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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS,

—AND—

Supervisor of Schools,

—OF THE—

TOWN OF DENMARK,

—FOR THE—

Municipal Year of 1881.

Holbrook & Burnham, Printers, 43 Temple St., Portland.
REPORT.

Valuation for the Year 1881.

Amount of Resident Real Estate, $188,030.00
" Personal " 73,880.00
" Non-Resident " 35,928.00

Total, 297,838.00

Whole No. of Polls, 262.

MONEY RAISED AND ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1881.

For Support of Poor, $600.00
" Schools, 1000.00
" Defraying Town Charges, 600.00

Total, $2,200.00

Money raised for repairing Roads and Bridges, 3,000.00

Rate per cent on Money Tax, .01125 on $1.00.
Highway Tax, .0075 on $1.00.

School Money.

Amount of School Money voted by the Town, $1,000.00
" Received from the State, 458.15
" of Interest on School Fund, 32.80

$1490.95

LIST OF ORDERS DRAWN FROM FEB. 19, 1881, TO FEB. 20, 1882, EXCLUSIVE OF SCHOOL ORDERS.

Paid Sidney Orcutt for use of Plow on Town Farm, $1.00
" Charles E. Bennett for Abatement of Tax on Property not owned year 1880, .73
" R. M. Springer for printing Town Report for year 1880, 13.60
" S. G. Davis for Cash paid out on writs against Lewiston and Newport, in case of Fannie J. White, 8.01
" James Wentworth for Shingles for Town Farm, year 1879, 1.90
" George Thomes for working Non-Resident Tax, year 1878, .85
" Town of Bridgton for Supplies furnished Caroline Richardson and Children, 12.14
Paid,

