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TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

B. S. DOE,

G. C. PRATT,

WM. PARLIN.

CLERK.

GEO. A. WILSON.

TREASURER.

N. D. BOLSTER.

COLLECTOR.

JOHN BLACK.

S. S. COMMITTEE.

JAMES S. WRIGHT,

SETH BENSON,

HERMAN A. FULLER.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

VALUATION.

Whole number of Polls, 726.	
Amount of Resident Real Estate,	\$686,950 00
Amount of Resident Personal Estate,	223,275 00
Amount of Non-resident Real Estate,	53,265 00
Amount of Non-resident Personal Estate,	2,240 00
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Total valuation,	\$965,730 00

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.

State Tax,	\$4,896 02
County Tax,	1,095 33
Town Debt and Interest,	1,500 00
Town Charges,	3,000 00
For Highway—Cash,	1,500 00
Support Schools,	2,212 00
Fractional Overlay,	166 14
Delinquent Highway Tax,	126 83
Supplementary Tax,	33 82
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Total committed for collection, \$14,530 14

Poll Tax, \$2.50.

Rate per cent., thirteen mills on a dollar.

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SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Amount raised by vote of town,	\$2,212 00
Interest on School Fund,	200 00
Mill Tax from State,	953 24
From State School Fund,	379 29

Total, \$3,744 53

The money was apportioned among the several Districts as follows :

No	Number of District.	Number of Scholars.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Added.	Total.
1.	Bolster,	32	\$128 00		\$128 00
2.	South Paris,	266	1064 00		1064 00
3.	Webber,	35	140 00		140 00
4.	Biscoe,	17	68 00	15 00	83 00
5.	Porter,	33	132 00		132 00
6.	West Paris,	72	288 00		288 00
7.	Hall,	15	60 00		60 00
8.	King,	25	100 00		100 00
9.	Paris Hill,	113	452 00		452 00
10.	Partridge,	44	176 00		176 00
11.	Stearns,	15	60 00	15 00	75 00
12.	Harbor,	53	212 00		212 00
13.	Tubbs,	10	40 00	20 00	60 00
14.	Mountain,	13	52 00	15 00	67 00
15.	Whittemore,	43	172 00		172 00
16.	Tuell,	46	184 00		184 00
17.	Forbes,	18	72 00	5 00	77 00
18.	Hollow,	25	100 00		100 00
19.	Trap Corner,	31	124 00		124 00
20.	Snow's Falls,	9	36 00	14 53	50 53
					\$3,744 53

Whole numbers of Scholars, 915.

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

Names and Ages of Present Inmates :

Hartwell Stevens,	61	Eliza A. Lewis,	40
Orin Daniels,	64	Emeline Walcott,	70
Thomas Casey,	67		

Average number supported on the farm during the year, 6.

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Schedule of Stock, Provisions, &c., on the Farm, Feb. 10, 1881.

1 Horse,	60 pounds dried apples,
2 Oxen,	$\frac{1}{2}$ barrel Flour,
7 Cows,	1 barrel Soap,
2 Sheep,	60 pounds Butter,
2 Shoats,	65 pounds Lard,
30 Fowls,	300 pounds Pork,
15 tons Hay,	160 pounds Ham,
$\frac{1}{2}$ ton Straw,	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels Beans,
25 bushels Oats,	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels Peas,
125 bushels Potatoes,	A good supply of garden sauce.

EXPENDITURES.

Overseer's Salary,	\$350 00
Extra Labor,	2 75
Groceries,	26 50
Bedding and Clothing,	25 42
Blacksmith's Bills,	9 54
Flour,	28 75
Corn and Meal,	31 47
Kitchen Furniture,	5 54
Salt, Fish and Meat,	17 34
Boots and Shoes,	10 67
Hay Seed,	5 13
Carding Wool,	60
Use of Boar,	1 40
Tax on land in Oxford,	3 18
Tobacco, and repairs on Wagon,	12 24
Medical Attendance,	6 00
Oxford Democrat,	4 50

Total,

\$541 03

RECEIPTS.

