



DISTRICT No. 3 MOUNTAIN SCHOOL (Red Schoolhouse)

The origins of the earliest school districts is impossible to ascertain. The town records do not give any dates for the establishment of school districts. By 1793 things were in disarray. Some school houses needed repairs, some still needed to be built, but the town refused money to do so. The only thing known for sure that in 1793 there were multiple school districts, but not well established. A petition to move the school in the Western District mentions schools in the Eastern and Southern Districts, but just where they were remains unknown. A committee was formed in 1804, and the report of a committee in 1808 voted 'that the several school districts be divided by the selectmen in the same manner as they are now considered to stand.' That would be six districts, of which one was the Mountain District. Dolbeer in his town history describes the bounds of District No. 3 as *composed of what is now Districts Nos. 3 and 9 (New Rye and the Mountain), and extended to the corner at Short Falls.*

The first mention of the Mountain District School is in the 1823 diary of James Babb when he assisted Miss Hall's school over the mountain, which at the time had 40 scholars. As a member of the school committee in 1825, he again visited the school in the Mountain District, Miss Betsey Hall, instructress. He comments she appeared backward and had 38 scholars. Reverend Jonathan Curtis in his Epsom History of 1824 tells there were 7 school districts in Epsom.

The selectmen's accounts names one other teacher during this time period for 1826 & 1827 – Almira Hall.

In 1833 the Mountain Road school burned, and was rebuilt, and the New Rye District was formed as District No. 9. The Mountain District school was rebuilt, though it is not clear whether it was on the original site. The rebuilt school in 1833 makes it the longest standing and oldest school house in Epsom.

1834, December 8 Merrimack County Deeds 39-340

Benjamin Wiggin of Epsom, yeoman to School District No. 3,

A tract of land in Epsom being taken off the southwesterly corner of the land whereon I now live whereon the schoolhouse in said District No. 3 now stands as the stone wall now stands for the privilege of a school house lot.

The population growth was larger near the newly formed New Rye school, and the number of scholars at the Mountain Road school stayed relatively small. In 1860, Sarah L. Moses taught the school the summer term with 8 students. Jennie R. Harvey taught the winter school with 16 students. Both teachers had good reviews, as seen from the 1860 school report:

Sarah L. Moses, Teacher. This was her first attempt at teaching. Experience is one of the essential requisites to success, but, without this, Miss Moses flourished. The reputation of No. 3 is good, and I wish I could say this of all our schools. Miss Moses will do well to go on.

Jennie R. Harvey, Teacher. Miss Harvey bears with her the prestige of success, having a winning way, a faculty of communicating her thoughts to her pupils, a voice that arouses the dead and sleepy mind. This was a profitable term.

Both teachers were still at the Mountain School for 1863, with 12 and 13 students respectively, prompting the following report:

The summer term appeared well at both visits though we could hardly expect that amount of interest that we should in a school containing a large number of pupils. There were but two more than eight years of age.

We do not expect to see much close study in a school like this and it is the teachers duty to instruct orally and not expect small children to think unless they are first set to thinking. This duty Miss Moses faithfully and interestingly performed.

Miss Harvey's an experienced and accomplished teacher. The winter term closed sooner than we were informed if would, on account of illness of the teacher and as a consequence we were not present at the close. But we conclude that as the teacher knew her duty as such and evidently had the ability and disposition to perform it, its course must have been upward and onward as usual.

Additional information on the school do not appear until the printed town reports beginning in 1879, along with the yearly attendance Roll of Honor listing of students. Some notes in the annual reports provide additional insight to the operation of the school.

1884- Miss Stewart is a graduate of Wellesley College, is an excellent scholar, and her instruction was clear, concise, and correct, such as might be most easily comprehended by the pupils, and yet express all that was intended. And had it not been for the misconduct of two or three boys, this school would have

been a first-class one in every particular. It is hoped that they have seen the folly of such a course, and that they will not again stand in the way of a favorable report.

