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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF FARMINGTON,

FOR THE

Year Ending February 16th, 1883.

FARMINGTON:
PRESS OF KNOWLTON, McLEARY & CO.,
Nos. 2 & 3 Knowlton's Block.
1883.
Selectmen’s Annual Report.

To the Citizens of Farmington:

Your Selectmen would respectfully submit the following Report in relation to the financial condition of the Town, together with the amount of receipts and expenditures from February 15, 1882, to February 16, 1883.

ASSESSMENTS.

After taking an Inventory of the real and personal estate, we found the valuation of the Town to be Fifteen Hundred and Fifty-seven Thousand and Seven Hundred Dollars ($1,557,700), viz.: Total amount of real estate, $1,161,345; total amount of personal property, $396,355,—and the number of Polls to be Eight Hundred and Seventy-one (871).

Upon the polls and estates we have assessed the following named sums, to wit:

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Total, $24,488.20
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1.

Union with District No. 9 of Chesterville.

Valuation Real Estate, $77,785 00
" Personal Estate, 24,405 00
Number of Polls, Fifty-three.

On the polls and estates we have assessed the following named sums, to wit:

For payment of Interest bearing debt, $177 60
Overlays, 6 81

Total, $184 41

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3.

Valuation of Real Estate, $79,190 00
" Personal Property, 11,495 00
Number of Polls, Forty-seven.

On the polls and estates we have assessed the following named sums, to wit:

For payment of balance of Interest bearing debt, $210 00
Overlays, 6 04

Total, $216 04

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4.

Valuation Real Estate, $462,430 00
" Personal Property, 202,990 00
Number of Polls, Three Hundred and Twenty-eight.

On the polls and estates we have assessed the following named sums, to wit:

For payment of Interest bearing debt, $1,175 00
" Free High School, 200 00
" Painting School House, 225 00
" Furniture, 100 00
Overlays, 74 71

Total, $1,774 71

On the 6th day of July, 1882, we committed the foregoing lists of said assessments unto R. Hanly Smith, Collector of said Town.
(5)

**SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.**

Amount of money raised by town, $3,000 00
School Fund and Mill Tax, 1,536 64
Interest on Town School Fund, 88 90

$4,625 54

After deducting the sum of $462.29 from this amount, to be given to the smaller districts as authorized by law, the remainder was apportioned to the several school districts according to the number of scholars returned by the Agents, being at the rate of $4.27 to each scholar.

The division of school money is made April 1st.

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975 $1792.34 $462.29 $4625.54 $4862.90 $1559.13
School Orders drawn since Feb. 15, 1882, $4,862 90
Balances due School Districts, 1,559 13

Balances due School Districts, Feb. 15, 1882, $1,792 34
Amount of school money divided Apr. 1, 1882, 4,625 54 6,417 88

Deficit being amount overdrawn in Dist. No. 15, $ 4 15
in Dist. No. 15, in 1881, 2 47
Total overdrawn, $ 6 62

SUPPORT OF POOR.

P. Dyer, for medical attendance on Emma F. Young, and charged West Waterville, $ 10 00
G. W. Davis, for getting coffin, etc., and charged Emma F. Young, 7 25
F. C. Belcher, for goods delivered to paupers in 1880, 11 25
Reuben Cutler, for witness fees in case of E. Livermore vs. Farmington, 8 64
W. B. Gilman, for expenses to West Waterville, looking up a residence for Emma F. Young, 7 25
P. P. Tufts, fee paid John A. Hallowell, bill for medical attendance on Ella Crocker, in 1880, 40 00
James McLaine, for keeping Hamlin children, per contract, 1881, 80 00
Leonard Holley, for support of Sarah F. Mace, in full to April 1, 1882, and charged R. H. Smith, 80 00
J. C. Holman, for expenses on account of tramps, 3 25
J. C. Holman, for expenses to Portland, looking up settlement of Charles F. Morrill, 9 17
Maine Insane Hospital, 139 81
I. E. Gammon, for rent of House for B. R. Ave, and charged to Fairfield, 3 50
R. Hanly Smith, for balance due for support of poor, for year ending April 1, 1882, per contract, 760 04
A. F. Gilman, for support of Ora G. Hamlin till she is of age, 72 50
I. W. Hanson, for copies for law court, E. Livermore vs. Farmington, 25 25
Ivory Welch, in part for support of child of A. M. Welch, per contract, 5 00
Gammon & Hines, for supplies furnished paupers, $34.31
Town of Strong, for support of Peter Haines, Jr., in full to Sept. 1, 1882, and costs, $650.00
F. O. Lyford, for medical attendance on Frank Guild, and charged to New Vineyard, $10.50
Charles D. Weymouth, for keeping tramp, $1.00
T. & A. Croswell, for pauper supplies, in 1880, $3.70
Leonard B. Bailey, for digging grave, etc., for Rice child, and charged to Temple, $2.25
J. J. Linscott, for medical attendance, and charged R. H. Smith, $2.00
E. S. Johnson, for medical attendance, and charged to Strong, $10.00
Daniel Hoyt, for conveying patient to Insane Asylum, and expenses, $33.50
E. L. Coburn, for keeping tramps, $1.50
G. W. Ranger, for supplies furnished paupers, in 1878–9, $4.72
A. Walton, for keeping tramps, $2.25
Ivory Welch, for support of child of A. M. Welch, $15.00
R. Hanly Smith, for support of poor for year 1882–3, in part, $1,000.00
F. M. Norton, for services assisting in carrying patient to Insane Asylum, $5.00

