

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN AND TREASURER

AND

Superintendent of Public Schools,

OF THE


TOWN OF NEWMARKET,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1,

1882.

NEWMARKET, N. H. :
ADVERTISER PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT,
1882.



Officers Elected March 8, 1881.

Moderator,

LAFAYETTE HALL.

Town Clerk,

ALBERT M. PRIEST.

*Representatives,**

NATHAN H. LEAVITT.

JAMES MONROE.

Selectmen,

BENJAMIN MATHES.

EDWARD RICHARDSON

ROBERT G. BENNETT.

Treasurer,

NAPOLEON B. TREADWELL.

School Committee,†

ELISHA A. KEEP.

Auditors,

AARON L. MELLOWS.

CHARLES V. DOE.

Collector,

THOMAS W. WILLEY.

*Elected November, 1880.

†Appointed by the Selectmen.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For Year Ending March 1, 1882.

Paid sundry orders of Selectmen, as follows:--

C. H. Smith, for Town Library, as per vote of town 1880,	\$100 00
Horace Tuttle, 1 day's services on Town Hall, Mar. 1881,	2 00
Smith Sanborn, balance School money, District No. 3, 1879,	6 63
Tiger Engine Co., services to April, 1881,	160 00
Granite Engine Co., services to April, 1881,	160 00
Newmarket Hose Co., services to April, 1881,	48 00
Thomas O'Brien, services as steward Tiger Engine Co., to April, 1881,	4 00
Patrick Haley, services as steward Granite Engine Co., to April, 1881,	4 00
Gilman Doeg, services as police to April, 1881,	10 00
William M. Robinson, heating and cleaning Town Hall, March election,	5 00
Leander A. Quimby, shovelling snow,	1 00
James R. Smith, services as police and lodging tramps,	30 00
George E. Lane, books,	2 25
Gilman Doeg, services in case State vs. Noland,	7 13

Paid Thomas Garland:—		
Services in case State vs. Noland,	\$3 37	
Witness fees,	77	
Conveying to Brentwood,	4 00	
Extra services, July 4 and 5,	5 00	
Conveying tramp to Exeter,	2 00	
Services as police to April, 1881,	10 00	
Services locking up two persons drunk,	2 00	
	<u>\$27 14</u>	
Discount,	2 11	
		25 00
H. A. Mathes, 2 M hard brick,		21 00
Whitehorn & Pinkham, labor, repairing sidewalk, &c.,		6 56
George M. Stevens, repairing town clock,		8 40
Edward Kennerson, labor on highway, August, 1880,		4 00
Walter Wiggim, for money paid Frank McFarland, for damages on wagon, November, 1880,		2 00
L. F. Hanson:—		
Mdse. delivered Mrs. Barrett, February,	\$2 00	
Cash paid Rowe, per order of Wiggim,	50	
		2 50
Thomas Tuttle, goods for Mrs. Barrett, February 28 to April 18,		8 00
John Hogan, labor on sidewalk,		13 50
Frank H. Pinkham:—		
Printing 600 town reports,	\$90 00	
Job printing and advertising, as per bill,	23 50	
		113 50
C. H. Smith, labor on highways,		200 00
Gay Post, No. 18, G. A. R., as per vote of town,		50 00
Thomas O'Brien, mdse. for Mrs. Barrett,		18 50
J. & C. E. Winkley, sheep killed by dog,		6 00
W. F. Durell:—		
7 loads sand,	\$5 25	
Hauling brick,	1 00	
		6 25
Fred Neal:—		
Services in arrest of A. McChristie,	\$1 00	
Conveying him to Exeter,	4 00	
		5 00

Paid Daniel Pinkham, labor on drain,		6 00
Alphonso & Charles Whitehorn, 4 1-2 days' labor each,		12 75
James Stilson, load of stone for sidewalk,		1 00
Dennis Riley, building drain,		24 00
Page, Garland & Watterson, for ringing bells July 4,		3 00
George O. Hodgdon, 2 settees for Town Hall,		5 00
Fred Neal, fees in police cases,		19 00
Taxes to town of South Newmarket,		4 59
George E. Lane, County tax,		3,599 60
John Hogan, labor on drain,		1 00
E. A. Keep, fees in police cases, as per bill,		25 00
C. H. Smith, labor on highways,		100 00
Shea & Trefethen, drain pipe,		58 50
Walter O. Shute:—		
Special police, July 4 and 5,	\$3 00	
Arresting and keeping 2 drunken men,	5 00	
		8 00
C. H. Smith, labor on highways,		100 00
Charles Provost:—		
Drawing Engine to fire at Chapman's,	\$2 00	
Freight on sewer pipes,	6 14	
Trucking as per bill,	3 50	
		11 64
H. W. Norton, labor on highway, Ash Swamp District,		80 00
C. H. Smith, labor on highways,		100 00
Frederick Taylor, hose and couplings,		175 00
Samuel A. Avery, damage to sleigh,		2 00
Fred Neal, fees in police cases,		10 00
Daniel Nealley, labor on Town Hall,		4 00
John W. Wiggim, mdse. as per bill,		7 00
Tiger Engine Co., services to October 1, 1881,		160 00
Granite Engine Co., services to October 1, 1881,		160 00
Newmarket Hose Co., services to October 1, 1881,		48 00
Blake Roberts, services as steward Tiger Engine Co.,		4 00
Boston & Maine R. R. Co., freight,		10 80
Fred Neal, services in case of Mary Currier,		8 00
C. H. Smith, labor on highway,		250 00
Robert Stott, services, State vs. Michael McLaughlin,		3 77
Daniel Nealley, labor on Granite Engine,		1 75
Smith Sanborn, labor on highway, Grant District,		22 00