1886 - Myrta E. Cass of Manchester

Miss Cass entertained an idea that she would like to teach a country school. Having had no experience, she found the work somewhat different from what she had anticipated, and labored hard to accomplish a little. Most of the scholars made commendable improvement. We venture to say that Miss C's enthusiasm for teaching was short-lived.

1890 - The Mountain school house, if it is to be used for school purposes, should undergo thorough repairs.

1892 - We regret to report that on account of sickness, three of the winter terms had to be closed. At the Mountain, the whooping cough raged so badly, that only two pupils were able to attend, and the school closed, after keeping only four weeks.

As with the other one room schools, the building required regular maintenance. In 1898 it was shingled and had some new windows installed, and about 1902 a new chimney was built along with closets for books and supplies. A couple years later it was painted inside and out and partly clapboarded. The paint was donated by J.G. Bartlett, a former town resident. By the spring of 1912, the amount of students was so small that the school was closed and the pupils moved to other schools, most attending the schoolhouse at New Rye.

Though the school had a small population, it is the only one room school to have established a club of alumni. The Mountain School Club bought the building about 1921 for 15.00 dollars. The school got one last hurrah in 1926, having been put in condition for one more year of service to the school district. It was later owned by Ralph Cass, and remains untouched and in private hands to this day.

DISTRICT No. 3 MOUNTAIN SCHOOL (Red Schoolhouse)

Established prior to 1808 when six districts formed.

Burned January 1833 and rebuilt 1834.

Sold in 1920/21 to Mountain School Club who held many reunions.

Used 1926-1927 school year then closed.

Vacant. Still standing.

Diary of James Babb

1823, June 25 James Babb assisted Miss Halls school over the mountain. 40 Scholars, 22 female, 18 male. Appeared very well. School had been keeping 5 weeks.

Mr. Curtis. and Mr. Merrill attended with me.

1823, Sept. 11 At Miss Halls school mountain district in P.M. with Mr. Curtis and General McClary. Much pleasure with the appearance of the school.

SCHOOL REPORT from JAMES BABB DIARY 1825 May 27

Visited the school in the Mountain District.

38 Scholars
14 in English Reader
16 unclasped Scholars
8 Spelling Book
Miss Betsy Hall, Instructress, Appeared Backward

1826 Selectmen Accounts in the town on Schools

1826 District No. 3 \$100.08

Pail Almira Hall as per Acct. 15.00
Paid John S. Haynes for wood 2.00
Paid Richard Libbey amount school tax 1.09
Paid James Dow amount school tax 1.65
Paid Hanover Dickey Esq. for wood 3.12
Paid Hanover Dickey for wood 1.00
Paid Eliphalet Wiggin for wood 5.72
Paid Isaac S. Green for Board 12.00
Paid Benjamin O. Bartlett amount tax 2.34
Paid David Dickey as per Acct. 56.16

1827 Selectmen in the town of Epsom report on schools - \$522.77

1827 School District No. 3. \$97.35

Paid Benjamin O. Bartlett & John Smith & Isaac S Green school tax 4.01
Paid Miss Almira Hall for keeping school 15.00
Paid John S. Haynes & James Wiggin Jr. for boarding Miss Hall 12.00
Paid Levi Cass for wood 5.62
Paid James Brown for wood 2.00
Paid Eliphalet Wiggin for wood 1.75
Paid Hanover Dickey for his sons keeping school 56.00
Paid James Dow's school tax 1.59
Paid Richard Libbey school tax 1.02

1828 Selectmen in the town of Epsom \$409.28

1828 District No. 3 \$97.59

February 13. Paid Bickford Lang for expenditures in said district 91.47
Paid B.O. Bartlett the amount of his school tax 2.26
Paid I. S. Green & Richard Libbey, Mary Bartlett & James Dow amount
Of school tax, 3.62

1829 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

1829 District No. 3 \$93.31

Dec. 13, 1829 paid Nicholas Dolbeer in full said districts proportion of school money, 93.31
Paid Richard Libbey his proportion of school money 1.14 also of Noah Langley, .68

