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REPORT.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE TOWN OF STRAF-FORD, FOR THE YEAR 1885, ENDING MARCH 1, 1886.

PAID SCHOOL BILLS.

District No.	1,	Charles F. Foss,	\$121 86
	3,		82 86
		Cyrus G. Scott,	
	5,	John L. Babb,	93 95
	6,	Jacob W. Foss,	29 32
		Will do	20 68
	7,	Geo. W. Babb,	
	9,	William H. Berry,	144 10
10 &	11,	Daniel Huckins,	239 62
	12,	Lyman W. Foss,	67 95
	13,	Warren A. Small,	79 68
	14,	Joseph E. Whitcher,	57 35
	15,	Frank H. Hall,	96 62
	16,	Henry A. Drew,	119 51
	17,	Luther C. Critchett,	
	18,	Natt J. Hanson,	104 73
	19,	John O. Boody, ward Wat	85 54
	20,	Joseph Hill,	
		es D. Hall,	

PAID FOR LABOR ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Benjamin T. Hayes,	\$ 9 63 8 15
0 - 0 0	
Geo. S. Caverno,	11 36
CI I W D	16 20
Charles W. Brewster,	12 95
Joshua Otis,	3 75
Joseph E. Whitcher,	8 15
Warren A. Small,	21 41
Frank H. Hall,	6 09
Cyrus K. Foss,	46
Frank Foye,	6 57
Alonzo P. Wentworth,	15 00
	40 78
John W. Holmes,	1 50
Moses C. Willey,	26 79
Plumer Johnson,	8 24
Horace W. Evans,	5 84
Wm. F. Berry,	10 00
Tobias Brock,	3 57
Moses Davis,	1 20
Chas. E. Evans,	6 24
THE SECOND SECON	12 68
SE CC	13 36
Joseph Hill,	2 00
Samuel B. Hanscom,	3 00
Joseph E. Whitcher,	9 63
Stephen N. Lougee,	5 76
Locke & Critchett,	200 00
Eben J. Parshley,	6 02
Children Commencer Commenc	12 75
Wm. H. Berry,	19 54
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Paul Perkins,	6 15
Elbridge L. Foss,	4 00
Edwin W. Drew,	22 22
Reuel Gray,	3 72
James D. Hall,	2 50
38 Way 18 44	3 00

Paid Jo	hn P. Waldron,	\$	7	50
	ses Davis,		1	20
	en J. Parshley,		9	
	onzo P. Wentworth,		28	
	ezekiah F. Gray,		12	
He	erbert J. Holmes,			33
Go	rham T. Foss,		3	60
	erman Webber,		14	26
	hn A. Seward,		11	69
	arborn D. Caswell,			86
	seph L. Hall,			70
		TAID MOTING FREE	30	
	A. Allen,			
CI	nton Caswell,		15	
100 000			1	80
	as. E. Peabody,			55
	s. H. Stiles,		11	
	inson Howard,			42
	ephen Leighton,			84
	eo. Brock,			26
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08	car E. Howard,		6	11
0.	M. Foss,		5	82
	eeman Berry,			20
	eo. U. Ricker,		17	
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E	ank V. Fernald,			00
A	onzo P. Wentworth,		51	
	aniel Clay,	Street W. Managarante W.		31
	hn E. Hall,			34
	aniel J. Holmes,			00
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	"			32
T			16	
	seph E. Whitcher,			
	eo. C. Libbey,		36	
	illiam A. Foss,			29
	obert B. Peavey,			43
	muel H. Hill,			70
	cob B. Smith,		2	85
J.	W. Jewell & Son,			84

Paid Geo. C. Libbey,	\$ 6 00
Herbert J. Holmes,	8 44
Daniel J. Holmes,	gradularing A. mail 6 98
William J. Foss,	Manual M . M. avenuel A. 6 72
Daniel J. Holmes,	20 47
	Hobert J. Holmes.
	\$1,023 59

PAID NOTES, INTEREST AND BONDS.