Total, $3,038.64

Your Overseers contracted with R. Hanly Smith for the support of all of the paupers of said town, except insane paupers, as well those who now stand in need of assistance, as those who may hereafter become chargeable, subject to certain conditions, for one year from April 1, 1882, for the sum of $1,850.00.

Orders issued as per above statement, $3,038.64
Due April 1, 1883, on contract with R. H. Smith, 850.00

$3,888.64

Appropriation by Town, $2,500.00
Items above, charged to other towns and parties, 125.50

$2,625.50

Deficit, including balance of contract due April 1, 1883, $1,263.14

During the year, the case of Strong vs. Farmington, for support of Peter Haines, Jr., commenced in 1878, has been decided against
Farmington; also case of East Livermore vs. Farmington, for support of Cyrus Chase, commenced in 1880, has been decided against Farmington. The action, Deering vs. Farmington, for the support of the family of Chas. F. Morrill, alias Bump, commenced in 1881, has been decided in favor of Farmington. The action, Farmington vs. Hobert et al., commenced in 1878, has also been decided against Farmington; the town at the present time is free from law suits, except the petition of Delana G. Lake, for an increase of damages on account of the location of a way.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

D. M. Bonney, for cash paid J. W. Fairbanks, for repairing washout,  $1.50
Josiah Cutler, for snowing bridge at Farmington Falls,  5.00
C. H. Barden, for lighting Falls bridge,  9.00
J. C. Church, for work on bridge near John C. Stewart's,  85.00
J. C. Church, for lumber and railing for bridge near John C. Stewart's,  15.00
J. C. Church, for building wall and fill for bridge near John C. Stewart's,  130.00
Andrew Croswell, for drain pipe,  7.68
George Grounder, for labor on road in 1879 by order of F. C. Perkins,  2.25
Simon Collins, for labor fitting curbing and posts for street,  19.73
Joseph S. Kempton, for labor fitting curbing,  17.50
J. F. Prescott, for lumber for railing,  14.82
G. W. Ranger, for nails, etc.,  7.00
D. M. Bonney, for cash paid J. W. Fairbanks for repairing road and removing sand,  7.59
Frank Grounder, for hauling stone,  21.10

EXPENDED BY HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

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$4,587 00 $3,682 10 $2,809 73
Amount of road orders issued by surveyors, for repairs the current year and paid by town orders, $3,682 10
Amount of road orders issued by former surveyors for repairs prior to May 1, 1882, and paid by town orders, $2,809 73
For correction of errors in orders, 178
Total am't of road orders paid by town orders, $6,493 61
Town orders for repairs ordered by Selectmen as per statement above, 336 78
Balance of appropriations to highway districts the current year and subject to order of surveyors, $904 90
Total, $7,735 29
Amount raised by town, 5,000 00

Deficit including balance of apportionments to highway districts for year ending May 1, 1883, $2,735 29

In connection with the large deficiency exhibited above we wish to call attention to the following table of the amounts raised and expended by the town, for the current repair of "Roads and Bridges," as shown in the annual reports, for the six years ending May 1, 1883, and also to the necessity of the adoption of some method by which these expenditures can be kept within reasonable limits.

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<td>$28,500</td>
<td>$36,415 30</td>
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Total deficit in highway account for six years ending May 1, 1883, $7,915 30

This exhibit makes no account of any outstanding road orders or for expenses that may be incurred in excess of the balance of $904.90, (now subject to the orders of surveyors) to May 1, 1883.

We therefore recommend that the custom of issuing road orders by the several surveyors be discontinued after May 1st, and that the selectmen issue orders direct to the several surveyors on presentation of proper vouchers for expenses incurred; and also that the selectmen be instructed not to issue any orders in excess
of the appropriation for any district, unless such excess is incurred by direction of the selectmen after personal examination by at least one of the board.

LARGE BRIDGES.

G. W. Ranger, for nails, etc., for Fairbanks Mills Bridge, $19.10
Edwin Thurston, for lumber, do., $35.93 37.84
Edwin Thurston, for lumber for Iron Bridge, $61.81
Edwin Thurston, for lumber for Furbush bridge, $25.65
John A. Webster, for labor and materials for Parsons's bridge, $32.00
G. W. Davis, for lumber for Falls bridge, $82.06
W. B. Gilman, for cash paid for labor, do., $12.00
T. & A. Croswell, for nails, etc., for Falls bridge, $6.20 100.26

Edwin Thurston, for lumber for Center bridge, $376.38
C. A. Gould, do., $6.48
Joel Wright, for labor on Center bridge, $28.25
Reuben W. Weld, do., $15.00
H. W. Knowlton, do., $7.00
C. E. Davis, do., $44.50
C. H. Davis, do., $119.05
David Bean, do., $20.00
J. H. Davis, do., $17.18
J. C. Church, for filling round pier at Center bridge, $40.00
J. W. Hines, for nails, etc., for Center bridge, $18.61 692.45

We have new planked the Center bridge with 3 in. plank and raised it up, made a fill at both ends, made a fill round the east pier, etc., which accounts for the large expenses.