1830 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

The whole to assessment \$410.27, Interest, 81.56, total \$491.83

1930 District No. 3, \$92.91

Paid James Wiggin in full said districts proportion of school money, 92.91

1831 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

The whole to assessment \$492.05

District No. 3, paid James Wiggin the proportion of district No. 3, 90.38

1832 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

The whole to assessment \$494.36

District No. 3, March 7, paid John Lane 88.02

1833 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

The whole to assessment \$457.61 (Red Schoolhouse burns)

District No. 3, paid Isaac Eastman, 58.23

Paid Benjamin O. Bartlett School tax, 2.11

Balance paid into new District No. 9

1834 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

The whole to assessment \$474.629

District No. 3, paid James Wiggin, 39.15

1836 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Greenleaf Bracket, District No. 3, 42.29

1837 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Hanover Dickey, District No. 3, 42.36

1838 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Isaac Dowst, District No. 3, 36.54

1839 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Benjamin O. Bartlett, District No. 3, 40.63

1840 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid John Bartlett, District No. 3, 34.74

1841 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid William Robinson, District No. 3, 37.89

1842 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Levi Cass, District No. 3, 37.19

1843 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid E. Wiggin, District No. 3, 38.21

1844 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid David Dickey, District, No. 3, 38.00

1845 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid Michael M. Libbey, District No. 3, 36.90

1846 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
District No. 3, 37.78

A pre-printed chart was filled out by the superintending school committee of Epsom for 1846, and listed the following:

District No. 3, David Smith, teacher, first term 27 students. No second term.

1847 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

William Ham, school committee
B. L. Locke
Henry F. Sanborn
District No. 3, 32.60

1848 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
District No. 3, 32.34

1850 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
William Ham, Superintending School Committee
Nathan Griffin
Paid John R. Dow, District No. 3, 43.30

1851 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
William Ham, Superintending School Committee
Nathan Griffin 2nd
H.F. Sanborn
District No. 3, 45.11

1852 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Henry F. Sanborn, Superintending School Committee
Paid Horace Robinson, District No. 3, 49.82

1853 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid James Wiggin, District No. 3, 40.23

1854 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid John R. Dow, District No. 3, 53.12

1855 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Benjamin Towle, School Committee

Paid John L. Bracket, District No. 3, 57.88

1856 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid William Tarlton, District No. 3, 61.50

1857 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

B.L. Locke, Superintending school committee

Paid Frank Robinson, District No. 3, 56.90

1858 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

George W. Gardner, School Commissioner

William Ham, Superintending School Committee

Paid Gardner W. Piper, District No. 3, 53.82

1859 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

B.G. Howe, Superintending School Committee

Paid James L. Bartlett, District No. 3, 53.15

1860 – Annual School Report Year ending Feb. 25, 1861 [NH Historical Society]

District No. 3 – John K. Dow, Prudential Committee

Amount of school money assigned to district, \$71.06

Number of scholars, summer and winter:

First term, 8

Second term, 16

Length of school in weeks:

First term, 8

Second term, 11

Wage per month, including board:

First term, \$10

Second term, \$13

Summer Term. Sarah L. Moses, Teacher. This was her first attempt at teaching. Experience is one of the essential requisites to success, but, without this, Miss Moses flourished. The reputation of No. 3 is good, and I wish I could say this of all our schools. Miss Moses will do well to go on.

Winter Term. Jennie R. Harvey, Teacher. Miss Harvey bears with her the prestige of success, having a winning way, a faculty of communicating her thoughts to her pupils, a voice that arouses the dead and sleepy mind. This was a profitable term.