Butter sold,	\$131 12
Milk " "	146 16
Stock " "	107 00
Pigs " "	11 50

Eggs	sold,	8 17
Potatoes	"	16 44
Beans	"	15 83
Labor off the Farm,		14 17
Sweet corn sold,		13 27
Lumber	"	74 17
Apples	"	12 00
Total,		<hr/> \$549 83
Balance in favor of the Farm,		<hr/> \$8 80

We are well satisfied with the management of the Farm, and have hired Mr. Mason and wife for another year, for the same salary as paid last year.

EXPENSES OF POOR OFF THE FARM.

Tramps,	\$26 11
C. N. Pratt,	61 47
Dennett Cotton,	78 17
Lorenzo Higgins,	18 50
Evelyn Packard,	24 00
Cyrus Twitchell,	4 00
Samuel Perry, (1879)	14 00
Mrs. A. Washburn,	5 00
Ezekiel Damon,	2 36
Francis Bemis for 1878,	92 55
Lovina Starbird,	26 00
Mrs. Harriet Smith,	23 52
James Murch,	5 00
Eunice Bryant,	13 00
Aerial Carver,	12 47
Alvin Howe,	29 22
B. D. Thurlow,	24 69
Mrs. O. G. Swan,	7 00

Total,	<hr/> \$471 06
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LIQUOR AGENCY.

LEONARD WHITMAN, *Liquor Agent, in account with the Town of Paris for the year 1880.*

Dr.

To cash from sales from Feb. 12, 1880,		
to Feb. 11, 1881,	\$731 81	
Total,		\$731 81

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By cash paid State Agent Bills, 1879,	\$130 40	
" " " " " 1880,	306 57	
" " " Freight and Truckage,	5 36	
" " " Agent, (Salary)	120 00	
" " " Town Treasurer,	169 48	
Total,		\$731 81

Statement Showing Profit of Agency :

Cash from Sales,	\$731 81	
Value of Liquors on hand Feb, 11, 1881,	121 93	
Total amount received during the year,		\$853 74

Cash Paid out in 1880.

Paid State Agent, (Bills 1879,)	\$130 40	
" " " " 1880,	306 57	
" Freight and Truckage,	5 36	
" Agents Salary,	120 00	
Total amount paid out (deduct from am't rec'd,)		\$562 33
		\$291 41

Total amount of Liquor now on hand,	\$121 93
Cash paid Town Treasurer,	169 48
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	\$291 41
Value of Liquors on hand, Feb. 12, 1880,	\$307 82
Deduct amount paid State Agent, (then due,) 130 40	
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Total Paid up Capital, Feb. 12, 1880,	\$177 42
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Net Profit,	\$113 99

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

N. D. BOLSTER, *Treasurer, in account with the Town of Paris,*
for the financial year ending February 17, 1880.

DR.

To Cash from last report,	\$238 23
“ “ State Mill Tax, 1879,	948 30
“ “ “ School Fund, 1879,	411 08
“ “ “ Pensions, 1879	96 00
“ “ “ Railroad Tax, 1878,	2 29
“ “ “ School Fund, 1880,	379 29
“ “ “ Mill Tax, 1880,	953 24
“ “ “ Pensions, 1880,	60 00
“ “ John Black, Collector, 1878,	255 79
“ “ “ “ “ 1879,	3,336 60
“ “ “ “ “ 1880,	3,494 20
“ “ Poland account Verrill,	3 00
“ “ Woodstock “ D. Cotton and others,	43 52
“ “ Raymond “ R. Thurlow,	29 93
“ “ Andover “ O. F. Small,	15 00
“ “ Sale 2 Centennial Singing Books,	50
“ “ Interest on School Fund, “Davis Note,”	15 00
“ “ Tax Titles,	3 89
“ “ Bonney Notes,	50 00

