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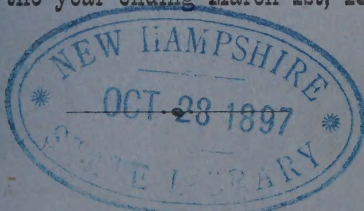






REPORTS  
OF THE  
Selectmen & other Town Officers  
OF  
CLAREMONT, N. H.  
INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEES,

For the year ending March 1st, 1882.



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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

**L.S.** To the inhabitants of the town of Claremont in the county of Sullivan in said state qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:—

1st. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

2nd. To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.

3rd. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of Schools the present year.

4th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the Stevens High School.

5th. To determine how the school money shall be divided among the several School Districts the ensuing year.

6th. To choose a Committee for the Stevens High School for the ensuing year.

7th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the repairs of Highways and Bridges the ensuing year, and determine how it shall be paid.

8th. To raise by vote the necessary amount of money to pay the legal expenses of the Town the ensuing year.

9th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay the debts of the Town.

10th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Street Lights.

11th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Fiske Free Library.

12th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Support of the Poor.

13th. To see what sum the Town will vote to pay firemen.

14th. To determine the rate of discount the Town will allow to persons paying their taxes within such periods as the Town may designate.



15th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for decoration purposes.

16th. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway leading from Main Street on the West Terrace, where Vine Street intersects, northerly sixteen rods to a stake and stones.

17th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for repairing the Highway from Tremont Square to the Bridge near the Sunapee Mills,

18th. To see if the Town will vote to build one or more Reservoirs in addition to the present number and raise money therefor.

19th. To see if the Town will vote to sustain a public Reading Room, raise and appropriate money for the same.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-fifth day of February, A. D. 1882.

WILLIAM CLARK,	} Selectmen of Claremont.
JOHN W. JEWETT,	
MARSHALL S. ROSSITER,	



REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF CLAREMONT,  
For the year ending March 1, 1882.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

VALUATION.

Real Estate,	\$ 1,506,416
Factories and Machinery,	218,100
Personal Estate,	486,680
Mills and Carding Machines,	36,600
Toll Bridges and Ferries,	6,000
Aqueducts,	3,600
1059 Polls,	105,900
	————— \$ 2,363,296

The rate of Taxation was \$ 1.20 cash on \$ 100.00 and eleven and three tenths cents in labor on highways.

AMOUNT OF TAXES.

The amount of tax required to be assessed by law and by vote of the town, was as follows ;

For State Tax,	\$ 5,684.00
County Tax,	5,932.14
Schooling,	5,923.50
Stevens High School,	1,600.00
Highways,	500.00

For Decoration,	75.00
Reading Room,	200.00
To pay Debts,	2,000.00
Town Officers,	1,400.00
Fire Department,	1,500.00
Incidental Expenses,	1,500.00
Street Lights,	200.00
Fiske Free Library,	200.00
Support of Poor,	300.00
School House Tax in No. 1,	1,256.58
"      "      "      17,	42.00
"      "      "      13,	11.76
"      "      "      10,	209.38
Tax on Dogs,	255.00
Non-resident highway tax,	13.65
Add Percentage,	1,345.25
	<hr/> \$ 30,148.26

#### LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

##### *Funded Debt.*

Bonds outstanding March 1st, 1881,	\$ 124,500
Bonds drawn Jan'y 1st, 1881 and paid July 1, 1881	2,000
Bond No. 90 drawn Jan'y, 1880, and paid in 1881,	100—\$ 2,100
	<hr/> \$ 122,400
Amount of coupons outstanding, due and unpaid, on Claremont town bonds, March 1, 1882.	675
	<hr/> \$ 123,075

##### ASSETS.

Due from County, on pauper acc't,	\$ 164 40
State for bounties,	1 70
Mrs. C. Peck,	9 50
School land rents,	31 25
Money in Collector's hands,	3,000 00
Money in hands of Treasurer,	1,543 01
	<hr/> \$ 4,749 86

Net indebtedness of Town, \$ 118,325 14.

## PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN.

Stevens High School building and lot,	\$ 25,000
Town Hall,	12,000
Selectmen's Building, Lobby and furniture,	1,500
Engine House,	1,500
Engines and Hose,	3,500
House on Cemetery lot,	1,200
Library Building,	7,000
Spring of Water,	300
One piano,	300
Two Hearses,	250
Town safes and furniture,	250
Fiske Free Library,	3,000
Estimated value of lease lands,	750
Whiskey, rum and brandy etc., without making allowance for "leakage and evaporation,"	432

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury March 1st, 1881.	\$ 3,327 72
Rent of Library Building	451 17
“ “ House at Cemetery,	100 00
Fines from liquor prosecutions,	42 00
License of Billiard Tables,	47 50
School-house rents,	33 75
M. H. Gilman, Cemetery lot,	10 00
Sale of Engine No. 1,	50 00
Francis Locke for brick,	4 54
Showman's License,	10 00
Bounties on Hawks,	6 80
J. W. Jewett on Pauper Account,	1,777 98
From sales of Liquor casks,	7 75
State Railroad Tax	502 10
“ Savings Bank Tax,	4,723 58
“ Literary Fund	430 43



Interest on Tappan Fund	630 00
Posts, lumber, mortar, &c.,	25 53
A. Burrill use of Town Hall,	208 00
Interest on Stevens Fund,	600 00
J. S. Walker, Mortar,	2 40
Mrs. Newell, Discount on interest,	1 80
Tax Collector,	31,256 73
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	\$ 44,249 78

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for support of schools,	5,812 74
"    "    poor,	1,885 67
Ringing bells and sexton's services,	326 59
Highways and bridges,	919 28
Incidental expenses,	4,596 29
Damage by dogs,	151 50
Bounty on hawks and crows,	5 50
Town Officers,	1,624 87
Debts of Town,	7,977 00
Fire Department,	1,202 54
Building school-houses,	1,450 60
Tappan Fund,	1,830 00
Stevens High School,	2,630 43
Fiske Free Library,	200 00
Abatement of taxes,	172 04
Discount on taxes,	305 58
State tax,	5,684 00
County tax	5,932 14
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	42,706 77
Cash in hands of the Treasurer,	1,543 01
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	\$ 44,249 78

## INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid Mechanics' Band	\$ 100 00
Mrs. Albee for Reading Room	200 00
James E. Cassidy, damage to plow	5 00
O. D. Blood, five lead chains	5 95
R. W. Silsby, 1 day taking tax blanks	1 25

