
Town,		1,000 00
School,		4,032 00
Dog,		116 00
Allowance for over taxes, abatements and collecting,		661 56
Rate, .88		<hr/> \$18,175 14
Highway tax,	rate, .10	\$2,028 25
Precinct tax,	“ .30	3,672 19
Special school tax, No. 14 and 15,	“ .09	943 87

APPORTIONMENT OF HIGHWAY TAX.

District No. 1, C. H. Emerson,	\$287 85
“ 2, Jeremiah Wood,	43 53
“ 3, J. Storrs Estabrook,	21 18
“ 4, Geo. N. Hall,	15 19
“ 5, Roger Wood,	26 78

District No. 6, S. M. Clay,	39 90
“ 7, A. S. Ela,	21 10
“ 8, G. B. Billings,	60 46
“ 9, G. B. Eastman,	15 75
“ 10, L. P. Colburn,	54 24
“ 11, C. P. Freeman,	57 01
“ 12, Amos Rowe,	25 53
“ 13, C. H. Gerrish,	95 00
“ 14, S. A. Peck,	1,264 73
	<hr/> \$2,028 25

REPORT ON TAX BILLS.

Tax bill of 1879 and interest,	\$17,139 10
Collected to Feb. 20, 1880,	\$15,951 82
“ “ 1881,	1,124 45
Uncollected,	62 83
	<hr/> \$17,139 10

Tax bill of 1880,	\$18,175 14
Over taxes,	\$268 12
Abatements,	26 81
Uncollected,	280 99
Collected and paid to Treasurer,	17,599 22
	<hr/> \$18,175 14

STATEMENT IN RELATION TO THE ELDRIDGE ESTATE PROPERTY.

On the 1st day of February, 1876, W. S. Ela and C. C. Benton, Executors of the estate of W. K. Eldridge, conveyed by deed to the town certain real estate, as follows:

The homestead situated on Bank street,

Wilson farm, so called,

Buswell pasture and wood lot,

Greenough meadow,

Depot meadow and the Rix hill or mountain lot; all of which are now invoiced on the books of the town at \$8,800; together with ten lease lots on Parkhurst street street, which are leased at an annual rental of \$147 dollars. They also conveyed to the town, certain personal estate, invoiced at that time at \$3,562 78; and in case a Unitarian society was formed, and certain conditions complied with, the Selectmen were to convey to said society, one moiety of all

said property, with the accrued income. In compliance with the will of the said W. K. Eldridge, the Selectmen have conveyed one undivided half of said real estate to said society, and conveyed one half of all of said personal estate, except a certain note signed by Geo. W. Foster, valued at \$56.80; and now hold as a permanent fund one half of said note and a savings bank deposit of \$1,760.44, being more than one half of said original fund of \$3,562.78

ERRATA.—Under the head of Indebtedness, on page 11, there should be added \$780, being land damage awarded by the County Commissioners in the widening of Hanover street. The same should be added to the increase of indebtedness.

Division of School Money.

Dis- tricts.	Dog Tax.	Division 1880	Old Balance	Total.	Paid.	Now Due.
1	\$4 30	\$60 28		\$ 64 58	\$ 64 58	
2	4 30	550 98		555 28	531 45	23 83
3	4 30	134 08		138 38	138 38	
4	4 30	38 09		42 39	42 39	
5	4 30	70 49		74 79	74 79	
6	4 30	82 50	11 13	97 93	95 00	2 93
7	4 30	57 53		61 83	37 25	24 58
8	4 30	123 68	16 24	144 22	131 00	13 22
9	4 30	117 41	24 13	145 84	145 84	
10	4 30	138 13		142 43	142 43	
11	4 30	124 46	16 33	145 09	113 00	32 09
12	4 30	149 22	9 01	162 53	150 57	11 96
13	4 30	276 34	187 05	467 69	282 50	185 19
14& 15	8 60	2301 96		2310 56	2310 56	
16	4 30	34 30		38 60	38 60	
Gile.	1 20	5 28		6 48	6 48	
<hr/> \$70 00 \$4264 73 \$263 89 \$4598 62 \$4304 82 293 80						

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

H. M. BARSTOW, Prudential Committee.

One term taught by Miss Kate Croly, who succeeded in interesting her scholars as much as was possible in so small a school.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

SYLVESTER AUSTIN, Prudential Committee.

Primary department, three terms. The first, taught by Miss Grace Darling. The scholars advanced rapidly notwithstanding a little lack of order. The second term by Miss Nina L. Gile, who, although having many excellent qualities for a teacher, did not quite understand managing so many restless little ones. For the winter, the district was fortunate in securing the services of Miss Estelle C. Patrick, who succeeded in making the school just what it should be.

