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Report of Selectmen

To the citizens of Manchester we hereby submit our annual
report.

Valuation

Real estate resident.....	\$155,415 00	
Real estate non-resident.....	81,995 00	
	<hr/>	\$237,410 00
Personal estate resident.....	34,460 00	
Personal estate non-resident.....	2,830 00	
	<hr/>	\$37,290 00
Total valuation for 1910		<hr/> \$274,700 00

LIVE STOCK

180 horses.....	\$14,000 00	
16 colts.....	810 00	
326 cows.....	8,454 00	
48 heifers 3 yrs. old.....	1,035 00	
57 heifers 2 yrs. old.....	960 00	
61 heifers 1 yr. old.....	655 00	
31 oxen.....	1,685 00	
123 sheep..	411 00	
60 swine.....	890 00	
4 ponies.....	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$29,100 00

OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Bank stock.....	\$1,000 00	
Trust Co. stock.	1,000 00	
Stock in trade.....	700 00	
Logs and lumber.....	500 00	
Carriages	50 00	
Musical instruments.....	1,815 00	
Machinery.....	2,550 00	
Other property, small boats..	575 00	
	<hr/>	\$8,190 00
Total personal estate		<hr/> \$37,290 00

Appropriations for 1910

Common Schools.....	\$ 800 00	
Free High School	60 00	
Support Poor.....	100 00	
Roads and Bridges.....	1,200 00	
Breaking snow.....	300 00	
Repairs of schoolhouses.....	25 00	
Text-books.....	75 00	
Incidental charges.....	800 00	
Insurance and supplies.....	25 00	
State road.....	400 00	
Cemetery extension	125 00	
Chairs for town hall.....	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,960 00
State tax.....		1,483 28
County tax.....		483 11

Overlayings.....	31 73
Gain in assessing.....	25
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Total tax assessed	\$5,958 37
Rate \$19.80 per \$1000.00	
No. polls taxed 150 not taxed 23	

Roads and Bridges

Appropriation	\$1200 00
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EXPENDED

Paid:

W. Y. Ballard.....	\$306 70
O. T. Smith.....	66 49
D. J. Worthing.....	77 88
E. A. Brann.....	187 75
Theodore Ballard.....	49 25
L. Scott.....	149 37
Bert Arnold.....	31 62
W. H. Howard.....	2 68
C. Whitten.....	1 50
James T. Collins, plank of outlet bridge.....	41 60
C. M. Conant Co., repairs of road machine.....	2 25
F. B. Robinson, hauling dirt	2 50
H. H. Knowles.....	7 00
W. E. Watson.....	19 32
B. Mosher.....	2 50
Bergin Mfg. Co., metal cul- verts.....	39 52
R. Pease, repair of machine	5 50
E. Dudley.....	6 75
C. M. Conant Co., cutter for road machine.....	8 50

A. M. Bowman, road supplies.....	5 00
H. L. Whitten.....	2 10
H. Ballard.....	4 50
H. A. Young.....	10 50
E. F. Lyon, plank.....	2 50
R. F. Knowles, plank and labor.....	3 20
B. F. Choate.....	11 50
James T. Collins.....	4 00
W. E. Lord.....	3 00
Bert Arnold.....	10 50
Arthur Choate.....	1 58
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Expended	\$1067 06
Unexpended	132 94
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\$1200 00

Breaking Snow

Appropriation	\$300 00
Unexpended balance 1909.....	213 30
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	\$513 30
Paid:	
D. Worthing.....	9 15
H. A. Young.....	1 50
J. N. Neal.....	7 00
H. E. Emery.....	9 34
A. W. Cottle.....	8 57
J. M. Bither.....	4 00
C. M. Lint.....	1 58
H. W. Hopkins.....	8 97

