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## Accounts of the Selectmen.

## RECEIPTS.

Received amount of tax list, \$7,233	49
" State Bonds, 4,700	
" from State Savings Bank tax, 1,890	
" Railroad tax, " 93	18
	28
" " U. S. Bounty, 32	
" County, for supplies furnished Sally	
Shapley, 7	50.
	72
Received of John O. Foss, Collector for 1873, 61	45
" for use of Town Hall,	
" of New Hampshire Odd Fellows' Lodge,	00
for Aaron R. Locke, 92	15
" of Collector's road tax, 27	00
" Collector for 1871,	-
" from County, towards building new bridge	10
	89
" from John Foye, for old bridge plank,	00
" George Pierce, " " " 1	50
"Sheridan Jenness " " 1	00
	19
	10
o. E. Deavitt, wood left at harbor	50
	50
Albert C. Locke, on Mrs. Mary	50
- Columbia	00
	NEWS .
3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	
" Interest on N. H. State Bonds, 117	50
\$16,799	89

### EXPENDITURES.

Paid State tax, \$1,384 00 / County Tax, 1,528 75 \$2,912 75 Highways and Bridges. Paid J. J. Jenness, for breaking road 1872, \$4 40 Sheridan Jenness, land damage on new high-42 40 way near Moses C. Philbrick's house, 5 00 Emmons B. Philbrick, Moses Clark, land damage and fencing on new highway near and across Doctor's Channel, so called, 79 00Levi T. Walker, do. 44 00 Truman S. Odiorne, do. 59 00 Sylvester W. Odiorne, do. 74 00 Truman S. and Sylvester W. Odiorne, do. 70 00 George W. Stone, 3 00 3 00 Henry Knox, T. J. Parsons, 01 Oliver P. Garland, powder, fuse and drills, 7 09 District No. 7, Oliver P. Garland, labor on Dist. No. 7, 4 00 Samuel Adams & Co., 713 feet hemlock plank for shingle mill bridge, 12 83 B. D. Batchelder, laying plank on shingle .2 25 mill bridge, Joseph W. Garland, teaming plank, 3 00 Sam'l Adams & Co., plank for Seavey's bridge, 9 52 J. W. Garland, teaming plank, 3 00 labor on Seavey's bridge, 4 00 John S. Remick, labor on do. 1 00 R. P. Goss, plank for Little Harbor bridge, 4 87 R. P. Goss and Joseph P. Trefethen, building new bridge across Doctor's Channel, 1,250 00 Extra work on bridge,  $13 \ 25$ Building abutments, 48 00 R. P. Goss, building new highway near Moses C. Philbrick's house, 37 95

Paid Jonathan D. Locke, digging di	rain and laving		
stone bridge near Jona. C. Phi		40	40
Chas. E. Rand, for stone and r			
on Sea road near East school		19	75
Joseph R. Holmes, 12,106 feet			
plank for Little Harbor bridg		61	28
Joseph W. Seavey, for timber,	Maria Caraly	3	00
Rufus W. Philbrick, 6 days' lal	bor.	15	00
A. C. Locke, 5 1-2 do		13	
W. L. Jenness, 5 1-2 do		13	
W. L. Jenness, 5 1-2 do J. E. Leavitt, 5 1-2 do			75
John S. Remick, 51-2 do	BERTHAN R. STREET	11	
do. team.		1	00
Emery Woodman, 51-2 days' 1	abor.	13	
Thomas Call, lumber for rail,			09
Spalding & Parrott, spikes and	iron.		75
T. J. Parsons, 18 lbs. nails,	THE SHADE		90
G. C. Berry, powder, fuse & dril	ls. Dist No. 11.	4	75
For rail at Wallace Sand s brid	ge.		75
George W. Guppy, advertising	construction		
of new highway near Davis f	arm.	1	50
A. C. Hoyt, surveying new			
Rye to Newcastle,		3	00
Emery Woodman, in part for c	construction of		
new highway from Portsm. a	nd Rve line to		
Newcastle, to connect with the		00	00
Wm. A. Tarlton, superinten			
bridge across Little Harbor r			
to Newcastle, (one-third of		54	58
Joseph R. Holmes and Albert	B. Trefethen,		
for building new bridge bety			
Newcastle—First contract,	\$2,108 33	213	
Second "	283 33		
	2,3	91	66
T. J. Parsons, surveying new h	ighway across		
Doctor's Channel,		3	00
T. J. Parsons, powder & fuse for	or Dist. No. 9,		43
Powder and fuse for District N	0. 5 1-2,	1	09
Nails for shingle mill bridge,			60
Nails for Seavey's bridge,			33
Joseph W. Seavey, repairs on	bridge near		
John Grover's house,	all a light wheat in	3	00

