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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

& TOWN OFFICERS 

—AND—

Trustees of Greely Institute

—OF THE—

Town of Cumberland

—FOR THE—

FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 23, 1887.



PORTLAND, ME.,
SOUTHWORTH BROS., PRINTERS,
1887.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

*To Marcellus P. Sweetser, a Constable of the Town of Cumberland,
in the County of Cumberland,*

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Cumberland, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House in said town, on the seventh day of March at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

First. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Second. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Third. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor.

Fourth. To hear and act upon the report of the treasurer.

Fifth. To hear and act upon the report of the superintending school committee.

Sixth. To hear and act upon the report of the treasurer of Cumberland school fund.

Seventh. To hear and act upon the report of the trustees of Greely Institute.

Eighth. To raise money for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

Ninth. To raise money for the support of the poor.

Tenth. To raise money for the payment of town notes and interest.

Eleventh. To raise money or labor, or both, for the repairs of highways, townways and bridges.

Twelfth. To raise money for contingent expenses.

Thirteenth. To raise money for payment of snow bills.

Fourteenth. To see if the town will purchase a farm, or otherwise provide a home for their poor.

Fifteenth. To see what disposition the town will make of the money received from the State in aid of the free high school.

Sixteenth. To hear and act on report of committee on burying grounds.

Seventeenth. To see if the town will instruct their selectmen to purchase a lot for a burying ground near the centre.

Eighteenth. To hear and act on the request of any collector for abatement of taxes.

Nineteenth. To receive bills against the town.

Twentieth. To see what action the town will take in regard to building new, or repairing fences around burying grounds in town.

Twenty-first. To hear and act upon the request of Hudson S. Emmons, to be set off from school district No. 8, with his property, and annexed to district No. 9.

Twenty-second. To see if the town will accept the road as laid out by the selectmen from Hamilton & Co's wharf to town-road on Chebeague Island.

Twenty-third. To see if the town will purchase a hearse for Chebeague Island.

Twenty-fourth. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to be expended in road-district No. 16, from school-house to Falmouth line.

Twenty-fifth. To hear and act upon the request of Frank W. Blanchard to change road limits in road district No. 13.

Twenty-sixth. To see if the town will allow F. S. Blanchard and others to put in a new floor, and make repairs in body of town house, without expense to town, and have use of same for hall.

Twenty-seventh. To see what action the town will take in regard to property bid in by town for taxes.

Twenty-eighth. To see what action the town will take in regard to settlement with tax collectors.

Twenty-ninth. To see if the town will make repairs on town house..

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters in said town, and hearing and deciding upon the application of persons claiming to have their names entered upon said list, at the town house, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands, this 25th. day of February,
A. D., 1887.

EDMUND D. MERRILL, } *Selectmen*
D. L. BLANCHARD, } *of*
EDWARD ROSS, } *Cumberland.*

Selectmen and Assessors' Report.

MONEY TAXES ASSESSED, 1886.

For State Tax,	\$2,090 87
County Tax,	324 91
Schools,	1,295 20
Support of Poor,	1,600 00
Notes and Interest,	1,300 62
Roads and Bridges,	200 00
Contingent Bills,	975 00
Collector's Premium,	142 32
Overlay,	142 56 $\frac{1}{4}$
Snow Bills,	300 00
Supplementary,	14 00
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Total Assessment,	\$8,385 48 $\frac{1}{4}$

Total Valuation, \$651,955.

No. of Polls, 444.

Rate of Taxation, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ mills on a dollar.

Poll Tax, \$2.00.

