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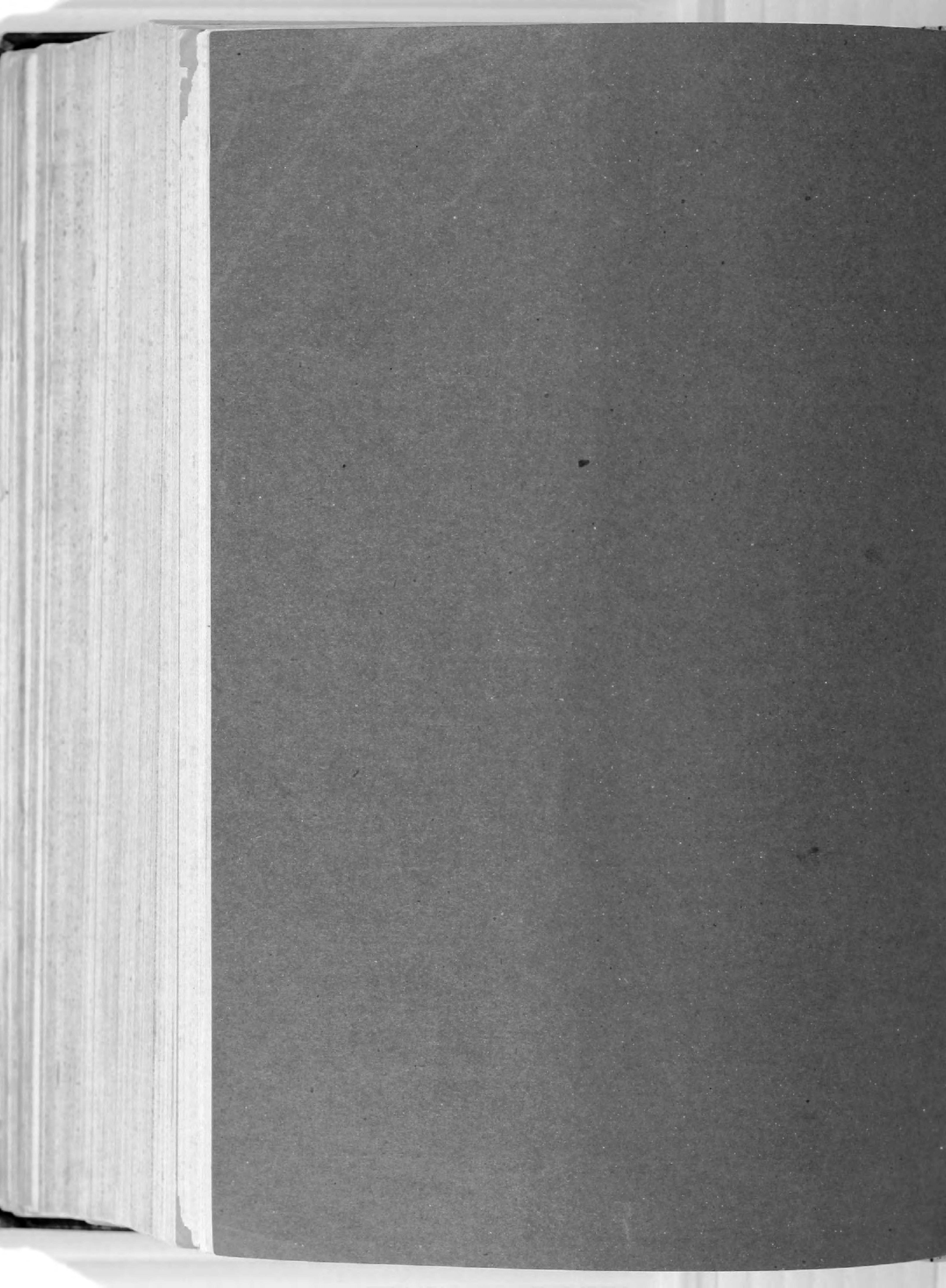
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REPORT.

The undersigned, Selectmen, herewith present the following Report of the expenditures of the Town, so far as orders on Treasurer have been given by them therefor, from the 2d day of October, 1883, to October 6, 1884, inclusive, to wit:

ABATEMENTS ON LIST 1883.

D. L. TALCOTT, *Collector.*

[*p.* poll, *m.* military, *pr.* property taxes.]

James B. Cowles, m.	\$2.00	Edwin Luther, p.	\$1.00
Otis House 2d, m.	2.00	Wm. McAvoy, p.	1.00
Max Schweizer, p.	1.00	Eugene Pease, m.	2.00
Henry Smith, pr.	9.78	Michael O'Brien, m.	2.00
Charles W. Warner, m.	1.00	Benj. Quimby, pr. & p.	1.60
Alfred Welden, m.	1.00	Owen Sheedy, p.	1.00
William W. Welden, pr.	2.21	Chas. A. Simmons, p.	1.00
Pierce White, p.	1.00	Richard Smiddy, m.	2.00
John Hanmer, pr.	.56	Jerome Shepherd, p.	1.00
Luke Barron, p.	1.00	David Westley, p.	1.00
George R. Cornish, p.	1.00	Clarence House, m.	2.00
John Currens, p.	1.00	George Loveland, pr.	4.43
Patrick Currens, p.	1.00	Hubbard Mackey, m.	2.00
James Clark, p.	1.00	James Treat, m.	2.00
Rudolph Clark, p.	1.00	Frederick Bawhle, p.	1.00
Patrick Connell, p.	1.00	Charles Chapman, p.	1.00
Patrick Farrell, m.	2.00	John Hodge, p.	1.00
Mrs. Jared Goodrich, pr.	6.35	Thomas Lacey, p.	1.00
Daniel Gilligan, m.	2.00	Frederick Miller, p.	1.00
Eugene Grover, m.	2.00	John Schrober, p.	1.00
Brazilla Grover, m.	2.00	John Purtell, pr.	2.08
Orrin Hale, p.	1.00		<hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>
			\$75.01
Interest one year,			6.75
			<hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>
Total,			\$81.76

HIGHWAYS BY CONTRACT.

George C. Andrews, - -	3 Sections,	\$35.00
Silas Q. Andrews, - -	3 "	56.00
Hudson Alger, - -	1 "	30.00
A. M. Brainard, - -	3 "	52.49
N. S. Bailey, - -	5 "	47.98
L. E. Beaumont, - -	5 "	40.55
D. H. Carrier, - -	1 "	14.75
A. N. Curtis, - -	3 "	63.50
T. S. Curtis, - -	5 "	303.45
E. Chapman, - -	1 "	21.50
E. Cornish, - -	1 "	12.00
N. Curtis, - -	4 "	52.20
Crosby Mfg. Co., - -	2 "	24.00
Joseph Brown, - -	2 "	20.50
C. Dickenson, - -	1 "	16.00
E. D. Dickenson, - -	5 "	235.70
John G. Flad, - -	2 "	79.75
M. Gerry, - -	1 "	27.45
Wm. I. Goodale, - -	3 "	35.98
John Goodale, - -	1 "	12.00
H. L. Glazier, - -	3 "	67.40
E. J. Goslee, - -	4 "	46.00
Wm. T. Hale, - -	1 "	30.00
Orange Hale, - -	1 "	20.00
J. E. Hills, - -	2 "	26.50
G. S. House, - -	6 "	89.40
C. Hodge, - -	9 "	196.20
H. H. Howe, - -	1 "	9.00
J. Hollister, - -	1 "	45.75
D. Hollister, - -	2 "	49.70
J. L. Killam, - -	1 "	25.00
I. C. Loveland, - -	6 "	91.00
John Martin, - -	1 "	59.00
J. P. Miller, - -	1 "	95.00
T. Mosgrove, - -	1 "	9.50
Carlos Pinney, - -	4 "	224.25
Wm. Penfield, - -	1 "	12.00
L. C. Robinson, - -	1 "	9.20