Amount appropriated, $500.00
Excess over appropriation, 450.01

TOWN CHARGES.

F. C. Perkins, for examining books for 1880, $4.50
Benj. Goodwin, do., $3.00
P. P. Tufts, for services as Treasurer for year ending March 6, 1882, $75.00
W. B. Gilman, for services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of Poor for year ending March 6, 1882, 140.25
C. B. Russell, do., 147.10
Jos. C. Holman, do., 123.75
I. W. Merrill, for services as Town Clerk for year ending March 6, 1882, 10.00
J. W. H. Baker, for services as S. S. Com., do., 16.50
P. E. Norton, do., 58.40
F. O. Lyford, do., 69.70
Jos. C. Holman, for cash paid for year-book, stationery, postage, etc., 8.99
Dresser, McLellan & Co., for valuation books, 6.25
R. Hanly Smith, for commission for collecting for year 1879, in full, 213.36
Jos. S. Craig, for rent of Town House in full to Sept. 10, 1882, 48.32
F. D. Whiting, for advertising, etc., 20.50
Franklin County, for rent of Selectmen’s Office in full to Sept. 12, 1882, 40.00
G. W. Titcomb, for stationery, etc., 2.61
“ “ “ “ books, etc., for needy scholars, 34.56
W. B. Gilman, for wood for Selectmen’s Office, 6.75
W. T. Ballard, do., 2.50
James B. Severy, for taking voluntary accusation, 4.00
George Gower, for services on Com. looking up town farm, 7.00

Total, $1,043.04

Expended as above, $1,043.00
Due for Town Officers’ bills, estimated, 500.00
“ collections of taxes, 1880, 1881, 1882, 750.00

Estimates, $2,293.00
Appropriation, 1,500.00

Excess over Appropriation, $793.00

INTEREST.

Orders issued for interest, $165.00
Interest paid by Treas. on Orders, 609.22
Coupons paid, 637.50

Total Interest paid, $1,411.72
Appropriation, 1,000.00

Excess over Appropriation, $411.72
LOANS.

By vote of the town at the last annual meeting, the selectmen and treasurer issued bonds for the amount of $6,000 due in five years from April 1, 1882, with interest at three per cent., interest payable semi-annually, for the purpose of funding the outstanding indebtedness of the town—as follows to wit:

Twelve bonds, each for the sum of $500, and numbered from 1 to 12 both inclusive, $6,000 00

Also town order No. 67 for temporary loan ($order paid), 1,000 00

The treasurer has taken up and cancelled the following bonds and interest bearing orders outstanding at date of last report: 11 bonds, Nos. 15, 16, 17, 23, 24, 25, 29, 37, 38, 39, 40, dated April 1st, 1877, at 5 per cent., $100 each, 1,100 00

1 Bond, No. 5, dated April 1, 1877, 5 per cent. 500 00

3 Bonds, Nos. 3, 4, 5, dated Apr. 1, 1877, 5 per cent., $50 each 150 00 $1,750 00

TOWN ORDERS.

No.  67  O. W. Greaton, dated June 7, 1877, 650 00

101 Miss Amelia C. Davis, dated July 7, 1877, 300 00

111 C. H. Gordon, dated July 11, 1877, 250 00

120 Dexter Waterman, “ July 14, “ 100 00

138 John Mitchell, “ “ 28, “ 100 00

150 Mrs. Dorcas Dresser, dated Aug. 11, 1877, 100 00

163 Mrs. A. M. Butterfield, dated Aug. 25, 1877, 500 00

177 C. H. Gordon, dated Sept. 1, 1877, 150 00

182 J. L. Blethen, “ “ 8, “ 105 00

181 Mrs. Ellen M. Merry, dated Sept. 8, 1877, 600 00

197 Warren T. Voter, dated Sept. 10, 1877, 100 00

221 Mrs. Belinda F. Bailey, dated Sept. 29, 1877, 100 00

299 Dorcas D. Craig, dated Nov. 24, 1877, 51 00

97 T. F. Belcher, “ July 20, 1878, 710 25


355 Mrs. G. C. Stewart, dated Feb. 9, 1878, 500 00

365 Mrs. Nancy Soper, dated Feb. 14, 1878, 1,000 00

366 Same, dated Feb. 14, 1878, 1,000 00 $7,416 25

$9,166 25
Also No. 67, Daniel Beal, dated Oct. 14, 1882,  
temporary loan. 1,000 00  
Paid interest bearing indebtedness outstanding Feb. 15, 1882,  
$9,166 25  
Funding bonds sold,  
$6,000 00  
Appropriation by town,  
1,000 00  

Excess,  
$2,166 25  

Interest bearing debt, Feb. 15, 1882, $22,566 25  
16, 1883, 19,400 00  

Reduction, $3,166 25  

INTEREST BEARING OBLIGATIONS NOW OUTSTANDING.  