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid B. J. Thompson, board of Betsy Hamilton,	\$ 26 00
E. B. Sham, board of Mary Wyman,	39 00
Town of Freeport, supplies for J. H. Cobb,	20 91
Joseph M. Drinkwater, aid to Albert F. Drinkwater,	40 50
E. B. Shaw, board of Rufus Stubbs,	39 00
Mrs. W. Titcomb, board and clothing of Olive Titcomb,	36 00

Paid Joseph M. Drinkwater, aid to Albert F. Drinkwater,	18 00
E. B. Shaw, board of Mary Wyman,	39 00
Town of Windham, supplies for E. B. Field,	59 02
Tr. Insane Hospital, board Insane Persons,	128 53
M. M. Leighton, board of Anna Merrill,	39 00
D. L. Blanchard, expenses to Portland with Wm. Armstrong,	4 00
Jos. M. Drinkwater, aid to A. F. Drinkwater,	22 50
Tr. Insane Hospital, board of Insane Persons,	113 79
E. B. Shaw, board of Rufus Stubbs,	39 00
Jos. M. Drinkwater, aid to A. F. Drinkwater,	36 00
City of Portland, board of Wm. Armstrong,	16 00
S. S. Rich & Son, burial expenses of Wm. Armstrong,	15 00
Elenor Hamilton, board of B. Hammond,	72 00
Mrs. W. Titcomb, board of Olive Titcomb,	36 00
E. B. Shaw, board of Mary Wyman,	39 00
B. J. Thompson, board of Betsey Hamilton,	26 00
E. L. Latham, board of B. Hammond,	6 00
Jos. M. Drinkwater, aid to A. F. Drinkwater,	40 50
E. B. Shaw, board of Rufus Stubbs,	39 00
Elenor Hamilton, board of B. Hammond,	5 08
Mary E. Sylvester, board of B. Hammond,	30 00
M. M. Leighton, board of Anna Merrill,	39 00
M. M. Leighton, board and clothing of A. Merrill,	39 80
Tr. Insane Hospital, board and clothing of Insane Persons,	118 92
Jos. M. Drinkwater, aid to A. F. Drinkwater,	18 00
E. B. Shaw, board of Mary Wyman,	39 00
Jos. M. Drinkwater, aid to A. F. Drinkwater,	22 50
Martha S. Mitchell, care of D. Bennett, to April 27th., 1885.	42 00
Jos. M. Drinkwater, aid to A. F. Drinkwater,	18 00
Mrs. W. Titcomb, board of Olive Titcomb,	46 00

Paid N. B. Wilson & Son, supplies to N. Latham,	27	90
E. B. Shaw, board and clothing to Rufus Stubbs,	46	07
Tr. Insane Hospital board and clothing of Insane Persons	113	46
F. C. Dolley, M. D., medical attendance 1885 on Mrs. A. F. Drinkwater,	14	00
C. T. Moulton, M. D., medical attendance on Wm. Armstrong,	8	00
C. T. Moulton, M. D., medical attendance on Mrs. Lucy Whitcomb.	10	00
C. T. Moulton, M. D., medical attendance on Mrs. Mary Morrison,	5	00
Jos. M. Drinkwater, aid to A. F. Drinkwater,	22	50
E. B. Shaw, board of Mary Wyman,	39	00
Town of Cape Elizabeth, support and burial expenses of Daniel Tobey,	50	00
I. C. Leighton, care and nursing Mrs. Lucy Whitcomb.	49	00
Sarah P. Farwell, board of Lucy Whitcomb, and nurse,	35	00
W. E. Wilson, medicine for Mrs Lucy Whitcomb	7	80
M. P. Sweetser, board of tramps,	7	50
S. B. Clough, grave of C. A. Blanchard,	5	00
Louisa A. Green, board of B. Hammond,	51	00
L. L. Hale, M. D., medical attendance B. Hammond	7	00
A. R. Littlefield, clothing for B. Hammond,	2	09
	<hr/>	\$1,908 37
Amount raised by town,		1,600 00
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Balance against town,	\$	308 37
Received from S. T. Merrill, guardian of John H. Hicks,	\$	283 87
“ D. L. Blanchard, for Mrs. Lucy Whitcomb,		101 80
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NOTES AND INTEREST. .