Paid Peabody & Whitney, 1 pair steps and express,	3 15
C. H. Smith, labor on highway,	200 00
E. A. Keep, services as Librarian to April, 1882,	50 00
F. E. Stewart, 240 feet of settees, at .40,	96 00
Town Library, portion of appropriation, 1881.	39 00
A. F. Tibbetts, fowls killed by dogs,	7 00
Newmarket Manufacturing Co., mdse. as per bill,	3 80
Walter Wiggin, interest on two notes,	96 00
Whitehorn Brothers, labor on drains,	10 45
State tax,	2,408 00
Charles R. Garrett, 6 gallons alcohol and express,	14 60
John W. Smart, lumber as per bill,	15 91
Fred Neal, services in police cases,	20 00
James Davis, labor on windows Town Hall,	2 75
Daniel Smith, Prudential School Committee, South Newmarket,	9 51
Charles H. Whitehorn, labor on drain,	1 50
Rockingham Farmer's Mutual Insurance Co.,	8 99
Manning, Childs and Shanton, watching fire at Hanson's, 1 night,	4 50
A. D. Wiggin, interest on note,	40 00
Charles Provost, trucking as per bill,	6 15
Daniel Nealley, repairs on Tiger Engine,	75
Rockingham Farmers' Mutual Insurance Co., as- sessment,	24
William Jones, interest on note,	8 00
John Bradford, setting sewer grate,	2 50
B. S. Kingman, school money for District No. 1,	3,168 78
Joseph Watson, school money for District No. 2,	122 37
Irving W. Norton, school money for District No. 3,	163 29
E. N. Doe, school money for Grant District, No. 4,	98 23
Ira T. Norton, school money for District No. 5,	121 72
Eli Edgerly, school money for District No. 6,	71 40
Mehitable Pendergast, school money for Hall's Dis- trict, No. 7,	25 20
Interest on town bonds,	466 00
E. A. Keep, services as Superintendent of Schools, &c.,	65 00
R. M. Burley, use of watering trough,	3 00
Mary A. Lyford, 2 sheep killed by dogs,	12 00
George L. Dearborn, books, &c., as per bill,	16 80
Goodman & Shurtleff, 1000 Ivory points, &c., for vaccination,	13 15

Paid C. Folsom, labor on Hersey Lane,	9 00
A. M. Hutchins;—	
Services as steward Granite Engine Co.,	\$5 00
Repairing Granite Engine,	2 00
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	8 00
Stephen Chapman, use of wharf for unloading bricks,	60
Mrs. Cornelia E. Haines, bond,	500 00
Mrs. Helen F. Joy, bond,	200 00
Mrs. Nathan Durgin, bonds,	300 00
Treadwell & Folsom, sundries as per bill,	5 47
Mathes & Lane, sundries as per bill,	1 78
C. B. Mathes, sundries as per bill, for Helen Twombly,	3 17
John S. Walker, abatement of poll tax for 1879 and 1880,	3 00
Albert J. Haines, damage to horse at Four Corners,	25 00
William F. Durell, breaking roads, &c., as per bill,	13 00
Robert G. Bennett, breaking roads, &c., as per bill,	13 75
Loring K. Foss, services as per bill,	2 00
George E. Mathes, breaking roads,	6 00
H. W. Clapp & Co., 3 No. 10 sewer caps,	21 75
C. F. Joy, 2 loads of sand,	2 00
S. C. Hardy and Hale Evans, shovelling snow on Long Hill,	7 00
A. D. Wiggin, summoning witnesses in case Town vs. new road petitioners,	3 00
J. H. Twombly, mdse. as per bill,	13 40
James B. Creighton, breaking roads,	5 00
Leavitt & Watterson, mdse. as per bill for Mrs. Michael Barrett,	109 00
William P. Channell and others, breaking roads,	30 40
Harrison G. Burley, labor on highway, Bald Hill District,	9 25
E. Richardson, mdse. per bill,	23 81
Annie Watson, 10 weeks' board for Timothy T. French,	20 00
A. M. Priest, school books,	4 77
Thomas J. Chesley, furnishing watering trough,	3 00
Neally Morgan, heating Town Hall for Citizens' Temperance Meeting and mdse. bought,	5 55
Albert Grant (Constable), officer's fees as per bill,	12 78
Fred Neal, officer's fees in police cases,	24 50

