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TOWN OFFICERS, 1881-82.

Town Clerk,
JOSEPH BRAGDON.

Selectmen and Assessors,
GEORGE W. CURRIER,
RUFUS A. MOODY,
DAVID MOULTON.

Treasurer,
JOSEPH BRAGDON.

Agent,
JOHN B. FERNALD.

Superintending School Committee,
JOHN C. STEWART,
JOSEPH FREEMAN,
GILBERT ROBBINS.

Overseers of Poor,
EASTMAN HUTCHINS,
LEMUEL MITCHELL,
WILBUR F. NORTON.

Collector of Taxes and Constable,
WASHINGTON JUNKINS.

Auditor,
G. W. S. PUTNAM.

Health Officers,
CHARLES A. GRANT,
J. J. HAZEN,
W. L. HAWKES,
J. C. STEWART,
S. W. JUNKINS.
AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Whole amount of receipts into the Treasury $8598 05
" " disbursements 8356 32
Cash in treasury 241 73

8598 05

The receipts have been from the following sources, viz.:

Cash in Treasury, per report March 12th, 1881 518 26
From non-resident taxes for 1879 in full 1 15
" " 1880 returned by Washington Junkins, Collector 123 68
Washington Junkins, Special Collector on assessment of 1878 157 72
Same, on assessment of 1879 in full 100 00
" " 1880 971 15
" " 1881 4708 97
E. S. Marshall, rent town hall to Apr. 1, '81 35 00
W. M. Walker, rent jail building to April 2, '81 10 00
State Treasurer, School Fund and Mill Tax 1244 21
" Railroad and Telegraph Tax 27 91
Elijah Blaisdell, on Treasury Notes 700 00

8598 05

Disbursements.

Amount of notes paid 1375 00
Amount of interest paid 546 59
Amount of town orders paid 6426 73
Paid for advertising non-res. taxes 1880 8 00

8356 32

Cash in Treasury 241 73

$8598 05
Abatement of Taxes.

To Washington Junkins on amounts due from him as Collector on assessments of 1878-'79-'80 $241.51
To Washington Junkins on amount due from him as Collector on assessment of 1881 74.63
To Joseph Bragdon on amount due from him as Treasurer for 1880, non-res. taxes 3.25
———  $319.39

For Schools.

District No. 1, $545.34  District No. 9, 230.58
"  2, 161.74  "  10, 179.16
"  3, 161.74  "  11, 292.80
"  4, 160.47  "  12, 212.28
"  5, 245.22  "  13, 296.46
"  6, 176.60  "  14, 171.48
"  8, 142.04  "  15, 237.90
———  $3213.81

Amount raised by town 1969.60
State School Fund and Mill Tax 1244.21
———  $3213.81

Number of Scholars.

District No. 1, 149 District No. 9, 63
"  2, 3 33  "  10, 47
"  3, 33  "  11, 80
"  4, 32  "  12, 58
"  5, 67  "  13, 81
"  6, 45  "  14, 41
"  8, 18  "  15, 65
———  812
Salaries.

Selectmen at $28 each $84 00
Town Treasurer 20 00
Town Clerk 8 00
Constable 10 00

Roads and Bridges.

Josiah D. Bragdon, in part for money appropriated for repairing “Long Hill” near W. H. Woodward's 45 92
Selectmen, for money appropriated for Long Sands road 1880, in full 28 50
David Moulton, 1160 ft. lumber for Nathan's Bridge 17 40
“ labor rebuilding same 8 50
Appleton H. Talpey, 20 loads gravel for highway 2 00
N. H. Shattuck, appropriation for repairing road to Concordville in full 100 00
Oliver Winn, labor on highway leading from North Village to Wilson's Hill in 1880 5 69
Jere'h B. Weare, 23 loads gravel for Pine Hill road 2 30
“ 1 day's labor on same 1 00
Andrew Preble, 941 feet pine plank 14 12
Stephen Weare, labor, self, son and team on Pine Hill road, and on highway from Theo. Weare's to Wells Line 28 00
Samuel A. Currier, labor, self and team on highway from Theo. Weare, Jr.'s to Wells line 6 40
Theodore Trafton, labor on highway, self and team, District No. 51 4 50
William H. Swett, 848 feet plank for Cole's bridge $12 72
8 lbs. nails for same 32
Labor and material for highway 3 00

