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REPORTS OF

TREASURER, SELECTMEN AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

— OF THE —

TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H.,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1st, 1875.

Samuel L. Slader, Treasurer, in account with the town of Langdon, March 1, 1875:

To cash in the Treasury, March 1, 1874,	\$306 54
for State bond,	100 00
Interest on State bonds,	9 00
received from county commissioners,	116 75
Savings bank tax,	459 76
Literary fund,	35 26
U. S. bounty,	96 00
from town of Charlestown,	1 00
from Eleazer Porter,	50
balance of 1873 taxes,	1,151 63
in part for 1874 taxes,	4,207 99
interest on 1873 taxes,	38 62
	\$6,523 07

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Paid town officers,	\$ 201 67
town debt,	1,518 98
for support of paupers,	344 54
for support of schools,	742 18
for roads and bridges,	1,235 47
snow bills,	23 40
abatement of taxes,	31 43
school district No. 5,	151 24
road scraper,	100 00
printing town reports,	12 00
miscellaneous bills,	50 61
State tax,	800 00
County tax,	822 48
cash in the Treasury,	489 07
	\$6,523 07

This certifies that I have examined the account of the Treasurer of the town of Langdon, for the year ending March 1st, 1875, and believe it to be correct.

ROSWELL HUNTOON, *Auditor.*

#### ORDINARY TOWN CHARGES.

Roswell Huntoon, services as Auditor,	\$ 1 00
John Currier, cemetery,	15 00
O. W. Pierce, cemetery,	10 00
B. Lovell, affidavits,	2 00
A. N. Swain, printing town reports,	12 00
E. Holden, non-resident, highway tax worked out,	8 83
John S. Walker, abatement 1873 taxes,	20 62
John S. Walker, services as Collector, 1873,	20 50
S. L. Slader, services as Clerk and Treasurer,	34 67
S. O. Ball, painting guide boards,	8 00
S. G. Anderson, making guide boards,	3 20
George W. Ramsey, setting posts,	50
George W. Ramsey, services as Supt. School Committee,	32 00



G. R. Harris, setting posts,	75
E. W. Holden, sweeping town hall,	50
Charles Fisher, for road scraper,	100 00
Charles Fisher, town surveying lines,	8 75
B. P. Hiland, repairing town hall,	2 41
R. C. Huntley, setting post, town corner,	2 00
J. S. Walker, school house tax, district No. 5, not allowed in settlement of March, 1874,	151 24

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### HIGHWAYS.

Edmund Bidwell, work on road,	1 42
Noah Allen, " "	3 00
Wm. J. Holden, " "	6 10
F. M. Wetherby, " "	1 10
G. R. Harris, " "	2 00
G. R. Holden, " "	4 85
John S. Walker, " "	18 00
R. A. Goodell, " "	7 05
Noah Allen, " "	8 50

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### PAUPERS.

Joseph Fifield, boarding Mrs. Mulligan,	\$ 5 00
Joseph Fifield, " "	14 00
Benjamin H. Fisher, coffin for Mrs. Mulligan,	8 00
H. A. Lovell, store bill for Mrs. Mulligan,	6 30
Cyrus K. Vilas, medicines, &c., for Mrs. M.	15 92
Norman B Howard, meat for Mrs. M,	3 13
J. P. Bancroft, boarding E. R. Wilson,	39 75
J. P. Bancroft, " "	41 40
Winslow B. Porter, M. D., attending Mrs. Mulligan,	25 00
Thomas Winch, boarding George Smith,	8 75
John S. Walker, boarding George Smith,	26 65
Ira Holmes for boarding A. Holmes,	60 00

Edmund Bidwell, paupers,	3 25
J. P. Bancroft, boarding E. R. Wilson,	39 96
J. P. Bancroft, " "	41 43
J. S. Walker, boarding George Smith,	6 00

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PAYMENT OF TOWN NOTES AND INTEREST.

March Chase,	\$ 505 98
Eleazer Porter,	1,013 00

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COVERED BRIDGE.

R. Elwell, bill lumber,	\$127 39
J. C. Tolman, shingle,	30 10
H. A. Lovell, nails and powder,	9 08
Wm. P. Wilson, stone,	3 00
H. E. Smith, labor on bridge,	19 00
Francis B. Philips, labor on bridge,	37 50
Samuel Mellish, labor on bridge,	41 87
H. P. Ware, blacksmithing,	5 85
John L. Palmer, labor,	34 00
Sidney Wiley, lumber,	39 48
Eleazer Porter, labor,	36 00
S. T. J. Davis, "	30 00
M. J. Clark, "	26 00
Henry Prentiss, "	51 25
G. L. Woods, "	23 00
H. G. Macomber, labor and timber for railing,	190 10
Wm. P. Wilson, Arthur's labor,	10 00
J. S. Walker, labor, self and team,	77 50
E. W. Holden, labor,	9 50
A. S. Granger, use of derrick,	23 00
A. S. Granger, building bridge,	197 50
A. S. Granger, lumber, bolts, spike,	34 97
M. Chase, bill of damages,	6 00
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	\$1,062 09

