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## Report of School Committee.

*To the Citizens of Manchester:—*

The School Committee submit the following report for the past year:—

### COMMON SCHOOLS.

|                                      |        |            |
|--------------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Appropriation of 1905.....           | 800 00 |            |
| School and mill fund from state..... | 364 38 |            |
| Due from Farmingdale tuition.....    | 8 00   |            |
| Balance from 1904....                | 15 04  |            |
|                                      | <hr/>  | \$1,187 42 |

### EXPENDITURES.

|                                  |        |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| School orders 1904 and 1905..... | 50 00  |        |
| School No. 1, teaching and board | 261 00 |        |
| Fuel and care of house           | 14 70  |        |
|                                  | <hr/>  | 275 70 |

|                                  |        |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| School No. 2, teaching and board | 167 50 |        |
| Fuel and care of house           | 16 50  |        |
| School No. 3, conveyance.....    | 8 00   |        |
|                                  | <hr/>  | 192 00 |

|                                  |        |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| School No. 4, teaching and board | 225 00 |        |
| Fuel and care of house           | 26 50  |        |
| Tuition West Gardiner            | 1 34   |        |
|                                  | <hr/>  | 252 84 |

|                                  |        |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| School No. 6, teaching and board | 217 50 |        |
| Fuel and care of house           | 24 50  |        |
|                                  | <hr/>  | 242 00 |

|                                  |        |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| School No. 7, teaching and board | 160 25 |        |
| Fuel and care of house           | 4 25   |        |
|                                  | <hr/>  | 164 50 |

1,177 04

|                                   |       |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--|
| Balance in favor of schools ..... | 10 38 |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--|

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\$1,187 42

Bills outstanding, estimated \$25.

# TOWN OF MANCHESTER

## FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

|                                |        |          |
|--------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation.....             | 100 00 |          |
| Balance from 1904.....         | 56 00  |          |
| From state 1903, '04, '05..... | 47 00  |          |
|                                | <hr/>  | \$203 00 |

### EXPENDED.

|                                      |        |          |
|--------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| City of Hallowell tuition.....       | 28 00  |          |
| Maine Wesleyan Seminary tuition..... | 39 00  |          |
| Balance .....                        | 136 00 |          |
|                                      | <hr/>  | \$203 00 |

## REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

|                             |        |          |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation.....          | 200 00 |          |
| Received for old seats..... | 8 00   |          |
|                             | <hr/>  | \$208 00 |

### EXPENDED.

|   |        |          |
|---|--------|----------|
| Excess of 1904.....                       | 17 10  |          |
| J. A. Daggett, labor.....                 | 2 00   |          |
| E. F. Temple, labor.....                  | 1 50   |          |
| Hackett & Jackman, cleaning house....     | 3 00   |          |
| Mrs. Wm. Welch, cleaning.....             | 2 50   |          |
| Elizabeth Cochrane, cleaning.....         | 1 00   |          |
| Brooks Hardware Co., hardware.....        | 12 67  |          |
| S. W. Burnham, labor.....                 | 20 58  |          |
| J. W. Church & Son, hardware.....         | 16 93  |          |
| J. E. Wadleigh, labor.....                | 6 00   |          |
| A. R. Avery, labor.....                   | 19 45  |          |
| Temple & Brodhead, labor.....             | 11 50  |          |
| H. E. Emery, express and freight.....     | 10 50  |          |
| A. M. Bowman & Co., paint etc.. .....     | 7 13   |          |
| J. T. Collins & others, labor & materials | 32 20  |          |
| The Caxton Co., seats. ....               | 52 68  |          |
|   | <hr/>  |          |
|   | 216 74 |          |
| Excess.....                               | 8 74   |          |
|   | <hr/>  | \$208 00 |

## TEXT BOOKS.

|                        |       |          |
|------------------------|-------|----------|
| Appropriation .....    | 50 00 |          |
| Balance from 1904..... | 64 80 |          |
|                        | <hr/> | \$114 80 |

## EXPENDED.

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| American Book Co.....       | 101 82 |
| Edward E. Babb & Co.....    | 4 30   |
| Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.....  | 22 16  |
| G. M. Knowles, express..... | 4 70   |

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 132 98

Excess

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 18 18

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 \$114 80

R. PEASE,  
JAMES T. COLLINS,  
S. S. Committee of Manchester.

## Report of Selectmen.

## TOWN HALL FUND.

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Balance from 1904 .....                  | 18 16 |
| Due from R. Pease 1904 for rent of hall. | 8 00  |
| Received for rent of hall 1905.....      | 22 50 |