John A. Swett, 1754 feet plank for Rice's bridge 26 31
William G. Moulton, money expended for labor and material on “Bass Cove Hill” 200 00
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<td>40.10</td>
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<td>Donnell Weare, 2216 feet bridge plank for several bridges</td>
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<td>Alvah Trafton, 1440 feet stringers for Cape Ned-dick bridge</td>
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<td>Orrin Trafton, for 6 days labor on Ground Root Hill road</td>
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<td>3 loads gravel for same</td>
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<td>John K. Weare, 1127 feet plank for bridge near Theo. Weare, and for several</td>
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<td>Woodbury C. Ramsdell, labor on and material for Clay Hill road and bridge</td>
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<td>William W. Card, labor on Chase road</td>
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<td>Benjamin F. Shaw, 906 feet pine plank for York bridge</td>
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<td>William G. Moulton, money expended for labor on and material for “Bass</td>
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<td>Cove Hill”</td>
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<td>Selectmen, for repairs on road leading from Sewell's bridge to Raynes Neck</td>
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<td>David Moulton, 2281 feet pine stringers for Sewall's bridge</td>
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<td>Wallace Bragdon, labor on several highways</td>
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<td>Rufus A. Moody, labor on and material for Scotland bridge</td>
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<td>Joseph H. Moody, 8 sticks oak timber for Scotland bridge</td>
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<td>Rufus Simpson, 8 1-2 days labor on Scotland bridge</td>
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<td>William Waldron</td>
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<td>James B. McIntire</td>
<td>7 1-2</td>
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<td>J. Howard Preble</td>
<td>5 1-2</td>
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<td>Thomas E. Call &amp; Son</td>
<td>204 feet timber for Scotland bridge</td>
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<td>Theodore Weare, jr.</td>
<td>Labor on highway Dist. No. 39, and rebuilding causeway on same</td>
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<td>Jesse Carey</td>
<td>540 feet plank for Marsh bridge</td>
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<td>Andrew J. Welch</td>
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<td>David Moulton</td>
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<td>Geo. W. Currier</td>
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<td>Timothy Furbish</td>
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<td>Mitchell &amp; Freeman</td>
<td>Iron work for pile driver</td>
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88 lbs. bolts and dogs for Sewall's bridge 4 50
Timothy Young, labor on and material for Great bridge ... 28 12

Recapitulation of Expenditures for Roads & Bridges.

Appropriation for "Long Hill" near W. H. Woodward's, in part 45 92
Balance appro'n for Long Sands road, 1880 28 50
Appropriation for repairing road to Concordville, in full 100.00
Appropriation for "Bass Cove Hill," in part 285 07
" building causeway foot of Trafton's Hill, Ground Root Hill road in full 40 10
Repairs on road from Sewall's Bridge to Raynes Neck 20 70
Repairs on Scotland Bridge 110 44

Showing an expenditure for ordinary repairs of $550 32

Miscellaneous Bills.

S. S. Committee Temperance Lesson books, in part 15.83
G. W. S. Putnam, services as Auditor for 1880 8.00
Lewis W. Brewster, printing 600 copies Town Reports for 1880 and 300 town orders 57.50
Selectmen enrolling Militia for the year 1881 14.00
Appleton H. Talpey, Geo. M. Simpson, Charles E. Bowden and Jeremiah Freeman, money expended in defence of suit Geo. Bowden vs. Talpey & als. above named, to wit:
Paid R. P. Tapley 50.00
A. H. Talpey expenses to Saco 2.40
A. H. Talpey et als going to So. Berwick 12.00
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<td>A. H. Talpey, services as Town Agent for 1880</td>
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<td>expense at So. Berwick</td>
<td>6.00</td>
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<td>A. H. Talpey, Geo. M. Simpson, money expended in case Geo. Bowden vs. J. Frank Paul</td>
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<td>Geo. F. Plaisted, printing Assessors' notices</td>
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<td>Amos L. Allen, costs state vs. Inhabitants of York defective highway on South Side</td>
<td>10.00</td>
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<td>C. B. Lakin, board of insane person at Insane Hospital</td>
<td>14.00</td>
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<td>Geo. T. Vaughan, 22 lbs. manilla for pile driver</td>
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<td>Geo. F. Plaisted, printing 100 bills, 40 posters and 1500 receipts</td>
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<td>John B. Fernald, paid C. B. Lakin for board of insane person at Insane Hospital</td>
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<td>G. W. Currier, extra services as Selectman, stationery, postage, expressage, etc.</td>
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<td>Rufus A. Moody, extra services as Selectman, stationery, etc.</td>
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<td>David Moulton, extra services as Selectman, and wood for Selectmen's office</td>
<td>18.75</td>
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<td>John C. Stewart, services as S. S. Com. for 1881</td>
<td>51.00</td>
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<td>Joseph Freeman, &quot; &quot; &quot; &quot; &quot;</td>
<td>41.00</td>
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<td>Gilbert Rollins, &quot; &quot; &quot; &quot;</td>
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<td>Joseph Bragdon, blanks, postage, expressage and stationery for Treasurer and Clerk's office</td>
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<td>Joseph Bragdon, non resident estate of Atwood J. Adams sold to pay tax on assessment 1880</td>
<td>5.54</td>
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<td>John B. Fernald, services as Town Agent for 1881</td>
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<td>Washington Junkins, 6 per cent. discount on $6864.04 taxes collected on assessment 1881</td>
<td>411.84</td>
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<td>Washington Junkins, 4 per cent. discount on 786.77 taxes collected on assessment 1881</td>
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<td>Hiram Perkins, ringing bell for town meetings</td>
<td>4.00</td>
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<td>Chas. A. Grant paid burying horse at Long beach</td>
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<td>Washington Junkins, collecting $497.93 on assessment 1878 at 1 1-2 per cent</td>
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<td>Washington Junkins, collecting $1804.88 on assessment 1879 at 1 1-2 per cent</td>
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ment 1880 at 1 1-2 per cent 15 00
Washington Junkins collecting $8000 on assessment
1881 at 1 1-2 per cent 120 00
Washington Junkins, postage, printing, stationery-
and extra services as Coll. of taxes 39 60