Dr. S. T. Brown fourth quarterly pay for doctoring Casual Poor,

Simon Nason Repairing Roads in District No. 5 winter of '81,

Dresser, McLellan & Co. for Books and Stationery,

Augustine Ingalls for balance for services as Selectman &c.,

E. P. Pingree, do Cash,

H. H. Hartford, do

for Repairing Roads in Dist. No. 9, winter of 1881,

Frank B. Warren for one pair of Oxen for Town Farm,

E. E. Black for last quarter on Town Farm, year 1880.

H. H. Hartford for Expenses and Cash paid Town of Cumberland for aid furnished Ella J. Whitney,

Isaac H. Berry, making Watercourse in District No. 7 year 1880

Dr. S. T. Brown first quarter Doctoring Casual Poor,

Armond Warren for plank for Bridge in District No. 4,

E. E. Black first quarter for year 1881,

Clarence Bragdon for Repairing Roads in District No. 5, 1880

Dr. S. T. Brown 2nd quarter Doctoring Casual Poor,

George W. Moulton for Repairing Roads in District No. 23,

L. L. Hale for Dental Services to John Batchelder,

Abel Ingalls for use of Boar on Town Farm, year 1881,

Stephen H. Ames for Repairing Roads in District No. 23,

Rufus Bennett

Dresser & McLellan for Town Order Book,

T. I. Pingree for working out Tobias Lord's Highway Tax,

Stephen H. Berry Estate of Tax,

S. T. Jewett for Merchandise furnished Town Farm,

J. N. Smith for Hardware for Town Farm,

Robinson & Allen for Plank and Labor for Repairing Bridge, District No. 6,

C. E. Whidden for Merchandise furnished Town Farm,

Dr. S. T. Brown 3d quarter Doctoring Casual Poor,

Isaac H. Lord for Abatement of Overtax year 1881,

E. E. Black in full for Labor on Town Farm to Dec. 1st, '81

Potter & Ordway for Coffin, Robe and Box,

G. F. Ames for Blacksmith work done on Town Farm,

Luther Trumbull Repairing Roads in District No. 18,

William Fessenden Abatement of Taxes year 1880,

on School House Tax,

on Town Taxes year 1879,

for Commission for Collecting Taxes Year 1880,
Paid William Fessenden for Commission for Collecting Taxes in Center District, 7.23
  William Fessenden for Services as Constable for years 1880 and 1881, 2.00
  Pingree & Davis Fare and Expenses to Lewiston in case of Fannie J. White, 15.00
  E. P. Pingree Cash paid Oliver Dyke for running Town Line 3.50
  L. A. Ingalls Merchandise furnished Town Farm, 20.12
  S. G. Davis for Services going to Lewiston in case of Fannie J. White, 3.00
  G. R. Bean for Abatement of Taxes for year 1878, 96.54
  Jacob Merrifield for Abatement of Taxes for year 1877, as by vote of Town, 6.47
  G. R. Bean for Abatement of Taxes for years 1876-77, 43.46
  G. R. Bean for Commission for Collecting Taxes year 1878, 39.50

Amount Paid for the Poor Outside the Town Farm.
To Paid Town of Bridgton for Caroline Richardson and her two Children, $12.14
  Town of Cumberland for Ella J. Whiting's Support, 34.00
  Potter & Ordway for Coffin, Robe and Box for Mrs. Caroline Richardson, 15.25

Denmark vs. Newport and Lewiston.
Settled by agreement, by Newport and Lewiston paying Denmark $50.00 each, and each party paying its own cost.

Town Farm Account
Amount of Supplies on hand Feb. 16, 1881, 522.85
  of Cash Received of Overseer April 1st, 1881, 5.31
  of Superintendent's Salary, 186.86
  Paid for Repairs, 2.35
    Dr. S. T. Brown for Medical Attendance for year '81 50.00
    for Supplies to C. E. Whidden, 116.70
    for Supplies to S. T. Jewett, 98.02
    for Supplies L. A. Ingalls, 30.24
    to E. P. Pingree for Rolls, 50
    to William Fessenden for Meat, 1.00
    John T. Blake for Meat, 6.59
    to Darwin Ingalls for wood and pasturing Oxen, 4.00
    to E. P. Ingalls for pasturing Oxen, and Vinegar, 1.30
    to William Fessenden for Meadow Hay, 6.00
    to L. R. Giles & Co., for Shorts, 2.49
Amount Paid to William Fessenden for Horse, 50
" " to Timothy H. Jack, " " 75
" " to " " " " Superphosphate, 7 27
" " to Libby for Clothing, 7 00
" " to G. F. Ames for Blacksmith Work, 3 61
" " to R. G. Fessenden difference between Cows, 2 50
" " to W. W. Berry for hauling Apples to Depot, 1 30
" " to R. G. Fessenden for Washboard and Goodstick, .50
" " to Frank B. Warren for 1 yoke of Oxen, 100 00
" " to A. G. Berry & Son for Lumber, 2 25
" " to Dr. L. L. Hale for Dental Services to John Batchelder, 1 00

$1,160 80

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Amount of Supplies on hand Feb. 16, 1882. $190 00
" " Produce sold from Farm, 137 12
" " Stock sold from Farm, 176 75
" due from T. H. Jack for Labor done by Overseer and Oxen, 2 50
" of Labor done by Overseer, Seth and Oxen, in Highway, District No. I, 2 01
" of Expense of Poor on Farm, 352 43

$1,160 80

Four persons on the Farm the whole year is 208 weeks; Mrs. Caroline Richardson and 2 Children 13 weeks each, Henry Gilman 9 weeks, making a total of 256 weeks at $1 37 per week is $352 43

LIST AND AMOUNT OF ARTICLES NOW ON HAND FOR USE THE ENSUING YEAR.