Town orders, Phebe Holt, due June 25, 1883, 4 per cent. $100 00  
" " Nathan Holt, " " " " 4 per cent. 50 00  
" " Nancy Soper, " Feb. 14, 1884, 4 per cent. 1,000 00 $1,150 00  

Town bonds due Oct. 1, 1884, 5 per cent., 700 00  
" " April 1, 1887, 5,550 00 $6,250 00  
" " " April 1, 1884, 4 per cent., $1,350 00  
" " " " 1885, " 600 00  
" " " " 1889, " 4,050 00 $6,000 00  
" " " " 1887, 3 per cent., 600 00  

Total, $19,400  
Interest charged on above, $778 50  

ABATEMENTS.  

Total amount of abatements of taxes for the year 1879, $39 00  
do., 1880, 7 50  
do., 1881, 29 45  
do., 1882, 34 15  

Total, $110 10  
No appropriation.
### MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

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<td>J. C. Church, for building sewers</td>
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<td>W. B. Gilman, for cash paid for sign-boards</td>
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### COLLECTOR’S ACCOUNTS.

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#### TAX, 1882, R. HANLY SMITH, COLLECTOR.

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| Total Tax,                                                                 | $24,488 20|
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<td>&quot; County, &quot;</td>
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School Dist. No. 1, Union, R. Hanly Smith, Collector.

Bal. of Tax, 1881 | $38.77
Dist. Tax, 1882  | 184.41

Paid P. P. Tufts, Tr., $205.80
Balance, 173.04

$223.18

School Dist. No. 3, R. Hanly Smith, Collector.

Dist. Tax 1882, 216.04
Paid P. P. Tufts, Tr., 213.00
Balance, 3.04

$216.04

School Dist. No. 4, R. Hanly Smith, Collector.

Bal. of Tax, 1881 | $66.56
Dist. Tax, 1882  | 1,774.71

Paid P. P. Tufts, Tr., 235.91
Balance, 1,605.36

$1,841.27

Liquor Agency.


Dr.

To Liquors on hand Feb. 15, 1882, $287.52
Bought of State Agent:

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2 doz. bottles Whiskey, 22.00
1 " Rock and Rye, 8.50
1 " Ale, 5.60
57 " Lager Beer, 54.15
State Agt.'s com., packages, and carting, 115.62

Paid Freight Bills,
" Agent's salary,
Stock on hand reduced,
Net profits,

1,666 56
19 42
150.00
37 37
359 10

$2,519 97

Cr.
Cash rec'd for liquors sold by J. C. Tarbox, Agt., $540 53
Cash rec'd for barrels and casks sold by J. C. Tarbox, Agt., 9 50
Cash rec'd for liquors sold by Jos. Bangs, Agt., 1,704 79
" barrels and casks 15 00
Liquors on hand Feb. 15, 1883, as per schedule, 250 15

$2,519 97

CASH ACCOUNT.

Dr.
Rec'd from J. C. Tarbox, Agt., $550 03
" Jos. Bangs, 1,719 79

2,269 82

Cr.
Paid for liquors as per above statement, $1,666 56
Freight, 19 42
Salary of Agent, 150 00
Paid to town Treasurer, 400 55
Cash in Agent's hands Feb. 15, 1883, 33 29

$2,269 82

LIABILITIES.

Balances to school districts, $1,559 13
" highway 904 90
For collection of taxes, 1880, 1881, 1882, estimated, 750 00
Balance on contract for support of poor, due April 1, 850 00
Interest due April 1, estimated, 400 00
School orders outstanding issued current year, 26 00
Town " " " " " 27 57
Costs, and expenses of counsel in law-suits already accrued, including bill of East Livermore for support of Cyrus Chase, estimated, 800.00
Town Officers’ Bills, current year, estimated, 500.00
Interest-bearing debt, 19,400.00

$25,217.60

RESOURCES.

Due on tax of 1880, $229.34
" 1881, 3,572.02
" note of W. F. Gordon, 150.00
" D. H. & J. Hobart, 107.00
" tax titles, 186.53
" non-resident taxes, 110.23
" from other towns (pauper charges), 170.34
" for railroad and telegraph tax, 29.55
" State pensions paid, 129.00
State School Fund and Mill Tax, 1,536.64
Interest on Town School Fund, estimated, 90.00
Cash in Treasury, 1,982.15

$8,292.60

ESTIMATES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

For support of schools, required by law, $2,683.00
" poor, 2,500.00
" defraying Town charges, 1,500.00
" paying interest on Town indebtedness, 800.00
" paying outstanding Town indebtedness, 2,500.00
" roads and small bridges, 5,000.00
" large bridges, 500.00
" abatements, 500.00

J. C. HOLMAN, Selectmen
C. B. RUSSELL, of Farmington.
W. B. GILMAN,

Examined and approved. I. WARREN MERRILL, Auditor.