Paid C. C. Ellis, returns of births and deaths	7 75
A. R. Cummings                   "                   "	4 75
C. A. Volk                         "                   "	4 50
L. J. Graves,                     "                   "	2 25
O. B. Way                        "                   "	6 75
Milton Bailey, Damage to sleigh	3 00
C. M. Bingham, Measuring Rum etc.	6 00
C. W. Tolles, returns of births and deaths	6 00
Blood & Woodcock, work on fountain	3 87
Henry S. Parmelee, lighting street lamps in Apr.	8 00
E. F. Barnes, returns of births and deaths	1 00
Griffith, painting cemetery house	4 83
W. H. Redfield, decoration	75 00
C. H. Clark, copying invoice and taxes	10 00
Robert Clark, labor on cemetery fence	3 38
James B. Porter, cleaning lobby	2 00
J. M. Barnard, labor on lobby,	5 35
A. Burrill, labor on fence and hall,	4 40
Rob. Clark lab. on Park fence, (paid cash 51cts.)	3 01
John Tyler, water rent,	5 00
Claremont M'fg. Co. printing reports.	50 00
Sullivan Machine Co. work on bell,	5 20
M. S. Rossiter, burying Vadney's horse, its resurrection and second burial	6 75
Joseph Vadney, damage to horse,	15 00
Freeman & O'Neil, repairs on band stand,	2 50
B. F. Lewis, cutting bushes in cemetery	3 00
Adam R. Leet, use of water trough,	3 00
J. W. Jewett, paid Kempton for washing blankets	40
G. Walker, work on fountain,	1 00
Russell Jarvis and others referee's fees,	15 00
Robert Clark, building cemetery fence,	10 50
H. C. Fay, printing,	17 00
J. B. Porter, Cleaning town hall,	17 50
S. Norrington, whitewashing,	3 00
C. H. Weed, for memorial service,	51 48
Claremont Stationery Co., books for paupers,	2 92
John Megrath, slating hall,	70 98
Claremont M'fg. Co., printing,	9 34
A. Burrill, for janitor service, 1½ years,	55 12
John Martin, eight loads of stone,	17 00
A. T. Fairbanks, staging poles and labor,	13 05

Paid W. C. Smith, school books,	1 60
John Martin, 2 loads stone,	4 00
D. T. Chase, services in Dickinson suit,	20 00
Wm. Bailey, shingles,	3 50
H. S. Parmelee, repairs on lamps,	4 45
A. H. Towle, two loads of stone,	4 00
Joseph Weber, printing,	4 00
Haskell & Tolles, paper for cemetery house,	8 57
William Clark, stove for Selectmen's room,	12 00
H. S. Parmelee, lighting street lamps and oil,	55 00
John Tyler, water,	5 00
James Lake, flour spilled,	1 00
Schuyler Breed, load of wood,	6 00
Edwin T. Ayers, two cords wood,	10 00
Richard Messer, police July 4th,	1 50
Stimpson Tebo & Co., sawing wood,	7 75
H. W. Parker, collecting school land rents,	1 00
R. E. Mussey, printing,	3 00
Sullivan Mach. Co. work on door catch, etc,	2 40
M. P. Bailey, water trough,	3 00
Wm. E. Thompson, witness fees,	1 78
Freeman S. Chellis, water trough,	3 00
Jewett & Peabody, labor, soap, candles, etc.	5 96
Henry H. Hart, damage on highway,	1 50
E. C. Pope, water trough,	2 00
Jos. Weber, printing in 1874,	1 25
Stephen J. Harbroe, materials furnished in lighting street lamps,	7 20
Ira Colby, Legal Services	50 00
Hosea W. Parker, "	50 00
R. B. Tenney, kalsomining,	7 88
Henry S. Parmelee, street lights,	55 00
H. C. Fay, printing,	3 50
H. L. Brooks, watering trough,	3 00
F. Whitcomb, "	3 00
H. P. Shedd, lease on cemetery land,	6 00
Chester E. Albee, sharpening bars, etc.	3 40
J. B. Sanborn, highway and collector's books,	3 90
Charles H. Adams, invoice book,	75
Nichols & Eddy, teams,	4 75
Mace, clapboards,	1 25
Morris and Buck, cleaning town house,	1 92



Paid W. E. Brooks, recording Deed.	50
Freeman & O'Neil, work on town house and materials furnished	285 57
A. C. Stone, labor on town hall,	8 20
John Blanchard, water trough,	3 00
M. S. Rossiter 23 cords of wood for town hall, 18 cords now on hand	102 75
Winn and Briggs, sponges for cleaning Town House,	1 20
M. S. Rossiter, Expenses to Newport and Croydon,	3 00
M. S. Rossiter, expenses to Troy N. Y. and return, purchasing Town Hall bell.	15 00
H. F. Nichols, for team to take Clinton H. Meneely's man and bell tackle to Depot, and credit for the same on bill,	1 50
Wm. H. Farwell, for drawing $\frac{1}{2}$ M of brick to Town House,	75
George Graves & Frank Parker, for splicing ropes,	75
Freeman Young, work on town house,	1 50
Mrs. Symmister, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Ledue, cleaning town hall,	3 19
H. F. Nichols, for teams to go to Jno. Tyler's, Wm. E. Thompson's, Isaac H. Long, Russel Jarvis, and to Charlestown line, West part bridge, brick yard, and to No. Charlestown after lumber, and to Cornish,	6 25
Foster Knights, trucking,	75
M. S. Rossiter, wheelbarrow for town house	6 00
John W. Jewett carrying Flannigan to county farm,	2 00
John W. Jewett, expenses to Cornish to buy lumber,	2 00
John W. Jewett, expenses to Newport to buy lumber,	1 80
Robert Clark, work on town hall	35 00
John Burns " " " "	24 04
John M. Ager, water trough 2 years,	4 00
C. Jones & Co., bush scythes, nails and weather strips,	5 24
John M. Barnard, paint, glass and setting	2 50

Paid John M. Barnard, watching town rum,	3 00
Mitchell Oliver, trucking,	4 05
George H. Stowell, lime, cement, nails and sundries for town house,	243 91
Jewett & Peabody, alum and pails,	1 57
Alfred Burrill, 13 cords wood for town house,	58 50
“ sawing and piling same,	8 75
“ water pitcher,	55
“ broom,	38
“ lock for hearse house,	70
Arthur Chase, expense on truant scholars	20 00
Claremont Stationery Co., books for poor children,	3 59
Theo. Cyphiot, vaccination,	1 84
Haskell & Tolles, 6 window curtains and hangings,	4 75
Joseph Levoy, boards for staging for town house,	1 50
Rollin Stimpson, sawing wood,	2 25
Russell Jarvis, water trough,	1 50
Gas, street lights,	121 50
“ town hall,	63 30
James Caffrey, work on town house chimney	18 25
Charles P. Bailey, “ “ “ “ bell tower	1 25
J. B. Porter, “ “ “ “ clock &c.	6 08
Thomas Burns, freight on “ “ bell &c.,	20 80
Wm. Morris, work on “ “ chimney	3 75
Rollin Stimpson, “ “ “ and sawing wood,	85 73
C. H. Meneely, bell and mountings,	449 91
Jason F. Johnson, work on town house chimney,	65 00
Frank Dansereau, “ “ “ “ “	20 00
Lewis Langworthy, “ “ “ “ “	17 61
Norbert Jeffreon, “ “ “ “ “	19 50
Gifford Gravel, “ “ “ “ “	10 87
Frank Bush, “ “ “ “ “	4 80
Jas. H. Grow, “ “ “ “ “	2 66
B. F. Lewis, “ “ “ “ “	6 85
Jos. Young, “ “ “ “ “	5 00
George A. Walker, “ “ “ “ “	37 50
Moses Bono, “ “ “ “ “	3 75