Paid	l Emery Woodman, laying stone bridge across		
	new highway leading to Newcastle,	14	00
	Jenness Marden, 2 days' labor in Dist. No. 9,	4	00
	Spalding & Parrot, iron for bolts at Harbor road,		80
	U. Blaisdell, iron for bolts at Harbor road,		00
	T. M. Marden, making bolts for Harbor road,	3	75
	Daniel Littlefield, for use of pile driver,		
	John S. Goss, labor & team on Harbor road,	36	50
	D. W. Dalton, labor and team,	18	00
	C. O. Philbrick, " "	28	00
	Augustus Caswell, ""	33	00
	William C. Downing,"	40	50
	Adams E. Drake, do.	12	00
	do. hauling pile driver,	10	00
	do. do. timber.	1	00
	E. H. Balch, labor and team,	118	00
	Thomas W. Rand, " "		00
	do. use of timber,	1	00
	Geo. G. White, labor and team,	73	00
	Jenness Marden, " "	16	00
	Arthur L. Goss, " "	16	50
	Levi W. Marden, " "	16	00
	Jonathan Locke, " "	6	00
	Joseph Locke, " "	4	00
	Charles Brown, labor,	23	00
	I. G. Randall, "	15	00
	Levi D. Locke, "	14	00
	Levi Brown, "	24	00
	John E. Leavitt, "		25
	Albert C. Locke, "	2	00
	Woodbury L. Berry, "	29	00
	R. W. Philbrick, "	10	00
	Henry L. Varrell, "	39	00
	William Varrell, ""	33	00
	Richard Jenness, timber for piles at Harbor road,	145	00
	Joseph R. Holmes, timber to rail the butment		
	at the new bridge across Little Harbor river,	18	74
	John Woods, am't awarded for fencing the new		
	highway from Rye to Newcastle, \$1.00 per		
	rod on each side, awarded by Commis'rs,	410	00
	and the second s	751	47
	SD	4 5 4	4.8. 4

# Sundry Expenses.

Pai	d Nathaniel Marden, table for town hall,	1	50
	For transient travellers,	3	00
	Otis D. Marden, for transient travellers,	3	00
	J. H. Foster, for books and stationery,		20
	A. W. Mitchell & Co., police badges,	6	25
	B. F. Thorndike, printing town acc'ts for '73,		00
	Dr. Parsons, for return of births and deaths,	. 5	50
	Freeman J. Locke, repairs on bell,		50
	George W Guppy, advertising forbidding		
	hauling gravel from the beaches,	1	50
	Marston and Freeman, do.	2	00
	George W. Guppy, advertising proposals for		
	bridge,	1	00
	Marston and Freeman, do.	1	00
	B. W. Sanborn & Co., record book, for mar-		
	riages, births and deaths,	6	50
	School Laws for districts,		00
	Express,	7.442	25
	Discount on State Bonds,	23	50
	Aaron Locke, dues to New Hampshire Odd		
	Fellows' Lodge,	3	00
	A. Wood, for counsel,	12	00
	John E. Leavitt, recording inventory,		50
	J. W. Garland, to Concord to settle Savings		
	Bank & Railroad tax, and Literary Fund,	5	30
	John S. Remick, to Insane Asylum to see	Mail I	
	Aaron R. Locke,	5	30
	John E. Leavitt, sundry expenses per bill for	MARKE S	1
	Mary Ham,	115	77
	T. J. Parsons, for stationery,		56
	T. J. Parsons, writing and posting notices,	BUE	
	and going to Exeter and proving Mary		
	Ham's will,	2	50
	J. W. Garland, settling bills of Laighton	1-76	00
	family at Exeter,	6	00
	Richard Jenness, damage to burying ground	1111	
	in 1872,	45	00
	Sylvanus W. Foss, service as Town Clerk,		
	postage and stationery,	25	61