Paid Tr. Greely Institute, $\frac{1}{2}$ years interest on notes,	\$ 624 00
Tr. Greely Institute, $\frac{1}{2}$ years interest on notes,	624 00
Tr. Cumberland School Pun, dinterest on note,	52 62
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	\$ 1,300 62
Amount raised by town,	\$ 1,300 62

REPAIRS, ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Blanchard & Mountfort, re-building culvert,	\$ 56 00
E. G. Hayes, stone for Greely Road bridge,	73 50
A. Cleaves, for work and derrick Greely Road bridge,	20 50
E. D. Merrill, work on Greely Road bridge,	16 89
F. P. Blanchard, " "	14 50
D. L. Blanchard, " "	11 87
D. R. Allen, repairs in Dist. No. 9,	6 68
W. M. Merrill, bridge plank,	6 49
E. D. Merrill, labor in " 7,	3 00
D. L. Blanchard, labor in " 7,	3 75
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	\$ 213 18
Sum raised by town,	200 00
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Balance against town,	\$ 13 18

SNOW BILLS.

Paid A. M. Small,	Dist. No. 15,	\$ 11 52
Nathaniel Thompson,	" 23,	9 10
David Peterson,	" 20,	1 04 0
Frank S. Merrill,	" 7,	2 75
S. L. Field,	" 2,	6 95
Hans P. Peterson,	" 2,	4 20

Paid E. S. W. Jones, and repairs,	Dist. No. 18,	16 22
Nathan L. Merrill, and repairs,	“ 8,	14 28
M. W. Pearson, and repairs,	“ 10,	23 32
Wm. T. Littlefield,	“ 22,	9 30
Dennis Winslow, and repairs,	“ 13,	10 32
N. D. Farwell,	“ 6,	6 20
Edward T. Hall,	“ 11,	10 41
O. A. Mountfort,	“ 16,	4 70
O. A. Mountfort, repairs,	“ 16,	35 50
C. E. Herrick, and repairs,	“ 7,	46 71
S. L. Clough,	“ 12,	16 25
F. W. Blanchard, and repairs,	“ 13,	5 80
F. P. Blanchard,	“ 13,	2 25
Leonard Leighton,	“ 6,	1 80
George R. Leighton,	“ 17,	6 95
P. B. Rideout,	“ 6,	1 20
J. A. Blanchard,	“ 6,	75
S. M. Brackett,	“ 2,	5 05
Wm. M. Merrill,	“ 9,	1 95
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		\$ 263 88
Sums raised by town,		300 00
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Balance in favor of town,		\$ 36 12

CONTINGENT BILLS.

Paid L. E. Cram, recording non-resident tax deeds,	\$	5 00
S. T. Merrill, as per vote of town		5 00
Josiah Black, Supt. of burying ground,		2 00
A. J. Osgood, services as moderator 1885,		2 50
M. P. Sweetser, collector's premiun, '84 and '85,		85 00
Southworth Bros. & Co., printing reports,		14 00
E. W. Hamilton, labor in burying ground,		5 00
Trustees Greely Institute, amount received from State in aid of high school,		251 41

Paid L. E. Cram, return of mortgage deeds,	1 00
D. L. Blanchard, postage &c., on circulars (Public H)	8 54
S. L. Adams, plow for road machine,	10 00
O. A. Mountfort for gravel for 1885,	5 00
C. E. Herrick, watering tub, 1885,	3 00
S. L. Clough, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood,	3 25
R. H. McQuillan & Co., bridge plank,	3 20
D. L. Blanchard, express bill, for point on road machine.	75
John F. Holme, ag't. land damage,	45 00
E. S. W. Jones, building road,	29 00
S. B. Clough, Supt. of burying ground, 1885,	2 00
Legrow Bros., lumber for burying ground fence,	22 37
Thurston Bros., carting lumber for burying ground fence,	5 00
Legrow Bros., posts for burying ground fence,	4 75
Hoyt, Pogg & Donham, stationery,	15 10
M. P. Sweetser, resident taxes, bid in by town,	55 00 $\frac{3}{4}$
L. L. Ramsdell, labor on burying ground fence,	6 00
L. E. Cram, recording tax deeds,	1 50
J. S. Adams & Son, blacksmith work,	3 15
E. G. Prince, repairs on plow,	4 75
N. M. Shaw, services as Auditor, for 1885,-86.	1 50
W. L. Merrill, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood for town house,	3 00
S. S. Knight, recording tax deeds,	3 50
E. D. Merrill, labor on burying ground fence &c.	8 68
F. S. Blanchard, attending funerals with hearse,	30 00
S. T. Merrill, services as town treasurer,	40 00
M. H. McCollister, services as school committee,	22 50