Paid C. T. Hough, work in town house,	5 40
Ira F. Chandler, lumber for town house and cemetery fence,	27 40
Mitchell Oliver, trucking,	5 00
E. C. Lewis, drawing 30½ M bricks,	22 87
George D. Walker, labor on town house chim- ney and furnace,	47 12
Joseph Levoy, use of staging,	6 50
John R. Blood, work on chimney and furnace,	103 20
E. D. Baker, 30.9M bricks,	200 00
George Murphy, work on town hall,	10 25
William H. Ellsworth, lumber for town hall,	44 00
Clement T. Hough, labor on town hall,	8 55
Robert Clark, labor on town hall,	220 95
D. C. Dunham, " " " "	54 45
James L. Deane, " " " "	52 31
Sullivan Machine Co. " " " chimney,	24 42
Stephen Hurd, " " " " bell and running town line,	8 50
C. T. Hough, work on town house,	6 75
O. A. Bond " " " "	10 00
D. C. Dunham, " " " "	25 53
James L. Deane, " " " "	24 52
Norbert Geffrecon, " " " "	75
John R. Blood " " " "	47 75
Geo. A. Walker, 5 bunches laths for town house,	1 00
A. C. Stone, furnace pipe, and stove pipe for town house,	281 91
Richard Messer, labor on bell of town house,	1 50
C. L. Severance, sand for town house chimney,	10 62
J. B. Porter, 4½ days cleaning town hall,	6 75
Wm. H. Ellsworth, lumber for town house,	26 02
I. P. Frink, center light for town hall,	97 64
George D. Walker, work on town house,	40 50
Monadnock Mills, lumber for " "	18 57
John R. Blood, work on " "	21 75
S. D. Norrington, kalsomining town house,	13 50
George D. Walker, " "	15 06
James L. Dean, work on town house,	44 22
Total amount of incidentals,	\$ 4,596 29

of which \$ 2,461 70 was paid for repairs on town hall.



## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid engine and hook and Ladder men,	\$ 1,071 73
Henry S. Parmelee, keeping fire in en- house, 140 days,	14 00
Caroline Kimball, rent of land,	10 00
H. L. Redfield, services as steward,	5 00
Prouty & Eddy, drawing engine to and from fire at Junction,	3 00
Henry S. Parmelee, services as steward,	7 35
" " " cash,	2 45
A. C. Stone, 43 lbs. stove pipe for engine house,	4 80
Geo. H. Stowell, coal and repairs on en- gine house.	57 06
Henry C. Brown, painting and papering,	17 75
J. R. Blood, labor, &c., on engine house, No. 3,	6 40
Freeman & O'Neil, labor and lumber,	3 00
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	\$ 1,202 54

## TOWN OFFICERS.

Marshall S. Rossiter, services as Supervisor for year ending March 8, 1881,	\$ 25 37
O. D. Blood, services as policeman,	13 00
F. J. Ingalls, " " "	8 00
O. B. Way, " " Moderator,	10 00
C. M. Bingham, " " Auditor,	5 00
Isaac H. Long, " " Selectman,	12 25
Geo. H. Stowell, " " Supervisor,	22 75
H. W. Parker, " " Auditor,	4 00
Stephen H. Hurd, " " policeman,	12 00
N. B. Frye, " " "	16 00
M. S. Rossiter, " " Selectman,	269 50
J. W. Jewett, " " "	287 00
J. W. Jewett, " " Overseer of the Poor,	50 00
William E. Tutherly, " Auditor,	4 00
John M. Barnard, " " policeman,	12 00
Wm. Clark, " " Selectmen,	300 00
Ira Colby, " " Supervisor,	8 01
Arthur Chase, " " Superintendent of Schools	150 00
M. H. Wells, " " Superintendent of Schools, District No. 17,	25 00

H. L. Hubbard, services as Tax Collector,	200 00
F. F. Haskell, " " Town Clerk,	100 00
E. W. Tolles, " " Town Treasurer,	90 00

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\$ 1,624 87

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Peter Haubrich for labor,	\$ 26 65
Amos D. Johnson, breaking roads,	10 06
F. E. Freeman, " "	1 00
E. C. Bailey, " "	12 11
Winthrop Sargent, " "	10 50
Charles Knights,	4 17
A. R. P. Butterfield, repairing highway,	9 36
A. B. Stone, breaking roads,	1 00
Lewis Chastin, " "	2 50
Frenchman, " "	83
A. A. Watson, " "	6 63
Israel Gamash, " "	6 00
J. M. Dyer, 640 cedar posts,	44 80
C. H. Long, freight on posts,	25 00
W. H. Ellsworth, 1,400 feet of plank,	11 20
G. A. Bradford, loading posts,	3 80
C. Jones & Co., 3 road scrapers,	16 50
W. H. Ellsworth, for lumber,	8 08
M. S. Rossiter, labor and cash paid on bridge,	19 44
I. F. Chandler, lumber for West Part bridge,	47 44
Fowler & Smith, for lumber,	2 89
W. H. Ellworth, lumber for highway,	26 77
A. R. Leet, labor on highway,	1 25
J. H. Rugg, work on highway,	2 00
J. F. Tasker, labor on West Part bridge,	125 00
E. C. Williams, labor,	9 50
Claremont Manuf' Co., lumber for bridge,	23 76
J. W. Sanborn, lumber,	20 36
S. C. Lear, labor,	12 03
Darius Belknap, labor,	7 02
G. G. & L. N. Ide, lumber,	129 81
W. H. Ellsworth, lumber,	7 06
J. G. Rowell, 2,376 ft. bridge plank,	23 67
H. G. P. Cross, boarding men working on bridge,	16 75

Paid E. C. Pope, work on culvert,	10 00
Ira F. Chandler, lumber for highway,	107 05
Mitchell Oliver, putting sand on ice,	75
J. W. Chaffin, breaking roads,	2 16
George Otis Johnson, breaking roads,	4 34
Albro Proctor, work on highway,	10 35
D. N. Bowker, " "	7 50
Freeman S. Chellis, stone and gravel for highway,	2 78
Monadnock Mills, lumber,	15 43
Charles P. Rossiter, breaking roads.	4 05
Henry C. Freeman, work on road,	9 93
Wm. P. Bartlett, three loads stone,	6 00
I. D. Hall, nails and spikes,	2 72
Albro Proctor, breaking roads,	14 87
Homer E. Grannis, repairs on road,	14 82
James E. Cassidy, breaking roads,	11 07
B. W. Sargent, " "	6 26
Stephen J. Roberts, repairs on highways,	6 26
Israel Gamash, " "	8 00
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	\$ 919 28

