

# REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN TREASURER AND SELECTMEN,

AND THE

Superintendent of Public Schools,

OF THE

TOWN OF NEW MARKET,

*FOR THE YEAR 1868.*

NEW MARKET HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
STONE SCHOOL MUSEUM  
NEWMARKET, N. H.

DOVER, N. H.

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1869.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Benjamin Mathes, Treasurer, in account with the Town of  
New Market.*

1868.		Dr.
March 27,	To Cash borrowed of A,	\$311 82
April 4,	" B,	175 00
" 7,	" C,	666 92
" 17,	" D,	300 00
" 28,	" E,	300 00
" " "	" F,	100 00
" 29,	" G,	200 00
May 4,	" H,	300 00
" 9,	" I,	100 00
" " "	" J,	100 00
" 11,	" K,	169 50
June 8,	" L,	167 00
" 27,	" M,	300 00
July 16,	" N,	175 00
" " "	" O,	200 00
" 25,	" P,	400 00
" " "	" Q,	60 00
Sept. 17,	" R,	600 00
" 24,	" S,	100 00
Oct. 7,	" T,	70 00
" 9,	" U,	120 00
" 14,	" V,	237 00
" " "	" W,	80 00
" 17,	" X,	207 00
Nov. 2,	" Y,	300 00
" 14,	" Z,	60 00
" " "	No, 1	65 00
" 18,	" 2	150 00
" 19,	" 3	150 00
Dec. 15,	" 4	500 00
" 28,	" 5	223 00
1869.		
Jan. 1,	" 6	300 00
" " "	" 7	400 00
" 5,	" 8	500 00
" 9,	" 9	50 00
" 14,	" 10	1000 00
" 21,	" 11	50 00
" " "	" 12	25 00
Feb. 18,	" 12	260 00

Cash Received of State Treasurer for 1868 viz:

Savings Bank tax,	\$364 20
Rail Road do	338 77
Literary fund for 1868,	67 50
United States Bounties,	240 00
Rate lists committed to Joseph R. Doe, Collector,	12 347 52
School House Tax, for L. River, or No. 1 School District,	313 77
For use of Town Hall,	57 00
Amount in hands of Joseph R. Doe, collector in 1867,	29 14
In 1868,	251 92
Cash in hands of Treasurer March 1, 1868,	417 58
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	\$23 642 62

Cr.

By paid Sundry orders of the Selectmen,	17387 07
State tax,	4137 50
County tax,	1773 41
Amount in hands of Joseph R. Doe, March 1, 1868,	95 48
In his hands March, 1869,	172 12
Cash in hands of Benjamin Mathes, Treasurer	75 84
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	\$23342 62

Feb. 27, 1869. — Settled the foregoing accounts as above stated.

BENJAMIN MATHES, *Treasurer.*J. S. BENNETT,  
JOSIAH HILTON, } *Selectmen.*

Feb. 27, 1869.

We the undersigned Auditors of the town of New Market, have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast with corresponding vouchers.

BENJAMIN F. HALEY,  
EDWIN BENNETT, } *Auditors*

## TOWN'S INDEBTEDNESS.

Amount of Notes against the Town, including interest	
March 1, 1868, was,	\$45475 16
Amount of debt due March 1, 1869,	45065 15
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Reduced the present year,	\$410 04

It will be seen by the last reports that the war debt has been reduced \$3170.29 the last three years.

There are two other notes against the town, one for \$1300.00 dated Oct. 28, 1867, for the purchase of the interest of the Town of South New Market, in the real and personal estate of the the Town Farm, on which the interest has been paid for one year. Also one to Robert Smart, for Two Hundred Dollars, dated August 13, 1867, with interest from March 26, 1867, for labor on the Town Farm in 1866, on which the interest has been paid, and One Hundred Dollars Endorsed the present year, leaving a balance of one hundred dollars due.

BENJAMIN MATHES, *Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

Town of New Market in Account with the Selectmen of  
said Town.