Paid S. T. Merrill, 'Treasurer non-resident taxes, bid in by town,		35 80
E. K. Sweetser, services as school committee,		21 00
W. E. Wilson, sundries,		2 38
Francis Thompson, labor on burying ground fence,		4 50
M. P. Sweetser, services as constable,		15 25
M. P. Sweetser, collectors premium for 1884, '85, '86,		120 00
D. L. Blanchard, services as town clerk,		31 36
D. L. Blanchard, Supt. of burying ground,		7 00
A. R. Littlefield, services as school committee,		14 30
E. D. Merrill, service and travel as select- man, assessor and overseer of the poor,		87 50
D. L. Blanchard, service and travel as selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor,		84 75
Edward Ross, service and travel as select- man, assessor and overseer of the poor,		30 10
S. B. Clough, Supt. of burying ground,		2 00
John Alex. Hamilton, services as constable,		3 00
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		\$1,166 39 $\frac{3}{4}$
Amount raised by town,	\$975 00	
Amount raised from State,	251 41	
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Balance in favor of town,		\$ 60 01 $\frac{1}{4}$
TAXES ABATED 1886.		
Abated on lists of M. P. Sweetser, by vote of town,		\$ 32 37
“ “ M. P. Sweetser, by select- men,		20 12 $\frac{1}{2}$
“ “ J. A. Rlanchard, by vote of town,		37 48
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		\$ 89 97 $\frac{1}{2}$

SUMMARY.

Am't as'ed for poor,	\$1,600 00	exp'd,	\$1,908 37
“ notes and int.	1,300 62	“	1,300 62
“ roads and bridges,	200 00	“	213 18
“ Snow bills,	300 00	“	263 88
“ contingent,	975 00	“	1166 39 ³ / ₄
“ collector's premium,	142 32		
“ overlay,	142 56%		
“ supplement,	14 00		
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	\$4,674 50%		\$4,852 44 ³ / ₄
Amount received from State,	251 41	ab'mts.	89 97 ¹ / ₂
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	\$4,925 91 ¹ / ₄		\$4,942 42 ¹ / ₄
Balance against town,	16 51		

LIABILITIES.

Notes due Greely Institute,	\$28,800 00
“ Cumberland School Fund,	877 00
Balance due School Districts,	534 41
Outstanding bills estimated,	225 00
Town orders unpaid,	1,417 75
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	\$23,854 16

ASSETS.

Balance due from Treasurer, as per his report,	\$ 7,662 85%
“ on tax deeds,	937 05
“ from State for schools,	962 95
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	\$ 9,562 85 ¹ / ₄
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Balance against town,	\$14,291 30 ³ / ₄

The following abatements have been made in the year 1886
by selectmen:

Names.	Date of Ass't.	Cause.	Poll.	Real Est.	Total.
Newcomb, Joseph,	1884,	Dead,	\$2.00		\$2.00
Barton, Mary,	1884.	Poverty,		\$1.72½	1.72%
Drinkwater, Reuel, heirs of	1865,	Overvalu'n,		4.20	4.20
Leighton, Enoch M.	1885,	"		4.20	4.20
Graffam, H. C.	1885,	Not taxable	2.00		2.00
Hill, Theodore P.	1885.	Dead,	2.00		2.00
McCartney, Barney.	1885,	Not taxable	2.00		2.00
Rose, Ezekial,	1886,	"	2.00		2.00
					\$20.12½

EDMUND D. MERRILL, } *Selectmen*
 DAVID L. BLANCHARD, } *of*
 EDWARD ROSS. } *Cumberland.*