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Amount of money raised by vote of Town,	\$ 5,923 50
School land rent,	42 50
Rail road tax,	21 74
Interest on Tappan Fund,	1,830 00
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	\$ 7,817 74
Paid Superintendents,	175 00
Paid prizes from Tappan Fund,	1,830 00
Total amount expended for Schools,	\$ 5,812 74
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	\$ 7,817 74

Which by vote of Town was divided \$ 75 to each District and the remainder by the scholar, giving to 1,302 scholars \$ 3.37 each in addition to what is given to the District, the whole amount to each district being shown in the following



## TABLE.

No. of District.	No. of Scholars.	School Money.	Tappan Fund.	No. of District.	No. of Scholars.	School Money.	Tappan Fund.
1	341	1,224 17	479 28	11	38	203 06	53 41
2	35	192 95	49 20	12	10	108 70	14 06
3	22	149 14	30 92	13	10	108 70	14 06
4	41	213 17	57 63	14	16	128 92	22 49
5	47	233 39	66 06	15	178	674 86	250 18
6	13	118 81	18 27	16	9	105 33	12 65
7	33	186 21	46 38	17	357	1,278 09	501 76
8	15	125 55	21 09	18	45	226 65	63 25
9	71	314 27	99 79	19	10	108 70	14 06
10	11	112 07	15 46		1,302	5,812 74	1,830 00

## PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Town of Claremont in account with John W. Jewett,  
Overseer of the Poor.

Due from the County March 1st, 1881.	182 85	
Drawn from the Town Treasury.	1885 67	
		—————2068 52

## Contra.

Due from the County March 1st 1882.	164 40	
Cash received from the County, and paid into the Town Treasury,	1,777 98	
Town aid.	126 14	
		—————2068 52

## JOHN W. JEWETT.

*Overseer of the Poor.*

## BOUNTY ON HAWKS AND CROWS.

Paid	5 50
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## DAMAGE TO SHEEP BY DOGS.

Alvin B. Stone,	10 00
James E. Cassidy,	4 50
Ingalls E. Heath,	28 00
Thos. J. Fitch,	6 00
F. P. Smith,	3 00
Wm. B. Ellis,	4 00

Michael Reardon,	9 00
Homer E. Grannis,	45 00
Russell Jarvis,	27 00
William E. Ainsworth,	10 00
Charles A. Fisher,	5 00
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	\$ 151 50
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## RINGING BELLS AND SEXTON'S SERVICES.

Paid Josiah Smith,	12 50
Alfred Burrill,	274 09
William D. Morgan,	27 50
F. C. Bailey,	12 50
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	\$ 326 69

## BUILDING AND REPAIRING SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Paid District No. 1,	\$ 1,200 00
" " 13,	10 60
" " 10,	200 00
" " 17,	40 00

## STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid	\$ 2,630 43
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## FISKE FREE LIBRARY,

Paid	\$ 200 00
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## ABATEMENT AND DISCOUNT ON TAXES,

Paid,	\$ 477 62
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## STATE TAX.

Paid	5,684 00
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## COUNTY TAX.

Paid	\$ 5,932 14
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## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE TAPPAN FUND.

Collected and paid to the Town Treasurer six hundred and thirty dollars interest on notes secured by mortgage on real estate.

As the fund now stands there is invested,

In town bonds,	20,000 00
In notes secured by mortgagee on real estate.	10,500 00
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	\$ 30500 00

WILLIAM CLARK	} Committee.
JOHN W. JEWETT	
MARSHALL S. ROSSITER	
JAMES P. UPHAM	
DANIEL W. JOHNSON	
EDWARD J. TENNEY	

#### CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT.

Another year has passed with no fires of any account in our town.

Apparatus and engine houses are all in first-class order, and no special outlay for the coming year is needed.

GEO. H. STOWELL, *Chief Engineer.*

#### FISKE FREE LIBRARY.

The success of the Fiske Free Library since it came under the charge of a board of Trustees, has been quite gratifying to them, and especially so since the removal of the Library to its present quarters. Before the removal the whole number of persons who had taken books was less than eight hundred. At the time of the removal a new register was opened, and up to the 5th inst., eighteen hundred and forty-four names of readers had been entered upon it. At the same date there were eight hundred and twenty-seven books in the hands of readers.

The Librarian, Miss Abbie Field, has performed her duties in a manner entirely satisfactory to the Trustees, and as they have good reason to believe, to the general, if not to the universal, satisfaction of the people of the town. Every rule established for her guidance and for the taking out, treatment and return of books, &c. has been enforced without any discrimination in favor of any one; and when fines and penal-

alties have been incurred they have been collected. No books have been lost nor destroyed during the last year.

The town is under especial obligation to Mr. Clarence F. Jewett, late of Claremont, now of Boston, for a contribution of very valuable books to the Library viz. "Memorial History of Boston," four volumes, of which he was the projector, and "History of Worcester County, Mass.," two volumes, elegantly executed, illustrated and bound, and thirty-two volumes of miscellaneous books. Several other books have been donated to the Library, and amongst them a complete set of the "Missionary Herald," by Mr. N. W. Goddard.

Below will be found a detailed statement of the financial condition of the Library, which we doubt not, will be quite satisfactory to the town.

OTIS F. R. WAITE,

*Clerk of the Board of Trustees.*

March 8, 1882.

# REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE TRUSTEES OF FISKE FREE LIBRARY.

## *Receipts.*

From Balance in hand from last year's Acc't.	\$ 172 84
S. I. L. Woodbury, for rent of store from Jan. 1881 to Jan. 1882.	185 00
R. D. Kellogg, " "	100 00
L. M. Blood, basement fr. Mar. to Jan. 1882	20 84
Coburn & Deane store " "	83 33
H. W. Parker, office fr. Aug. 1880 to Aug. 1881.	62 00
From fines and sale of Catalogues	38 51
Town appropriation for Library	200 00
Total receipts	\$ 862 52

## *Disbursements.*

Deposited in Town Treasury, from rents	451 17
Paid Abbie Field, Librarian	150 00
for Fuel	24 77
Gas	4 50
Repairs on building	41 35
Water	10 00
Paper, postals, mucilage, cleaning, etc.	8 67
Rebinding Books	14 80
Advertising	3 75
In hand March 1st 1882	153 51
Total	862 52



*Fiske Fund.*

There has been expended for new books, since Mar.

1881, the sum of \$ 94 50

The amount now in the hands of the Trustees is \$4,725.78. Of this sum \$4000 00 is a Fund, invested at 6 per cent, the interest from which is to be expended for books. The balance, \$725.78, will be used for the purchase of books at such times as the trustees deem advisable. Doubtless a large portion of it will be used for replenishing the Library at an early date.