2 Oxen.................................................................$90 00
4 Cows..............................................................$100 00
2 Pigs.................................................................20 00
2 Two year old Steers...........................................30 00
1 Three year old Heifer........................................18 00
22 Hens...............................................................5 50
4 1-2 Tons English Hay........................................75 00
1 1-2 Tons Meadow Hay......................................10 00
30 Bushel Potatoes.............................................18 00
3 Bbls. Apples....................................................2 50
Turnips..............................................................1 50
25 lbs. Butter....................................................5 50
30 lbs. Lard .................................................. 4.20
175 lbs. Pork .................................................. 21.00
75 lbs. Ham .................................................... 9.00
10 lbs. Fish ................................................... 30.00
1-2 Bbl. Flour ................................................ 4.50
1 1-2 Bush. Meal ............................................ 1.25
10 Bush. Wheat .............................................. 15.00
4 Bush Beans ............................................... 10.00
1 Bush Peas .................................................. 2.00
28 Bush Cider Apples ................................... 3.25
Groceries on Hand ......................................... 1.50
1-2 Bbl. Soap ................................................ 1.50
Cabbages ..................................................... 50.00
18 Cords Wood ..............................................

Town Officers Bills for Year 1881.
Paid E. P. Pingree for Services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor ................................................... $50.00
  " Augustine Ingalls for same ................................ 40.00
  " H. H. Hartford for same, also for Cash paid out ........ 42.00
  " G. W. Gray for Services as Town Treasurer ............. 16.00
  " C. R. Berry " Clerk ........................................ 10.00
  " A. W. Walker " Supervisor ............................... 45.00
  " C. R. Berry, Cash paid out ................................ 1.97
  " Augustine Ingalls, Cash paid out ......................... 1.63
  " Edwin E. Swan for Services as Constable year 1881, .... 1.00

Liabilities.
Amount of Outstanding Town Orders drawn in 1873 ............ $15.50
  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  "  
  of Interest on above Orders estimated ........................ 505.00
  " Due the several School Districts ........................ 607.57
  " Superintendent on Farm April 1st. 1882 ................ 60.00
  " Commission for Collecting Tax 1881 .................... 36.00
  " Dr. S. T. Brown on last quarter ending Apr. 1st '82, ... 12.50

$6,533.98
RESOURCES.

Amount Due from G. R. Bean on Tax 1881...............................$2319 09
" " " William Fessenden Tax 1880............................... 140 00
" " " In Treasurer's hands.................................................. 1385 67
" " " Due from Lewiston................................................... 50 00
" " " Due for Non-Resident Taxes year 1880...................... 15 07
" " " Due from Tobias Lord for his Highway Taxes year 1881 13 06
" " " " T. H. Jack........................................................ 2 50
" " " " Aaron McKenny (Estate of) for his Highway Taxes year 1881 62 07
" " " Due from Towle, Kennison & Hobson for their Highway Taxes year 1881 61 33

$4048 79

CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Number of Scholars April 1st, 66.
Balance unexpended Feb. 16, 1881 ....................................................$223 88
Appropriation for 1881...................................................... 328 81

$552 69

Paid S. G. Davis...............................................................$96 58
" " Cynthia E. Pingree................................................... 61 50
" " E. P. Pingree........................................................ 6 47
" " F. P. Bennett......................................................... 13 00
" " Geo. S. Bucknell...................................................... 7 50
" " Cynthia E. Pingree................................................... 61 50
" " Andrew Saunders..................................................... 10 00
" " Cynthia E. Pingree................................................... 61 50
" " James Saunders....................................................... 1 75
" " Geo. A. Barker....................................................... 55 00
" " Andrew Saunders..................................................... 10 00

Total......................................................$384 80
Balance unexpended....................................................$167 89

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Number of Scholars April 1, 1881, 21.
Appropriations for 1881...................................................... $104 71
Paid Sidney Orcutt......................................................... $3 75
" " Minnie Pingree......................................................... 27 00
" " C. E. Whidden......................................................... 9 90
" " R. G. Fessenden......................................................... 2 50
" " Moses B. Cobb......................................................... 61 25

$104 40

Balance unexpended.................................................... $0 31
DISTRICT NO. 2.

No. of Scholars April 1, 1881 ............................................................... 34
Balance unexpended Feb. 19, 1881 ........................................................§87 37
Appropriations for 1881 ..........................................................................171 51

Paid Moses L. Sanborn ...............................................$64 00
  " Hosea Allen ............................................................... 4 00
  " Lillie A. Allen .......................................................... 40 00
  " " " ................................................................. 32 00
  " M. K. Mabry ........................................................... 41 66

$262 88

Balance unexpended .................................................................................$81 82

DISTRICT NO. 3.