G. E. Samson, -	-	-	2 Sections,	\$39.00	
J. C. Schmidt, -	-	-	1 "	8.00	
A. R. Strickland, -	-	-	4 "	60.95	
N. W. Strickland, -	-	-	2 "	32.00	
E. S. Strickland, -	-	-	6 "	134.00	
E. Shipman, -	-	-	2 "	28.64	
C. Shipman, -	-	-	6 "	108.50	
H. Talcott, -	-	-	1 "	10.75	
Thrall Treat, -	-	-	3 "	33.00	
Wm. Tryon, -	-	-	1 "	35.00	
O. F. Utley, -	-	-	1 "	8.00	
H. O. Weir, -	-	-	2 "	33.00	
Lorenzo Weir, -	-	-	2 "	16.00	
J. A. Weir, -	-	-	1 "	7.70	
J. B. Williams, -	-	-	1 "	30.00	
A. Z. Samson, -	-	-	2 "	42.91	
Wm. W. Welden, -	-	-	3 "	81.27	
Total, -	-	-	-	-	\$2,994.42

EDUCATION.

First School District.

2 Teachers, 36 weeks, -	-	-	\$500.00	
Fuel, \$43.37; Incidentals, \$41.99, -	-	-	85.36	
			\$585.36	
Excess of Appropriation, -	-	-	35.36	
				\$550.00

Second District.

2 Teachers, 36 weeks, -	-	-	\$406.00	
Fuel, \$39.59; Incidentals, \$54.41, -	-	-	94.00	
				\$500.00

Third District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks, -	-	-	\$233.50	
Fuel, \$13.92; Incidentals, \$15.80, -	-	-	29.72	
			\$263.22	
Excess of Appropriation, -	-	-	13.22	
				\$250.00

Fourth District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks,	-	-	-	\$225.50	
Fuel, \$15.00; Incidentals, \$9.50,	-	-	-	24.50	
				<hr/>	\$250.00

Fifth District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks,	-	-	-	\$270.00	
Fuel, \$15.75; Incidentals, \$14.25,	-	-	-	30.00	
				<hr/>	\$300.00

Sixth District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks,	-	-	-	\$288.00	
Fuel, \$17.00; Incidentals, \$14.90,	-	-	-	31.90	
				<hr/>	\$319.90

Seventh District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks,	-	-	-	\$226.50	
Fuel, \$17.25; Incidentals, \$6.25,	-	-	-	23.50	
				<hr/>	\$250.00

Eighth District.

1 Teacher, 27 weeks,	-	-	-	\$175.50	
Fuel, \$13.07; Incidentals, \$21.41,	-	-	-	34.48	
				<hr/>	\$209.98

Ninth District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks,	-	-	-	\$288.00	
Fuel, \$19.95; Incidentals, \$17.93,	-	-	-	37.88	
				<hr/>	\$325.88

Tenth District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks,	-	-	-	\$232.00	
Fuel, \$10.20; Incidentals, \$7.80,	-	-	-	18.00	
				<hr/>	\$250.00

Eleventh District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks,	-	-	-	\$193.00	
Fuel, \$11.00; Incidentals, \$11.00,	-	-	-	22.00	
				<hr/>	\$215.00

Twelfth District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks,	-	-	-	\$198.00	
Fuel, \$14.50; Incidentals, \$5.50,	-	-	-	20.00	
				<hr/>	\$218.00

Thirteenth District.

1 Teacher, 34 weeks, -	-	-	\$187.00	
Fuel, \$10.88; Incidentals, \$17.11, -	-	-	27.99	
			<u> </u>	\$214.99

Fourteenth District.

1 Teacher, 34 weeks, -	-	-	\$179.00	
Fuel, \$15.00; Incidentals, \$16.00, -	-	-	31.00	
			<u> </u>	\$210.00

Fifteenth District.

1 Teacher, 32 weeks, -	-	-	\$192.00	
Fuel, \$13.50; Incidentals, \$7.90, -	-	-	21.40	
			<u> </u>	\$213.40

Sixteenth District.

1 Teacher, 35 weeks, -	-	-	\$194.00	
Fuel, \$10.00; Incidentals, \$11.00, -	-	-	21.00	
			<u> </u>	\$215.00

Seventh District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks, -	-	-	\$232.95	
Fuel, \$15.00; Incidentals, \$2.05, -	-	-	17.05	
			<u> </u>	\$250.00

Eighteenth District.

1 Teacher, 36 weeks, -	-	-	\$216.00	
Fuel, \$24.00; Incidentals, \$10.00, -	-	-	34.00	
			<u> </u>	\$250.00

Total, -	-	-	-	<u> </u>	\$4,992.15
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BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND BURIALS.

A. J. Keeney, returning burials, -	-	-	\$4.00	
E. D. Brooks, returning burials, -	-	-	1.00	
John Penfield, returning burials, -	-	-	3.50	
S. A. D. Higgins, returning burials, -	-	-	4.50	
C. J. Loomer, -	-	-	1.50	
Gideon Kinney, returning burials, -	-	-	2.50	
Dr. J. E. Griswold, returning births and deaths, -	-	-	6.00	
Dr. H. M. Rising, returning births and deaths, -	-	-	7.75	
Dr. D. Kingsbury, returning births and deaths, -	-	-	8.00	
			<u> </u>	\$38.75
Total, -	-	-	-	

DAMAGE TO SHEEP BY DOGS.

D. Carlos Horton,	-	-	-	-	\$10.00
Jared E. Hills,	-	-	-	-	10.00
A. R. Strickland,	-	-	-	-	10.00
George C. Andrews,	-	-	-	-	100.00
Michael Murray,	-	-	-	-	6.00
F. G. Hollister,	-	-	-	-	16.00
Total,	-	-	-	-	<u>\$152.00</u>

BRIDGES AND RAILING.

Charles Hollister, labor on bridge,	-	-	-	-	\$3.00
William C. Hills, 1,110 feet of plank,	-	-	-	-	27.75
Charles Mason, 66 loads of stone,	-	-	-	-	49.50
Frank Talcott, drawing 51 loads,	-	-	-	-	69.50
E. Olcott, drawing 9 loads,	-	-	-	-	12.00
Albro Bidwell, drawing 4 loads,	-	-	-	-	5.33
Ambrose Bidwell, drawing five loads,	-	-	-	-	4.00
Ambrose Bidwell, 9 sticks of timber,	-	-	-	-	18.00
H. C. Bunce, 2 sticks of timber,	-	-	-	-	2.00
J. B. Williams, 100 feet of lumber,	-	-	-	-	3.00
Isaac Slater, 23½ days' labor,	-	-	-	-	82.25
William Thomas, 23 days' labor,	-	-	-	-	46.00
George Hunt, 21 days' labor,	-	-	-	-	31.50
William Smith, 22¾ days' labor,	-	-	-	-	34.12
Monroe Jones, 19½ days' labor,	-	-	-	-	29.25
P. Neuschler, 14½ days' labor,	-	-	-	-	21.38
D. Barry, Jr., 1½ days' labor,	-	-	-	-	1.75
Thomas Barry, 2½ days' labor,	-	-	-	-	3.75
Jason Stevens, ½ days' labor,	-	-	-	-	1.25
Dudley G. House, 14 days' labor,	-	-	-	-	34.56
N. Clen, ½ days' labor,	-	-	-	-	.62
J. Q. Goodrich, use of oxen,	-	-	-	-	.50
Francis Abbey, labor and material,	-	-	-	-	3.00
C. Stevens, 6¼ days,	-	-	-	-	14.13
E. Beach, 3¾ days,	-	-	-	-	9.37
Henry Brown, 4 days,	-	-	-	-	6.00
F. Smith, 1 day,	-	-	-	-	1.50
C. Russell, 9 days,	-	-	-	-	13.50
A. Fuller, iron work,	-	-	-	-	14.65
Wm. O. Barrows, drawing lumber,	-	-	-	-	1.50

