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# Annual Report

OF THE

TOWN OF MANCHESTER.

1895



ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
**SELECTMEN**  
AND  
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
***TOWN OF MANCHESTER,***  
FOR THE  
MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 20, 1895.

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# REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

## COMMON SCHOOLS.

Balance Feb. 26, 1894,	\$335	95
Pd orders of 1893, school No 4, \$100 50		
“ “ “ “ “ “ 7, 28 00		
Balance April 1st, 1894,	128	50
Appropriated by town, 1894,		\$ 207 45
“ from free high school, 1893,		500 00
Received from State,		12 50
“ for tuition,		399 17
		16 00
		\$1135 12

### EXPENDITURES.

School No. 1.	Teaching and board,	165	
	Fuel and care of house,	31	
	Insurance,	14	
		210	00
School No. 2.	Teaching and board,	125	
	Fuel and care of house,	10	
	Insurance,	10	
		145	50
School No. 4.	Teaching and board,	227	
	Fuel and care of house,	15	
		243	00
School No. 5.	Teaching and board,	124	
	Fuel and care of house,	14	
		138	50
School No. 6.	Teaching and board,	140	
	Care of house,	4	
		144	00
School No. 7.	Teaching and board,	110	
	Care of house,	3	
	Insurance,	100	
		123	25

General supplies,		4 43
Balance due schools Feb. 20, 1895,		126 44
		<u>\$1135 22</u>

Outstanding bills estimated, 31 00

#### REPAIR OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Appropriated, 25 00

##### EXPENDITURES.

W. S. Knowles, house No. 7,	5 46
W. R. Merrill, " " 5,	3 00
E. R. Freeman, " " 1,	55
	<u>9 01</u>

Unexpended balance, 15 99

25 00

#### SCHOOL BOOKS.

Appropriated, 25 00

##### EXPENDITURES.

American Book Co.,	9 60
D. H. Knowlton & Co.,	1 50
Silver, Burdette & Co.,	7 20
I. W. Hawkes, express, etc.,	1 30
	<u>19 60</u>

Unexpended, 5 40

25 00

#### HIGHWAYS.

Appropriated, 600 00

Overlay, 15 71

615 71

No. 1, Frank Albee,	50 51
" 2, Frank J. Hewins,	65 05
" 3, Robert R. Smart,	39 57
" 4, Mark Osborne,*	22 66
" 5, Herbert Hopkins,	19 35
" 6, James T. Collins,	17 58

" 7, W. H. Steward,	13 12	
" 8, Henry, E. Emery,	11 97	
" 9, W. H. Hartung,	37 37	
" 10, W. M. Prescott,	62 23	
" 11, Herbert Young,	36 90	
" 12, Alvin U. Cottle,	34 16	
" 13, Albert Knowles,	33 37	
" 14, Albert Daggett,	35 24	
" 15, Lewis R. Sanford,	36 14	
" 16, M. S. Fifield,	16 82	
" 17, John R. Fifield,	12 79	
Committed to Collector,	70 88	
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## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Appropriated,	\$300 00	
Uncollected highway tax of 1893,	55 53	
Non-resident highway tax of 1894,	70 88	
	<hr/>	\$426 41

## EXPENDED.

E. Burgess, labor on highway,	\$ 3 76	
H. H. Hewett, labor on highway,	3 00	
H. A. Drake, " "	5 83	
Creasey & Cummings, plank for culvert,	3 18	
H. A. Drake, labor on highway, Dist. No. 8,	7 08	
" " " 7,	5 83	
" " " 4,	4 99	
" " " 6,	4 22	
Martin Caldwell, labor on highway,	6 87	
Creasey & Cummings, timber for culvert,	3 00	
B. G. Taylor, railroad ties for Sanford hill,	10 00	
A Daggett, labor on highway,	9 44	
Albert Knowles, labor on highway,	11 30	
T. E. Jackson, " " 1893,	14 14	
J. A. Daggett, " "	80	
John R. Fifield, " "	13 86	
J. W. Emery, " "	3 66	
Herbert Hopkins, snow plow,	8 50	