No. of Scholars April 1, 1881 .............................................................. 40.
Balance unexpended Feb. 19, 1881 ......................................................$128 28
Appropriations for year 1881 .................................................. 199 46

Paid Preston W. Charles...................................................$35 00
  " J. W. Colby ............................................................. 70 00
  " Alhan F. Bradbury .................................................... 21 25
  " Annie C. Pike ........................................................ 16 25
  " Albert W. Walker ..................................................... 58 50

$327 74

Balance unexpended.....................................................................................$119 86

DISTRICT NO. 4.

No. of Scholars April 1, 1881.............................................................. 21
Balance unexpended Feb. 19, 1881 .....................................................$97 78
Appropriations for 1881, ........................................................... 104 71

Paid, L. A. Ingalls.................................................................$9 33
  " C. B. Smith ................................................................ 47 00
  " Hannah Pike ........................................................... 22 50
  " Edwin B. Warren ..................................................... 9 00
  " Orin Q. Libby ........................................................ 2 93
  " Hannah Pike ........................................................... 20 00
  " Edwin B. Warren ..................................................... 8 00

$202 49

Balance unexpended...........................................................$83 73
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DISTRICT NO. 9.

No. of Scholars April 1, 1881............................................................... 13
Balance unexpended Feb. 19, 1881.................................................. $9 38
Appropriations for 1881................................................................. 61 82

$74 20

Paid Mary H. Cutler.......................................................$48 00
Balance unexpended..........................................................$26 20

DISTRICT NO. 10.

No. of Scholars April 1, 1881............................................................... 15
Balance unexpended Feb. 19, 1881.................................................. $23 67
Appropriations for 1881................................................................. 74 79

$98 46

Paid Flora Bradbury.............................................................$35 00
" Jones B. Holt ......................................................... 10 00
" " ................................................................. 2 00
" Flora Bradbury........................................................ 19 25
Jones B. Holt.............................................................. 18 25

$84 50

Balance unexpended...............................................................$13 96

DISTRICT NO. 11.

No. of Scholars April 1, 1881............................................................... 13
Balance unexpended Feb. 19, 1881.................................................. $75 24
Appropriations for 1881................................................................. 64 82

$140 06

Paid Annie C. Pike.............................................................$36 00
" " ................................................................. 20 00
" Abel Ingalls.............................................................. 13 00
" James Moxcey.......................................................... 2 25
" Lebina G. Whitney.................................................... 2 50
" " ................................................................. 14 28
" Phebe I. Pingree........................................................ 42 00

$130 03

Balance unexpended...............................................................$10 03
DISTRICT NO. 13.

No. of Scholars April 1, 1881 ......................................................... 9
Balance unexpended Feb. 19, 1881 ....................................................... $15 13
Appropriations for 1881 ........................................................................... 44 88

$60 06

Paid Augustine Ingalls ................................................. $1 50
" Clara W. Davis ....................................................... 24 00
" Augustus A. Pingree ................................................ 8 00
" .............................................................. 3 70
" Levi W. Merrifield .................................................. 1 62

$38 82

Balance unexpended .............................................................................. $21 24

In the foregoing Report we have tried to make a correct statement of the Financial standing of the Town, which we find to be in debt to the amount of $2,485 19.

E. P. PINGREE,  
AUGUSTINE INGALLS,  
H. H. HARTFORD.  
Selectmen of Denmark.

Denmark, Feb. 20, 1882.
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

CENTRE DISTRICT.

Augustine Ingalls Agent. The summer term was taught by Miss Cynthia E. Pingree, of Denmark. Commenced May 2nd, continued ten weeks. I visited school May 10th and June 28th; Present at my first visit 35 scholars and at my second 31. Whole number attending school 40; average number 36.

The Fall term was taught by Miss Pingree in the Primary department and George A. Barker of Naples in the High School; this term commenced September 26 and continued ten weeks. I visited the school Oct. 3rd and December 1st; present at my first visit 53 scholars and at my last 42. Whole number attending school 55, average number 49.