Paid	I John S. Remick, drawing saw dust and	1	
	spreading same on town hall floor, A. H. Hodgdon, dinners for Selectmen and	1	00
	Assessors,	3	50
Name and Address of	Albert R. Hatch, counsel and term fee, New-		
	castle road case,	13	
laboration and	Copy of report of Commissioners,		00
	U. States, postage to Jonathan T. Walker,	1	10
	Marston & Freeman, advertising proposals	11	
	for new bridge,	5	00
	Calvin Page, term fees in Court on petitions	~ ~	
	of roads in 1873,	56	
	Selectmen, preparing accts. of '73 for printing,	13	00
- Comment	Selectmen, attending Commissioners' hearing	10	0.0
ratio)	at Newcastle,	13	00
	Selectmen, attending hearing, laying out and		
	accepting road and bridge at Doctor's Mill	14	00
	Channel,	14	00
	Selectmen, viewing proposed new road near	e	00
	Farragut House, Selectmen, attending Commissioner's hearing	. 0	00
	at Farragut House,	6	00
	Selectmen, letting road near Moses C. Phil-	U	00
	brick's,	3	00
	Selectmen, time on new bridge at Little Harbor,	28	-
-	Selectmen, time on road leading from Rye to		
	Newcastle,	14	00
	Selectmen, viewing Mill Road,	-	00
	Selectmen, examining Little Harbor bridge		
	near John Foye's,	3	50
	Selectmen, attending Commissioners' hearing		
	at John O. Fosse's,	4	00
23	Selectmen, viewing road near G. H. Jenness',	1	00
	Selectmen, making Centre School Dist. tax,	6	00
	John O. Foss, Collector town tax,	69	
63	Centre School District tax,	6	
	J. W. Garland, record'g Selectmen's accounts,		00
	David Jenness, Auditor,		00
	G. H. Jenness, "	2	00
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## Town Hall Expenses.

Paid Aaron Rand, 6 1-2 cords wood for town hall	1, \$36	37
T. J. Parsons, oil, brooms, chimneys, wicks, &		
Freeman J. Locke, taking care of hall,		00
Lumber and labor on stage in hall,	.45	89
Painting stage,	2	02
Aaron Rand, sundries per bill for town hall,	16	51
Isaac D. Rand, for boards,	. 5	67
Aaron Rand, Janitor for hall,	54	00
	/h100	-1.4
	<b>\$188</b>	14

## Expense of Town Poor.

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id J. P. Bancroft's bill for board for Aaron R.		
Locke, from Jan. 30, 1874, to Jan. 30, 1875, \$25	3	88
Emmons B. Philbrick, taking Aaron R. Locke		
	4	00
Joseph G. Jenness, 1 cord wood for Samuel		
	3	00
Elliott & Dudley, supplies furnished Leighton		
	0	00
City of Portsmouth, supplies furnished wife of		
	8	00
	1	14
Horace L. Trefethern, for support of Thaddeus		
and Daniel Trefethern, at \$2 per week, end-		
	6	00
		00
	1	00
Dr. Parsons, nine visits and medicine for Mrs.		
	0	00
T. J. Parsons, supplies furnished Samuel Cas-		
well, April 30, 1874,	1	65
	7	50
Selectmen, taking care of Mrs. Ham during		
	0	00
	2	00
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## School Expenses.