Paid Herbert E. Tasker,	\$	
Joseph E. Whitcher.		65 38
Cotton H. Foss,		498 74
Sarah A. Foss,		300 83
Geo. W. Brewster,		75 00
Asa Perkins,		300 00
Herbert S. Scruton,		44 45
Elmer Berry,		46 52
Elizabeth L. Weeks,		208 00
Joseph E. Whitcher,		20 00
Lyman Parsons,		214 47
"		227 42
Oliver Swain,		315 36
Gorham T. Foss,		200 00
Aaron W. Foss, on Austin fund,		160 00
Geo. W. Brewster,		102 50
Aaron W. Foss,		
Rufus Hall,		
Daniel Huckins,	9	2,288 00
Jesse M. Knowles,	-	509 00
Martha A. Perkins,		
Samuel F. Welch,		205 13
Samuel F. Welch, John H. Scott,		70 29
John H. Scott,		959 80
John W. Jewell,		252 80
Sundry persons, as per coupons,		60 00

\$7,297 35

BILLS PAID FOR COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid Chas. E. Evans, support of Jas. H. Evans, '84,	\$ 52 00
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	52 00
Plummer Johnson, "Louis Sawyer, Moses Otis, "Hannah M. Otis,	52 00
Moses Otis, "Hannah M. Otis,	52 00
Charles Blazo, medical attendance to Z. T.	
Berry,	78 75
Charles Blazo, payment of coat for Jos. May,	6 00
" medicine for Joseph May,	5 00
Isaac A. Foss, care of Z. T. Berry,	158 00
Benj. E. Ellis, "	3 00
" care, etc.,	10 00
Dr. J. S. Daniels, medical attendance to Tay-	
lor Berry,	5 00
Wm. Waterhouse, medical attendance to Chas.	1150
Evans and mother,	6 75
Luella M. Berry, care of Z. T. Berry,	4 00
Joshua Berry, board and care of Z. T.	045.00
Berry,	245 02
R. DeWitt Burnham, medicine and drugs, fur-	10.55
nished Z. T. Berry,	16 75
Geo. W. Brock, sundry articles furnished Z.	18 25
T. Berry,	18 25
Geo. W. Brock, sundry articles furnished	18 25
Joseph May, Benj. F. Berry, sundry articles furnished	10 20
Joseph May and Z. T. Berry,	13 00
Geo. H. Brown, support of Martha Evans,	31 00
" care and nursing of Martha	51 00
Evans,	10 00
Smith Hawkins, support of Jas. E. Hawkins,	40 00
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance to	2.0
Martha Evans,	5 00
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance to	
Fannie Stiles,	4 00
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance to Chas.	
Roberts,	3 75
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance to	
Joseph Evans,	2 30

Paid Joshua Otis, supplies furnished Mesha	ch
Varney,	\$57 34
G. H. Hawley, medical attendance Irvin	
Twombly's family,	7 00
Samuel P. Eaton, support of I. P. Wentwort	th, 9 00
Hanson Tuttle, support of Susan Leighton,	
D. J. Holmes, boots furnished Jos. May,	2 75
Geo. U. Ricker, support of Susan Leighton	n, 10 00
Dr. Wilcox, medical attendance to Z.	
Berry,	5 00
John H. Wallace, washing clothes for Z.	T.
Berry,	1 20
J. W. Jewell & Son, goods delivered C.	В.
Evans,	19 20
J. W. Jewell & Son, goods delivered Jo.	hn
W. Roberts,	5 00
Dr. Ambler, medical attendance at explosic	on, 5 00
C. M. Hill, goods furnished Martha Evans,	
" Smith Hawkins	
" Chas. B. Rober	ts, 5 00
" Mary A. Campbe	
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance to Fann	
Stiles,	26 50
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance	to
Joseph Evans,	6 00
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance	to
Martha Evans,	29 00
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance to Cha	as.
B. Evans,	2 00
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance to Ge	90.
Brown's family,	31 00
Joshua Berry, support of Joseph May and	Z.
T. Berry,	36 50
H. C. Coburn, medical attendance to Mary	
Campbell,	10 50
Mrs. D. W. Evans, support of Sarah Evans	
John M. Whitehouse, supplies furnished	
dynamite explosion,	3 00
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PAID FOR TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid Loring K. Foss, sundry paupers,	\$ 6 70
C. M. Hill, books furnished Rowe family,	1 55
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance to Abbie	1 00
Tuttle,	25 00
	$\begin{array}{c} 25 \ 00 \\ 2 \ 00 \end{array}$
C. M. Hill, shoes furnished Abbie L. Tuttle,	2 00
Charles H. Kelley, support of Georgie	10.00
Kelley,	10,00
H. C. Coburn, medical attendance E. B. Ellis'	¥ 00
family,	5 00
N. C. Twombly, medical attendance Abbie	
L. Tuttle,	2 00
Geo. H. Hawley, medical attendance A. M.	
Lee's family,	$63\ 00$
J. W. Jewell & Son, supplies for May	
Tuttle,	2 30
J. W. Jewell & Son, supplies for I. Johnson,	10 00
Geo. H. Brown, care and nursing A. L.	
Tuttle,	7 00
Geo. H. Brown, support of A. L. Tuttle and	, ,
child,	79 50
Co. Commissioners, support of E. J. Foye,	21 71
W. H. Nute, medical attendance G. U.	21 II
Ricker's family,	16 00
moker s mainly,	10 00
	\$251 76
	\$201 TO