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 \$48 66

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation ..... | 1,200 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

## EXPENDED.

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Excess of 1904.....           | 74 82  |
| L. Dearborne.....             | 2 00   |
| W. E. Mosher .....            | 2 85   |
| J. A. Knowles.....            | 75     |
| J. R. Fifield.....            | 9 50   |
| Alvin U. Cottle.....          | 3 00   |
| H. A. Young.....              | 1 00   |
| H. A. Drake and others .....  | 19 84  |
| C. M. Conant .....            | 9 10   |
| M. S. Fifield and others..... | 248 87 |
| H. A. Drake and others.....   | 258 54 |
| E. M. Dudley .....            | 1 00   |
| M. S. Fifield and others..... | 46 87  |
| B. Hopkins.....               | 15 48  |
| C. E. Getchell.....           | 20 14  |
| H. A. Eaton .....             | 10 30  |



|                               |        |             |
|-------------------------------|--------|-------------|
| H. A. Drake and others.....   | 113 63 |             |
| Brooks Hardware Co.....       | 15 50  |             |
| M. S. Fifield and others..... | 127 75 |             |
| H. A. Drake and others.....   | 16 65  |             |
| Ben Allen.....                | 1 33   |             |
| H. E. Emery.....              | 10 00  |             |
| F. J. Hewins.....             | 6 75   |             |
| M. S. Fifield and others..... | 98 98  |             |
|                               | <hr/>  | \$1,297 65  |
| Excess.....                   |        | <hr/> 97 65 |

## BREAKING SNOW.

|                                |        |          |
|--------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation .....            |        | 1,500 00 |
| EXPENDED.                      |        |          |
| Excess of 1904.....            | 220 54 |          |
| Hackett and Jackman...         | 40 00  |          |
| W. H. Lyon.....                | 14 50  |          |
| R. F. Knowles .....            | 19 50  |          |
| C. S. Pope.....                | 30 00  |          |
| J. A. Knowles.....             | 1 84   |          |
| H. E. Emery.....               | 21 17  |          |
| James Doyle.....               | 23 50  |          |
| L. P. Skillins .....           | 13 27  |          |
| Wm. Welch.....                 | 8 17   |          |
| W. M. Prescott .....           | 5 61   |          |
| J. D. Brodhead.....            | 7 33   |          |
| John Mills.....                | 83     |          |
| W. H. Howard .....             | 2 00   |          |
| H. F. Pease .....              | 1 85   |          |
| Herbert Hopkins .....          | 5 00   |          |
| M. Dailey.....                 | 1 67   |          |
| D. J. Worthing.....            | 11 17  |          |
| W. E. Mosher.....              | 2 25   |          |
| F. L. Fifield.....             | 33 33  |          |
| John R. Fifield.....           | 46 95  |          |
| Alvin U. Cottle.....           | 106 50 |          |
| F. W. Snow.....                | 12 62  |          |
| J. A. Knowles and others ..... | 24 00  |          |
| H. A. Young.....               | 9 75   |          |
| E. M. Dudley.....              | 38 15  |          |

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|                                  |        |            |
|----------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Mrs. Oren Smith.....             | 7 83   |            |
| E. M. Knowles .....              | 12 92  |            |
| W. E. Watson.. .....             | 36 30  |            |
| M. S. Fifield.....               | 46 78  |            |
| A. J. Mason.....                 | 2 50   |            |
| E. F. Temple .....               | 12 50  |            |
| A. E. Farr. ....                 | 5 67   |            |
| C. H. Randall... ..              | 1 17   |            |
| H. L. Farr and others.....       | 3 33   |            |
| C. A. Howard.....                | 2 50   |            |
| Chas. Fifield.....               | 4 00   |            |
| Archie E. Fifield.....           | 3 00   |            |
| J. T. Collins and others.....    | 19 47  |            |
| Chas. Nickerson.....             | 6 42   |            |
| F. C. True Jr....                | 2 00   |            |
| H. L. Whitman.....               | 1 82   |            |
| Melvin Smith.....                | 35     |            |
| T. E. Jackson. ....              | 38 29  |            |
| Geo. Wadsworth.....              | 1 96   |            |
| J. A. Daggett.....               | 10 50  |            |
| Wm. Hartung.....                 | 8 10   |            |
| F. J. Hewins.....                | 14 50  |            |
| G. H. Kilbreth.....              | 2 00   |            |
| E. M. Lenfest... ..              | 2 17   |            |
| Hackett, Jackman and others..... | 6 50   |            |
| I. W. Hawkes & Son.....          | 67     |            |
| J. Doncett.....                  | 1 00   |            |
| S. A. Miller.....                | 50     |            |
| Unexpended balance.....          | 543 73 |            |
|                                  | <hr/>  | \$1,500 00 |