W. Hayden.....	1 46
Perry Caldwell.....	3 67
E. O. Cottle.....	3 07
T. W. Emery.....	6 97
Delmar Day.....	1 00
J. G. Witham.....	58
R. F. Knowles.....	3 00
W. L. Brown.....	10 50
James T. Collins.....	2 57
J. W. Morrill.....	13 25
J. A. Daggett.....	3 00
Roy Wing.....	7 08
A. S. Dennis.....	5 00
C. S. Pope.....	5 83
Clarence Cram.....	2 16
J. A. Knowles.....	67
E. F. Temple.....	6 57
F. W. Snow.....	12 28
W. E. Watson.....	5 23
M. S. Fifield.....	8 18
Joseph Fifield.....	12 00
William Hartung and others.....	16 73
S. W. Burnham.....	6 24
Geo. Wadsworth.....	5 22
J. W. Emery.....	11 08
Asa Benson.....	4 17
J. R. Fifield.....	11 83
C. H. Moore.....	3 33
W. H. Howard.....	5 50
Arthur Choate.....	1 50
Wallace Prescott.....	16 92
J. H. Neal.....	15 82
D. Worthing.....	3 33

Expended.....	\$262 52
Unexpended.....	250 78

\$513 30

Cemetery Extension

Appropriation.....		\$125 00
Paid:		
J. W. Morrill for 1-2 acre of land.....	50 00	
J. W. Morrill for recording deed.....	50	
Geo. H. Kilbreth for labor	3 00	
J. A. Daggett for labor....	2 00	
A. M. Bowman for paint, oil and nails	2 63	
W. R. Merrill for labor....	6 50	
J. W. Morrill for labor with team.....	42 50	
J. W. Morrill for wire	2 50	
J. W. Morrill for boards....	7 56	
J. W. Morrill for nails.....	18	
J. W. Morrill for posts....	4 50	
Augusta Lumber Co. for lumber.....	9 35	
	\$131 22	
Excess	6 22	\$125 00

Cutting Bushes

Balance from 1909.		\$20 13
Paid:		
E. E. Pelton.....	7 87	
J. N. Farnham	1 50	
Perry Caldwell	3 50	
M. S. Fifield.....	4 50	
A. S. Dennis.....	1 75	
Geo. Wadsworth.....	1 75	
	20 87	
Excess	74	20 13

State Road

Appropriation.....	\$400 00	
Received from State... ..	395 10	
	_____	795 10

EXPENDED

Paid :

W. Y. Ballard and others, labor, etc.,.....	739 27	
Bargin Mfg. Co. metal cul- verts	39 52	
Frank Whitten sharpening tools.....	1 75	
A. M. Bowman. Oil and Lanterns.....	2 75	
R. Pease, repairs on tools..	1 15	
H. L. Whitman, gravel.....	2 00	
Purington Bros., for ce-..... ment.....	4 08	
H. F. Cummings, lumber and nails.....	4 58	

\$795 10

Incidental Charges

Appropriation	\$800 00	
Received from State for sheep killed	126 00	
	_____	\$926 00

EXPENDED

Paid :

W. R. Merrill, services as selectman 1909.....	10 00	
Alvin Cottle, watering tub 1909.....	3 00	
George Fuller, printing town reports.....	19 80	

A. W. Hawkes service on school board.....	6 00
A. M. Bowman, town bills paid.....	29 81
Mrs. Crocker, adv., carfare and team.....	5 70
Mrs. Crocker, superintendent of schools 1909-10	64 00
Mrs. Crocker, telephone bills.....	2 70
W. R. Merrill, services as selectman.....	25 00
J. Frank Pierce, town books.....	8 47
F. L. Brown, watering tub.....	3 00
M. J. Bither, interest.....	15 00
W. E. Watson, watering tub.....	3 00
Hallowell Granite Co., boundary post.....	5 00
W. A. Woods, watering tub.....	3 00
E. C. Pope, service on school board.....	10 50
W. R. Merrill, service as selectman.....	25 00
M. J. Bither, posting warrants.....	1 50
M. J. Bither, collecting dog tax.....	4 00
W. Hartung, sheep killed by dogs.....	115 50
J. W. Morrill, sheep killed by dogs.....	10 50
J. A. Daggett, services as selectmen.....	34 00
E. O. Cottle, watering tub.....	3 00
W. E. Lord, services as ballot clerk.....	2 00
W. Hartung, wood for office.....	2 00
Dr. L. E. Reynolds, reporting death.....	25
Dr. R. H. Stubbs, reporting births and death.....	1 50
W. R. Merrill, postage and office supplies.....	2 02
G. M. Knowles, ballot clerk.....	2 02
Geo. H. Kilbreth, service as town clerk.....	8 00
Geo. H. Kilbreth, justice services, etc.....	3 25
Geo. H. Kilbreth, recording births and deaths....	4 20
Harold Pease, washing hearse.....	75
Granite National Bank interest.....	15 00
Augusta Trust Co. interest.....	5 00
Alvin Cottle, watering tub 1910.....	3 00
J. W. Morrill, service as selectman.....	65 50
F. W. Sanborn moth notices.....	1 00