Paid E. A. Keep, services in police cases, as per bill.	35 00
Joseph E. M. Smart, breaking roads,	1 75
Smith Sanborn and others, breaking roads,	30 25
James M. Caswell, witness fees, State vs. John Laffin,	1 54
T. W. Thompson, services in police cases,	15 00
Walter O. Shute, officer's fees in police cases,	32 00
Walter Thurston:—	
Officer's fees in police cases,	\$36 12
Labor on Grant road,	11 00

	47 12
Richard Grant, truckage as per bill,	9 50
A. L. Mellows, services in police cases,	40 00
Levi A. Hanscom, shovelling snow,	1 25
Mrs. S. E. W. Creighton, 6 months' rent for farney Lynch,	15 00
Charles Norton, breaking roads,	4 95
H. W. Norton and others, breaking roads,	58 85
Robert Smart, labor on highway and breaking roads,	7 57
William Kennerson, breaking roads,	4 44
E. S. Tibbetts, labor on highway and breaking roads,	5 05
William A. Shackford, services as justice in police cases,	75 00
Edward F. Kennerson, breaking roads, self and oxen,	4 00
William P. F. Kennerson, breaking roads, self and oxen,	4 37
I. T. George, services in police cases,	12 00
C. T. Tasker:—	
250 bricks,	\$2 50
1 day's time,	2 00

	4 50
Levi Dame, services as truant officer,	3 00
Joseph F. Wiggin and others, breaking roads in Grant District,	50 70
Thomas Griffin, officer's fees in police cases,	21 00
Blake Roberts, putting up 7 tramps,	1 75
Charles H. Whitehorn, shovelling snow,	1 00
Thomas S. Channell, breaking roads,	5 00
John W. Smart, 194 loads of gravel,	19 40

E. S. Carpenter:—		
1 year's board for Helen Twombly,	\$125 00	
Planks furnished for tie-up,	6 00	
Sewing, &c., for Helen Twombly,	2 00	
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Joseph F. Wiggin and others, labor on highway in Grant District,		35 00
C. H. Smith, labor on highway,		38 82
C. H. Smith:—		
Services in police cases,	\$39 00	
Fees in highway petition,	44 00	
	-----	83 00
Edward Hilton, interest on note, 4 per cent.,		56 00
Patrick Haley, cleaning and repairing Granite Engine,		5 00
A. C. Haines, shovelling snow and repairing highway,		1 25
Benjamin Mathes, interest on note,		13 54
Interest on bonds,		298 00
B. S. Kingman, prudential school committee, District No. 1,		968 78
Thos. O'Brien, cleaning and repairing Tiger Engine,		5 00
George W. Fullerton, putting up tramps, &c.,		3 05
Thomas W. Willey:—		
Abatement of taxes to March 1, 1882,	\$117 35	
Abatement of School House tax, District No. 1,	5 40	
Abatement of highway tax,	60 11	
Collecting taxes,	282 93	
	-----	465 79
Ai T. Gilman:—		
Abatement of taxes for 1879,	\$31 01	
Abatement of highway tax for 1879,	2 65	
Abatement of School House tax, 1879,	3 82	
Abatement of taxes for 1880,	52 50	
Abatement of School House tax, 1880,	10 15	
Collecting taxes, 1879 and 1880,	18 37	
	-----	118 50
James Monroe:—		
Abatement of taxes,	\$8 28	
Abatement of School House tax,	1 54	
	-----	9 82

Paid Benjamin Mathes:—	
Bill paper, &c.,	\$ 85
Paid bounty on hawks,	1 60
Preparing tax blanks,	4 00
Time and expense to Exeter, to settle County bills,	3 00
1 day's time attending court,	3 00
1 day's time to Exeter and expenses on new highway,	4 00
Making School House tax, District No. 1,	12 00
1 day's time and expense to Great Falls on account of Kenyon family,	3 00
1-2 day's time with selectmen of South Newmarket, on the proposed new highway,	1 25
1 day's time over the route of new highway with the County Commis- sioners,	2 00
1 day's time for same,	2 00
1 day's time to Portsmouth, to settle County charges,	3 00
1 day's time with County Commis- sioners, to visit and establish settle- ments,	2 00
1 day's time and expense to Concord, to settle State tax,	6 00
Postage for the year and blank books,	1 10
Paid for speller for poor boy,	35
1 day's time to Exeter, and expense to settle County bills,	3 00
Bounty on 34 crows,	3 40
Enrolling the militia,	3 00
Services as Health Officer,	3 00
Services as Selectman,	32 00
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	93 55
Edward Richardson:—	
Distributing tax blanks,	\$ 3 00
1 day's time and expense to Exeter, to settle County bills,	3 00
1 day's time and expense to Great Falls, to settle pauper case,	3 00

