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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Selectmen and Supervisor of Schools

OF THE

TOWN OF MANCHESTER.

1884-5.

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# SELECTMEN'S REPORT, 1884-5.

## TOWN OF MANCHESTER.

### SCHOOL FUNDS.

Appropriated by Town.....	\$650 00
Funds from State .....	302 97
Balance from last year.....	102 35
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	\$1055 32

### EXPENDITURES.

<i>No.</i> <i>Dist.</i>	<i>Funds.</i>	<i>Expenditures.</i>	<i>Balance.</i>	<i>Over-</i> <i>drawn.</i>
1.....	\$273 61	\$183 50	\$90 11	
2.....	139 07	28 75	110 32	
3.....	72 62	74 50		\$1 88
4.....	225 31	193 04	32 27	
5.....	110 28	60 00	50 28	
6.....	163 01	52 00	111 01	
7.....	51 70	34 12	17 58	
Parts ....	19 72		19 72	
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	\$1055 32	Due School Districts, \$429 41		

### FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Appropriated by Town .....	\$75 00
Received from the State.....	74 50
Received for tuition .....	6 00
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Total.....	\$155 50

## EXPENDITURES.

F. L. Stevens, Principal.....	\$75 00
Miss Lucie J. Hawkes, Assistant.....	50 00
R. W. Sanford, board of Principal.....	30 00
I. W. Hawkes, printing bills and postage.....	1 00
	\$156 00
Excess.....	50

## HIGHWAYS.

Appropriated in labor.....\$1000 00

<i>Dist.</i>	<i>Surveyor.</i>	<i>Amt. Assigned.</i>	<i>Uncollected.</i>
1	Bradford Boynton.....	\$104 04	\$5 44
2	F. J. Hewins.....	98 26	13 20
3	O. J. Foster.....	67 89	2 56
4	Mark Osborne.....	36 74	
5	R. T. Hopkins.....	50 03	1 60
6	J. T. Collins.....	35 94	
7	Philo Benson.....	27 00	
8	Alvah Bailey.....	15 73	1 84
9	George E. Crowell.....	53 24	1 60
10	Joseph Fifield.....	102 72	
11	George W. Cottle.....	72 03	1 61
12	James C. Hewitt.....	73 26	
13	Thomas Jackson.....	52 81	1 90
14	Albert Daggett.....	68 73	1 34
15	L. R. Sanford.....	62 02	1 38
16	M. S. Fifield.....	38 22	
17	George L. Fifield.....	24 82	

\*Bills not returned.

## SNOW BILLS.

Appropriation.....\$350 00

<i>Dist.</i>	<i>Surveyor.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>
1	C. F. Hewins.....	\$13 56
2	F. J. Hewins.....	28 33
3	O. J. Foster.....	41 59

## SNOW BILLS—Concluded.

<i>Dist.</i>	<i>Surveyor.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>
4	Mark Osborne.....	35 43
5	R. T. Hopkins .....	22 73
6	J. T. Collins .....	6 57
7	Philo Benson.....	27 62
8	S. P. Bolden .....	5 09
9	J. C. Hartung.....	57 40
10	Joseph Fifield .....	3 50
11	Edwin Caldwell.....	36 22
12	J. C. Hewitt .....	14 66
13	Albert Knowles.....	32 50
14	J. E. Wing .....	29 86
15	L. R. Sanford.....	1 00
16	W H. Hill.....	18 99
17	G. L. Fifield .....	
		\$375 05
	Excess .....	\$25 05

## SUPPORT OF POOR.

Appropriation .....	\$200 00
Received of the town of Hiram for expense of Miss Lewellen Staples.....	100 35
Received of the town of Richmond for expense of James W Lent .....	7 70
	\$308 05

## EXPENDED.

W T. Wilder for D. Morgan, (4 qrs.).....	\$104 00
“ for Thomas Han .....	11 00
Leonard Dearborn for Miss Staples.....	14 85
E. C. Myers for Miss Staples.....	23 00
Dr. M. M. Leahy for Miss Staples .....	40 00
Dr. J. M. Eveleth “ “ .....	22 50
W. H. Wing for James W Lent .....	7 70
F. J. Hewins, care of tramps.....	3 00
	\$226 05
Balance .....	\$82 00

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Appropriated.....	\$50 00
Uncollected Highway Tax of last year.....	74 96
Non-Resident .....	50 08
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Total.....	\$175 04

## EXPENDED.

J. T. Collins, labor on highway.....	\$5 00
A. P. Wingate, road scraper.....	5 00
James Kaley, labor on highway .....	1 25
R. T. Hopkins, " " .....	3 00
Geo. E. Crowell, " " .....	11 24
Geo. F. Wing, " " .....	96
H. F. Cummings, " " .....	9 34
Wm. H. Lyon, logs and plank for water course..	5 15
George W. Cottle, labor on highway.....	8 03
F. J. Hewins, " " .....	12 20
Edwin Caldwell, " " .....	2 50
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	\$63 67
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	\$111 37

## INCIDENTAL CHARGES.

Appropriated.....	\$275 00
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## EXPENDED.