## SUPPORT OF POOR.

|   |        |          |
|---|--------|----------|
| Appropriation.....                      | 25 00  |          |
| Received from town of Rome for J. Trask | 16 00  |          |
| Hay on Groves place.....                | 6 50   |          |
| Balance from 1904.....                  | 158 40 |          |
|   | <hr/>  | \$205 90 |

## EXPENDED.

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Mrs. Oren Smith, board of Octavus Drake              | 104 00 |
| A. M. Bowman & Co., clothing for Octavus Drake ..... | 5 60   |

|  |       |          |
|--|-------|----------|
| C. F. Bilodeau, supplies Hayden family | 5 20  |          |
| H. Chernousky " " "                    | 5 49  |          |
| E. M. Lenfest, care of tramp .....     | 1 00  |          |
| J. W. Emery, " " .....                 | 75    |          |
| Balance.....                           | 83 86 |          |
|  | <hr/> | \$205 90 |

|   |       |  |
|---|-------|--|
| Due from town of Canaan, Hayden family..... | 10 69 |  |
|---|-------|--|

## STATE ROAD.

|                               |        |          |
|-------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation.....            | 200 00 |          |
| Received from State 1904..... | 94 07  |          |
| " " " 1905.....               | 100 00 |          |
|                               | <hr/>  | \$394 07 |

## EXPENDED.

|                                 |        |          |
|---------------------------------|--------|----------|
| H. F. Pease.....                | 6 00   |          |
| F. J. Hewins and others.....    | 137 83 |          |
| S. E. Burnham.....              | 36 75  |          |
| H. F. Pease.....                | 10 50  |          |
| E. M. Lenfest and others.....   | 51 25  |          |
| Brooks Hardware Co., tile ..... | 7 40   |          |
| F. J. Hewins and others.....    | 4 25   |          |
| M. S. Fifield .....             | 7 50   |          |
| Unexpended balance.....         | 132 59 |          |
|                                 | <hr/>  | \$394 07 |

## RAILING FOR BRIDGES.

|                        |       |          |
|------------------------|-------|----------|
| Appropriation.....     | 50 00 |          |
| Balance from 1904..... | 62 31 |          |
|                        | <hr/> | \$112 31 |

## EXPENDED.

|                             |       |          |
|-----------------------------|-------|----------|
| J. W. Emery and others..... | 31 32 |          |
| Joseph Larrabee & Co.....   | 95 58 |          |
|                             | <hr/> | 126 90   |
| Excess .....                | 14 59 |          |
|                             | <hr/> | \$112 31 |

## INCIDENTAL CHARGES.

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| Appropriation .....    | 500 00 |
| Balance from 1904..... | 38 55  |

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 \$538 55

## EXPENDED.

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Miss I. L. Pope, Supt. Schools.....                    | 9 60   |
| Alvin U. Cottle, watering place.....                   | 3 00   |
| E. M. Henderson, disinfecting school-house.....        | 3 38   |
| W. E. Watson, watering place... ..                     | 3 00   |
| J. F. Pierce, town books.....                          | 11 50  |
| W. F. Marston, printing reports and tax bills. ....    | 16 00  |
| H. A. Heath, Insurance on schoolhouse No. 2.....       | 15 00  |
| F. C. True, labor on Cummings cemetery                 | 2 50   |
| O. J. Foster, services as ballot clerk ...             | 4 50   |
| Heath & Andrews, legal advice.....                     | 9 50   |
| Ben J. Allen, watering place.....                      | 3 00   |
| W. F. Marston, printing tax receipts...                | 1 25   |
| G. R. Campbell M. D., return of births and deaths..... | 50     |
| H. E. Emery and others fighting fires...               | 7 38   |
| A. M. Goddard, counsel for road commissioner .....     | 1 00   |
| G. H. Kilbreth, recording births & deaths              | 4 20   |
| “ “ justice fees.....                                  | 3 50   |
| “ “ services as Town Clerk..                           | 10 00  |
| G. M. Knowles “ “ Supt. Schools                        | 45 00  |
| J. W. Emery “ Truant Officer...                        | 4 00   |
| A. M. Bowman & Co., supplies town office               | 4 89   |
| A. M. Goddard, legal advice on Trask case, 1904 .....  | 11 00  |
| J. C. Kirkpatrick, repairs on clock No. 4              | 1 00   |
| J. T. Collins, services as constable.....              | 6 00   |
| “ “ and others fighting fires...                       | 4 00   |
| E. M. Lenfest, services as selectman....               | 66 00  |
| F. J. Hewins, “ “ ....                                 | 65 00  |
| J. W. Emery, “ “ ....                                  | 62 00  |
| J. T. Collins, commission as collector...              | 130 03 |