## BRIDGE NEAR ELWELL'S MILL.

R. Elwell, timber and plank,	\$94 99
Watt's bill for work,	5 00
Tarred paper,	2 45
H. Prentiss, labor,	1 00
J. S. Walker, labor, self and team,	8 00
J. S. Walker, nails and spike,	75
E. W. Holden, labor,	4 00
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	\$115 19

## TEMPORARY BRIDGE.

Timber now sawed in bridge plank,	\$10 95
J. S. Walker, labor, self and team,	8 00
E. W. Holden, labor,	4 00
H. Prentiss, labor,	4 00
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	\$26 95
J. S. Walker, for labor hired on bridges, not included in the above,	\$7 72

## SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

District No. 2, Willard H. Howard,	\$144 09
3, George W. Ramsey,	144 50
4, H. G. Macomber,	144 50
5, George Lamb,	144 09
6, James Willard,	147 53
S. G. Baldwin, share paid to Charlestown,	11 72
Burge & Angier, share paid to Alstead,	9 83

## RECEIVED.

Cash in Treasury March 2, 1874,	\$306 54
Interest on State bonds,	9 00
Cash received, county commissioners,	110 75

Savings bank tax,	459 76
Literary fund,	35 26
United States bounty,	96 00
Cash received, State bond,	100 00
Interest on taxes of 1873,	38 62
Cash from town of Charlestown,	1 00
Eleazer Porter, old plank,	50
County pauper money,	6 00
Received of J. S. Walker, 1873 taxes,	1,151 65
Received of Edmund Holden, taxes 1874,	4,207 99
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	\$6,523 07

## EXPENDED.

Accounts allowed March 1874,	\$113 50
State tax,	800 00
County tax,	822 48
Town notes paid,	1,518 98
Orders paid,	2,779 04
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	\$6,034 00

## INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

Notes unpaid,	\$701 48
Money due district No. 1, not drawn,	257 74
Orders unpaid,	11 50
Outstanding accounts estimated,	150 00
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	\$1,120 72
Cash in Treasury March 1, 1875,	\$489 07
State bonds in Treasury,	200 00
Uncollected taxes,	402 91—\$1,091 98
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Balance indebtedness March 1, 1875,	\$28 74

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. WALKER,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
HENRY PRENTISS,	
EDMUND W. HOLDEN,	
	} <i>of</i>
	} <i>Langdon.</i>

ANNUAL REPORT.

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1875.

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The superintendent of the Public Schools submits to the citizens of Langdon, the following report:

DISTRICT No. 1.—In this district there has been no school during the year.

DISTRICT No. 2.—This school was taught in the summer by Miss EMMA N. EMERSON, of Alstead, N. H. The school was very small in the summer, being only seven scholars. The term began very pleasantly and with a good prospect of success, but the committee can make no further report, because he was not notified of its closing.

The Fall term was taught by Miss ADDIE MARSH of Brattleboro, Vt. She labored industriously and the school made fair progress under her instruction, but a little more strict regard to discipline would have improved the appearance of the school.

The winter term was taught by LOENA E. FAIRBANKS of Peterboro, N. H. Miss Fairbanks is a teacher of considerable experience. This was a good and interesting term of school and was well taught.

DISTRICT No. 3.—The summer term of seven weeks was taught by Miss FLORA E. FISHER of Alstead, N. H. Miss Fisher's reputation, as a teacher, is already well known in this district, and in other districts in town, by her previous services in them. Faith-

fully and conscientiously devoting her time to her work, she teaches with good result.

The winter term was taught by Miss ELLA E. WOOD of Acworth, N. H. Miss Wood was interested in her work and the term was a successful and profitable one.

DISTRICT NO. 4.—Both terms of the school in this district were taught by Miss MARY R. PORTER of Alstead, N. H. She endeavored to do justice to the school and to herself, and was successful. The general discipline of the school was good and the scholars made fair progress under her instruction. Whole number of parents visiting the school during the year, three!

From the remarks by the teacher in the register, we learn that H. G. Macomber, the prudential committee, gave ten dollars and fifty cents in board, in order to lengthen out the school. This, we think very commendable in him.

DISTRICT NO. 5.—This school was under the instruction of ELLA L. GILMORE of Alstead, in the summer. She has taught several terms and has uniformly succeeded in getting through schools well. Her school appeared well at the examination, and a good degree of progress was noticeable.

The winter term in this school was under the instruction of Mr. SUMNER M. STRAW of Unity, N. H. Mr. Straw labored industriously and has many good traits as a teacher. The school was well disciplined, but the chief element that the school seemed to lack in was interest. With a more prompt and vigorous manner he bids fair to become a successful teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 6.—This school was taught during the year by Miss ELLA E. WOOD of Acworth, N. H. There were two terms, in both twenty-two weeks. There was very marked progress here. This is one of the best schools in town. In the summer term the scholars were all constant in their attendance. At the closing examination all the scholars took part in rhetorical exercises, which were very pleasant and instructive.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF THE SCHOOLS, 1874-5.