S. Milliken & Sons, shingles for hearse house...	\$8 50
Horace North, blank books.....	3 15
W. H. Wing, expense to town of Hiram .....	8 94
J. L. Wood, stationery, glass, &c.....	3 12
Wm. Torrence, repairs on hearse house and hall,	7 75
Geo. H. Kilbreth, services as Town Clerk .....	6 00
W. H. Wing, services as Selectman, &c.....	43 75
F. J. Hewins, " " .....	38 50
L. H. Hammond, " " .....	38 50
Baker, Baker & Cornish, attorney's fees.....	5 00
I. W. Hawkes, services as Supervisor.....	34 50
J. G. Sampson, collecting and disbursing.....	61 22
"    Constable.....	6 00
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	\$264 94
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Balance .....	\$10 06

## TOWN DEBT AND INTEREST.

Appropriated .....	\$100 00
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## EXPENDED.

Interest on John Whitten's note.....	\$22 50
Paid on John Whitten's note .....	250 00
Interest on Abigail Sanford's note.....	24 00
"    Wm. Fifield's note.....	30 87
"    Hammond note .....	19 50
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	\$346 87
Excess .....	\$246 87

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

Schools.....	\$650 00
Free High School .....	75 00
Support of Poor.....	200 00
Roads and Bridges.....	50 00
Incidentals.....	275 00
Breaking Snow.....	350 00
Interest on Debt.....	100 00
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	\$1700 00
State Tax.....	1166 60
County Tax.....	425 07
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	\$3291 67

## MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS.

School Fund and Mill Tax, 1884.....	\$302 97
Overlay .....	65 81
Uncollected highway tax .....	74 96
Non-resident " " .....	50 08
Rent of hall.....	18 00
From town of Hiram .....	100 35
"    "    Richmond.....	7 70
From State, for Free High School.....	74 50
Received for tuition Free High School.....	6 00
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	\$700 37
Total .....	\$3992 04

## EXPENDITURES.

Assigned to schools .....	\$952 97	
Expense of Free High School.....	156 00	
Support of poor.....	226 05	
Roads and bridges.....	63 67	
Incidental charges.....	264 94	
Breaking snow.....	375 05	
Town debt and interest.....	346 87	
Abatements.....	60 28	
Balance on State tax of last year.....	866 60	
Paid " " 1884.....	100 00	
" " County tax.....	425 07	
		<u>\$3837 50</u>
Balance .....		\$154 54

## TREASURER AND COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

J. G. SAMPSON in account with the town of Manchester.

## DR.

To cash from collector of 1881-2-3-4.....	\$3323 03	
" " treasurer of 1883 .....	89 43	
School funds from State.....	302 97	
High School funds from State.....	74 50	
Tuition, Free High School.....	6 00	
From the town of Hiram.....	100 35	
" " Richmond.....	7 70	
Rent of hall.....	18 00	
		<u>\$3921 98</u>

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Paid Selectmen's orders.....	\$1049 28	
" School orders.....	1022 85	
" Overseers' orders.....	226 05	
" State and County taxes.....	1391 67	
Cash on hand.....	232 13	
		<u>\$3921 98</u>

GENERAL STATEMENT.

NOTES OUTSTANDING.

Abigail Sanford .....	\$400 00
John Hammond .....	300 00
William Fifield .....	475 00
John Whitten.....	200 00
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Town debt .....	\$1375 00
Due on State tax.....	\$1066 60
Due school districts .....	429 41
Outstanding bills (estimated).....	125 00
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	\$2996 01

ASSETS.

School fund due from State.....	\$302 97
Cash in hands of treasurer .....	232 13
Uncollected taxes of 1882.....	44 95
“ “ 1883.....	389 09
“ “ 1884.....	2108 03
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	\$3077 17
Balance in favor of town.....	\$81 16

Amount of Inventory.....	\$233,169 00
Number of polls.....	134
Rate of taxation.....	13¼ mills.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIS H. WING,	}	<i>Selectmen</i>
FRANK J. HEWINS,		
LINDLEY H. HAMMOND,		
		<i>Manchester.</i>

MANCHESTER, Feb. 21st, 1885.



# SUPERVISOR'S REPORT, 1884-5.

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## DISTRICT NO. 1—N. C. WESTON, Agent.

The Summer School was taught by A. H. Brainard, of East Winthrop, a promising young collegian. Some complaints were made against this school, and the attendance fell off consequently, toward the close of the term. Justice to the teacher requires me to say that the school appeared well at my first visit, and that the pupils who were present at the close passed a satisfactory examination. Whole number of pupils, 23 ; average, 17 ; length of term, 12 weeks.

### *Winter Term.*

The Winter Term was taught by N. A. Springer, of Winthrop, a young man of excellent family and well recommended. The attendance was good, and the examination in some branches interesting and satisfactory. A part of the pupils had made very good progress, while with a portion of them, progress was hardly perceptible. Length of term, 10 weeks ; whole number of pupils, 23 ; average, 21.

