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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. 21, 1883.



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# Selectmen and Assessors Report.

## MONEY TAXES ASSESSED 1882.

For State Tax,		\$2,508 22
County Tax,		<b>497 91</b>
Schools,	\$1,295 20	
Support of Poor,	1,200 00	
Notes and Interest,	2,435 62	
Roads and Bridges,	1,200 00	
Contingent Bills,	1,000 00	
Collector's Premium,	166 61	
Overlay,	241 96	
Unpaid Highway,	74 94	
Supplement,	33 60	
		<u>\$7,647 93</u>
Total assessment,		<u>\$10,654 06</u>

Total Valuation, \$609,320.

No. of Polls, **413**.

Poll Tax, \$2.00.

Rate of taxation **16** mills on a dollar.

## SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid S. Higgins, sawing wood for David Bennett,		\$3 75
“ Hamilton & Co., supplies “ “		6 11
“ Martha Mitchell, care of “ “		12 00
“ E. B. Shaw, board of Mary Wyman,		<b>39 00</b>
“ Abner C. Hill, wood for David Bennett,		4 00
“ B. J. Thompson, board of Betsey Hamilton,		26 00
“ A. R. Littlefield, supplies for Mrs. J. Johnson,		4 22

Paid M. M. Leighton, board, etc., of Anna Merrill,	40	<b>75</b>
“ E. B. Shaw, board of Mary Wyman and R. Stubbs,	78	00
“ Tr. Insane Hospital, board of Bryan, Jones, Sweetser and Eaton,	109	40
“ Mrs. W. Titcomb, board of Oliver Titcomb,	40	00
“ Tr. Insane Hospital, board of Bryan, Jones, Sweetser and Eaton,	120	<b>17</b>
“ E. B. Shaw, board of Rufus Stubbs,	39	00
“ Mrs. M. M. Leighton, board of Anna Merrill,	39	00
“ E. B. Shaw, board of Mary Wyman,	39	00
“ S. Jones, board and clothing for John Jones,	27	75
“ Geo. W. Loring, cleansing Mrs. Coffin's clothing,	5	00
“ B. J. Thompson, board for Betsey Hamilton,	26	00
“ M. A. Drinkwater, board of Mrs. Coffin,	18	00
“ A. F. Drinkwater, shoes etc., “	1	16
“ E. B. Shaw, board of Rufus Stubbs,	39	00
“ Mrs. M. M. Leighton, board of Anna Merrill,	40	<b>75</b>
“ Mrs. W. Titcomb, board of Oliver Titcomb,	38	00
“ Tr. Insane Hospital, “ insane persons,	96	78
“ E. B. Shaw, board of Mary Wyman,	39	00
“ S. Jones, board of John Jones,	14	00
“ M. A. Drinkwater, board of Mrs coffin,	18	00
“ Town of Windham, supplies furnished E. B. Field,	31	08
“ Tr. Ins. Hospital, board of Bryan, Eaton and Sweetser,	78	96
“ David P. Coffin, board of Mrs. Coffin,	14	00
“ John P. Farwell, “ “	6	25
“ E. B. Shaw, board and clothing for R. Stubbs,	48	61
“ C. T. Moulton, M.D. med. attendance of Mrs. Hiller,	9	<b>75</b>
“ M. M. Leighton, board and clothing for Anna Merrill,	40	50
“ Hamilton, & Co, provisions for pauper,	50	
“ Wm. T. Littlefield, wood for David Bennett,	4	00
“ Chas. L. Holt, M. D., attendance for J. E. Small,	20	00
“ C. T. Moulton, “ “ “ Eddie Moore,	18	<b>00</b>
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		\$1,235 49
Amount raised by town,		<hr/>
		1,200 00
Balance against town,		<hr/>
		<b>\$35 49</b>

## TOWN NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid Wm. M. Merrill, int. on notes,	\$75 00
“ Trustees of Greely Institute, int. on \$12,000, \$6,000, \$2,000, \$500 and \$300,	624 00
“ Wm. M. Merrill, payment on note,	1,000 00
“ “ “ “ int. on note of \$2,400,	62 64
“ Tr. Cumberland School Fund, int. on note,	52 62
“ Trustees Greely Institute, int. on \$12,000, \$6,000, \$2,000, \$500 and \$300,	624 00
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	\$2,438 26
Sum raised by town,	2,435 62
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Balance against town,	\$2 64