1-2 day's time to South Newmarket, with Selectmen, on new highway,	1 25
1 day's time with County Commission- ers, over the route of new highway,	2 00
1 day's time on hearing of same,	2 00
1 day's time and expense to Ports- mouth, to settle County bills,	3 00
1 day's time with County Commis- sioners, to visit and establish settle- ments,	2 00
Taking sick man to County Farm,	3 50
Time and expense to Exeter, to settle County bill,	3 00
Paid fare for poor man to Dover,	35
Paid telegram on approach of poor person,	30
Services as Health Officer,	3 00
Services as Selectman,	32 00
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	61 40
Paid Robert G. Bennett:—	
Distributing tax blanks,	\$ 4 00
1-2 day's time and team to South Newmarket,	4 25
Bounty on crows,	30
Services as Health Officer,	3 00
Services as Selectman,	32 00
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	40 45
N. B. Treadwell:—	
Services as Treasurer,	\$60 00
Paid Auditors,	4 00
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	64 00
Albert M. Priest:—	
Writing 19 appointments and notify- ing same,	\$ 7 60
Copy of enrolling militia, and return- ing to State,	3 00
Drawing jurors,	7 00
Postage and stationery,	60
Recording 44 births, (Elkins)	11 00
Recording 20 marriages,	3 90
Services as Town Clerk,	25 00
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	58 10

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>	NAPOLEON B. TREADWELL, <i>Treasurer.</i>	
To	amount in the hands of Treasurer, March 1, 1881,	\$735 54
	amount in the hands of Collector, March 1, 1879,	10 83
	amount in the hands of Collector, March 1, 1880,	74 13
	amount in the hands of Collector, March 1, 1881,	1,249 48
	Rate-list committed to Collector,	16,866 00
	School-house tax, District No. 1,	2,595 81
	Railroad tax,	267 49
	Savings Bank tax,	822 03
	Literary fund,	159 53
	Rent Town Hall,	130 00
	Rent Town Farm,	200 00
	Balance rent Town Farm, 1880,	18 75
	Sale of Cemetery lot,	10 00
	County for conveying prisoners,	20 00
	State for bounty on hawks,	4 60
	Fine for violation of beer law,	10 00
	Mrs. S. E. W. Creighton, for 1-2 of expense of repairing side-walk,	15 89
	James B. Creighton, for 1-2 of expense of repairing side-walk,	4 50
		<u>\$23,194 58</u>

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

<i>in account with Town,</i>		<i>Cr.</i>
Paid sundry orders of Selectmen,	\$11,207 62	
State tax,	2,408 00	
County tax,	3,599 60	
School-house tax, District No. 1,	2,000 00	
	<u>\$19,215 22</u>	
Balance in hands of Collector, March 1, 1880,	18 26	
Balance in hands of Collector, March 1, 1881,	80 27	
Balance in hands of Collector, March 1, 1882,	782 86	
Balance due from E. S. Carpenter,	67 00	
Balance in hands of Treasurer, March 1, 1882,	3,030 97	
	<u>\$23,194 58</u>	

MARCH 6, 1882.

Settled the foregoing account as above,

NAPOLEON B. TREADWELL,
Treasurer.

BENJAMIN MATHES, } *Selectmen*
EDWARD RICHARDSON, } *of*
ROBERT G. BENNETT, } *Newmarket.*

NEWMARKET, March 6, 1882.

We, the undersigned Auditors of the Town of Newmarket, have examined the foregoing account, and find it correctly cast, with corresponding vouchers.

AARON L. MELLOWS, } *Auditors.*
CHARLES V. DOE, }

RECAPITULATION.

Bonds and interest,	\$1,977 54
State tax,	2,408 00
County tax,	3,599 60
School House, District No. 1.	2,000 00
Highways and breaking roads.	1,778 33
Schools,	3,770 99
Salaries of town officers.	618 80
Police Department,	521 64
Fire Department,	766 00
Abatements,	295 81
Town Library,	189 00
Support of poor,	314 67
Printing reports, &c.,	113 50
Killing sheep and fowls.	25 00
Gay Post, No. 18, G. A. R.,	50 00
New highway,	170 30
General expenses,	616 04
Balance in hands of Treasurer and Collector.	3,912 36
Balance in hands of E. S. Carpenter.	67 00
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	\$23,194 58
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Floating debt and interest to March 1, 1882,	\$1,179 65
Bonded debt and interest,	23,220 00
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	\$27,600 65
Amount in the hands of Treasurer and Collector, and amount due on rent of farm.	3,979 36
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	\$23,720 29
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Debt reduced,	\$2,713 99

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1,

1882.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 1.

