

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN AND TOWN TREASURER,

AND THE

Superintendent of Public Schools,

OF THE TOWN OF

NEWMARKET, N. H.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1875.

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1875.

# SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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1874.

Paid John Mathes interest on note,	\$54 00
Walter J. Thurston, endorsement on note,	125 00
Tiger Engine Co. No. 1, services to April 1, 1874,	160 00
Granite Engine Co. No. 2, services to April 1, 1874,	152 00
Hose Company for services to April 1, 1874,	48 00
Edson C. Eastman, Invoice and Collector's books,	17 92
John A. Langley, oiling hose, &c.,	8 00
James R. Smith, services as Steward one year,	6 00
John D. Eastman, work at Town Hall,	75
Albert J. Haines, note and interest,	114 67
Smith's Express, lock and keys,	4 90
John Perkins, as per bill rendered,	2 00
Hannah Watson, interest on note,	18 00
Charles Kennerson, breaking roads,	17 80
George H. Pike, breaking roads,	1 50
Moses C. Clark, breaking roads, in L. R. District,	82 10
Hannah L. Marden, interest on note,	36 00
Levi C. McDaniel, School money for Plains District,	75 00

Paid Pinkham and Wingate, printing Town Reports,	23 00
George E. Tuttle, as per bill rendered,	18 00
Susan E. W. Creighton, interest on two notes,	84 00
Richard K. Edgerly, School money District No. 7,	50 00
Stetson & Pope, bridge timber,	248 72
Boston & Maine R. R. Co., freight on timber,	24 70
David A. Stevens, School money District No. 6,	90 00
Charles F. Davis, School money District No. 1,	500 00
Jane W. Goodman, interest on note,	16 80
William P. Channell, repairing bridge,	12 00
Charles E. Winkley, school money Pine Hill District,	75 00
John A. Pickering, School money District No. 3,	60 00
Luther Perry, interest on two notes,	87 64
George W. Fullerton, painting,	6 33
Samuel Savage, labor on Durham bridge,	143 19
Mary A. Wood, interest on two notes,	36 00
State Reform School, board of John I. York,	23 75
Blake Roberts, service as Special Police, July 3d and 4th, 1874, and conveying James Baker to County Farm,	11 00
Edwin C. Gerrish, interest and indorsement on note,	125 37
D. E. Smith, heirs of Jonathan Sanborn's School tax,	6 15
John E. Peavey, breaking roads in Ash Swamp District,	21 86
John F. Willey, services as Special Police July 3d and 4th, 1874,	5 00
Nathan Durgin, interest on three notes,	123 53
Charles E. Reynolds, labor on Durham bridge	42 75
Albert J. Watson, interest on note,	40 78

Paid Mary Lesley, damage to clothing,	5 00
William P. Channell, stone work at Durham bridge,	133 00
Boston Elastic Fabric Co., 4 piece auction hose for Tiger Engine,	19 64
Joseph Dame, stone gate posts to Cemetery,	25 00
George W. Fullerton, painting Durham bridge	20 00
Walter J. Thurston, note and interest,	319 25
Jane W. Goodman, note and interest,	51 00
Alice J. Wiggin, interest on note,	24 00
William F. Durrell, stone work at Cheswell's bridge,	250 00
Newmarket M'g Co., labor and material furnished for Durham bridge,	103 53
Elizabeth Watson, interest on note,	24 00
Mannah Watson, interest on note,	30 00
Richard K. Edgerly, Bal. School money, District No. 7,	16 00
Geo. W. Kittredge, plank for Durham Bridge,	103 17
Louisa Rollins, note and interest,	53 00
Levi C. McDaniel, Bal. School money District No. 5,	56 37
DeWitt C. Durgin, services as Superintending School Committee,	25 00
Tiger Engine Co., services to October 1, 1874,	160 00
Granite Engine Co., services to Oct. 1, 1874,	152 00
Hose Co., services to October 1, 1874,	48 00
Frank A. Brackett, services as Steward,	3 00
Edwin C. Gerrish, Note and interest,	361 45
Mrs. Robert Smart, care of Luther Crombie,	37 00
William Jones, note and interest,	106 00
Mary Lamos, note and interest,	236 14
Thomas Tuttle, interest on note,	50 40
Elizabeth Watson, interest on note	21 00

