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ANNUAL REPORT

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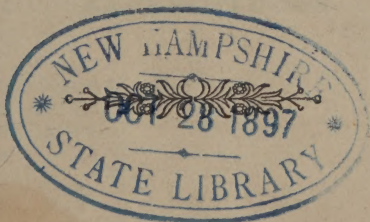
— AND —

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

— OF THE —

TOWN OF HAMPSTEAD, N. H.,

FOR THE YEAR 1857-8.



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REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Rec'd of the Selectmen of 1856, as follows :		
for William Griffin's bill,	\$8 85	
of J. M. Wicom for poll tax,	2 25	
of Joseph Morse for balance on tax,	1 12	
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		\$12 22
Assessed State, County, Town and School tax,		1863 69
for repairs of highway in District No. 8,		50 00
non-resident highway tax,		48 40
Rec'd of Thorndike Putnam, liquor agent for 1856,		7 90
County for support of paupers,		140 00
State Treasurer, literary fund,		63 90
Due from William T. Bragdon for outstanding taxes for 1856,		289 19
Rec'd from Selectmen of Danville one half of the expense of suit brought against said town by the Selectmen of Hampstead for 1856, in relation to town line,		8 76
of Plaistow for the support of H. Burrill,		17 76
Edmund Morse, for old furniture,		1 00
William T. Bragdon, liquor agent,		137 33
for the use of Town Hall,		12 00
interest on Parsonage fund,		39 31
from Henry Putnam, error in abatement of taxes 1856,		92
hired money for the use of the Town,		230 00
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		\$2922 38

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State tax,		186 20
County tax,		310 73
non-resident highway receipts,		40 36
Teachers' Institute,		10 89
School District No. 1,		105 61
do 2,		148 06
do 3,		78 55
do 4,		115 87
do 5,		52 04
do 6,		71 92
do 7,		56 06
do 8,		19 92
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		\$648 03

For Repairs on Brown Hill Road.

James Hadley,	6 00
Edmund Morse,	2 50
Oliver R. Brags,	2 50
Luther L. Tobine,	2 50
George Clayton,	2 87
William Clayton,	2 50
Luther Johnson,	3 00
Bruce Moulton,	8 86
Samuel H. Davis	1 25
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	\$31 98

Brickett Road.

William C. Little,	2 50
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Smith Road.

John Ordway,	6 00
Joseph Chase,	8 44
J. P. Shannon,	1 25
S. H. Bachelder,	1 25
W. D. George,	1 25
T. K. Little,	1 25
N. E. Brickett,	1 25
James Smith,	2 50
J. J. Calef,	62
N. & J. D. Ordway,	2 50
J. D. Ordway,	1 50
Edwin Grimston,	1 00
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	\$28 81

District, No. 8.

William H. Brown,	7 10
William T. Bragdon,	4 00
Bruce Moulton,	7 50
J. G. Brown,	8 15
O. H. Brown,	5 00
M. E. Follansbee,	1 87
N. & J. D. Ordway,	1 87
A. W. Chandler,	7 51
Luther Chase,	2 00
William C. Little,	5 00
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	\$50 00

New Highway, laid out by the Selectmen of 1856.

Paid James Hadley, for awards of land,	20 00
Jonathan Williams, do	8 00
Caleb Moulton for building said road,	49 60
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	\$77 60

FOR THE SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Nathaniel Merrick, Jr.

J. J. Calef, for boarding 1 yr., ending Mar. 16, '58	104 00
do moving from William Keeser's,	1 00
do making one pair Shirts,	50
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	\$105 50

Paid N. & J. D. Ordway, as follows :

March 16, one Coat,	4 75	
pair Pants,	3 00	
Vest,	1 42	
pair Shoes,	1 62	
pair Suspenders,	13	
yard and half Gingham,	19	
October 27, seven yards Sheeting,	70	
Cotton and Buttons,	03	
one Hat,	78	
pair Footings,	50	
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		\$13 12
Edwin Grimston, for fixing razor,		12
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		\$118 74

Jonathan S. Kimball.

I. & N. C. Smith, for supplies,	6 93	
J. C. Bradley, do	10 41	
Bruce Moulton, do	1 60	
Carter & Martin. do	5 30	
N. & J. D. Ordway, do	10	
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		\$24 34
O. F. Seavy, for medicine and attendance on J. S. Kimball,		17 00
Jeremiah Johnson for labor,	3 50	
Mary M. Keeser, do	5 00	
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		8 50
James H. George for boarding Jonathan S. Kimball's wife and son, from May 13 to July 31,		28 21
Wm. Keeser for wood,	2 50	
Hiram Plummer, do	6 06	
D. H. Keeser, for sawing wood,	50	
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		9 06
Rhoda Hoyt, for bedding,		2 12
William T. Bragdon, for Alcohol,		75
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		\$89 98

Nancy Keeser.