1863 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Gardner W. Piper, District No. 3, 50.00

1863

Annual report of the superintending school committee of the town of Epsom, New Hampshire, 1864 from the NH Historical Society, 379.778b E641 [manuscript]
District No. 3 – G.W. Piper, Prudential Committee

Teachers summer term Miss Sarah L. Moses, winter term Jennie R. Harvey
Whole number of scholars, summer 12, winter 13
Average attendance, summer 9, winter, 15 (?)
Length of school, summer 8 weeks, winter 6 2/3 weeks

The summer term appeared well at both visits though we could hardly expect that amount of interest that we should in a school containing a large number of pupils. There were but two more than eight years of age.

We do not expect to see much close study in a school like this and it is the teachers duty to instruct orally and not expect small children to think unless they are first set to thinking. This duty Miss Moses faithfully and interestingly performed.

Miss Harvey's' an experienced and accomplished teacher. The winter term closed sooner than we were informed if would, on account of illness of the teacher and as a consequence we were not present at the close. But we conclude that as the teacher knew her duty as such and evidently had the ability and disposition to perform it, its course must have been upward and onward as usual.

1864 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Horace Robinson, District No. 3, 50.49

1866 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid James O. Fiske, District No. 3, 44.73

1867 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Thomas B. Robinson, District No. 3, 12.00

The State of New Hampshire – In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 955 of the Pamphlet Laws, approved July 12, 1850, the Superintending School Committees of the Town of Epsom submit the following Report of the condition &c of the Schools in said Town the past year. 1867 submitted by D. Gilman Chelsey.

School District No. 3, 4 boys, 10 girls

Annual Town Report 1870

Paid William A. Sevey for School District No. 3, 54.69

Annual Town Report 1879

Paid J. C. Smith for School District No. 3, 51.75

1879 DISTRICT No. 3.

J. Calvin Smith, Prudential Committee.

Summer Term.—Miss Abbie J. Davis, teacher. Wages per month, not including board, \$10.00; length of school, 8 weeks; number of scholars, 13.

The pupils were respectful and kind in their deportment, and won the love of their teacher, who was faithful to her trust. Of course, such a school prospered well.

Fall term.—Miss Susie J. Goodhue, teacher. Wages per month, \$10.00; length of school, 4 weeks; number of scholars, Miss Goodhue had taught three terms in this district before this, and this fact of itself is sufficient evidence that she was appreciated as a teacher by the district. The teacher combined energy with thoroughness, and the school under her management advanced well in studies. A class in analysis and parsing deserves special mention.

DISTRICT No. 3 Honor Roll.

First Term—Sadie A. Bartlett, Sadie L. Dow, Nettie M. Bartlett.

Second Term—Lizzie E. Bartlett.

1880 DISTRICT No. 3.—MOUNTAIN.

Length of school in weeks : summer, 8 ; winter, n. Number of scholars: summer, 23; winter, 23. Whole number in district, 29.

Average attendance : summer, 18 ; winter, 22 1-6. Wages: summer. \$14 ; winter, \$17.60.

Summer Term—Miss Nellie M. Marden, teacher. This is Miss Marden's debut as a teacher. Her order was excellent and every work was done with clock-like precision. Some of her classes made commendable progress, others did too much work to be thoroughly understood. But few teachers do better than this one in their first school.

Winter Term.—Mrs. Ella F. Tarlton, teacher. This school was fortunate to secure the services of a Massachusetts Normal School graduate. She did an immense amount of work by writing so many examples and exercises upon the black-board, for written arithmetic and other classes. In arithmetic, by this course, a new impulse was given as they were taught to rely upon themselves and form their own rules. Geography was taught by wall maps and questions written upon slips of paper. Composition and written spelling were neatly executed. One class in reading, the best in town. No doubt this was one of the most profitable schools ever taught in this district.

1881 DISTRICT No. 3.—MOUNTAIN.

Summer term, 8 weeks; scholars, 17; wages per month, \$14.20. Winter term, n weeks; scholars, 21; wages per month, \$18.80.

Summer Term.—Miss Luella J. Cilley, teacher. She was an unusually faithful and conscientious teacher, needing only more experience and a broader culture to become one of our best educators. Few of our teachers are trying harder to fit themselves for thorough and thoughtful teaching, or are making such progress in this direction ; her willing co-operation with us aided in her success. A class in mental arithmetic made excellent improvement. Geography, reading, and written arithmetic classes, did earnest work and made good improvement. Grammar fair progress. In this school only, singing was made a study, and added much to the interest of the school.

