

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF NEWMARKET,

For the year ending March. 1849.

<i>The Town of Newmarket in account with the Selectmen of said Town</i>	Dr.
1848, April 21, Paid James Thomas for one night watching fire at house of Dr Hayes, Feb. 1848,	1,00
July 17, paid John T. Gibbs for printing 500 warrants for engine and hosemen, Apr. 1848	4,00
25th, Paid P. Chapman for notifying jurors, Feb. term. 1848	1,50
“ recording 11 marriages,	,66
“ 11 births and deaths	,33
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Sep. 23d, Paid Newfields School District for school house tax made in May 1848	100,00
“ paid 109 officers and soldiers their rations ,50 cts. each at muster this day	54,50
“ paid the several School Districts their proportion of School money for 1848 as follows :—	
Oct. 23d, Paid Lamprey River District,	593,00
“ “ Newfields	136,00
Dec. 1st, “ Plains,	28,20
“ 23d “ Grant,	30,06
“ “ Pine Hill,	38,14
1849, Jan'y 1, Piscassic,	46,10
“ “ 6th, Central,	28,50
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	\$900,00

1848, Nov. 3, Paid Dan'l Perkins for land taken June 13, 1847, to widen road near Paul Chapman's,	25,00
25th, Paid James Spead for breaking roads in N. Fields District in 1848	6,51
Nov. 25th, paid James Spead for working non-res- ident highway taxes in N. Fields Dist. in 1847,	3,65
Dec. 8th, paid William ----- for working non-resi- dent highway tax in 1848	2,85
" 9th, paid Edward H. Peavey to abatement of his tax of 1847	1,28
" paid Edward Hilton for working non-resident highway taxes in 1848	1,46
12th, paid Benj. B. Tuttle for land taken in Nov. 1848, to widen highway, and moving building	150,00
1849, Jan. 17, paid Jeremiah Hersey for breaking roads in Feb. 1848, \$6,00; for working non- resident highway tax in 1848, 84 cts.,	6,84
paid Benj. A. Carter for services as Constable at T. Meeting in March 1848, 12s; assisting in putting shores under Town House, Nov. 7, 1848, 3s.; setting 2 panes glass, furnishing glass and putty, Jan. 15, 1849, 53 cts.	3,03
22d, Paid Paul Gerrish, order, No. 18, dated Jan. 17, 1848 for \$150,00	
Interest on same 9,12	
	<u>159,12</u>
" Dan'l Tuxbury's estate, order No. 19, dated Jan. 17, 1848, for \$300,00	
Interest on same, 16,55	
	<u>316,55</u>
23d, paid Samuel C. Davis for services as Consta- ble at T. Meeting in March, 1848	2,00
26th, Paid T. F. Leach for one night watching the fire at house of Dr Hayes in Feb. 1848	1,00
1849, Feb 2d, Paid John S. French his bill as follows :—	
May 1, 1848, Use of horse and chaise to administer oath to surveyors of highways	1,00
July 20th, Myself, horse and buggy to T. Farm to carry Mrs Rodman	1,00
Sept. 21st, notifying 2 jurors	1,00
1849, Jan. 26th, 3 jurors	1,50
Feb'y 2d, all other services as Town Clerk	8,00
	<u>12,50</u>
3d, paid T. T. Churchill for working non-resi- dent taxes in 1848	2,84
16th, Paid town of Exeter for support of Mary Young while sick in Dec. 1848	32,97