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 \$507 73

|              |       |          |
|--------------|-------|----------|
| Balance..... | 30 82 |          |
|              | <hr/> | \$538 55 |

## INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOAN.

|   |        |          |
|---|--------|----------|
| Appropriation.....                        |        | 100 00   |
| EXPENDED.                                 |        |          |
| Excess of 1904. ....                      | 31 75  |          |
| J. T. Collins, interest on temporary loan | 73 88  |          |
|   | <hr/>  |          |
|   | 105 63 |          |
| Excess .....                              | 5 63   |          |
|   | <hr/>  | \$100 00 |

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

|                                 |          |            |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Common schools .....            | 800 00   |            |
| Support of poor.....            | 25 00    |            |
| Roads and bridges.....          | 1,200 00 |            |
| Breaking snow.....              | 1,500 00 |            |
| Repairs of schoolhouses.....    | 200 00   |            |
| Text books .....                | 50 00    |            |
| Incidentals .....               | 500 00   |            |
| Interest on temporary loan..... | 100 00   |            |
| State road.....                 | 200 00   |            |
| Free High school.....           | 100 00   |            |
| Railing bridges.....            | 50 00    |            |
|                                 | <hr/>    | \$4,725 00 |

## MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS.

|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Town of Farningdale.....              | 6 00   |
| H. E. Emery, old school seats.....    | 8 00   |
| Dog licenses refunded from State..... | 31 77  |
| Geo. E. Macomber A. W. G. R. R... ..  | 4 80   |
| Town of Rome for J. Trask.....        | 16 00  |
| A. G. Pinkham, hay on Groves place... | 1 50   |
| Benj. Allen       "       "       "   | 5 00   |
| School fund and mill tax 1904.....    | 325 36 |
| "       "       "       " 1905.....   | 364 38 |
| Free High school from State.....      | 47 00  |
| State treasurer, state roads.....     | 100 00 |
| Town hall fund from F. J. Hewins .... | 22 50  |

|                                 |       |            |
|---------------------------------|-------|------------|
| State pensions from state ..... | 72 00 |            |
| Town clerk dog licenses .....   | 48 00 |            |
|                                 | <hr/> | \$1,052 31 |
|                                 |       | <hr/>      |
|                                 |       | \$5,777 31 |

## EXPENDED.

|                                    |          |            |
|------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Common schools, orders drawn ..... | 1,177 04 |            |
| Free High school, " " .....        | 67 00    |            |
| Text books, orders drawn .....     | 132 98   |            |
| Repairs on schoolhouses .....      | 199 64   |            |
| Support of poor .....              | 122 04   |            |
| Roads and bridges .....            | 1,222 83 |            |
| Breaking snow .....                | 735 73   |            |
| Interest on temporary loan .....   | 73 88    |            |
| Incidental charges .....           | 507 73   |            |
| State roads .....                  | 261 48   |            |
| Railing bridges .....              | 126 90   |            |
|                                    | <hr/>    | \$4,627 25 |

Amount of inventory, \$256,085.

No. of polls, 152.

Rate of taxation, \$21. per \$1000.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR M. LENFEST,

FRANK J. HEWINS,

J. W. EMERY.

Selectmen of Manchester.

## Collector's Report.

FOR THE YEARS 1903, 1904, AND 1905.

DR.