Paid George F. Walker, filling at Caswell's Bridge, and boards delivered at Town Farm,	35 06
David A. Stevens, Bal. School money, Dis- trict No. 6,	10 41
Charles F. Davis, School money for District No. 1,	800 00
Levi A. Hanscom, note and interest,	1,463 20
Eben B. Wiggin, note and interest,	546 00
Sarah Ann Doe, note and interest,	1,343 83
Newmarket Mf'g Co., repairing Suction Hose,	1 75
Abbie Moore, note and interest,	448 28
David Murray, Insurance on Town Hall,	30 00
George E. Joy, note and interest,	202 00
William Jones, interest on note,	30 00
William Reynolds, interest on five notes,	72 00
John W. Smart, lumber furnished, and as per bill rendered,	369 40
George W. Durgin, repairing engine pipe,	2 50
Tamson Knight, note and interest,	112 00
Nathan Durgin, interest on note,	5 46
Charles E. Winkley, Bal. School money in Pine Hill District,	63 27
Benjamin F. Tuttle, endorsement on note,	100 00
Town of Durham, by act of Legislature, 1870,	300 00
Edward Hilton, interest on note,	42 00
John Mathes, interest on note,	24 00
Jane F. Harvey, interest on note,	42 00
Dorcas M. Young, interest on note,	11 44
Abbie A. Kelsey, note and interest,	213 00
James A. Kelsey, note and interest,	292 87
Morris Breshnehan, note and interest,	114 00
Walter Wiggin, interest on four notes,	87 00
Susan E. W. Creighton, interest on note,	60 00
Clarissa Doe, interest on note,	22 30

Paid John A. Pickering, Bal. School money, Dis- trict No. 3,	93 72
Benjamin D. Watson, repairing guideboards,	5 32
Blake Roberts, as per bill rendered,	23 00
Edmond Pendergast, interest on note,	24 00
Daniel T. Woodman, School money, Pack- er's Falls District,	52 10
Edward Hilton, endorsement on note,	100 00
Harrison G. Burley, labor on bridge,	1 30
William P. Reynolds, interest on three notes,	27 00
George O. Hodgdon, varnishing beams,	3 50
C. P. & R. Stackpole, iron work on bridge,	1 35
John F. Chapman, services as Justice,	5 00
John B. Page, services as Police for the year 1873,	10 00
John B. Page, as per bill rendered,	39 00
Amanda M. Chapman, interest on note,	24 00
John Perkins, interest on note,	18 00
Timothy Murray, wood for Police Station,	4 00
J. S. & E. Bennett, as per bill rendered,	42 57
Thomas J. Chesley, watering place,	3 00
Charles F. Davis, Bal. School money District No. 1,	624 49
Aaron L. Mellows, legal services in Police offences,	66 00
S. H. Greene, school books for Winn family,	1 25
Alcohol furnished Granite and Tiger Engine Co's per order of Chief Engineer,	28 25
H. H. Pinkham, shoes for James Barrett's children,	5 65
Treadwell & Davis, material furnished for Durham and Cheswell bridges,	7 97
Stoves, ker. oil, wood &c., furnished Granite and Tiger Engine Co's, per order of Chief Engineer,	96 86

Paid John L. Boardman, shoes for Emeline Knowlton,	1 25
Benjamin F. Haley, goods furnished Police Station,	2 38
Mathes, Wiggin & Co., goods for Emeline Knowlton,	2 50
Walter J. Thurston, school money District No. 4,	117 60
S. A. Haley, coal for Engine Co's, per order Chief Engineer,	20 93
Charles H. Smith, legal services in Police offices,	66 00
James Monroe, abatement of taxes for year 1871,	2 15
James Monroe, abatement of taxes for the year 1872,	10 92
James Monroe, abatement of taxes for the year 1873,	46 25
James Monroe, abatement of taxes for the year 1874,	45 00
On School House taxes in 1874,	12 78
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Charles E. Tasker, coffin for Luther Crombie,	9 00
Charles E. Tasker, coffin for Louisa Tuttle,	9 00
Hale Evans, as per bill,	6 50
Freeman Sanborn, bill for breaking roads, as per bill rendered,	4 50
Lafayette Hall, bolts for Durham bridge,	41 12
T. McGuire & Co., supplies furnished Ellen Barrett's family,	87 00
Cyrus G. Smith, as per bill,	21 50
Mary S. Badger, as per bill,	5 75
Mathes & Lane, grass seed for Town Farm,	15 44
Mathes & Lane, supplies for Stephen Herson,	162 00
Robert Smart, note and interest,	1,060 33

