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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SELECTMEN, TREASURER,
TRUSTEES OF GREELY INSTITUTE,
AND
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.
OF THE
TOWN OF CUMBERLAND,

For the Fiscal Year ending Feb. 23, 1882.



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Selectmen's Report.

MONEY TAXES ASSESSED 1881.

For State Tax,		\$2,508 22
County Tax,		670 90
Schools,	\$1,295 20	
Support of Poor,	1,200 00	
Notes and Interest,	2,600 00	
Roads and Bridges,	300 00	
Contingent,	1,000 00	
Collector's Premium,	148 16	
Overlay,	97 18	
Unpaid Highway,	58 18	
Supplement,	22 50	
	—————	\$6,721 22
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Total assessment,		\$9,900 34

Total Valuation, \$602.010.

No. of polls, 406.

Boll tax, \$2.00.

Rate of taxation 15 mills on a dollar.

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid John A. Hamilton, supplies for David Bennett,		\$6 00
S. C. Root, medical attendance, “		6 95
A. M. Small, board of Abbie A. Perry,		7 68
Leighton & Wilson, supplies for E. B. Field,		15 08
H. Jenkins, care of Mary Wyman,		39 00
Martha L. Mitchell, nursing Mrs. David Bennett,		23 50
Hamilton & Co, supplies for “ “		30 40

Paid B. J. Thompson, board of Betsey Hamilton,	\$25 00
C. T. Moulton, M. D. medical attendance for Ella	
J. Whiting,	10 00
“ “ “ for A. A. Perry,	5 50
N. M. Shaw, expense to Lewiston,	4 35
H. E. Pool, board of Anna A. Merrill,	39 00
E. B. Shaw, “ Rufus Stubbs,	39 00
Tr. Insane Hospital, board of insane persons,	108 22
Mrs. W. Titeomb, “ Olive Titeomb,	42 00
Albert Mountfort, “ Abbie A. Perry,	17 00
Abbie Ramsdell, nursing Jennie E. Whiting,	15 00
J. W. Mountfort, removing A. A. Perry to Providence,	14 55
W. S. Oliver, per order H. E. Poole, board of A. A. Merrill,	33 00
E. B. Shaw, board of Rufus Stubbs,	39 00
H. Jenkins, “ Mary Wyman,	32 00
Town of Richmond, supplies for John Hamilton,	12 04
Tr. Insane Hospital, board of insane persons,	132 84
Town of Windham, supplies for E. B. Field,	24 68
Isaiah Mansfield, supplies for David Bennett,	19 00
Wm. T. Littlefield, “ “	3 60
B. J. Thompson, board of Betsey Hamilton,	26 00
H. Jenkins, “ Mary Wyman,	26 00
Mrs. W. Titeomb, “ Olive Titeomb,	48 00
E. B. Shaw, “ Rufus Stubbs,	39 00
Mrs. F. A. Walton, “ Anna A. Merrill,	39 00
Wm. T. Littlefield, wood for D. Bennett,	4 00
E. B. Shaw, board and clothing for C. A. Blanchard,	22 65
Tr. Insane Hospital, board of insane persons,	108 19
H. Jenkins, “ Mary Wyman,	14 00
Tr. Insane Hospital, board of insane persons,	107 59
Town of Westbrook, nursing C. A. Blanchard,	46 66
“ Readfield, supplies for Geo. Johnson,	12 30
Mrs. F. A. Walton, board of Anna A. Merrill,	40 75
E. B. Shaw, board and clothing for Rufus Stubbs,	48 30
C. T. Moulton, medical attendance on Mrs. Hiller,	54 75

Mrs. W. Titcomb, board of Olive Titcomb,	\$40 00
Blanchard Bros., medicine for Mrs. Hiller,	8 76
J. M. Bates, M. D., visit and certificate of insanity of Charles Thompson,	5 00
Win. T. Littlefield, wood for David Bennett,	9 00
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	\$1,444 34
Amount raised by town,	<hr/> 1,200 00
Balance against town,	<hr/> \$244 34