23d, Wm. B. Small for his services as one of super- intendg school committee	17,00
" Wm. Folsom, for his services as one of superin- tending school committee, including use of horse and carriage for Mr Small and himself	24,17
" paid Doct. J. R. Sandborn for his services as town physician	12,00
" Paid John Palmer for his services at town meeting in March, 1848	1,00
24th, paid Wingate Wiggins's bill as follows :—	
1847, July 17, To making Eben. Smith's wife	3,00
use of horse & waggon to carry same to house	,50
1848, Nov. 7, to assisting to put shores under Town House	,50
	<u>4,00</u>
" Paid John S. Walker his bill as follows :—	
1846, Sept. to 736 ft. of bridge plank (bo't of John Matthews)	9,56
1848, Oct., working non-resident highway tax- es of 1848	1,72
" labor on bridge in Plains District 2 hands, 4 oxen, and cart and wheels 2 1-2 days	3,55
" stone for said bridge	2,00
	<u>21,83</u>
27 paid Sylvanus Tuttle for services at town meeting in March 1848	2,00
" paid Mary S Badger for grave cloths for Mrs Webber	2,05
Paid Charles Smart, jr. his bill as follows :	
1848, May 4, to 1727 feet plank and timber \$12	20,72
350 feet oak plank at \$20	7,00
two days time laying down the same on bge in Ashswamp District	1,25
Paid Samuel Neal his bill as follows :	
1848 Aug. 56, 700 feet M. pine plank	7,00
8lbs nails	,40
paid Joseph Kuse for laying down the same on Piscassic bridge	1,25
services as Selectman	32,00
1848, Paid Daniel Pinkham's bill as follows :	
August, to putting up wall around the bury- ing ground	1,00
paid for repairing hearse	,50
	<u>\$40,65</u>

Nov. digging grave for Mrs Webber and attend- her funeral	3,00	\$4,50
Paid John K. Thompson for services as su- perintending school committe		\$10,00
28 Paid John S. Bennett's bill as follows :		
1848, April 7, three solar lamps and chimneys for town house 14s6	7,25	
17 one solar side lamp and chimney for town house	2,17	
Oct. one day widening road near V. Torr's	1,50	
Nov. 7, 50lbs. Eng. funnel for town house	5,00	
" one collar and wire for same	,25	
setting stove funnel at town house	,50	
Dec. 8, self, horse and carriage to Exeter to see about Mrs Young	2,00	
18, self and carriage to Exeter to take Mrs Young to town farm	2,00	
1849, Jan. 11, paid fare of Indians on cars	2,15	
Feb. 8, 269lbs. Eng. funnel for town house	26,90	
" two large box stoves	17,50	
" two days labor setting up same and funnel	4,00	
" wire	,42	
" 6lbs. zinc for town house	,75	
" paid poor persons	,85	
28, other services as Selectman	32,00	\$105,24
28, Paid John F. Chapman for services. Constable at town meeting March last for arresting Mr Kendrick (by order of W. B. Small) while making distur- bance in the street and carrying him home	2,00 50	\$2,50
March 1, Paid Thomas Brown for making coffin for Mrs Webber in Nov 1848	3,50	
6, paid J. R. Doe for collecting taxes and abatements	122,35	
" paid G. A. Bennett postage bill from April 1, 1848, to date	,80	
" paid J. S. Bunker for 1 night watching fire at the stable of Dr Kittredge in June last	1,00	
" paid John Perkins for two days breaking roads in January 1848	1,00	
paid county tax for 1848	595,73	
paid State tax for 1848	559,80	
" paid Joseph Elkins for note given by town house building committee Dec. 4, 1848, 300,00 interest on same	22,60	\$322,60
" paid note to Thomas J. Haines, given by T. House building Com. Dec. 20, 1847 300,00 interest on same	22,30	\$322,30