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Wm. T. Littlefield, breaking snow,	\$5 14
“ Asa Merrill, “ “	8 11
“ S. L. Strout, “ “	5 65
“ F. P. Blanchard, “ “	7 00
“ Lewis Merrill, “ “	7 50
“ A. A. Sweetsir, “ “	9 88
“ Isaiah Mansfield, “ “	10 07
“ Q. P. S. Dyer, “ “	10 87
“ Wm. Seabury, “ “	6 41
“ A. M. Small, “ “	21 36
“ G. M. Farwell, “ “	11 52
“ “ “ “ iron posts for sailing,	2 40
“ C. E. Herrick, breaking snow,	1 87
“ A. H. Farris, “ “	5 10
“ E. G. Prince, “ “	1 93
“ F. W. Blanchard, “ “	5 02
“ S. L. Adams, one road machine,	211 00
“ E. S. W. Jones, labor on highway,	18 20
“ J. Morrill, “ “ “	10 05

Paid C. H. Morrill, breaking snow,	17 80
“ Rufus Legrow, “ “	7 05
“ C. A. Merrill, “ “	2 85
“ Geo. Abbott, “ “	9 42
“ Wm. Seabury, “ “	12 30
“ David Peterson, “ “	19 00
“ S. L. Clough, “ “	8 62
“ Jacob Mitchell, bridge plank,	4 99
“ C. A. Merrill, “ “ and stringers,	13 43
“ Charles Mitchell, building road on Chebeague,	376 20
“ Daniel Shaw, labor on bridge,	44 18
“ David Allen, “ “ “	41 50
“ A. E. Stevens & Co., iron for bridge,	4 13
“ J. R. Duran, bridge plank,	2 00
“ A. Drinkwater, stone for bridge,	7 08
“ A. H. Farris, labor on stone and bridge,	56 00
“ N. M. Shaw, “ “ “ “ “	64 00
“ “ “ board of T. C. Hawkes,	16 00
“ M. W. Pearson, labor and material for bridge,	15 73
“ J. Morrill, hauling stone and lumber,	38 50
“ E. T. Hall, breaking snow,	10 27
“ D. Shaw, labor and lumber for culvert,	9 50
“ D. Hamilton, land for road on Chebeague,	18 00
“ R. R. Littlefield, “ “ “ “ “	16 00
“ Chas. Thompson, “ “ “ “ “	25 00
“ Robt. Hamilton, “ “ “ “ “	10 00
“ A. R. Littlefield, “ “ “ “ “	40 00
“ J. R. Hamilton, “ “ “ “ “	10 00
“ Frank Shaw, labor on sluice,	2 00
“ James Noyes, “ “ bridge,	9 00
“ T. C. Hawkes “ “ “ stone, etc.,	89 52
“ N. L. Wilson, “ “ “	11 75
“ M. Donahue, bridge plank, etc.,	2 29
“ Town of Falmouth, use of derrick,	15 17
“ Asa Russell, breaking snow,	3 75
“ G. S. Merrill, labor on road,	1 05
“ S. Porter, “ “ “	24 15
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	\$1,424 21
Amount raised by town,	1,200 00
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Balance against town,	\$224 21

## CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid John A. Hamilton, services as Constable, 1881,	\$ 3 00
“ A. C. Hill, Superintendent of burying ground,	6 25
“ H. Eaton, land, by vote of town,	13 00
“ J. Morrill, one-half cord of wood,	3 75
“ F. G. Stevens, recording forty-seven tax deeds,	23 50
“ Trustees Greeley Institute, money from State in aid “ of Free High Schools,	250 00
“ D. R. Allen, services as Town Clerk, etc.,	10 25
“ A. L. Burbank, shipping list,	5 00
“ Wm. M. Marks, printing town reports,	31 00
“ Dresser, McLellan & Co., books and stationery,	16 80
“ Mary A. Pittee, one-half acre of land,	15 00
“ O. S. Thomes, cedar posts,	4 66
“ Jos. Harris, labor on bury. ground fence, bridge, etc.,	10 00
“ N. M. Shaw, labor on burying ground fence,	3 00
“ J. A. Blanchard, resident taxes, bought by town,	56 26
“ C. F. Libby, legal advice for 1851, '82,	16 00
“ Levi Lufkin, services as constable,	12 50
“ D. L. Blanchard, services as town clerk,	16 75
“ “ “ “ superintendent of bury- “ ing ground,	3 00
“ L. P. Sturdevant, services as moderator,	2 00
“ “ “ “ as supervisor of schools,	64 64
“ A. R. Littlefield, “ as selectman, assessor, etc.,	29 86
“ S. M. Brackett, “ as auditor,	2 00
“ S. T. Merrill, non-resident taxes, charged to Tr. twice,	25 52
“ “ “ “ “ bid ill by town,	98 00
“ “ “ “ services as treasurer,	40 00
“ C. E. Herrick, collector's premium in part,	75 00
“ Blanchard Bros., postage, etc.,	2 81
“ C. H. Bianchard, attending funerals, repairs on “ hearse, etc.,	10 23
“ N. M. Shaw, services as selectman, assessor and “ overseer of poor,	82 05
“ Joseph Harris, services as selectman, assessor and “ overseer of poor,	72 50
“ J. A. Elanchard, collector's premium,	150 00
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	\$1,144 33
Amount raised by town,	\$1,000 00
“ rec'd from State,	250 00
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	\$1,250 00
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Balance in favor of town,	\$105 67

## TAXES ABATED, 1882.

Abated on lists of J. A. Blanchard, by vote of town,	\$15 17
“ “ “ “ “ “ selectmen,	10 64
“ “ “ “ “ “ “	142 50
“ “ “ C. E. Herrick, “ vote of town,	19 86
“ “ “ “ “ “ selectmen,	8 02
“ “ “ J. A. Blanchard, “ “	21 55
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	\$217 74

## SUMMARY.

Amount assessed for poor,	\$1,200 00	exp'd,	\$1,235 49
“ “ notes and int.,	2,435 62	“	2,438 26
“ “ roads and b'gs,	1,200 00	“	1,424 21
“ “ contingent,	1,000 00	“	1,144 33
“ “ collector's prem.,	166 61	“	
“ “ overlay,	241 96	“	
Highway deficiencies, 1881,	74 94	“	
Supplement,	33 60		
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	\$6,352 73	exp'd,	\$6,242 29
Amount received from State,	250 00	abat's,	217 74
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	\$6,602 73		\$6,460 03
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	6,460 03		
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Balance in favor of town,	\$142 70		



## LIABILITIES.

Notes due individuals,	1,650 00
“ Greely Institute,	20,800 00
“ Cumberland School Fund,	877 00
Balance due school districts,	713 48
Outstanding bills estimated,	300 00
Town orders outstanding,	693 75
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	\$25,034 23

## ASSETS.

Balance due from Tr. as per his report,	\$6,110 58
Due from on tax deeds,	589 43
“ “ State School Fund,	877 57
“ “ John Jones bank book in Tr's hands,	157 99
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	\$7,735 57
Balance against town,	17,298 66.

The following abatements have been made for the year 1882.

Names,	Date of Asst.,	Cause,	Poll,	R. E.,	P. E.,	Vote town.
Cressey, Lorenzo	1880,	Poverty,	\$3.00			\$3.00
Field, Ephraim B.	“	“	3.00		.28	3.28
Norton, Loren F.	“	Non-res't,	3.00		1.40	4.40
Cobb, James .	“	Poverty,			.49	.49
Perkins, A. H.	1		3.00		1.00	4.00
						Vote Selectmen.
Hinks, Broder A.	“	Overvaluat'n,			.64	.64
Littlefield, Wm. V.	“	“			1.40	1.40
Doughty, Asa	“	Poverty,	3.00		5.60	8.60
Conant, R. O.	1881	By mistake,			75.00	75.00
Burnham, Geo.	“	Overvaluat'n,			67.50	67.50
Blaachard, G. W.	1879	Non-res't,	3.00			3.00
Tr. Union Hall Co.,	“	Overvaluat'n,			2.02	2.02
Hamilton, Theo.	“	Non-res't,	3.00			3.00
						Vote town.
Burton, Moses	1877	Poverty,	3.00	.30	1.30	4.60
Chadwick, F. G.	1879	“	3.00			3.00
Royden, Andrew	1877	“	3.00			3.00
Thompson, Edw'd	“	“	3.00			3.00
Webber, D. E.	“	“	3.00			3.00
“	“	1878	“	3.00	.26	3.26
						Vote Selectmen.
Barston, Mary	1880	“		2.80		2.80
Starling, Cyrus	“	No such man	3.00			3.00
Small, J. E.	18	Poverty,	3.00		.48	3.48
Winslow, N. F.	“	Non-res't,	3.00			3.00
Hicks, Ervin	1881	“	2.00			2.00
Small, Hannah E.	“	Poverty,			.87	.87
Farwell, J. P.	1882	Over val.,			3.20	3.20
Merrill Dan'l Heirs,	“	“			3.20	3.20