$1064 25

The State tax $3231.84, and a part of the County tax,
$400, have been paid, and the balance, $350.28, due April
1, 1882, the Collector has reserved in his hands for that
purpose.

Liabilities of the Town.

OUTSTANDING NOTES.

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<td>Asahel Goodwin</td>
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<td>Charles Moody et als.</td>
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<td>1868</td>
<td>Washington Junkins</td>
<td>100 00</td>
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<td>Mary S. Payne</td>
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<td>1869</td>
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<td>1872</td>
<td>Same</td>
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RECAPITULATION OF LIABILITIES.

Notes given by Asahel Goodwin 1864 300.00
Washington Junkins 1868 100.00
"  "  1869 562.00
"  "  1870 393.00
"  "  1871 1228.00
"  "  1872 3755.00
Joseph Bragdon Jr. 1873 1100.00
Joseph Bragdon 1880 300.00

--- $7738.00

It will be observed by the receipts, that the Treasurer obtained $700.00 on treasury notes of Elijah Blaisdell to defray expenses on "Bass Cove Hill" and for other purposes, before any taxes were collected; $415 having been repaid, leaves an outstanding note as follows, viz:
1881. By Joseph Bragdon.

Elijah Blaisdell $285 00

Interest bearing debt and total liabilities 8023 00
Same last year 8698 00
Interest-bearing debt less than March 12, 1881 675 00

It will be seen that the amount $1500 raised to reduce the town debt has been appropriated therefor, viz:
Notes given prior to Mch. 12, 1881, paid 960 00
Interest on same 546 59

---------- 1506 59

Resources of the Town.

Due from Washington Junkins, special collector for 1878 42 28
Due from same, collector for 1880 300 00
Due from same, collector for 1881 1400 00
Due from non-resident taxes 1880 5 17
Due for rent of town hall to April 1, 1882 35 00
Due for amount of land sold for taxes, deeds on file in Treasurer's office 46 60
Cash in Treasury 241 73

Total liabilities 8023 00
Resources 2070 78

Indebtedness of town Mch. 12, 1881 6402 53
" " " 11, 1882 5952 22

Reduction from last year $450 31
OVERSEERS' DEPARTMENT.

_Lemuel Mitchell's Bill._

Going to Berwick in case of Herbert Weare 3 times 4 50
Dinners for self and horse 2 00
Going to North Berwick in case of Edward Winn 1 50
Dinner for horse 50
Paid Town of Berwick for support of Herbert Weare and family from Dec. 16, 1881 to March 10, 1882 in full $ 129 92
Moulton Bros.' for one cord of wood to Ann Bridges 4 00
" " for groceries to same 78
Stationery and stamps 15
Salary as Overseer 8 00

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_George A. Marshall's Bill._

4 bbls flour 26.00, 3 bbls flour 21.75, 1 bbl flour 8.50 56 25
29½ lbs. fish 1.77, 31 lbs. fish 1.29, 50 lbs fish 1.75 4 81
150 lbs. fish 4.50, 28½ lbs pork 3.70, 24½ lbs pork 3.43 11 63
12 lbs coffee 1.98, 2 lbs coffee 30c, 4 lbs coffee 65c 2 93
1½ lbs snuff 93c, 10 lbs sugar 1.00, 5 lbs saleratus 30c 2 23
2 galls molasses 90c, 1 can and 8 gall oil 63c 1 53
50 yds cloth 4.00, 20 yds cloth 1.80, 21 yds print 1.05 6 85
4 yds crash 40c, 4 rolls paper 72c, 2 rolls paper 18c 1 80
Stone pot 1.15, pr shoes 1.35 2 50

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_Moulton Bros.' Bill._

9 yds ticking 1.62, 12 yds frocking 1.80 3 42
7 skeins yarn 1.05, ball yarn 8c, thread and cotton 70c 1 83
4 yds crash 60c, 2 yds cloth 50c, 3 prs overalls 2.05 3 15
115 lbs sugar 11.65, 16 lbs coffee 3.12, tobacco 15.00 29 77
30 lbs tea 14.40, 60 lbs soda 4.23, oil 46c, 19 09
5 lbs cheese 80c, 5 lbs rice 50c, ½ lb nutmegs 70c 2 00
4 lbs raisins 58c, 6 lbs crackers 62c, spices 71c 1 91
1½ lbs snuff 86c, 1 lb sulphur 10c, cream tartar 24c 1 20
9 boxes salt 2.55, 2 bu salt 1.00, ¼ gross matches 60 4 15
4 prs shoes 5.20, 2 prs boots 7.20, twine 6c 12 46
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<td>2 boxes tomato plants 50c, 5 papers garden seeds 25c</td>
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<td>100 stakes 2.00, lb clover seed 10c, file 19c.</td>
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<td>Arithmetic 35c, razor-strop 50c, bed cord 45c, Soap 65c</td>
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<td>Tubs, clothesline and pins</td>
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**W. M. Walker’s Bill.**