FARMINGTON, Feb. 16, 1883.
TREASURER’S STATEMENT.

FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING FEBRUARY 15, 1882, AND ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1883.

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By Cash of the town of Deering,
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All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. P. TUFTS, Treasurer.

Examined and approved.

I. WARREN MERRILL, Auditor.

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SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1883.

School District No. 1.

Cash in the Treasury Feb. 15, 1883, $37 63
Due from the Collector, for 1882, 4 41
“ for 1881, 12 97

School District No. 3.

Overpaid by the Treasurer, $1 87
Due from the Collector, for 1882, 3 04

School District No. 4.

For building School House.
Overpaid by the Treasurer, 68 33
Due from the Collector, for 1882, 1249 11
“ for 1881, 66 56

Free High School.
Due from the Collector for 1882, 50 00
Cash in the Treasury Feb. 15, 1882, being Cash of the State, 201 00

For painting School House.
Due from the Collector, for 1882, 143 09

For Furniture for School House.
Due from the Collector, for 1882, 100 00

The interest-bearing liabilities of the several districts, as shown by the Treasurer's book:

District No. 1.

$120 per year; first payment, Sept., 1883. $840 00
(21)

DISTRICT No. 4.

One note to F. G. Butler, due Sept., 1882,
" R. K. Blake, " " " 500 00
" O. W. Blake, " 1883, 395 00
" F. G. Butler, " " " 500 00
" " 1884,- 500 00
" John Mitchell, " 1885, 500 00

$2,895 00

P. P. TUFTS, Treasurer.
Citizens of Farmington:

Having attended to their duties, your Superintending School Committee present their Annual Report for your consideration.

Work of Visitation.

We have visited all the schools in town at least once in each term and most of them twice or more. In visiting the different schools it has been our aim to encourage the pupils in their work, to interest them in the subject of education, to examine the work of the teachers, to make such changes as in our opinion were necessary in the work, and to foster confidence and concerted effort on the part of teachers and pupils. In nearly every instance our efforts have been kindly received, and we are happy to say that on the whole our schools the past year have been prosperous.

Investigations.

In two instances during the year has your Committee been called to investigate and settle difficulty, in No. 8 and in No. 3. In No. 8, after a hearing of both sides and some advice from the Committee, the matter was settled and the school continued uninterrupted to the end of the term. In No. 3 the Committee found a somewhat unruly disposition manifested, and partially punished one scholar for a gross breach of decorum, by expulsion.
SCHOOL AGENTS.

The Agents have, we are glad to say, very generally shown a commendable degree of interest in the discharge of their duties, thus very materially assisting the Committee in their work, for which they will please accept our thanks.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

In Districts No. 1 and 4 the inhabitants have erected school houses that are convenient and appropriate to the purposes of schools, an honor to those Districts.

There are some other good school houses in town, but many are cold, inconvenient, dilapidated, an actual insult to the pupils required to attend school in them. To illustrate, the larger boys and girls in Dist. No. 7 are entitled to the same amount of money per capita as those scholars in No. 1 or 4, and doubtless as deserving as any in town, yet they are compelled year after year to attend school in a miserable apology for a school house, while others have the benefits of good, convenient school rooms. Is it to be wondered at that such scholars become heedless, morose, discontented with their situation? Justice to them, however, compels us to say that the scholars in No. 7 have borne up bravely under their disadvantages. We think the time has arrived when they should be furnished with a good school house as soon as may be. In No. 20 somebody neglected to bank up the old house; an open scuttle or ventilator over the stove, assisted by a big hole in the floor, made a perfect draught:—the result, the chamber the warmest part of the house, the upper part of the room hot, the lower part freezing, so that while the scholars' heads were flushed with heat their feet ached with cold, just reversing the accepted maxim of cool heads and warm feet:—consequence, a large per cent. of the scholars were out with colds contracted at school; one lady said to a member of the Committee, “she should be glad when school closed, as she could not keep her children well at school.” The Agent secured good, faithful teachers; still the schools were not what they might have been with a good house. The house in No. 22 is another poor old rattle-trap of a thing, and that district should at once build a new one or take measures to be consolidated with No. 9; we would recommend the latter. No. 12 is another district that should at once consolidate or build a new house.

Your Committee are impressed with the fact that the money appropriated for the support of public schools is not as wisely and economically expended as it should be, owing to the fact that the schools in town are so numerous and so small. We give a table
showing the cost of education per scholar per week in the different
districts in town, so far as the registers have been returned at the
time of writing this Report. It will be seen that the figures range
from 24 to 80 cents. An examination of the statistics shows the
comparatively small expense of educating children in the large
schools, and the large expense of the same in the small. Could
there be fewer districts, and consequently fewer teachers to be paid
and fewer houses to be warmed and kept in repair, the same amount
of funds now expended in town for schools would secure longer
terms and more of them, and also command the services of a better
class of teachers.