OSMON B. WAY.

*Financial Agent.*

March 1, 1882.

## REPORT OF STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In presenting to the town a report of the present condition of Stevens High School, the Committee, with great confidence, can give assurance that the noble work of this institution has lost nothing in importance and usefulness during the past year. At the date of our last annual report, Prof. R. S. Bingham was filling the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Prof A. J. Swain, who had had charge of the school with great satisfaction, for more than ten years. Mr. Bingham resigned at the close of the year to accept a superintendency of schools at Cedar Falls, Iowa.

The Committee had the rare good fortune to secure Prof. L. S. Hastings, A. M., as Principal, who began his work at the opening of the present school year. We point with pride to the work which has been accomplished during his administration.

Mr. Hastings graduated from Dartmouth College in 1870. For a time, succeeding his graduation, he was tutor in that institution, which, if other evidence were wanting, shows the regard in which he was held by his alma mater. For six years previous to his engaging with us, he was Principal of the High School in Framingham, Mass. A ripe scholar, a thorough, practical and pleasing instructor, and possessing rare abilities as an organizer, he is eminently fitted to conduct the school to a high standard.

No other changes in teachers have been made during the year. Miss R. Annie Barker, A. M., a graduate from the University of Vermont, and a lady of rare accomplishments, has been an assistant for three years. Always popular, and evidently growing more so, she has done her best work the present year.

Miss M. L. Moore has been in the school nearly two years. A graduate of New Hampton Literary Institution, scholarly and conscientious, of large experience in the profession, she is a very efficient and useful teacher.

With such a corps of able instructors, nothing should prevent the school's reaching a degree of excellence unsurpassed by any similar institution of learning.

The number of scholars now in attendance is just one hundred. Seventeen of these are non-residents and pay tuition. More than twenty of the resident scholars are from districts outside the village limits. The average attendance is considerably larger than that of former years. The deportment of the scholars is generally satisfactory.

The Treasurer's report, showing the financial operations of the Committee, is appended.

OSMON B. WAY,	} Committee.
IRA COLBY,	
HERMON HOLT,	
ARTHUR CHASE,	

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

##### *Receipts.*

Amount in Treasury, March 1, 1881,	\$ 516.51
Orders on Town Treasurer, given by Selectmen,	2,630.43
Tuition from non-resident pupils,	252.00
Total receipts,	<hr/> \$ 3,398.94

##### *Disbursements.*

Paid salaries of teachers,	\$ 2,164.08
F. F. Haskell for instruction in music,	25.00
Janitors,	97.42
Fuel,	198.46
Cleaning school building and sifting ashes,	14.00
Sundry repairs, including new stove and grates,	71.69

Incidental expenses, including books, stationery, school apparatus di- plomas and several bills con- tracted in former years,	121.36
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Total expenditures,	\$ 2,691.96
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Cash in Treasury, March 1, 1882, for use in defraying the expenses of the re- mainder of the school year,	706.98
	<hr/> \$ 3,398.94

This report covers all receipts and expenditures from March 1, 1881, to March 1, 1882, and includes payment of salaries of teachers and janitors from middle of the winter term of 1881, to which time they had been paid, up to the middle of the winter term of 1882, to which latter time they are now also paid,

HERMON HOLT,

*Treasurer of Stevens High School Committee.*

#### REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL FUND.

The amount of this fund in the hands of the Trustees is the same as reported last year, \$ 10,000. The income for the year 1881, \$ 600, has been paid into the town treasury. The Legacy bequeathed by the late Paran Stevens, \$40,000, remains as heretofore and it is uncertain when the amount will be paid over to the town, as the affairs of the estate are in litigation. We have no doubt regarding the ultimate payment, as the several legacies in the will have been declared by the court a lien upon the real estate, the value of which is much more than the amount of the legacies. We would suggest the employment of attorneys in New York to urge in the courts such action as shall hasten the settlement of the Stevens Estate, and the payment of the legacy to the town of Claremont with interest.

#### *The Alden Literary Prize Fund*

consists of the real estate bequeathed by the late Mrs. Mary J. Alden and \$ 587.51 deposited in the Sullivan Savings Institution. Since the fund came into the hands of the present trustees there has been received for rents and interest

the sum of \$ 167.09 and there has been paid for Insurance \$15 and for prizes \$ 125, leaving to the credit of the trustees with the Sullivan Savings Institution \$ 614.60

GEO. L. BALCOM,	}	Trustees Stevens High School Fund.
JNO. L. FARWELL,		
WILLIAM BRECK,		

*Claremont, N. H., March 1, 1882.*

TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH CLAREMONT CITIZENS' READING ROOM ASSOCIATION.

1881, April 1, Money in Treasury	3 50
To cash from town,	200 00
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	\$ 203 50

EXPENDITURES.

By cash paid to Henry S. Parmelee by order of committees,	
Labor,	104 00
Oil,	9 45
Wood,	9 00
Ice,	4 00
P. O. Box,	1 00
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	\$ 127 45
By cash paid for Reading Matter	51 67
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	179 12
Receipts,	203 50
Expenditures,	179 12
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Balance in Treasury,	\$ 24 38

C. E. ALBEE, Treasurer.

Claremont, March 4th, 1882.

To complete the year the expenses of the Reading Room for the month of March are to be drawn from the Treasury.



CLAREMONT, March 1, 1882.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Claremont, have examined the foregoing accounts of the Town Treasurer, Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor, Treasurer of Stevens High School Committee, the Financial Agent of the Fiske Free Library, the Committee of the Tappan Fund and the Treasurer of the Reading Room, and find the same correct, with proper vouchers.

H. W. PARKER, }  
C. M. BINGHAM, } *Auditors.*  
E. J. TENNEY, }

# REPORT

## OF THE

### Superintending School Committee.

#### For 1881-'82.

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A year has rolled around since my last report and another time for accounting has come.

Upon careful review there appears nothing sensational and little even of marked and peculiar importance to record. The Superintendent has labored by all means in his power to waken the schools of the Town to a new and better life. Against this there are many obstacles. One of these is the fact that the people are too well content with the present condition. Another is the faulty way in which we are districted (if districted we must be, at all)—making a great number of small schools. And, again, is the fact that among all our teachers, so few are qualified either by training or experience, to do any but the most ordinary quality of school work. Of those who lack special training, a few by natural force grow into valuable instructors, but the greater part by long practice, degenerate into mere teaching machines.

The schools in the village are doing good work, as good, probably as can be expected. District No. 1 has four grades thoroughly classified and each performing well its allotted task. The present condition of the building on Broad St. renders comparison between it and the very commodious and well-appointed house on High St. unfortunate for the former. I refer especially to the too well-worn floors and the lack of much needed blackboards.

The ambitious scholars of No. 15 find themselves at a serious disadvantage when the two-grade system, of that district, is compared with the facilities offered by Nos. 1 and 17. Nothing can put them upon an equality except some form of union, with one or other of those districts, either as to all or a portion of their pupils.