R. T. Hopkins, labor on highway,	6 00
W. Hartung and others, labor on highway,	12 98
H. E. Emery           "       "	3 68
F. J. Spear, labor on highway,	68
James McGuire, labor on highway,	34
Baxter Mosher,       "       "	13 33
Edwin Caldwell,     "       "	7 80
H. A. Young,         "       "	10 00
Frank Albee and others, labor on highway,	14 97
Creasey & Cummings, lumber,	3 05
George W. Cottle, labor on highway,	1 67
H. E. Emery,         "       "	2 50
Edward Burgess,     "       "	2 92
H. F. Cummings and others, labor on highway,	23 75
F. J. Hewins         "       "       "	34 23
W. M. Prescott, labor on highway,	9 07
"            rebuilding bridge,	35 00
Robert R. Smart,	1 35
"            snow plow,	9 00
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	\$311 72
Unexpended,	114 69
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	\$426 41

## BREAKING SNOW.

Appropriated, \$500 00

## EXPENDED.

Paid George F. Wing and others, Nos. 1 and 2,	\$ 12 10
L. H. Hammond, 1893, No. 1,	3 73
C. H. Cram, No. 11,	3 00
M. S. Fifield and others, No. 16,	30 15
H. E. Emery, No. 8,	1 34
W. H. Hill and others, No. 16,	39 36
F. J. Spear       "       No. 8,	4 92
Albert Knowles and others, No. 13,	22 00
W. H. Bowman, No. 10,	8 03
H. W. Hopkins and others, 1893, No. 5,	70 84
W. R. Merrill, No. 9,	1 17

W. H. Wing, No. 4,	5 91
C. E. Whitten, No. 11,	4 17
Martin Caldwell, No. 11,	9 62
Charles Nickerson and others, No. 7,	61 36
William Welch, No. 4,	1 33
Orin Smith, No. 10,	5 67
A. Daggett, No. 14,	8 51
T. E. Jackson, No. 13,	19 81
Mark Osborne, No. 4,	1 50
J. A. Daggett, 1893, No. 14,	7 48
W. H. Lyon, Jr., No. 11,	6 33
George L. Fifield, No. 17,	24 80
I. W. Hawkes, No. 3,	1 00
Fred L. Fifield, No. 17,	13 45
Edwin Caldwell, No. 11,	9 17
Baxter Mosher, No. 11,	5 16
H. A. Young, No. 11,	12 07
C. C. Morrill, No. 1,	83
Frank Albee and others, No. 1,	31 25
George W. Cottle,	31 25
H. Emery and others, No. 8,	16 73
William Hartung and others, No. 9,	40 79
F. J. Hewins " " 2,	42 75
Joseph Fifield " " 10,	8 00
W. M. Prescott " " 10,	46 92
Robert R. Smart " " 3 and 4,	45 72
Herbert W. Hopkins and others, No. 5,	21 74
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	\$ 690 79

Excess,

190 79

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\$ 690 79

#### REPAIR OF CEMETERIES.

Unexpended balance of 1893, \$16 95

#### SUPPORT OF POOR.

Appropriated,	\$450 00
Received for Groves cow,	35 00
"    of Elias Howard,	48 00

“ State (Elias Howard funeral expenses),	27 75
“ for grass on Groves place,	12 00
“ of town of Oakland, W. Cochran,	7 50
“ of Mrs. Carrie Adell, to reimburse the town for expense of Mrs. Susan Dunn in 1893,	5 00