The winter term is now in session under the management of the same teacher; it commenced December 19th; I visited the school but once, which was on Feb. 16th; present 45 scholars.

DISTRICT No. 2. Rufus G. Fessenden Agent. The summer term was taught by Miss Minnie J. Pingree of Denmark. It commenced June 6th and continued 9 weeks. I visited school June 17th and July 26th; at my first visit there were present 21 scholars and at my last 21; average number 17.

The winter term was taught by Moses B. Cobb of Denmark. It began Dec. 5th and continued 7 weeks; I visited school Dec. 16th and Jan 26th; at my first visit there were present 21 scholars and at my last, 17.

Whole number attending school 21; average number 19. Wages of teacher $35. per month including board.

DISTRICT No. 2 John Colby, Agent. The summer term was taught by Miss Lillie A. Allen of Denmark; it commenced May 9th and continued 10 weeks. I visited school May 13th and July 15th; at my first visit there were present 17 scholars and at my last 18. Whole No. attending school 19, average No. 17. Wages of teacher excluding board $3.95 per week. The Fall term was taught by the same teacher; commenced Oct. 3d and continued 8 weeks; I visited school Oct. 24th and Nov. 21st; at my first visit there were present 17 scholars and at my last 15. Whole No. attending school 18; average No. 14. Wages of teacher excluding board $2.90 per week.

The Winter term is now in session under the able management of Madison K. Mabury, of Hiram. It began Jan. 16. I visited school Jan, 26; present 20 scholars.
DISTRICT No. 3. Charles P. Goldthwait, Agent. The summer term was under the instruction of Miss Annie C. Pike, of Cornish. Commenced May 2nd and closed Aug. 19. At the close of the 9th week there was a vacation of 2 weeks. At my first visit 21 scholars were present, and 20 at each of my other visits. Whole No. attending school 28, average No. 20. Wages of teacher excluding board. $4.50 per week.

The Winter term is now in session under the management of Sidney S. Smith, of Brownfield. Commenced Dec. 12th. I visited school Dec. 15th and Feb. 15th. At my first visit there were present 32 scholars and at my last 18.

DISTRICT No. 4. E. B. Warren, Agent. The Summer term commenced May 2d and continued nine weeks. It was taught by Miss Hannah II. Pike, of Fryeburg. I visited school May 13 and July 1. Present at my first visit 13 scholars and at my last 12. Whole No. scholars attending school 15, average No. 12.

The Fall term was taught by the same teacher. Commenced Sept. 5th and continued 8 weeks. Not knowing when the term closed I visited this school but once, which was on Sept. 29th. Present 15 scholars. Whole No. attending school 16; average No. 14. Wages of teacher for each term $2.50 per week excluding board.

The Winter term is now in session under the instruction of Charlotte H. Warren, of Denmark. The school commenced Jan. 2d. I visited it Jan 16th and Feb. 13th. Present 16 scholars at each visit.

DISTRICT No. 5. No school throughout the year.

DISTRICT No. 6. Palmer Fessenden, Agent. The Summer term was taught by Miss Vic L. Allen, of Denmark. Commenced June 6th and continued 10 weeks. I visited June 16th and Aug. 12th. Present at my first visit 14 scholars and at my last 10. Whole No. attending school 15; average No. 13. Wages of teacher excluding board $2.75 per week.

The Fall term commenced Oct. 10th and continued 10 weeks, under the instruction of Miss Kate F. Stone, of Bridgton. I visited the school Oct. 18th and Dec. 16. Present at my first visit 12 scholars and at my second 11. Whole No. attending school 13; average No. 11. Wages of teacher excluding board $4.00 per week.