I am glad to say that public opinion, in the village, is satisfied with nothing short of thorough qualification for and entire devotion to their work on the part of the teachers of these schools. It cannot be supposed that the standard will be allowed to decline in the future.

It will scarcely be credited but it is true that the poorest work now done throughout the town is in the very elementary branches of reading, writing and spelling.

The rural schools are all "mixed," and, I trust, are working up, even if slowly. No pains have been spared by your committee in endeavoring to impress upon the people, the teachers and the children the necessity for constantly striving for better things. That these efforts are entirely vain cannot be supposed, nevertheless there is no use in expecting marked improvement in the schools while they are so numerous and so small; while the pay of the teacher is so inadequate, and her position, through isolation and low popular esteem, so unsatisfactory. New faces now and then appear in the school rooms but the animus is the same all along. The old dull routine and the old lack of intelligent method still prevail in cases not a few.

When the people become dissatisfied with these schools and districts are re-arranged so as to reduce the number from sixteen to less than half as many; when trained teachers become the rule and not the exception, and their position is made attractive by better pay and by reasonable social consideration, then and not till then will there be a substantial basis for improvement. We ought to have no school with less than thirty scholars. We could then afford and ought to pay teachers seven or eight dollars per week (with board at 2.00 or less) for not less than thirty-six weeks per year. Help these teachers to consider their position in the community as an important one. Cordially assist them to avail themselves of the town library and the Teachers' Association. Make the situation permanent to the successful. Introduce these changes and offer these inducements and there would be no difficulty in giving every child in town the best advantages which modern methods and modern culture afford. A call for teachers, based upon such conditions, would bring to our aid just the trained talent which we require and the supply of such would not fail.

There is nothing visionary about this, for the town of Claremont spends every year for schools more than enough to accomplish it all. There is, however, something needed besides money. It would be necessary that all connected with schools should have an eye single to the good of the schools and of their children in them. There could be no thought indulged as to how the school-money can be made to enrich the district or any of the dwellers in it, nor how it can furnish pocket money for this or that one's daughter or sister or aunt. It is a sacred trust. Good schools, and long terms should be the only object of desire. And there would be needed some special exertion in getting children to the school, further removed than theretofore from some homes, as it must be. There surely is nothing unreasonable in all this for wherefore is school-money raised but for schools, and wherefore are schools established but to teach children in *the best manner*. Our town is one of the most desirable in the state for residence, it raises money in abundance; nothing is now lacking but the intelligent will to place it in the front rank educationally. There is no difficulty in making the necessary changes. Let the people indicate their readiness to move and the whole thing can be readily accomplished, in whatever form desired.

The Superintendent was pleased to find in District No. 10, a very neat and commodious new school building, taking the place of one that has probably had more hard words flung at it by past superintendents than any other house in town.

An Association for the benefit of teachers has been maintained during the past fall and winter. It is regretted that too many of those for whose benefit it was established seemed to consider the matter of attendance as merely a question of taste and inclination, which was not the way it was regarded by the Superintendent. Young ladies who teach away from the village, cannot be expected to walk to the meetings. It is suggested that it must be, in the long run, worth the while of persons, in such districts, to see that their teachers have facilities needed for the purpose of attending the Association.

The Superintendent again calls the attention of prudential committees to the propriety of attending to the small repairs



of the school-houses under their charge, as soon as they are needed.

It is the opinion of the Superintendent that the schools of this town will, in the near future, be taught by persons rendered expert by previous special training. It is an ancient mistake that the ability to conduct a school comes by nature, even as Justice Dogberry says of reading and writing. All persons intending to teach, are advised to attend, for a sufficient time upon some well-conducted Normal School. The Superintendent admits that experience has modified his views on this point.

Since the statute empowers the Superintendent to make all regulations deemed by him necessary to the conducting of a school it clearly places upon him, measurably, the responsibility for its success. It follows then that no teacher can lawfully hold himself as above or beyond the wise control of the Superintendent in any thing appertaining to the school.

In making up the Roll of Honor the Superintendent has instructed the teachers to place no names thereon except such as, besides perfect regularity and punctuality in attendance, have an equally high standing upon the record in respect to habits of study and deportment.

## **The Report of the Superintendent of Schools in District No. 17.**

The Superintendent of District No. 17 respectfully reports that all the schools of the district have been managed with marked success during the usual terms of the year. The prevalence of the measles was a hindrance to the best results in the Summer term. All the schools were affected by it and the Intermediate school was closed one week sooner on account of it.

With a single exception the different schools have been taught by the same teachers through the year. Miss Fannie A. Spencer, who had had charge of the Primary School on the Terrace for more than five years, resigned at the close of the summer term on account of her health. Her place has been filled the last two terms by Miss Kate A. Brooks. Taking up this work with comparatively small experience, Miss Brooks, by kindliness, decision and fidelity, gives promise of

great usefulness as a teacher in the primary school. Success in this department requires a rare combination of good qualities.

The Superintendent congratulates the District on retaining the faithful services of such able teachers from term to term through the year. This continuous labor of the same teacher from term to term and year after year, is one of the surest means for best work, securing the true end of the school. It seems desirable that the same course shall be pursued in future, so far as may be.

The appearance of the schools during the terms and at the closing examinations, has been more satisfactory than heretofore, giving evidence of improved methods, and skill in using them. This has been specially manifest in Reading and arithmetic. A change of Arithmetics, without cost, has aided much in that study. We may expect more in future.

The Superintendent would also express his hearty approval of the singing exercise in the schools, and his belief that it contributes in different ways to the ends of education.

The Roll of Honor has been made out on attendance simply, but the Superintendent thinks that it may be well hereafter to include deportment also as its basis.

The statistics of the schools are reported in the accompanying table, which will be found combined with that of the other schools in town on page 32.

Respectfully submitted, M. H. WELLS,

*Superintendent of District No. 17.*

### ROLL OF HONOR.

DISTRICT No. 1. Grammar School. *For one term.*—Herbert T. Spencer, Chas. A. Neal, Sarah Bailey, Josie Bailey, Nellie Burns, Dora Frister, Blanche Grow, Annie Kennedy, Maggie Keating, Harry Dickinson, Chas. Russell, Mike Reynolds, Frank Sherman, Mary Ayer, Addie Ransom. *For two terms.*—Minnie Back, Emmie Brooks, Mary Burns, Ida Davis, Lorena Noyes, Cora Whipple,

Intermediate. *For one term.*—Mike Reynolds, Edna W. Ewer, Alger V. Allen, Rob. E. Burns, Geo. L. Hall, Wm. R. Jarvis, Anna L. Ide, Josie A. Keating, Emily H. Lewis, Wm. B. Clark, Perley H. Griffin. *For two terms.*—Minnie E. Golden, Emma A. Kempton, Ollie A. Lewis, Flora A. Magown, Florence A. Sleeper, Lena M. Sleeper, Jno. T. Burns, Don. Colby, Lyle F. Stanton, Herbert H. Webb, Geo. C. Warner. *For three terms.*—Lillie J. Macomber.