### TAXES COMMITTED 1905.

|                             |          |            |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|
| Town tax.....               | 4,725 00 |            |
| State tax.....              | 669 08   |            |
| County tax.....             | 407 26   |            |
| Overlay.....                | 34 44    |            |
| Uncollected taxes 1903..... | 16 49    |            |
| “ “ 1904.....               | 2,653 59 |            |
|                             | <hr/>    | \$8,505 86 |

CR.

|   |          |            |
|---|----------|------------|
| By cash paid treasurer 1903.....        | 7 80     |            |
| Abatements 1903.....                    | 2 00     |            |
| Certificates of sales to treasurer..... | 6 69     |            |
|   | <hr/>    | \$16 49    |
| By cash paid treasurer 1904.....        | 2,595 26 |            |
| Abatements of 1904 taxes.....           | 42 88    |            |
| Certificates of sales to treasurer..... | 7 45     |            |
| Balance uncollected 1904 taxes.....     | 8 00     |            |
|   | <hr/>    | \$2,653 59 |
| By cash paid treasurer 1905.....        | 2,779 30 |            |
| Abatements 1905 taxes.....              | 32 85    |            |
| Balance uncollected 1905 taxes.....     | 3,032 33 |            |
|   | <hr/>    | \$5,844 48 |

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES T. COLLINS.

Collector of Manchester.

## Treasurer's Report.

James T. Collins, Treasurer

In account with the Town of Manchester.

### DR.

|                                    |          |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Received from Collector 1905 ..... | 2,779 30 |          |
| Received from Collector 1904 ..... | 2,595 26 |          |
| Received from Collector 1903 ..... | 7 80     |          |
| Miscellaneous .....                | 932 31   |          |
| State Pensions .....               | 72 00    |          |
| Town Clerk, dog licenses .....     | 48 00    |          |
|                                    | <hr/>    | 6,434 67 |

### CR.

|                                     |          |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| By paid town orders .....           | 3,261 17 |          |
| School orders .....                 | 1,244 01 |          |
| Overseers orders .....              | 122 04   |          |
| State pensions .....                | 72 00    |          |
| County tax 1904 .....               | 253 74   |          |
| State tax 1904 .....                | 585 02   |          |
| State tax 1905 .....                | 669 08   |          |
| State treasurer, dog licenses ..... | 48 00    |          |
| Treasurer 1904 .....                | 1,231 39 |          |
|                                     | <hr/>    | 7,486 48 |
| Due Treasurer .....                 | 1,051 81 |          |
|                                     | <hr/>    | 6,434 67 |

## GENERAL STATEMENT.

### ASSETS.

|                                     |          |            |
|-------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Uncollected taxes 1905 .....        | 3,032 33 |            |
| "    "    1904 .....                | 8 00     |            |
| Due from Farmingdale, tuition ..... | 8 00     |            |
| Certificates of sales taxes .....   | 14 14    |            |
|                                     | <hr/>    | \$3,062 47 |

### LIABILITIES.

|                                |          |            |
|--------------------------------|----------|------------|
| County tax 1905 .....          | 407 26   |            |
| Balance due schools .....      | 10 38    |            |
| Due Treasurer .....            | 1,051 81 |            |
| Bills outstanding (Est.) ..... | 800 00   |            |
|                                | <hr/>    | 2,269 45   |
| Balance in favor town .....    | 793 02   |            |
|                                | <hr/>    | \$3,062 47 |



Respectfully submitted,

JAMES T. COLLINS, Treasurer.

Manchester, Feb. 21, 1906.

Examined and approved,

EDGAR M. LENFEST,

FRANK J. HEWINS,

J. W. EMERY,

Selectmen of Manchester.

## Report of Superintendent of Schools.

### NO. 1 LONGFELLOW SCHOOL.

Miss Emma E. Jones had charge of this school for the entire year. It is hardly necessary to state that her work was entirely satisfactory. She has been employed eight consecutive terms here, which, of itself, is a sufficient guaranty of a successful teacher. A "rolling stone gathers no moss," and it is plainly evident, by examination of the several schools, that a continual change of teachers, is detrimental to the best interests of those schools.

Spring term: number of pupils registered 21, average 20. Thirteen pupils not absent one-half day. Number of visits by citizens, 20.

Fall term: number of pupils registered 22, average 21. Thirteen pupils not absent one-half day. Number of visits by citizens 4.

Winter term: number pupils registered 22, average, 20.

Twelve pupils not absent one-half day. Number visits by citizens, 12.