N. M. SHAW,  
 JOSEPH HARRIS,  
 A. R. LITTLEFIELD, } *Selectmen*  
*of*  
*Cumberland.*

This may certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

WM. L. PRINCE, *Auditor.*

## Treasurer's Report.

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Balance in treasury, March, 1882,	\$5,471 70
Assessor's commitment of taxes, 1882,	7,647 93
Received from State for schools,	890 23
"    "    " in aid of free high school,	250 00
"    " Cumberland school fund,	102 62
"    " Isaiah Mansfield for license to build a ware,	5 00
"    " State Treas., R. R. tax of 1881, 1882,	12 00
" for tax deeds redeemed,	173 59
	\$14,553 07
Paid out on town orders,	\$8,442 49
	\$6,110 58
Balance due the town,	\$6,110 58
Due from J. A. Blanchard, collector,	\$4,644 09
" E. W. Hamilton, " " "	851 45
" Charles E. Kerrick, " " "	121 84
" Alvan Leighton " " "	164 75
" non-resident, 1877 tax,	12 15
" " 1878 tax,	6 50
" " 1879 tax,	18 70
" Savings Bank aid for high school,	250 00
Cash to balance,	41 10
	\$6,110 58

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

WM. L. PRINCE, *Auditor.*

# REPORT

## OF THE

### Trustees of Greely Institute.

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The Spring Term of School commenced February 28th under the continued charge of S. K. Hitchings, B. S., with W. H. Kelly, A. M., teacher of languages, and continued ten weeks. Number of scholars, 46.

The number of terms being reduced to two a year, the Fall Term commenced September 25th, with W. A. Hoyt, A. B., Principal, O. C. Farrington, B. S., teacher of Natural Sciences, and E. I. Sawyer, assistant, and continued thirteen weeks. Number of pupils, 65.

The Winter Term began January 15th, with the same board of instruction, and is now progressing finely with 67 scholars.

#### 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,	\$300 00
“ “ Cash on hand,	82
“ “ one year interest on note,	18 00
	\$318 82
Cash on hand February 21st, 1883,	18 82
	\$300 00
Town of Cumberland Note,	

## LIBRARY FUND.

For amount in Portland Savings Bank,	\$511 32
“ “ of May and November dividends,	20 64
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	\$531 96
Paid Loring, Short and Harmon, rebinding books, \$2.10,	2 10
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Amount in bank February 21st, 1883,	\$529 86

## ACCUMULATED FUND.

For Town of Cumberland Note,	\$500 00
“ Amount in Portland Savings bank,	40 92
“ Amount due on tuition book,	143 50
Cash balance in Portland Savings Bank,	401 72
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Total accumulated,	\$1,086 14

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

Paid Mr. Stone, tuning piano,	\$2 50
“ Tucker Printing House, as per bill,	7 25
“ W. H. Kelly, teaching spring term,	163 64
“ S. K. Hitchings, “ “ “ etc.	243 79
“ Fred W. Moore, care of building, etc.,	19 25
“ Tucker Printing House, rank cards,	2 00
“ C. H. Elanchard, as per bill,	5 34
“ Wm. M. Marks, printing reports,	5 00
“ S. H. Colesworthy, Greek Lexicon,	4 00
“ W. P. Newman, postal Cards,	25
“ A. S. Noyes, printing,	50
“ J. S. Sawyer, cleaning building,	2 50
“ Joseph Harris, labor on “	12 62
“ Mrs. Eaton, cleaning “	4 50
“ F. S. Merrill, painting “	8 75