Second Primary. *For one term.*—Perley Griffin, John Allen, Ida B. McCoy, Georgie A. Baker, Lois A. Whipple, Walter B. Wooley, Jos. Thibodeau, Ralph P. Abbott J. Willis Rafferty, Amy L. McQuaid, Agnes E. Millett, Josie Thibodeau. *For two terms.*—Herbert G. Rowell, Mary E. Keating, Hattie McGown, Kittie M. Sisson, Grace I. Burns.

First Primary. *For one term.* Ernestine Bergeron, Jimmy R. Keating, M. B. Lindsey, Chas. W. Vadney, Henry Wallace, Helen G. Ewer, Eva Noley, Flora Noley, Geo. Noley, James Broley, Celia Laducer. *For two terms.*—Eddie Cuddehey, Agnes J. Rafferty.

DISTRICT No. 2 *For one term.*—Mary McArthur, Eva E. Walker, Ethana A. Walker, John D. Ayer, Fernando P. Ayer, Fred E. Ayer, Clarence C. Dole, Jason D. Sprague, Francis E. Chase, Thos. A. Bailey. *For two terms.*—Frances E. Fisher.

DISTRICT No. 3. *For one term.*—Aurie F. Cone, Carrie F. Shattuck, Ola M. Pope, Willie A. Piddock, Martha E. Shedd.

DISTRICT No. 4. *For one term.*—Minnie A. Conley. *For two terms.*—Urbane P. Pierce.

DISTRICT No. 5. *For one term.*—Willie Jones, David Daley, Richard Jones, Charley Perry. *For two terms.*—James Daley, Katy Daley.

DISTRICT No. 6.—*For one term.* Edith M. Wilder, Nettie A. Merrill, Chas. H. Piper, Jas. W. Cassidy.

DISTRICT No. 7.—*For one term.*—Lilly M. Dana, Flora B. Penniman, Arthur E. Richardson, Robert R. Ager. *For two terms.*—Carrie C. Leet. *For three terms.*—Florence B. Leet, Ella G. Leet.

DISTRICT No. 8.—*For one term.*—Jas. D. Sweeney. *For two terms.*—John L. Harris.

DISTRICT No. 9.—*For one term.*—Frank Willey, Kate Mackay, Ella Prescott, Kathie Beatson, Vernie Griffith, Fannie Wilson, Lucy Young, Roy Densmore, Joseph Mann, Wm. Wetmore, Frank Wilson. *For two terms.*—Minnie Wolcott, Thos. Carroll, Murrie Griffith, Winnie Griffith, Hannah Carroll, Kate Carroll. *For three terms.*—Myrtie Griffith, Willie Whitcomb.

DISTRICT No. 10.—*For one term.*—Annie E. Gaffney, Willie C. Grannis, Geo. W. Dole, Arthur W. Lamberton. *For two terms.*—Mabel S. Thomas, Edwin A. Thomas.

DISTRICT No. 11.—*For one term.*—Isabella Martin, Alton J. Stowell, Nellie Emery, Grace M. Stowell, Preston C. Reed, Annie D. Gamash. *For two terms.*—Eddie S. Reed, Eugene T. Cowles, Bertie M. Jewett, Willie H. Stearns. *For three terms.*—Oscar E. Bartlett.

DISTRICT No. 12. *For one term.*—Charlie A. Evans, Frank G. Putnam, Herbert W. Putnam, Annie S. Putnam.

DISTRICT No. 13.—*For two terms.*—Eddie Chaffin, Gertrude F. Seaver.

DISTRICT No. 14.—*For two terms.*—Eddie A. Freeman,

Etta G. Judd, Minnie M. Judd. *For three terms.*—John B. Colburn, Allen H. Freeman, Eva M. Perkins.

DISTRICT No. 15. Grammar School. *For one term.*—Ida Barron, Dora Frister, Eugene Rowell, Mary Nevers, Annie Crowley. *For two terms.*—Henry Hurd, Charles Nevers, Clarence Reed, Iola Taylor, Mary Frister.

Primary School. *For one term.*—Carlotta Abbott, Louis Thibodeau, Fred Thibodeau. *For two terms.*—Madge Crowley.

DISTRICT No. 16. *For one term.*—Samuel E. Tebo, Robbie G. Rossiter, Chas. H. Wellington. *For two terms.*—Bertie H. Ainsworth. *For three terms.*—Chas. T. Rossiter. Neddie J. Rossiter.

DISTRICT No. 17. Pearl St. Primary. *For one term.*—Archie Day, Frank Dunham, Cathie Eaton, Eliza Gravel, Lewis Gravel, Peter Gravel, Andrew Hermon, Mary I. Heywood, James Hoban, Ernest Houghton, Daniel Murphy, Lennie O'Neil, Lizzie Prouty, James Richardson, Hattie Sanders, Ralph Sanders, Florence Southwick, Minnie Tolles, Mary Watriss, Grace Whitmore. *For two terms.*—Estella Grandy, Minnie Hermon, Willie Hurd, George Hurd, Royal Hurd, Adalette Moody, Fred Perkins, Frank Perkins, Freddie Weed. *For three terms.*—Randolph Moseley.

Terrace Primary. *For one term.*—Eugene Heath, Etta Maley, Willie Noley. *For two terms.*—Jennie Carey, Nettie Frye, Maude Hunter, Florence Railey, Grace Railey, Mary Stowell, Clinton Farwell, Alonzo Lewis, Henry Mace, Willie Wood. *For three terms.*—Hattie Smith, Minnie Smith.

Intermediate. *For one term.*—Clarence Gilman, Ernest Geary, Ella Carey, Kate Carey, Lizzie M. Hoban, Rosie F. Jenkins, Bertha A. Leet, Nellie Redfield, Emma Noley, David McDuff, James A. Martin, William A. Richardson, Henry C. Spaulding. *For two terms.*—Edward Mc Carthy, Richard Mc Carthy, Frank Tyler Emerson, Katie M. Hough, Henry C. Sanders, Abbie A. Hannaway, Mabel C. Stafford.

Grammar School. *For one term.*—George O. Ball, Susie D. Bailey, Mary A. Bailey, Willie H. Farwell, Harry T. Eaton, Edwin J. Heywood, Delmar G. Hurd, Charles E. Johns, Willie F. Jenkins, Evelyn Jenks, Charles H. Perkins, Willie E. Putnam, Mary E. Putnam, Anna A. Stowell, Ida L. Stowell, Maud M. Spaulding, Bertie E. Whitmore, Della E. Whitmore. *For two terms.*—Myra L. Briggs, Eugene D. Burbank, Willie D. Frye, James C. Ide, Alice E. Hall, Annie M. Hoban, Emma A. Taylor.