## DISTRICT NO. 2—OTIS J. FOSTER, Agent.

### *Summer Term.*

Miss Emma M. Gorden, of Readfield, Teacher. The youngest teacher in town, she manifested tact and energy in the management of her school, and succeeded well. Length of term, 7 weeks ; whole number of pupils, 12 ; average, 9.

### *Winter School.*

The agent having removed to New Jersey, J. B. Brown was appointed to fill the vacancy. In accordance with the wishes of the parents, he employed Alfred N. Hawkes for the Winter School.

The number of pupils was 15. The school has not yet closed. **It** is well spoken of. The length of term will be 12 weeks.

DISTRICT NO. 3—E. J. HIGGINS, Agent.

Summer School of 10 weeks, taught by Miss Ella A. Towle, **of** West Gardiner. Whole number of pupils, 5; average, 4.

*Winter Term.*

Miss Evelina Mitchell, of Farmingdale, Teacher. A very pleasant and profitable school. Whole number, 5; average, 4,

DISTRICT NO. 4—ALVAH BAILEY, Agent.

There were three terms in this district. A Spring Term of **8** weeks, taught by Miss Myra P. Bailey, of this town. Registered attendance, 13; average, 10.

The Fall Term of 9 weeks was taught by Miss Lola Merriman, of Litchfield. Registered attendance, 14; average, 11.

The Winter Term of 12 weeks, by Miss Evelina Mitchell. Whole number of pupils, 16; average, 13. The average attendance in this district shows an improvement over former years. An increasing interest was manifest, especially during the Winter term. This School closed with a very pleasant examination, which was enjoyed by a large number of visitors.

DISTRICT NO. 5—S. A. THURSTON, Agent.

Two terms in this district. A Summer Term of 8 weeks, taught by Miss Emma L. Howe. Registered attendance, 10; average, **9**.

A Winter Term of 10 weeks was taught by Miss Jeanette Selbing. Whole number of pupils, 6; average, 5.

These young ladies were beginners, and graduates from Augusta city schools. I think this may be regarded as a profitable school year to the pupils of No. 5.

DISTRICT NO. 6—ALBERT KNOWLES, Agent.

The Summer Term was taught by Dan. V. Thompson, of Augusta. "Dan," as he wishes to be called, has started out with the settled determination that the Doctor's family shall furnish one first.

**class teacher** ; and if fine scholarship, love of vocation and a resolve **to succeed**, insure success, he will accomplish his purpose. Length **of term**, 8 weeks. Registered attendance, 19 ; average, 15.

A Winter Term is in progress, under the charge of Gardiner M. **Knowles**, of this town. It opened very pleasantly, and with an **unusually full attendance**, and will continue 12 weeks.

#### DISTRICT NO. 7—MARCELLUS FIFIELD, Agent.

Only one term of 6 weeks in this district, taught by Miss Hattie A. Smith, of Readfield. Registered attendance, 3. A good school.

A term of Free High School commenced September 1st, and **continued 10 weeks**. The Principal was Fred L. Stevens, of Temple, **a graduate from the State College**. The Assistant, Miss Lucie J. **Hawkes**, of this town, a graduate from the Friends' School, **Providence, Rhode Island**. The school was well organized, well **patronized**, and a success. Mr. Stevens was just the man for the **place**. Modest and unassuming in manner, a thorough scholar and **a good disciplinarian**, he won the esteem of his pupils, and with the **efficient aid of his assistant**, accomplished a very successful term. **An entire day was devoted to the examination**, which was very **satisfactory**. I regret that more of the parents were not present. **Registered attendance, 42 ; average, 36.**

These pupils were, from District No. 1,	15
“ “ “ 2,	9
“ “ “ 3,	1
“ “ “ 4,	3
“ “ “ 5,	4
“ “ “ 6,	8
“ out of town,	2
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	42

There were in town, April 1st, according to the Agents' returns, **193 scholars** between the ages of 4 and 21 years, against 212 in 1882, a loss of 19 in two years. Of these, the names of 115 appear **upon the teachers' registers**. While a larger percentage of **attendance would have been desirable**, the record compares favorably **with previous years**. An interesting feature of the school year has been the holding a term of Free High School. The \$75.00 appro-

priated by the town, with a like sum received from the State, and \$6.00 received for tuition, were expended upon a term of 10 weeks. It would seem that the success which attended this school might encourage the town to make a yearly term of Free High School a part of its educational system. While the State generously offers to defray one-half the expense (within certain limits), it is obviously for our interest to furnish the children of this town the increased privileges thus cheaply obtained. Few towns are as well situated as ours for running a school of this character. The commodious school-room at the Centre, with hall above for a recitation room; about 75 per cent. of the scholars who have attended our district schools, sufficiently near to board at home, as was proved last Fall, and ample facilities for self boarding in the neighborhood for those living remote from the Centre, clearly demonstrate the fact above stated. I recommend an appropriation of \$100.00 for a term of High School the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

I. WARREN HAWKES, *Supervisor.*

MANCHESTER, Feb. 23, 1885.