Winter Term.—Miss Ella F. Chesley, teacher. We expected greater results than were obtained from this teacher, and the only reason we can give for our disappointment, was the lack of earnest effort on her part. Some progress was made in certain studies, but more in appearance than in reality. Had the teacher aroused her dormant faculties, and infused enthusiasm into her scholars, and worked cheerfully with us, we think it would have been different.

1883 DISTRICT No. 3.

Amount of school money, \$59.39. John R. Dow, prudential committee.

Miss Mabel McNeal, teacher of both terms. Wages per month, \$——— ; length of school, 7 weeks each term; number of scholars, 11 each term; average attendance, summer, 10; winter, 8.

There are some very good scholars in this school, and at the closing examinations they gave evidence of having given good attention to their studies. The explanation of cube-root with blocks, by Miss Nettie M. Bartlett, showed that she understood well the principles of it. The class in grammar and analysis is also worthy of commendation.

DISTRICT No. 3. Roll of Honor

First Term.—Sadie L. Dow, Nellie B. Dow, Nettie M. Bartlett.

Second Term.—Walter H. Tripp.

1884 DISTRICT No. 3.

Amount of school money, \$90.92. John L. Brackett, prudential committee.

Summer term. Miss Charlotte E. Stewart, of Concord, teacher. Wages per month, \$18 ; length of school, 8 weeks; number of scholars, 15 ; average attendance, 13.

Miss Stewart is a graduate of Wellesley College, is an excellent scholar, and her instruction was clear, concise, and correct, such as might be most easily comprehended by the pupils, and yet express all that was intended. And had it not been for the misconduct of two or three boys, this school would have been a first-class one in every particular. It is hoped that they have seen the folly of such a course, and that they will not again stand in the way of a favorable report.

Miss Alice B. Sherburne, of Northwood, taught the winter term.

Wages per month, \$19; length of school, 10 weeks; number of scholars, 19 ; average attendance, 14.95.

I found this school to be a very quiet, orderly and industrious one at both visits. But nearly one half of the scholars were very inconstant in attendance at school, and consequently did not make such progress in their studies as I could wish. The school register for this term was imperfect.

District No. 3. Roll of Honor

First Term.—Nettie M. Bartlett, Alice A. Gate.

Second Term- Walter H. Tripp, John L. Libbey, Etta I. Libbey, Alice A. Cate.

1885 DISTRICT No. 3.

Calvin Dowst, Prudential Committee.

Summer Term.—Whole number of scholars attending school, 9; average attendance, 8 ; length of school, 7 weeks ; wages of teacher, \$ 17.50 per month.

Miss Stella R. Merrill taught this school. She preserved good order and labored hard for the good of her school. The examination was interesting and gave evidence of good work.

Winter Term.—Whole number of scholars attending school, 13 ; average attendance, 12; length of school, 10 weeks; wages of teacher, \$119 per month.

This term opened well, with Miss Clara E. Dearborn, of Deerfield, teacher. Teacher and scholars were working in harmony at my first visit, and the prospect was a term of profit. Miss Dearborn being taken suddenly ill, the school closed without examination. If we are to judge from reports of both parents and scholars, the anticipations raised at the first of the term were fully realized.

DISTRICT No. 3. Roll of Honor

Second Term.—Nellie B. Dow.

1886 DISTRICT NO. 3.—MOUNTAIN.

Teacher, summer term, Miss Myrtta E. Cass of Manchester.—

Miss Cass entertained an idea that she would like to teach a country school. Having had no experience, she found the work somewhat different from what she had anticipated, and labored hard to accomplish a little. Most of the scholars made commendable improvement. We venture to say that Miss C's enthusiasm for teaching was short-lived.