R. Pinney and team, 4 days,	-	-	-	\$12.00
Wharf Company, bolts,	-	-	-	2.10
Captain of barge, 1½ days,	-	-	-	3.00
N. A. Turner, timber,	-	-	-	100.00
J. B. Moseley, "	-	-	-	8.00
L. Risley, lumber,	-	-	-	9.72
S. P. Turner, 15 lbs. nails,	-	-	-	.60
C. Taylor, 47 lbs. spikes,	-	-	-	1.88
John McClay, driving piles,	-	-	-	60.70
P. F. Phelps, labor and bolts,	-	-	-	2.35
J. B. Moseley, 23½ days,	-	-	-	69.50
J. B. Moseley, 35 rails, \$2.80; 24 posts, \$2.88,	-	-	-	5.68
J. B. Moseley, spikes,	-	-	-	1.16
N. S. Bailey, labor on bridge and railing,	-	-	-	7.00
T. H. Hodge, " " "	-	-	-	4.00
H. G. Miller, labor and material,	-	-	-	3.90
G. R. Hale, "	-	-	-	.75
F. Talcott, drawing plank,	-	-	-	1.00
G. S. House, labor,	-	-	-	1.50
R. F. Hollister, labor,	-	-	-	2.50
Total,	-	-	-	\$842.00

BOUNTY ON FOXES.

N. S. Bailey, 1 Fox,	-	-	-	\$1.00
F. G. Curtis, 3 Foxes,	-	-	-	3.00
John Shipman, 5 "	-	-	-	5.00
H. Hollister, 5 "	-	-	-	5.00
J. Vergason, 6 "	-	-	-	6.00
A. Curtis, 2 "	-	-	-	2.00
Wm. Tryon, 1 Fox,	-	-	-	1.00
J. Shephard, 1 "	-	-	-	1.00
Total,	-	-	-	\$24.00

CEMETERIES.

E. D. Brooks, mowing Neipsic Cemetery,	-	\$2.00
John Penfield, " Still Hill "	-	6.00
S. A. D. Higgins, mowing Green "	-	15.00
C. J. Loomer, mowing Buckingham, 2 years,	-	10.00

Wm. T. Porter, mowing Neipsic old cemetery,	\$3.00	
Nelson Slater, 15 stone posts, -	11.25	
F. W. Dean, labor and material, -	80.29	
Wm. Pease, " " -	86.36	
H. F. Gilnack, " " -	21.20	
P. Cashman, 2½ days, -	5.00	
C. J. Loomer, labor, -	2.00	
H. G. Miller, 1 day; man and team ½ day, -	4.50	
D. G. House, 3 hours, -	.75	
Cooke & Whitmore, strap for Green Cemetery,	3.60	
Total, - - -		\$250.95

HIGHWAYS BY SELECTMEN.

J. Bantle, Keeney pond road, -	\$4.50	
J. B. Moseley, meadow " -	2.50	
Total, - - -		\$7.00

PRINTING.

The Case, Lockwood & Brainard Co., town report, Assessors' blanks, etc., -	\$88.30	
100 Teacher's certificates, -	2.50	
Total, - - -		\$90.80

STATE, COMMUTATION, AND COUNTY TAXES.

State Treasurer State tax, -	\$1,410.35	
State " Commutation tax, -	498.60	
County " County tax, -	564.14	
Total, - - -		\$2,473.09

TOWN BUILDING.

A. A. Bogue & Son, 4,350 lbs. coal, -	\$13.50	
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TOWN HALL.

Lucius Talcott, 1 cord wood, -	\$5.00	
D. G. House & Son, 1 day, -	3.00	
Mrs. Hunt, washing windows, -	1.50	
J. B. Moseley, 3 lbs. putty, .15, 1 key, .50, -	.65	
I. S. Murray, 10 lamps, -	8.50	
Total, - - -		\$18.65

PROBATE COURT.

Assessment of expenses, - - -	\$24.71
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BY VOTE OF THE TOWN.

I. N. Hollister, on road contract, - - -	\$134.44
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COMMITTEE ON I. N. HOLLISTER'S CONTRACT.

John W. Hubbard, - - - -	\$9.00
T. H. L. Tallcott, - - - -	18.00
G. C. Andrews, - - - -	6.00
Total, - - - -	<u>\$33.00</u>

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

A. A. Bogue, Treasurer, - - -	\$2,369.86
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MISCELLANEOUS.

F. Abbey, team work, - - - -	\$6.00
H. F. Torbert, core of stove, - - -	1.25
J. C. Rockwell, cutting bushes, - - -	2.00
E. Olcott, lantern on bridge, - - -	1.00
G. R. Hale, labor on washout, - - -	2.50
Treasurer of Veteran Association, - - -	50.00
Emily Wells, error in Assessment, - - -	9.00
T. H. L. Tallcott, perambulating town line, - - -	5.00
J. B. Moseley, making town tax and copy, - - -	23.00
J. B. Moseley, 100 postals and printing, - - -	2.00
J. B. Moseley, poll and tax-books, - - -	4.25
J. B. Moseley, 100 dog posters, - - -	2.50
J. B. Moseley, 5 lbs. nails, .20; expressage, .10, .30	
Wm. S. Goslee, deeds, tax liens, and counsel fees, 36.76	
Wm. S. Goslee, cemetery deeds on tax liens, 14.50	
Wm. S. Goslee, services in case of F. Palmer, and tax liens, - - - -	10.50
Total, - - - -	<u>\$170.56</u>

ROAD COMMISSIONER AND INSPECTOR.

Andrew Cornwell, 11 days, - - -	\$55.00
John E. Tryon, 17½ days and expenses, - - -	64.85
Henry M. Dunham, 1 day, - - -	5.00
Total, - - - -	<u>\$124.85</u>

TILING.

Hartford Cement Tile Co., 166 feet tile,	-	\$19.92
Andrew Richmond, 9 days,	-	13.87½
Wm. O. Roberts, 6 "	-	9.00
Samuel Burney, 6½ "	-	9.75
James O. Griswold, 12½ "	-	18.75
C. J. Goodale, 3½ "	-	5.25
George Smith, 8½ " horse, 1 day,	-	18.50
Wm. Clark, 7 "	-	12.00
M. Claus, 6½ "	-	11.37½
W. Dickinson, 4½ "	-	6.75
Anton Treuting, 15 "	-	22.50
Wm. C. Barrows, 6½ "	-	8.12½
Alsop Welles, 5 "	-	5.00
E. Dickinson, 3 "	-	4.50
Wm. H. Jones, 3½ " horse, 2½ days,	-	9.00
Joseph Pollard, 4 "	-	6.00
Phillip Bantle, 3 "	-	3.75
John Cooper, 3 "	-	3.75
O. Pfriffer, 6½ "	-	9.00
H. Brown, 3 "	-	4.50
Albert Stevens, 5 "	-	7.50
Louis Deihl, 2½ "	-	3.75
A. Z. Samson, drawing tile,	-	33.00
G. R. Hale, 10 days,	-	23.75
F. W. Dean, leveling drain,	-	.50
Total,	-	\$269.79

POOR IN TOWN.