TOWN NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid Portland Savings Bank, payment on note,	\$ 600 00
“ “ “ “ note and interest in full,	2,483 30
“ Wm. M. Merrill, interest on note of \$1,250,	75 00
“ “ “ “ note of \$1,000, with int. in full,	1,035 00
“ Trustees of Greely Institute, int. on \$12,000, 6,000, 2,000, 500 and 300 notes,	624 00
“ Wm. M. Merrill, $\frac{1}{2}$ year's int. on \$2,400 note,	60 00
“ Trustees of Greely Institute, int. on \$12,000, 6,000, 2,000, 500 and 300 notes,	624 00
“ Tr. Cumberland School Fund, int. on note,	52 62
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	\$5,553 92
Amount raised by town,	<hr/> 2,600 00
Balance against town,	<hr/> \$2,953 92

ROAD AND BRIDGES.

Paid Wilson & Leighton, bridge plank,	\$3 21
“ O. A. Mountfort, “ stringers,	6 00
“ E. Corey & Co., iron for bridge railings,	2 41
“ Lyman, Son & Co., rope for derrick,	6 51
“ M. W. Pearson, bridge stringers,	10 62
“ C. A. Merrill, “ plank, plow, beam, &c.,	31 62
“ C. W. Shaw, iron work for bridge,	4 00
“ T. C Hamkes, labor on bridge,	58 75
“ Aaron Haskell, labor on road,	2 00
“ Simeon Jones, “ “ bridge,	44 62
“ S. L. Strout, hauling derrick,	6 00
“ O. Jordan. use of derrick,	20 00
“ C. W. Ring, hauling derrick,	4 00
“ J. L. Craig, lumber for bridge,	7 87
“ A. E. Stevens & Co., iron for bridge,	3 48
“ Daniel Shaw, labor on “	33 00
“ A. H. Harris, “ “	42 00
“ N. L. Merrill, “ “	21 75
“ David Allen, “ “	37 62
“ Joseph Harris, “ “	43 75
“ B. Sanborn, plank for culvert,	1 00
“ Lewis Merrill, labor on bridge and board of T. C. Hawkes,	13 38
“ Leighton & Wilson, bridge plank,	6 40
“ E. T. Hall, damage to plow,	2 00
“ G. W. Morrill, hauling derrick, 1880,	2 50
“ O. A. Mountfort, gravel for road,	5 00
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	\$419 49
Amount raised by town,	300 00
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Balance against town,	\$119 49

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid John A. Hamilton, service as Constable 1880,	\$3 00
“ “ “ “ Selectman 1880,	29 31
“ D. L. Blanchard, “ Clerk at annual meeting,	2 00
“ “ “ “ 1881,	4 65
“ Joab Black, services as Superintendent of burying ground,	3 00
“ A. H. Strout, breaking snow,	2 00
“ John Hulit, “ “	19 12
“ L. H. Merrill, services as Moderator and Auditor,	5 00
“ F. W. Blanchard, breaking snow,	5 20
“ Simeon Jones, “ “	1 35
“ Wm. S. Moxey, “ “	2 85
“ Q. P. S. Dyer, “ “	6 27
“ “ “ “ “	7 55
“ Wm. T. Littlefield, “ “	12 78
“ Wm. Seabury, “ “	10 43
“ R. O. Hannaford, “ “	8 05
“ “ “ “ “	9 79
“ Isaiah Mansfield, “ “	14 72
“ David Petersen, “ “	26 52
“ C. H. Blanchard, attending funerals, 1880,	15 00
“ S. L. Clough, breaking snow,	23 51
“ G. M. Farwell, breaking snow,	16 18
“ Percy Sturdivant, “	1 93
“ Wm. Russell, “	21 35
“ E. S. W. Jones, labor on highway,	15 50
“ J. S. Sawyer, breaking snow,	75
“ Asa Sawyer, “	1 10
“ C. E. Herrick, six resident tax deeds,	60 09
“ E. D. Merrill, breaking snow,	1 50
“ George Abbott, “	7 96
“ J. Morrill, surveyor, labor on highway,	28 00
“ Sewall Whitney, breaking snow,	8 55
“ C. H. Morrill, “	12 70
“ P. W. Morrison, “	9 95
“ S. T. Merrill, “	6 17