When your Committee have visited schools where a teacher has
been laboring week after week with an average attendance of six
scholars or even less, the question very naturally occurs, whether it
is not possible and expedient to diminish the number and enlarge
the size of our schools. And they are very positive that it is easily
possible to combine schools and re-district the town so as to well
convene the inhabitants and save the expense of maintaining at
least 25 per cent. of the present number of schools and increase the
value of school facilities, especially in the remote districts, perhaps
100 per cent.

If this opinion is correct, then the matter now under consideration
is one of large importance. If by simply uniting and remodelling
districts a given amount of school money will greatly increase the
value of school facilities to the town as a whole, and especially to
those whose present facilities are very poor, then it is the manifest
duty of the town to give immediate and serious attention to it.

Your Committee have no specific plan to propose, being of opinion
that in so important a matter there should be much care and de-
liberation, and therefore a committee of your best citizens should
be appointed by the town to take the whole matter under consider-
ation and report to the town according to their best judgment. But
we urge the voters in town to look at this matter seriously, thought-
fully, candidly, and in a spirit of benevolence and philanthropy.
Why should the town put into employ say 25 per cent. more teach-
ers than it has need of, especially when 75 per cent. will do more
and better work than the present 100 per cent.? Why waste our
money, why defraud our children as we are now doing?

The following table shows the cost of the teachers' wages and
board per scholar per week in those districts from which we have
full returns. The fuel, etc., would not in our opinion materially
change the ratio. It will be seen in nearly every instance the larger
the district, the less the cost per scholar, and vice versa:
THE VILLAGE SCHOOLS.—GRADED.

District No. 4 voted last March to raise the sum of two hundred dollars for the support of a Free High School. It was thought best to expend the money during the fall term of school. This gave us sixteen weeks of schooling. There has been a large amount of work done and that of the very highest order, fitting many of its pupils to be teachers. Some of them are giving good satisfaction in our town schools. We think that our High School has become a success, and deserves to be counted among the first schools of our State.

We can say that there will be a class of five to graduate at the close of the summer term, thoroughly fitted for college, which will be an honor to the school and town.

It is a fact that the advanced scholars do demand a better chance to pursue the higher studies. The money that was raised has been expended judiciously. The grading has been of such a nature as to have a less number of classes. Their rank has been high, showing that they have tried to do their work well. The school has been increased by a number of fine scholars from our sub-districts. They have given an impetus to the school. There are many that contemplate attending the coming school year.

The Grammar School has graduated a class of fourteen, all of whom have been received into the High School. There has been a good amount of work done in the school. Many of the classes have taken a high rank. We can say that we are well pleased with the character of all of the classes.

The Intermediate has made a great advancement from anything that we have ever seen before. This is one of the hardest rooms in the school building. Many of the pupils are not regular in their attendance, some are idle, listless, and indifferent, having to be urged and almost driven to their daily work.
The Primary School has not been crowded the past year. The attendance has at times been small, for what reason we are not able to state. The work has been well done, as far as we have been able to judge. It is one of the most important schools in the district, and should always be taught by the very best teacher that can be procured.

Course of Study for the Farmington High School.

*Adopted by Superintending School Committee, June 13, 1881.*

**CLASSICAL.**


**Second Year.** — *First Term*: General History, Latin; Greek, or Physical Geography. *Second*: General History, Latin; Greek, or Book-Keeping. *Third*: General History, Latin; Greek, or Chemistry.

**Third Year.** — *First Term*: Geometry, Latin, Greek, Zoölogy, or English Literature. *Second*: Geometry, Latin; Greek, or Geology. *Third*: Geometry, Latin; Greek, or Political Economy.

**Fourth Year.** — *First Term*: Latin, French; Greek, or Trigonometry. *Second*: Latin, French, Greek, Astronomy, or Mental Philosophy. *Third*: Latin, French; Greek, Moral Philosophy, or Civil Government.

**ENGLISH.**


**BUSINESS.**


The following text-books are used: Greenleaf's Algebra, Wentworth's Geometry, Hutchinson's Physiology, Swinton's General History, Anderson's English History, Bryant and Stratton's Book-Keeping, Steele's Chemistry, Allen & Greenough's Latin Grammar, Jones's Latin Lessons, Boise's Anabasis. Exercises in English Composition, Elocution, and Vocal Music, in all the Courses, each term. American authors read during the first two years. Mental Arithmetic weekly. Mensuration with last term in Geometry.
Only those who have completed one of the three courses will be entitled to a diploma; but any one may take a partial course, and receive a certificate stating his or her proficiency in the studies pursued.

First two studies of each term in the Classical Course required.

### Course of Study for the Farmington Grammar School.

**FIRST YEAR.**  
Reading—Franklin's Fourth Reader. Spelling—Both daily through the year. Drawing and Oral Lessons weekly. To alternate forenoon and afternoon recommended.

**SECOND YEAR.**  

**THIRD YEAR.**  
Reading and Spelling daily. Rhetorical Exercises, Drawing and Oral Lessons weekly. Vocal Music and Physical Exercise daily through the course.