Wm. W. Abbey, on contract,	-	\$1,262.50
Wm. W. Abbey, care of J. Fuller,	-	8.22
Dr. Kingsbury, med. attendance M. Fielding,	-	2.00
D. Rising, med. att. H. Kellogg, and J. Fuller,	12.15	
O. Sheffield & Son, goods to J. Fuller,	-	5.00
G. W. Woolley & Son, casket for Mrs. A. Goss,	18.00	
S. P. Turner, medicine for H. Penny,	-	27.00
J. H. Strong, fare of H. Penny to N. Y. State,	9.50	
G. Kinnie, burial of Mrs. A. Southworth,	-	3.00
Total,	-	\$1,347.37

POOR OUT OF TOWN.

Town of Colchester, C. Russell and family, -	\$65.35
Town of Hebron, Joel Peters and wife, -	186.75
Town of Southington, H. Chappell and family, -	82.56
Town of Plainville, Ann Buckland, -	8.00
Hartford County Home, Clen children, -	73.71
Town of Meriden, J. Stangle, -	3.33
J. C. Rockwell, to Colchester after Russell family, -	8.75
Dr. Griswold, med. attendance Russell family, -	7.95
Total, - - - - -	<u>\$436.40</u>

INSANE POOR.

Rhoda Tucker, 52 weeks, - - - - -	\$125.82
Rhoda Tucker, clothing, etc., - - - - -	5.12
John D. Post, 52 weeks, - - - - -	125.82
John D. Post, 1 hat, - - - - -	.20
Total, - - - - -	<u>\$256.94</u>

POOR BELONGING TO OTHER TOWNS.

Dr. Kingsbury, med. attendance H. W. Edwards, -	\$11.50
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TRANSIENT POOR.

Dr. Kingsbury, medical attendance Herbert Barker, - - - - -	\$31.75
Geo. Middleton, care of Herbert Barker, -	25.00
Dr. Griswold, medical attendance Ferry family, -	17.05
Dr. Griswold, medical attendance Miss Smith, -	3.25
J. B. Moseley, fare of Halpin family to R. I., -	5.75
Wm. W. Abbey, lodging 5 tramps, - - - - -	2.50
	<u>\$85.30</u>
Total poor, - - - - -	<u>\$2,137.53</u>

DAMAGES.

Ransom Wisely, damage to person and property, -	\$100.00
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TOWN OFFICERS.

Auditors.

E. H. Andrews, 1½ days,	-	-	-	\$4.50	
J. W. Hubbard, 2½ days,	-	-	-	7.50	
				<u> </u>	\$12.00

Assessors.

E. H. Andrews,	-	-	-	\$75.00	
S. Hollister,	-	-	-	50.00	
G. D. Cowles,	-	-	-	25.00	
G. A. Treat,	-	-	-	33.00	
				<u> </u>	\$183.00

Board of Relief.

Elijah Miller,	-	-	-	\$18.00	
A. W. Kinne,	-	-	-	15.00	
I. Brodhead,	-	-	-	18.00	
				<u> </u>	\$51.00

Collector.

D. L. Tallcott, balance of com. tax 1882,				\$168.29	
D. L. Tallcott, cash on tax of 1883,	-	-	-	150.00	
				<u> </u>	\$318.29

Registrars of Electors.

J. C. Rockwell,	-	-	-	\$47.00	
Edgar Hale,	-	-	-	46.50	
H. A. Kinne, deputy,	-	-	-	24.00	
E. D. Miller, deputy,	-	-	-	25.00	
				<u> </u>	\$142.50

Town Clerk and Registrar.

S. C. Hardin, services,	-	-	-	-	\$68.90
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School Visitors.

Rev. A. Gardner,	-	-	-	\$50.00	
A. A. Babcock,	-	-	-	18.00	
H. E. Loomis,	-	-	-	31.50	
J. W. Hubbard,	-	-	-	33.00	
J. W. Hubbard, services as clerk,	-	-	-	26.00	
J. W. Hubbard, postage and stationery,	-	-	-	2.80	
				<u> </u>	\$161.30

Treasurer.

A. A. Bogue, Treasurer,	-	-	\$100.00	
Deposit fund,	-	-	10.00	
Postage and stationery,	-	-	1.60	
			<u> </u>	\$111.60

Selectmen.

J. B. Moseley, 37½ days,	-	-	\$112.50	
Expenses,	-	-	12.47	
Making town report,	-	-	30.00	
Services as clerk,	-	-	25.00	
Postage and stationery,	-	-	2.11	
			<u> </u>	\$182.08
G. R. Hale, 12 days,	-	-	\$36.50	
H. G. Miller, 15½ days,	-	-	46.50	
Expenses,	-	-	1.00	
			<u> </u>	\$84.00
				<u> </u>
				\$266.08
				<u> </u>
				\$1,314.67
Total,	-	-	-	-

RECAPITULATION.

Abatements,	-	-	-	-	\$81.76
Highways by contract,	-	-	-	-	2,994.42
Education,	-	-	-	-	4,992.15
Bridges and railing,	-	-	-	-	842.00
Births, deaths, and burials,	-	-	-	-	38.75
Sheep killed by dogs,	-	-	-	-	152.00
Bounty on foxes,	-	-	-	-	24.00
Cemeteries,	-	-	-	-	250.95
Highways by Selectmen,	-	-	-	-	7.00
Printing,	-	-	-	-	90.80
State, commutation, and county taxes,	-	-	-	-	2,473.19
Town Record building,	-	-	-	-	13.05
Town Hall,	-	-	-	-	18.65
Probate expenses,	-	-	-	-	24.71
By vote of the town,	-	-	-	-	134.44
Committee on I. N. Hollister's road contract,	-	-	-	-	33.00
Interest on town debt,	-	-	-	-	2,369.86
Miscellaneous,	-	-	-	-	170.56

Road Commissioner and Inspector, - - -	\$124.85
Tiling, - - - - -	269.79
Poor, - - - - -	2,137.53
Damages, - - - - -	100.00
Town Officers, - - - - -	1,314.67
Total, - - - - -	<u>\$18,658.13</u>

Eighteen thousand six hundred fifty-eight and $\frac{13}{100}$ dollars.

Estimate of the Town expenses for the ensuing year, 1884-5, made by the Selectmen and Auditors:

Abatements, - - - - -	\$300.00
Births, Marriages, and Deaths, - - - - -	50.00
Bridges and Railing, - - - - -	250.00
Cemetries, - - - - -	50.00
Education, - - - - -	3,000.00
Highways, - - - - -	3,000.00
Interest, - - - - -	2,300.00
Legal Expenses, - - - - -	25.00
Miscellaneous, - - - - -	200.00
Poor, - - - - -	2,000.00
Sheep killed by Dogs, - - - - -	50.00
State Tax, - - - - -	1,420.00
County Tax, - - - - -	283.00
Town Officers, - - - - -	1,400.00
Probate Expenses, - - - - -	25.00
Printing, - - - - -	100.00
Bounty on Foxes, - - - - -	25.00
	<u>\$14,478.00</u>

We recommend that a tax of fifteen (15) mills on the dollar on the list of 1884 (to be made out) be laid in order to meet the expenses of the Town for the year ensuing and pay a portion of the Town debt.