Paid Trustees of Greely Institute, money in aid of free high schools,	\$250 00
“ Dresser, McLellan & Co., books and stationery,	18 50
“ M. W. Pearson, breaking snow,	4 31
“ S. T. Merrill, tax and expense of sale on James Webber's property,	4 56
“ Dresser, McLellan & Co., books,	4 00
“ Wm. M. Marks, town reports,	16 00
“ Register of deeds, recording 6 tax deeds,	3 00
“ Joseph Sawyer, work on road,	11 00
“ C. H. Blanchard, attending funerals,	14 00
“ C. E. Herriek, filing claim for tax in bankrupt court,	1 00
“ D. L. Blanchard, services as superintendent of bury- ing ground,	3 00
“ S. T. Merrill, property bt. by town for unpaid taxes,	57 81
“ S. Porter, overwork on highway,	12 91
“ Blanchard Brother's, postage, stationery, &c.,	4 38
“ Wm. Seabury, breaking snow,	18 32
“ A. R. Littlefield, services as selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor,	25 55
“ L. P. Sturdivant, services as supervisor of schools,	70 25
“ “ “ “ moderator,	2 00
“ Levi Lufkin, “ constable,	10 00
“ J. A. Blanchard, collector's premium,	172 50
“ N. M. Shaw, services as selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor,	85 00
“ Joseph Harris, service as selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor,	63 50
“ S. T. Merrill, three non-res. tax deeds, credited twice,	31 49
“ “ services as treasurer,	40 00
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	\$1,316 91
Amount raised by town,	\$1,000 00
“ received from State,	250 00
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	\$1,250 00
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Balance against town,	\$66 91

TAXES ABATED, 1881.

Abated on lists of C. E. Herrick, by selectmen,		
	tax of 1877,	\$ 6 00
	“ 1878,	7 34
	“ 1879,	13 42
By vote of town,	“ 1877,	15 84
	“ 1878,	15 28
	“ 1879,	16 58
Abated for S. T. Merrill, treasurer,		1 40
“	on lists of A. Leighton, by vote of town, 1874-75-76,	125 13
“	“ J. A. Blanchard, by selectmen, tax of 1880,	28 60
“	“ “ “ “ “ 1881,	9 00
		\$238 59

SUMMARY.

Amount assessed for poor,	\$1,200 00	exp'd,	\$1,444 34
“ “ notes and int.,	2,600 00	“	5,553 92
“ “ bridges,	300 00	“	419 49
“ “ contingent,	1000 00	“	1,245 42
“ “ collector's prem.,	148 16	“	
“ “ overlay,	97 18	“	
Highway deficiencies, 1880,	58 18	“	
Supplement,	22 50	“	
	\$5,426 02	exp'd	\$6,663 17
Amount received from State,	250 00	abat's,	238 59
	\$5,676 02		\$8,901 76
			5,676 02
Balance against to m.,			\$3,225 74

TOWN LIABILITIES.

Notes due individuals,	\$2,650 00
" Greely Institute,	20,800 00
" Cumberland School Fund,	877 00
Balance due school districts,	723 12
Outstanding bills, estimated,	450 00
Town orders outstanding,	568 32
	\$26,068 44

AVAILABILITIES.

Balance due from Treasurer as per his report,	\$5,471 70
Due from individual tax, bid in by town,	608 87
" State School Fund,	890 23
" John Jones, bank book in Treasurer's hands,	151 89
	\$7,022 69
Balance against town,	\$19,045 75

Respectfully submitted,

N. M. SHAW, JOSEPH HARRIS, A. R. LITTLEFIELD,	}	<i>Selectmen of Cumberland.</i>
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I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

S. M. BRACKETT, Auditor.

Treasurer's Report.