1868.		Cr.
March 11,	By paid Lydia Watson two notes and interest,	\$113 69
18,	George M. Tuttle " "	237 83
27,	Abigail Moore " "	285 45
27,	Olive Ham " "	56 37
April 4,	Tiger Engine Co. No. 1, serv. to Apr. 1, '68,	78 75
4,	Hose Co. for services to April 1, 1868,	27 00
7,	Granite Engine Co. No. 2, serv. to Apr. 1, '68,	90 00
11,	The Estate of Lucy A. Little, note and int.,	686 90
May 1,	Esrom Jenness, interest on note	40 25
2,	James A. Kelsey, interest on two notes,	53 23
8,	Esrom Jenness, endorsement on note	100 00
9,	Esrom Jenness, note and interest	251 65
11,	Betsey Robinson, interest on note	30 00
13,	Mary F. Demeritt, note and interest	169 51
	Lamprey Reves, No. 1 School District, School-house tax	300 00
16,	George E. Tuttle, services as Police	10 00
	Warning Town Hall	3 00
21,	John P. Haley, note and interest	744 92
29,	Elizabeth Watson, interest on note	12 00
June 8,	Sarah A. H. Walker, note and interest	63 97
	do do	52 03
18,	H. H. Goodwin printing town and school reports	28 00
19,	John F. Chapman Clerk of Firewards	5 00
24,	David Murray, insurance on town house	15 00
29,	Timothy Murray, abatement on tax	7 50
29,	Mary F. Demeritt interest on note	6 00
July 2,	Frederick J. Garland note and interest	310 75
9,	Susan E. W. Creighton interest on two notes	84 00
14,	Samuel R. Thompson for bridge plank	19 90
Aug. 14,	Joseph Langley, abatement ou Poll tax for the years 1862, '63, '66	6 46
18,	George W. Wiggin interest on note	24 00
22,	Robert Smart interest and endorsement on note	112 00
	Elizabeth Watson interest on two notes	11 40
	William Reynolds interest on note	12 00
Sept. 3,	George W. Chapman, 3d, for bridge plank	21 41
	George Mastin note and interest	363 53
8,	Mary F. Demeritt interest on note	9 51
15,	Joseph Young endorsement on note	360 00
17,	Edward Hilton note and interest	426 13
	do do	108 78
24,	Elizabeth A. Kenason note and interest	97 35
29,	Hannah Watson interest on note	21 00

Oct. 3,	Granite Engine Co. No. 2, serv. to Oct. 1, '68	87 72
	Tiger Engine Co. No. 1, " "	90 00
	Hale Evans, Surveyor, for building bridge	33 50
9,	Elizabeth Eaton note and interest	71 30
10,	Hose Co. for services to Oct. 1, 1868	27 00
	John Palmer for Police service	10 00
19,	David Murray endorsement on note	200 00
22,	Mathes & Lane goods for Sally Watson	15 03
	supplies for Mrs. Michael Griffin	60 00
23,	Nancy Thompson note and interest	132 00
	Levi McDaniel, two sheep killed by dogs	7 00
	Phineas D. Weymouth for services as Police	
	for one half the year	5 00
26,	Honestus F. Senter note and interest	54 58
27,	Lucy M. Watson for land to widen highways	50 00
28,	Richard B. Alley for gravel	3 00
29,	Hannah Watson endorsement on note	59 00
Nov. 3,	Walter J. Thurstin for working non-resident	
	taxes in Grant District	1 50
16,	Town of South Newmarket interest on note	78 00
17,	Mary E. Sanborn interest on note	40 50
14,	Mary Lamos note and interest	87 00
20,	Mathes & Lane for powder	1 80
	Mary Lamos note and interest	80 00
23,	Benjamin F. Watson interest on note	60 00
	Oliver C. Knowlton interest on note	42 00
30,	William Reynolds interest on note	27 00
	The Estate of Joseph R. Chesley note and int.	162 46
	One note do do	177 05
Dec. 8,	Carrie J. Hanson interest on note	27 43
9,	Eben B. Wiggin interest on note	54 00
	Thomas Tuttle interest on note	36 00
15,	Joseph Young note and interest	748 56
	Blake Roberts for services as Steward for	
	Granite Engine Co.	6 00
16,	George Lang interest on note	60 00
17,	Nancy G. Cheswell for land to widen the	
	highways	100 00
21,	James A. Kelsey interest on two notes	28 50
28,	Sarah A. H. Walker note and interest	172 55
30,	Benjamin D. Watson for twenty settees	100 00
1869.		
Jan. 1,	Charles Allen interest on note	36 00
	John A. Pickering interest on note	9 00
6,	Jane F. Harvey interest on note	42 00
7,	Susan E. W. Creighton interest on two notes	99 62
	Eben B. Wiggin interest on note	30 00
	Samuel Haley interest on note	18 00
8,	Eben B. Wiggin interest on note	61 80
9,	Sarah A. Doe interest on two notes	36 00
14,	George Lang note and interest	530 00
15,	Orah G. Chesley note and interest	460 43

