

ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
TREASURER, AUDITORS,  
AND  
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,  
OF THE  
TOWN OF HENNIKER,  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
FEB., 1858.

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## REPORT.

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*Horace Gibson in account with the Town of Henniker as  
Treasurer, for A. D. 1857,* DR.

To cash remaining for A. D. 1856,.....	\$381 30
“ received from Jeremiah Foster, it being the Literary Fund money,.....	111 30
“ received from State, railroad tax,.....	46 02
“ received of David L. Cogswell, town agent for the sale of liquors for 1857,.....	28 00
“ received of James P. Baker, collector, at sundry times,.....	4.699 20
	\$5.265 82

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*Horace Gibson, aforesaid, in account with the Town of Hen-  
niker, for A. D. 1857,* CR.

Paid Thomas L. Chase for breaking roads in 1855,	\$10 30
Nathan M. Hildrith, “ “	1 04
Washington Berry, “ “	1 20
Carlos Childs, “ “	50
Nathan Colby, “ “	1 41
Asa Gordon, “ “	2 12
Oliver Colby, breaking roads 1856, Dist. No. 1,	9 55
Warren Gove, “ “ “ 2,	11 75
John E. Elliott, “ “ “ 3,	10 89
Annas Goss, “ “ “ 4,	20 16
Hiram G. Clark, “ “ “ 5,	29 90
Joseph B. Colby, “ “ “ 6,	27 85
Joshua Sanborn, “ “ “ 7,	22 55
Harrison A. Rice, “ “ “ 8,	15 85

Paid Alfred Winship, break'g roads 1856, Dist. No. 9,	\$13 40
Asa Whitney, " " " 11,	7 70
Daniel W. Smith, " " " 12,	25 97
Parker Smith, " " " 13,	15 30
Cyrus R. Bacon, " " " 14,	19 00
Elisha W. Rice, " " " 15,	17 35
Elisha Wood, " " " 16,	18 65
Nahum Colby, " " " 17,	17 27
Andrew D. Favor, " " " 19,	18 00
Joseph P. Dow, " " " 20,	7 85
A. D. L. F. Connor, " " " 21,	6 21
Lyman Harriman, " " " 22,	9 80
Timothy Peasley, " " " 23,	23 95
Jacob Brown, " " " 24,	15 80
Jacob S. Chase, " " " 25,	20 64
David Plumer, " " " 26,	20 25
Elijah P. Flanders, " " " 27,	9 00
Wm. O. Flanders, " " " 29,	19 40
John Chase, " " " 30,	9 05
Luther Hathorn, " " " 31,	12 95
F. P. Huntington, " " " 32,	17 32
Daniel Huzzey, " " " 33,	11 92
William Cheney, " " " 34,	22 25
Nathan Sawyer, " " " 36,	9 82
A. G. Savory, " " " 37,	19 50
Warren S. Childs, " " " 38,	7 75
David Houston for 2819 feet bridge plank for the use of the town,.....	28 19
Joseph B. Colby, for 980 feet chestnut timber for bridge, and 2½ days work on same,.....	14 26
Zebulon Foster, for work on bridge,.....	1 00
G. W. Cogswell, work on bridge in Dist. No. 21,	4 10
Nahum Colby for repairing bridge,.....	50
H. M. Davis, for 2267 ft. plank and stringers, and delivering the same,.....	22 67
H. M. Davis, for notifying town officers,.....	9 08
Josephus Smith, for the care of town house,....	6 00
Jones & Cogswell, for printing town reports,....	15 00
John H. Rowell, the County tax,.....	1,042 15
Peter Sanborn, the State tax,.....	373 80
Stephen S. Bean, school commissioner,.....	21 36
Hears of G. W. Plumer, for land damage award- ed by commissioners in laying out road,.....	12 50
William K. Plumer, for land damage awarded by commissioners in laying out road,.....	12 50