Paid Charles A. Drake, Prudential Committee in	
District No. 1, \$332	00
Richard L. Locke, do. District No. 2, 332	
Thomas W. Rand, do. "3, 332	
John S. Remick, do. " 4, 332	
G. H. Jenness, Superintending School Com-	
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\$1342	96
\$1542	00
Police Expenses.	
Dill 10 D Di	00
Paid Joseph S. Foss, Police, \$5	
Albion D. Parsons, "5	00
Albion R. Philbrick, "5	
Woodbury L. Berry, " 5	00
\$20	00
Notes and Interest Paid.	
Paid David Jenness, note and interest, 259	24
Lydia S. Yeaton, do. 162	
John W. Parsons, interest on note,	
	00
	0 0
Wesley A. Rand, do. 120	00
Wesley A. Rand, do. 120 Moses L. Garland, do. 24	00
Wesley A. Rand, do. 120 Moses L. Garland, do. 24	00 00 00
Wesley A. Rand, do. 120 Moses L. Garland, do. 24 Warren Caswell, do. 12 Alfred V. Seavey, note and interest, 159	00 00 00 00 45
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Wesley A. Rand, do. 120 Moses L. Garland, do. 24 Warren Caswell, do. 12 Alfred V. Seavey, note and interest, 159	00 00 00 45 60
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Wesley A. Rand, do. 120 Moses L. Garland, do. 24 Warren Caswell, do. 12 Alfred V. Seavey, note and interest, 159 Moses Clark, do. of James E. Seavey, 274 Aaron Rand, do. of Hopley Yeaton, 365  Abatements for 1874.  Paid Harrison Foss, error on valuation, Eben L. Seavey, on money, 8	00 00 00 45 60 84

Paid Austin C. Jenness, on horse, Otis D. Marden, poll tax, Levi T. Sanborn, on money, Mary Ham, tax 1871, John O. Drake, poll tax 1873, William H. Tripp, " " 1874, Heirs of Eliza Powers, on valuation, Rufus O. Jenness, poll tax 1874,	16 6 14 6 1 6 1 6 1 7 1 7	50 40 65 65 78
	\$50	59
Joseph W. Garland's Bill.		
Paid Services as Selectman, Taking inventory, Enrolling militia, Making return of railroad stock, Making and correcting check list, Attending jury meetings, One day with assessors, Revising Jury box, Making return of non-residents, Preparing collector's book, Settling bills, One day with auditors, Writing notices and attending extra meeting, Preparing accounts for printing,	\$6 (0 6 (0 1 (0 2 (0 1 (0 2 (0 1 (0 2 (0 1 (0 2 (0 1 (0 2 (0 1 (0))))))))))))))))))))))))))))))))))))	000 500 000 000 550 000 000 000 000 000
John S. Remick's Bill.		
Paid Services as Selectman, Taking inventory, Enrolling militia, Making return of railroad stock, Making and correcting check list, Attending jury meeting, One day with assessors, Revising jury box, Making return of non-residents,	1 6 0 1 5 1 0 2 0 1 5 2 0 2 0 2 5	00 50 00 00 50 00

John E. Leavitt's Bill.  sid Services as Selectman, \$6 00 Taking inventory, \$6 00 Enrolling militia, \$1 50 Making return of railroad stock, \$1 00 Making and correcting check list, \$2 00 Attending jury meetings, \$1 50 One day with assessors, \$2 00 Revising jury box, \$1 00 Making return of non-residents, \$2 50 Settling bills, \$10 00 One day with auditors, \$2 00 Writing notices and attending extra meetings, \$1 50 Preparing accounts for printing, \$4 00	Preparing Collector's book, Settling bills, One day with auditors, Writing notices and attending extra meetings, Preparing accounts for printing,	$\begin{array}{c} 10 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{array}$	00 00 00 50 00
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Taking inventory,       \$6       00         Enrolling militia,       1       50         Making return of railroad stock,       1       00         Making and correcting check list,       2       00         Attending jury meetings,       1       50         One day with assessors,       2       00         Revising jury box,       1       00         Making return of non-residents,       2       50         Settling bills,       10       00         One day with auditors,       2       00         Writing notices and attending extra meetings,       1       50	John E. Leavitt's Bill.		
Enrolling militia, 1 50 Making return of railroad stock, 1 00 Making and correcting check list, 2 00 Attending jury meetings, 1 50 One day with assessors, 2 00 Revising jury box, 1 00 Making return of non-residents, 2 50 Settling bills, 10 00 One day with auditors, 2 00 Writing notices and attending extra meetings, 1 50	id Services as Selectman,	\$6	00
Making return of railroad stock, 1 00 Making and correcting check list, 2 00 Attending jury meetings, 1 50 One day with assessors, 2 00 Revising jury box, 1 00 Making return of non-residents, 2 50 Settling bills, 10 00 One day with auditors, 2 00 Writing notices and attending extra meetings, 1 50	Taking inventory,	<b>\$</b> 6	00
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One day with auditors, 2 00 Writing notices and attending extra meetings, 1 50	Making return of non-residents,	2	50
Writing notices and attending extra meetings, 1 50	Settling bills,	10	0.0
8	One day with auditors,	2	00
Preparing accounts for printing, 4 00	Writing notices and attending extra meetings,	1	50
1 0'	Preparing accounts for printing,	4	00

**\$42** 00

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## Recapitulation.