Balance in treasury, March, 1881,		\$5,764 43
Assessor's commitment of taxes 1881,		6,721 22
Received from State for schools,		827 13
" " " in aid of free high schools,		250 00
" " Cumberland school fund,		102 62
Principal and interest on Mary J. Sweetser note,		580 81
Received of town of Denmark, on account of poor,		25 00
" " William Merrill to pay town note at Portland Savings' Bank,		2,400 00
" for tax deeds redeemed,		39 36
		\$16,710 57
Paid out on town orders,		\$11,238 87
Balance due the town,		5,471 70
Due from J. A. Blanchard, collector,	\$4,449 02	
" Charles E. Herrick, "	276 59	
" Alvin Leighton, "	164 75	
" non-resident, 1877 tax,	14 91	
" " 1878 tax,	3 78	
" " 1879 tax,	44 16	
" Savings Bank aid for High Sch.,	250 00	
Cash to balance,	268 49	
		\$5,471 70

S. T. MERRILL, Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the Treasurer's account for the year ending February 23, 1882, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

S. M. BRACKETT, Auditor.

REPORT
OF THE
Trustees of Greely Institute.

The Spring Term of School commenced February 28th under the continued charge of D. B. Fuller, Principal, A. M., Miss Clara A. Wilson, Preceptress, and Prof. S. K. Hitchings, teacher of Natural Sciences, and continued ten weeks. Number of pupils, 63.

The Fall Term commenced September 12th, having been postponed two weeks on account of sickness at the Centre, with Prof. Hitchings as Principal, W. H. Kelly, A. M., teacher of Languages and Mathematics, and Miss Lena J. Pinkham, teacher of English Studies, and continued ten weeks. Number of pupils, 68.

The Winter Term commenced December 5th, with the same teachers as at the previous term, and continued eleven weeks. Number of pupils, 73.

PERMANENT FUND.

For Town of Cumberland Note,	\$12,000
“ “ “ “	6,000
“ “ “ “	2,000
	\$20,000
Total,	

PHILOSOPHICAL APPARATUS FUND.

For amount of Town of Cumberland Note,	8300 00
“ “ cash on hand,	1 74
“ “ one year's interest on note,	18 00
	\$319 74
Paid S. K. Hitchings, chemicals,	\$5 90
“ “ philosophical apparatus,	8 87
“ “ chemicals,	4 15
Cash to balance,	82—\$ 19 74
Town of Cumberland Note,	\$800 00

LIBRARY FUND.

For amount in Portland Savings Bank,	\$545 57
Received from Lectures,	26 43
For May and November dividends,	20 20
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	\$592 20
Paid J. E. Miller, exchange of Cyclopædias, \$72 00	
“ S. K. Hitchings, library books,	8 88—\$ 80 88
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Amount in bank February 23, 1882,	\$511 32

ACCUMULATED FUND.

For Town of Cumberland Note,	\$500 00
“ amount due on tuition books,	155 50
Cash balance in Portland Savings Banks,	190 12
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Total accumulated,	\$845 62

GENERAL INCOME FROM PERMANENT FUND AND
OTHER SOURCES, IN ACCOUNT WITH TRUS-
TEES OF GREELY INSTITUTE.

Paid F. H. Morrill, kindlings,	\$ 2 12
“ D. B. Fuller, teaching Spring Term,	257 57
“ “ desk books,	3 80
“ S. K. Hitchings, teaching Spring Term,	106 06
“ Miss Clara A. Wilson, “ “	100 00
“ Hoyt, Fogg & Donham, diplomas,	7 85
“ Tucker Printing House, rank cards,	4 00
“ Fred C. Moulton, care of building,	20 00
“ J. R. Duran, hauling coal,	6 00
“ W. D. Little & Co., insurance for three years,	85 00
“ W. M. Marks, printing reports,	5 00
“ C. H. Blanchard, as per bill,	7 72
“ L. & L. F. Walker, coal,	26 00
“ J. M. Haskell, patching plastering,	1 25