PAID STATE AND COUNTY TAXES, &c.

Paid Solon A. Carter, state tax,	\$1,148 00
Charles S. Cartland, county tax,	1,318 69
Hiram S. Hill, burial permits,	2 00
Henry C. Coburn, return of births and	
deaths,	1 50
Henry C. Coburn, return of births and	
deaths,	50
N. C. Twombly, return of births and	
deaths,	1 00

Paid Dr. Waterhouse, return of births and	
deaths,	\$ 25
W. H. Nute, return of births and deaths,	2 00
D. S. Woodman, watering tub,	6 00
A. V. Canney,	3 00
E. L. Foss,	3 00
D. B. Whitehouse, "	3 00
Z. Hamlin Brown,	3 00
John C. Hall, "	3 00
John Sanders, "	3 00
W. W. Hawkins,	2 00
Samuel F. Welch, "	3 00
Worcester & Greenfield, books, &c.,	1 25
John W. Strachn, sawing wood, &c.,	1 00
John F. Foss, return of births and deaths,	5 55
C. W. Folsom, printing reports,	$32\ 40$
Geo. A. Rowe, sawing wood, &c.,	75
John C. Ricker, burying horses and hogs,	7 00
Charles F. Felker stationery, &c.,	7 75
Daniel J. Holmes,	6 00
Loring K. Foss, "	3 40
Aaron W. Foss, drawback on dog lost,	1 00
Cyrus K. Foss, drawback, over valuation,	250
E. Smith, drawback on highway tax, 1883,	8 07
Plumer Johnson, drawback on lumber,	61
Chas. F. Garland, drawback, over valuation,	7 50
Cyrus Wingate, "	3 40
A. V. Canney, "	$3 \ 12$
"	4 31
A. W. Jewell, "	3 40
Geo. W. Boody,	$2 \ 50$
Charles A. Bridges, pensioner,	1 70
Warren Foye, overtaxed,	4 90
John Yeaton, horse lost,	1 50
Loring K. Foss, wood for town house,	- 6 00
Selectmen of Strafford, for real estate sold	
for taxes,	37 09
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PAID LAWSUITS AND DAMAGES.

Paid Charles E. Ham, damage to sled.	\$ 2	00
Elmer Clark, damage to wagon,	16	00
Warren Foye, damage to wagon and horse,	3	00
" sleigh,	7	00
H. F. Gowen, damage to horse,	5	00
a contract of the contract of		75
A. F. Mason, services in Parker case,	5	00
Paul Perkins, services as town agent,	50	21
" cash paid out as town agent,	42	54
" witness fees at road hearing,	- 18	18
Herbert J. Holmes, damage to horse and		
harness,	10	00
Joshua G. Hall counsel for P. Perkins,	171	23
John Kivel, town counsel,	180	79
Loring K. Foss, services in Parker case,	31	50
6	\$543	20

PAID SUNDRY PERSONS FOR SERVICES.