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid Orrin Smith, support of Elias Howard,	\$195 25
W. H. Wing, clothing for “	1 85
Funeral expenses of Elias Howard,	27 75
Thomas C. Jones, for support Samuel Groves and wife,	97 50
W. H. Wing, support Samuel Groves and wife,	15 00
W. H. Wing, clothing for Samuel Groves and wife,	6 63
Mark Osborne, for Samuel Groves and wife,	1 00
Dr. J. M. Eldreth, for Mrs. Groves, 1893,	5 00
“ “ Rebecca Douglas,	
1893,	67 50
H. E. Trask, for board of E. S. Higgins,	18 25
H. H. Laffin, “ “	68 10
J. W. Cross, shoes for E. S. Higgins,	2 00
City of Bath for Eugene Groves,	20 00
For William Cochran,	7 50
E. R. Freeman, expense of tramps,	12 75
W. H. Wing, “ “	2 75
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	\$549 02
Balance,	36 23
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	\$585 25

A bill of \$138.41 was incurred in the town of Webster, last spring, for E. S. Higgins, check for payment of which has been sent overseers of that town, but receipt was not returned in season to appear in this report.

## INTEREST.

Appropriated,		35 00
	EXPENDITURES.	
Interest on Wm. Field's note,	30 87	
"    " Temporary loans,	15 00	
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	45 87	
Excess,		<hr/> 10 87
		45 87

## INCIDENTAL CHARGES.

Appropriated,		350 00
	EXPENDED.	
W. H. Wing, expenses to town of Webster,	6 32	
Enoch Adams, returning births and deaths,	75	
E. R. Packard, printing town reports,	12 00	
L. C. Cormish, attorney fees,	3 00	
A. E. Farr, wood for office,	4 25	
H. A. Drake, repairs on road machine,	4 53	
E. W. Bowman, painting hearse,	16 00	
Macomber, Farr & Co., insurance,	14 00	
Albert Daggett, snow plow,	2 00	
I. W. Hawkes, services as supervisor,	44 00	
E. R. Freeman, repairs on road machine,	3 75	
"    "    "    " hearse,	1 00	
G. H. Kilbreth, stationery and postage,	1 07	
G. M. Knowles, services as ballot clerk,	1 50	
G. H. Kilbreth, recording births and deaths,	3 55	
"    "    services as town clerk,	6 00	
H. E. Emery, boundary stone,	2 00	
Willis H. Wing, services as selectman, etc.,	58 62	
Geo. H. Kilbreth, "    "    "	57 00	
H. F. Cummings, "    "    "	47 00	
W. M. Prescott, bill heads and stationery,	3 00	
"    "    constable fees, collecting dog tax,	10 00	

W. M. Prescott, collecting taxes of 1893,	81 06	
George F. Wing, care of hearse,	5 00	
	<u>387 40</u>	
Excess,		37 40
		<u>387 40</u>

## FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Appropriated by town,		100 00
EXPENDED.		
Paid A. C. Robbins for teaching No. 1,	100 00	
G. M. Knowles, for board, No. 1,	25 00	
Joseph Fifield, board, No. 6,	25 00	
Due Greta L. Bigelow, teaching, No. 6,	50 00	
	<u>200 00</u>	
Due from State,		100 00
		<u>200 00</u>

## REPAIRS ON TOWN HALL.

Received rent of hall in 1893,		9 00
"    "    "    "    " 1894,		<u>28 50</u>
		37 50
EXPENDED		
Excess of 1893,	19 86	
Repairs in 1894,	1 55	
	<u>21 41</u>	
Unexpended balance,	16 09	
		<u>37 50</u>

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

APPROPRIATIONS.	
For common schools,	\$ 500 00
free high schools,	100 00
support of poor,	450 00

roads and bridges,	300 00
deficiencies of 1893,	600 00
breaking snow,	5 00
incidental charges,	350 00
interest,	35 00
repair of school houses,	25 00
purchase of school books,	25 00
	<hr/> \$2885 00

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS.

Rec'd town of Farmingdale, tuition,	\$ 8 00
town of West Gardiner, tuition,	8 00
grass on Groves place,	12 00
for Groves cow,	35 00
of Elias Howard,	48 00
free high school fund from State,	88 50
from State (burial expenses E. Howard),	27 75
town of Oakland,	7 50
Mrs. Carrie Adell,	5 00
rent of hall,	28 50
mill tax of 1893,	363 62
from State, dog licenses of 1893,	46 46
	<hr/> \$ 677 33
	<hr/> \$3562 33

EXPENDITURES.