Paid estate of Wm. Keeser, for boarding 1 year to Mar. 16, 1858,	57 20
J. C. Bradley for one pair of Shoes,	83
Isaac D. Johnson do do	87
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	\$58 90

Joseph W. Burroughs.

Paid D. T. Emerson, for boarding one year ending March 16, 1858,	83 20
For making and mending clothes,	1 75
N. & J. D. Ordway, for clothing,	3 74
I. & N. C. Smith, do	1 95
B. E. Woodman, for medicine and attendance,	7 37
J. C. Eastman, do do	50
Wm. T. Bragdon, for spirituous liquor,	48
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	\$98 99

Harrison Burrill.

Paid I. & N. C. Smith, for supplies,	5 01	
Sophia Moulton, for bedding,	1 00	
Ruby Corner, for washing,	2 00	
S. J. Tabor, nursing,	3 00	
B. E. Woodman, medicine and attendance,	6 75	
	<hr/>	\$17 76

James Whittier.

Paid O. R. Brags, for boarding from Nov. 16, 1857, to March 16, 1858,	24 34	
Making one pair shirts,	50	
N. & J. D. Ordway, for clothing,	9 10	
	<hr/>	\$33 94

Jonathan Keeser's Family.

Paid town of Kingston, for goods furnished the family and funeral expenses of J. Keeser,	14 29	
Luther Webber, supplies,	21 88	
I. & N. C. Smith, "	3 32	
Samuel Eaton, "	1 10	
Wm. T. Bragdon, alcohol,	30	
	<hr/>	\$40 89

Samuel H. Davis.

Paid I. & N. C. Smith, for supplies,		\$4 48
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David Norris, Transient Pauper.

Paid Bruce Moulton, for expenses,	2 00	
J. D. Ordway, "	1 00	
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Notes and Interest.

April 11, 1857, J. S. Matson's note and interest,	27 76	
Feb'y 6, 1858, R. K. Brickett, interest on note,	6 18	
" " interest on parsonage note,	39 31	
March 1, 1858, Henry Putnam's note and interest,	83 94	
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Enrolling Soldiers.

Paid Capt. Caleb Moulton, Infantry,	3 00	
Charles Jones, "	1 50	
James Knight, Jr., Light "	2 50	
I. R. Hovey, " "	2 50	
Young & Eastman's Artillery,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$13 50

Abatement of Taxes.

Abated John Currier's poll tax for 1855,	1 65	
Wm. T. Bragdon's book for 1856,	13 20	
" " 1857,	13 58	
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Liquors.

Paid N. & J. D. Ordway, for liquor bought of Wason, Pierce & Co.,	151 67	
Freight on the same,	1 87	
Blank book,	25	
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Miscellaneous Expenses.

Paid J. H. Emerson, for wood,	2 25
Daniel Emerson, for sawing wood,	50
D. H. Emerson, for repairs on town house,	1 04
Daniel Emerson, for mowing grave yard,	2 00
James Hadley, " "	1 00
Insurance on Town Hall for 1856,	9 75
" " 1857,	8 00
Wm. H. Davis, for ringing bell,	25 00
Charles H. Shannon, postage and stationery,	1 50
J. D. Ordway, " "	1 19
A. Wood, counsel and expenses in court on a petition of the Selectmen of 1856, in relation to the line between Hampstead and Danville,	15 25
Caleb Moulton, serving notice on town of Danville, in relation to town line,	3 26
Hiram Nichols, surveying line,	1 17
Moses Clark, one day with auditors, to audit the accounts of selectmen of 1856,	1 50
Henry Putnam, do	1 00
Hiram Plummer, damage to wagon, &c.	3 00
W. W. Stickney, advice,	2 00
John D. Ordway, use of horse and wagon, on town and pauper business,	12 30
Bruce Moulton, do	3 25
Wm. C. Little, do	1 50
	\$96 46

Expenses on Pauper Business.