Paid Charles D. Scruton, services as selectman,	
spring of 1885,	\$ 12 35
	\$ 14 JU
Joseph L. Hall, services as selectman, spring	
of 1885,	10 00
Daniel J. Holmes, services as selectman,	
spring of 1885,	$12 \ 00$
John H. Bateman, services as constable,	2 00
Robert B. Peavey, services as supervisor,	10 00
Jacob S. Neal, services as superintendent of	
schools,	65 00
Hiram S. Hill, services as auditor, spring of	
1885,	1 50
Geo. W. Fernald, perambulating town lines,	2 50
"	6 75
Mark F. Foss, services as collector of taxes,	
year 1884,	30 00
J car 2002,	000

Paid Mark F. Foss, services as collector of high-		
way taxes, 1884,	\$ 60	00
Mark F. Foss, services as collector of high-	95	00
way taxes, 1883, A. F. Mason, services rendered in perambu-	30	00
lating lines,	5	00
John S. Foss fees as justice at road hearing,	5	27
C. F. Felker, services as supervisor of check-		^^
list, 1884, James H. Foss, services as auditor, spring of	8	00
1885,	1	50
John S. Foss, services as town clerk, year		
1885,	30	00
Daniel J. Holmes, services as selectman, year	150	05
1885, Daniel J. Holmes, cash paid out as selectman,	150	00
year 1885,	35	63
Charles F. Felker, services as selectman, year		
1885,	138	00
Charles F. Felker, cash paid out as selectman, year 1885,	28	12
Loring K. Foss, services as selectman, year	20	10
1885,	250	95
Mark F. Foss, services as collector taxes,	0.0	0.0
1884,	30	00
Daniel Huckins, services as town treasurer, 1885.	65	00
	\$995	43
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PAID BOUNTIES ON WOODCHUCKS.		
b 101 D D II 1 1 1	A 0	00
Paid Charles F. Felker, cash paid sundry persons, Daniel J. Holmes,	\$ 8 18	
Loring K. Foss,	28	
Jeremiah Tuttle,		20
	\$55	80
	\$99	00

PAID DAMAGES TO SHEEP BY DOGS.

	DI DOGE.
Paid Aaron W. Foss,	\$29 20
Clarendon S. Foss,	3.65
Charles N. Daniels,	2 19
William Jones,	2 19
Hanson Howard,	2 92
T W T	5 84
Thomas Grover,	4 38
Daniel S. Otis	8 76
William H. Berry,	3 65
John H. Bateman,	7 30
William W. Waldron,	18 98
Elmer Clark,	9.10
John D. Clark,	8 76
Paul Brock,	3 65
Eli A. Allen,	3 65
HI H. HIIOH,	
	\$107 31
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BILLS PAID FOR CORONER	'S INQUEST.
Paid John W. Jewell,	\$5 70
John Greenfield,	6 00
	5 00
Henry A. Drew,	5 00

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED MARK F. FOSS ON HIS LIST OF HIGHWAY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1883.

Betsy Y. Caverly,	\$3 50
Henry F. Parker,	70
D. D. Gowen,	1 22
Oliver P. Berry, J. S. Hill land,	1 86
Stephen H. Gray,	1 40
Otis P. Winkley,	1 20
John R. Palmer,	1 79
Eliza A. Hill,	3 50

\$15 17

\$16 70

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED MARK F. FOSS ON HIS LIST OF TOWN TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1884.

Geo. W. Jones,	\$1 68
Henry Hislop,	2 36
Geo. W. Babb,	1 40
Charles B. Evans,	1 18
Geo. F. Twombly,	1 68
William Strachn,	1 68
Susan Foye heirs,	$egin{pmatrix} 1 & 68 \\ 2 & 52 \end{bmatrix}$
Geo. H. Whitcher,	1 68
Samuel H. Jones,	84
William H. Parker,	
William H. Ross,	1 68
Geo. H. Austin,	1 68
	$\frac{1}{1}\frac{00}{26}$
William H. Foss,	
John H. Canney,	1 68
Samuel Hill,	1 68
Orin Tuttle,	1 68
Elisha Foss,	966
Albert Foss, \(\)	
Timothy G. Langley,	2 02
Woodbury M. Bateman,	3 22
,	
	\$41 26

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED MARK F. FOSS ON HIS LIST OF DOG TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1884.