Paid State and County Tax,		\$2,912 75
Highways and Bridges,	. 2	6,751 47
Sundry expenses,		626 34
Town Hall expenses,		. 188 14
Town Poor,		573 17
Schools,		<b>1</b> ,342 86
Police,		20 00
Notes and interest,		<b>1,4</b> 07 31
Abatements,		50 59
Selectmen's Bills,		126 00
Due from collector for 1874,		200 00
Cash on hand,		2601 26
		\$16,799 87
CREDIT, by total receipts,		\$16,799 87

JOSEPH W. GARLAND, JOHN S. REMICK, JOHN E. LEAVITT.

We, the subscribers, have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly east and well vouched.

DAVID JENNESS, Auditors.

## Demands Against the Town.

April 1st, 1871.	Note	to Mary Jenness,	\$477	46
Feb. 6th, 1871,		Hannah Jenness,	956	61
Dec. 30th, 1871.	, 66	Martha A. Seavey,	174	09
Dec. 30th, 1871.	, 66	Hannah W. Rand,	685	55
Feb. 20th, 1871.	, 66	T. J. Parsons,	200	61
Jan. 7th, 1874	, 44	Warren Caswell,	201	80
Oct. 24th, 1874,	6.6	Joseph B. Dalton,	1395	37
May 3d, 1873,	66	Hannah Jenness,	389	55
Feb. 1st, 1873,	66	Alfred S. Goss,	79	04
Feb. 15th, 1773,	66	Robert S. Foss,	391	29
March 1st, 1873,	6.6	Moses Clark,	698	40
Dec. 13th, 1873,	6.6	John W. Parsons,	507	50
Feb. 2nd, 1869,	4.6	Alfred S. Goss,	713	68
June 5th, 1869,	6.6	Charles N. Knowles,	139	67
Oct. 26th, 1867,	16	Moses S. Garland,	408	00
April 23d, 1868,	66	Abby S. Clark,	342	15
June 5th, 1870,	66	John A. Brown,	178	74
Feb. 19th, 1870,	66	Frederick Seavey,	402	18
Feb. 6th, 1867,	6.6	James Brown,	79	99
March 30, 1867,	6.6	Daniel C. Webster,	138	21
Nov. 27th, 1870,	46	Mary H. Stark,	256	53
July 24th, 1872,	6.6	Wesley A. Rand,	2,072	00

### Due the Town.

Duc one	LOWII.	
From Collector, 1873, " 1874, " G. H. Jenness on stage,	\$13 50 200 00 22 94	
Cash on hand,	2,587 76	
Balance against the town,		<b>\$7,864</b> 22

## REPORT

OF THE

# superintending school committee.

OF THE

# TOWN OF RYE. N. H.

For the Year ending March 1,1875.

A JESCH YD DWG.

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## REPORT.

#### FELLOW CITIZENS:

In presenting my seventh annual Report, I find the condition of our schools quite satisfactory; and shall, therefore, be brief in my comments. More than usual progress has been made during the past year; a fact that I attribute, largely, to the employment of experienced teachers. The instruction has been eminently practical, and but little attention has been paid to "cramming" for a couple of hours' show on examination day. I believe that our schools will compare favorably with the best in the State, and know that they are far superior to many. Nearly all the pupils have rendered a cheerful and willing obedience to wholesome regulations, and a few have been compelled to submit to needed discipline.

Some introductions of new books have been made during the year, which I believe will prove highly beneficial. In the South and Centre Districts, "Swinton's Language Lessons' have been introduced, and they are as much of an improvement over the old grammar, as a steamengine is over a wheelbarrow. Indeed, they are, in my opinion, the best books ever printed for the use of young pupils who are commencing to study the English language. The books are full of systematic common sense, and, in the hands of a skilful teacher, will be the means of creating a revolution in our methods of learning Grammar. I hope to see the introduction completed in the remaining schools.