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<td>41 galls molasses 18.04, 20 galls molasses 10.80</td>
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<td>18 lbs coffee 3.24, 8 lbs coffee 1.00, Reader 35c</td>
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<td>5 lbs Paris green 1.50, bbl flour 7.50, castile soap 19c</td>
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<td>4 lbs raisins 60c, 3 lbs raisins 51c, 4 cakes soap 24c</td>
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<td>2 lbs snuff 1.44, lb pepper 40c, lb chocolate 50c</td>
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<td>26 lbs nails 1.00, lb clinch nails 7c, pr hinges 12c</td>
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<td>4 dozen screws 20c, 2 hoes 1.00, shovel 1.00</td>
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<td>2 lbs rope 30c, paper tacks 5c, pr ox muzzles 40c</td>
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<td>5 galls kerosene oil 70c, 6 galls kerosene oil 72c</td>
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<td>2 ox cards 15c, quart neat's foot oil 20c, lb ginger 20c</td>
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<td>2 chambers 75c, stove polish 24c, bottle pain killer 40c</td>
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<td>4 brooms 80c, bag salt 1.00, pr shoes 1.00</td>
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<td>4 lbs rosin 16c, 2 lbs putty 12c, weighing potatoes 50c</td>
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<td>9 yds burlap 1.12, 8 lbs batting 1.00, 2 papers pins 10c</td>
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<td>14 spools cotton 70c, 9 yds print 63c, 15 yds print 1.20</td>
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<td>14 yds sheeting 1.40, 20 yds cotton cloth 1.60</td>
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<td>8 skeins yarn 1.20, 9 yds ticking 1.44</td>
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<td>1½ yds mosquito bar 14c, 2 writing books 16c</td>
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<td>½ dozen wicks 5c, 5 skeins mixed yarn 83c</td>
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**W. A. Plaisted’s Bill.**

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**Eastman Hutchins’ Bill.**

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<td><strong>William P. Titcomb's Bill.</strong></td>
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<td>Paid George T. Bragdon, meat bill</td>
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<td>Uriah Blaisdel, hardware</td>
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<td>Pryor and Matthews, &quot;</td>
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<td>Asahel Goodwin, 3 bbls flour</td>
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<td>Daniel Glynn for pressing hay 2½ days</td>
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<td>Sawing plank 1.70, threshing barley 7.30</td>
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<td>Tracing corn 5.00, cutting pigs 25c</td>
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<td>Use of boar 1 50, use of bull 1.00</td>
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<td>Use of hay press 3.00, oak plank 1.68</td>
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<td>Yoke oxen 142.00, cow 20.00, cow 20.00</td>
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<td>153 lbs dried fish 5.37, bbl mackerel 4.00</td>
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<td>Mackerel, fresh and corned fish</td>
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<td>Frames, window sash and glass</td>
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<td>7 bu barley 5.25, beet seed 1.10</td>
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<td>3 washboards 80c, mopstick 25c, lime 50c</td>
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<td>4 baskets 1.00, tinware 65c, spoons 70c</td>
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<td>6 galls vinegar 1.50, castor oil 50c</td>
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<td>907 ft boards 10.31, 15 posts 3.00, wheelbarrow 7.00</td>
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<td>14 yds shirting 1.75, 2 spools cotton 10c, paint 70c</td>
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<td>Jamaica ginger 44c, bedstead 1.75, stove boiler 1.35</td>
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<td>Bread pan 1.00, baking pan 85c, knives and forks 1.25</td>
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<td>Log for roller 2.00, wood 7.50</td>
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<td>Pr shoes 1.25, pr shoes 65c, 3 lbs nails 14c</td>
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<td>Tolls over Portsmouth bridge</td>
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<td>1,105 lbs bedding at 10.00 per ton</td>
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<td>5,625 lbs bedding at 8.00 per ton</td>
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<td>142 bu potatoes at 75 cts.</td>
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<td>57 1-4 bu potatoes at 55 cts.</td>
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<td>3 bu potatoes at 60 cts.</td>
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<td>180 lbs butter at 25 cts.</td>
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<td>100 dozen eggs</td>
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<td>65 1-2 lbs chickens</td>
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<td>Hide 3,92, cornstalks 11.50</td>
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<td>4 loads muck 67 cts. 5 pigs 15.00</td>
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<td>50 bu apples 5.00, calf 7.00</td>
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<td>Yoke oxen</td>
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<td>2 bu barley 1.60, beans, corn, meal 80 cts.</td>
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<td>Dinners furnished peddler and horse</td>
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<td>and iron and rags sold</td>
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<td>Cash received for labor outside of farm</td>
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Notwithstanding the increase in the number of inmates and large expenditure out of town, the past year, there has been drawn from the Treasury $201.79 less than in 1880-81 and $359.10 less than in 1879-80, viz:

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<td>728.14</td>
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Amount expended outside of the Almshouse and out of town $148.35
Superintendent's salary $375 00
Paid for labor besides 17 30

\[ \text{It will be observed that the amount credited for labor outside of Town Farm is } 84 75 \]
\[ \text{Which will reduce labor on the Farm to } 392 30 \]

Highest number of inmates 21
Lowest “ “ 18
Present “ “ 20
Average “ “ 20
Tramps furnished lodgings 25
Meals furnished same 50

Respectfully submitted.

EASTMAN HUTCHINS, Overseers
LEMUEL MITCHELL, of
WILBUR F. NORTON, Poor.

Our annual visit to the Almshouse was made under more favorable auspices than last year. The appearance of the premises and the tidy and comfortable condition of the inmates, indicated that the Superintendent and his excellent companion still had in view the interest of the town and the welfare of the unfortunate ones committed to their care. The economy of employing a mechanic is apparent in the improved condition of the buildings and farming implements, without extra expense for labor.

We found in the attic 50 lbs. fish, 34 bushels barley, 8 bushels beans, 93 traces of corn which will yield a bushel of shelled corn to a trace, 4 bushels shelled corn, and corn meal, shorts and other necessaries of life not enumerated, besides, on hand, enough for use until April 1st; in the larder, 1 1-2 bbls. barley flour and middlings, 1 1-2 bbls. flour, 30 lbs. dried apples, 47 lbs. butter, 30 lbs. lard and 2
boxes salt; in the cellar (which we explored this year for the first time without the aid of a lantern, new windows having been put in) 1 1-2 barrels pork, 1-2 bbl. beef, 1-4 bbl. mackerel, 1 bbl. soap, 15 bushels sugar beets, 110 bushels large and 35 bushels small potatoes; in the barn, one pair of oxen, 4 cows, (one more than last year, 3 of them being young and sleek,) 4 thrifty swine, (one fit to slaughter and 3 breeders,) and about 7 tons hay; also 2 new tumbrels, (built by the Supt. in the most-modern style, of material cut on the farm, except the boards,) and stock for roller.

In the woodshed are four cords dry mixed wood, and neatly piled in the yard are 8 cords hard and 18 cords of mixed wood, all cut on the farm and prepared for the stove.

We would suggest for your careful consideration the desirability of getting out of the slough, by transferring the buildings to the hillside on the beach road, and so reconstructing them that they will compare favorably with other new buildings being erected, thus showing that the town is not only able but disposed to have her public buildings no longer a disgrace and byword.

The neatness and correctness of all the books of the town officers is noteworthy and commendable; and the accounts so correctly cast and well vouched, that what has sometimes taken a week or ten days to unravel and elucidate, was this year easily accomplished in one day; and my ninth annual report is

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. S. PUTNAM, Auditor.

York, Me., March 11th, 1882.
REPORT
OF THE
Superintending School Committee
For the Year Ending March 10th, 1882.

The Superintending School Committee respectfully presents the following report:

Amount of money raised by the town for the support of schools $1969 60
Amount received from State, School Fund and Mill Tax 1244 20

Whole amount appropriated for schools $3213 80
Whole number of scholars returned 812.

DISTRICT NO. 1, CENTRE.
J. EDWIN STAPLES, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $545 34.
Number of scholars returned 149.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

SUMMER TERM.—Length of school in days 50.
Whole number of scholars attending 44.
Average number 35.
Wages of teacher per month $20.

FALL TERM.—Length of school in days 50.
Whole number of scholars attending 44.
Average number 35.
Wages of teacher per month $20.
Miss Nellie M. Baker of York taught both terms. Miss Baker has had charge of this department several terms. She interests her pupils, who in return, obey and respect her. The little ones endeavored to make much progress and succeeded admirably. At the final examination we were shown maps drawn by these small pupils which would do credit to older hands. For their interest and achievements in reading and arithmetic the scholars deserve unqualified praise, and the teacher credit.

**Grammar School.**

**Summer Term.—Miss Annie E Trafton of York.**

- Length of school in days 50.
- Whole number of scholars attending 37.
- Average number 26.
- Wages of teacher per month $32.

Miss Trafton was no novice. Of a quiet and retiring nature, she made no display, but the school steadily advanced in scholarship under her tuition, and closed with a good examination.

**Fall Term.—** Length of school in days 50.

- Whole number of scholars attending 44.
- Average number 34.
- Wages of teacher per month $45.