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

N. M. SHAW, *Auditor.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance in treasury March 1886,	\$7,120 98
Assessor's commitments, 1886,	5,969 70%
Received from State for schools,	898 41
" " in aid of free high school,	251 41
" Cumberland school fund,	92 62
" State Treasurer for telegraph and railroad tax 1885,	7 50
" tax deeds redeemed,	73 52
" S. T. Merrill guardian of John Hicks,	283 87
" John Jones estate, drawn from bank,	165 36
" J. B. Osgood, for license to build wharf,	5 00
" George F. West, for license to build wharf,	5 00
" State, July 1885,	125 00
" E. D. Merrill,	1 00
" Treasurer of the city of Portland for school on Crotch Island	23 25
" E. G. Blanchard for old bridge plank,	2 50
" D. L. Blanchard to pay expenses of " Lucy Whitcomb,	101 80
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	\$15,126 92 $\frac{1}{4}$
Paid out town orders	7,464 07
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Balance due the town,	\$7,662 85%

Due from M. P. Sweetser, collector,	\$6,524 06
“ J. A. Blanchard, “	625 80
“ E. W. Hamilton, “	30 74
“ Alvin Leighton, “	143 26
“ non-resident 1877 tax,	6 15
“ “ 1878 “	3 90
“ “ 1879 “	5 70
“ Savings Bank aid for high school,	125 00
Cash to balance,	198 24 $\frac{1}{4}$
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	\$7,662 85%

S. T. MERRILL, *Treasurer of Cumberland.*

I hereby certify that I have examined the treasurer's account for the year ending February 23rd, 1887, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched,

N. M. SHAW, *Auditor.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF GREELY INSTITUTE

The Spring term of school commenced March 8th under the continued charge of Herman N. Dunham, A. B. principal, and Louis W. Riggs, B. M. E. teacher of Sciences, and continued ten weeks. Number of pupils, 38.

The Fall term commenced August 30th, with Wilson Nevens, A. B. as principal and Louise M. Harvey, A. M. assistant, and continued twelve weeks. Number of pupils, 51.

The Winter term commenced December 6th, with Wilson Nevens, A. B. principal, and Miss Alma M. Brackett assistant, and continued eleven weeks. Number of pupils, 51.

The Spring term begins March 7th, 1887.

PERMANENT FUND.

For Town of Cumberland note,	\$12,000 00
" " "	6,000 00
" " "	2,000 00
Total,	\$20,000 00

PHILOSOPHICAL APPARATUS FUND.

For Town of Cumberland note,	\$300 00
" cash on hand,	19 49
one year's interest on note,	18 00
	\$337 49
Paid Hoyt, Fogg & Donham, apparatus,	\$ 3 18
Cash to balance,	34 31
	\$37 49
Town of Cumberland note,	\$300 00

LIBRARY FUND.

For amount in Portland Savings Bank,		\$583 01
“ “ of May and November dividends,		23 54
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		\$606 55
Paid for rebinding books,	\$ 725	
“ express on books,	25	
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Balance remaining in Bank,		\$599 05

ACCUMULATED FUND.

For Town of Cumberland note,		\$500 00
“ amount in Maine Savings Bank,		154 85
“ amount due on tuition book,		28 00
“ cash deposited in Maine Savings Bank,		225 00
“ cash balance,		49 97
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		\$957 82

GENERAL INCOME FROM PERMANENT FUND AND
OTHER SOURCES,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TRUSTEES OF GREELY INSTITUTE.