JOHN B. MOSELEY, }
 GEORGE R. HALE, } *Selectmen.*
 HENRY G. MILLER, }

GLASTONBURY, Oct. 6, 1884.

Examined and found correct.

JNO. W. HUBBARD, }
 EDWIN H. ANDREWS, } *Auditors.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TOWN OF GLASTONBURY,

in account with ALBERT A. BOGUE, *Treasurer.*

DR.

To Selectmen's orders drawn prior to Oct. 6, 1884,	-	\$18,510.40
To cash paid order, series 1883,	-	272.33
To cash paid temporary loan,	-	1,000.00
To cash paid interest on same,	-	20.83
To cash paid Justice orders,	-	186.14
To cash paid on Town debt,	-	2,100.00
To cash paid interest on same,	-	20.00
To cash in treasury,	-	8,938.28
		\$31,047.98

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By balance in treasury Oct. 1, 1883,	-	\$10,268.08
By Town of Manchester joint school,	-	104.26
By cash Town of Manchester,	-	\$4.50
By cash Town of Vernon,	-	1.50— 6.00
By two Centennial books,	-	4.00
By cash T. H. L. Tallcott, J. P.,	-	\$12.21
By cash County Clerk,	-	11.61
By cash County Clerk,	-	22.96
By cash W. S. Goslee, J. P.,	-	6.00
By cash A. W. Spaulding, Sheriff,	-	16.08— 68.86
By cash liens paid,	-	174.13
By cash S. C. Harden, dogs registered,	-	184.00
By cash lots sold Green Cemetery,	-	\$35.00
By cash lots sold Still Hill "	-	18.00— 53.00
By cash Helen Post,	-	123.70
By cash interest Town deposit fund,	-	340.82

By cash Selectmen, chips sold,	-	-	\$3.00
By cash Selectmen, material sold,	-	-	2.50
By cash Selectmen, rent Town Hall,	-	-	4.00— 9.50
By cash temporary loan,	-	-	1,000.00
By cash State School Fund,	-	-	\$552.75
By cash State appropriation fund,	-	-	1,105.50— 1,658.25
By cash taxes, 1882-3,	-	-	\$1,914.98
By cash interest taxes, 1882-3,	-	-	97.75— 2,012.73
By cash taxes, 1883-4,	-	-	\$14,982.55
By cash interest, 1883-4,	-	-	58.10—15,040.65
			<u>\$31,047.98</u>

Liabilities of the Town, Oct. 1, 1884.

Note to Darius Goodale,	-	-	-	\$2,700.00
“ “ Mary T. Taylor,	-	-	-	134.00
“ “ Nelson A. Harden,	-	-	-	1,628.55
“ “ Mrs. Wm. Robertson,	-	-	-	635.41
“ “ Lydia House,	-	-	-	400.00
“ “ Lorenzo Weir,	-	-	-	675.22
“ “ Joshua Goodale,	-	-	-	243.00
“ “ John J. Curtis,	-	-	-	3,800.00
“ “ Norman F. Strickland,	-	-	-	500.00
“ “ George S. Andrews,	-	-	-	1,000.00
“ “ Chauncey F. Gaines,	-	-	-	500.00
“ “ H. E. W. Goodridge,	-	-	-	550.00
“ “ Edwin Richmond,	-	-	-	1,665.57
“ “ Franklin DeWolf,	-	-	-	1,336.94
“ “ Abigail DeWolf,	-	-	-	1,122.60
“ “ Wm. O. Barrows,	-	-	-	500.00
“ “ Hopestill Turner,	-	-	-	1,978.00
“ “ First Ecclesiastical Society,	-	-	-	784.00
“ “ Marion E. Richmond,	-	-	-	185.64
“ “ C. A. Hubbard,	-	-	-	2,450.00
“ “ Egbert McClean,	-	-	-	2,000.00
“ “ Elizabeth M. G. Barrows,	-	-	-	527.00
“ “ John C. Hollister,	-	-	-	200.00
“ “ Mary E. Turner,	-	-	-	400.00
“ “ Otis House,	-	-	-	600.00
“ “ F. S. Gaines,	-	-	-	100.00

Note to Osman House,	-	-	-	-	\$1,181.26
“ “ Chas. Taylor,	-	-	-	-	2,000.00
“ “ Wanton Chapman, Trustee,	-	-	-	-	918.50
“ “ Benjamin Taylor,	-	-	-	-	7,500.00
“ “ Isabella White,	-	-	-	-	700.00
“ “ J. H. Strong,	-	-	-	-	900.00
“ “ Marcia T. Hale,	-	-	-	-	585.75
“ “ Catharine A. Morley,	-	-	-	-	2,000.00
“ “ C. Sheffield & Son,	-	-	-	-	271.56
“ “ C. Sheffield,	-	-	-	-	226.12
“ “ Buckingham E. Society,	-	-	-	-	1,200.00
“ “ Achsa Dolph,	-	-	-	-	50.00
“ “ Maria S. Dunham,	-	-	-	-	1,800.00
					<u>\$45,949.12</u>

Above notes bearing interest at 5 per cent.

ORDERS BEARING INTEREST.

Order to Nelson H. Russell, No. 154, Dec. 4, 1863,	-	\$200.00
“ “ Michael Vail, No. 325, Sept. 22, 1874,	-	2.00
“ “ Henry O. Weir, No. 366, Sept. 29, 1877,	-	133.00
		<u>\$335.00</u>

ORDERS NOT BEARING INTEREST.

No. 39, Series 1883,	-	-	-	-	\$4.00
					<u>\$46,288.12</u>
No. 88, Series 1884,	-	-	-	-	3.00
“ 213, “ “	-	-	-	-	16.67
“ 268, “ “	-	-	-	-	7.00
“ 271, “ “	-	-	-	-	7.18
“ 283, “ “	-	-	-	-	1.88
“ 285, “ “	-	-	-	-	1.50
“ 286, “ “	-	-	-	-	100.00
“ 288, “ “	-	-	-	-	8.00
“ 289, “ “	-	-	-	-	2.50
					<u>\$46,435.85</u>
Deduct amount due on tax-bill, 1884,	-	-	-	-	2,894.87
“ “ Interest on tax-bill, 1884,	-	-	-	-	96.28
“ “ H. and F. Horton's note,	-	-	-	-	178.75
“ “ Cash in Treasury,	-	-	-	-	8,938.28

Amount of liens as per last report, -	\$532.45	
Amount of liens on tax-bill, 1883, -	595.80	
	<u>\$1,128.25</u>	
Amount of liens paid, -	174.13	
		<u>\$954.12</u>
		<u>13,062.30</u>
		<u>\$33,373.55</u>

ALBERT A. BOGUE, *Treasurer.*

GLASTONBURY, Oct. 6, 1884.

*Report of the Treasurer of the School Fund for the year ending
October 1, 1884.*

Paid Treasurer School District Number 1, -	-	\$550.00
" " " Number 2, -	-	500.00
" " " Number 3, -	-	250.00
" " " Number 4, -	-	250.00
" " " Number 5, -	-	300.00
" " " Number 6, -	-	319.90
" " " Number 7, -	-	250.00
" " " Number 8, -	-	209.98
" " " Number 9, -	-	325.88
" " " Number 10, -	-	250.00
" " " Number 11, -	-	215.00
" " " Number 12, -	-	218.00
" " " Number 13, -	-	214.99
" " " Number 14, -	-	210.00
" " " Number 15, -	-	213.40
" " " Number 16, -	-	215.00
" " " Number 17, -	-	250.00
" " " Number 18, -	-	250.00
		<u>\$4,992.15</u>
By amount of appropriation, -	-	\$5,095.00
Amount of same not drawn, -	-	<u>102.85</u>

ALBERT A. BOGUE, *Treasurer.*

GLASTONBURY, October 1, 1884.