**Winter Term.—** Length of school in days 60.

- Whole number of scholars attending 42.
- Average number 37.
- Wages of teacher per month $58.

Mr. George N. Johnson of New Hampton, N. H., taught both terms. He maintained that strict order without which no teacher can attain the highest success. Among his pupils he excited that spirit of emulation which strives to excel without detracting from others. His written examinations at stated intervals aroused a desire for perfection hitherto dormant or only partially awakened. To mention one class as worthy of special praise would be unjust to others equally deserving. It is the lot of few teachers to attain such marked success as Mr. Johnson.
achieved here, and it is to be regretted that so few of the parents visited the school to witness its progress.

DISTRICT NO. 2, RAYNES NECK.

EDWARD LOWE, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $161.74.
Number of scholars returned 33.

SUMMER TERM.—Miss Emma S. Bickford of Bates College, Teacher.

Length of school in days 50.
Whole number of scholars attending 18.
Average number 12.
Wages of teacher per month $22.
Miss Bickford's first experience was successful. The school made creditable improvement in all the studies of the term.

WINTER TERM.—Mr. Francis Raynes of Kittery, Teacher.
Length of school in days 50.
Whole number of scholars attending 18.
Average number 16.
Wages of teacher per month $40.

The teacher labored hard for the improvement of the school. His classes in Arithmetic did good work, and the district has cause for congratulation on the judicious expenditure of its money during the part year.

DISTRICT NO. 3, SOUTH SIDE.

CHARLES F. BLAISDELL, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $161.74.
Number of scholars returned 33.

SUMMER TERM.—Miss Mary E. Freeman, York, Teacher.
Length of school in days 50.
Whole number of scholars attending 17.
Average number 13.
Wages of teacher per month $18.
Miss Freeman's experience was no exception to the rule. She found opposing elements at work in school and out. She labored faithfully for the interest of the school, and the Committee were pleased with the appearance of it at its close.

WINTER TERM.—Mr. Arno L. Wilson, Kittery, Teacher.
Length of school in days 65.
Whole number of scholars attending 22.
Average number 18.
Wages of teacher per month $40.

Mr. Wilson is an energetic, thoroughly enthusiastic teacher of much experience. He requires each scholar to master the whole of each lesson before leaving it. Success always follows such watchfulness and application.

DISTRICT NO. 4, SCOTLAND.

JAMES A. BRAGDON, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $160.47.
Number of scholars returned 32.

SUMMER TERM.—Miss Hattie M. Nowell, York, Teacher.
Length of school in days 65.
Whole number of scholars attending 23.
Average number 18.
Wages of teacher per month $17.

This school was conducted pleasantly and progress was made in learning. The committee were pleased with the general appearance of the school, and the examination at the close of the term was satisfactory.

FALL TERM.—Length of school in days 40.
Whole number of scholars attending 25.
Average number 22.
Wages of teacher per month $28.

WINTER TERM.—Length of school in days 40.
Whole number of scholars attending 23.
Average number 20.
Wages of teacher per month $28.
MISS MARY T. WILSON, of York, taught both terms.

In each term there were good order and attention to lessons, and considerable proficiency was made.

DISTRICT No. 5, Brixham.

HOWARD L. STAPLES, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $245 22.
Number of scholars returned 67.

SUMMER TERM.—MISS MARY T. WILSON of York, Teacher.
Length of school in days 60.
Whole number of scholars attending 37.
Average number 31.
Wages of teacher per month $30.

A good degree of advancement was made in all the studies pursued. The examination showed that the instruction had been thorough. The scholars were generally ready and accurate in answers to questions, and nearly all of them read well.

WINTER TERM.—MR. J. W. CHADWICK 2d, of Bates College, Teacher.
Length of school in days 75.
Whole number of scholars attending 42.
Average number 32.
Wages of teacher per month $38.

This was Mr. Chadwick's first term of teaching, and he was successful. The school maintained the estimable rank it has had in previous terms, and it promises well for the future. The committee were specially gratified with the closing examination and the proficiency made in the several branches of study. They have not known of any dissatisfaction with the school. Mr. C. has aptness for conducting a school and teaching. His pupils presented him a beautiful token of their esteem.
DISTRICT No. 6, Beech Ridge.

WILLIAM FURBISH, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $176 60.
Number of scholars returned 45.

Summer and Fall Terms.—Miss HATTIE N. McINTIRE of York, Teacher.

Length of school in days 64.
Whole number of scholars attending 27.
Average number 16.
Wages of teacher per month $20.

The two terms were reported together; but the number in attendance and the average appear to have been less in the autumn than in the summer. And this may account in part for the average of the terms together being so small.

Miss McIntire succeeded very well in teaching this school. The deportment and attention to studies were good, and considerable progress was made.

Winter Term.—Mr. G. Everett Moulton of York, Teacher.

Length of school in days 43.
Whole number of scholars attending 32.
Average number 22.
Wages of teacher per month $35.