Paid Warren S. Childs, for damage done his ox in con- sequence of a defect in highway,.....	\$10 00
Amos Wood, for damage done his wagon in con- sequence of defect in bridge,.....	4 00
David L. Cogswell for cash advanced for one bbl. Alcohol,.....	28 00
Jeremiah Foster, for services as selectman after settlement,.....	1 00
Jeremiah F. Philbrick, for abatement in tax,...	71
Lot Wiggin, for abatement in tax,.....	1 60
A. D. L. F. Connor, it being due on tax book 1853,.....	1 06
Elisha W. Rice, for abatement in tax,.....	89
Henry Whitman, for sawing wood for Peleg W. Smith in February 1857,.....	1 37
S. Otis Hanson, for cash paid the city of Man- chester for support of Elizabeth Dustin,....	28 00
William Muzzey for abatement in tax,.....	88
Rial S. Rogers, for abatement in tax,.....	1 42
Andrew D. Favor, for cutting ice in highway,...	1 50
Jeremiah Foster, for cash advanced to Flint & Bryant,.....	75 00
N. H. Asylum, for support of Jane Whitney, pauper,.....	108 75
N. H. Asylum, for support of Paul C. Abbott, pauper,.....	72 29
City of Manchester, for support of Elizabeth Dustin,.....	9 82
Sally Morrison, for board of Lydia Dinsmore, County pauper, from Sept. 1st, 1857, to Nov. 4th, 1857,.....	12 00
Mrs. Mary Smith, for support of P. W. Smith to April 20, 1857,.....	5 00
Nathan Sawyer, for wood for town house and Peleg W. Smith,.....	4 00
Gilman Scribner, for support of Mrs. Sarah Pressey from April 20th, to Nov. 19th, 1857,	15 80
Town of Milford, for support of Ira Haywood, and funeral expenses,.....	28 62
George Gibson, for sawing wood for P. W. Smith, in Feb., 1857,.....	50
Dr. Nathan Sanborn, for attendance on P. W. Smith,.....	1 00
Town of Deering, for support of Mehitable Withington,.....	19 36

Paid Caleb D. Perry, for support of Mrs. Sarah Pressey, from Feb. 9th, to April 20th, 1857,....	\$10 00
John Barnes, for drawing wood for Thomas Levingston, .....	4 00
Jesse Webster for vest for Thomas Levingston, ..	2 50
Thomas Levingston, for snowing bridge,.....	2 00
Silas Colby, for expense of town officers,.....	2 25
Samuel W. Morrison, for services on town farm, ..	250 00
Moses Brown, for services as agent in Wadsworth and Colby suits,.....	15 50
Moses Brown, for cash advanced for counsel, witness fees, &c., in said suits,.....	81 79
Zebulon Foster, for two journeys to Concord, ..	5 74
Pasturing Thomas Levingston's cow,.....	6 00
Work on road,.....	2 00
J. L. Cilley, the amount of execution and costs, ..	13 74
Willard Colby vs. town of Henniker,.....	363 64
Lyman Harriman, for work on road,.....	2 75
Samuel Page, prudential committee in Dist. No. 1, ..	106 21
Paul Huzzey, " " " 2, ..	57 61
Squire M. Patten, " " " 3, ..	76 13
Eri Colby, " " " 4, ..	100 56
Alonzo Patterson, " " " 5, ..	130 95
Joshua Sanborn, " " " 6, ..	88 92
Horace Tucker, " " " 7, ..	121 90
Harris Campbell, " " " 8, ..	101 39
Abijah Hildrith, " " " 9, ..	49 67
Stephen Newhall, " " " 10, ..	68 15
Horace Gibson, " " " 11, ..	185 09
John Chase, " " " 12, ..	55 38
Samuel K. Gove, " " " 13, ..	55 99
Walter Felch, his proportion of school money, ..	5 44
Nathan G. Hoyt, his proportion of school money, ..	10 88
Peter Flura, for a horse bought for the use of the town farm,.....	105 00
Oliver Pillsbury, for time, fare and expense to and from the Asylum for the Insane, ..	2 87
Copying valuation on record book,.....	4 50
Cash advanced for blanks and stationery, ..	2 82
Cash paid to assist strangers,.....	5 15
Freight on corpse of pauper,.....	1 00
Four days work on road and bridge,.....	4 00
Time, fare and expense to procure counsel, ..	2 87