H. E. Emery, fighting fire.....	6 40
M. J. Bither, postage.....	75
J. A. Daggett, service as selectman.....	6 00
W. R. Merrill service as selectman, postage, etc...	18 00
M. J. Bither, collector's commission.....	154 04
M. J. Bither, posting town warrants.....	1 50
Unexpended balance	216 36
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	\$926 00

Care of Cemeteries

Unexpended balance from 1909 \$16 71

EXPENDED

Paid:

Fred C. True Jr. for cutting bushes and grass.....	\$3 50
W. R. Merrill, care of Sanford lot.....	1 00
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	4 50
Unexpended balance	12 21
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\$16 71

Support of Poor

Appropriation.....	\$100 00
Unexpended balance from 1909	10 30
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	\$110 30

EXPENDED

Paid:

James T. Collins wood for H. W. Washburn.....	3 00
Trouant & Bates, casket and box for Drake.....	25 00

A. M. Bowman, supplies for H. N. Washburn...	2 57
A. M. Bowman, supplies for H. N. Washburn...	9 88
J. W. Morrill, burying Ruel York	5 00
Trouant & Bates, casket and box for Ruel York	25 00
A. M. Bowman, supplies H. H. Washburn.....	6 80
James T. Collins, wood for H. N. Washburn.....	10 00
Dr. R. H. Stubbs, night call for Mrs. Geo. Trask	4 00
J. T. Collins, 2 cord wood for H. W. Washburn	9 00
Town of Winslow, burial of H. E. Cockran.....	10 00
Unexpended	05
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	\$110 30

Chairs for Town Hall

Appropriation.....		\$50 00
Expended	\$25 00	
Balance unexpended.....	25 00	
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		\$50 00

General Summary

APPROPRIATIONS

For		
Common Schools.....	800 00	
Free High School	60 00	
Support of Poor.....	100 00	
Roads and Bridges.....	1200 00	
Breaking Snow	300 00	
Repairs on Schoolhouses....	25 00	
Text Books... ..	75 00	
Incidental charges.....	800 00	
Insurance and supplies.....	25 00	
State Road.....	400 00	

Abatements of 1910

W. M. Creasey, error.....	99
Joseph Fifield, error.....	3 00
B. R. Howard heirs.....	1 49
W. H. Hinkley, unable to pay.....	3 00
Chas. Lane paid in Augusta	3 00
Daniel Lambert, soldier.....	3 00
J. W. Morrill, soldier.....	3 00
W. A. Newcomb, paid in Augusta.....	3 00
Rose Stringer, unable to pay.....	3 90
Bert Trask, paid in Augusta.....	3 00
George Johnson.....	1 19
Ruel York, dead.....	3 50
Augustine Azo, gone to Spain.....	3 00
Aucales Benero " " "	3 00
Augustine Cagigao, gone to Spain.....	3 00
Joe Aronti, gone to Spain.....	3 50
Juan Cerro, " " "	3 00
Gacino Fernande gone to Spain.....	3 00
Manuel Gomez, gone to Spain.....	3 00
Aurchario Cavin " " "	3 00
Manuel Monte, " " "	3 00
Faustino Maranor " " "	3 00
Aureliaco Miers, " " "	3 00
Inoquin Madrozo, " " "	3 00
Miguel Maza " " "	3 00
Ricardo Peral " " "	3 00
Marcelins Perez " " "	3 00
Sinforano Rivero " " "	3 00
Candido Rodrigo " " "	3 00
Panlino Ruiz " " "	3 00
German Ruiz " " "	3 00
Manuel Selein " " "	3 00
Estabou Gomez " " "	3 00