Report of the Treasurer of the Deposit and Town Fund. Amount of the Deposit Fund is seven thousand six hundred and sixty-one and $\frac{63}{100}$ dollars, and is loaned as follows:

C. N. Carter, - - - - -	\$500.00
Elijah Miller, - - - - -	1,551.88
Mary Trowbridge, - - - - -	650.00
John B. Moseley, - - - - -	500.00
T. H. L. Tallcott, - - - - -	450.87
Edwin R. Combs, - - - - -	550.00
Michael Vail, - - - - -	600.00
Case Brothers, - - - - -	1,058.88
E. S. Olcott, - - - - -	600.00
R. E. Merrick, - - - - -	1,200.00
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	\$7,661.63

The Town Fund is two hundred sixty-four and $\frac{25}{100}$ dollars, loaned to C. N. Carter.

ALBERT A. BOGUE, *Treasurer.*

GLASTONBURY, October 1, 1884.

Examined and found correct.

JNO. W. HUBBARD, } *Auditors.*
EDWIN H. ANDREWS, }

REPORT OF ACTING SCHOOL VISITORS.

District No. 1, NAUBUC.

Miss Rose A. Hopkins of Hartford has had the care of the higher department of the schools of this district the past year. She exhibited ability as a teacher and was successful. Mrs. Geo. R. Hale, who has taught here for many terms of school, had charge of the primary department with her usual success. Two *good schools* have been taught in this district the past year, and the full number of school days have been rounded out.

The school-house and outbuildings have been thoroughly overhauled and repaired. A new bell and belfry have been added, and also a new hood over the door. The grounds have been handsomely graded, and good walks laid through them. These improvements are highly creditable to the district and those live men who had the management of them. They have been somewhat expensive, but I have no doubt, as time passes, the taxpayers will realize that it is money well expended. The people of the other districts will look on them and I hope and believe will copy the example thus set them.

WM. H. GRISWOLD, A. S. V.

District No. 5, EAGLEVILLE.

Miss Mary J. Robinson has taught the school of this district the entire school year, making two successive years she has taught in this district with unexceptional success. The school-house of this district is in a very dilapidated condition, extensive repairs will soon be required, or a new school-house

built. The latter will, in my opinion, be profitable. The cost it is true will be more, but the benefits derived from the new methods of building, and from the new modes of warming, ventilating, and seating, far outweigh the greater expense as between repairing the old and building the new. I hope to record a new building when called upon to make another report for this my native district.

WM. H. GRISWOLD, *A. S. V.*

District No. 4, OLD CHURCH.

Miss Helen W. Kellogg taught the school of this district the entire year. The success that attended her efforts were only such as might be expected from one whose character as an accomplished teacher is so well established, and in a school where such a high degree of intelligence in the pupils is known to exist. A few scholars from the outskirts of the neighboring districts take advantage of the good reputation of this school and attend here. This is not objected to as it is a small district, and a few more good scholars do not retard the progress of it, and are rather beneficial to it. During the past year it has kept up its old standard of large percentage of scholars registered, and their average attendance. In fact it is surpassed by no school in town in these two particulars, and in average attendance it has no equal.

JOHN W. HUBBARD, *A. S. V.*

District No. 6, SOUTH CENTRE.

Miss Emma Shipman taught this school the entire year. The number of registered scholars was 77, and the number of children of school age who attended a private school in this district was 13, this with probably 5 who received private instruction at home, or attended school in Nos. 4 and 7, leaves but 10 whose educational interests were overlooked in this usually unkempt and unlettered district. The number of registered scholars was consecutively 53, 51, and 56 in each of the three terms. That the good reputation of the teacher was, in part, the cause of this unusual attendance is apparent,

and while I am aware that I am not elected School Visitor to advertise teachers, I should do injustice to my own feelings and fail to perform my *whole* duty, if I did not bear my testimony to the untiring industry and energy of Miss Shipman. The private school, alluded to above, was in charge of Miss Jennie A. Pratt, a graduate of the Hartford High School, and has been successful in every respect, and particularly creditable to her as a teacher of more than usual merit.

JOHN W. HUBBARD, A. S. V.

Districts Nos. 2, 3, and 18.

The four schools in these districts have been taught thirty-six weeks the past year, at a cost to the Town and State of nearly seven dollars per week each.

District No. 2, Center. This district has continued two schools, and the same teachers for the year. In the primary department, Miss Sarah W. Tallcott has taught with an average of nineteen for the year. In room No. 2, Miss Minnie J. Couch has had an average of sixteen for the year; not quite as large a school as the year previous. Each scholar in attendance the past year in this district, has cost the Town and State fourteen dollars and twenty-nine cents.

District No. 3, Green. Miss Helen M. Webster was engaged to teach the entire year, but at the death of her mother, about the middle of the winter term, the district released her; after one week, Miss Lucy L. Carrier was engaged and taught the remainder of the year. The register shows eighteen different scholars, with an average of eleven for the year; each scholar cost twenty-two dollars and seventy-three cents.

District No. 18, Williams. Miss Kate L. Hills has taught the past year, making her fifth in succession; the school is increasing in numbers, the average the past year was twenty-one, costing twelve dollars each. Mary and Annie Stokes have been present every day for the past *two years*, a record which is worthy of imitation. On the whole, there has been less of tardiness and absence this year, still there is room for improvement.

District Committees. If the committees would visit the schools at least twice each term, as the law* requires, they would know what changes were needed to improve the schools; which teachers to continue, which scholars to advise, suspend, or expel; they would see how useful ten dollars could be made each year, and with how little trouble they could draw an order for five dollars and the State give as much more; cities avail themselves of this privilege. The New Haven City School District paid more than *thirteen hundred dollars* for this purpose last year, *six hundred* of it coming from the State. The authority of the district is in their hands, they have power to make very many changes subject only to the district, and they should be the ones that know the most in regard to the schools in their respective districts; they could spend one-half a day at near the beginning and another near the close of each term very profitably, and should visit as much oftener as their advice or assistance is needed. School Visitors can tell whether the law is being complied with or not in less than one-half a day, and if the board † would allow us we could visit at least two schools in the same time that we now visit one, and thus save one-half of that expense. I would again call the attention of the Board to the unequal appropriations that we have recommended. In the Fifteenth District the cost to the Town and State the past year has been *seven dollars and seventeen cents* per week. In the Eighth it has been *seven dollars and seventy-eight cents* per week, and we have recommended the same for the present year; while in the First District the cost and recommendation is only about *seven dollars and sixty-four cents* per week for each school, *which is fourteen cents less per week for a school in Naubuc with its ninety-eight scholars than in Matson Hill with its eight*; and in eight other schools in town the cost does not exceed *seven dollars* per week, and in six, it does not exceed *six dollars* per week. I would suggest that the appropriations be reckoned by the week, for each week of school not exceeding thirty-six in one year, as follows:

* Compilation of 1883, page 34.

† Compilation of 1883, page 15.

District No. 1, to receive eight dollars per week for one school and seven dollars per week for the other. Districts Nos. 2, 3, 4, 7, 10, 12, 17, and 18 to receive seven dollars per week for each school. District No. 5, eight dollars per week. Districts Nos. 6 and 9 to receive nine dollars per week for one school in each, and seven dollars per week for a second school if considered necessary by the Acting Visitor, and Districts Nos. 8, 11, 13, 14, 15, and 16, to receive six dollars per week for each school, making a total of five thousand and forty dollars (\$5,040).