Paid Wm. A. Shackford, services as Justice for 1873, 1874 and to March 1st, 1875, as per bill,	201 00
William Jones, note and interest,	206 75
Wm. W. Stackpole, as per bill,	2 00
Joseph B. Silver, as per bill,	2 50
J. Low Elkins, medical attendance for 1869,	24 75
J. Low Elkins, attendance upon S. Herson's family, 1871,	15 51
J. Low Elkins, services as Superintending School Committee for part of 1874,	75 00
James Monroe, collective taxes,	269 50
True W. Thompson, summoning Jurors,	39
Daniel W. McNeal, as per bill,	34 00
Thomas Tuttle, note and interest,	154 33
Charles Shute, as per bill,	112 00
George W. Wiggin, three notes and interest,	1,024 05
George W. & W. Wiggin, note and interest,	154 50
John Bradford services as health officer,	3 00
Labor on Town House,	3 00
All other services as Selectman,	32 00
George A. Bennett, labor at Cheswell's bridge,	10 00
One day and expenses to Lee,	3 00
One-half day and expenses to Durham,	1 50
Making school-house tax,	12 00
Services as Health Officer,	2 00
All other services as Selectman,	32 00
Charles E. Tasker, brokerage on bonds sold,	20 00
Labor on Cheswell bridge,	20 00
One half day's time to Durham,	1 50
One day's time and expense to Ex- eter to settle county affairs,	3 00

One day's time and expenses to Portsmouth to settle County affairs,	3 00
One day's time to Concord to settle State tax in Dec., 1874,	6 00
One day's time to Exeter to settle County affairs in Feb., 1875,	3 00
Paid fares of transient paupers,	10 80
Stationery for the year,	3 00
Blank book and postage,	1 00
Services as health officer,	3 00
Services as Treasurer,	60 00
All other services as Selectman,	32 00
Paid Auditors,	4 00—\$170 80
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	\$18,895 78
Cash received of Town Treasurer,	18,895 78

Settled the foregoing account as above stated.

CHARLES E. TASKER,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
GEORGE A. BENNETT,		} <i>of</i>
JOHN BRADFORD,		

March 3, 1875.

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

BENJAMIN MATHES,  
SAMUEL A. HALEY,

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

Charles E. Tasker,

In account with the Town of Newmarket.

Dr.

Borrowed of A.	\$500 00
"      of B.	200 00
Renewed C's note,	771 00
Amount received of Benj. Mathes, treasurer, 1873,	523 75
State Bonds,	9,100 00
Savings Bank tax,	1,039 97
Railroad tax,	305 32
Literary fund	166 37
U. S. Bounty,	160 00
Balance due from Town of Durham,	20 00
Interest on State bonds to July 1, 1871,	273 00
Lots sold in cemetery,	200 00
Use of town hall,	33 00
Rent of pest house,	21 50
Interest on \$5000.00 State bonds sold,	115 83
Premium on 5,000.00,	62 50
Old wheels sold,	5 00
Two cows sold from farm,	65 00
Interest on bonds, Jan. 1, 1875,	78 00
Rent of town Farm,	325 00
Rate list committed to collector,	15,500 10
In hands of collector, March 1, 1874,	346 72
School house tax, District No. 1, committed to collector,	2,611 29
Balance due from Robert Smart, with interest,	106 00
Error in bill of John W. Smart,	20 00
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	\$32,610 75

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Paid sundry orders of selectmen,	\$18,895 78
State tax,	2,740 00
County tax,	3,026 57
State Bonds in hands of treasurer,	2,600 00
School house tax to S. A. Haley, treasurer of building committee,	2,500 00
Balance due from Charles Shute,	183 00
Amount in hands of collector, March 1, 1875,	491 16
Amount in hands of treasurer, March 1, 1875.	2,174 24
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	\$32,610 75

March 3, 1875,

Settled the foregoing accounts as above stated.

CHARLES E. TASKER, *Treasurer.*  
 GEORGE A. BENNETT, }  
 JOHN BRADFORD, } *Selectmen.*

March 3, 1875.

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

BENJAMIN MATHES,  
 SAMUEL A. HALEY.

Outstanding notes against the town, March 1, 1874,	\$37,419 56
Outstanding notes against the town, March 1, 1875,	29,566 83
Archa, Cash in hands of treasurer,	2,174 24
Bonds,	2,600 00
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	4,774 24
Actual indebtedness,	\$21,792 59

It appears by the foregoing account that our expenditures have considerably increased by building Durham

Bridge at the expense of	\$1200 00
and repairing Cheswell's Bridge at an expense of	500 00
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	1700 00

#### TOWN FARM.

The Farm has been leased to Charles Shute the last year for	\$325 00
For which we credit him:—	
Board of Emeline Knowlton,	\$100 00
Keeping Tramps,	37 50
Making Clothes for Emeline Knowlton	2 50
Board of Thompson Girl,	2 00
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	142 00

Balance due Town, \$183 00

CHARLES E. TASKER, *Treasurer.*

# SCHOOL REPORT

TO THE CITIZENS OF NEWARK.