Paid J. Harris, note and interest,	\$102 50
“ Blanchard Bros., 14 tons of coal delivered,	105 00
“ W. H. Kelly, teaching Fall Term,	136 36
“ S. K. Hitchings, “ “	181 21
“ “ school supplies,	2 08
“ Fred C. Moulton, care and cleaning building,	24 75
“ Miss Lena J. Pinkham, teaching Fall Term,	55 00
“ W. E. Wilson, blackboard, etc.,	4 50
“ Hollis Doughty, hauling coal,	1 25
“ A. N. Noyes & Son, repairing stove,	5 00
“ Chas. W. Quimby, care of building,	20 00
“ S. K. Hitchings, school supplies,	3 50
“ “ teaching Winter Term,	200 00
“ W. H. Kelly, “ “	150 00
“ Miss Lena J. Pinkham, teaching Winter Term,	66 00
“ Blanchard Bros., as per bill,	8 31
“ S. Porter, express on stove,	60
“ N. M. Shaw, kindlings,	75
“ “ services as Trustee,	15 00
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	\$1714 18
Cash balance in Portland Savings Bank,	190 12
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	\$1904 30
By cash from Portland Savings Bank,	\$102 47
“ “ S. T. Merrill, Town Treasurer, (State Aid)	250 00
“ tuitions, Spring Term,	33 33
“ cash from J. Harris, borrowed,	100 00
“ interest on \$12,000, \$6,000, \$2,000 and \$500, Town	
notes,	615 00
“ tuition, Fall Term, 1879,	6 00
“ “ “ 1881,	81 00
“ “ Winter Term, 1882,	101 50
“ interest on \$12,000, \$6,000, \$2,000 and \$500, notes,	615 00
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	\$1904 30

Respectfully submitted,

N. M. SHAW,	}	<i>Trustees</i>
JOSEPH HARRIS,		
AMMI R. LITTLEFIELD,		
		<i>of</i>
		<i>Greely Institute.</i>

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the trustees of Greely Institnte, for the year ending February 23, 1882, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

S. M. BRACKETT, *Auditor.*

School Report.

Fellow Citizens:—Among the duties which are by law required of the Supervisor of Schools, is the following :

“He shall, at the annual meeting, make a written report of the condition and progress of the schools under his charge, and of the success attending the various methods of instruction pursued therein.”

In accordance with this requirement, I now submit the following report :

RESOURCES FOR SCHOOLS.

Amount raised by town,	\$1,895 20
“ received from State,	890 23
“ “ “ town’s school fund,	102 62
Total,	\$2,288 05

The Selectmen aided by your Supervisor apportioned fifteen per cent. of this amount among the several Districts, for the purpose of equalizing our school privileges.

APPORTIONMENT.

No. of District.	No. of Scholars.	15 per cent.	Whole am’t.
1,	33	\$15 00	\$125 55
2,	57	40 00	230 95
3,	75	—	251 25
4,	47	55 00	212 45
5,	50	50 00	217 50
6,	9	28 00	58 15
7,	35	30 00	147 25
8,	97	20 00	344 95
9,	126	5 00	427 10
10,	6	25 00	45 10
11,	12	20 00	60 20
12,	4	—	13 40
13,	25	43 70	127 45
Unincorporated } Territory }	5	10 00	26 75

When the school in District No. 11, was visited, one or two of the scholars belonging in the unincorporated territory, were attending it, and it was expected that all of those scholars would soon attend, in which case it is proper and right that their tuition should be paid from the amount apportioned to that territory.

If we examine the above statement of resources and apportionment closely, it will be seen that a large part of the fifteen per cent. apportionment is taken from the amount which would fall to Districts Nos. 8 and 9, if the school money had been divided according to the number of scholars. This is considered an injustice by many of the citizens of those Districts, and for this reason : By their situation they are virtually barred from receiving any benefit from the Greely Institute, and as the majority of their children must obtain their education in the common schools, it is not right to take money from those Districts. As is well known I have long been of the opinion that the money received from the State in aid of free high schools should be expended in one of these Districts. If the town would do this, our educational privileges would be more equally distributed, and this injustice would be remedied.

What have our children been doing during the past year ? What have they accomplished ? Are they any wiser than they were one year ago ? Have our teachers given us a fair return for the money they have received ? These are important questions, and it is for me to reply. My reply will be based upon such information as I have gained by visiting the schools twice each term, where I have found it practicable, and from such registers as have been returned to me up to the time of making this report.

HIGH SCHOOL.

As we receive State aid for free High Schools, and expend it at the Greely Institute, I have visited that school four times during the year, being present at two examinations. There has been a change in the board of instruction since the commencement of the spring term of 1881. But, notwithstanding

this change, the school has been kept up to a high standard, judging from the appearance of the teachers when attending to their duties, the recitations of the classes studying those branches with which I am familiar, and from the general appearance of the school, its condition has been highly satisfactory. The following extracts from the returns made to the State Superintendent of common schools may be of interest.

