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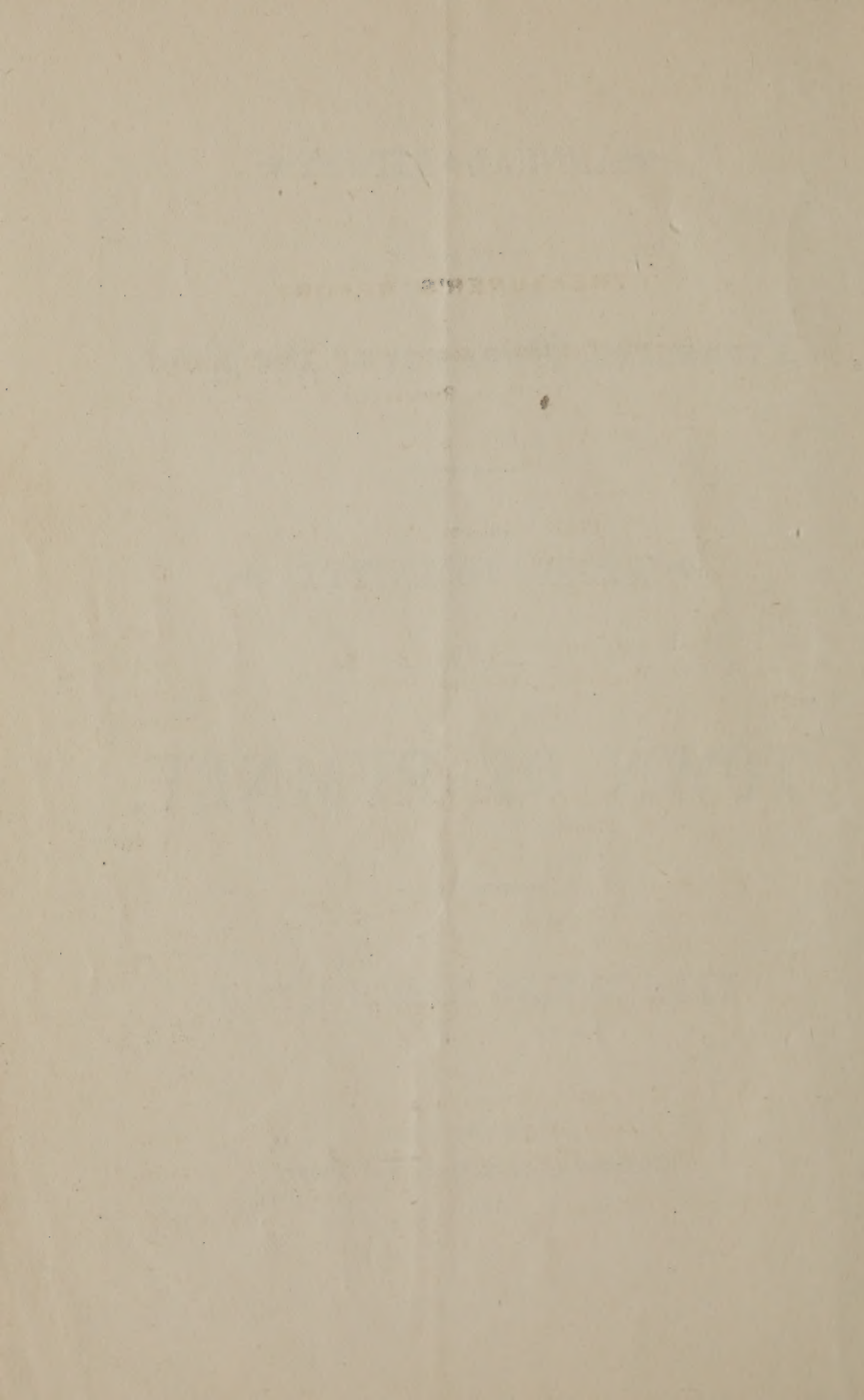
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. L. Dearborn, Treasurer, in Account with the Town of Rumney.