DISTRICT No. 7. Armond Warren, Agent. The Summer term was taught by Miss Carrie Quincy, of Bridgton. It commenced May 9th and continued 8 weeks. I visited the school May 11th and July 16th. At my first visit there were present 9 scholars, and at my last 10. Whole No. attending school 11; average No. 8. Wages of teacher excluding board $2.75 per week.
The Winter term is now in session under the management of Miss Flora Small, of Hiram. This term commenced Dec. 5th. I visited school Dec 8th and Feb. 13th. Present at my first visit 10 scholars and at my last 6.

DISTRICT No. 8. Gilbert Warren, Agent. The Summer term was taught by Miss Estella Hartford, of Denmark. Commenced May 2d, closed Oct. 8th. At the close of the third week the school was stopped on account of sickness and was not resumed until Sept. 4th. I visited the school May 6th and Oct 7th. At my first visit there were present 13 scholars and at my last 10. Whole No. attending school 14; average No. 9. Wages of teacher excluding board $2 75 per week.

The Winter term is now in session under the instruction of Roland A. Crosse, of Denmark. I visited the school Dec 8th and Feb. 14th. Present at my first visit 10 and at my last 6.

DISTRICT No. 9. William Cutler, Agent. There was but one term of school in this District, which was taught by Mary H. Cutler, of Denmark. It commenced Oct. 3d and continued 18 weeks. There was a vacation of 2 weeks at the middle of the term. I visited school Oct. 18th and Feb. 15th. Present at my first visit 4 scholars and at my second 3. Whole No. attending school 7; average No. 5. Wages of teacher excluding board $3 50 per week.

DISTRICT No. 10. Jones B. Holt, Agent. The Summer term was taught by Miss Flora M. Bradbury, of Denmark. It commenced May 10th and continued 10 weeks. I visited the school May 20th and July 22d. At my first visit there were present but 5 scholars, owing to bad weather; at my last visit there were 12. Whole No attending school 14; average No. 10. Wages of teacher excluding board $3 75 per week.

The Fall term was taught by the same teacher, commenced Aug. 22d and continued 11 weeks. I visited school Sept. 1st and Nov. 1st. At my first visit there were present 14 scholars, and at my last 12. Whole No. attending school 17; average No. 12. Wages of teacher excluding board $3 75 per week.

DISTRICT No. 11. James Moxey, Agent. There was but one term of school in this District which was taught by Miss Annie C. Pike, of Cornish. It commenced Aug. 29th and was in session 13 weeks. I visited school Sept 5th and Nov. 19. Present at my first visit 18 scholars, at my last 6. Whole No. attending school 18; average No. 14. Wages of teacher excluding board $4 50 per week.

DISTRICT No. 13. Levi Merrifield, Agent. Miss Clara W. Davis, of Denmark, taught the only term of this District which commenced Sept. 26th and continued 8 weeks. I visited this school Oct. 3d and Nov. 18th. At my first visit there were 4 scholars present and at my last 5. Whole
No. attending school 5; average No. 3 61-88. Wages of teacher excluding board $3.00 per week.

REMARKS.

In conclusion I will be brief in my remarks. I have visited all the schools twice, with the exception of two, and so far as I am able to judge have been very successful. Some of the agents have employed the same teachers throughout the year, which is a very good prudence to follow especially where you get a good teacher. Some (though not all) have been very fortunate in their choice. In District No. 8 the Agent informs me that the evening meeting of the teacher and scholars have been almost equal to the day school. Their practice was to meet around to the several houses, read History and then discuss the most important points, and I will give the school the credit of having the smartest History class I have met in town.

With the uniformity of books which I introduced into this town a year ago, there has been a marked degree of improvement; in contracting the No. of classes, it has lightened the teachers burdens to the advantage of the scholars. The teachers almost to a unit are highly pleased with the change.

Some of the schools have completed their books, the first one completing the Arithmetic (to my knowledge) was District No. 8. The first one completing the Higher Geography was in District No. 7.

I will again urge the necessity of some step in our small schools for something ought to be done and that, soon.

I have abstained from comments upon each school and will leave them for the Districts to draw their own conclusions. It has been customary years before to make particular comment upon each school, but as the views of one will not meet the approbation of all, I thought best to abstain from all remarks.

Respectfully Submitted,

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