For common schools, orders drawn,	\$1137 18
Repair of school houses, "	9 01
School books, "	19 60
Roads and bridges, "	311 72
Breaking snow, "	699 79
Support of poor, "	549 02
Interest, "	45 87
Incidental charges, "	387 40
Free high school of 1894, "	150 00
Free high school of 1893, "	80 00
Repairs on town hall, "	1 55
Abatements of 1892-3-4, "	35 74
Balance,	144 45
	<hr/> \$3562 33

## TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

## DR.

To cash from collector of 1891,	\$ 7 50
"    "    1892,	142 13
"    "    1893,	1505 12
"    "    1894,	2062 11
To miscellaneous receipts,	677 33
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	\$4394 19
Due treasurer,	378 18
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	\$4672 37

## CR.

By paid town orders,	\$1263 41
"    town, school and overseers orders, 1893,	325 00
"    school orders,	1367 18
"    overseers' orders,	549 02
"    State tax of 1893,	693 98
"    County tax of 1893,	389 09
"    on State tax of 1894,	46 46
"    Treasurer of 1893,	138 23
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	\$4672 37

## GENERAL STATEMENT.

## ASSETS.

Uncollected taxes of 1891,	\$ 11 14
"    "    1892,	19 71
"    "    1893,	165 17
"    "    1894,	1917 01
Due from State, for Free High School,	100 00
Mill tax of 1894,	399 17
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	\$2612 20

## LIABILITIES.

Due treasurer,	\$ 278 18
William Fifield's note,	475 00
Due on State tax of 1894,	584 56
Due on County tax of 1894,	289 09
Outstanding bills estimated,	600 00

Balance due schools Feb. 20, 1895,	126 44	
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	\$2353 27	
Balance in favor of town,	259 93	
	<hr/>	\$2612 20
State tax, 1894,	\$ 631 02	
County tax, 1894,	289 09	
Town tax, 1894,	2885 00	
Uncollected highway tax, 1893,	55 53	
Non-resident highway tax, 1894,	70 88	
Overlay,	50 43	

Amount of inventory, \$243,855.

No. of polls, 160.

Rate of taxation,  $14\frac{1}{2}$  mills.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIS H. WING,	} Selectmen	
GEORGE H. KILBRETH,		of
H. F. CUMMINGS,		} Manchester.

Manchester, Me., Feb. 20, 1895.



## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

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The School Committee chosen at the last March meeting met and organized as required by law. The drawing for term of service resulted as follows: E. R. Mayo, 1 year; G. M. Knowles, 2 years; I. W. Hawkes, 3 years. I. Warren Hawkes was chosen Supervisor of Schools. It was decided to have a Spring term of ten weeks to commence April 23, and a Fall term of the same length to commence Sept. 3, in each of the school houses except No. 3.

Under the new school laws it became the duty of your Supervisor "to make a certified list of the names and ages of all persons in town from four to twenty-one years," corrected to the first day of April. There were found 160, of whom 104 have attended school in town or elsewhere. The general character of our schools has been good, and no disturbance requiring my attention has occurred during the year. There has been the usual amount of complaint against a few of the scholars, of irregular attendance, and it is evident that greater care is needed on the part of parents to see that their children realize the full benefit of their school privileges.

No. 1 has been particularly fortunate in the character of its schools. Miss Gordon taught an excellent school in the Spring term, and then secured a better position in Natick, Mass. She was succeeded in the Fall term by Albert C. Robbins of Winthrop, who proved a first class teacher. No. 2 was equally fortunate in having the services of Mrs. Hopkins, who has now taught 11 terms of school in this town with excellent success; she is beloved by her pupils, and if there is anything in them that is worth cultivating she is very sure to find and develop it. The examinations in this school were among the most interesting in town. Miss Littlefield of West Gardiner taught the Spring term in No. 4; her health was hardly equal to the task, but she rendered faithful service. The Fall term was under the charge of Miss Hopkins, one of our most experienced teachers. Miss Keyes gave good satisfaction in No. 5, and has since been promoted to a larger school in Winthrop.