1880.	TO CASH RECEIVED,	DR.
March 8.	J. W. Peppard, Treasurer,	857.62
	“ “ “	3.12
	“ “ “ error in 1878.	10.00
April 29.	J. W. Pease, Collector, 1880.	216.00
June 23.	C. A. Holden, “ 1879.	109.11
July 3.	J. W. Pease, “ 1880.	42.00
24.	“ “ “ “	80.00
	County orders, Charles Spalding,	130.48
Aug. 6.	J. W. Pease, Collector, 1880,	100.00
Sept. 4.	“ “ “	310.00
Nov. 3.	“ “ “	550.00
6.	“ “ “	100.00
13.	C. A. Holden. Collector, 1878,	52.38
Dec. 4.	J. W. Pease, “ 1880,	251.00
17.	“ “ “	217.00
20.	Railroad tax,	366.86
	Savings Bank tax,	213.78
	Literary fund,	74.74
1881.		
Jan. 1.	J. W. Pease, Collector, 1880,	320.00
5.	“ “ “	200.00
Feb. 15.	“ “ “	240.00
19.	J. M. Clark, endorsed on note,	175.00
	D. A. Kent, ditto,	10.00
	Balance of Balch note,	23.64
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$4,652.73

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4,652.73
Feb. 19. Charles Spaulding, endorsed on note,	100.00
O. W. Stevens, balance of old tax,	52.77
Mar. 1. J. W. Pease, added tax,	5.60
" interest,	1.29
" 5 per cent. added,	61.00
C. A. Holden, Collector, 1878,	61.00
" " 1879,	16.17
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	\$4,950.56

CREDIT, BY CASH PAID, AS FOLLOWS:

Daniel Darling, certificates of births and deaths,	\$ 4.00
J. W. Heath, ditto,	2.75
A. C. Hall, ditto,	2.25
C. A. Chase, town books,	14.85
J. W. Pease, tax bills,	1.55
G. W. Simpson, town officer,	3.00
John Watts, damage to horse,	40.00
J. W. Peppard, error of 1879,	100.00
C. H. Kimball, printing Town Reports, 1879,	20.00
Charles Spaulding, Overseer of Poor,	150.00
W. J. Spaulding, copying Reports, 1879,	2.30
Charles Spaulding, County orders,	130.48
Ira Avery, oil for bridge,	2.35
Charles C. Craig, school house tax,	10.00
County tax,	1,313.13
Ira Avery, lighting bridge, 1879,	15.45
G. C. Spaulding, sundry bills, 1879,	9.27
J. C. Jesseman, services as constable, 1879,	1.00
Ira O. Heath, school house tax,	10.00
State tax,	780.00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$2,612.38

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$2,612.38
Edson C. Eastman, books,	2.76	
O. B. French & Co., lamps for bridge,	1.25	
O. D. Doe, taking care of tomb,	5.00	
D. A. Kent, painting and varnishing hearse,	10.00	
Demand on G. H. Annis,	25.20	
O. W. Stevens, collector, percentage,	8.96	
G. C. Jones, use of hall, and driving hearse,	51.25	
“ for sheep killed by dogs,	16.00	
J. M. Clark, money paid out and stationery,	2.60	
Charles Spaulding, school house tax,	15.00	
O. W. Stevens, discount on old tax books,	3.00	
A. C. Hill, auditor, 1879,	1.25	
Charles Spaulding, overseer of poor,	7.46	
E. G. Doe, for lighting bridge,	1.00	
C. H. Elliot, services as constable, 1879,	2.00	
S. D. Abott, for wrench,	.50	
C. A. Chase, sundries,	.87	
	—————	\$2.766.48

PAID SCHOOL MONEY.