Paid Blanchard Bros., as per bill,	25 96
“ A. S. Noyes, bill blanks,	60
“ J. R. Duran, hauling coal,	17 50
“ O. S. Thomes, as per bill,	3 50
“ H. H. Hay, chemicals,	4 88
“ C. P. Graves, repairing and tuning organ,	5 00
“ W. D. Ames, furnace,	145 50
“ W. A. Hoyt, school supplies,	17 22
“ “ teaching fall term,	325 00
“ O. C. Farrington, “ “ “	100 00
“ L. & L. F. Walker, coal, 14 tons,	87 50
“ E. I. Sawyer, teaching,	60 00
“ “ care of building, etc.,	22 27
“ O. C. Farrington, chemicals,	6 50
“ “ “	6 45
“ A. N. Noyes & Son, grate for stove,	50
“ Blanchard Bros., as per bill,	3 68
“ N. M. Shaw, supplies,	2 27
“ “ services as Trustee,	20 00
“ W. A. Hoyt, prizes,	6 33
“ “ rank cards,	1 50
“ C. H. Blanchard, as per bill,	4 48
“ S. L. Farwell, painting, etc.,	21 75
“ J. Harris, services as Trustee,	1 50
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	\$1,371 78
Cash balance in Portland Savings Bank,	401 72
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	\$1,773 50

By cash from Portland Savings Bank,	\$25 00
“ “ S. T. Merrill, Treas. (State aid)	250 00
“ tuitions Winter Term,	4 00
“ “ Spring “	47 00
“ cash from P. S. Bank,	125 00
“ int., on \$12,000, \$6,000, \$2,000, and \$500 town notes,	615 00
“ tuitions Fall Term,	92 50
“ int., on \$12,000, \$6,000, \$2,000, and \$500, town notes,	615 00
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	\$1,773 50

Respectfully submitted,

N. M. SHAW,	} Trustees
JOSEPH HARRIS,	
A. R. LITTLEFIELD,	
	} of
	} Greely Institute.

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WM. L. PRINCE, *Auditor.*

## School Report.

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*Fellow Citizens :*

In submitting to you the annual report of your supervisor of schools, I desire to congratulate the town upon the passage of an unusually successful school year. The State and the town have made reasonable provision for the support of schools, the agents have been unusually fortunate in the employment of teachers, our teachers have labored hard and faithfully in their several schools, and the town has received an unusually good return for the money expended.

I attribute these good results to the following causes:

1st. To an increasing interest among the people of this town in the welfare and prosperity of that important factor in our social progress—the district school. 2d. To the fact that our district agents in performing their several duties have acted with no selfish ends in view. 3d. To the unusually high grade of teachers employed in our summer schools. In past years many of these schools have suffered from the employment of young and inexperienced teachers, through the mistaken notion that "Almost any one would do to teach our small scholars," when in fact these are the scholars who need the ablest and most experienced teachers. Before entering upon the details of this report, let me say that the condition and progress of our schools, has been a source of gratification and pride to me, and I can truly say that of the seven years in which I have been the supervisor of your schools, the year which has just past, has been the most successful. Let us hope that the coming year will witness a still greater interest in education, among the people and a still higher degree of success in the management of our schools.



Not among the lightest of the duties devolving jointly upon your assessors and supervisor, was the apportionment of the school money. In ordinary towns, and under ordinary circumstances, the division of our school funds in such a manner as to secure the greatest good to the greatest number, would not be a matter requiring great study. But in this town situated as it is, made up as it is of main land and islands, containing as it does, school districts with but few scholars, having as it has a Free High School, comparatively easy of access to about three-fifths of our scholars, while to the other two-fifths it is almost inaccessible; the apportionment of our school money is a matter requiring considerable thought, and an accurate knowledge of the condition and wants of our schools. I know that districts having a large number of scholars, and consequently a large amount of school money, are enabled to have more and longer terms of school; but my experience as a teacher and as a school officer has convinced me of this fact—"That an ordinary good teacher in a school of ordinary ability, ranging in number from fifteen to twenty-five scholars, can accomplish far more in nine weeks, than the same teacher could accomplish in a school of from sixty to eighty scholars, (such as is found in District No. 9), in a term of twelve weeks." Again, good teachers are unwilling to risk their reputation for success, in large, difficult schools, for the pay they would receive in smaller and easier schools. Thus it will be seen that the apportionment of our school funds is not so easy a matter as it would seem at first to be. Still I believe that this year's apportionment is as fair and just a one as we have had in the last ten years.