Paid J. S. Adams & Son, jobbing	\$ 20
A. R. Alexander, repairs on furnace,	10 50
Southworth Bros. & Co., printing reports,	4 00
M. C. B. R. Co., freight,	25
H. N. Dunham, teaching Spring term,	196 97
L. W. Riggs, " "	120 00
Gorham L. Farwell, janitor,	18 00
A. R. Alexander, one furnace grate,	6 00
Southworth Bros. & Co., circulars,	10 50
W. E. Wilson, as per bill,	2 03
Gorham L. Farwell, labor, horse hire, &c.,	8 00
John N. Farwell, jobbing,	75
M. C. R. R. Co., freight,	34
Wallace L. Merrill, ½ cord wood,	3 00
Annie M. Eaton, cleaning building,	6 00
C. P. Graves, tuning piano, and repairs on organ,	5 50
B. Whitney, repairs,	1 50
W. F. Blanchard, board of two men,	3 00
Osgood & Dunn, 16 tons coal,	100 00
M. B. Bourne & Son, labor and materials,	36 65
D. L. Blanchard, sundries,	2 35
Hooper, Son & Leighton, chairs,	10 00
Louise M. Harvey, teaching Fall term,	120 00
Wilson Nevens " "	236 36
G. L. Farwell, janitor,	18 00
H. H. Hay & Son, chemicals,	16 35
Wm. Senter, repairs on clock,	1 00
C. H. Bachelder, window shades, &c.,	6 12
B. Thurston, printing programmes,	4 94
S. L. Farwell, ½ cord wood,	2 50
Wm. E. Wilson, supplies,	2 01

Paid Wm. E. Wilson, one stove and freight,	25 35
Wilson Nevens, teaching Winter term,	216 67
Wilson Nevens, desk books,	4 50
Alma M. Brackett, teaching Winter term,	110 00
Gorham L. Farwell, janitor,	20 00
Gorham L. Farwell, getting supplies,	1 80
H. H. Hay & Son, chemicals,	1 48
E. D. Merrill, labor and service as trustee,	24 00
D. L. Blanchard, " " "	10 50
E. Ross, services and travel as trustee,	4 00
E. B. Osgood as per bill,	15 68
J. N. Farwell, jobbing,	1 00
Cash deposited in Maine Savings Bank,	225 00
Balance, cash in hand,	49 97
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	\$1,662 77
By Cash, balance from 1885,	\$ 43 36
Cash from town treasurer in aid of free high school,	251 41
Cash, tuitions Spring term,	22 00
Cash from Maine Savings Bank,	50 00
Int. on 12,000, 6,000, 2,000 and \$500 town notes,	615 00
Cash, tuitions, Fall term,	36 00
Cash, tuitions, Winter term,	30 00
Int. on 12,000, 6,000, 2,000 and \$500 town notes,	615 00
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	\$1,662 77

EDMUND D. MERRILL } Trustees
 DAVID L. BLANCHARD, } of
 EDWARD ROSS. } Greely Institute.

This certifies that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and propely vouched.

N. M. SHAW, Auditor.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Fellow Citizens :

Another year has passed, and we are again to render our annual report of the schools. We think that the work accomplished by them as a whole has ranked fairly well. The past Winter has been unfavorable for young scholars living at a distance from the school-house ; besides some have been absent on account of colds, others on account of diphtheria. We should be very thankful that we have had so few cases of this dreaded epidemic during the past year, while in some towns it has spread to an alarming extent. We find on some of our registers many tardy marks, and we do hope that the parents will fully realize how necessary it is for their children to be at school in season, and endeavor to have them there.

We enjoy visiting a well conducted school, and also a neat and orderly room. Schools are one of the great aids for fitting pupils for life, and it is there they should acquire habits of neatness and order, and where early and lasting impressions are made. How important then that the school room should be made pleasant and attractive. We trust that teachers and pupils will be careful of its general appearance. Most of the ladies have their houses cleaned twice during the year, and is it too much to ask to have our school houses cleaned only once a year ? We think this should be done if nothing more than to improve their sanitary condition.

Some of the pupils from districts No. 7 and 13 have been to No. 3 this last term. We recommend that those two districts be discontinued, and those living in No. 7 attend Nos. 3 and 4, and those in No. 13 attend Nos. 3 and 5. This would be of great advantage to them as it would give them three terms a year.

RESOURCES FOR SCHOOLS.

Amount raised by town,	\$1,295 20
“ received from town fund,	92 62
“ “ “ State school fund and mill tax,	962 95
Total for schools,	<u>\$2,350 77</u>

APPORTIONMENT.