Dist. No. 1,	66.03	Dist. No. 7,	123.23
“ 2,	177.06	“ 8,	88.84
“ 3,	89.55	“ 9,	69.59
“ 4,	109.95	“ 11,	82.49
“ 5,	88.47	“	—————
“ 6,	264.16	“	\$1.159.37

SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

G. W. Simpson, as selectman,	71.13
“ expenses to Concord,	10.30
J. M. Clark, as selectman,	49.38
	—————
<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	130.81 \$3,925.85

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E. G. Doe, as selectman,	49.77	
J. L. Dearborn, as treasurer,	25.00	
J. W. Heath, as school committee,	25.00	
C. A. Chase, as town clerk,	25.00	
J. W. Pease, as collector,	28.78	
D. Abbot, as supervisor, 1879,	13.13	
C. W. Herbert, " "	11.26	
J. C. Atwood, " 1880,	6.88	
		<u>\$315.63</u>

PUBLIC WATER TROUGHS.

A. T. Weeks, for 1879 and 1880,	3.00	
J. D. Colburn,	1.50	
S. A. Abott, 1879,	3.00	
Timothy Harris,	2.00	
S. D. Abbott, 1880,	3.00	
Amos Craig,	3.00	
Munroe Merrill,	1.50	
		<u>\$17.00</u>

BOUNTY ON HAWKS.

Lewis Hall,	.20	
Frank Bowles,	.20	
A. Tandreau,	.20	
C. E. Watts,	.40	
Samuel Willoughby,	.20	
C. C. Craig,	.40	
		<u>\$1.60</u>

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Josiah Quincy, over-tax on real estate,	2.00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	2.00	<u>\$4,260.08</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	2.00	\$4,260.08
D. E. Slater, stock taxed in Groton, 1879,	1.15	
Hiram Wescott, on dog,	1.00	
G. C. Lang, over-tax on real estate, '78-'79-'80,	4.07	
I. C. Downing, land taxed to Wm. Park,	.65	
J. Moses, O. W. Stevens, collector, 1877,	2.22	
A. C. Hill, over-taxed real estate,	.56	
C. N. French, over-tax on money,	2.19	
O. W. Stevens, collector, 1867 and 1877,	12.39	
O. W. Stevens, over-tax on real estate,	1.26	
J. W. Pease, collector, 1880,	11.17	
C. A. Holden, collector, 1878 and 1879,	28.08	
		<u>\$66.74</u>

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

C. D. Greeley, work on bridge,	6.00	
A. R. Morrell, plank and gravel,	3.01	
C. N. French, taking down fence, 1879-'80,	5.00	
Fred Glover, blacksmithing,	1.57	
Charles Spaulding, lumber,	4.80	
Reuben Robie, work on highway and material furnished,	24.34	
J. M. Keniston, work on highway,	2.15	
Calvin Clark, damage on bridge,	2.50	
John French, lumber and taking down fence,	3.25	
C. C. Smart brick dust,	3.70	
		<u>\$56.32</u>

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Charles Spaulding, lumber,	19.83	
		<u>\$19.83</u>

DISTRICT NO. 4.

William Colburn, breaking roads, 1879,	6.50	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	6.50	\$4,402.97

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	6.50	\$4,402.97
B. W. Brown, lumber,	4.49	
J. D. Colburn, crossing land,	4.00	
Abel Colburn, breaking roads,	7.00	
		<u>\$21.99</u>
DISTRICT NO. 5.		
H. M. Swain, crossing land,	8.00	
Lewis Hall, work on highway,	14.52	
Samuel Simpson, crossing land,	3.87	
		<u>\$26.39</u>
DISTRICT NO. 6.		
B. F. Smith, bridge abutments,	304.60	
Cyrus Clifford, work on highway,	11.44	
N. S. Sanborn, “	3.70	
Eben Ray, “	6.31	
A. T. Weeks, “	13.91	
A. Tondreau, “	5.15	
C. F. Sanborn, “	9.62	
		<u>\$354.73</u>
DISTRICT NO. 7.		
C. H. Elliot, lumber and work on highway,	9.25	
E. G. Kelley, taking down fence,	4.00	
Charles Spaulding, lumber,	11.50	
W. W. Fales, “	14.14	
O. S. Hall, posts,	1.15	
E. G. Doe, working on highway, 1879	3.38	
		<u>\$43.42</u>
DISTRICT NO. 8.		
O. W. Stevens, lumber,	5.67	
G. C. Gillette, “	5.75	
O. D. Doe, work on highway,	5.29	
Lyman Merrill, powder fuse and spikes,	5.64	
J. P. Wallace, work on highway,	15.97	
		<u>\$38.32</u>
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<u>\$4,887.82</u>

Amount brought forward, 4,887.82

DISTRICT NO. 9.