Chas. Lavin	“ “ “	3 00
Ricardo Maza	“ “ “	3 00
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			\$101 57
Unpaid taxes on collector's books 1910.			
Richard Dunn heirs		5 94
Henry L. Farr heirs		7 92
Albert Hinkley		3 00
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			\$16 86

Treasurer's Report

M. J. Bither, Treasurer, in account with Town of Manchester.

DR.

To received of Treas. 1909	\$284 35
“ “ “ Collector, 1909	29 26
“ “ “ “ 1910	5958 37
“ “ “ Miscellaneous	1743 84
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		\$8015 82

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By paid Town orders	3177 35
“ “ School “	1894 35
“ “ Overseer orders	110 25
“ Dog license 1910	57 00
“ State tax 1910	1483 28
“ County tax “	483 00
“ State pensions	204 00
“ Abatements of 1910	101 57
“ Unpaid tax of 1910	16 86
Balance in treasury	487 05
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		\$8015 82

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. BITHER,
Treasurer.

ASSETS

State pensions due from State.....	204 00
Taxes unpaid of 1910.....	16 86
Due from State for Free High School 1909	83 00
Due from State for Free High School, 1910.....	95 50
Due from Collector of 1909.....	53 20
Balance in Treasury.....	487 05

\$939 61

LIABILITIES

Due Schools.....	188 72
Outstanding bills	250 00
Temporary Loan 1909.....	500 00

\$938 72

Report of School Committee

To the citizens of Manchester :

The School Committee submit the following report for past year.

Appropriation for 1910	\$ 800 00	
School and Mill fund.....	980 92	
Sanford fund.....	90 00	
Tuition from Farmingdale.....	4 00	
Bal. brought forward.....	15	
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		\$1,875 07

EXPENDITURES.

School orders		
School No. 1		
Teaching and board.....	\$327 00	
Tuition, Hallowell,	34 50	
Fuel,.....	28 50	
Care of House.....	8 95	
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		398 95
School No. 2:		
Teaching and Board.....	339 00	
Transportation,.....	129 00	
Fuel	21 00	
Care of House.....	8 50	
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		\$497 50

School No. 4	
Teaching and board.....	\$339 00
Fuel.....	32 50
Care of House.....	5 75
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	\$377 25
School No. 6	
Teaching and board.....	\$306 00
Transportation	95 00
Care of house.....	11 65
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	412 65
Balance in favor of schools.....	188 72
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	\$1875 07

Estimated bills outstanding \$140

Free High School	
Appropriation.....	60 00
Bal. 1909.....	30 00
Due from State.....	95 50
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	\$185 50

EXPENDITURES

Leavitt Institute.....	21 00
City of Hallowell.....	7 00
Cony High School.....	170 00
Kents Hill.....	10 00
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	\$208 00

Excess, \$22 50

REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSES

Appropriations.....	\$25 00
Bal. 1909.....	81 40
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	\$106 40

EXPENDITURES

Mrs. Wm. Welch, No. 2.....	\$5 50
J. M. Farnham, No. 6.....	5 00
A. W. Hawkes, No. 2.....	2 65
A. W. Hawkes, No. 2.....	1 40
B. S. Rollins, No. 4.....	1 50
F. C. Pratt, No. 1.....	50
E. E. Babb (Desks) No. 2.....	10 80
C. A. Nickerson, No. 204.....	8 10
Balance expended.....	70 95
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	\$106 40

TEXT BOOKS

Appropriation.....	75 00
Unexpended Bal. 1909.....	39 11
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\$114 11

Silver, Burdette & Co.....	\$32 83
Ginn & Co.....	35 45
Am. Book Co.....	20 15
Sanborn & Co.....	2 50
Webb Pub. Co.....	80
D. Knowlton & Co.....	2 94
Silver, Burdett & Co.....	3 34
D. C. Heath & Co.....	1 00
Express.....	8 55
Unexpended Bal.....	6 55
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\$114 11