Paid J. D. Ordway, time spent examining records and taking advice on Jonathan Keeser's residence,	6 00
J. D. Ordway, time spent for J. S. Kimball and family,	4 00
Bruce Moulton, time spent in furnishing supplies, and taking care of J. S. Kimball and family,	7 50
" time spent in furnishing supplies for, and examining records of Plaistow, in relation to Harrison Burrill,	4 62
" time spent examining records, tak- ing care of Jona. Keezer's family,	4 24
J. D. Ordway, cash paid expenses,	4 47
	\$30 83

Town Officers.

Paid Charles H. Shannon, services as Town Clerk,	10 00
Amos Buck, services as Moderator,	2 00
Caleb Moulton, services as Constable,	5 80
J. M. C. Bartley, " Superintending School Committee,	15 00
Wm. T. Bragdon, collecting taxes,	29 43
" settling with Selectmen,	1 00
" services as Liquor Agent,	11 50

J. D. Ordway, Overseer of Poor,	2 00
" Town Treasurer,	8 00
" Selectman,	34 50
Bruce Moulton, " "	30 50
Wm. C. Little, " "	27 00
	<u> \$176 73</u>

Due from Wm. T. Bragdon, Collector.

For outstanding taxes for 1856,	200 00
" " 1857,	195 00
	<u> \$395 00</u>
Paid Auditors for auditing account of 1855 and 6,	9 00
" " 1857,	4 50
Expenses,	3 00
Cash on hand,	17
	<u> \$2922 38</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts, sum total,		\$2922 38
Expenditures,		
State Tax,	186 20	
County Tax,	310 73	
Non-resident Highway Receipts,	40 36	
Teachers' Institute,	10 89	
Support of Schools,	648 03	
Support of Roads,	113 29	
New Road,	77 60	
Support of Paupers,	466 68	
Notes and Interest paid,	157 19	
Enrolling Soldiers,	13 50	
Taxes abated,	28 43	
Liquors,	153 79	
Miscellaneous,	96 46	
Expenses on Pauper business,	30 83	
Town officers,	176 73	
Outstanding Taxes,	395 00	
Expense of Auditors,	16 50	
Cash,	17	
	<u> \$2922 38</u>	

Notes Payable.

Joseph Chase, on Clark's Note and interest,	257 28
Moses C. Smith, Note and interest,	141 75
A. W. Perley, do do	224 99
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R. K. Brickett, do	50 00
Sophia Moulton, do	80 00
Samuel Eaton, do	150 00
	<u> \$960 23</u>

Due the Town.

For support of Paupers,	148 72	
For outstanding Taxes,	395 00	
Cash,	17	
Balance being amount of town debt,	416 34	
		\$960 23

☞ There is in the hands of the Town Treasurer a Note against the town for the Parsonage fund, amounting to six hundred fifty-five dollars and twenty-two cents, which has not been reported in the town accounts, the interest arising from the same, has annually been spent for the support of Schooling equally around the several school districts.

HAMPSTEAD, MARCH 1st. 1858.

Upon examination of the foregoing accounts, as presented to us by the Selectmen, we find them correctly cast, and satisfactory vouchers corresponding with the same.

AMOS BUCK,	} Auditors.
CALEB MOULTON,	
ISAAC SMITH,	

Report of Wm. T. Bragdon, Liquor Agent for 1857.

Received of Thorndike Putnam, Liquor Agent for		
1856, liquors valued,	\$16 10	
do Selectmen liquors that cost,	153 54	
		169 64
Amount of Liquors sold,	137 33	
Liquors on hand,	53 62	
		190 95

Nett Gain,		\$21 31

REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Teacher during the past term, Miss Sarah Marshall. Pupils, 35 ; average attendance, 26 ; term, ten weeks ; wages, including board, \$16 per month. Although this was the first attempt of Miss Marshall at teaching, her mode of government, her energetic, faithful and thorough manner of imparting instruction, and her success in the entire management of the school, were such as to give general satisfaction to the district.

Second term, teacher Miss H. J. Bailey. Pupils, 41 ; average attendance, 32 ; term, fourteen weeks ; wages of teacher, \$15 per month, exclusive of board. Miss Bailey's past experience was turned to good account in the management of her school, both as to government and the mode of instruction. Her kind, firm and impartial treatment of her pupils, secured their confidence and affection, and her faithful, energetic and accurate manner of teaching, secured all the improvement that was reasonable to expect.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Teacher in summer, Miss Swett. Term fourteen weeks ; pupils, 40 ; average, 34 ; wages, including board, \$21 per month. Towards the close of the term, some of the children were taken from the school on the ground of undue severity on the part of the teacher. The justice of this imputation, the committee does not undertake to decide. At the examination, the school appeared well, both as to order and the spirit and manner of the various exercises. Very perceptible improvement was made by the scholars, generally.