16,	Newmarket Savings Bank endorsement on note	300 00
21,	Joseph N. Brackett note and interest	106 00
19,	Moses D. Richardson note and interest	54 75
26,	Davis Lang interest on note	24 00
27,	William Jones interest on note	18 00
30,	William Reynolds interest on note	15 00
30,	Benj. Mathes and others for widening High-	
	ways in front of G. W. Kittredge's	10 00
	School money for District No. 1	1366 13
		2
		3
		4
		5
	John S. Walker for land to widen Highways	10 00
Feb. 2,	Hannah Watson interest on note	30 00
4,	Perley W. Tenney interest on note	30 00
	Jane F. Harvey interest on note	15 00
	Lizzie A. Furber note and interest	56 83
	Nathl. Rundlet note and interest	104 50
	James A. Kelsey interest on four notes	80 33
	Moses D. Richardson interest on note	7 50
	Joseph Young note and interest	505 00
17,	James A. Kelsey interest on note	6 00
	Elizabeth Kelsey note and interest	198 48
	" " " "	213 06
18,	Fannie V. Kelsey " "	181 17
	do do	25 50
	William Lane, No. Hampton, boarding O. Blake	22 86
20,	Benj. Mathes, jr., note and interest	926 91
	Charles F. Davis services as Constable at	
	annual meeting	2 50
	Samuel B. Brackett do do	2 50
23,	Joseph R. Doe, Collector, Abatement of taxes	
	for the year 1866,	10 44
	for the year 1867,	62 60
	for the year 1868,	92 36
	Benjamin A. Carter for notifying jurors	6 04
	John E. Peavey for breaking roads in Ash	
	Swamp District	15 00
	C. P. & R. Stackpole for blacksmith work	7 89
24,	Mathes & Lane, supplies furnished Sally Watson	8 04
	" " Mrs. Mary Griffin	
	and children	44 00
	Benjamin Mathes, jr., interest on note	73 65
	Charlotte Chesley, note and interest	113 50
	Susan A. Sanborn, note and interest	293 79
	J. S. & E. Bennett, pr. bill for Wood furnished	
	John Pinkbam family,	37 25
	Hale Evens, for breaking roads in L. R. District	28 00
	John S. & E. Bennett for Stove and sundry	
	articles for Town House	27 82
	B. F. & H. W. Norton, for breaking roads.	4 87

	J. S. & E. Bennett pr bill for repairs on Tiger Engine, &c	25 92
	William Rogers, note and interest	111 58
	J. S. & E. Bennett, house rent for Mrs. Griffin	48 00
	John J. Hanson, note and interest	244 58
	J. S. & E. Bennett, for Shingle, Lumber, Nails and labor on Town farm Barn	327 37
	Walter Thurstin, for breaking roads in Grant District	31 92
25,	Annie Jenness, note and interest	689 84
"	Dr. J. L. Elkins, services as Superintending School Committee	45 00
	Medical attendance of Sally Watson	14 00
	School Books for the poor	2 28
"	A. L. Mellows, Esq., services as Attorney, drawing and notifying Jurors and all other services as Town Clerk	50 00
"	Nathan Durgin, interest on note.	46 50
27,	Joseph R. Doe, collecting taxes	191 90
"	Josiah Hilton's bill as follows viz :	
	1-2 day on town's business,	1 00
	Services as Health Officer	3 00
	All other services as Selectman	32 00
"	Benjamin Mathes, Treasurer's bill as follows viz :	
	Niles Express	25
	Revenue Stamps	2 75
	Blank Books for Collector	1 00
	" " for Highway Surveyors	97
	Enrolling Militia	4 00
	Making School House tax for L. Roe, No. 1, School District	6 00
	Making return of Inventory of the Town for the years of 1867-8	5 00
	Stationery for the year	1 75
	1-2 day to North Hampton, on account of Oliver Blake	1 50
Oct. 7,	Paid B. W. Sanborn, for four Check Lists	1 00
	Dearborns Express	15
	Making Warrants and Check lists for Nov. Election	5 00
	Postage for the year	60
1869.		
Feb. 18,	Dearborn's Express,	25
	1 day to Portsmouth, to settle County bills	2 00
	Services as Health Officer	3 00
	Services as Treasurer	50 00
	All other services as Selectman	32 00
March 18,	John S. Bennett's bill as follows viz :	
	To self and team to Exeter, in pauper case	2 50
June 15,	" " North Hampton	3 50
Oct. 1,	" " Hampton	5 00
Nov. 12,	" " Portsmouth, on County business	5 00

Feb. 6,	2 days to Exeter, to settle County bills	6 00
	Services as Health Officer	3 00
	All other services as Selectman	32 00
Feb. 27,	Paid Auditors	2 00

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 \$17387,07

To Cash received of Town Treasurer \$17387,07

Feb. 27, 1869.