The following report of the condition of the public school for the year ending March 1, 1871, is respectfully submitted by the committee:

## DISTRICT No. 1.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.—Charles F. Day, Napoleon B. Trendwell, Jonathan F. Garland.

### PRIMARY SCHOOL.

*Teacher*, Martha S. Towle.—*Assistant*, Helen A. Tucker.

1st Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; wages of teacher, \$36 per month; wages of assistant, \$30; whole number of scholars, 109; average attendance, 34.

2d Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 101; average attendance, 81.

3d Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 91; average attendance, 75.

### INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

*Teacher*, Sarah E. Leavitt, wages of teacher, \$36 per month.

1st Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 56; average attendance, 53.

2d Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 53; average attendance, 46.

3d Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 51; average attendance, 45.



## GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

- Teacher*, Mary S. Bennett, wages of teacher, \$40 per month.  
 1st Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 51; average attendance, 47.  
 2d Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 53; average attendance, 46.  
 3d Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 45; average attendance, 36.

## DURHAM SIDE SCHOOL.

- 1st Term.—PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.—David A. Stevens.  
*Teacher*, Anna M. Stevens; wages of teacher, \$36 per month; length of school, 9 weeks; whole number of scholars, 46; average attendance, 41.  
 2d Term.—PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.—Charles F. Davis, Napoleon B. Treadwell, Jonathan F. Garland.  
*Teacher*, Anna M. Stevens; wages of teacher, \$36 per month; length of school, 10 weeks; whole number of scholars, 46; average attendance, 36.  
 3d Term.—*Teacher*, Emma Varney; wages of teacher, \$36 per month; length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 34; average attendance, 27.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

- 1st Term.—*Teacher*, George A. McLaughlin; Ednah A. Hobbs, *Assistant*; wages of teacher, \$72 per month; wages of assistant, \$20 per month; length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 56; average attendance, 35.  
 2d Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 46; average attendance, 36.  
 3d Term.—Length of school, 11 weeks; whole number of scholars, 51; average attendance, 39.

## DISTRICT No. 2.

## PINE HILLS.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.—Charles Winkley.

- 1st Term.—*Teacher*, Mary J. Folsom; wages of teacher, \$37 per month; length of school, 9 weeks; whole number of scholars, 15; average attendance, 13.  
 2d Term.—Length of school, 7 weeks; whole number of scholars, 14; average attendance, 12.

## DISTRICT No. 3.

## FOUR CORNERS.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.—John A. Pickering.

- 1st Term.—*Teacher*, Rhoda J. Davis; wages of teacher, \$28 per month; length of school, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars, 12; average attendance, 11.  
 2d Term.—*Teacher*, Mrs. Cornelia E. Haines; wages of teacher, \$36 per month; length of school, 10 weeks; whole number of scholars, 25; average attendance, 23.

## DISTRICT No. 4.

## GRANT.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.—Walter J. Thurston.

- Teacher*, Zella A. Stevens; wages of teacher, \$29 per month; length of school, 15 weeks; whole number of scholars, 18; average attendance, 10.

## DISTRICT No. 5.

## PLAINS.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.—Levi McDaniels.

- 1st Term.—*Teacher*, Mary A. Watson; wages of teacher, \$28 per month; length of school, 10 weeks; whole number of scholars, 13; average attendance, 10.

1st Term. *Teacher*, Mary J. Polson; wages of teacher, \$30 per month; length of school, 7 weeks; whole number of scholars, 17; average attendance, 13.

### DISTRICT No. 6.

#### BAY SIDE.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.—Richard K. Edgerly.

1st Term.—*Teacher*.—F. Edna Trickey; wages of teacher, \$24 per month; length of school, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars, 12; average attendance, 10.

2d Term.—*Teacher*, May E. Odion; wages of teacher, \$26 per month; length of school, 8 weeks; whole number of scholars 13; average attendance, 11.

Owing to the neglect of the Rev. D. W. C. Durgin to make return of any minutes relative to the condition of the schools while under his charge, we are unable to report the progress of the schools for the first half of the year.

Having reluctantly consented at the urgent request of the "Authorities" to take the oath of office, we resolved to check if possible, the rampant spirit of insubordination which threatened to annihilate some of our schools, and to secure a wholesome respect for those in authority in the schoolroom, by a firm and impartial administration of justice, regardless of consequences. How far our efforts were successful, we leave it for those best acquainted with the discipline of the schools at the commencement and close of the year to decide. Order was the watchword, and suspension, or expulsion as the case might require, was the penalty for disobedience.