8 paid H. D. Trickey for printing notices for engine men in March 1847	1,50	1,50
" paid John Robinson's order No. 2, dated March 25, 1846, payable to T. Mur- ray	144,22	
interest on same	25,45	\$169,67
" Paid John S. Walker order No. 23, dated March 4, 1846	27,50	
interest on same	1,95	\$29,45
" Paid Timothy Murray his bill as follows :		
1848, Feb. 28, paid for printing town accounts and the report of the Superintending school committee for 1847	14,50	
March 4, for making fender in the town house	6,01	
" paid for affidavit of Levi Chapman rela- tive to the settlement of Louis Secom	,25	
11 paid George Miles for board of Richard Keniston while sick at his house in 1844,	2,00	
14, 1 pint camphene for town house	,09	
April 24, 9 blank books delivered to Selectmen	,62	
May 18, 2 books for L River District, delivered to Dr. Folsom	,40	\$23,87
Paid James M. Chapman's bill as follows :		
1848, April, paid for bringing package of Engine blank warrants from Dover	,13	
May, making return to the Legislature of the in- ventories of 1847 & 1848	5,00	
" making school house tax for the Newfields District	6,00	
June, 2 days time at Concord to attend the hear- ing of petitions to divide the town	4,00	
" paid fare and expences to and from Concord	6,30	
Sept. time and expences to Epping to pay soldiers	3,00	
Oct. making warrant and copies and Lists of voters for November election	3,00	
" 1 day attending the hearing of petitions to widen the road near Vincent Torr's and laying out and making return of same	2,50	
" paid V. Smith, jr. for surveying same	2,00	
" 1 day's time and expenses to Exeter to ascertain the residence of John A. Elliott	3,00	
" paid 79 officers and soldiers one dollar each for performing military duty the the present year	79,00	

Nov. 5 days time at Concord to attend the hearing of petitioners to divide the town	10,00	
“ paid fare and expences to and from Concord	7,90	
March, 1849, services as clerk of the fire wards	2,00	
“ use of office for Selectmen	6,00	
“ pens, ink and paper, and 1 blank book	1,08	
“ writing and acknowledging deed of Joseph Elkin's to the town	1,00	
“ all other services as Selectman the present political year	32,00	\$173,91

“ paid Timothy Murray's bill on account of Elizabeth A. Watson	34,87	
“ to cash in the hands of said Murray on account of said Watson's bill,	90,21	
		\$125,08
By amount in the hands of said Murray on account of said E.A. Watson, Feb. 21, 1843, including interest to this date		\$125,08
“ 9th, paid Newmarket Savings Bank in part of a note given by the Town House Building Committee, Sept. 16, 1847,		\$ 9,31
“ paid auditors of selectmen's account for the services this day	2,00	
“ cash in the hands of the selectmen,	12,56	
		\$4852,14

Credit,

1843, April 23th, by amount of Rate Lists committed to J. R. Doc, Collector,		\$4165,51
“ May 27, By amount of School House tax in N. Field's District, committed to Collector		104,06
June 5, By cash rec'd for license to Circus,		30,00
Sept. 6th, by cash received of the State Treasurer for the Literary Fund of 1843		97,52
Dec. 7, By received of the State Treasurer for the Rail Road tax of 1843		190,53
1849, March 7, By cash received of the State Treasurer for this town's proportion of the “ Land Money” distributed to the several towns in the State		102,57
“ By cash rec'd for the use of the Town House from April 1843, to this date		124,00
“ By cash rec'd of Timothy Murray, being am't of money in Selectmen's hands, Feb'y 21, 1843		31,95
“ By cash rec'd of Timothy Murray, for use of Town House March 3d and 8th, 1843		6,00
		\$4852,14

March 9th, 1849, settled the foregoing Accounts as above stated.

JAMES M. CHAPMAN, }
 JOHN S. BENNETT, } SELECTMEN
 SAMUEL NEAL, } ON
 NEW MARKET.

NEWMARKET, March 9, 1849.

The undersigned Auditors of the town of Newmarket, having examined the books and accounts of the Selectmen, hereby certify that we find the entries correctly made, and the accounts accurately cast and properly vouched.

JOHN WEBSTER, }
J. B. CREIGHTON, } Auditors.

REMARKS.

All the outstanding orders against the town have been paid, and there are not now, to the knowledge of the undersigned, excepting the Town House debt, any claims existing against the town, except to a very small amount, which the money on hand and claims for the use of the Landing at Newfields will much more than pay. The undersigned have paid, during the past year, claims existing prior to their coming into offices to the amount of something over \$800,00, exclusive of what they have paid towards the debt on account of the town house, which amounts, as will be seen by their accounts, to the sum of \$938,25. We are informed that the cost of the Town House was about \$3700,00.

JAMES M. CHAPMAN, } Selectmen
JOHN S. BENNETT, } of
SAMUEL NEAL, } Newmarket.

March 9, 1849.

REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS

OF THE

NEWMARKET TOWN FARM.

The OVERSEERS of the Newmarket Town Farm submit the following Report of the Expenditures on account of said Farm, and for the support of the Poor in said Town, for the year ending March 1st, 1849.

Expenditures.

Supplies for the Poor not on the Farm.

For John Willis and wife,	\$9,76	
Paid Samuel Willis' account,	12,60	
For David Watson, Jr.'s family,	94,80	
Paid B. B. Tuttle for wood for Lois Secomb,	3,37	
		\$119,93

For Labor, Lumber, &c.

Paid Robert Smart for one year's work ending March 1st, 1849,	\$200,00
" G. H. Nowell for work on Town Farm,	66,63
" Mrs Wiggin for work at Town House,	23,00
" Mrs Burley for work at Town House,	3,73
" Mr Marston for shoes,	2,30
" Mr Bunker for shoes,	3,25
" Mr Stackpole for blacksmith work,	3,18
" J. M. Towle for plow point,	,50
" J. Wilson, Jr. for carding wool,	,40
" S. P. Dow for boards,	5,00
" J. Peavey for digging grave,	1,00
" G. W. Chapman for coffin for Mrs Young,	3,00
" J. S. Bennett's account,	2,34
" Smith, Hall & Clarke for printing,	3,50
" Daniel Pinkham,	1,25
" Daniel Sanborn for ox wheels, &c.	33,65
" Benjamin Mathes' account,	8,07

\$361,80

For Groceries, &c.

1848, March 6, 5 lb sugar, 50c. ; 1 gal molasses, 33c.	83
1 lb tea,	33
18, 5 yds C. cloth, 40c. ; 7 yds calico, 87c.	1,27
2 yds satinet, 1,34 ; 6 lb sugar, 60c.	1,94
Molasses, 33c. ; 13 1-4 lb fish, 40c.	73
23, 1 gal. molasses, 33c. ; 1 lb saleratus, 10c.	,43
April 7, 1 gal. molasses, 33c ; 1 lb tea, 33c.	,66
1 bag salt, 25c ; 1 basket, 25c.	,50
1 bbl flour, 7,75 ; 4 lbs coffee, 40c.	8,15
May 3, 5 lbs coffee,	,50
4, 12 lbs fish, 36c. ; 1 lb tea, 33c.	,69
June 1, 17 lbs fish, 51c ; 36 lbs clover seed, 4,50,	5,01
1-2 peck herds grass seed,	1,50
1 bushel red top seed,	1,17
1 lb saleratus, 10c ; 1 lb tea, 33c.	,43
3 gals molasses,	,84
24, 1 bbl flour,	7,00
July 1, 13 1-2 lbs fish, 40c ; 5 lbs rice, 25c.	,65
15, 6 lbs coffee, 60c ; 7 lbs sugar, 58c.	1,18
1 lb saleratus,	,10
Aug. 17, 5 lbs coffee,	,50
Sept. 1, 9 glass lights, 43c ; 2 lbs nails, 10c.	,53
29, 5 lbs sugar, 42c ; 1 bag salt, 25c.	,67
1 basket,	,33

Oct. 5, 5 lbs coffee, 50c ; 1 lb tea, 33c.	,83
4 milk pans, 50c ; 6 yds cot. cloth, 50c.	1,00
3 gals molasses, 84c ; 10 lbs fish, 30c.	1,14
1 lb saleratus, 8c ; 5 lbs coffee, 50c.	,58
25, 1 bbl flour, 6,75 ; 1 lb saleratus, 8c.	6,83
Nov. 1, 1 lb H. tea, 50c ; 1-2 lb spice, 12c.	,62
6 lbs sugar, 50c ; 1-2 lb pepper, 10c.	,60
60 biscuit, 25c ; 1 lb tea, 33c.	,58
30, 1 bag salt, 25c ; 5 lbs coffee, 50c.	,75
3 gals molasses,	,83
Dec. 13, 2 lbs candles, 28c ; 4 lbs rice, 20c.	,48
5 lbs coffee, 50c ; 2 lbs candles, 28c.	,78
30, 3 gals molasses, 84c ; 1 lb tea, 33c.	1,17
1849, Jan'y 9, 6 yds sheeting, 54c ; 5 lbs coffee, 50c.	1,04
Feb'y 1, 1 bus. salt, 50c ; 1 bbl flour, 6,75,	7,25
14, 3 gals molasses, 84c ; 6 lbs coffee, 50c.	1,34

\$61,76

RECEIPTS.