Paid Two days time and expense to Goffstown and Manchester on pauper business, ..	\$6 25
Cash paid for stationery,.....	32
H. M. Davis, for abatement in taxes in 1855, as follows:	29 78
James Wallace,.....	2 40
Asa Connor, in part,.....	2 60
John Caldwell,.....	2 40
Joseph F. Emerson,.....	2 40
Rev. J. M. R. Eaton, for cash advanced and services as superintending school committee, ..	9 80
G. W. Morrison, for services in suit Willard Colby vs. town of Henniker, ..	15 00
Rufus S. Howe, for work on road and bridge, ..	50 00
Jonathan Badger, cash for the use of pauper establishment, ..	5 06
James P. Baker, for abatement in taxes in 1856, as follows:	237 00
Mary Huzzey's tax,.....	2 13
B. K. Colby's,.....	1 27
James P. Baker, for collecting taxes in 1857, ..	3 40
Gibson & Cogswell, for coats for Thomas Levingston, and stationery for use of town,.....	40 00
Horace Gibson, for cash paid physicians for return of births and deaths, recording births, deaths and marriages,.....	12 69
Oliver Pillsbury, for services as selectman in 1857,.....	4 83
Joseph B. Colby, for services as selectman in 1857,.....	37 75
Zebulon Foster, for services as selectman in 1857, ..	36 50
Horace Gibson, for services as town clerk in 1857, ..	39 50
Horace Gibson, for preparing town reports for press, for 1856, and for services as treasurer in 1857,.....	17 00
Oliver P. Greenleaf, for expense of town officers, ..	16 00
Warren S. Childs, for services as superintending school committee,.....	19 75
A. W. Connor, for services as superintending school committee,.....	10 00
Charles H. Darling, David L. Cogswell and David Straw, for services as auditing committee, ..	12 00
	3 00

Paid James P. Baker, the amount of non-resident highway taxes,..... \$12 79  
 Cash remaining in the hands of the treasurer,.. 29 20  
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 \$5.265 82

The foregoing accounts are correctly and properly vouched.

CHARLES H. DARLING, }  
 DAVID L. COGSWELL, } *Auditing*  
 JAMES STRAW, } *Committee.*

*Finances of the Town.*

Bills outstanding for breaking roads,.....\$100 00  
 Sundry other bills..... 130 00  
 Due Agent on Pauper Farm..... 200 00  
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 \$430 00

*Credit.*

Due from County for support of Hiram Brown.....\$100 75  
 Due from County for support of Lydia Dinsmore..... 26 00  
 Cash in hands of Treasurer..... 29 20  
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 \$155 95  
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 Balance against the town..... \$274 05

Audited by the undersigned, Feb. 27, 1858.

CHARLES H. DARLING, }  
 DAVID L. COGSWELL, } *Auditing*  
 JAMES STRAW, } *Com-  
 mittee.*

PAUPER ESTABLISHMENT.

Jonathan Badger in account with the town of Henniker,	Dr.
To amount of real and personal property, as per inventory of Selectmen, Feb. 25th, 1857.....	\$3.696 23
Interest on the same ..	221 77
Agent's compensation ..	200 00

Other bills as follows:

Paid for 27 galls. molasses, 13.12; salt, 5.80; thread, 1.14; starch, 24; plaster, 1.25; mackerel, 4.62; calico, 1.60; rice, 40; camphor, 16; baskets, 1.17; powder, 23; butter tubs, 1.00; indigo, 25; sugar, 7.22; rennet skins, 1.75; scythe, 92; pitchfork, 45; rake, 25; whetstone, 07; drilling, 50; redwood, 14; sulphur, 30; glass, 1.18; brushes, 83; oil, 1.58; shovel, 1.12; soap, 24; matches, 13; saleratus, 72; shoes, 2.53; lime, 13; flour, 37.25; broom, 30; seed, 40; creamtartar, 83; fish, 5.68; crackers, 1.00; coffee, 6.62; tobacco, 2.12; tea, 23½ lbs., 11.23; locks, 57; cattle-ties, 3.00; grass-seed, 3.28; pails, 63; creampot, 25; needles, 05; wicking, 25; nails, 67; sheeting, 69; yarn, 3.29; coopering, 59; painting, 42; wool, 6.18; labor, 33.55; digging graves, 3.00; pigs, 9.00; seed, 1.25; veal, 1.50; plow point, 55; use of mill, 50; threshing, 1.65; neat stock, 77.50; beef, 10.36; pork, 15.23; pump, 4.00; leather, 4.76; carding, 1.04; card, 12; tin ware, 90; filing saws, 69; sieve, 25; blacksmithing, 6.39; saltpetre, 22; alcohol, 75; tumblers, 58; hoes, 74; spoon, 17; bag, 18; corn, 14.75; rye, 5.36; strainer, 30; cof-fin, 3.50; whip, 37; use of plow, 65; stove and zinc, 6.75; crockery, 1.55; spices, 1.11; medicine, 2.00; bill of goods, 4.18; doctoring, 75; sundries, 4.79; assistance at funeral, 1.25; halter, 75; horse, 105.00; whole amounting to..... 458 48  
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 Total debtor.....\$4,576 48

CREDIT.

By real estate..... \$2.600 00

By personal property, as per inventory of selectmen, Feb. 26th, 1858, as follows:

By 40 bushels corn, 40.00; 3½ bushels wheat, 5.25; straw and stalks, 6.00; 14 tons hay, 140.00; neat stock and horses, 550.00; 3 shoats, 36.00; 60 bushels potatoes, 24.00; vegetables, 3.00; apples, 2.00; 150 lbs. cheese, 10.50; cider and vinegar, 3.00; soap, 2.00; 300 lbs beef, 20.00; 325 lbs. pork, 40.62; 125 lbs. bacon, 12.50; 21 lbs. butter, 3.50; 40 lbs. tallow, 4.00; 30 lbs. lard, 3.75; dried fruit, 7.00; beans, 3.75; shoe leather, 2.50; sale feeting, 9.00; farming tools and furniture, 3.25. 1.253 32

Also by the following articles sold:

1 calf, 7.25; beans, 25; 21 lbs. cheese, 2.10; poultry, 9.94; hide, 3.85; feeting, 8.00; 150 lbs. butter, 27.46; eggs, 80; potatoes, 10.25; candles, 1.52; rags, 14; labor, 2.70; board, 8.00. 82 26

Amount of credit, \$3.935 58  
Balance against the farm, \$640 90

RECORD OF PAUPERS.

David Purinton, aged..... 81	Judith Hardy, aged..... 71
Salome Leslie ..... 41	Ed. K. Gove..... 3
Betty Joslyn ..... 82	Hiram Colby to Nov. 20th.. 38
Mehitable Kezer.... 81	Hattie B. Gove, 5 weeks... 5
Betsey Purinton..... 73	Alvin Whitman, to April 24. 70
Betsey Putney..... 69	

SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

DISTRICT No. 1. *Summer Term*—MARY R. SMITH, Teacher. An unusual amount of labor was performed, and with happy results. Recitations in most of the branches showed a decided improvement. The little ones have learned very well. General exercises occupied some portion of the time from day to day, which not only relieved the tedium of the ever recurring round of duties, but also stored the minds of the pupils with many interesting and instructive truths. The general order of the school was good.

*Winter Term*—LYMAN H. CHERNEY, Teacher. The school advanced in their studies, but not so fast as last term. The teacher was assiduous in his efforts, but did not enjoy the confidence and respect of the pupils to such a degree as to secure their highest improvement. We cannot think that the whole responsibility in regard to this matter lies with the teacher.

DISTRICT No. 2. *Winter Term*—CORDELIA S. MORSE and SARAH P. HUSSEY, Teachers. There was but one term of school in this district the past season. The former part of the term was under the care of Miss M., and the latter part, of Miss H. There were but four scholars present when the Committee visited the school at the commencement of the term; and at the closing examination only two were present who were there at the beginning, so that no correct judgment could be formed of the progress of the school.