District No.	Name of School.	Prudential Committee.	Teacher.	No. of Weeks.	Monthly Wages	Visits by School Committee.	Visits by Prudential Com.
1	High.	Bradford S. Kingman. Nathan H. Leavitt. Charles E. Tasker.	H. W. Ring.	34	\$70.83	11	5
	Grammar, 1st Grade.		Angie P. Smith.	34	40	11	5
	Grammar, 2nd Grade.		Carrie E. Thompson.	34	36	11	5
	Intermediate.		Anna M. Harvey.	34	36	11	4
	Primary, 1st Grade.		Mauda S. Towle	34	32	9	4
	Primary, 2nd Grade.		Emma Nealley.	34	32	12	4
	Durham Side.		{ Bessie A. Canney Clara E. Philbrick.	34 34	32 32	9 9	5
2	Pine Hill.	Joseph Watson.	Frank R. Alley.	17	28	8	0
3	Four Corners.	I. W. Norton.	Annie B. Stott.	23	26	6	2
4	Grant.	Elbridge N. Doe.	Mabel Marston.	19	20	5	0
5	Plains.	Ira Norton.	Jennie B. Hanson.	18	26	4	1
6	Bay Side.	Eli Edgerley.	Addie B. Harvey.	18	24	3	0

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 4.

Whole number of enrolled pupils in town.....	445
Number of boys as returned by Selectmen, between the age of five and fifteen.....	152
Number of girls as returned by Selectmen, between the ages of five and fifteen.....	160

The committee does not know of any children between the ages of five and fifteen, not attending school two weeks during the year, and he does not know of any persons between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one years who cannot read and write.

Amount of school money raised by town..... \$3,660.00

Pupils having no absences for the school year to Feb. 18:

DISTRICT No. 1. { Ada M. Critcherson, Charles O. Caswell, Flora G. Treadwell, Willie C. Pride, Kate Kennedy,
 { George Hogan, Florence Willey, Angie B. Watson, Michael Barrett, Albert Stevens, Mabel
 { Keniston, Lulu Garland, Mary D. White, Arthur Chapman.

FOUR CORNERS—Fred E. Sanborn, Annie L. Sanborn, Sadie A. Young.

GRANT—Mable Burgess.

PLAINS—Jennie M. Young, Rena E. Young.

BAY SIDE. { Howard Channell, Gertrude E. Channell, Alice B. Channell, Carrie A. Edgerly, Eliza A. Edgerly, Albert
 { H. Edgerly, Ella F. Drew, Nellie M. Drew, Eben G. Kent.

Pupils having no absences during the last two school years: Ada M. Critcherson, Flora G. Treadwell, Willie C. Pride,
 Jennie M. Young, Nellie M. Drew, Ella F. Drew, Eben G. Kent, Albert H. Edgerly, Eliza A. Edgerly, Flora G.
 Treadwell, Charles O. Caswell.

Pupils having no absences during the last three school years: Ada M. Critcherson, Nellie M. Drew, Eliza A. Edgerly
 Pupils having no absences during the four school years: Ada M. Critcherson, Nellie M. Drew, Eliza A. Edgerly.

REPORT.

To the accompanying statistical tables your committee adds the following suggestions and observations.

Your committee realizes that inexperience, united with circumstances, have rendered his position not an easy one to satisfactorily fill. He has endeavored to make the work of the school year peaceful and prosperous, and productive of the best attainable results; and it has afforded him much pleasure, while making such efforts, to receive kind assurances of appreciation from teachers and pupils, parents and citizens.

The work of the High School has been rendered less interesting this year than usual, there being no class for graduation, as the exercises of each class since its organization have increased the general interest in its success. It is to be regretted that the larger scholars so frequently leave our schools without availing themselves of their full benefits. The promise is better for the future in the High School, as one of its largest and most interesting classes entered the past year, and a large majority of its members will without doubt complete the course. In such a place as Newmarket it is almost invariably the experience that the attendance decreases as the grade advances.

If the whole town could be united in one district, and all schools therein be graded, it is the opinion of your committee that mutually beneficial results would follow. The outside districts of the town, which have many excellent scholars, would have an interest in the higher schools, and possess advantages which it is now impossible for them to possess. Such a plan might, in his opinion, be a saving of time and money, and of the best results and power of the schools, to all concerned.

You have a course of instruction comparing favorably with that of any neighboring town or city, good buildings, and sound, practical instruction; and the results to be realized are to be determined by the amount of support received from the hearts and hands of the people. A school is just what the people create and demand that it shall be, and if you would secure the fullest benefits from your schools you must sustain them, with good word and good will as well as with sufficient pecuniary support.

You are told that your schools cost too much. They do cost you perhaps what seems to be a large sum. But why? No unreasonable salaries are paid and no money is wasted. The simple answer is that you have a large number of schools to be supported, and it takes money to do it.

There are those who believe that the old system of a mixed school, six months in the year, produced results superior to our graded system. But if you will look back to those times you will find an entirely different spirit pervaded from that of to-day. Children did not have the leisure time that they now have, and were surrounded by an entirely different atmosphere. Work was the order of life, and the cardinal maxim was, "Be industrious and frugal." When the school was in operation it was the source of common and universal interest and discussion; not, as too frequently of to-day, for purposes of criticism and fault-finding, but for its real good and sacred ends. The school-teacher was prominent in society, and a welcome visitor in every home-circle; consulted and respected by parents and pupils, both at home and at school. Children were taught the strictest obedience to every command, under the pains of severest punishment for transgression. They were taught to respect age and superiority all through life. But the times have changed. The boy of to-day has his every want anticipated and supplied. He comes in most cases from a home of comfort and plenty, and cannot realize that the com-

forts, luxuries and pleasures which he enjoys may not always be as attainable. He is not forced to learn, as were the older men of to-day, the great lesson that the blessings of life are purchased only at the cost of faithful toil and sacrifice. The spirit of change pervades his whole life, and one has only to glance at the present aspect of the subject to be painfully aware of its reality.