No. of Dist.	No. Scholars.	Principal.	15 Per Cent.	Total.
1	21	\$ 72 45	\$40 00	\$112 45
2	57	196 65	40 00	236 65
3	71	244 95	5 00	249 95
4	50	172 50	40 00	212 50
5	49	169 05	45 00	214 05
6	10	34 50	30 00	64 50
7	27	93 15	40 00	133 15
8	100	345 00	15 00	360 00
9	146	503 70	24 03	527 73
10	4	13 80	8 78	22 58
11	11	37 95		37 95
12	2	6 90		6 90
13	21	72 45	45 00	117 45
14	10	34 50	20 41	54 91

DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Agent, Lorenzo Cressey. Summer term taught by Miss May Morrill. Number of scholars registered, 11; average number, 10. This was Miss Morrill's first school, and I thought that she did well for a young teacher. Her manner of discipline was pleasing, and a good degree of interest was manifested both by teacher and pupils.

Winter term, taught by Mrs. Dennis Hamilton. Mrs. Hamilton is an experienced teacher, and has the tact of making her illustrations clear to young pupils, which was evident by the explanations given by some of them in arithmetic. Good improvement was made especially by some of the younger ones in reading.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Agent, William Sturdivant. The Spring and Fall terms of this school, was under the instruction of Miss Alma Brackett. To say much of these terms would be simply to repeat what we have said before. Her register shows an average attendance of about ninety per cent. which is one evidence that her scholars were interested. Miss B. gave up the winter term for a situation at Greely Institute, and thus the town still retains her excellent services.

Winter term, Miss Olive H. Merrill. Miss M. is a teacher of large experience, having taught thirty-two schools. She has a way of her own, and always succeeds well, especially with her reading classes. The school was not so large as formerly, but from what we saw when present, we are satisfied that there was good work done.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Agent, Hollis True. There is no school in town that requires more skill, tact and patience than this. The teacher needs to be ever on the alert, for something new and interesting as well as instructive—consisting wholly of young pupils, the

teacher soon becomes the standard, by which all acts are weighed and measured. Miss Dnran seemed to realize the responsibility resting upon her, and by her pleasing manners, and large experience as a teacher, was able to do efficient and successful work. The winter term was much enlarged by scholars from districts No. 7, and 13, and the closing examination was very pleasing and satisfactory.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Agent, It. L. Abbott. Teacher for the year, Miss Margaret S. Drinkwater. Number of scholars in Summer term, 31; average number, 25. Number in Fall term, 27; average number, 24. Winter term. 35; average, 29. Miss Drinkwater always seemed to enter upon her school duties with a great deal of animation, and the pupils appeared orderly and studious. 4 think that the examinations taken as a whole, have been successful but some of the scholars fail to do justice to themselves or teacher, as they speak so very low. I wish they would overcome that diffidence in the school room, for most of them seemed to have fully developed voices during recess.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Agent, Sewall Whitney. This school was highly fortunate in having the services of Miss McCollister for more than a year. She fully understands her business, is wide awake in the school room, and does not intend that her pupils shall sleep while on duty.

The amount passed over and "*thoroughly reviewed*" shows that faithful, earnest work was done by teacher and pupils. An average attendance for the year, of about ninety per cent. is a good showing for parents and teacher; for regular and punctual attendance does much to make a good school.

DISTRICT No. 6.

School under supervision of Parmouth.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Agent, E. G. Prince. Both terms of this school have been

under the instruction of Miss Katie Prince. Whole number of scholars registered in Spring term, 9; average number, 8. Number in Fall term, 12; average, 8. Miss Prince seemed enthusiastic and persistent in her manner, and to work for the good of her school. The pupils were industrious, and gave evidence of progress in their studies, particularly in reading.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Agent, William Seabury. Spring term, Louie A. Quimby, teacher. Miss Q. is a teacher in every respect. The district that secures her services, can rest fully assured that their school money will not be wasted. Teacher of the Fall term, Addie S. Dunn. Miss D's long experience as a teacher, places her in the first rank. She did good thorough work, and won the respect of both pupil and parent. Winter term. M. P. Smithwick, teacher. Mr. S's. method of teaching pleased us very much, and we think he did fair work, but had he maintained better order, we think he would have been more successful.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Agent, R. D. Hamilton. Teachers of Spring term, Sadie L. Grannell and Cora G. Hamilton. This is the first term Miss Grannell ever taught a school of advanced scholars. She was in her home district, teaching pupils who had been school-mates with her. This placed her in a very trying position, but with her easy, dignified manners, she won the good will of the greater part of her pupils and did some excellent work. Miss H., in the primary school, was a success from the beginning. The children all loved her and improved very rapidly.