DISTRICT No. 3. *Summer Term*—MARINDA M. CURRIER, Teacher. Miss C. was without experience; but being pleasant, kind and persevering, she won the affections, secured the cooperation, and roused the energies of her scholars, and led them on to results beyond what your Committee could have looked for.

*Winter Term*—WM. A. COLBY, Teacher. He also was a diligent and laborious teacher. Industrious himself he encouraged his scholars to be industrious, and thereby secured a very good degree of advancement in mental culture. A circumstance occurred in the discipline of the school near the close of the term, which caused a third part of the scholars to leave, a thing very much to be regretted on account of its present and prospective influence.

DISTRICT No. 4. *Summer Term*—ELLEN E. FISHER, Teacher. This was Miss Fisher's first effort as teacher. She manifested a commendable degree of interest in her school, laboring diligently for the advancement of her pupils. The closing examination exhibited satisfactory evidence of progress.

*Winter Term*—P. C. SCOTT, Teacher. We are happy to say that Miss S. has fully sustained the high reputation she has so justly acquired in former terms. The performances of her scholars in Arithmetic and Algebra, and in all the other studies, showed that they had been thoroughly drilled, and that the ground which they had been over was well understood. Miss Scott deservedly ranks among our best teachers, and that district is peculiarly fortunate which secures her services.

DISTRICT No. 5. *Summer Term*—MARY C. WILKINS, Teacher. Miss W. was successful in this her first attempt as teacher. The advancement of her pupils in their several studies was satisfactory to those present at the closing examination, showing that her efforts had not been put forth in vain.

*Winter Term*—FRANK A. GORDON, Teacher. The examination at the close of the term showed that a thorough course of instruction had been pursued, and that the scholars had not been encouraged to push forward faster than they could thoroughly understand what they were going over. It was evident that a good degree of interest had been felt by both teacher and pupils, and the progress made in the various studies was worthy of commendation.

DISTRICT No. 6. *Winter Term*—THOMAS F. TUCKER, Teacher. This school had but one term during the year, in which Mr. T. made his first effort. He appeared to be studiously desirous of securing the best good of his school, but from some cause he failed to gain the affections of a part of his scholars. Several left, and after a time it became more quiet, and at the closing examination the school appeared very well. We think Mr. T. with a little more knowledge of human nature, and a little more energy in the school-room, will become a very acceptable teacher.

DISTRICT No. 7. *Summer Term*—MARY J. SANBORN, Teacher. Active and energetic, she led her scholars on with sufficient rapidity, but some of the ground will need to be travelled again before it will be thoroughly understood. A little more thoroughness would have been desirable.

*Winter Term*—ROBERT D. RICE, Teacher. During this term was exemplified the practical utility of an advanced class, when their influence is such as to encourage good order and studious habits in the school-room. Your Committee were highly entertained by the closing examination, as were also numerous other visitors.

DISTRICT No. 8. *Summer Term*—LOUISA M. WITHINGTON, Teacher. Somewhat stern in her manners, she awed rather than won. Very good order was secured in the school-room, and a good degree of advance was made, in some instances perhaps somewhat more than ordinary.

*Winter Term*—CHARLES H. DARLING, Teacher. But few among us have had a larger experience, or perhaps been more generally successful than Mr. Darling. The school was visited after it had been in session a few days, and from the apparent interest of both teacher and scholars a good school was anticipated; on account of sickness in the teacher's family, however, it closed the day previous to the one set for examination. Your Committee have heard nothing contrary to, but several things confirmatory of their anticipation.

DISTRICT No. 9. *Summer Term*—LUZZIE R. KIMBALL, Teacher. *Winter Term*—LUZZIE H. FARRAR, Teacher. Both terms were highly profitable, and the examinations at the close reflected credit upon teachers and scholars, and would compare well with those of some of the larger schools.

DISTRICT No. 10. *Summer Term*—M. ABBY NEWHALL, Teacher. A young, but successful teacher. All was accomplished that could reasonably have been expected in so small a school. The order was perfect, and the recitations in a high degree accurate. In 264 days' attendance, there were only 7 tardinesses, and one dismissal.