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To cash from Highway Taxes,	125 64
“ “ Non-resident Taxes,	131 68
“ “ Farm Overseer,	358 80
“ “ L. Whitman, Liquor, 1880,	169 48
“ “ S. P. Maxim, on Note,	17 51
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Total,	\$11,138 97

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By Cash paid Highways and Bridges,	\$1,019 45
“ “ School Districts,	4,043 94
“ “ Tramps,	31 11
“ “ Town Officers' Salaries, 1879,	114 50
“ “ “ “ “ 1880,	365 25
“ “ Abatements, 1877,	20 21
“ “ “ 1878,	137 51
“ “ “ 1879,	190 58
“ “ “ 1880,	106 72
“ “ Centennial Bills,	140 00
“ “ Advanced Crocker Fund,	5 00
“ “ Insurance Farm Buildings,	37 50
“ “ J. Black, Col., Salary, 1879,	69 67
“ “ “ “ “ 1880,	150 00
“ “ “ as Constable,	11 00
“ “ A. E. Shurtleff “	3 00
“ “ Printing, Blank Books, &c.,	80 58
“ “ Overseer's Salary,	350 00
“ “ Cow for E. Damon,	23 00
“ “ H. E. Hammond & J. C.	
Marble, Expense to Augusta,	18 00

Paid Pauper Accounts as follows :

C. N. Pratt,	61 47
D. B. Thurlow,	27 69
Mrs. O. G. Swan,	7 00
A. B. Washburn,	76 50
Dennet Cotton,	80 79
Frank Bemis,	92 55

O. F. Small,	15 00
Lorenzo Higgins,	18 50
Eveline Packard,	24 00
Cyrus Twitchell,	4 00
Samuel Perry,	14 00
Lovina Starbird,	26 00
Harriet E. Smith,	23 52
James Murch,	5 00
A. Carver,	12 47
Eunice Bryant,	13 00
E. Damon,	1 36
Albion Howe,	5 00
By Cash Paid Dr. Yates, examination J. H.	
Dunham Cattle,	1 25
" " Tax Deeds,	2 84
" " Pensions,	60 00
" " Town Debt and Interest,	2,453 33
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	\$9,941 29
Cash in Treasury to Balance,	1,197 68
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Total,	\$11,138 97

NOTE.

By adding to the amounts received from the Collector for the years 1878, 1879, the amount of Non-resident taxes returned for those years, viz: 1878, \$163.30, 1879, \$137.83, it will be seen that the Collector has settled the balance due for those years, as per Report, 1880.

We have this day audited the books and accounts of N. D. Bolster, Treasurer, and find the same correct.

BENJ. S. DOE, } *Selectmen*
 G. C. PRATT, } *of Paris.*

PARIS, February 17, 1881.

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TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Selectmen, &c.

B. S. Doe,	\$88 00
G. C. Pratt,	88 00
Wm. Parlin,	49 75

Clerk.

Geo. A. Wilson,	9 00
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Treasurer.

N. D. Bolster,	50 00
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Collector.

John Black,	217 95
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Superintending School Committee.

James S. Wright,	40 00
Seth Benson, (Estimated)	40 00
Herman A. Fuller,	38 00

STANDING OF THE TOWN.

LIABILITIES.

Town Notes,	\$4,300 00
Indebtedness to School Fund,	3,377 50
Indebtedness to School Districts,	715 47
Due on Town Officers' Bills,	127 95
Total,	\$8,520 92

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	\$1,197 68
Due on Collector's Bills, 1880,	5,044 59
“ “ Bonney Notes,	372 75
“ “ O. P. Cummings Notes,	147 15
“ “ S. P. Maxim Note,	75 00
“ “ Ezekiel Damon Note,	88 49
“ from Town of Woodstock,	78 17
“ “ “ “ Rumford,	29 22
Liquors on hand,	121 93
One cow at Ezekiel Damon's,	23 00
Total,	7,177 98
Net debt,	\$1,342 94

The foregoing statement shows the standing of the Town to date.