Settled the foregoing account as above stated.

J. S. BENNETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>New Market</i>
BENJAMIN MATHES,	
JOSIAH HILTON,	

Feb. 27, 1869.

We the subscribers, Auditors of the Town of New Market, have examined the foregoing Account and find it correctly cast with corresponding vouchers.

BENJAMIN F. HALEY,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
EDWIN BENNETT,	

## NEW MARKET TOWN FARM,

In account with J. S. Bennett, Overseer of the Poor. Cr.

By Balance on Settlement	92 66
Cash for County Paupers	513 00
“ “ Oxen	260 00
“ “ Swine	48 00
“ “ Rent of Pest House	6 00
Apples	68 25
Cider	24 30
Salt Hay	6 66
Old Iron	2 20
Poultry	24 40
Turnips	90
Peas	4 80
Potatoes	19 75
Butter	20 11
Eggs	13 39
Hay	280 50
Cash for labor of oxen	39 00
do for Pork	20 20
	<hr/> \$1444 12

## Contra Dr.

For Groceries, Grass Seed, Farming Utensils, Coal,	
Wood &c., as per bill rendered March 1st 1869	511 94
Paid Joseph Young's Bill	3 76
“ John L. Boardman's Bill	2 25
“ E. G. York for Oxen	240 00
“ Wingate Wiggin for labor on Pest House	1 50
“ Edwid A. Young's Meat Bill	22 56
“ Chas E. Stevens' Bill for pressing hay	34 52
“ C. P. & R. Stackpole & Co's Bill	19 03
“ for labor on Farm	460 00
“ Mathes and Laine's Bill	15 88
	<hr/> \$1251 44

Amount in hands of J. S. Bennett

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\$192 68

Inventory of Farm as appraised by the Selectmen in the year 1869.

1 Yoke Oxen	\$300 00
4 Cows	200 00
1 Bull	40 00
3 Hogs	75 00
600 lbs Pork	132 60
100 “ Ham	22 00
60 “ Lard	15 00
10 “ Butter	5 00
50 bu Corn	70 00
8 “ Barley *	14 00
10 “ Oats	10 00
150 “ Potatoes	127 50
4 “ Beans	20 00
8 “ Turnips	4 00
5 “ Beets	3 75
50 lbs Dried Apples	6 00
13 Tons Hay	208 00
1 Mowing Machine	100 00
1 Wagon	50 00
1 pair Wheels	25 00
Plows, Harrows, and other utensils	40 00
	<hr/> \$1467 25

JOHN S. BENNETT, Overseer of the Town Farm.

# REPORT OF SCHOOLS.

## DISTRICT NO. 1.—*Village.*

### PRIMARY.

Chas. P. Stackpole,	} Prud. Com.	{	No. Dif. Scholars, 109.
Chas. E. Tasker,			Average Attendance, 72.
Warren F. Gerry,			Length in weeks, 32.
MARTHA S. TOWLE, <i>Teacher.</i>			Wages including board, \$24.00
HELEN A. TASKER, <i>Assistant.</i>			“ “ “ 20.00

### INTERMEDIATE.

SARAH E. LEAVITT, <i>Teacher.</i>	{	No. Dif. Scholars, 61.
		Average Attendance, 55.
		Length in weeks, 32.
		Wages including board, \$24.00

### GRAMMAR.

FANNIE D. NEALLEY, <i>Teacher.</i>	{	No. Dif. Scholars, 59.
		Average Attendance, 40.
		Length in weeks, 32.
		Wages including board, \$28.00

### HIGH SCHOOL.

ORIN S. WEAVER,	} Teachers.	{	No. Dif. Scholars, 27.
G. A. NOYES,			Average Attendance, 18.
J. N. CHASE,			Length in weeks, 32.
			Wages including board, \$50.00

## DISTRICT NO. 2.—*Pine Hill.*

CHAS. A. BENNETT, <i>Prud. Com.</i>	} Teachers.	{	No. Dif. Scholars, 20.
JOHN R. MEADER,			Average Attendance, 15.
R. FRANK ALLEY,			Length in weeks, 24.
			Wages including board, 1st Term \$22.50, 2d Term \$28.00.