We regret exceedingly to state that in several instances we were compelled to act in an official capacity—but in the

infliction of the penalty our aim was not alone the punishment of the offender, but the correction of the great majority to the greatest number of the pupils, and that the parents be it said that in the majority of the cases requiring our interference, we received their hearty and hearty co-operation.

We are keenly alive to the fact that some of our schools are deficient in many of the elements which constitute a good school, and some would have no doubt that some of these are wholly responsible for the condition of the schools.

While we admit that very much depends upon the quality of the teacher, we are very firm in the opinion that a far more fertile source of mischief can be found in a want of public sentiment in relation to school discipline, such as a failure to train up a child in the way he should go, and that our honest conviction from personal observation that in many of the cases of insubordination occurring in the school room, the parents need to be disciplined far more than the children, and if we had a child which we desired to become expert in all villainies, we would see a first lesson in courage and sustain him in his opposition to wholesome school discipline. Never discuss school grievances, or express opinion derogatory to a teacher, in the presence of your children, unless you wish in after years to reap the fruits of your sowing. Precisely what course is best to pursue in order to maintain a proper discipline in the school-room, is a mooted question with us. Some there are, who suggest moral suasion; while others more belligerent, strongly advocate corporal punishment, while yet another party is very much in favor of expulsion.

Doubtless there are instances where moral suasion is practicable, and even advisable; other instances where suspension or expulsion becomes inevitable, but frequently during the past year we have felt that a vigorous application of a little *vim a tergo*, could not fail to have a most salutary effect.

Notwithstanding all the unfavorable circumstances connected with our schools in district No. 1, during the last half year, we believe that the progress compares very favorably with the progress of the schools for the same length of time during former years, and we sincerely trust that the time is not far distant when public sentiment in this community will be elevated to a higher standard in all matters pertaining to the education of the youth.

The erection of a new school building in this district will supply a deficiency very long felt in the way of accommodations, but, fellow citizens, let us not be deluded by the idea that because we have a new school building, our schools will necessarily attain to a higher grade. Without a well organized system of school government, rigidly enforced, and sustained by a healthy public sentiment, we shall miserably fail to secure the advantages we so earnestly desire.

Competent, experienced teachers who make teaching a profession, and not a stepping-stone to something beyond, can be obtained when sufficient remuneration is offered, and we would suggest that after the new building shall have been dedicated, and the schools graded, the services of a competent male teacher be secured who shall be required to have a general oversight of all the schools in the village, and toward whom all the other teachers shall rank as subordinates; and we would further suggest that a committee be appointed at our annual meeting of the district to act in concert with the school committee, for the purpose of grading our schools preparatory to entering the new building.

We strongly urge upon District Nos. 3 and 4, the expediency of uniting, for the purpose of erecting a modern school building in a central locality, thereby securing to themselves the benefits of increased school privileges.

One point more demands a passing notice: I refer to the

ruinous influence of politics upon the management of our schools.

Let us emerge from the narrow party spirit which has had having diverted our eyes from all the obligations which the public party tie are to wear to their common good. Let the common sense come up higher, and then let us unite in the effort to put our children to permanent benefit by the best means available.

Retiring from public life, we are permitted to say we most heartily thank the members of the school board and the Committee, and the teachers, for the faithful and untiring labors which they have manifested in their efforts to discharge the duties incumbent upon us, and that in all things done, and imperfectly we have discharged these duties, in the spirit of ourself the charity of an imbecile, and that we are sure we have done what we could.

Wm. F. Durrell

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Let us emerge from the miserable political cesspool, and having divested ourselves of all the blighting influences which party ties are so wont to throw around us, let us like men, come up higher, and show by our deeds that the education of our children is paramount to every other consideration.

Retiring from official life, and connected with schools, we most heartily thank the members of the several Prudential Committees, and the teachers, for the cordiality and courtesy which they have manifested towards us in the discharge of the duties incumbent upon us, and fully realizing how very imperfectly we have discharged those duties, we bespeak for ourself the charity of an indulgent public, inasmuch as we have done what we could.

J. LOW ELKINS,  
*School Committee.*

ERRATA.—On page 8, in the place of \$127.10, read \$117.10.

Also on same page the following charges were omitted:

Paid George A. Bennett, timber, and labor at	
Cheswell's Bridge,	\$91 00
Wm. F. Durrell, labor at Cheswell's Bridge,	\$20 00