Cash in hands of Overseers, March 1st, 1848,	13,80
May 4, 59 1-4 lbs wool,	14,81
June 26, cash for timber,	17,00
July 1, cash for 14 lambs,	28,00
Aug. 21, cash for 2 calves, 6,75 ; also for oxen, \$100,	106,75
Oct. 5, 68 3-4 lbs butter,	11,77
9, 30 3-4 lbs cheese,	2,46
28, 5 bbls apples, 10,00 ; 1 doz. cabbages 1,00,1	1,00
Nov. 14, 52 lbs poultry,	4,16
20, 154 lbs pig,	9,24
cash by Mr Smart for 2 pigs,	4,00
do. by Mr Smart for butter,	1,00
30, cash for small trees,	1,50
Dec. 13, cash for boarding Watson girl,	3,75
22, 36 lbs turkey,	3,60
cash by Mrs Young,	1,25
1849, Jan. 6, cash for 12 bushels oats,	5,40
9, cash for 68 lbs cow hide,	2,72
11, 39 1-2 chickens,	3,95
24, cash by Mr B. Wheatland for keeping cow,	20,00
cash for pasturing,	2,50
31, cash for 98 bushels potatoes,	68,60
cash for one year old steer,	14,00
Feb. 27, 62 lbs wool,	12,40
cash from the County,	176,75
balance against the Farm,	3,28

\$543,49

Recapitulation.

For support of Poor not on the Farm,	119,93
To amount paid for labor, lumber, &c.	361,80
To amount for Groceries, &c.	61,71
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	\$543,49

Stock on the Farm.

1 yoke 5 year old Oxen,
1 " 4 year old Steers,
1 " 3 year old Steers,
5 Cows, 1 Horse,
1 two year old Heifer,
3 one year old Steers,
1 two year old Colt,
19 Sheep, 5 Pigs.

It appears from the foregoing Account, that the Farm for the year past has supported all the Poor in Town, with the exception of the small sum of three dollars and twenty-eight cents, with no claims against the Farm to the knowledge of the Overseers. The bills against the Farm for the past year have been larger than usual, in consequence of paying more for labor and buying a pair of new ox wheels.

ARTHUR BRANSCOMB, } Overseers
GEO. W. KITTREDGE, } of
Z. DOW CREIGHTON, } Town Farm.

Newmarket, March 1, 1849.

NEWS-LETTER OFFICE, EXETER.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee,

OF

NEWMARKET,

For the Year ending, March 1849.

EXETER :

C. E. CLARK, PRINTER,
Merrill's Block, 23 Water Street.

1849.

REPORT.

Lamprey River District.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL NO. 1.

CHARLES H. PARKER, *Teacher*, HANNAH C. WOOD, *Assistant*.

The government of this school during both terms, was good; but not quite so strict as to be perfect, according to the views of the Committee.

The progress was highly creditable, both to the Teachers and Scholars.

The instruction given in the various branches was thorough, much pains being taken to make the scholars understand the principles and application of the several branches taught.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL NO. 2.

ALICE A. A. JONES, *Teacher*, SARAH A. BROOKS, *Assistant*.

The discipline and progress of this School, during the two terms, have not answered the expectations of those who were in favor of employing two female Teachers.

The government, and more especially, during the second term, was very defective, it being apparently impossible for the teachers to enforce such rules as are absolutely necessary to be observed in all schools.

After the experiment of this year with female teachers, who have, no doubt, applied themselves untiringly to their task, we deem it our duty to recommend that this School be, *by all means*, placed under the government and direction of an experienced and competent male teacher the ensuing year.

PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 1.