We recommend that the Town raise the present year :

For Town debt and interest,	\$1,500 00
“ support of schools,	2,344 00
“ “ “ poor and other town charges,	1,500 00
“ highways and bridges—labor,	5,000 00
“ “ “ “ cash,	1,000 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

BENJ. S. DOE, } *Selectmen of*
G. C. PRATT, } *Paris.*

Warrant for Town Meeting.

To JOHN BLACK, Constable of the Town of Paris, in the County of Oxford,

GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Paris, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, viz :

ART. 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 3.—To see if the town will accept the report of the Selectmen and Superintending School Committee.

ART. 4.—To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools and the poor, and repair of roads and bridges, and to defray all other necessary town charges for the ensuing year.

ART. 5.—To see what sums of money the town will grant and raise toward paying the town debt.

ART. 6.—To see if the town will accept the road as laid out by the selectmen, leading from the house of A. C. Barrows in South Paris village past the house of C. H. Clifford and ending by the house of Joseph Knights.

ART. 7.—To see what method the town will take to build their portion of the County road leading from Norway town line to county road near T. J. Whitehead's, as laid out by the County Commissioners in 1878.

- ART. 8.—To see if the town will allow David Sanborn, J. A. Deering, and A. M. Babb, to draw from District No. 2, in Paris, the amount of school money each scholar actually attending school in Oxford, is entitled to, and expend the same in the town of Oxford.
- ART. 9.—To see if the town will allow Albert Lawrence to draw his school money from District No. 15, and expend the same in the town of Buckfield.
- ART. 10.—To see if the town will vote to instruct the Collector to charge interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after the first day of November, 1881.

The Selectmen will be in session at nine o'clock, on the morning of election, at their office in the Town House, to revise the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Paris, this 17th day of February.
A. D. 1881.

BENJ. S. DOR,) *Selectmen*
G. C. PRATT,) *of Paris.*

REPORT OF
S. S. COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

A. D. HOLMES, Agent.—Summer term taught by Josie F. King. Whole number of pupils attending, 15; average attendance, 11; wages of teacher, \$2.25 per week; length of term, 10 weeks. Miss King is a fine scholar, and for one so young, succeeded well.

Winter term, taught by Herman A. Fuller. Whole number of pupils attending, 17; average attendance, 16; wages of teacher, \$33 per month; length of term, 9 weeks. The prompt attendance of the pupils, and the interest manifested by the parents in the school, rendered this a pleasant term for the teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Agent.—There have been the usual number of terms in this district the past year.

High School: whole number of pupils in attendance in Summer, 35; average number, 28. Fall, whole number 33; average, 30. Winter, whole number, 34; average, 31. This department has been under the instruction of R. J. Everett, who has managed it with his usual ability. The classes here are well arranged and the recitations skilfully conducted.

Intermediate School: whole number of pupils in attendance in Fall, 50; average, 41. Whole number in attendance in winter, 54; average, 47. These two terms have been under the instruction of Miss Virginia W. Ludden, whom we regard a model teacher. Her thorough discipline, easy manners, and practical methods of instruction, rendered the terms exceedingly profitable. The Summer term of this department, was taught by Georgia Chase; no register returned. She met with her usual good success.

Primary School: Taught by Emma E. Shurtleff. Whole number attending, 50; average attendance, 40. Miss Shurtleff is an experienced teacher, and has given good satisfaction in this department.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

O. G. CURTIS, Agent.—Summer term taught by Myra F. Davis. Whole number of pupils attending, 22; average attendance, 18; wages of teacher, \$3.75 per week; length of term, 8 weeks. There was a Fall term by the same teacher, of 7 weeks.

Miss Davis has a good reputation as a teacher ; we think, however, she devoted too much attention to her advanced scholars, to the detriment of the smaller ones, who need more attention, being less able to help themselves.