One of the pleasantest schools in town was No. 7, where Miss Martin presided over a little company of seven happy scholars. An interesting feature of this school was the attendance; during the Spring term no pupil was absent or tardy, and four of them carried

the same record through the school year. The best record in attendance was made by Merton Freeman, Winnie Albee and Laura Martin, of No. 1, each of whom attended thirty weeks without losing a half day. Milton Farnham of No. 6 and Don Fifield, Charlie Fifield, Harry Fifield and Chauncey Fifield of No. 7 attended two terms (twenty weeks) without losing a half day. Several others did nearly as well.

A term of Free High School of ten weeks commencing Dec. 3, was held in No. 1, also in No. 6; and a school of the same length in No. 4. In No. 1 Mr. Robbins, whose success in the Fall term has been mentioned, was the teacher. It was a pleasure to visit this school. The discipline was excellent; the teacher was in love with his work, and an unusual degree of interest on the part of many of the pupils was manifest. A free high school like this pays.

Miss Greta Q. Bigelow of Winthrop was the teacher in No. 6. She taught the Fall term and, with the approval of parents and pupils, was employed for the Winter. Miss Bigelow is a fine scholar and a faithful conscientious teacher. As other duties called me from home at that time I employed one of my associates to attend the examination. He reports a good school.

The Winter school in No. 4 was a disappointment as regards attendance; much smaller than I anticipated. There is a good deal of coming and going in this neighborhood and future estimates are always uncertain. Justin E. Clary, a student from the State College at Orono was teacher. It was his first attempt at teaching and he was ambitious to succeed. I visited the school twice and think that Mr. Clary's experience may encourage him to larger undertakings in the future.

#### SCHOOL NO. 1.

**SPRING TERM**, Miss M. Emma Gordon, teacher. Whole number of scholars, 23; average 20.4.

**FALL TERM**, Albert C. Robbins, teacher. Whole number of scholars, 22; average 19.

#### SCHOOL NO. 2.

Mrs. Georgia R. Hopkins, teacher. Spring term, whole number of scholars 11; average 10. Fall term, whole number of scholars 6; average 7.

## SCHOOL NO. 4.

SPRING TERM, Miss Mae J. Littlefield, teacher. Whole number of scholars 11; average 10.

FALL TERM, Miss M. Lillian Hopkins, teacher. Whole number of scholars 18; average 15.

## SCHOOL NO. 5.

Miss Alice E. Keyes, teacher. Spring term, whole number of scholars 14; average 11. Fall term, whole number of scholars 12; average 8.

## SCHOOL NO. 6.

SPRING TERM, Miss M. Lillian Hopkins, teacher. Whole number of scholars 16; average 14.

FALL TERM, Miss Greta L. Bigelow, teacher. Whole number of scholars 16; average 11.

## SCHOOL NO. 7.

Miss Eliza J. Martin, teacher. Spring term, whole number of scholars 7; average 7. Fall term, whole number of scholars 7; average 6.8.

## FREE HIGH SCHOOL NO. 1.

Albert C. Robbins, teacher. Whole number of scholars 28; average 23.

## FREE HIGH SCHOOL NO. 6.

Miss Greta L. Bigelow, teacher. Whole number of scholars 18; average 13.5.

## WINTER SCHOOL NO. 4.

Justin E. Clary, teacher. Whole number of scholars, 11; average 7.5.

Our school houses are in fairly good condition and a small appropriation for repairs will meet the needs of the coming year. For school books a larger appropriation than usual will be required. It has been five years since the town commenced to furnish books, and many of them (and especially the Geographies) are much worn, and new books will be needed. With the balance now in the treasury to the credit of our schools, an appropriation of \$500 for common schools and \$100 for free high schools will insure the same amount of schooling as last year.

Respectfully submitted,

I. WARREN HAWKES, Supervisor of Schools.

Manchester, Feb. 23, 1895.