No. of scholars registered,	65
Average attendance,	57
No. of scholars studying ancient languages,	11
“ “ “ “ modern “	8
No. scholars studying the natural sciences,	20
“ “ “ “ higher mathematics,	15

For further information, I would respectfully refer you to the report of the Trustees of the Greely Institute.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Agent, Wm. Winslow. Teacher in summer and winter terms, Alice M. Sawyer.

Wages of teacher in summer, excluding board, p'r w'k,	\$2.00
Price of board,	“ \$2.00
No. of scholars registered in summer,	12
Average attendance,	8 $\frac{2}{3}$

Statistics of the winter term had not been received when this report was written.

Miss Sawyer had taught one term in this District during the previous year, and being quite popular with the people, was employed for the two terms. The improvement during both terms was fair, and had the teacher maintained better order, greater results might have been attained. As it was, both were fair terms of school.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Agent, J. R. Duran. Teacher for the year, Julia C. Duran.

Wages of teacher in summer, excluding board, p'r w'k,	\$5.00
“ “ “ “ winter, “ “ “	\$7.00
Price of board,	“ 2.00

No. of scholars registered in summer term,	24
“ “ “ “ “ fall “	22
“ “ “ “ “ winter “	25
Average attendance in summer “	19 $\frac{3}{4}$
“ “ “ fall “	18
“ “ “ winter “	23 4-7

Miss Duran is a teacher of large experience, having taught twenty-five public schools. Good methods of instruction were employed, good order was maintained throughout the three terms. The improvement for the year was commendable, and I doubt not that the people of the district were well satisfied with the way in which their money was expended.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Agent, Louville H. Merrill. Teacher for the year Ezra K. Sweetser.

Wages of teacher, including board, per week,	\$9.00
No. of scholars registered in summer term,	40
“ “ “ “ “ fall “	30
Average attendance in summer “	34 11-40
“ “ “ fall “	26 5-11

The statistics for the winter term have not been received.

The scholars in this school are very young (nearly all being under twelve years of age,) and therefore need a more scientific teacher than would be required by scholars of a maturer age. Mr. Sweetser is just the teacher needed. His scholars always appear to be interested in their work. The school during the past year has been the most successful one that I have ever known in this district, and was one of the best in town.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Agent, Nelson M. Shaw. Teacher of summer term, Ida G. Wilson.

Wages of teacher, including board, per week,	\$5.00
No. of scholars registered,	28
Average attendance,	19

Miss Wilson is a good scholar and a faithful worker in the school room. The order in the school was fair, the instruction satisfactory, the improvement commendable, and the district received a fair return for the money expended.

Teacher of winter term, Anna M. Davis.

Wages of teacher excluding board, per week,	\$6.00
Price of board, per week,	2.37
No. of scholars registered,	38
Average attendance,	30

Although Miss Davis had had previous experience as a teacher, this was her first attempt at teaching a district school, and she succeeded well.

The order and improvement were good, and the school was a success.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Agent, Silas Russell. Teacher of summer term, Alice E. Wilson. Wages of teacher including board: \$4.00

No. of scholars registered,	18
Average attendance,	15 $\frac{3}{4}$

This was Miss Wilson's first school, and for a beginner she succeeded well. The order was fair; the scholars liked their teacher, and made fair improvement. With more experience Miss Wilson will make a fine teacher.

Teacher of fall term, Alma M. Brackett.

Wages of teacher excluding board,	\$4.50
Price of board per week,	2.00
No. of scholars registered,	27
Average attendance,	22

This teacher has had a large experience in this and other towns, and has always been successful.

She was popular with both parents and scholars. Good order was maintained, and good improvement made throughout the term.

Teacher of winter term, L. P. Strndivant.

Wages of teacher including board,	\$10.00
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No. of scholars registered,	32
Average attendance,	27

The scholars in this school have behaved well up to the present time, and have made good improvement.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Agent, Frank W. B. Blanchard.

This school is under the supervision of Yarmouth.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Agent, Sylvanus Porter. Teacher of summer term, Lena J. Pinkham.