The teacher of the second term was Miss Clara E. Dearborn of Deerfield, whose services were acceptable to the district and profitable to the school. Love and good-will seemed to exist between teacher and scholars. Progress and order, satisfactory. The teacher's board was generously contributed by the prudential committee to lengthen the winter school.

DISTRICT NO. 3. Perfect Attendance

First Term.—Jennie Robinson, Ida C. Hartford, Morris Hartford, Bertie Nute, Walter Tripp.

Second Term.—Walter H. Tripp, John L. Libbey

1887 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE MOUNTAIN.

First Term—Morris L. Hartford, Ida C. Hartford.

Second Term—Ida C. Hartford. Morris L. Hartford, Corridan Hartford, George H. Holland, Kidder H. Libbey.

1888 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE. MOUNTAIN.

First Term Morris L. Hartford, Walter H. Tripp, Ida C. Hartford, Bertie H. Nute.

Second Term. David G. Church, Ida C. Hartford.

Third Term. Ida C. Hartford, Morris Hartford, Walter H. Tripp.

1889 ROLL OF HONOR. MOUNTAIN.

First Term.—Walter H. Tripp.

Third Term.—John L. Libby.

1890 SCHOOL REPORT.

The Mountain school house, if it is to be used for school purposes, should undergo thorough repairs.

JAMES H. TRIPP.

ANNIE M. WELLS,

CYRUS O. BROWN

1890 ROLL OF HONOR. Mountain.

Waldo M. Hartford, Ernest A. Hartford.

1892 SCHOOL REPORT

We regret to report that on account of sickness, three of the winter terms had to be closed. At the Mountain, the whooping cough raged so badly, that only two pupils were able to attend, and the school closed, after keeping only four weeks. The North Road closed two weeks, and Short Falls one week, before the others in town.

CYRUS O. BROWN,

JAMES H. TRIPP,.

MRS. CLARA. C. WOODMAN

1892 ROLL OF HONOR. MOUNTAIN.

Clarence M. Libby 2, Winfred Pickard, Kidder Libbey.

1893 REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EPSOM

For the Year Ending March 1, 1893.

For various reasons, chief among which were deep snows, bad traveling, and sickness, several of our winter terms were closed sooner than they otherwise would have been; and the coming year the Centre school will be entitled to have 4.6 weeks added to the school; the New Orchard, 2 weeks; the Mountain, 3 weeks; the North Road, 11 weeks; and the New Rye, 4 weeks.

JAMES H. TRIPP,
CLARA C. WOODMAN,
DANIEL G. CHESLEY

1893 ROLL OF HONOR. MOUNTAIN.

Winifred J. Pickard.

1894 ROLL OF HONOR. MOUNTAIN.

Winifred J. Pickard, 2 Ralph L. Cass.

1896 ROLL OF HONOR.

MOUNTAIN.

Winifred J. Pickard, 3 Annie Montmienz, 3 Sadie L. Hartford, Alida J. Cass, Peter Montmienz, 3 Clarence M. Libbey, Albert Hartford, Sadie E. Mack.

1897 ROLL OF HONOR.

MOUNTAIN.

Ralph J. Cass.

1898 SCHOOL REPORT

The Mountain school house must be shingled at once and other improvements could be made there that would be beneficial, and some of the others could be greatly improved with paint and other repairs inside.

1899 ROLL OF HONOR

MOUNTAIN

Alida J. Cass

TEACHERS

1898

MOUNTAIN: Mary J. Prescott

1899 SCHOOL REPORT

The Mountain school house has been shingled the past year and some new windows put in. Very few other repairs have been made. There has been no painting done, but a good coat of paint would improve the inside of some of the school rooms very much, especially the North Road and Centre.

The blackboards all need painting, or what would be much better, replaced by slate, then they would never need paint. Repairs are continually needed, in fact waste and repair is the life of our bodies. Is it not so with other things? If there was no waste we would have nothing to do for exercise to keep our bodies in a healthy condition.