Fall term. Louie A. Quimby and Cora G. Hamilton, teachers. This district was fortunate in securing the services of these teachers.' They both fully maintained the position they had taken during the Spring term and their schools were a grand success.

Winter term, Ulysses S. Wheeler, teacher. Mr. W. won the esteem of his pupils at the start and so had a comparatively

easy time. We regard him as one of our most successful teachers, and had it not been for a case of diphtheria which broke out near the school-house, and kept many of the pupils from attending school for sometime, this term would have been as successful as any one during the year.

DISTRICT No. 10.

Hope Island. Agent, J. B. Osgood. Chester R. Anderson is now teaching the only term they have had during the year. We think he is doing fair work.

DISTRICT No. 11.

We are pleased to be able to report successful schools in this district. Your Committee visited this island and found twenty-seven children between the ages of four and twenty-one, thirteen belonging to Cumberland. There had been no school privileges of any kind for five years. We immediately conferred with the Portland committee and found them ready and willing to aid in establishing a school there as soon as possible. Another visit was soon made with the Portland committee, which resulted in the opening of a school under the instruction of Miss Georgie Pinkham, Sept. 20th, which continued eight weeks. After a vacation of four weeks, the school was again opened with the same teacher and is still in session. Both the Portland and Cumberland committee have been much pleased with Miss Pinkham's work, and we think she is deserving of much praise for her perseverance and patience which has brought about so good results. We knew Miss P. as one of the *best* scholars, and she has proved herself a faithful teacher. We must also say, that judging from Miss P's school register and other reports, Crotch Island has some smart little scholars who are bound to make *men* and *women* if they have fair privileges.

DISTRICT No. 12.

The scholars in this district attend school in Palmouth.

DISTRICT No. 13.

Agent, Simeon L. Clough. This district had two terms of school, one of seven, the other of thirteen weeks; both under the instruction of Miss Edith N. Rowe, a fine scholar and a faithful teacher. She did good work, and the school showed a marked advance at the end of Fall term. With a little firmer discipline Miss R. would rank among the first teachers in the State. Average number scholars for term, ten.

UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY.

They have had one term of fifteen weeks school during the year, taught by Will E. Frost. When we visited this school it appeared to be doing good work, and we have no doubt that it advanced very well. They very much need a better school room.

GREELY INSTITUTE.

The Fall term began with Mr. Wilson Nevens as principal, and Miss Louisa Harvey as assistant. During the first term, it was visited frequently, and we anticipated that the closing examination would be quite a success. The recitations in the forenoon passed off very nicely. We assembled again in the afternoon, and while the young ladies' in the "General History" class, were making some brilliant recitations, an alarm of fire was given, which closed the examination quite unceremoniously. At the close of this term, Miss Harvey resigned, and we felt that this was quite a loss to the school, as she is a fine scholar, and a young lady of a great deal of self reliance, but we think that her position has been ably filled by Miss Alma Brackett, who is one of our best teachers.

We were present most of the day, during the last examination, and were much interested in the different recitations. The class in reading is particularly worthy of mention, as they gave good expression, pronunciation, and could be distinctly heard. The work performed on the board by the classes in

mathematics was very neatly executed and well explained and demonstrated. The class in Geography drew some quite accurate maps from memory, and gave good recitations from them. The young ladies of the General History class were not interrupted at this examination, and as usual did credit to themselves and teacher. We trust that teachers and pupils will so unite their efforts, as to make the coming year one of grand success.

Respectfully submitted,

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