Winter term taught by W. L. Harlow. Whole number of pupils attending, 24 ; average attendance, 20 ; wages of teacher, \$22 per month ; length of term, 9 weeks. Mr. Harlow seemed to strike the right key in this school, arousing an enthusiasm among the scholars, which resulted in success. There are many good scholars here. The solution of difficult problems in mathematics by Annie L. Libby and Hattie C. Swan, are worthy of praise.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

JOHN L. PENLEY, Agent.—Summer term taught by Mary A. Stone. Whole number of pupils attending, 7 ; average attendance, 6. Miss Stone gave good satisfaction, and made the school pleasant and profitable. Progress good.

Winter term taught by Lula A. Penley. Whole number of pupils attending, 7 ; average attendance, 6 ; wages of teacher, \$3.00 per week ; length of term, eleven weeks. Miss Penley is a young teacher, but the fact of her being employed in her own district, shows that her qualifications as a teacher, are appreciated at home. The term was profitable.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

CHANDLER SWIFT, Agent.—Summer term taught by Lizzie P. Hammond. Whole number of pupils attending, 18 $\frac{1}{2}$; average attendance, 16 ; wages, \$2.75 per week ; length of term, 10 weeks. Miss Hammond has the necessary qualifications for a successful teacher, and receiving the cooperation of pupils and parents, no school was more successful.

Winter term taught by Herbert Swift. Register not yet returned. Wages, including board, \$28 per month ; length of term, 10 weeks. Mr. Swift came into this school with a determination to keep up the interest that had been awakened during the summer, and by his energy and devotion to the interests of his pupils, we believe he accomplished his designs.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

CHAS. W. DUNHAM, Agent —Summer term taught by Cora Hill. Whole number of pupils attending, 40 ; average attendance, 32 ; wages of teacher, \$4 per week ; length of term, 8 weeks. Miss Hill is an earnest worker, and a thorough scholar. The school made good progress.

Fall term taught by Ada M. Morton. Whole number of pupils attending, 40 ; average attendance, 35 ; wages of teacher, \$5 per week ; length of term, 8 weeks. Miss Morton is pleasant and agreeable in the school room, and seemed to have the entire good will and confidence of her pupils, and this cooperation secured a profitable term.

Winter term taught by C. B. Benson. Whole number of pupils attending, 35 ; average attendance, 30 ; wages of teacher, \$50 per month ; length of term, 12 weeks. Mr. Benson met with his usual good success in this school, and his abilities as a teacher, are so well known that we need add no further comment. We consider the money profitably expended.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

JOHN S. BARROWS, Agent.—Two good teachers were placed in this district for a Summer term, but taught only one week each, when ill health compelled them to close the school.

Winter term by A. Louise Doe. Whole number of pupils attending, 10 ; average attendance, 8 ; wages, \$3 per week ; length of term, 12 weeks. Miss Doe has taught several terms in this town, with good results, and this one was not an exception.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

J. F. KING, Agent.—Summer term taught by Mira K. Verrill. Whole number of pupils attending, 13 ; average attendance, 10 ; wages of teacher, \$2 per week ; length of term, 9 weeks. Miss Verrill gave very good satisfaction. Many of the scholars in this district, are well advanced.

Winter term taught by Frank P. Stearns. Whole number of pupils attending, 17 ; average attendance, 15 ; wages of teacher, including board, \$26 per month ; length of term, 10 weeks. This was Mr. Stearns second term here, and although his efforts and aptness for the work last winter, met with good success, we could

not fail to see a marked improvement in his method of instruction during the past term. His ability and energy we believe to be a sufficient guarantee to future success.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

CHARLES F. JACKSON, Agent.—Summer term taught by Chas. J. Mellen. Whole number of pupils attending, 26; average attendance, 18; wages of teacher, \$7 per week; length of term, 9 weeks.

Fall term taught by Mrs. E. H. Marble. Length of term, 7 weeks. No register returned.

Winter term taught by Chas. J. Mellen. Whole number of pupils attending, 36; average attendance, 25; wages of teacher, including board, \$45 per month; length of term, 11 weeks.