*Winter Term*—GEO. W. TUCKER, Teacher. What was said of the interest and success of the school, as reported above, might be repeated here. We are happy to say, on the authority of the teacher, that during 7 weeks and 2 days there was but one whisper in the school. The correspondence of the pupils with each other, during school hours, was carried on at recesses. For the entire unfitness of the house for the uses of a school, see teacher's remarks at page 7, of the Register.

DISTRICT No. 11. *Summer Term*—HENRIETTA WILKINS, Teacher. The school has been kept in good order, and most of the scholars have made very good progress in their studies. The little ones have improved much in reading, and great interest in spelling was excited

throughout the school. Whispering was nearly excluded from the school-room.

*Winter Term*—OLIVER PILLSBURY, Teacher. The school opened under favorable circumstances, with an unusually large number of pupils, but it was brought to a premature close on account of the prostration by sickness of a large part of the scholars. During the progress of the term until it closed, Mr. P. labored with his usual good success.

DISTRICT No. 12. *Summer and Winter Terms*—HATTIE N. DODGE, Teacher. The school was very small, and some of the pupils quite irregular. All has been accomplished that could have been expected under the circumstances.

DISTRICT No. 13. *Summer and Winter Terms*—MARY F. FELLOWS, Teacher. Miss F. has been untiring in her efforts, and like the teacher last mentioned, has earned a reputation which should secure for her a larger school another season. The pupils have made very good progress.

Your Committee are happy to report the schools as having been generally prosperous during the year which now closes. Probably no former year has witnessed greater progress than the last in some of them, while in others it seems exceedingly difficult to inspire the pupils with any just appreciation of their privileges. While many are ambitious to acquire all the knowledge which the text books can give them, and eagerly catch every suggestion which falls from the teacher's lips, we regret to say there are others who care very little for either; and as their purpose seems to be to have as little acquaintance with their old books, and to be introduced to as few new ones as possible, no matter how long they may remain in the schools, they will graduate not far from zero in the literary scale. We would inquire whether this is necessary? Whether it would remain a truth, if the attention of parents were fully arrested to a consideration of it? Teachers can do much to remedy this evil, but they cannot accomplish the whole task without the cooperation of parents. Parents can do much by appointing an agent who will employ the highest priced teachers, if their wages only measure their fitness for the office they are called to fill.

Attention must be directed to numerous topics connected with the system of Common Schools, if we would perfect that system. We will not here, however, protract our remarks, but would solicit a care-

ful perusal of the Annual Reports of the Board of Education, which contain many valuable suggestions. We would also earnestly invite our friends and fellow citizens more generally to attend the able and instructive lectures given by our Commissioner in his annual visits to the town. Respectfully submitted,

J. M. R. EATON, } *Superintending*  
W. S. CHILDS, } *School*  
ALEX. W. CONNOR, } *Committee.*

TABULAR STATEMENT.

No. of Districts.	Whole No. of Pupils in Schools over 4 years of age.	Average number of pupils attending school.	Whole No. of Teachers employed.	Whole No. of Scholars who have attended Teachers' Institutes.	Length of summer schools in weeks.	Length of winter schools in weeks.	Amount of money raised by taxes for the schools.	Amount of income from the Literary F. d.	Amount of money expended for books.	Amount of money expended for fuel.	No. of visits by citizens.
1	49	27	20.00	11.00	1	11	96.51	9.70	3.16	5	34
2	10	7	11.00		1	15	52.35	5.20	5.70	2	20
3	23	10	20.00	11.00	1	12	69.17	6.90	3.30	4	41
4	33	16	16.00	10.00	2	10	91.37	9.10	2.61	4	40
5	45	25	20.00	11.00	1	13	118.98	11.70	9.80	5	73
6	92	44	20.00		1	14	80.78	8.10	4.04	3	23
7	40	20	22.00	13.00	1	11	110.76	11.14	2.65	5	60
8	30	13	20.00	11.00	1	10	92.12	9.27	3.59	3	7
9	12	7	11.00		2	7	45.13	4.51	4.14	3	25
10	13	6	10.00		1	9	61.92	6.23	5.21	3	32
11	68	31	21.00	10.00	1	13	168.17	16.92	2.72	6	70
12	8	6	10.00		1	6	50.32	5.03	6.92	2	14
13	16	8	10.00		1	6	50.87	5.12	5.60	4	2
	383	220	20.31	11.19	5	15	1103.28	110.81	3.90	60	440