DISTRICT No. 18. *For one term.*—Mary C. Nott, Chas. H. Willard, Henry L. Chapman, Alice Nott, Edith Howard, Florence Blanchard, Grace Webster, Nettie Walker. *For two terms.*—Ellen B. Nott, Frank Lefebvre, Arthur Blanchard, Jennie Walker, Willie Walker, Mabel Tolles.

DISTRICT No. 19. *For one term.*—Justin N. Smith, Chester H. Smith, Dexter Smith, Joseph C. Smith.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRUANCY.

Your committee appointed at the last Town Meeting to investigate all matters connected with the non-attendance of legal scholars upon our public schools, under the Truancy acts, and to take such action as they may deem expedient respectfully report: At a very early date we called together the employing manufacturers of the town for consultation. All interested heartily concurred in the conclusion that the interest of the community required appropriate and judicious action in the premises. Correspondence was also had with the authorities of other towns and cities in the state relative to this matter.

We employed Mr. M. S. Rossiter to canvass the village for the purpose of ascertaining how many children were out of school contrary to law. He reports that thirteen, between the ages of ten and fifteen had not been at school at all, and that he found fifty-three whose average attendance during the year was only ten weeks.

While no cases have been pushed by prosecution, a pressure has been exerted by which many children have been brought to school who would otherwise have been on the street, or been at work contrary to the statute for such cases provided.

The Committee recommend that the town insist that all its children attend the public schools, and that it continue its efforts, by special committee or otherwise, in order that our youth may not be suffered to grow up in ignorance and vice.

## EXPENSES.

Amount drawn from treasury,		\$ 20 00
By paid M. S. Rossiter, services as above,	\$ 7 00	
Stationery, postage etc.,	3 00	
Bal. in hands of Com.	\$ 10 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 20 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ARTHUR CHASE,  
H. W. PARKER,  
O. B. WAY.



No. of District.	Names of Prudential Committees.	School money.	Tappan Fund.	Department.	Summer, Fall and Winter.	Names of Teachers.	No. of Pupils.	Av. attendance	Length in weeks	No. of Pupils in districts.	Wages per month including board.
1	Henry C. Deane,	\$1224.17	\$479.28	Gram. Inter. Primaries.	S	Alice B. Ide,	48	32	12	341	\$28.00
					F	"	52	22	12		28.00
					W	"	40	34	11		28.00
					S	Annie Morrill,	36	18	12		28.00
					F	"	29	24	12		28.00
					W	"	31	24	11		28.00
					S	Kate H. Deane,	31	20	12		32.00
					F	"	33	30	12		32.00
					W	"	31	29	11		32.00
					S	S. N. Putnam,	29	22	12		48.00
					F	"	36	33	12		48.00
					W	"	34	33	11		48.00
2	Levi R. Chase,	192.95	49.20	.....	S	Fannie B. Jones,	24	21	10	35	28.00
					F	Rosa B. Allen,	21	15	8		24.00
					W	Clara M. Perkins.	25	21	12		32.00
3	E. C. Pope,	149.14	30.92	....	S	Charlotte M. Lewis,	12	9	10	22	19.60
					F	"	10	9	10		19.60
					W	"	8	8	9		19.60
4	H. G. P. Cross,	213.17	57.63	....	S	Nelly M. Cross,	15	11	9	41	22.00
					F	"	13	10	10		24.00
					W	"	20	16	12		26.00
5	Thos. B. Fletcher	233.39	66.06	....	S	Mary S. Colby,	20	17	10	47	20.00
					F	S. Abbie Spooner,	23	18	10		20.00
					W	D. H. Lamberton,	27	23	12		28.00
6	Mrs. M. A. Cassidy	118.80	18.27	....	S	Sarah B. Colby,	5	3	9	13	16.00
					W	E. D. Reardon,	4	4	10		28.00
7	S. D. Phelps,	186.21	46.38	....	S	Ellen F. Phelps,	15	13	10	33	20.00
					F	"	10	10	8		20.00
					W	Luella F. Smith,	15	13	12	15	24.00
8	Geo. J. Wright,	125.55	21.09	....	S	Alice A. Rogers,	7	5	9		18.00
					F	Charlotte B. Long,	11	8	10	71	18.00
9	Geo. Whitcomb,	314.27	99.79	....	S	Jennie M. Mellen,	28	22	9		24.00
					F	"	38	31	11		24.00
					W	E. E. Silver,	45	35	12		44.00
10	Geo. C. Grannis,	112.07	15.46	....	S	Florence B. Davis, a					10.00
					F	Lizzie A. Weld,	5	5	8	11	20.00
					W	"	6	5	9		20.00
11	M. L. Jewett,	203.06	53.41	....	S	Fannie Roberts,	22	16	10	38	20.00
					F	"	22	19	10		20.00
					W	John M. Reardon,	21	14	10		30.00
12	Albro D. Evans,	108.70	14.06	....	S	Julia A. Scales,	5	4	10	10	16.00
					W	"	6	3	11		20.00
13	J. W. Chaffin,	108.70	14.06	.....	S	Kate A. Brooks,	5	5	9	10	18.00
					F	Jennie L. Jackson,	5	5	12		22.00
14	Pascal Smith,	128.92	22.49	....	S	Susie F. Osgood,	9	9	6	16	18.00
					F	"	10	10	8		18.00
					W	"	10	8	10		20.00
15	H. C. Fay,	674.86	250.18	Gram'ar Prim.	S	Lilla D. Ide,	46	35	10	178	26.00
					F	"	39	31	11		26.00
					W	"	41	31	11		26.00
					S	H. L. Koopman,	47	32	10		40.00
					F	Fannie Patrick, a					20.00
					W	S. J. Roberts, jr.,	41	35	11		41.00
					W	"	37	32	12		40.00
16	Levi W. Bartlett,	105.33	12.65	....	S	S. Alice Hough,	8		8	9	16.00
					F	"	8		10		18.00
					W	"	8		11		20.00
17	I. D. Hall,	1278.09	501.76	Gram. Inter. 2 Primaries.	S	Annie H. Dow,	56	41	11	357	26.00
	H. L. Brooks,				F	"	46	43	10		26.00
	J. T. Emerson,				W	"	50	46	11		26.00
					S	Fannie A. Spencer,	55	45	11		26.00
					F	K. A. Brooks,	46	31	10		24.00
					W	"	41	32	11		26.00
					S	Mary Sumner,	29	25	11		32.00
					F	"	33	27	11		32.00
					W	"	36	30	12		32.00
					S	Isophene K. Dow,	33	25	12		40.00
					F	"	32	27	11		40.00
					W	"	30	23	12		40.00
18	Austin Webster,	226.65	63.25	....	S	M. Evelyn Tolles,	19	17	10	45	20.00
					F	"	21	20	12		20.00
					W	"	18	17	12		22.00
19	Wm. C. Smith,	108.70	14.06	....	S	Nellie M. Dole,	4	3	9	10	18.00
					F	"	4	3	11		16.00









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