Grammar department, three terms. Summer term by Miss C. N. Estabrook, who is well known as one of our best teachers. Her scholars made great improvement in all studies undertaken. Fall and winter terms by Mr. E. N. Goodhue, a hard-working, faithful instructor. His final examinations were

satisfactory in every respect. If something would be done by parents to lessen the tardiness of those schools, the teachers would labor at a less disadvantage.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

ALBERT STEARNS, Prudential Committee.

Three terms. Teacher, Miss Carrie L. Lowe, who has taught here acceptably, for seven consecutive terms. The school appeared to have had careful and thorough instruction.

DISTRICT No. 4.

BRADLEY STOCKWELL, Prudential Committee.

There was a short summer term taught by Miss Mary H. Daniels. It was her first attempt, but experience will make her a good teacher. The winter term was taught by Charles J. Mason. He gained the respect of all his scholars, who were remarkably orderly and studious, and the result was seen by their excellent recitations.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

MRS. ROGER WOOD, Prudential Committee.

The Fall term was taught by Miss Hannah Wood. A first effort, the result of which might be satisfactory to any teacher. In the winter Miss Rosa A. Wood taught with her usual good success. It is unusual to see so much interest and enthusiasm manifested in so small a school.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

GEO. W. FOSTER, JR., Prudential Committee.

Two terms. The first, taught by Miss Addie M. Chase; the second by Miss Mary E. Towle. Both of these were young and inexperienced, yet the scholars made good progress throughout the year.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

F. F. PINNEY, Prudential Committee.

The summer term was taught by Frank C. Smith. The term was short, but good work was accomplished for the time. This was Mr. Smith's first experience in teaching, and he succeeded well.

The winter term was commenced by Miss Florence B. Emerson, who taught only four weeks. Miss Emerson lacked in experience for a winter school.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

ANSEL KINNE, Prudential Committee.

Three terms; all taught by Miss Emma J. Barker. The school was orderly and pleasant, the scholars prompt and studious. The examinations were creditable to all.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

JOSEPH WHITE, Prudential Committee.

Three terms, taught by Miss Lora Chase. Miss Chase is a teacher of great experience, and has unusual tact for managing and instructing a school. The teacher was interested in her work; the scholars enthusiastic in their studies. We were pleased to see so many of the parents present at the closing exercises.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

L. P. COLBURN, Prudential Committee.

Summer term taught by Miss Frances W. Purmort. The teacher was a lady of experience and energy. The school gave evidence of good improvement.

Winter term taught by Mr. T. B. Rice. Mr. Rice understands thoroughly *what* and *how* to teach. The scholars were taught not merely to commit to memory the lesson of the text-book, but to think for themselves. We congratulate the district upon the success of the school.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

DARIUS BRIGGS, Prudential Committee.

Summer term taught by Miss Nellie M. Baker. This was Miss Baker's first term of teaching. She was patient and faithful. The school appeared well.

The fall and winter terms were both taught by Miss May E. Mason. The school was considerably interrupted by sickness, but excellent progress was made, especially in Arithmetic.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

A. A. STURTEVANT, Prudential Committee.

Three terms. The summer and fall terms were taught by Miss Ida Sturtevant. The scholars were all small and not very advanced, but the teacher was painstaking and her labors were successful.

The winter term was taught by Miss Clara A. Barrows. Miss Barrows is a good teacher, and the school acquitted itself finely.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

G. S. SHEPHARD, Prudential Committee.

Three terms taught by Miss Mary A. Freeman. This is one of the best schools in town. The district was fortunate in securing the services of Miss Freeman for the entire school year. She is energetic, firm and practical. The examinations were excellent.

DISTRICT NO. 16.

JOHN LAHAYE, Prudential Committee.

A winter term only, taught by Miss Rose Manahan. The school was well conducted and did good work.

CONCLUSION.

To compare the school work of this year with that of

former years, of course, is impossible, this being our first term of service. The schools throughout the town are certainly in a good condition. Faithful and experienced teachers have, generally, been secured, and in several instances kept through the year. The employing of a new teacher each term is not favorable to obtaining the best results. Secure a good teacher and retain her services as long as possible.

We found in some districts quite a confusion in text-books, two or three of the same grade being used. We have attempted a remedy by introducing Appleton's series of Readers and Geographies, which will be used uniformly throughout the town.

Some of the schools have no dictionary. We hope all may be supplied at an early date. Each school should, also, be furnished with a good set of out-line maps and a globe.

We would join with our predecessors in recommending the consolidation of certain districts, which would be to the advantage of all.

The common school is the university of the people. Here the masses have been and must be educated. Too much attention cannot well be given to our district schools.