### NO. 2 MCKINLEY SCHOOL.

Miss Elsie S. Jones, teacher. This is Miss Jones' 5th successive term in this school. Although coming here without previous experience as a teacher, it was evident from the first, that her work would be successful. Too much cannot be said, in praise of the condition of this schoolroom. It is neat and attractive and the teacher has taken great pains to adorn the walls with pictures and otherwise beautify the room and make it home-like.

Spring term: number of pupils registered, 14, average 10. Two pupils not absent one-half day. Number of visits by citizens, 15.

Fall term: number of pupils registered 12, average, 10. Four pupils not absent one-half day. Number visits by citizens, 5.

Winter term: number pupils registered 13, average 10. One pupil not absent one-half day. Number visits by citizens, 15.

#### NO. 4 WASHINGTON SCHOOL.

The spring term, Miss Emma Neale, teacher, gave promise of a successful school. Miss Neale is one of the best teachers employed for the year. At the end of the ninth week, the school closed without examination, because of the illness of the teacher.

The fall term was taught by Miss Annie L. Goodwin of Augusta, who has had an experience of fifteen years, in our public schools. She labored diligently to advance her pupils in their studies, but prevailing conditions overcame her efforts, in a great measure, and at the close of the term she decided not to teach the winter school.

Miss L. J. Hanscome was employed for the winter term. She is a teacher of even wider experience than her predecessor and whatever else may be stated, it cannot be said that she was a teacher of youth and inexperience. She early encountered the difficulties, which beset the teacher of the fall school, such as non-attendance, quarreling and fighting outside the schoolroom, profanity and vile language. Lack of interest by the pupils in their studies cannot but attend such conditions, and the school became reduced to five scholars.

The school board learning how matters stood, took measures to compel the attendance of the scholars. J. W. Emery was appointed Truant officer and succeeded in securing a full attendance for the remainder of the term.

Miss Hanscome is a thorough, earnest, painstaking teacher and the pupils, who had attended constantly made good progress.

Spring term: number of pupils registered, 18, average 15.5. Two pupils not absent one-half day. Number of visits by citizens, 12.

Winter term: number pupils registered 16, average 10. Number visits by citizens, 8.

#### NO. 6 LINCOLN SCHOOL.

Miss Izetta Royal had charge of this school for the entire year. Miss Royal has the faculty of securing the love of her pupils and the regard of all those with whom she associates. It is needless to say her school was entirely satisfactory.

Spring term: number of pupils registered 23, average 19. Three pupils not absent one-half day. Number of visits by citizens 8.

Fall term: number of pupils registered 26, average 22. Three pupils not absent one-half day. Number visits by citizens 3.

Winter term: number pupils registered 21, average 19. Number of visits by citizens 2.

#### NO. 7 FRANKLIN SCHOOL.

Miss Verna V. Wadleigh of Readfield was teacher of the spring term. She had had some experience in teaching and her efforts were as successful, perhaps, as many young teachers who had not particularly fitted themselves for their work.

Miss Emma Neale taught the fall term to the entire satisfaction of both pupils and parents. Rapid progress was made during this period and it is regretted she could not be secured for the winter school.

Winter term: Miss Bessie E. Jackson teacher. Miss Jackson is an experienced teacher, having taught several schools in her own town.

This school is the smallest in town, registering only eight pupils for the winter term. It cannot be expected that such good results can be obtained in a school of this size, as in larger schools, even with a teacher of equal experience and ability; but notwithstanding the disadvantage of numbers, good advancement was made for the year.

Spring term: number of pupils registered 9, average 8. Three pupils not absent one-half day. Number of visits by citizens 6.

Fall term: number of pupils registered 9, average 8. Number of visits by citizens 4.

Winter term: number of pupils registered 8, average 6. One pupil not absent one-half day. Number visits by citizens 2.

The responsibility resting on parents and those having children in charge is great, as regards their education. It is a serious matter to keep a child from the schoolroom. Nothing less than illness should be accepted as an excuse.

See to it that your children attend school every day; no trivial matter should keep them away, for in any school, no matter how unprofitable it may be, some advancement may be made, if there is a good healthy home influence.

Never criticise a teacher or her methods in the presence of children, for by so doing oftentimes a school is a failure, which, otherwise might have been a success.

Parents, get in closer touch with the schools, visit them, get acquainted with the teachers, invite them to your homes, show them that you are interested in them, then the cry of poor schools and irregular attendance will cease in a great measure.

It is gratifying to note that there are several pupils attending schools out of town, six at secondary schools, and five at the Grammar school, Augusta.

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