William Strachn,	\$1 00
Carrie Parsons,	man the fact the profit of 100
Geo. H. Austin,	1 . A COS .
Joseph E. Hill,	1 00
Woodbury M. Bateman,	grandati 31 1 00
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\$6 00

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED MARK F. FOSS ON HIS LIST OF TOWN TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1885.

Jacob S. Neal, minister,	\$	1	70
Francis Reed, "	*	3	40
Geo. W. Jones, poor,		1	70
William Sloper, dead,		1	70
Meshach Varney, poor,		1	70
Alonzo Curtis, "		1	70
Geo. A. Haves. "			70
Geo. A. Hayes, "Lewis C. Peavey, "		1	70
Lewis C. Peavey, "Geo. C. Davis, "		1	70
Chas. E. Roberts, "		1	70
Smith Hawkins,		1	70
William Strachn,		1	70
Lorenzo D. Witham, Azariah Waldron,		1	70
Azariah Waldron,		1	70
Henry Hislop, highway,		1	08
Orin Tuttle, "			77
J. M. Canney, "			46
Ivory Johnson, "		5	20
T. D. Foss heirs,		1	5θ
Samuel Berry, farm overtaxed,	1	1	50
	\$4	6	01

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED MARK F. FOSS ON HIS LIST OF DOG TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1885.

John J. Fernald,		\$1 00
Asa Caverly, Jr.,		2 00
John S. Foss,	the state of the s	1 00
Christhopher Shaw,		1 00
Gilbert Shaw,		2 00
John W. Avery heirs,		1 00
		48 00

RECAPITULATION OF MONEY PAID AWAY FOR THE YEAR 1885.

Amount paid for school bills,	\$1,682 85
Highways and bridges,	1,023 59
Notes, interest and bonds,	7,297 35
County paupers,	1,311 32
Town paupers,	251 76
State and county taxes, &c.,	2,655 74
Lawsuits and damages,	543 20
Sundry persons, for services,	995 43
Sundry persons, for bounty on	
woodchucks,	55 80
Damage to sheep by dogs, 1884,	107 31
Coroner's inquest at explosion,	16 70
Amount allowed on abatements, years 1883-4-5,	116 44
Amount paid for damage to sheep by dogs in	
1885,	28 20
Amount in treasurer's hands,	2,834 99
	\$16,085 69

MONEY RECEIVED AND RECEIPTED FOR BY DANIEL HUCKINS, TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1885, ENDING MAR. 1, 1886.

Received of Daniel Huckins, treasurer for 1884,	\$2,406 38
Cotton H. Foss, by note,	450 00
Daniel Huckins, "	1,800 00
Elmer Berry, "	46 52
Warren H. Perkins, on his note,	100 00
Solon A. Carter, savings bank tax,	1,176 46
Solon A. Carter, literary fund	ŕ
money,	172 63
Solon A. Carter, bounty on wood-	
chucks,	55 80

Received of Mark F. Foss, collector for 1883,	\$ 26 81
" 1884,	1,282 61
" 1885,	6,135 00
" abatements for 1884,	62 43
" 1885,	54 01
" interest on taxes for	
1884,	31 95
Charles S. Cartland, support of	
county paupers,	1,033 85
Selectmen of Strafford, for real	
estate sold for taxes and	
bought by town,	86 23
Austin Academy fund,	4,000 00
	\$18,920 68

DANIEL HUCKINS, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. D. SCRUTON, Auditors. J. L. HALL,

Strafford, March 3, 1886.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1886.

OUTSTANDING DEBTS AGAINST THE TOWN, MARCH 1, 1886.