We wish that parents and friends would visit them more frequently, and thus manifest their individual interest.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. ROBINS,
JESSIE M. STEARNS, } S. S. Com.

March 1st, 1881.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

FOR LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The High School has been another year under the direction of Mr. E. W. Westgate, who has given to the school-room his best efforts. We are sure that pupils in this room have unusual opportunity for good educational work. The experiment of employing an assistant teacher has been tried during the last two terms. Miss Stevens came to us with the highest recommendations. In her work a high standard of scholarship has marked her endeavors. In the examination of her classes in Physiology, Natural History, Cicero, and Geometry, the result showed that good work had been done in the class room. An assistant is needed, and we are sure that the interests of this school can be met only by making this experiment a permanent feature of work in this room.

The Grammar department has been in charge of Miss Jennie L. Hewitt for the entire school year. According to our prescribed course the classification is almost complete in this room. Miss Hewitt is a successful teacher. After another term the first class will pass to the High School, with scholarship in advance of any class hitherto promoted. For some strange reason Miss Hewett has recently concluded that teaching is not her vocation. The committee would have said otherwise.

The Intermediate department was taught by Miss Emma J. Cowell during two terms. Miss R. R. Kempton was employed for the third term. This school in excellence of recitation is

the banner school of the district. Miss Cowell is an excellent teacher, but needs more firmness and discretion in discipline. Miss Kempton is a teacher of large experience, and disciplines her school by work. A scholar in this school remarked, at the close of the last term, "This is the first term I ever had enough to do."

Miss Carrie A. Williams was teacher in the Second Primary department for one term, with her usual success. Miss M. C. Morris taught this school two terms. A faithful teacher, always doing good work.

The First Primary department has been fortunate in the services of Miss Henrietta Hatch. It is not too much to say that Miss Hatch is a model teacher for a primary department. The district should keep such teachers, yet Miss Hatch goes to a higher position.

It is not easy to settle the questions arising about the schools on the west side of "the river." During the first term of the year Miss Mary J. Briggs taught one school. The second term scholars were so numerous that we engaged Miss Mary J. Wright to teach some primary classes, while Miss Briggs retained her position in the north school room. In the winter Mr. O. W. Burnap and Miss Carrie E. Towne taught with the divisions as the previous term. This school requires determined and resolute teachers. In their places these teachers have done successful work. There is some good material in this school, and the year's work shows progress in all directions.

Our schools are in good condition. Each year will add to the effectiveness of the graded system. Some of the schools show a marked improvement in reading, and also in logical demonstration of mathematical work. We need more teachers of experience. Good teaching compels scholars to think. By some means they must be stimulated *to* thought and *by* thought.

To put it mildly, too many teachers are *lazy*. Their only work is done in the school room, in the traditional methods of question and answer. Our teachers need more training that they may know how to teach. Many applications for positions are from those who have not even taken a high school course or its equivalent, much less a thorough training at some good normal school. It has cost this district too much money to educate teachers by giving them experience at our expense. After two or three terms, if they develop into successful teachers, more lucrative positions attract them from us. If they develop no ability, commending them to others, they are of little real advantage to any school. We need the ability to go out and pick out our teachers from the successful workers in the school room. The teacher worthy of a place in the school room knows the object to be gained in a course of instruction; soon learns what a scholar can do and ought to do, has a system that may be adapted to any school room, and knows the difference between a mere recitation and an exercise in which teacher and pupil work with enthusiasm. We ask the co-operation of parents in making our schools more effective by consulting with teachers about matters pertaining to the schools. We think the committee have no hobbies to ride, the teachers no unreasonable requirements to make, and a candid consultation about our interests will often help us to see things in the same light.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

E. H. CHENEY,	} Board of Education.
J. M. DUTTON,	
W. H. COTTON,	

TABLE OF SCHOOLS.