INSURANCE AND SUPPLIES

Appropriation.....	25 00
Bal. from 1909.....	45 00
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\$70 00

EXPENDITURES

A. M. Bowman.....	3 10
Edw. E. Babb & Co.....	14 24
J. T. Collins, Insurance No. 7.....	22 50
Bertha Crocker.....	2 66
Express.....	75
Unexpended balance	26 78

\$70 00

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. HAWKES

JOHN JACKMAN

Superintending School Committee

Manchester, Maine, Feb. 21, 1911

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Manchester, Maine, February 18, 1911
To the Superintending School Committee:

Herein is submitted my second annual report of the schools of Manchester. While this report is submitted to you as members of the Board of Education, I have ever kept in mind the parents, tax payers and others interested in our schools.

Judging from personal knowledge gained in visiting the several schools from time to time throughout the year, and from the assurance of parents and friends of our schools, I feel confident in stating to you that in many ways the work done in our schools this year is considerably in advance of what was accomplished last year. We have had fewer changes in our teaching force, and all our teachers have been interested in carrying out the work to gain the highest results possible.

While the pupils in our schools, as a body, have made a material gain in the quality and amount of work accomplished, I cannot emphasize too strongly that with the present corp of teachers or one equally strong, the success of the schools rests mainly with the parents.

If the parent sees to it that his boy and his girl is in school every day for the entire school year, much more would be done than otherwise can be, when pupils are irregular in attendance. To illustrate—a pupil is out for one day—loses the lesson for that day—the teacher must of necessity give at

least one-half the next days' recitation to pulling that pupil up to the present lesson—result, a direct loss not only to one pupil but to all in that particular grade. It is earnestly hoped that the subject of every-day-in-school receive the attention it justly demands.

Reading

The pupils have improved in reading but are not as good readers in the several grades as we believe it is possible for them to be. The reading books in our schools have been read and re-read so many times that the subjects have become uninteresting.

For the winter term three and five-cent classics were purchased and much interest has been shown in studying these little books.

If children were encouraged in reading aloud at home, the parents acting as interested and appreciative listeners much would be done to further the good results expected in school. The time allotted to reading has to be limited owing to the large number of recitations, therefore all outside work done in this study, counts for much in the line of improvement.

Writing

A lesson in writing by a "method" has been given by the teachers in every school every day. It is by this systematic every-day practice and drill that such good results have been attained. The younger pupils have made very noticeable improvement.

In the Longfellow School two prizes were offered by the teacher to the pupils that showed the most improvement in writing during the fall term.

At the end of the term the school voted that I should be

the one to judge who had made the most improvement. This hardly seemed fair and I suggested to the teacher and pupils that they appoint a committee to be made up of the parents. The suggestion was accepted. The committee met, looked over every pupils' writing book carefully, and brought in a report that the greatest improvement for the eleven weeks had been made by Beatrice Gilman and she was awarded the first prize. George Gilbert's writing book was reported as showing the second greatest improvement and he was awarded the second prize.

Together we may seriously consider that

"The pen of the author and statesman,
The noble and wise of the land,
The sword, and chisel and palette,
Shall be held in the little brown hand."

Spelling

Two regular lessons in spelling each day—one oral, one written—for thirty-three weeks, has been our watch-word, and has accomplished wonders.

Special lists of words in ordinary use were prepared for extra work outside their regular work in the speller, and as each teacher had the same lists we have been able to know just what has been done in the study the past year. In connection with learning to spell the words, the use and significance has also been studied to a considerable extent by the upper grades.

It is earnestly hoped that all the boys and girls in town will become interested in this study to the extent that they will take pride in being good spellers. Correct spelling is a great aid in composition work and correspondence, and more than this it gives power over words and over the printed page.

Miss Kendall offered two prizes to the pupils in her school who held the highest rank at the end of the term in spelling. These prizes were won by Roy Albee and Dorothy Creasey.