### SCHOOL STATISTICS.

The following is the summary of the work done in the several districts the past year:

It is of particular importance to every inhabitant of the town and we recommend it to their careful consideration. April 1st, 1884, there were 975 scholars in town, in 1881 there were 980, in 1880 1036, showing a slight decrease the past two years. The total
amount of school money for 1882 was $4,625.54 which was apportioned to the several districts in town by the municipal officers and committee.

No. 1.—FALLS (Union with Chesterville). Geo. F. Dutton, Agent. 38 scholars in Farmington; money apportioned, $162.26. Summer school, Adelaide E. Smart, teacher; length of school, 7 weeks; attendance, 32; average, 26; wages, $4.00 per week; board, $2.50. Fall term, Victoria A. St. Clair, teacher; length of term, 8 weeks; attendance, 34; average, 31; wages, $7.00 per week; board, $2.50 per week. Winter term, same teacher; length of term, 5 weeks; attendance, 33; average, 32; wages, $8.50; board, $2.75 per week.

No. 2—GOWER DISTRICT. J. F. Gower, Agent. Number of scholars, 24; money apportioned, $122.48. Summer term, taught by Lillian C. Eaton; length of school, 8 weeks; attendance, 9; average, 7; wages, $3.50 per week; board, $2.00. Winter term now in operation under the instruction of Rose M. Tarbox.

No. 3.—NORTON FLAT. E. N. Allen, Agent. Number of scholars, 77; money apportioned, $328.79. Summer term, Victoria A. St. Clair, teacher; length of term, 10 weeks; attendance, 33; average, 29; wages, $5.00 per week; board, $2.50 per week. Fall term taught by Lizzie S. Hodgkins; length of school, 12 weeks; attendance, 30; average, 20; wages, $5.00 per week; board, $2.40. Winter term now in operation, same teacher.

No. 4.—VILLAGE SCHOOL. Dr. P. Dyer, Agent. Number of scholars, 352; money apportioned, $1,503.04. Teachers, spring term, F. F. Whittier, principal; Grammar school, Emma S. Wyman; Intermediate, Rose B. Collins; Primary, Georgia A. Brown. At the close of the spring term, Mr. Whittier resigned and was succeeded by John C. Ryder, who with the above named lady teachers were retained during the remainder of the year. Length of school, 32 weeks; wages of teachers including board, principal, $75.00 per month; Grammar, $8.00 per week; Intermediate and Primary $7.00 per week. In the table below the first figures give the number registered; the second the percentage of attendance.

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No. 5.—FAIRBANKS' MILLS. D. E. Currier, Agent. Number of scholars, 54; money apportioned, $230.58; summer term taught by Rena Rogers; length of school, 8 weeks; attendance, 30; average, 23; wages, $4.00 per week; board, $1.75. Fall term, same
teacher; length of school, 8 weeks; attendance, 23; average, 18; wages, $4.00; board, $1.75. Winter term taught by W. L. Butler.

Length of school, 10 weeks; attendance, 38; average, 30; wages, $35.00; board, $2.50.

No. 7.—SPRAGUE DISTRICT. Charles Partridge, Agent. Number of scholars, 25; money apportioned, $126.75. Summer school, Mattie B. Oakes, teacher; length of school, 8 weeks; attendance, 23; average, 16; wages per week, $3.00; board per week, $1.50. Winter term, Fred S. Butterfield, teacher; length of school, 12 weeks; attendance, 21; average, 14; wages, $18.00 per month; board, $2.40 per week.

No. 8.—CURRIER DISTRICT. A. H. Bradford, Agent. Number of scholars, 15; amount of money, $98.05. Fall term taught by Ella J. Mann; length of term, 6 weeks; attendance, 7; average, 5; wages, $2.50 per week; board, $1.50. Winter term, same teacher; length of term, 11 weeks; attendance, 17; average, 15; wages, $4.50 per week; board, $2.00.

No. 9.—WEST FARMINGTON. Geo. Smith, Agent. Number of scholars, 78; amount of money, $333.06. Summer term, Ella M. Holley, teacher; length of school, 10 weeks; attendance, 33; average, 29; wages, $6.00 per week including board. Fall term, H. L. Sampson, teacher; length of term, 9 weeks; attendance, 42; average, 35; wages per month $50.00 including board. Winter term, same teacher, now in operation.

No. 10.—SEWALL DISTRICT. W. J. Lunt, Agent. Number of scholars, 18; money apportioned, $111.15. Winter term, Mrs. E. P. Sewall; length of school, 13 weeks; attendance, 8; average, 6 1/2; wages, $6.00 per week; board, $2.00.

No. 11.—GREENWOOD DISTRICT. J. McLain, Agent. Number of scholars, 29; amount of money, $133.83. Summer term; Addie F. McLain, teacher; length, 8 weeks; attendance, 12; average, 11; wages, $2.70 per week; board, $0.80 per week. Winter term, Victoria A. St. Clair, teacher; length, 11 weeks; attendance, 14; average, 12; wages, $6.50 per week; board, $1.35 per week.