N. L. Shaw, lumber,	3.34	
Charles Pease, lumber,	4.65	
G. C. Gillette, lumber and work on highway,	7.05	
J. P. Keyes, work on highway,	5.02	
J. M. Clark, lumber and work,	5.25	
J. M. Clark, taking down fence	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$30.31

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Silas Spencer, work on highway, 1879,	1.60	
E. O. Spaulding, lumber,	11.70	
	<hr/>	\$13.30

DISTRICT NO. 11.

F. E. & J. D. Morse, lumber,	5.65	
A. P. Melanda, work on highway,	1.53	
Ira O. Heath, work on highway.	41.01	
Fred Caldron, work on highway,	5.71	
	<hr/>	\$53.90

DISTRICT NO. 12.

S. D. Abbott, blacksmithing, 1879	1.00	
C. M. Palmer, work on highway, 1879,	2.81	
A. C. Hall, crossing land,	1.00	
C. D. Greeley, work on highway,	2.04	
S. H. Brocklebank, work on highway, 1879,	1.62	
	<hr/>	\$8.47

DISTRICT NO. 13.

W. C. Buzzell, work on highway,	44.88	
H W. Buzzell, work on highway,	4.87	
Joseph Hutchins, work on highway,	6.72	
L. F. Lawrence, work on highway,	8.12	
B. T. Brown, lumber,	4.00	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	68.59	4,993.80

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	68.59	4,993.80
John Watts, work on highway,	13.83	
Hiram E. Elliot, ditto,	4.12	
	————	86.54

DISTRICT NO. 14.

Frank Avery, work on highway,	7.68	
B. F. Mead, ditto,	2.75	
Nathan Collins, ditto,	9.50	
Nathan Collins, crossing land,	5.00	
	————	24.93

DISTRICT NO. 15.

G. W. Blake, work on highway,	23.90	
S. Willoughby, ditto,	13.78	
John Hooper, ditto,	4.37	
E. H. Elliot, ditto,	5.00	
W. K. Holt, Lumber,	7.03	
W. W. Fales, ditto,	41.49	
J. M. Clark, work on bridge,	2.50	
	————	98.07

ROAD AROUND THE POND.

W. S. Hutchins, work on highway,	15.00	
S. W. Avery, ditto,	4.75	
A. T. Brown, ditto,	.75	
	————	20.50

\$5,223.84

RECAPITULATION.

Amount brought forward,	4,950.56	
Cash advanced by J. L. Dearborn,	228.00	
Due J. L. Dearborn,	45.28	
	————	5,223.84
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$5,223.84

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$5,223.84
Amount paid various claims,	4,326.82	
Amount paid highways and bridges,	897.02	
		————— 5,223.84

ASSETS.

Charles Spaulding, note,	144.82	
D. E. Kent, and G. D. Keniston, note,	5.37	
J. L. Davis and C. A. Holden, note,	9.68	
J. M. Clark, note,	1,901.45	
C. A. Holden, collector, 1878,	172.14	
G. H. Annis, demand for back tax,	25.20	
21 Shares old Railroad stock,	105.00	
		—————
	2,363.66	
Balance due J. L. Dearborn,	45.28	
* Balance in favor of Town,		————— 2,318.38

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the Treasury, March 1, 1881,

J. L. DEARBORN, Treasurer.

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

* C. B. SIMPSON, Auditor.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

*Statement of the Overseer of the Poor for the year ending
March 1, 1881.*

Whole number of paupers helped during year, County paupers 17, Town paupers 4, Tramps 5.