The juvenile literature of to-day too frequently presents only false pictures of life, and stimulates a most dangerous spirit of reckless adventure, that, if permitted to grow unrestricted, will be a cause of failure in later life, and should be guarded against.

For this the school system is not responsible, nor for the changes that have taken place in the social and moral ideas of the age. Lay the fault where it justly belongs, but charge the school only with its just debts, and then consider whether less schooling would be an improvement or not. Considering the causes of present condition but a moment you must acknowledge that to shorten the school time would only be to increase these evils. The schools give a safer training than the streets, and the more school the less idleness. In such a town as Newmarket this fact is very plain. Close your schools, and matters which are bad enough at present will then be worse.

It is urged by others that the graded system is a tiresome routine which disheartens the scholar for all study, producing habits of indolence and morbid inattention; that the scholar does not feel the interest he formerly did, and only cares to attain such a degree of proficiency as will insure his promotion and permit him to go along. The answer is, that there should be deeper and more unprejudiced interest at home and with parents, in stimulating and nurturing ambition and pride; inducing the child to make greater efforts for leadership in his class and school; and thus reinstate something of the former degree of home interest, to which your committee has referred. Do this, not only in this particular, but by your frequent presence in the school-room, and by earnest co-operation with teachers. The graded system is every where acknowledged to be the best adapted to our times and needs.

Another charge is, that your schools are too long, and are a cause of weariness and poor health to the pupils. To this the answer is most simple. All will admit that it is easier for a child, or for a man, to do a required piece of work in a reasonable length of time than in too short a period. So it is easier, safer and better for a pupil to complete a required course of study in thirty-six

weeks than to attempt to half do it in thirty or less. He will come out in better health and condition every way, regardless of the proficiency to be thus gained. From every standpoint your town and surroundings are made better by your school; and let all remember that every dollar invested in the support of education is the best possible investment for every business and pleasure of your children in years to come. We labor necessarily under many disadvantages, but let us increase and perpetuate, not diminish, the powers for good at our command; and to take the school from our midst, or to cramp and cripple its work, would be to remove or injure the best and strongest power we have to fit youth for responsible and worthy manhood. Do not stint and starve a noble cause, nor send the children of your town out into life without the shielding protection and fortunate opportunity afforded them by education, but rather strive to unite every instrumentality bearing upon the best success of your schools, and generously support them.

PROMOTION AND ATTENDANCE.

Your committee has created a standard of rank by which promotions may be determined, requiring seventy per cent. of correct answers upon written examinations for entry to the High School, and for promotion from class to class therein; and a like standard of sixty-six per cent. in the Grammar and Intermediate departments. As exceptions to this rule can be justly permitted only in extreme cases where apparent injustice would be done by its enforcement, it becomes necessary for pupils to be regular in attendance, and prompt and efficient in their test examinations.

Your committee has endeavored to place each scholar in the class and school best fitted to his condition, and would urge the advantages to be gained by regular and punctual attendance and attention to the exercises of the school, that a standard may be maintained which will do injustice to none and at the same time determine questions which are frequently disagreeable to determine.

Scholars now see plainly what is necessary to secure their promotion. Let them meet the requirements and be certain of the result. Parents should consider that it is no favor to their children to push them faster than they are fitted to go, but an injury; and the best judges of their attainments are their teachers and school officers.

TEXT BOOKS.

Little change has been made in text books the past year. Alden's Manual of Civil Government has been replaced by Young's Government Class-Book, which is a much superior and more comprehensive work, and is really one of the most valuable of text books to give young people true ideas of life, of the rights, duties and obligations of citizenship and of the government and laws under which we live.

TEACHERS AND DISCIPLINE.

There have been few changes in teachers during the year, which is fortunate, as a good teacher is not easily replaced. In the selection of teachers, great care should be used, as a teacher of children has a powerful influence over them, and one that lasts a life-time. You may congratulate yourselves that your children are placed under the charge of those who will faithfully guard their best interests, and are worthy of your fullest confidence.

No teacher or school officer can make a school a success, nor earnest pupils and faithful men and women out of children, without the co-operation and hearty support of parents and people, and unless acting in harmony with the current of society, and the moral atmosphere of their homes. A teacher's position demands all the reserve power at his command, even with the approval and full support of the people.

Less trouble generally comes from the pupils themselves, than from neighborhood quarrels and personal prejudices. Let every one "build over against his own house," manifest his moral courage and not his cowardice, giving the schools his fostering support, and hearty good will, and they will recognize a power indeed.