Primary department taught by M. Rose Giles, for the past year. Whole number of pupils attending in summer, 40; average attendance, 34; wages of teacher, including board, \$7 per week; length of term, 9 weeks. Whole number attending in Fall, 40; average, 35; wages of teacher, \$7 per week; length of term, 7 weeks. Whole number in winter, 34; average, 29; wages, \$7 per week; length of term, 11 weeks.

The schools for the past year have made good advancement. Mr. Mellen and Miss Giles have fully sustained their former reputation as able and efficient instructors. The fall term, under Mrs. Marble's instruction, made good progress. We have heretofore spoken of the irregular attendance of the pupils in this district, and we wish again to call the attention of the parents to this point, because we are fully satisfied that the primary cause of the evil, lies with them. We have not space in this report to point out the loss arising from this want of regular and prompt attendance; it is not only a great annoyance to the teacher, but a serious hinderance to those who are regular in their attendance, and the pathway to ignorance of the absentees. We hope the parents will seek to remedy this evil and see that their children are not absent from school without good excuse.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

A. A. ANDREWS, Agent.—Summer term taught by Mabel J. Ripley. Whole number of pupils attending, 28; average attend-

ance, 19; wages, \$3 per week; length of term, 10 weeks. Miss Ripley commences teaching with good prospects of becoming a successful teacher. She is a good scholar and possesses energy and tact.

There was a fall term taught by S. Eliza Ripley. Whole number of pupils attending, 32; average attendance, 29; wages, \$4 per week; length of term 10 weeks. Miss Ripley has taught many schools in this and other towns, and always with good results.

Winter term taught by William P. Morton. Whole number of pupils attending, 30; average attendance, 25; wages, \$20 per month; length of term, 12 weeks. This was Mr. Morton's first school. He has a good faculty of conducting recitations and manifested an interest in the school. There was some lack of discipline. This school is quite well advanced and most of the scholars seem to realize the importance of an education. The only failing in this school for the past year, has been in lack of order.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

CHARLES S. DUDLEY, Agent.—Summer term taught by Miss Lula A. Penley. Whole number of pupils attending, 7; average attendance, $6\frac{1}{2}$; wages of teacher, \$2 per week; length of term, 8 weeks. This was Miss Penley's first term, and it was a success. The school appeared well when visited by the Committee. The examination was creditable to both teacher and pupils.

Winter term taught by Seth L. Curtis. Whole number of pupils attending, 9; average attendance, $7\frac{1}{2}$; wages, \$17 per month; length of term, 10 weeks. This school was visited but once; the agent failed to notify when it closed, but we presume it was a profitable term from its appearance when visited.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

J. H. DUNHAM, Agent.—Summer term taught by Alice K. Hammond. Whole number of pupils attending, 28; average attendance, 26; wages of teacher, \$3.25 per week; length of term, 13 weeks. Miss Hammond is well known as a successful and efficient teacher.

Winter term taught by C. S. Richardson. Whole number of pupils attending, 34 ; average attendance, 29 ; wages of teacher, \$30 per month ; length of term, 12 weeks. Mr. Richardson is a thorough scholar, and understands how to impart information to his pupils. The school was profitable, and made excellent improvement, especially in reading and writing.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

A. O. CORBETT, Agent.—No Summer term. Winter term taught by Annie B. Fobes. Whole number of pupils attending, 6 ; average attendance, 5 ; wages, \$2.50 per week ; length of term, 15 weeks. This school being very small, there was less opportunity for the teacher to exhibit her abilities, than in a larger one. She presents the qualities applicable to an able and skillful teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 14.

NATHAN MAXIM, JR., Agent.—Summer term taught by Annie B. Fobes. Whole number of pupils attending, 8 ; average attendance 7 ; wages \$2 per week ; length of term 7 weeks. We have already spoken of Miss Fobes' abilities as a teacher. The school appeared well, and the pupils manifested an interest in their work and a love for the teacher.

Winter term taught by George B. Andrews. Whole number of pupils attending 9 ; average attendance 8 ; wages \$10 per month ; length of term 12 weeks. Mr. Andrews commences teaching under favorable circumstances. The term was profitable to the district. The teacher and pupils seemed to work together. There are some very good scholars in this district considering the small amount of money that is received by it.