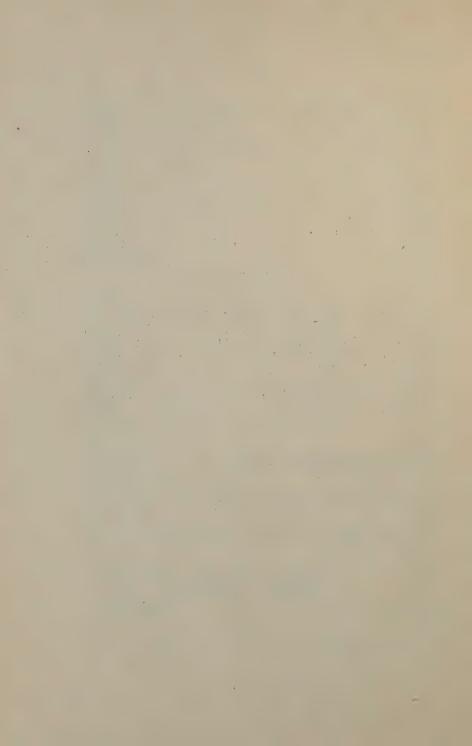
Eliza J. Hill,	\$ 66 61
Albert H. Foss,	366 83
Emma P. Neal,	1,395 34
Stephen Young,	2,433 49
Martha Whitcher,	737 63
John H. Perry,	355 54
Lizzie S. Caswell,	334 48
Elmer Berry,	142 20
Mary E. Hill,	237 02
Abigail T. Swain,	$592\ 59$
Elmer Berry,	131 94
Mary W. Evans,	53 25
Joseph A. Whitcher,	797 58
Charles W. Whitcher,	580 44
Horace A. Tasker,	101 17
Warren P. Hanscom,	108 24
Mary A. Hall,	300 86
Clara J. Hall,	96 01
Frank H. Hall,	358 51
Charles F. Montgomery,	46 78
Betsy Y. Caverly,	86 63
Sylvester Foss,	166 28
Charles F. Montgomery,	416 64
David M. Perkins,	1,666 57
Joel T. Berry,	$283 \ 02$
Daniel Huckins,	1,800 00
Charles F. Montgomery,	518 14
Joseph P. Weeks,	416 00
Judith Brewster,	$204 \ 00$
Marston W. Brock,	54 08
School district No. 11, before annexed to	
district No. 10,	28 61

School district No. 6,	128 41
Austin Academy fund,	4,000 00
Jesse M. Knowles,	711 70
Cotton H. Foss,	555 50
Elmer Berry,	47 25
Aaron W. Foss,	1,568 41
Rufus Hall,	477 80
Asa Perkins,	1,183 94
Martha Perkins,	600 92
Gorham T. Foss,	684 23
	\$24,834 64

DEBTS DUE THE TOWN, MARCH 1, 1886.

J. F. Caverly, collector for 1878—9, Mark K. & Loring K. Foss, Warren H. Perkins, Mark F. Foss, collector for 1885, Amount in treasurer's hands, Real estate sold for taxes,	\$ 319 81 279 89 86 20 1,992 10 2,834 99 37 09
	\$5,550 08
Outstanding debts, March 1, 1886, Debts due the town,	\$24,834 64 5,550 08
Balance against town, March 1, 1886,	\$19,284 56
Making the reduction of the town debt for the year 1885,	\$1,061 34

DANIEL J. HOLMES, CHARLES F. FELKER, Of Strafford.



REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF STRAFFORD,

For the Year Ending March, 1886.

FELLOW CITIZENS OF STRAFFORD:

Agreeably to the laws of this state, I take this opportunity to report to you the condition of the common schools in this town, as they have appeared to me while acting in the capacity of superintendent during the year just closing.

I have attended to my duties to the best of my abilities, having made 64 visits in all. I have endeavored to act impartially and unselfishly, recognizing the rights of parents, scholars and teachers.

In this report I beg leave to deviate somewhat from the usual course pursued by my predecessors. Instead of commenting upon each school and teacher separately and individually, I propose to speak of them collectively. I do this for several reasons. One is that the former method is

not required by the laws of the state, if I understand them correctly. Another reason is that I consider it as unjust to print and spread broadcast full and impartial comments in regard to the qualifications and success or failure of a teacher, evidences of which are gathered from perhaps only too hasty visits of a superintendent who has had, perchance, but little practical knowledge of teaching himself.