The interests of your schools, and of the young, are of vital importance to the future welfare of the community, and should receive the candid support of every citizen, regardless of personal prejudice, or private animosity. There is some excuse for children playing in dirt together, for men there is none.

Questions of discipline necessarily arise, demanding careful consideration, and prompt, decisive action, but they rarely result in serious difficulty, if not meddled with by those not interested, and if treated in a spirit of sincerity for the child's best good. Your committee believes in a strict and impartial school government; such as a wise, judicious and faithful parent would exercise in the family, and which will unfold in every child the best qualities, and stimulate the highest principles and purposes.

Your schools are created first for the scholars, and next for the people who support them. Their great end and aim is to educate the young for fitness for life and its realities; and to do this, thorough discipline must be maintained in every department. Children have hearts tender and true, and possess the noblest thoughts and aspirations of life. They are quick, conscious, and sensitive, and can be controlled in a majority of cases by an appeal to their better natures, to their pride and personal honor, and an appreciation of their real merits. No teacher is competent to teach, who cannot find in every pupil some good, and a teacher who hates a pupil should never be permitted to instruct one. Children's friendships are quickly formed, and principles and impressions early and deeply rooted, soon developing into good purposes and noble graces, or base passions; and in creating and maturing these, a teacher has much to do. The true teacher should always be the child's best friend and adviser.

It is thought to be unnecessary to publish the course of study for the different schools, as little change has been made since the last report. The rules and regulations having been slightly changed, will be published, following this report.

With gratitude for kindly sympathy and assistance, your committee respectfully submits his work and this report, with best wishes for the future of your schools, as for every cause of public good, that your children may be successful in the best aims of life, and an honor to yourselves, and the community, and to accomplish which your committee would spare no efforts, and value no sacrifice.

Whatever else you may do, stand by your schools, and their sacred ends; support, encourage and sustain them; and you will find your reward in results above the value of figures; in crowns of success for your children to wear, that no one can take from them.

ELISHA A. KEEP,
School Committee.

Newmarket, N. H., March 1, 1882.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR THE

Public Schools.

- I. The Public Schools of Newmarket shall be divided into the following grades: Primary, 1st and 2d, Intermediate, Grammar, 1st and 2d, and High.

SCHOOL HOURS.

- II. All the schools shall, throughout the year, commence the morning session at 9 o'clock, A. M. In District No. 1, during the summer season, the afternoon session shall be from 2 to 5 o'clock, P. M.; and from the middle of October to the close of the year, from 1.30 to 4.30 o'clock, P. M., with suitable recesses for each session. During the summer season there shall be no afternoon session on Wednesdays and Saturdays; and during the winter season there shall be an afternoon session on Wednesdays, and no forenoon session on Saturdays. In Districts numbers 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, the sessions shall be arranged, as, in the judgment of the School Committee, circumstances may require. Teachers may keep one continuous daily session with suitable recesses, when the condition of the weather seems to demand it; but otherwise, are not to dismiss their schools, nor change the school hours, except by permission of the School Committee.

ATTENDANCE AND GENERAL DUTIES OF TEACHERS.

- III. Teachers are required to be at their respective school rooms at least ten minutes before the commencement of the sessions both morning and afternoon. A strict observance of the hours of commencing and closing is required. No teacher shall be absent from the school without the consent of the School Committee. No teacher shall ever introduce a substitute into the school without the express sanction of the School Committee. The teachers are required to observe and carry into effect all the regulations of the School Committee in relation to the instruction, discipline and general management of the schools, and to consult him freely on occasions of serious difficulty, to the end that all parties may work in unison and be of mutual support.

OPENING EXERCISES.

- IV. The morning session shall be opened with the reading of the Scriptures.

SCHOOL REGISTERS.

- V. Every school shall be furnished with a record book, in which shall be registered the names, ages, absence and tardiness of each scholar, and the daily average rank in recitation and deportment, and the register shall be open for the inspection of visitors.

ABSENCE, TARDINESS, DISMISSALS.

- VI. The names of pupils who are habitually absent or tardy shall be reported by the teachers to the parents, the School Committee, and also to the truant officers. In every instance of absence or tardiness a written statement or personal explanation shall be required of the parent or guardian on the return of the pupil to school, or at the next session, that the teacher may know whether the cause is legitimate or otherwise. No pupil shall be allowed to leave school before its dismissal, except for satisfactory reasons, without a written or personal request from parent or guardian.

SCHOLARS LIMITED TO SCHOOL GROUNDS.

- VII. No pupil shall leave the school-grounds during school hours, except by permission of the teacher.

CLEANLINESS OF SCHOLARS.

- VIII. Personal cleanliness must be required of every pupil. Teachers are expected to rigidly enforce this rule.

GOOD MORALS.

- IX. Good morals being of the first importance to the pupils, and essential to their highest progress in useful knowledge, instruction therein shall be given in each of the schools, and the principles of truth and virtue faithfully inculcated upon all suitable occasions. The pupils shall be carefully instructed to avoid idleness and profanity, falsehood and deceit, and every wicked and disgraceful practice, and to conduct themselves in an orderly, courteous and respectful manner; and it shall be the duty of the instructors, so far as practicable, to exercise a general inspection over them, in these regards, both in and out of school, and also while going to the same and returning home.