The committee were pleased with the order and application of the school. It appeared, so far as they were able to judge, that the teacher had performed his duties well. They regretted that on the day of their last visit for the term many of the pupils were absent. Knowing that most of them are good scholars, they have no doubt of their proficiency in their studies. They were satisfied with what those present had done.

DISTRICT No. 8, North Village.

JOSHUA WINN, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $142 04.
Number of scholars returned 18.
Summer Term.—Miss Carrie M. Shaw of York, Teacher.

Length of school in days 30.
Whole number of scholars attending 10.
Average number 8.
Wages of teacher per month $21.

Of Miss Shaw’s first effort at teaching she has just cause for congratulation. She commenced the term with promises of complete success and the final examination fully proved the achievement equal to the anticipation.

Winter Term.—Mr. Albion Goodwin of York, Teacher.

Length of school in days 60.
Whole number of scholars attending 10.
Average number 10.
Wages of teacher per month $35.

The scholars seemed to observe good order, and some of them appeared attentive to their lessons. One in arithmetic, algebra and grammar, and two others in arithmetic did well. But there did not appear to be much improvement in reading, and animation was specially wanting in the school.

District No. 9, Ground Root Hill, West.

William H. Swett, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $230.58.
Number of scholars returned 63.

Summer Term.—Length of school in days 69.
Whole number of scholars attending 29.
Average number 19.
Wages of teacher per month $20.

Fall Term.—Length of school in days 30.
Whole number of scholars attending 23.
Average number 17.
Wages of teacher per month $26.

Mrs. M. K. Trafton of York taught both terms.
Being an experienced teacher and having well disposed pupils, both terms passed off pleasantly and successfully to all concerned.
WINTER TERM.—Mr. John M. Moulton, of York, Teacher.
Length of school in days 45.
Whole number of scholars attending 30.
Average number 24.
Wages of teacher per month $38.

Mr. Moulton taught and governed the school well, giving the scholars a thorough drilling in arithmetic and reading, and exciting in them an unusual interest in the study of grammar.

DISTRICT No. 10, Ground Root Hill, East.

Jesse Carey, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $179 16.
Number of scholars returned 47.

SUMMER TERM.—Miss Lottie L. Stevens of Wells, Teacher.
Length of school in days 44.
Whole number of scholars in attending 27.
Average number 18.
Wages of teacher per month $20.

At the beginning the teacher seemed careful, faithful, and anxious to have a successful school; but as the Agent did not inform the committee when the term ended, there was no visitation at the close, and consequently no report can be made.

WINTER TERM.—J. Howard Hubbard of Wells, Teacher.
Length of school in days 66.
Whole number of scholars attending 23.
Average number 17.
Wages of teacher per month $35.

At the opening the school appeared backward; and, as we had no notice of its closing, we were not present, but from what we saw of the teacher and from common report we presume the school was successful.
DISTRICT No. 11, CAPE NEDDICK, EAST.

DANIEL C. GOODWIN, (vice LOWELL M. FREEMAN, deceased,)  
Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $292 80.  
Number of scholars returned 80.  
SUMMER TERM.—Length of school in days 40.  
Whole number of scholars attending 39.  
Average number 31.  
Wages of teacher per month $32.  
FALL TERM.—Length of school in days 40.  
Whole number of scholars attending 33.  
Average number 26.  
Wages of teacher per month $32.  
Miss SUSAN A. NORTON, of York, taught both terms. The  
perfect order which prevailed, and the prompt recitations in  
History, Arithmetic, Geography and Grammar, satisfied the  
Committee that the schools had been successful; and at  
the close of the fall term it was apparent to all present  
that there had been fine improvement on the part of both  
teacher and pupils.

WINTER TERM.—MR. JOHN A. SWETT of York, Teacher.  
Length of school in days 55.  
Whole number of scholars attending 50.  
Average number 38.  
Wages of teacher per month $50.  
This was Mr. Swett's fortieth term. With this large  
experience we felt assured of eminent success, and were  
not disappointed.

DISTRICT No. 12, SCITUATE.

CHARLES H. BREWSER, Agent.  
Amount of money appropriated $212.28.  
Whole number of scholars returned 58.  
SUMMER TERM,—MISS MARY E. MITCHELL, York, Teacher.  
Length of school in days 70.  
Whole number of scholars attending 25.  
Average number 21.  
Wages of teacher per month $25.  
Miss Mitchell conducted the school well, and the scholars advanced in their studies. There was special improvement in reading and spelling. The writing and neatly kept books were worthy of mention.

**WINTER TERM.**—**MR. ALBION ADAMS** of Wells, **Teacher.**
- Length of school in days 70.
- Whole number of scholars attending 27.
- Average number 18.
- Wages of teacher per month $30.

The school appeared well when visited at the beginning and middle of the term. On the day of the visit at the close of the term, only a few pupils were present; but judging from previous visits and the work indicated by the teacher to have been done under his first endeavors in teaching, the committee think the scholars have made improvement in all their studies. The reading and spelling by those present were good.