If a report thus sent forth, purporting to contain an impartial criticism on each teacher, shuns to declare the whole truth because it is unfavorable to the teacher, it deceives the public, which it professes to enlighten. But why is the teacher singled out from the list of public officers in town and subjected to this fiery ordeal? If it is just and right to deal with one class of officers in this way, why not extend the list until it includes every town officer?

But I have said enough to explain, and I trust justify, my position, and will now call your attention first to that part of my report relating to

TEACHERS.

There has been employed, as may be seen by the statistical report on another page, twenty-three different teachers—three males and twenty females. These of course have differed in their manner of teaching, and the results reached have varied. As a whole, think the town has been quite fortunate in the selections that have been made for teachers. All have manifested a desire to do the best they could to benefit their pupils. The want

of experience in a few, and a lack of adaptation, possibly, in a few others, has affected unfavorably the success of the schools over which they have been placed.

TERMS.

There have been thirty-five terms of school in town during the year, averaging nine weeks per term. While a few districts have had as much schooling as would have been beneficial, the majority have had far less than is actually needed. This difficulty, however, will be remedied, I presume, when the new law comes into operation.

Each district should have at least two terms of 12 weeks each in a year, and we hope the town will raise sufficient money for school purposes to secure this result.

ATTENDANCE.

The average attendance has been very good, although we find some registers sadly defaced with marks of absences. Not that we should care for the defects on the page of the register, were it not for the fact that there is always a corresponding defect in the attainments of the scholar whose name stands opposite these marks. We are glad to be able to report so large a roll of honor as we can in most of the schools. It is not only an honor to the scholars whose names are here recorded, but also an honor to the parents of these children as well, for the parent is oftener to be blamed for absences than the child, and perfect attendance by the scholar is an indication that the parent appreciates the privileges offered their children for

intellectual improvement, though of course some of these absences are unavoidable on the part of both scholar and parent.

SCHOLARS.

The whole number of scholars attending school, per registers, was 313; the number attending between the ages of 5 and 15 was 259.

TEXT BOOKS.

I have made no changes in the text books during the year.

Fellow Townsmen: With the hope that my work and report both may have been satisfactory to you, and wishing for the advancement of the educational interest in town, the accompanying report is respectfully submitted for your perusal.

J. S. NEAL, S. S. Committee.

ROLL OF HONOR.

DISTRICT No. 1—Ernest W. Foss, Arthur B. Foss, Eugenie C. Howard, Lemonde P. Howard, Harry E. Scruton, Milly B. Scruton, Ethel L. Scruton Sadie L. Scruton, Alta B. Scruton, Abbie E. Scruton, Roscoe Brock.

DISTRICT No. 3—John M. Felker, Eddie C. Felker, Albert B. Felker, Eddie W. Whitehouse, Joseph A. Whitehouse, Effie J. Berry, Elsie A. Cator, Bessie G. Hall, Clara B. Foss, Edith M. Scruton, Nellie F. Scruton, Josie A. Whitehouse, Fred A. Scruton, John L. Whitehouse, Ida M. Jenness.

DISTRICT No. 4—Susie C. Rewitzer, Ella F. Peabody, Frank E. True.

DISTRICT No. 5—Frank H. Babb, Frank H. Holmes, Mamie Avery, Hattie E. Babb.

DISTRICT No. 6—Clara B. Foss, Bessie G. Hall.

DISTRICT No. 7—Zina A. Babb, Walter H. Babb, Effie A. Babb, Lizzie A. Berry, Nellie I. Garland, Israel C. Hall, Freddie H. Hall, Frank B. Winkley, Jerry S. Winkley, Roswell S. Young, Irving C. Foss, Johnnie F. Winkley, Berthena A. Miller, Alma D. Miller.

DISTRICT No. 9-Willie I. Parshley.

DISTRICTS No. 10 AND 11—Herman R. Hall, Lewis D. Hill, Lilla M. Hill, Nellie W. Hilton, Annie B. Mason, Mabel Rowe, Freddie T. Mason, Winnie B. Hill, Jennie M. Mason. DISTRICT No. 12—Charles M. Foss, Arthur Gray, Clara I. Foss.