No. of District.	TERMS.	TEACHERS.	Length in weeks.	Wages per month, including board.	Whole number of Scholars.	Average Attendance,	No. of visits by S.S. Committee
1	1	Kate Croly,	12	\$14 00	3	2.9	3
2	1	Charlotte N. Estabrook,	10				
	2	*E. N. Goodhue,					
	3	" "					
	1	Grace Darling,	10	20 00	33	29	2
	2	Nina L. Gile,	12	24 00	41	36	3
	3	Estelle C. Patrick,	12	24 00	34	20	3
3	1	*Carrie L. Lowe,					
	2	" "					
	3	" "					
4	1	Mary H. Daniels,	8	7 00	3	3	1
	2	Chas. J. Mason,	10	20 00	7	6.7	2
5	1	Hannah Wood,	10	12 00	9	7.02	2
	2	Rosa A. Wood,	10	12 00	6	5.47	2
6	1	Addie M. Chase,	8	16 00	9	6	1
	2	Mary E. Towle,	13	18 00	5	4	3
7	1	Frank C. Smith,	6	15 00	9	7.11	2
	2	Florence B. Emerson,	4	12 00	7	6.5	1
8	1	Emma J. Barker,	10	17 00	15	14	3
	2	" "	8	18 00	18	16	2
	3	" "	14	20 00	11	10	2
9	1	Lora Chase,	8	11 00	9	7	2
	2	" "	9	24 00	10	9.4	2
	3	" "	9.6	24 00	15	11.44	2
10	1	Frances W. Purnmort,	12	16 00	25	23.5	2
	2	T. B. Rice.	12	24 00	18	17	2
11	1	Nellie M. Baker,	8	10 00	13	10.7	2
	2	Mary E. Mason,	10	12 00	15	13.9	2
	3	" "	12	16 66	11	7	2
12	1	Ida Sturtevant,	8	20 00	19	16	3
	2	" "	8	20 00	20	14	2
	3	Clara A. Barrows,	10	24 00	17	11.84	2
13	1	Mary A. Freeman,	11	28 00	29	27	2
	2	" "	12	30 00	29	26.5	2
	3	" "	11	32 00	32	29.1	2
14	1	E. W. Westgate	11	800 00	30	28	
&	2	" " } High School.	11	per	41	39	
15	3	" " } year	11	32 00	42	38	
	2	Nettie M. Stevens, Assistant.		32 00			
	3	" "		32 00			
	1	Jennie L. Hewitt,	11	32 00	31	29.8	
	2	" " } Grammar.	11	32 00	26	26	
	3	" " }	11	32 00	30	27.5	
	1	Emma J. Cowell,	11	30 00	37	35.4	
	2	" " } Intermed'e	11	30 00	38	35.2	
	3	" " }	11	30 00	34	32.2	
	1	R. R. Kempton,	11	28 00	34	31	
	2	Carrie A. Williams,	11	28 00	37	32	
	3	Mary C. Morris,	11	28 00	42	38	
	1	Henrietta Hatch,	11	28 00	41	37.4	
	2	" " } 1st	11	28 00	45	42.6	
	3	" " } Primary.	11	28 00	36	31.5	
	1	Mary J. Briggs, West side Pri.	11	31 00	50	45.5	
	2	" " } West side	11	30 00	22	21	
	3	O. W. Burnap, } 2nd Primary.	11	34 00	38	30	
	2	Mary J. Wright, } West side	11	†14 00	26	25	
	3	Carrie E. Towne, } 1st Primary.	11	†12 00	24	15	
16	1	Rose Manahan,	12	12 00	6	5	2

* Register not returned.

† Employed but three hours a day.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Lebanon qualified to vote in town affairs:

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You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said town on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

- 1st. To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2d. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3d. To choose three Selectmen and all other town officers for the ensuing year.
- 4th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year.
- 5th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to repair highways.
- 6th. To hear the report of the Auditors and the Superintending School Committee.
- 7th. To determine the division of the school money.
- 8th. To see what disposition the town will make of the income of the W. K. Eldridge estate, agreeably to the provisions of his will.
- 9th. To see what action the town will take for the payment of the Town Bonds which become due July 1st, 1881.
- 10th. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not exceeding four hundred and fifty dollars, for the purchase of a new town clock.
- 11th. To see if the town will vote to accept the bequest of two hundred dollars made in the will of the late Colbee C. Benton, for the purpose of removing the Tomb on the bank of Great Brook to some place in or near the old Cemetery in the village. Also a bequest of some three hundred dollars for the purpose of ornamenting the old Cemetery in the Center Village by setting out Elms, Evergreens, and other trees.
- 12th. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not exceeding twenty-five dollars, for the purpose of stocking the waters of said town with trout, and prohibit trout fishing within its limits for the period of three years, or act thereon.
- 13th. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money not exceeding \$400, and appropriate the same to the small school districts in town, proportionately, for school purposes, or act thereon.
- 14th. To see if the town will vote to pay Daniel S. Flanders the expense to which he was put in consequence of the arrest of Asa T. Barron, in 1879, by George H. Worthen, or act thereon.
- 15th. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to provide suitable heating apparatus for the Town Hall or act thereon.

Given under our hands and seal this nineteenth day of February A. D. 1881.

SOLON A. PECK, }
JOHN S. FREEMAN, } Selectmen
CHAS. B. DRAKE, } of
Lebanon.

A true copy—Attest

SOLON A. PECK, }
JOHN S. FREEMAN, } Selectmen
CHAS. B. DRAKE, } of
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