Teacher in winter, Miss Sophia Moulton. Term, 13½ weeks ; wages, \$23 per month, including board ; scholars, 50 ; average, 38. Miss Moulton in the government and instruction of this school during this term, has fully sustained her former reputation for skill, energy and faithfulness, and this term, in the judgment of the committee, has been one of unusual interest and profit to the pupils. The very things which need the special attention of the teacher, were attended to in the most thorough and faithful manner, and in such a way as to elicit the cheerful interest of the whole school. In all respects the school appeared in advance of what it has been for years. The deep and impartial interest which the teacher took in all her scholars, and the marked success which attended her kind and faithful labors, have laid her pupils under such obligations to gratitude as is hoped will not soon be forgotten.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Teacher, Miss Mary C. French. Term 11 weeks; pupils, 38; average, 34; wages, including board, \$23 per month. Miss French needs no commendation from us. In every respect her school was managed well, and it is believed that entire satisfaction was felt in the district. In the autumn, Miss French opened here a select school for both sexes, of twelve weeks duration, the average attendance of which was twenty-five. This school was managed to the general satisfaction of all who sustained it.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Teacher, first term, Miss Morrison. Term, 12 weeks; pupils, 18; average, $16\frac{1}{2}$; wages, including board, \$16.67 per month. Miss Morrison was kind and diligent in her efforts to promote the improvement of her pupils, and succeeded well in most respects. The principal failure was in the government of some of the larger scholars. The whole school suffered, it is believed, from a want of a more stringent discipline of the older part of the pupils.

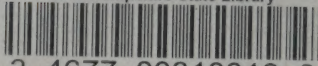
Teacher in winter, Miss Sarah J. French. Term, 11 weeks; pupils, 23; average, 20; wages \$11 per month, exclusive of board. The teacher won the confidence and esteem of the scholars generally, and succeeded well, both in their government and in promoting their progress in the various studies attended to. The teacher's remark in relation to her pupils was: "They have shown an unusual degree of perseverance in study, and 'strive to improve' has apparently been their motto."

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Teacher, Miss Sawyer. Term 15 weeks; pupils, 11; average, 7; wages, \$14 per month, including board. Miss Sawyer diligently and faithfully discharged her duty, and succeeded well in promoting the proficiency of those who regularly attended school. The smallness of the number of pupils, was, however, a serious drawback, it not being sufficient to create the interest and enthusiasm which is desirable.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Teacher, Miss Sarah Cotton. Term, 18 weeks; pupils, 26; average, 22; wages, \$13 per month, including board. The regularity and punctuality of attendance was commendable. The teacher evidently secured the affections and confidence of her pupils generally, and succeeded in promoting the proficiency of the larger part, to a degree which was gratifying.



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DISTRICT NO. 7.

Teacher, Miss Hannah M. French. Term, 12½ weeks; wages, \$17, 68 per month, including board; pupils, 16; average, 14. Miss French managed her school with great wisdom and fidelity. She exerted an excellent influence, morally and intellectually, over all her pupils, and advanced them in their studies to a degree which was quite satisfactory.

This district has shown a commendable interest for several years past in the education of their children. During the past winter a select school for both sexes was opened in a private dwelling, under the care of Miss Mary C. French, of Candia, which has been well sustained, the scholars numbering about 16, and evincing a cheerful and enthusiastic interest in their studies.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Term 9½ weeks. Teacher, Miss Laura Collins. Wages \$11 32 per month, including board. Number of scholars 14; average 10—a portion of them coming from Kingston. Miss Collins was young and inexperienced in teaching; but she was kind, diligent and faithful, and accomplished all that it was reasonable to expect under the circumstances.

The children here are backward, and need far more attention than they have hitherto had. It is true that the people in this District are few in number, and not favored with large means, yet they are compact, all within a short distance of their school room, which is pleasant and amply convenient, and they doubtless feel an interest in their children. What is wanting is resolution, zeal, and union of purpose, and they could very easily, and without any injury to themselves, but with positive advantage, more than double the length of their school term. The people in this district, and I would add of every other district in town, would do well to ponder, and act under the influence of the inspired declarations,—“There is that scattereth and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, yet it tendeth to poverty. The liberal soul shall be made fat, and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.”

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. C. BARTLEY,

Superintending School Committee.

HAMPSTEAD, FEB. 27, 1858.