DISTRICT No. 13—George Drew, Gertie Evans, Myra Foss, Alice Foss.

DISTRICT No. 14 — Bertie L. Hawkins, Samuel E. Demeritt, Amy E. Demeritt.

DISTRICT No. 15—Laura Canney, Florence Hall, Blanche Hall, Hattie Gordon, Flora Gordon, Leon Gordon, Lida B. Hawkes, Forest L. Nutter.

DISTRICT No. 16—Rosa Roberts, Bertie S. Winkley, Ernest A. Wakeley.

DISTRICT No. 17—Emma Caverly, Eugene Foss, Ernest Clark, Erman Clark.

DISTRICT No. 18—Clara A. Hanson, Abby S. Hanson, Lizzie J. Leighton, Arthur W. Tuttle, Ida May Hanson, Joseph A. Otis, Charles S. Otis, Fred L. Foss, Henry P. Parshley.

DISTRICT No. 19—Alpha Tuttle, Henry Tuttle, Nellie Seward, Linna Harold, Isa Harwell, Gertrude Caverno, Ariel B. Boody, Johnnie Caverno, Arthur Caverno, Bessie Caverly.

STATISTICS.

No. of district.	TERMS.	NAME OF TEACHER.	Money Raised by Town.	Literary Fund.	Wages of Teacher per Month.	Length of Term in Weeks.	Whole No. of scholars.	Average Attendance.
1	Summer	Mrs. Edna I. Berry	\$108.75	\$13.12	\$20.00	8	18	16
44	Fall	do.,			22.00	14.8	15	12
3		Miss Abbie D. Perkins	73.83	9.03			21	20
66		Mr. Geo. H. Jenkins			24.00		25	
4		Miss Nellie S. Hill	55.28	6.67	18.00		6	
6.	Fall	do.,	Constant of the last	10.10	18.00		6	
5		Miss Hortense Dealand	83.83	10.12	21.00		6	
6	Fall	do.,		0.11	21.00		10	
66		Miss Abbie D. Perkins	26.58	3.11	20.00	9	7	5.7
7	Winter*	do.,	0	10.00	04.00	-	144	0.4
		Miss Mary E. Wilson	85.94	10.37	24.00		27	
9	Fall	Miss Eliza D. Felker	400 80	4 1 1 1	24.00	9	28	
66	ummer	Miss Mary E. Porter	128.59	15.51	28.00		16 23	
101	Winter	Mr. Albert F. Mason	010 00	DF 00	28.00		43	
111	Fall	Mrs. Emma L. P. Foss	213.82	25.80	28.00		41	
66		Mr. I. Copp.	1 21	122	40.00		37	
12	Summer	Miss Jennie B. Hanson	60,64	7.31	10.00	7	12	
46	Fall	Miss Annie B. Hayes	60.04	1.01	12.00			10
13		Miss Emma M. Caswell	71.10	8.58	20.00		18	
6.	Fall	do,	71.10	0.00	20.00			
14		Miss Nellie S. Drew.	51.18	6.17	16.00		4	
66	Fall	Mr. Charles W. Whitcher	91.10	0.11	13.50		4	3.5
15		Miss Mamie S. Johnson	86.22	10.40	16 00			15
66	Fall	Miss Kate Buzzell	00.22	10.10	23.00			13
16		Miss Annie Hall	106.72	12.76	19.00			13
66	Fall	do.,	100.12	1211	20.00			16
66		Miss Abbie D. Perkins	- 1		20.00		9	8
17		Miss Mertie F. Jewell	107.79	11.07	21.00		33	
66	Fall	do.,	201110		24.00		32	23
18	Summer	Miss Myra Davis	91.73	13.00	22.00	8	19	14
6.	Fall	do.,			22.00		20	
19	Summer	Miss Mary Hall	76.33	9.21	20.00		20	
66	Fall	Miss Lizzie H. Hall			20.00			
20		Miss Evelyn E. Prescott	55.29	6.67	16.00		4	
+6	Fall	do		1	16.00	8	2	2

^{*} Now in Session.