Whole amount received as per report		
in 1880,	\$36.52	
Less by discount,	3.60	32.92
In hands of Overseer as per report,		19.69
April 10. Town order from Selectmen,		150.00
May 6. County order,		91.09
Nov. 3. Ditto,		39.48
Dec. 15. Ditto,		120.53
Mar. 1. Received of Town to balance account,		7.46
		\$461.17

County charges allowed and paid by County :—
1880.

May 1. Presby Craig, to C. B. Simpson,	13.38	
“ L. Merrill,	9.63	
“ J. A. Colburn,	11.54	34.55
Mary Bailey, to C. B. Simpson,		1.25
Jacob Straw, to Lyman Merrill,		9.30
Amon Moulton, to C. Spaulding,		5.00
Lucy Woodman and daughter to B. H. Merrill,		12.00
Transient,		5.00
J. Sanborn, to C. Spaulding,		6.29

May 1.	S. Morse, to Fowler,	11.70	
	“ C. Spaulding,	1.00	
	“ Dr. Darling,	5.00	17.70
		—————	\$91.09

County charges allowed and paid by County from
May 1, to November 1, 1880 :

Nov. 1.	Joseph Moses, to L. Merrill,	4.00	
	“ H. R. Ford,	10.00	
	“ O. D. Doe,	2.00	
	“ G. D. Fowler,	.50	
	“ Dr. Darling,	18.00	34.50
	Presby Craig, to A. Colburn,	4.98	
		—————	\$39.48

C. A. Sanborn's bills settled by County, Dec. 12 :

Dec. 12.	C. A. Sanborn, to G. D. Fowler,	15.36	
	“ L. Merrill,	12.07	
	“ Dr. Darling,	1.50	
	“ G. C. Jones,	4.60	
	“ C. Spaulding,	1.00	
	“ Dr. A. C. Hall,	49.00	
	“ C. Greeley,	1.00	
	“ Dr. Sanborn,	6.00	
	“ Dr. Davis,	30.00	
		—————	\$120.53

March 1. County charges paid by town and due
from County from Nov. 1, to date :—

Presby Craig to L. Merrill,	11.75	
Presby Craig to Fred Keyes, for wood,	4.50	
Presby Craig to Byron Craig,	1.30	
Presby Craig to A. Colburn,	7.95	25.50
J. Moses' children to Willard Elliott,	2.00	
J. Moses' children to Dr. Darling,	2.00	4.00
Charles Morrison to C. Spaulding,	12.00	
	—————	\$41.50

Town expenses for the the year ending March 1, 1881 :—

Russell Jones to Hezekiah Swain, bill omitted in 1880 report, board from March 1 to May 3, 1879,	18.00	
Russell Jones to Hezekiah Swain from March 1 to April 15, 1880,	12.00	
Charles Haines board to H. H. Haines,	78.00	
Joseph Moses funeral expenses of wife, discount by County on H. K. Ford's bill,	6.25	
Carrying Amos Moulton to County Farm,	3.87	
Geo. W. Chase & wife, paid town of Alexandria for board up to Feb. 25th,	17.20	
George W. Chase and wife, paid Hiram Stewart of Hill. for support from Feb. 25. to April 1,	10.00	
Time and expenses to Alexandria and Hill, in relation to G. W. Chase family,	6.00	
O. W. Stevens for taking depositions,	3.75	
Keeping five tramps,	2.50	
Stationary, postage, etc.,	1.00	
Services as Overseer,	10.00	
		————— \$168.57
Amount paid by Town and due from County,	41.50	
Whole amount paid by County,	251.10	
		————— \$461.17

CHARLES SPAULDING, Overseer of Poor.

I have examined the above accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. B. SIMPSON, Auditor.