MARY A. TOWLE, *Teacher*.

The discipline and progress of this school was not all that could have been desired. The teacher bestowed much care upon the school, and used her best endeavors to advance it; but all the schools in this village require teachers peculiarly adapted to governing. The literary qualifications of Miss Towle entitled her to a school of a very much higher order.

PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 2.

LYDIA S. JONES, *Teacher*.

Miss Jones' method of governing and instructing is happily suited to scholars of the age and class of those comprising this school. Her success, therefore, was all that could have been reasonably desired. The whole appearance of the school, good — progress rapid.

The "distressing dilapidation" of this school house, spoken of by the last year's Committee, has, in no degree been remedied since that time. It is a monument of disgrace to the village; and it is believed, that would the parents, who send their children there, but visit and examine its interior, it would be repaired forthwith.

Pine-Hill District.

CAROLINE DAME, *Teacher*.

This school, during the Summer term, appeared well, quiet and orderly; and made very fair improvement; but from some cause the Winter Term was not so profitable. The discipline was defective. The application and improvement fell far short of that of the previous term.

This School-house should be repaired before being again occupied.

New-Fields District.

R. D. WASHBURN, *Teacher*, A. L. FRENCH, *Assistant*.

The schools in this district were united; and both terms kept by the same teachers. The progress was considered good; but the order was not sufficiently strict. This may have arisen partly from the situation of the rooms, one being above, and the other below stairs.

The books, used in this school, are too various. The committee have endeavored to correct this element of confusion as far as they thought practicable this year. Much more still remains to be done. This fault exists in most of the schools out of Lamprey River Village.

Plains District.

MARY J. FOLSOM, *Teacher.*

The order and discipline of this School were excellent. Many of the scholars were older and of a more advanced class than those of any other school in town; several being tuition scholars from other districts, and some of them from out of town. The whole school appeared well—the instruction thorough, and the advancement rapid.

The seats in this school house are decidedly bad; being so high that no scholar of *reasonable length* can sit upon them with ease; and small scholars remain, like the coffin of Mahomet, suspended between the heavens and the earth. Nothing can be more injurious to children physically, than occupying such high seats; and if long continued, might become absolutely ruinous. A small expense would remedy this evil.

Fiscassic District.

SUMMER TERM—FRANCES M. TREADWELL, *Teacher.*

The Committee visited this school but once during this term, not having been notified of the time it was to close.

The School appeared well at the time of our visit; and we have no doubt the scholars made good improvement. The order of this school was excellent.

WINTER TERM—CHASE G. BARBER, *Teacher.*

There was a want of system in the method of instruction. The school was not well classed, and the scholars, particularly in arithmetic, were permitted to pass over their books too much according to their own inclination. The order of the school appeared very well; but the progress was not what might have been expected under a skilful classification.

Grant District.

SUMMER TERM—LYDIA ANN MATHES, *Teacher.*

This school was very profitably conducted; Miss Mathes' success in teaching was fully equalled by her skill in governing;

and the school at its close exhibited great improvement in every respect.

WINTER TERM—MARY A. TOWLE, *Teacher.*

This school appeared well at its commencement; but not having visited it at the close, which took place sooner than the committee anticipated, they cannot report particularly concerning the improvement. The appearance of the school, at our visit, warrants the conclusion that it was profitable, although it continued only four weeks.

Central District.

EZRA A. J. SAWYER, *Teacher.*

There was but one term of this school and that only six weeks.

The discipline was a little too lax, but a great deal could not be accomplished in so short a time. The scholars hardly had time to become accustomed to study before the close of the school. This was the teacher's first effort and quite successful; the school, on the whole, having done well under his instruction.