VENTILATION.

- X. Teachers shall give special attention to the ventilation and temperature of their school rooms, both in summer and winter, and see that the air is thoroughly changed at each recess and at the close of each school session.

SUPERVISION OF PRINCIPAL.

- XI. The Principal of the High School shall have general supervision of the buildings and yard in which he teaches, and shall be held responsible for all school property, and for the general discipline of the schools in his building outside their respective rooms. He shall also assist the several teachers, when necessary, in the enforcement of rules of discipline and order; and it shall be the duty of the several teachers to co-operate with him in the discharge of his general duties.

CARE OF SCHOOL PREMISES.

- XII. Teachers shall be held responsible for any want of decorum or neatness about the school premises, and also for all damage done to the school property in their respective rooms during school hours. Any pupil who shall write any indecent language or draw any obscene or indecent pictures or representations on any part of the school premises shall be liable to expulsion.

BOOKS AND UTENSILS REQUIRED.

- XIII. Pupils shall not be allowed to attend any of the public schools unless they are furnished with the books and utensils required in the respective classes.

SUBJECTS TO BE EXPLAINED AND INSTRUCTION TO BE THOROUGH AND PRACTICAL.

- XIV. The teachers are required to illustrate and explain the subjects of study in such language and by such methods of their own as shall find the readiest access to the understanding of the pupils. And the instruction should be thorough, and made practical by showing to the pupils distinctly the various applications to the common affairs of life that may be made of the knowledge they are acquiring at school.

NON-RESIDENTS.

- XV. Non-residents shall not attend school in any district except by consent of the local committee and the payment of such tuition as shall be determined.

DETENTION OF PUPILS.

- XVI. No pupils shall be detained in the school room during a full session of the school; if deprived of recess from any cause, a reasonable absence shall be granted sometime during the session.

GOVERNMENT OF THE SCHOOL.

- XVII. The discipline of the schools shall be of a parental character; such as a kind, judicious and faithful parent would exercise in the family. Corporal punishment shall be resorted to only when all other means fail, and then shall only be administered by the application of a rattan or ferule to the palm of the hand. No teacher shall inflict any punishment whatever on or about the head of any pupil, and no pupil shall be punished by confinement in any closet, ante-room or basement.

SUSPENSION OF PUPILS.

- XVIII. Scholars will be suspended from school for persistent disobedience, insubordination and gross opposition to authority, and when so suspended will not be allowed to return without permission from the School Committee.

ABSENCE FOR HALF A TERM.

- XIX. Any pupil who shall from any cause absent himself from school for half a term shall not be allowed to rejoin his class without satisfactory evidence of proficiency in the studies pursued during the absence being presented to the School Committee.

CONTRIBUTIONS, SUBSCRIPTIONS, ADVERTISEMENTS, &C.

- XX. No contribution or subscription shall be introduced into any school; and no person shall be allowed to occupy the time of a school by giving any notice or advertisement to the pupils or teachers, and no person not connected with the schools, shall be permitted to address the pupils on any subject not pertaining to their studies, except by permission of the School Committee.

PROMOTION.

XXI. Promotions will be made at the commencement of the school year, but any pupil who shall excel in scholarship may be promoted at any time upon passing a satisfactory examination by the School Committee. In determining promotions, 70 per cent. of correct answer upon written examinations shall be required for entry to the High School, and for promotion from class to class therein, with a like requirement of 66 per cent. for the Grammar and Intermediate departments, subject to exception only in extreme cases when its enforcement would cause apparent injustice.

DIPLOMAS.

XXII. Diplomas shall be awarded at the close of the school year to such pupils of the High School as shall have completed the prescribed course to the satisfaction of the School Committee. Certificates of Graduation will be awarded to all pupils who satisfactorily complete the course of study in the Grammar Schools.

COPY OF REGULATIONS TO BE KEPT IN SCHOOL.

XXIII. A copy of these regulations shall be kept upon the desk in each school room, and teachers are required to read them before the school at the commencement of each term, and allow visitors to freely consult the same.

ELISHA A. KEEP,
School Committee.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

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E. A. KEEP, *Librarian.*

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CHARLES H. SMITH, *in account with the Town of Newmarket.*

1881.	<i>Dr.</i>	
Feb. 21.	To cash on hand,	\$ 13 93
Mar. 18.	To cash of Town Treasurer,	100 00
Nov. 18.	To cash of Town Treasurer,	39 00
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1881.	<i>Cr.</i>	
May 31.	By paid for books, as per order,	\$62 40
Nov. 19.	By paid for books, as per order,	47 13
1882.		
Jan. 26.	By paid for books, as per order,	5 05
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	Balance in hands of Treasurer, March 1, 1882,	\$38 35

CHARLES H. SMITH, *Treasurer.*