In dividing the school money the following points have been taken into consideration. 1st—The number of scholars in the districts. 2d—The distance from the high school at the Greely Institute.

## RESOURCES OF SCHOOLS.

Amount raised by the town,	\$1,295 20
"    received from the state,	877 57
"    "    "    town fund,	102 62
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Total for schools,	\$2,275 39
20 per cent.,	455 08

No. of Dist.	No. of Scholars.	Money.	20 per cent.	Total.
1	27	\$88 24	\$41 46	\$129 70
2	50	163 40	60 85	224 25
3	63	205 88	9 45	215 33
4	44	143 79	69 21	213 00
5	47	153 60	61 40	215 00
6	11	32 68	30 81	63 49
7	40	130 72	29 28	160 00
8	97	317 00	23 00	340 00
9	133	434 64	25 36	460 00
10	6	19 61	—	19 61
11	7	22 88	42 32	65 20
12	3	9 80	—	9 80
13	27	88 24	47 06	135 30
Ter. not in } any district }	3	9 80	14 91	24 71

The amount of money to each scholar in the several districts is as follows:

Dist. No. 1, \$4 79	Dist. No. 8, \$3 60
"    2, 4 48	"    "    9, 3 53
"    3, 3 4 1	"    "    10, 3 2 5
"    4, 4 S 4	"    "    11, 9 3 1
"    5, 4 58	"    "    12, 8 26
"    6, 5 77	"    "    13, 5 01
"    7, 4 00	Territory not in any district, 3 26

The following shows the number of weeks of school in each district.

N <sup>o</sup> . of Dist.	No. of weeks school.
1	21
2	24
3	26 $\frac{1}{4}$
4	26 $\frac{3}{4}$
5	27 2-11
7	25
8	29 1-10
9	31
10	_____
11	_____
13	26 $\frac{1}{2}$

The condition and progress of our district schools have been as follows:—

#### DISTRICT No. 1.

Agent, William Winslow. Teacher for the year, Ellen S. Blanchard.

Miss B. has taught several terms in this district in past years and has always been successful; but this year her success has been greater than ever before. She seems to understand the wants of the pupils in this school better than any teacher whom I have seen in it for a long time. My first visit to the summer term convinced me that she had gained the esteem and confidence of her pupils, and she seemed to retain them to the end of the term.

The school was not a large one and was composed mostly of small scholars, but it was a successful one. The order was good throughout the term. The improvement in all branches was good. In the winter term there were more scholars and of a larger grade, but the term was fully as successful as the last, and I think the district did well to retain the services of this teacher during the year.

## DISTRICT No. 2.

Agent, George H. Moxcey. Teacher of summer term, Julia C. Duran.

This teacher had taught this school during the whole of the previous year, and is also a teacher of large experience in this and other towns. Fair order was maintained throughout the term, and commendable improvement made in most of the branches pursued.

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

Mr. L. came to this school from district No. 13, where he had been very successful. Unfortunately Mr. L. was taken ill about three weeks before the close of the term, and the near approach of town meeting compelled me to visit the school some three weeks before it closed. The school was then under the charge of Miss Annie W. Brackett, and though there had been no review, the scholars showed that thorough work had been done. Undoubtedly this was a successful term of school.

## DISTRICT No. 3.

Agent, Charles H. Blanchard. Teacher for the year, Ezra K. Sweetsir.

The citizens of this district were very fortunate in securing the services of this excellent teacher for the year. It was his third year of continuous service in this school. Under his careful management and thorough training the school has been brought to a high standard. Every class received careful attention and a thorough drill.

## DISTRICT No. 4.

Agent, Robert N. Leighton. Teacher of summer term, Emma F. Whitney.

This teacher has taught in this district before and I believe has always given good satisfaction. The order during this term was as good as I could wish and the improvement creditable to both teacher and scholars.

Teacher of fall term, Ida G. Wilson.

This term of school was very short being only five weeks in length. Miss Wilson is a teacher of considerable experience in this and other schools in town, and to do her justice, she accomplished a creditable amount of work for so short a term of school. The improvement in all branches was good. Had better order been maintained the results would have been more pleasing.

Teacher of winter term, Horace B. Mountfort.

Mr. Mountfort is a good scholar and a careful and thorough teacher. Good order was maintained throughout the term, and good improvement was made in all branches of study pursued.