DISTRICT NO. 3.—*Four Corners.*SMITH SANBORN, *Prud. Com.*EMMA A. PERKINS, *Teacher.*

{	No. Dif. Scholars, 21.
	Average Attendance, 15.
	Length in weeks, 21.
	Wages including board, 1st Term \$20.00, 2d Term \$24.00.

DISTRICT NO. 4.—*Grant.*CHAS. W. PERKINS, *Prud. Com.*GEORGIANNA DAME, *Teacher.*

{	No. Dif. Scholars, 13.
	Average Attendance, 11.
	Length in weeks, 17.
	Wages including board, \$24.00

## DISTRICT NO. 5.

JOSEPH FRENCH, *Prud. Com.*FANNIE A. DAVIS, *Teacher.*

{	No. Dif. Scholars, 32.
	Average Attendance, 26.
	Length in weeks, 20.
	Wages including board, \$26.00.

Brevity of space and minuteness of detail in the presentation of a report of the Public Schools are incompatible, nevertheless a faithful discharge of duty compels us to state somewhat at length, facts in relation to the government of schools during the past year.

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

The Primary and Intermediate schools, have been taught by the same teachers as last year. An assistant in the Primary school lightened the labors very materially.

Eminently successful spoken by us, adds nothing to the lustre of these teachers, but expressions of gratitude from every parent, and the love of every pupil speak volumes.

The Grammar school contrary to the usual custom has been taught by a female. This school in many respects is the most difficult school to govern, requiring not only brains, but muscle, to make it respectable. We are happy to state this teacher succeeded beyond our most sanguine expectations, knowing as we knew, the difficulties to be surmounted not only in the schoolroom, but also from external influences.

The High School was especially unfortunate in the selection of teachers. During the first term nothing occurred to interrupt the harmony of the school; but the teacher having secured a more lucrative situation withdrew at its close.

After considerable delay another teacher was obtained and with many misgivings the machinery was again set in motion. Repeated explosions convinced us that our Engineer was incompetent to run the machine and his resignation was accepted.

Another teacher was procured for the third term, amply competent in respect to literary ability to teach but deficient in experience and executive power.

Discipline is what is most needed in this school, and we hope the time will come when presumption, impertinence, insolence and low cunning shall cease to be classed among the requisites of culture.

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

A want of adaptation and experience detracted much from the success of the first teacher. The remark that "a Poet is born, not made," applies equally well to teachers.

During the last half of the second term the school appeared to better advantage under the management of another teacher.

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

No material change was noticed in this school from the report of last year, the same teacher having been employed. This is the easiest of our schools to govern.

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

This district formerly sustained rather a poor reputation, but we are pleased to witness the happy change which has come over this school under the direction of the present teacher. No pains were spared to render the tasks agreeable to the pupils.

The token of regard presented to the teacher is conclusive evidence that her labors were appreciated.

## DISTRICT NO. 5.

We think we do not exaggerate when we say that this school never appeared so well, or made more rapid progress, than it has made during the year just closed. We congratulate the Prudential Committee upon his good fortune in having secured so competent a teacher.

## GENERAL REMARKS.

The attention of parents is earnestly invited to the condition of our Public Schools.—There is a marked declension in the number of the





pupils, as well as in the interest formerly felt for the education of the children.

Regularity of attendance is indispensable to a good school, and children who are allowed to absent themselves from study for every trifling cause, or are compelled by parents to exchange the school-room for the work-shop, or the factory, are soon distanced by their more fortunate schoolmates and all interest in study is forever lost.

The general appearance of the school-rooms in the stone building has been very much improved by the prompt action of the Prudential Committee. Grateful for small favors, we wish still greater improvements might be made.

To the citizens of District No. 3 and 4, we suggest the propriety of uniting their school-money; thereby continuing their school throughout the year. Dist. No. 4, is sadly deficient in outline maps,—will not some one make an effort to supply the deficiency before another year is spent, provided no change is made?

Again we urge the necessity of raising larger sums of money for school purposes.

Teachers will not work for less wages than can be obtained from other pursuits.

Grievous complaints are often made in relation to the government of schools by many persons who *never* darken their doors, and consequently know nothing of their perplexities. To such we say:—visit the school-room, *surprise* by your presence your children; learn by observation the trials of a teacher; extend the right-hand of friendship, cheer and support by your counsels, rather than discourage by your faultfinding.

J. LOW ELKINS,  
*Superintendent Public Schools.*