DISTRICT NO. 15.

HOSEA BONNEY, Agent.—Summer term taught by Helen A. Johnson. Whole number of pupils attending, 18 ; average attendance 15 ; wages, \$2.25 per week ; length of term, 8 weeks. This was Miss Johnson's second term here, and we consider the district fortunate in securing her services.

Winter term taught by Frank Bennett. School not yet closed, so we have not received the register. Mr. Bennett is doing good work ; the school appeared well at both visits by the committee.

DISTRICT NO. 16.

JAMES A. TUELL, Agent.—Summer term taught by Addie L. Warner. Whole number of pupils attending, 24; average attendance 21; wages of teacher \$3.25 per week; length of term 10 weeks. Miss Warner has a good faculty for governing and instructing her pupils. The term was pleasant and profitable. The attendance was good, five of the pupils were not absent, tardy or excused from recitation during the term.

Winter term taught by Alpheus Andrews. Whole number of pupils attending, 27; average attendance, $24\frac{2}{3}$; wages of teacher, \$22 per month; length of term, 12 weeks. Mr. Andrews is a resident of this district, and though a young teacher, he presents the qualities of a successful one. His efforts for the advancement of his pupils and their zeal for study and improvement has resulted in a profitable term. The good attendance in the summer was heartily commended by the committee, and at this term there were eight who were neither absent, tardy nor excused from recitation. We hope the parents will profit by this example and see that their children are not absent from school when able to attend.

DISTRICT NO. 17.

JOHN G. CHASE, Agent.—Summer term taught by Lisa F. Field. Whole number of pupils attending, 6; average attendance, 5; wages of teacher, \$1.75 per week; length of term, 8 weeks. Miss Field is a faithful teacher and manifests an interest and love for the work.

Winter term taught by Henry K. Stearns. Whole number of pupils attending, 11; average attendance, 9; wages of teacher, \$17 per month; length of term, 11 weeks. This was Mr. Stearns' first term; he labored diligently for the success of his school, and the pupils made good progress. Discipline good.

DISTRICT NO. 18.

JOHN SMALL, Agent.—Summer term taught by J. Ella Benson. Whole number of pupils attending, 16; average, 13; wages of teacher, \$3 per week; length of term, 8 weeks. Miss Benson is an earnest worker in the school room, and met with good success. The progress of the school was good.

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Winter term taught by U. G. Wheeler. Whole number of pupils attending, 18; average attendance, 12; wages of teacher, \$16 per month; length of term, 8 weeks. Mr. Wheeler is a young man of scholarly attainments, and manifested an interest and love for his work. We think the school made good progress.

DISTRICT NO. 19.

ROSCOE TUELL, Agent.—Summer term taught by Abbie J. Churchill. Whole number of pupils attending, 15; average attendance, 14½; wages of teacher, \$3 per week; length of term, 9 weeks. Miss Churchill is an experienced teacher, and her efforts for the success of her school, seemed to be rewarded by the prompt attendance of her pupils, and their zeal for instruction.

Winter term taught by Henry D. Hammond. Whole number of pupils attending, 26; average attendance, 23; wages of teacher, \$20 per month; length of term, 11 weeks. Mr. Hammond is a faithful and efficient teacher. His careful attention to the interests of his pupils and their prompt attendance, rendered the term profitable. There are some excellent scholars in this school, and every faithful teacher finds sympathy in the parents of this district.

DISTRICT NO. 20.

G. W. HAMMOND, Agent.—Summer term taught by Anna L. Farrar. Whole number of pupils attending, 9; average attendance, 7; wages of teacher, \$2 per week; length of term, 8 weeks.

Winter term taught by same teacher. Whole number of pupils attending, 15; average attendance, 10; wages of teacher, \$2 per week; length of term, 8 weeks. These were Miss Farrar's first attempts at teaching; she possesses both tact and talent, the necessary requisites for a successful teacher.

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