**DISTRICT NO. 13, CIDER HILL.**

**HENRY PLAISTED, Agent.**

- Amount of money appropriated $296.46.
- Number of scholars returned 81.

**SUMMER TERM.**—Length of school in days 40.
- Whole number of scholars attending 43.
- Average number 37.
- Wages of teacher per month $30.

**FALL TERM.**—Length of school in days 35.
- Whole number of scholars attending 36.
- Average number 27.
- Wages of teacher per month $30.

Miss Helena Richardson of Cornish had charge of the school during both terms. She brought to her duties a large and varied experience. She gave us a modification of the Quincy method. Her practical object lessons were unique and progressive. Her success was complete.
**Winter Term.**—Mr. Manning P. Tobey, Kittery, Teacher.

Length of school in days 70.
Whole number of scholars attending 44.
Average number 33.
Wages of teacher per month $40.

Mr. Tobey came from Bates College thoroughly qualified for his work. He tried hard to succeed. He was thorough in his teaching and deserves the success he achieved. He took his classes over less ground than do some teachers, but he spared no labor to instruct his scholars.

**District No. 14, Pine Hill.**

Stephen Weare, Agent.

Amount of money appropriated $171 48.
Number of scholars returned 41.

Summer Term.—Miss E. L. Perkins of York, Teacher.
Length of school in days 40.
Number scholars attending 14.
Average number 12.
Wages of teacher per month $24.

A fine schoolhouse, pleasantly located, is a great advantage to this district; and the school under Miss Perkins, though small in numbers, appeared orderly, well behaved and faithfully instructed, especially in Arithmetic, Geography, and Book-keeping.

Winter Term. — Mr. Edward W. Perkins of York, Teacher.
Length of school in days 45.
Whole number of scholars attending 20.
Average number 18.
Wages of teacher per month $40.

The deliberate yet thorough method adopted by Mr. Perkins gave us ample proof that he had given his scholars a good drilling in the studies of the term, notably in Arithmetic.
Amount of money appropriated $237.90.
Number of scholars returned 65.

SUMMER TERM.—Length of school in days 40.
Whole number of scholars attending 37.
Average number 31.
Wages of teacher per month $30.

FALL TERM.—Length of school in days 40.
Whole number of scholars attending 35.
Average number 28.
Wages of teacher per month $30.
Miss Mary A. Moulton of York taught both terms.

In Miss Moulton gentleness and firmness are admirably combined; and hence her schools were successful. We were especially pleased with the attention given to the different sounds of the vowels, and to inflection and emphasis of the voice in reading. The thinking powers of the pupils were constantly called into action.

WINTER TERM.—The term commenced under the instruction of Miss Mary E. Mitchell of York; and she taught successfully 40 days.
Whole number of scholars attending 35.
Average number 28.
Wages of teacher per month $25.

Owing to the death of a relative, she was obliged to give up her school before the term expired, and Mr. John M. Moulton, of York, brought it to a successful close. Mr. Moulton taught 20 days.
Whole number of scholars attending 37.
Wages of teacher per month $40.

In closing our report we wish to suggest to the agents the necessity of promptly informing the committee of the time of opening and closing each term of school. In some cases during the past year the only information
the Committee has had as to these facts has been hearsay. Teachers, agents, and parents complain that the committee neglects its duties if their schools are not properly and promptly visited, but the committee cannot perform its duties so long as the agents neglect theirs.

Parents often complain of the school or teacher when they know nothing of either. Visit your schools, encourage your teachers, and you will have less cause of complaint.

To teachers we would suggest the desirability, if practicable, of introducing into the regular exercises of their schools the practice of vocal music. Singing breaks the monotony of the usual routine, excites an interest in scholars otherwise intractable, and relieves the weariness, often oppressive, of long sitting in the school room.

In accordance with the vote of the town at the last annual meeting, we introduced Dr. B. W. Richardson’s Temperance Lessons into the schools. Some schools have made use of the book, but a majority of them have neglected it entirely. In one school it made trouble, as some of the parents objected to their children being taught temperance in school, and, because the Committee refused to interfere, kept their children from school.

The schools are all now uniformly supplied with the independent series of Readers, Watson’s Spellers and the Fish-Robinson Arithmetic. The introduction of these books has been attended with marked improvement in the several branches.

We cannot close our report without calling the attention of our citizens to the fact that a very large percentage of our scholars do not attend school. Last year we had 812 scholars returned. Of these 498 were registered in school. Compare this with the State Superintendent’s Report for the four preceding years:
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Here then are 314 children in town who did not see the inside of a school house last year. Parents, the remedy lies with you. Will you apply it?

We note with pleasure the general success of our schools the past year. There has not been a single case of failure during that time. We have endeavored to exercise our duties faithfully, impartially and fearlessly, with only the improvement and best interests of the schools in view.

JOHN C. STEWART,  
JOSEPH FREEMAN,  
GILBERT ROBBINS,  
Superintending School Committee.

YORK, ME., March 10th, 1882.