Wages of teacher, excluding board,	\$2.50
Price of board,	2.50
No. of scholars registered,	17
Average attendance,	13 7-9

This was Miss Pinkham's first attempt at teaching. She is a fine scholar, and in time will make one of our most successful teachers. The improvement in several of the branches of study was good, but the order was deficient. Probably a second term in this school would have remedied this defect, but Miss Pinkham left this school to become assistant at the Greely Institute, where she has given good satisfaction.

Teacher of fall term, Phinelia G. Merrill.

Wages of teacher, excluding board,	\$3.00
Price of board per week,	2.00
No. of scholars registered,	18
Average attendance,	14 19-54

This was Miss Merrill's first attempt at teaching.

I visited the school the first week and it then appeared to be in a fair condition. I received a postal card from the agent notifying me that the school would close on the tenth day of December, I went to the school house on the morning of that day, and found that the school had closed the day before. Consequently I can make no further report of it.

DISTRICT No. 8.—CHEBEAGUE ISLAND.

Agent, James E. Mansfield. Teacher of summer term, Dora A. Ellorett.

No. of scholars, registered,	50
Average attendance,	44

This was Mrs. Ellorett's second term in this district. The order was good. The improvement in the most important branches was good, and fair improvement was made in all branches.

Teacher of fall term, Miss Hattie Gowell.

Wages of teacher, excluding board,	\$5.50 per week.
Price of board,	\$2.50 " "
No. of scholars registered,	55
Average attendance,	33

I will simply say of this school, that the order and improve- were not satisfactory to me.

Teacher of winter term, Silas Skillin.

Wages of teacher, excluding board,	39.00 per month.
Price of board,	3.75 " week.
No. of scholars registered,	45
Average attendance,	33

Mr. Skillin appeared to have the respect and esteem of his pupils in a good degree. The order was fair and the improve- ment in most branches was good. I think that this was a profitable term of school.

DISTRICT No. 9.—CHEBEAGUE ISLAND.

Name of agent, Stephen B. Hamilton. Teacher for the year, Annie R. Littlefield.

Wages of teachers including board, per month,	\$48.00
No. of scholars registered in summer term,	63
“ “ “ “ fall “	83
“ “ “ “ winter “	68
Average attendauce in summer term,	55 34-50
“ “ “ fall “	70
“ “ “ winter “	62 17-100

Mr. Littlefield has long been one of our most successful teachers, and the people in this district were very fortunate in securing his services. The school is the largest in town. The order and improvement for the year have been excellent. It is to be hoped that Mr. Littlefield's services will be retained during the coming year.

DISTRICT No. 10—HOPE ISLAND.

Name of agent, Henry Harr. Name of teacher, Dora S. Rose.

This school is very small and has but one term in a year. The term had not commenced when the other island schools were visited, and I have not been able to visit it since that time. Knowing the character and scholarship of this teacher, I have no doubt that she will teach a fine school.

DISTRICT No. 11—CROTCH ISLAND.

Name of agent, John Pettengill. Teacher for the year, James F. Mansfield.

This district also, has but one term of school in a year and that is still in progress. I visited it at the commencement and found it in a good condition. Mr. Mansfield is a fine scholar and employs good methods of instruction. Mr. Mansfield, and also the teacher in District No. 10, are capable of teaching larger schools than these, and it would give me pleasure to see them so employed.

DISTRICT No. 12.

Name of agent, Joab Black. The scholars in this district constantly attend school in Falmouth, and I presume that they have done so this year.

DISTRICT No. 13.

Name of agent, James A. Blanchard. Teacher of summer term, Annie M. Leighton.

Wages of teacher, including board,	\$5.00
No. of scholars registered,	15
Average attendance,	12½

The order in the school was good, the instruction satisfactory, and fair improvement was made in all branches.

Teacher of winter term, Charles E. B. Libby.

Wages of teacher excluding board, per month, \$25.00

No. of scholars registered, 17

Average attendance, 14 33-35

This was Mr. Libby's first attempt at teaching, and as such, it was unusually successful. Good order was maintained, and good improvement made throughout the term. This school was one of the most successful in town.

In conclusion, I desire to say that while our schools for the year have not been up to the standard of former years, *fair* improvement has been made, and the town has received a *fair* return for the money expended.

Respectfully submitted,

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