I have also introduced Guyot's new Physical Geogra-

phy, which I regard as a very excellent and systematic work for advanced pupils.

A Union School Exhibition was given, under my direction, on the evenings of May 5th and 6th, 1874, which was largely attended, and productive of much pleasure to those who took part in the exercises. It was a pleasant and profitable recreation for the pupils, and served to make them better acquainted with each other, and to unite them in a closer friendship.

The Schoolhouse in the South district has been newly plastered, and other needed repairs made upon it, until it is once more in good condition.

Nothing, as yet, has been done towards establishing a High School, which is very much needed. Hundreds of dollars might be saved, annually, by having a good High School in town wherein all our advanced pupils might receive instruction in the higher branches.

There are two ways by which we may establish a High School. One by separate and direct appropriation, and the other by taking a certain percentage of the school money, as provided by the State law.

The latter method has proved very unsatisfactory in many towns where the experiment has been tried, and I would by no means recommend its adoption. A few hundred dollars appropriated, directly, for the support of a High School, is exactly what is needed, and would, I thinkprove as profitable an investment as the thousands of dollars we squander in building roads and bridges in out-of-the-way places.

The State laws have been altered and amended somewhat during the past year, and as much done in *setting back* the cause of popular education as seemed possible for hasty and blundering legislation to accomplish. The abolition of the Board of Education, and the Teacher's Institutes, was a direct blow to educational progress; the more

so as no other system was suggested or desired. As matters now stand, our noble old State with a third of a million of people, has its great educational interests represented by one man, who can do nothing but send a few printed circulars to the town committees, and prepare his report as required by law. There is no State Board, no County Board, no County Supervisors, no County organizations, nothing that would indicate to a stranger that the State government takes any interest in the education of the people. This one step backward should be retraced as speedily as possible; failing in which the people will apply the remedy.

The average attendance during the Winter term has been somewhat reduced, in consequence of sickness and the exceptionally cold weather.

The Spring and Fall terms in the South District are united in the statistical table, under the head of "Summer Term."

In the South District the Spring and Fall terms were taught by Miss Josie Foye, of Rye, whose school I found quiet, orderly and remarkably well instructed. The primary classes, particulary, showed evidence of having received thorough and systematic drill.

The Winter term was taught by the author of this report, a fact that precludes further comment.

In the West District the Summer term was taught by Miss Mary Alice Aldrich of Rye. So far as good scholarship and effort on the teacher's part was concerned, neither was wanting; but there was a pre-existing determination outside of the schoolroom to make the school a failure if possible. This fact was so open and notorious, that it came to my knowledge several days before the commencement of the school. Under such circumstances no school can be a perfect success. It is only when parents and

teachers co-operate that the greatest good to the greatest number is attainable.

The Winter term was taught by Mr. Nathan R. Goss of Rye, and was one of the best and most successful ever taught in the district. The excellent progress made by all the classes, is a more flattering comment than any words that I can pen.

In the Centre District both terms were taught by Miss S. Paulina Aldrich, of Rye, who, with the present term, completes a continuous service of two school years. I have always found her school under the best of discipline, and take pleasure in adding my testimony to theirs who appreciate her faithful services in the schoolroom.

In the East District, the Summer term was taught by Miss Etta Y. Remick of Rye. This was Miss Remick's second term in the district, and her classes exhibited the results of careful instruction. The very large number of young pupils rendered the task quite monotonous, but the close of school showed that the time had been well improved.

The Winter term was taught by Miss Ella A. Clark, of Plymouth, N. H., whose excellent education and experience admirably qualify her for the duties of a teacher. The school has made remarkably good progress, and the parents and pupils of the East District owe Miss Clark a debt of gratitude for her faithful services.

The number of visitors in the South and Centre Districts will probably be somewhat larger than indicated by the statistics, as neither school is finished at the closing of this report, (March 1st.) In the item of "Length of School in weeks," the full term is given. The "average attendance" is complied to date.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. H. JENNESS,
Superintending School Committee.