No. 12.—KNOWLTON’S CORNER. Levi Smith, Agent. Number of scholars, 27; money apportioned, $135.29. Summer term taught by Etta A. Lovejoy; length of term, 8 weeks; attendance, 13; average, 11; wages, $2.35 per week; board, $1.40. Winter term, John J. Hunt, teacher; length of term, 8 weeks; attendance, 15; average, 14; wages, $40.00 per month including board.

No. 14.—BRIGGS DISTRICT. A. J. Hardy, Agent. Number of scholars, 28; amount of money, $134.56. Spring term, Amanda
J. Bass, teacher; length of term, 8 weeks; attendance, 12; average, 10; wages, $2.75 per week; board, $1.75. Winter term now in session.

No. 15.—Russell's Mills. C. D. Priest, Agent. Number of scholars, 28; amount of money, $134.56. Spring term taught by Marietta Eaton; length of term, 8 weeks; attendance, 23; average, 19; wages, $3.12 1-2; board, $1.40. Fall term, same teacher; length 8 weeks; attendance, 15; average, 10; wages, $3.25; board, $1.50. Winter term, same teacher; length of school, 8 weeks; attendance, 19; average, 14; wages, $4.00 per week; board, $1.75.

No. 16.—Porter Hill. W. T. Ballard, Agent. Number of scholars, 12; money appropriated, $87.24. School now in operation.

No. 17.—Bailey District. Charles Ames, Agent. Number of scholars, 19; amount of money, $111.13. Summer term taught by Sarah P. Titcomb; length of school, 6 weeks; attendance, 9; average, 6; wages, $2.50 per week; board, $1.40. Winter term now in session.

No. 18.—Titcomb District. F. Y. Locke, Agent. Number of scholars, 22; Ella J. Mann, teacher; attendance, 12; average, 11; wages, $2.50 per week; board, $1.65. Fall and winter term commenced by Lizzie N. Eaton but she was compelled to leave on account of the severe illness of her mother. Miss Eaton taught 9 weeks; attendance 16; average, 14; wages, $3.50; board, $1.65; the balance of the term was taught by Miss N. M. Swift, of Industry. Taught. 6 weeks; attendance, 9; average, 8; wages, $3.25; board, $1.75.

No. 19.—Mosher Hill. Llewellyn Norton, Agent. Number of scholars, 25; money apportioned, $126.75. Summer term, Mrs. May Norton, teacher; length of term, 8 weeks; attendance, 16; average, 14; wages, $3.50; board, $1.50. Winter term, Frank G. Luce, teacher; length of school, 13 weeks; attendance, 16, average, 12; wages, $22.00 per month; board, $1.40.

No. 20.—Holley District. J. P. Holley, Agent. Number of scholars, 18; amount of money, $111.86. Summer term taught by Rose M. Tarbox; length of term, 9 weeks; attendance, 8; average, 7; wages, $2.00; board, $1.15. Winter term, Albert E. Jennings, teacher; length of term, 12 weeks; attendance, 12; average, 11; wages, $18.00 per month; board, $1.55.

No. 21.—Geo. Holley District. Geo. Holley, Agent. Number of scholars, 14; amount of money, $94.78. Summer term, Annie M. Fellows, teacher; length of school, 6 weeks; attendance, 8;
average, 7; wages, $4.00 per week; board, $1.50. Fall term, Allie Parsons, teacher; attendance, 10; average, 8; wages, $2.00 per week; board, $1.00.

No. 22.—Walton's Mills. M. C. Hobbs, Agent. Number of scholars, 32; amount of money, $136.64. Summer term taught by Nellie O. Small; length of school, 10 weeks; attendance, 23; average, 18; wages, $3.00 per week; board, $1.25. Winter term, M. Hayes, teacher; length of term, 12 weeks; attendance, 22; average, 16; wages, $22.00 per month; board, $1.90.

No. 23.—No. Chesterville. 14 scholars; money, $74.78.
No. 25.—Furbush District. 11 scholars; money, $76.97.
No. 20.—D. H. Smith. 2 scholars; money, $12.54.
No. 28.—Allen's Mills. 2 scholars; money, $12.54.
No. 30.—Hillman District. 5 scholars; money, $61.35. Ira V. Cutler, Agent. Summer term taught by Alice E. Barker; length of term, 9 weeks; attendance, 12; average, 7; wages, $2.25 per week; board, $1.75.

No. 31.—McIntosh District. 6 scholars; money, $45.62.

April 1st, 1882, there were returned 975 scholars in town. We apportioned $4.27 per scholar, the sum of $4,163.25; leaving a balance of $462.29 which was divided among the smaller districts, as follows:

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This year we would recommend that Mr. Cyrus A. Thomas and Mr. A. H. Bradford be set off from District No. 8 and be annexed to District No. 9 at West Farmington.

J. W. H. Baker,  S. S. Committee
F. O. Lyford,  of Farmington
P. E. Norton,

Farmington, Feb. 16, 1883.