Greenwood School	No. 1	102	Summer	} Whole No. of Scholars.
" "	No. 2	88	Winter	
Dumery	No. 3	78	Summer	} No. of Males.
" "	No. 4	89	Winter	
New Falls	No. 5	88	Summer	} No. of Females.
" "	No. 6	49	Winter	
Plain Hill	No. 7	12	Summer	} Average No. Attending.
" "	No. 8	14	Winter	
Plains	No. 9	20	Summer	} No. over 14 yrs. of age Attending.
" "	No. 10	12	Winter	
Pleasant	No. 11	20	Summer	} No. under 4 Attending.
" "	No. 12	11	Winter	
Central	No. 13	4	Summer	} No. between 4 and 14 Attending.
" "	No. 14	6	Winter	
Wagon	No. 15	82	Summer	} Principal
" "	No. 16	65	Winter	
" "	No. 17	50	Summer	} Assistant
" "	No. 18	17	Winter	
" "	No. 19	85	Summer	} Wages per month exclusive of board.
" "	No. 20	26	Winter	
" "	No. 21	22	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 22	14	Winter	
" "	No. 23	22	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 24	4	Winter	
" "	No. 25	9	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 26	1	Winter	
" "	No. 27	4	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 28	1	Winter	
" "	No. 29	80	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 30	75	Winter	
" "	No. 31	81	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 32	15	Winter	
" "	No. 33	62	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 34	24	Winter	
" "	No. 35	19	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 36	10	Winter	
" "	No. 37	17	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 38	8	Winter	
" "	No. 39	14,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 40	8,	Winter	
" "	No. 41	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 42	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 43	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 44	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 45	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 46	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 47	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 48	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 49	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 50	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 51	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 52	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 53	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 54	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 55	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 56	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 57	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 58	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 59	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 60	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 61	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 62	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 63	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 64	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 65	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 66	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 67	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 68	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 69	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 70	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 71	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 72	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 73	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 74	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 75	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 76	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 77	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 78	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 79	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 80	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 81	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 82	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 83	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 84	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 85	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 86	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 87	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 88	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 89	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 90	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 91	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 92	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 93	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 94	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 95	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 96	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 97	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 98	14,	Winter	
" "	No. 99	8,	Summer	} Length of Schools in days & months
" "	No. 100	14,	Winter	

Statistics of Schools for the year ending March 1849.

REPORT.

The Committee have visited every district school in town, and the most of them several times, and have endeavored in the foregoing limited report, to give an impartial representation of the general appearance, government, and improvement of the several schools. They have labored under some disadvantages, on account of the carelessness or neglect of some of the prudential committees to inform them of the commencement, or close of their schools; and on account of the neglect of some of the teachers, to make the requisite report of their schools. No teacher should be paid, until he has presented a certificate from the superintending committee, that he has lodged with them the report required by the statute.

The general attendance of the scholars has been better, perhaps, during the last year, than during any preceding one.

The schools have passed off quietly; and have been very generally satisfactory to the districts; although, in the language of a former committee, "there is not proper care taken in the selection of teachers. Many seem to think the best qualification in a teacher is a willingness to keep cheap. Good and approved teachers should always be sought, and continued in the employment of the same district, when it can be done consistently. Poor teachers should never be employed. A few weeks of good school is vastly more valuable than many weeks of poor school. If we *must have* poor teachers let the school be as short as possible."

Superintending committees, in the examination of teachers, should adhere rigidly to the standard of qualifications contemplated by the statute; and thereby shut the door against candidates deficient in such qualifications, and secure the schools from inefficient teachers.

There is, in many of our schools too great a variety of old reading books most of which were written for "grown up children," and are ill suited to the capacity of young scholars. This is a source of infinite confusion and greatly retards the progress of a school. The committee would take the liberty to suggest to their successors, a thorough change in the reading books in every school out of Lamprey River Village; the desired change having been effected in the schools in the village during the past year.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED.

Spelling Book, Webster's Improved. For Reading Books, Town's series, first, second, third and fourth parts. For Arithmetics, Emerson's first and second parts, and Adams'. Grammar, Smith's. Mitchell's Primary, Secondary and School Geography.

The committee may not think all the above the best books now in use; but they are recommended because some of them are in all the schools, and it is very desirable that there should be a uniformity in all the schools throughout the town; and because the multiplicity of various books before alluded to should be remedied. Till then much must be lost for the want of a proper classification. All of which is respectfully submitted.

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Newmarket, Feb. 8, 1849.