## Statistics, School Officers, &c.

# Superintending Committee: G. H. JENNESS.

### Prudential Committee:

South	District,	-	~	-	-	RICHARD L. LOCKE.
West	District,	-1	-	-	-	CHARLES A. DRAKE.
Centr	eDistrict,	-	-	-	-	THOMAS W. RAND.
East	District,	-	-		_	JOHN S. REMICK.

Amount of money appropriated by the Town for School purposes, \$1,200. Amount of Literary Fund and Dog tax, \$128. Total, \$1,328.

### List of Text Books used in the Schools.

National Series of Readers, Cornell's Series of Geographies,
Quackenbos' Series of Grammars, Cornell's Physical Geographies,
Quackenbos' Series of Arithmetics. Guyot's Physical Geographies,
Quackenbos' History, Cutter's Physiology,
Quackenbos' Philosophy, Eaton's Algebra,
Swinton's Language Lessons, Greenleaf's Algebra,
Spencerian Writing Books, Davies' Geometry.

Names of Scholars who were not absent during the term, or not more than one day.

#### SOUTH DISTRICT.

#### SUMMER TERM.

WINTER TERM.

Abby P. Brown,

Ada C. Fogg,

Estella J. Goss,

Annie M. Goss,

Ida M. Jenness.

Etta B. Jenness,

Carrie M. Sanborn,

Gilman Goss.

George W. Brown,

Elmer Caswell,

George H. Herrick,

: Archie L. Jenness,

Ivan D. Jenness,\*

Charles M. Jenness,\*

Arthur Randall,

David Philbrick,\*

Moses Philbrick,\*

Sarah Caswell,\*

Ellen Jenness,\*

Carrie Jenness.\*

R. Jenness Locke,
Joseph Philbrick,
Ada C. Fogg.

Scholars whose names are marked thus\* were not absent during the Fall term. Those without the \* were not absent either term.

### WEST DISTRICT.

#### SUMMER TERM.

WINTER TERM.

Sarah L. Garland, Eliza A. Parsons, Lizzie M. Drake, Katie A. Drake, Austin S. Garland,

Ella E. Garland,
Sarah L. Garland,
Thomas W. Parsons,
Edwin H. Drake,
Charles N. Philbrick.

### CENTRE DISTRICT.

#### SUMMER TERM.

Evelyn P. Aldrich, Annie L. Foss, Carrie M. Foss, Walter H. Rand, Charles L. Caswell, Charles E. Foss. Fred. C. DeLaney, Cora H. Walker,

Fannie F. Rand.

#### WINTER TERM.

Charles E. Foss, William J. Foss, Charles F. Marden, Albert H. Drake, Charles L. Caswell, Fred. C. DeLaney, Gilman Walker, Evelyn P. Aldrich, Annie L. Foss, Ella M. Foss, Florence E. K. Aldrich, Cora H. Walker. Mabel J. Goss, Etta J. Rand, Ella G. Holmes.

#### EAST DISTRICT.

WINTER TERM.

Marcia Clarke. John A. Remick.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

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		SUMME	SUMMER TERM.		X	WINTER	WINTER TERM.	
	South D.	West D	CentreD.	South D. West D. CentreD. East. D.	South D.	West D.	South D. West D. CentreD. East D.	East D.
Length of School in weeks,	17	12	15		12	17	14	15
Whole number of different Scholars,	38	- 88	42		39	38	46	49
Average attendance,	33	19	37		27	31	39	32
Wages of male Teachers per month, including board,					20	20		
female " " "	36	32	36			100	41	43
er of	23		-	7	45	4	3	5
" visits by Prudential Committee,	1					67	1	67
" visits by citizens and others,	32	6	.41		12	40	00	42
" pupils instructed in Reading & Spelling,	38	28	42		39	38	46	49
" Penmanship,	27	17	26		56	34	34	38
" Written Arithmetic,	27	21	28		27	29	35	16
" Grammar,	10	1-	11		17	13	15	ð
" Geography,	25	16	12		25	24	29	25
" Composition,	14				50	24	25	6
" History,	4		00	1		4	9	-
" Book-keeping,	4	က				1	2	-
" Algebra,			00		60		1	
" Natural Philosophy,	-				10		9	