No. of District.	TERM TIME.	Names of Teachers.	Length of school in weeks.	Whole No. of scholars.	Av. attendance of scholars.	No. in Reading and Spelling.	No. in Penmanship.	No. in Arithmetic.	No. in Grammar.	No. in Geography.	No. in Composition.	No. in U. S. History.	No. in Physiology.	No. in Algebra.	Instances of Tardiness.	No. of visits by Supt. Comm.	Visits by Prudential Comm.	Visits by other citizens.	No. not absent one half day.	No. of dismissals.	Wages of Teacher per mo. including board.
1	No School.	N. Emma Emerson.	8	7	6 $\frac{1}{4}$	7	5	4	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	19	4	1	\$19
2	Summer.	Addie Marsh.	8	12	10 $\frac{1}{10}$	12	10	10	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	25	2	0	20
	Fall.	E. Loena Fairbanks.	9	11	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	11	6	9	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	25	2	1	25
3	Winter.	Flora E. Fisher.	7	15	14	15	9	12	10	5	2	0	0	0	1	2	2	30	8	0	30
	Summer.	Ella E. Wood.	9	16	15	16	13	14	9	5	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	32	8	1	30
4	Winter.	Mary R. Porter.	8	14	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	14	6	11	7	2	9	1	0	2	0	2	2	30	8	2	30
	Summer.	Mary R. Porter.	10	14	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	14	7	14	7	3	11	1	0	2	0	3	3	38	8	0	38
5	Winter.	L. Ella Gilmore.	8	11	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	11	6	9	2	4	3	0	0	1	9	2	2	22	9	0	22
	Summer.	Sumner M. Straw.	12	15	13 $\frac{1}{4}$	15	9	12	3	9	0	0	1	1	46	2	0	30	15	3	30
6	Winter.	Ella E. Wood.	10	11	11	11	11	10	3	7	4	1	2	1	0	2	2	20	13	0	20
	Fall.	Ella E. Wood.	12	18	17 $\frac{3}{8}$	18	17	16	6	14	7	0	4	0	1	2	2	26	13	0	26

The following is a list of the names of the scholars who have been constant in their attendance during an entire term :

No. 2.—SUMMER: Thomas D. Miller, Stratton Walker, Geo. H. Miller. Fall: Willie R. Parker, Freddie C. Howard, Eddie A. Parker, Walter S. Howard.

No. 3.—SUMMER: Hattie E. Simpson, Flora R. Goodnow, Nellie G. Ramsey, Etta M. Walker, Gratia M. Holmes, Fidelia V. Holmes, Fred W. Ramsey, Henry Parker. Winter: Bertha E. Hinkley, Gratia M. Holmes, Fidelia V. Holmes, Herbert A. Holmes, George E. Holmes, Ellery O. Walker, Fred W. Ramsey, Johnnie M. Currier.

No. 4.—SUMMER: Grace B. Elwell, Fannie M. Elwell, Nettie Harris, Viola A. Knight, Ida M. Macomber, Isabel L. Ramsey, Herbert E. Knight, Willie H. Wilson. Winter: Ida M. Macomber, John W. Jeffs, Herbert E. Knight, Allen L. Knight, George Mershon, Charlie F. Pierce.

No. 5.—SUMMER: Lilan A. Davis, Flora B. Russell, Harvey Davis, Eugene J. Davis, Arthur J. Lamb, Ira M. Russell, Dean S. Russell, Johnnie A. Whitney. Winter: Flora B. Russell, Ira M. Russell, Arthur J. Lamb.

No. 6.—SUMMER: Flora M. Bascom, Stella Huntley, Leola A. Holden, Liona M. Holden, Corine E. Holden, Flora A. Willard, Nellie E. Willard, James W. Bascom, Willie L. Gowen, Harvey D. Holden, Charlie C. Holden. Winter: Flora M. Bascom, Leola A. Holden, Liona M. Holden, Corine E. Holden, Flora A. Willard, Nellie E. Willard, Etta M. Walker, Willie E. Hale, Edgar M. Bascom, James W. Bascom, Willie L. Gowen, Harvey D. Holden, Charlie C. Holden.

It gives your committee pleasure to state in general terms that the schools of the town, as far as he has had any knowledge of them, have been managed more judiciously the past year than they were the year preceding it.

The order and general discipline of the schools have been better; but there is still much room for improvement

The progress has been generally good, but not, with the privileges, what it should have been. One great hindrance to the progress of our schools, and certainly a lamentable one, is a lack of interest on the part of the parents. Our registers tell a sad tale, very much of which might be prevented by right efforts on the



part of parents. No one acquainted with the facts will doubt that many could add one fourth to one half of the amount of their privileges by a strict punctuality. Parents should teach their children by example to be punctual, otherwise they will form habits injurious to themselves and others who may be connected with them in the future. Some scholars have been punctual and I give their names in hopes that others will do likewise.

G. W. RAMSEY, *S. S. Committee.*





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