Arithmetic

It would be more to the profit and advancement of every pupil if essentials of this study were taught and non-essentials left out; however, the work done in Arithmetic has been satisfactory to a large extent.

To teach pupils how to properly make out a bill for their labor is of far more value than to require them to "peg away" at some long problem under non-essentials every day in the week; the first is practical the second is not. More mental work in arithmetic is also needed.

Geography

The work in this study has been along specified lines including a study of the Town of Manchester, the State of Maine, and the United States. Each school has also done work, besides that which has been indicated. Map drawing has entered into our geography work this year and has proved interesting, and some very good maps have been drawn.

Grammar

More work and of a higher quality has been done in this study this year than last; pupils are slowly but surely gaining in this important branch of our school-work.

The lower grades in all the schools have done excellent work.

History

Montgomery's history, revised edition, was introduced into our schools last spring and proved a success. Pupils all over town stand high in history.

Physiology

Davidson's Health Book was introduced into our schools last spring and has met with favor. This book was selected for the reason that it is an intensely interesting and practical, modern physiology. The same amount of work has been done in each school in this study.

The State Examination was given June 24th at the Longfellow school building. Nine pupils took the examination. Paul Collins, Majorie Lenfest and Isabelle Fifield were granted State certificates for entrance to High school or any secondary school in the State.

The Washington School has a very flourishing School Improvement League. Two pictures, the Horse Fair and the Coliseum at Rome have been purchased by the league and hung in position.

Mr. Edward Farr of Winona, Pennsylvania, presented the McKinley School with ten dollars to purchase a picture. This is given in memory of the Farris who attend this school in past years.

The Lincoln School has held socials occasionally and with the money secured from these little gatherings, curtains for the school-room have been purchased, the clock repaired, and the balance of the money is to be used to purchase a dictionary for use in the school next year.

Payson Smith, State Superintendent of Schools addressed the school children gathered in a body at the Grange Hall at the Forks, October 10th. After the close of the address

each child had the pleasure of personally meeting Mr. Smith.

A trip to Augusta was taken by seventy-five of the pupils, including all the teachers, February 11th. The new Capitol building was visited, also the jail, court-house and postoffice.

Mother's Day has been successfully observed in our schools this last term of the year.

All the schoolhouses need to be thoroughly cleaned before another term opens. In Nos. 1, 2 and 4 the plastering is broken and dropping out; this should be repaired and the walls and ceiling freshened with kalsomine. The wood-work in all these buildings needs painting, and the desks treated with a coat of shellac. The blackboards should also receive attention.

Geographies, spellers and language books will be needed for next year. An appropriation of at least \$100.00 will be needed to meet these requirements.

NO. 1—LONGFELLOW SCHOOL

Miss Grace A. Kendall of Bethel, Maine taught this school for the entire year. Miss Kendall is a graduate of Gould's Academy and has had thirteen terms of experience. As this is a large school including all the grades, the recitations necessarily have to be short. A great deal of work outside of school has been done by the teacher; therefore all the time in school has been for advancement. Miss Kendall's work has been systematic and thorough.

The record of attendance is as follows:

Spring term: Whole number of pupils registered, 27; average attendance, 25.1; ten pupils not absent for the term, Marion Jackman, Roy Albee, Freda Burgess, Carroll Creasey, Earle Daggett, Dorothy Creasey, Ethel Gilbert, Edith Gilbert, George Gilbert, Karl Gilbert. Number of visits by citizens, 12.

Fall term : Whole number of pupils registered, 27 ; average attendance, 23.3 ; eight pupils not absent for the term, Roy Albee, Carroll Creasey, Dorothy Creasey, Ethel Gilbert, Edith Gilbert, George Gilbert, Margurite Hartung, George Arnold. Number of visits by citizens, 9.

Winter term : Whole number of pupils registered, 28 ; average attendance, 24.75 ; nine pupils not absent for the term, Roy Albee, Carroll Creasey, Ethel Gilbert, Margurite Hartung, George Arnold, Karl Gilbert, Ruth Cottle.