Number of teachers teaching anywhere, whose home is in the town, 23. Compensation paid for services of the appointing Committee, \$36.58. Number of incorporated academies and other permanent schools, 1. Number of different scholars attending these schools, 00. Amount paid for tuition in colleges, academies and private schools, other than district schools prolonged by subscription or district tax, \$185.00. Schooled in Hopkinton, Nathan G. Hoyt, \$3.88; Walter Edlin, \$1.91; amount of Literary Fund, \$1.50.

BOOKS USED In Reading, Town's Series. In Spelling, Town's. In Arithmetic, Adams', Colburn's, Greenleaf's, Emerson's Holbrook's. In Geography, Colton and Mitchell's. In Grammar, Wells'. In United States History, Goodrich's. In Physiology, Cutler's. In all other branches, Parker's Philosophy, Davies' Elementary Algebra.

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 W. S. CHILDS, } *School*  
 ALEX. W. CONNOR, } *Committee.*

TABULAR STATEMENT.

No. of Districts.	Whole No. attending School over 4 years old, 2 weeks.	Average attendance of Scholars during the year.	Wages of male teachers per month, including board.	Wages of female teachers per month, including board.	No. of male teachers employed during the year.	No. of female teachers employed during the year.	No. of teachers who have attended Teachers' Institutes.	Length of summer schools in weeks.	Length of winter schools in weeks.	Amount of money raised by taxes for the schools.	Amount of income from the Literary Fund.	Amount appropriated for each scholar.	No. of visits by Supt. Com.	No. of visits by Prud. Com.	No. of visits by citizens.
1	49	27	26.00	14.00	1	1	1	11	12	96.51	9.70	2.16	5	1	34
2	10	7		14.00		2	1		15	52.85	5.26	5.76	2	1	20
3	23	16	23.00	14.00	1	1		12	12	69.17	6.96	3.31	4	1	41
4	38	20		18.50		2	2	10	10	91.87	9.19	2.64	4	1	49
5	45	25	26.00	13.00	1	1		11	13½	118.98	11.79	2.90	5	5	73
6	22	14	23.00			1			14	80.78	8.18	4.04	3		23
7	45	29	27.00	13.50	1	1	2	11	11	110.76	11.14	2.65	5		60
8	39	23	30.00	14.00	1	1	1	10	8	92.12	9.27	3.59	3		7
9	12	8		12.50		2	1	7	7	45.13	4.54	4.14	3		26
10	13	8		10.00	1	1		9	7½	61.92	6.23	5.24	4		32
11	68	37	33.00	13.00	1	1		13	11	168.17	16.92	2.72	6	1	70
12	8	6		12.50		1	1	6	10	50.32	5.06	6.92	2		14
13	10	6		8.25		1	1	6½	10	50.87	5.12	5.60	4	2	
	388	228	26.37½	13.75	8	15	10	9	10	1103.28	110.81	3.90	50	12	449

Number of teachers teaching anywhere, whose home is in the town, 23. Compensation paid for services of Superintending Committee, \$36.58. Number of incorporated academies and other permanent schools, 1. Number of different scholars attending these schools, 60. Amount paid for tuition in colleges, academies and private schools, other than district schools prolonged by subscription or district tax, \$185.00. Schooled in Hopkinton, Nathan G. Hoyt, \$9.88; Walter Felch, \$4.94; amount of Literary Fund, \$1.50.

BOOKS USED.—In Reading, Town's Series. In Spelling, Town's. In Arithmetic, Adams', Colburn's, Greenleaf's, Emerson's, Holbrook's. In Geography, Colton and Fitch's. In Grammar, Wells'. In United States History, Goodrich's. In Physiology, Cutler's. In all other branches, Parker's Philosophy, Davies' Elementary Algebra.