#### DISTRICT No. 5.

Agent, Sewall Whitney. Teacher of summer term, Annie M. Dunn.

This teacher is a good scholar and had had some experience as a teacher previous to this term. The order in the school was good, and fair improvement was made in all branches.

Teacher of fall and winter terms, Alma M. Brackett.

This lady is a teacher of large experience and brought to this school besides a thorough knowledge of her business, a knowledge of the special wants of her pupils in this district and a will to supply them. Besides giving her pupils good thorough instruction and drill in all branches, she trained them to have confidence in their own knowledge and abilities. The smaller scholars were gathered into a class and received oral instruction upon matters of general information. This class was a pleasing feature of both terms of school. The examination at the close of the fall term was highly gratifying to your supervisor, but it was at the close of the winter term that the abilities and hard work of both teacher and scholars were seen at their best. The self possession of the scholars and thorough knowledge of the branches studied were matters of general remark by the parents and friends of the

scholars, many of whom were present. Declamations and readings were a pleasing feature of the exercises, and all acquitted themselves with credit.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Agent, Frank W. Blanchard.

The school in this district is under the supervision of Yarmouth.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Agent, Chas. A. Merrill. Teacher for the year, Mellie H. McCollister.

This school though small, and not requiring great scholarship in an instructor, needs a teacher of special qualities as drill master, on account of the tender age of the pupils, and it is sufficient to say that this want was fully supplied by Miss McCollister who besides being a teacher of large experience, has had the advantage of special training in one of our state normal schools. Good, thorough instruction and drill were given, and the improvement for the year was excellent.

DISTRICT No. 8—CHEEBEAGUE ISLAND.

Agent, William Seabury.

Teacher of summer and fall terms, Lucinda O. Allen.

This teacher also has had the benefit of normal training to which qualifications may be added good natural abilities, and a sound judgment. The order and improvement in all branches were very good. The citizens of the district and your supervisor were highly pleased with the school and it is hoped that the same teacher's services may be secured for the coming summer terms.

Winter term, teacher, L. P. Sturdivant.

There is as good material for a school in this district as there is in the town. The scholars are bright and intelligent, and well advanced in the different branches pursued. I will say frankly that I think that this was as successful a school as could be taught in such a schoolroom at such a season of the

year. This district sadly needs a new school house, the present one being cold, dark, inhospitable, and a model of inconvenience.

DISTRICT No. 9—CHEBEAGUE ISLAND.

Agent, Stephen B. Hamilton. Teacher for the year, Ammi R. Littlefield.

This is the *largest* school in town, in fact it is too large for one teacher to manage. But few more than one half of the scholars in the district can attend school at one time, on account of a lack of accommodations, although the schoolroom is as large as any in town. This is Mr. Littlefield's second year in this school and the district was fortunate in securing his services. He is a first class teacher, and keeps an excellent school.

DISTRICT No. 10—HOPE ISLAND.

Agent, Henry Horr.

There has been no school in this district this year.

DISTRICT No. 11—CROTCH ISLAND.

There has been no school in this district.

DISTRICT No. 12.

The scholars in this district commonly attend school in Fal-mouth.

DISTRICT No. 13.

Agent, Simeon Clough. Teacher of summer term, Ida G. Wilson.

The order in this school was good. The teacher labored faithfully, and a good school was the result.

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

This was Mr. L.'s second term in this district. The school was well governed, and good improvement was made in all branches.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

The High School at Greely Institute has been in successful operation during the year. Since the publication of the last Annual Report there have been two full terms of school held at this Institution, and the third is now in progress.

The spring term was taught by that able and experienced teacher, Prof. S. K. Hitchings, ably assisted by Mr. W. H. Kelley, and was a highly successful term.

The fall term was taught by Will A. Hoyt, A. B., assisted by Mr. O. Farrington, and Mr. Irving Sawyer. This was also a very successful term. The same corps of teachers are now employed upon the spring term, which up to the time of making this report has not been visited by your Supervisor. The following extract from the returns made to the State Superintendent of common schools may be of interest:

Number terms of High School for year ending December 1st, 1882, 3. Number of weeks, 31. Total wages per month of teachers of spring and winter terms, \$160.64. Fall term, \$153.33 $\frac{1}{3}$ . Whole number of scholars registered, 73. Average attendance, 50.

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. STURDIVANT, *Supervisor.*