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HENRY E. LOOMIS, *A. S. V.*

District No. 7.

The school of this district was taught the entire year by Miss Fannie M. Watrous, a resident of this town, an old teacher, having taught several years, and from what I could see or learn has given good satisfaction.

The number of scholars numerated is small, but there are six or eight from the Sixth District that attend this school, so the attendance shows more than it would if only the scholars of the district attended.

In the past year they have made some improvement in the school-room by taking off the plastering from overhead and ceiling it. The visitor has become interested in seeing scholarship, or what with proper care will develop into scholarship, and if parents can only be led to believe it, it will be better to sacrifice some things at home that their children may become regular attendants at school.

ALONZO A. BABCOCK, *A. S. V.*

District No. 8, MATSON HILL.

The school in this district was taught by Miss Lord of Marlboro. The committee thought best not to have but twenty-seven weeks school of two terms. Mr. Hubbard visited the school three times and can say more about the

progress than I can. The school is small in number and the scholars small ; but small as they are in size and number they must have a school, for no one in the district would like to see the school given up.

ALONZO A. BABCOCK, *A. S. V.*

District No. 9, TWINE MILL.

This district was fortunate in having secured Miss Cora B. Lord of Marlboro to teach the school. Miss Lord taught the fall and winter terms, then her health gave out, and she was obliged to give up at the end of the winter term. Miss Lord gave the best of satisfaction.

The summer term was taught by Miss _____ of Tolland, who failed to keep the confidence Miss Lord had, so dissatisfaction soon sprang up and there was a large falling off of scholars. There should be a much greater variety in the reading exercises in use, especially with advanced scholars, and joined with this the practice of questioning each reading class upon the contents of its lesson. With advanced scholars this exercise might include paraphrases of certain passages, the suggestion of synonyms for important words, and various forms of expression for the ideas conveyed. An exercise like this in the hands of a competent teacher would be of far greater benefit to most scholars than the usual grammar lesson.

ALONZO A. BABCOCK, *A. S. V.*

District No. 10.

The school district No. 10, Nayaug, has been taught the whole school year by Miss Dora B. Baker of East Hampton, with very good success as far as I could judge, and good progress was made in different studies.

ALONZO A. BABCOCK, *A. S. V.*

Districts Nos. 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.

Another school year has gone, and we are called upon to review the work done in the cause of common-school education. As there is nothing new under the sun, and that which

is has been already, we shall not attempt to avoid routine. Most of life is made up of routine. It is the same pieces of glass in the kaleidoscope which, in revolving, assume new forms and combinations. So of school work. It is the same thing over and over, with new forms and combinations.

No. 11, North Street School, was taught during the year by Miss Annie I. Howe. This was her first work as teacher, and with a small school she has tried do a great work. She has not suffered the small number of her pupils to dishearten her, but kept steadily at it, trying to do them good and advance them in their studies.

No. 12, Wassuc. Miss Florence J. Hollister taught in autumn, with satisfaction to all. Mr. Edwin C. Andrews was employed the remainder of the year. It was his first attempt in this direction; still he threw into it a degree of animus which many of large experience lack. He made his scholarship available in many a practical direction. His attitude before the school was wholesome and his work good.

No. 13, Middle. Miss Ellen A. House taught the school the entire year, and in a satisfactory manner. During the year the school-room has been supplied with outline maps, dictionary, clock, etc., all of which constitute healthful and stimulating appendages.

No. 14, East Hill. This school has had three different teachers during the year,—Miss Ruth H. Hills in autumn; Miss Sadie E. Turner in the winter; and Miss Lottie M. Bartliff the spring term. Such a change of teachers never augurs well for any school; still, a transient visitor will see that progress has been made and good accomplished. This school has also received this year a set of new outline maps, dictionary, etc.

No. 15, North East. Miss Hattie A. Tracy has taught the school the entire year, and with her usual success.

No. 16, Goslee Street. Miss Mary A. Kingsbury taught the school in autumn, and had good success. Mrs. Ruth H. Hills was employed the remainder of the year. Her school was larger than usual, and a degree of enthusiasm was gene-

rated and maintained. Considerable proficiency was attained in map drawing, and quite a class of the older boys studied book-keeping.

No. 17, Neipsic. Miss Lillie R. Kalkoff has now been in the school three years, or nine terms. The close of the ninth term revealed no diminution of interest or want of thoughtful methods for the improvement of her pupils. The practical benefit of Teachers' Institutes may be seen in this school, viz., the construction of relief maps in the use of sand. Miss Howe of the North Street School also reduced the same to practice.

The introduction of a new series of readers into our schools this school-year has had a stimulating effect in the matter of reading. It certainly has created a new and deeper interest in the subject, and progress has been made in this important branch of common-school education. While the Board are often severely and unjustly censured for changing text-books, still it must be admitted that, when the change is judiciously made, the cause of education is promoted thereby.

Irregularity of attendance in some of our schools is still the crying evil, and also the neglect of parents and others to visit the schools.

In so far as the common-school system is enjoyed in this part of the town, I think we have occasion to assume a hopeful attitude and to take courage.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. GARDNER, A. S. V.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD.

Total paid by the Town for the support of the Public Schools as reported by the District Committee, including the bills of the School Visitors for services, \$186.30, -	-	-	\$5,184.60
Deduct, received from State appropriation, \$1.50 per capita, -	-	-	\$1,105.50
Deduct, received from State School Fund, -	-	-	552.75
Deduct, received from Town Deposit Fund, -	-	-	340.82

Deduct, receivable from Town of Manchester for its share of expenses of School District No. 15, -	75.05	
		<u>2,074.12</u>
Total amount paid by Town over all, - - - -		\$3,110.48
Amount fixed by Board of Selectmen and School Visitors, -		5,095.00
School expenses, less appropriation, - - - -		96.70
Received from State for each enumerated child, - - - -		2.82
Received from State for each registered child, - - - -		3.23
Average cost to Town and State for each enumerated child, -		7.03
Average cost to Town and State for each registered child, -		8.09
Number of children who attended other than public schools of all ages, - - - - -		48
Number of children who attended no school, after deducting those instructed at home, the latter estimated at 25, -		45
Average wages paid teachers per month, - - - -		25.00
Average attendance at school, Fall Term, - - - -		370.04
Average attendance at school, Winter Term, - - - -		343.67
Average attendance at school, Summer Term, - - - -		337.18
Number of children of school age enumerated February 1st, -		737
Number scholars registered, Fall Term, - - - -		488
Number scholars registered, Winter Term, - - - -		494
Number scholars registered, Summer Term, - - - -		472
Number scholars registered during the year, - - - -		641
Total amount paid for teachers' wages, - - - -		4,423.55
Total amount paid for fuel and incidental expenses, - - -		603.90
Total amount paid by Districts for other objects, principally for repairs of school-houses, - - - -		1,092.77
Amount raised by District tax, - - - -		998.52
Amount raised by voluntary contribution, - - - -		123.40
Amount paid for libraries and apparatus, - - - -		45.75
Total value of school-houses and grounds, as reported by School Committees, - - - -		17,200.00

Number of children between the ages of 4 and 16 in each School District of the Town, as officially enumerated January 1, 1884:

No. 1, Naubuc, 98	No. 10, Nayaug, 21
No. 2, Center, 71	No. 11, North Street, 22
No. 3, Greene, 28	No. 12, Wassuc, 30
No. 4, Old Church, 41	No. 13, Middle, 21
No. 5, Eagleville, 59	No. 14, Hill, 14
No. 6, South Center, 105	No. 15, Northeast, 17
No. 7, Taylortown, 28	No. 16, Goslee, 24
No. 8, Matson Hill, 8	No. 17, Neipsic, 33
No. 9, Twine Mill, 79	No. 18, Williams, 43
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Amounts fixed by the Joint Boards of Selectmen and School Visitors as necessary for the support of the Public Schools for the current year:

No. 1,	\$550	No. 10,	\$250
No. 2,	500	No. 11,	215
No. 3,	250	No. 12,	250
No. 4,	250	No. 13,	215
No. 5,	300	No. 14,	210
No. 6,	*450	No. 15,	215
No. 7,	250	No. 16,	225
No. 8,	210	No. 17,	250
No. 9,	325	No. 18,	250
			\$5,165

Names and Post-office addresses of School Committees for the years 1884-5:

No. 1.	Albert A. Bogue,	-	-	-	Naubuc.
2.	Charles H. Talcott,	-	-	-	Glastonbury.
3.	Lewis P. Skinner,	-	-	-	Glastonbury.
4.	Howard J. Hale,	-	-	-	So. Glastonbury.
5.	Philo B. House,	-	-	-	Glastonbury.
6.	Henry G. Miller,	-	-	-	So. Glastonbury.
7.	Zelotes Taylor,	-	-	-	So. Glastonbury.
8.	William E. Billings,	-	-	-	So. Glastonbury.
9.	Lyman E. Beaumont,	-	-	-	So. Glastonbury.
10.	Edward T. Thompson,	-	-	-	So. Glastonbury.
11.	William Goodale,	-	-	-	Buckingham.
12.	Theron S. Curtiss,	-	-	-	East Glastonbury.
13.	Norman Curtiss,	-	-	-	East Glastonbury.
14.	W. C. Hills,	-	-	-	Buckingham.
15.	Arthur B. Keeney,	-	-	-	So. Manchester.
16.	Lafayette Bosworth,	-	-	-	Buckingham.
17.	L. E. Crosby,	-	-	-	East Glastonbury.
18.	C. W. Warner,	-	-	-	Glastonbury.

List of Teachers employed in the Public Schools for the current year, and their Post-office address:

No. 1.	Miss Helen W. Wadsworth,	-	-	Glastonbury.
	Mrs. George R. Hale,	-	-	Glastonbury.
2.	Miss Alice W. Chapman,	-	-	Glastonbury.
	Miss Minnie I. Couch,	-	-	Glastonbury.
3.	Miss Amie L. Keeney,	-	-	Hockanum.
4.	Mrs. Clara F. Rose,	-	-	So. Glastonbury.
5.	Miss Mary I. Robinson,	-	-	Glastonbury.
6.	Miss Eveline N. Pinney,	-	-	So. Glastonbury.

* The condition of the appropriation to No. 6, is that \$325 be given positively, and \$125 more if in the opinion of the School Visitors a second school is necessary.

7.	Miss Ethiel Stocking, -	-	-	Gildersleeves, Mdx. Co.
8.	Miss Charlotte C. Day,	-	-	Marlborough.
9.	Miss Lucy L. Carrier, -	-	-	Glastonbury.
10.	Miss Emma Shipman, -	-	-	So. Glastonbury.
11.	Miss Etta J. Robinson,	-	-	Buckingham.
12.	Miss Mary C. Hollister,	-	-	East Glastonbury.
13.	Miss Lizzie A. Dickerson,	-	-	Marlborough.
14.	Miss Ettie Buel, -	-	-	Marlborough.
15.	Miss Hattie R. Tracy, -	-	-	So. Manchester.
16.	Mr. Lafayette Bosworth,	-	-	Buckingham.
17.	Miss Lettie K. Kalkoff,	-	-	East Glastonbury.
18.	Miss Edith M. Sparks, -	-	-	Glastonbury.

BOARD OF SCHOOL VISITORS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

John W. Hubbard,	Term Expires October, 1885.
Henry E. Loomis,	“ “ “ “
William H. Griswold,	“ “ “ 1886.
L. E. Crosby,	“ “ “ “
Austin Gardner,	“ “ “ 1887.
John H. Betts,	“ “ “ “
President of Board,	Austin Gardner.
Secretary “ “	John W. Hubbard.

TEXT-BOOKS.

Readers.—Sheldon & Co.'s Modern School, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5; Cathcart's Literary as No. 6.

Speller.—Swinton's Word Book of English Spelling.

Geography.—Swinton's New Introductory and Grammar School.

Arithmetic.—Robinson's Shorter Course, First Book and Complete.

Grammar.—Swinton's Language Series.

History.—Swinton's First Lessons in, and Condensed History of, the United States. Lossing's Outline History of the United States.

Writing.—Model Copy Book.

The foregoing tabulated statements furnish the usual facts relating to the material and personal aspects of the public schools in a condensed form. They might be greatly elaborated, and made to conform to those I am required to furnish to the State Board of Education, but I have thought that inasmuch as the expense of printing would be greatly increased proportionally to the information conveyed, and that all the salient points are here given, it would be best to give them as heretofore, especially as I have never been requested to give further details of the make-up of our schools.

The past has been a year of general prosperity schoolwise. While those intrusted with their superintendence must be somewhat encouraged by an apparent increasing interest in the welfare of their children by parents, exhibited by their more frequent visits to the schools; while the percentage of attendance at school is growing larger; while teachers seem more desirous to improve themselves in their chosen profession by attending Teachers' Institutes, and availing themselves of the many means whereby to perfect themselves, that are so generously and gratuitously offered and urged upon them by the State; while the number who attend no school is scarcely less in any town in the State similarly situated; while all these agencies are at work, it is not enough. It is a good beginning, and will work toward what is needed, i. e., a higher standard. We should have better school-houses and better teachers,—teachers who have received instructions in the art of teaching, who understand the art of governing. This must be in great part a natural gift. Those teachers make a mistake who suppose that scholars naturally dislike an orderly school. The great majority of scholars like good order far more than disorder, but their natural bent in this particular must not be thwarted by too much coercion. Like their seniors, they can be coaxed better than driven. They can be drawn into good behavior and good scholarship by a magnetic influence which they cannot see, but which is surely and steadily acting on their better natures. By a skillful and competent teacher they can be easily moulded into forms of mental beauty and grace. By the example of a rough and incompetent one they will naturally settle into uncouth and untrained specimens of mental deformity. How important, then, that committees should obtain the best, and that visitors should exercise great vigilance in their examinations. To make a competent examination of teachers the examiner should be an artist in the knowledge of human nature. The possession of a good education is a very requisite qualification of a good teacher, but by no means the only important one.

Referring to the preceding allusion to the increased interest

of parents in their schools, the statistics which have prompted it are furnished by the registers of the six schools of the southern section of the town. The number recorded therein for the past year are 120 as against 50 the year before. Whether this ratio of increase has been kept up in the other two sections of the town I am not fully aware. To my mind it is a most gratifying indication that an interest in the educational welfare of their children has not become extinct in the parents of our youth.

How much time is spent in reading, listening to speeches, and in earnest conversation with neighbors, to learn how best to vote in the coming election! Would it not be wise to devote a little of it in giving an impetus to the education of those who are soon to take our places in the conduct of our free government,—thus leaving it in charge of those made more capable of holding the trust through the benign influence of universal intelligence? Let, then, these visitations be kept up and their frequency be increased, and, my word for it, a revolution in the character of our schools will take place. Teachers and Schools Visitors may do their whole duty, but without this co-operation from those who are the most interested, no great improvement will be seen.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. W. HUBBARD.