Rumney, March 1st, 1881.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TO THE CITIZENS OF RUMNEY :

The progress in our schools during the year past has been generally very satisfactory and with two or three exceptions the teachers have secured the confidence of the scholars and the support of the parents. The work of educating the young is not wholly confined to the school-room; a very important part of it must be done at home and the work of the school would be done with more pleasure and profit if the work at home were performed with more efficiency. It is a very easy matter to judge in a school-room what training a child receives at home. It has been truly said that "the welfare of any community may be represented by its system of the public education of its masses." Our requirements for a teacher are not up to a proper standard, nor can we raise this standard until we pay better wages. It is usually considered that the prudential committee has been very economical if he pays but a small salary even though he succeeds in getting an inferior teacher. What we want are teachers who are alive to their work, to whom teaching is not a tedious but a pleasant task. We want teachers who will teach practically, what the text book teaches in theory. Practical knowledge, not theory is what the young mind most needs for its development. Then we want the best text-books, those which are clear, comprehensive and of recent date. Our school-rooms are deficient in illustrative apparatus as maps, blocks, for explaining the square and cube roots, and a dictionary for reference. I believe a few dollars expended for this purpose would be very beneficial to our schools. It is a very common fault here as elsewhere to hurry scholars from one

book to a higher one faster than their knowledge of the book left warrants them in doing. This matter should be considered more carefully by both parents and teachers before changing. Be certain the child understands perfectly the book he is studying before allowing him to proceed. Our registers show very few visits made by the parents which certainly goes to prove a lack of interest on their part. This is wrong, show your children that you are interested in their school and they will have more interest in it themselves and instead of feeling that their school life is a tedious task they will then feel it only a pleasant duty.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HEATH, M. D.,

Superintending School Committee.

TABLE OF STATISTICS.

No. of District.	Terms.	Names of Teachers.	No. of Weeks.	No. of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Arithmetic.	Grammar.	Geography.	Reading.	Spelling.	Pennmanship.	Algebra.	Book-keeping.	Higher Studies.	Non-Attendance, between 5 and 15 years of age.
1	1st	Miss Addie L. Wells.	6	9	8	5	2	5	9	9	4	0	0	0	0
	2d	" "	10	11	10	7	2	5	11	11	4	0	0	0	0
2	1st	Miss Achsah O. Smart.	19	24	18	13	6	3	24	24	12	3	0	3	0
	2d	" "	8	20	15	11	5	4	20	20	10	2	1	1	0
3	3d	Mr. W. J. Spaulding.	13	19	13	18	9	3	19	19	12	7	1	0	0
	1st	Miss Frances A. George.	10	19	15	9	5	5	19	19	12	0	0	0	1
4	2d	" "	12	22	17	13	0	10	22	22	19	0	2	0	1
	1st	Miss Etta M. Wells.	12	13	5	9	4	5	13	13	9	0	0	1	0
5	2d	Emma F. Stevens and Ella M. French.	13	17	14	15	4	9	16	15	11	1	0	2	0
	1st	Miss Jennie A. Hall.	10	21	17	19	5	9	21	21	19	0	3	0	0
6	2d	" "	10	20	16	18	4	4	20	20	19	0	2	0	0
	3d	" "	10	26	21	25	6	15	26	26	25	2	3	0	0
6	1st	Miss Mary L. Coombes, (Grammar.)	8	22	18	22	14	2	21	21	14	5	2	0	0
	2d	Miss Josie Huckins, in session,													
6	1st	Miss Climena Elliott, (Primary.)	8	21	18	19	5	11	21	21	14	0	0	0	0
	2d	" "	15	31	23	21	8	17	31	31	20	0	0	0	0
7	1st	Miss Helen L. Smith.	8	15	8	10	3	8	14	14	14	3	0	0	1
	2d	Miss Fannie B. Clark.	12	16	7	12	3	7	14	16	8	2	1	0	1
8	1st	Miss Ella M. French.	8	21	15	15	1	4	21	21	13	0	1	0	0
	2d	" "	7	18	15	13	1	4	18	18	13	0	0	0	0
9	1st	E. Kendall Westgate.	11	9	5	2	0	1	9	9	2	0	0	0	0
	1st	Miss May F. Morrison.	7	13	10	6	0	4	13	13	9	0	2	0	0
11	2d	" "	13	16	6	7	0	6	16	16	10	0	2	0	0