NO. 2—McKINLEY SCHOOL

Miss Ruth M. Damren of Belgrade, Maine, was secured for the spring term in this school. Owing to sickness Miss Damren was obliged to resign only teaching three days. Miss Annie E. Moody of Pittston, Maine, a graduate of the Gardiner High School, with twelve terms of experience was engaged to fill the vacancy in this school. Miss Moody worked faithfully for the advancement of every pupil, and the results were good.

Miss Inza M. Clark of Chelsea, Maine taught the fall and winter terms in this school. Miss Clark has attended the Normal School at Farmington, and has had seventeen terms of experience. That she proved the "right teacher" in the "right place" was evidenced by her skill in disciplining and also her steady, earnest effort in all the school-work.

The record of attendance is as follows :

Spring term : Whole number of pupils registered, 15 . average attendance, 12 ; four pupils not absent for the term Elliott Hawkes, Fred McCurdy, Flora Temple, Nellie Temple. Number of visits by citizens, 7

Fall term: Whole number of pupils registered, 17; average attendance, 15; three pupils not absent for the term, Elliott Hawkes, Leigh Hopkins, Maurice Choate. Number of visits by citizens, 10.

Winter term: Whole number of pupils registered, 13; average attendance, 11; one pupil not absent for the term, Elliott Hawkes. Number of visits by citizens, 15.

NO. 4—WASHINGTON SCHOOL

Miss Lylla M. Sprague of Belfast, Maine taught this school for the entire year. Miss Sprague is a graduate of the Belfast High School, has attended the Castine Normal School one year, holds a State certificate and with the fourteen terms of experience in teaching, was thoroughly fitted to take charge of this school, which is the largest in town. She has worked for the best interests of her pupils in and out of school; conscientious in the performance of every duty, we take pleasure in expressing the opinion that this school has shown a steady improvement in every grade throughout the year.

The record of attendance is as follows:

Spring term: Whole number of pupils registered, 33; average attendance, 29.3; four pupils not absent for the term, Jennie Welch, Lulu Andrews, Arthur Andrews, Roger Collins. Number of visits by citizens, 22.

Fall term: Whole number of pupils registered, 32; average attendance, 26; six pupils not absent for the term, Jennie Welch, Roger Collins, Greta Nickerson, Eleanor Nickerson, Celia Hinkley, Lois Hinkley. Number of visits by citizens, 9.

Winter term: Whole number of pupils registered, 29; average attendance, 23.8; two pupils not absent for the term, Jennie Welch, Beatrice Benson. Number of visits by citizens, 35.

NO. 6—LINCOLN SCHOOL.

Miss Grace L. Fifield of this town taught this school the entire year. Miss Fifield is a Normal graduate with twenty-seven terms of experience. Her large success is due to the fact

that she possesses ability as a teacher and inspires within her pupils a desire to make their work in school count for success. This school has indeed been fortunate in having Miss Fifield for an instructor for nine consecutive terms.

The record of attendance is as follows :—

Spring term: Whole number of pupils registered, 23; average attendance, 19.87; five pupils not absent for the term, Isabelle Fifield, Ervin Lord, Dwight Young, Roy Whitten, Earlon Whitten. Number of visits by citizens, 14.

Fall term: Whole number of pupils registered, 19; average attendance, 16.2; two pupils not absent for the term, Roy Whitten, Earlon Whitten. Number of visits by citizens 10.

Winter term: Whole number of pupils registered, 17; average attendance, 14.41; three pupils not absent for the term, Harold Brown, Roy Whitten, Earlon Whitten,. Number of visits by citizens, 12.

The "Honor Pupils",—those who have been in school every day for the year are as follows, Longfellow School: Roy Albee, Dorothy Creasey, Ethel Gilbert, Carrol Creasey.

McKinley School: Elliot Hawkes.

Washington School: Jennie Welch.

Lincoln School: Roy Whitten, Earlon Whitten.

In conclusion, I wish to thank you as members of the Board of Education for loyal support and interest in school matters. I wish also to extend my thanks to the teachers for their good-will and hearty co-operation and to the parents for the interest and consideration shown at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

Bertha N. Crocker.

Superintendent of Schools.