TEACHERS

1899

MOUNTAIN: Hattie B. Merrill, Irvin C. Foss

1900 PERFECT ATTENDANCE

MOUNTAIN.

Alida J. Cass, George Hartford, Abbie Hartford, Ernestine Montmeiny

TEACHERS

1901

MOUNTAIN: Thomas S. Brown, Charles A. Brown

1902 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

MOUNTAIN.

Alida J. Cass, Louisa Montminy, Oliver Montmeiny, Gerald C. Pickard.

1903 REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EPSOM.

A new chimney was built at the Mountain and closets for books and supplies placed in the Mountain and Centre houses.

M. JOSIE RAND,

CHARLES A. BROWN,

FRANK L. SEAVEY.

1903 PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

MOUNTAIN.

Gerald Pickard, Abbie Hartford, Amos Leclair,, Agnes Hartford, Esther Cofran.

1904 REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

The Mountain school house has been partly clapboarded and painted outside and painted and whitened inside.

J.G. Bartlett, a former resident of Epsom, has shown his interest in his native town by making a present of paint, to thoroughly cover the Mountain school house. We are very grateful to Mr. Bartlett. It would be a great help to Epsom schools if all her sons and daughters who have received instruction in town would show their gratitude for the education obtained here by a present to the schools.

Chas. A. Brown

Frank L. Seavey

Helen G. Yeaton

1904 PERFECT ATTENDANCE

MOUNTAIN SCHOOL:

Esther Cofran, Noah M. Cofran, George W. Hartford

TEACHERS

1904

MOUNTAIN: Hannah H. Sleeper, Frank D. Foss (sub), Etta S. Chase

TEACHERS

1906

MOUNTAIN: Ethel G. B. Dooley

1908 ROLL OF HONOR

MOUNTAIN SCHOOL.

Mary Montmieny

TEACHERS

1908

MOUNTAIN: Inis W. Ring

1909 REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Miss Watson, who was doing excellent work in the Mountain school, was obliged to resign her position on account of sickness, after teaching four weeks, and Miss Quimby was employed to finish the term.

Rosilla E. Hall

Walter H. Tripp

Charles A. Brown

1909 ROLL OF HONOR

MOUNTAIN SCHOOL: Ida Stone, Mary Montmieny

TEACHERS

1909

MOUNTAIN: Nella V. Swett, Winnie M. Watson, Edna Quimby

1911 ROLL OF HONOR

MOUNTAIN SCHOOL: Mary Montmieny, 2, Louis L3Claire, Gladys M. Pickard, Arthur Stone

TEACHERS

1911

MOUNTAIN: Bertha L. Tasker

1912 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

We have maintained six schools the past year. Last spring the Mountain school was so small that it was necessary to close it and have the pupils conveyed to other schools, nearly all attending the New Rye school.

Lizzie F. Fowler

John W. Cox

Charles A. Brown

1915 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Mountain school (children) are conveyed to New Rye.

Lizzie F. Fowler

Samuel R. Yeaton
Harold S. Bickford

1920 DEEDS

The Mountain Road School sold to the Mountain School Club for 15.00.

1927 REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

In accordance with the sentiment expressed at the last district meeting the North Road and Mountain school buildings have been put in condition suitable for maintaining schools there. We are employing seven teachers this year.

ELEANORA C. NUTTER,
INIS W. CASS,
HELEN T. RAND

TEACHERS:

1823
Miss Hall
1825
Miss Betsy Hall
1826
Almira Hall
1827
Miss Almira Hall
Unknown Dickey
1846
David Smith
1860
Sarah L. Moses
Jennie R. Harvey
1863
Sarah L. Moses
Jennie R. Harvey
1879
Abbie J. Davis
Susie J. Goodhue
1880
Nellie M. Marden
Ella F. Tarlton
1881
Luella J. Cilley
Ella F. Chesley
1883
Mabel McNeal, 2 terms
1884
Charlotte E. Stewart
Alice B. Sherburne
1885
Stella R. Merrill
Clara E. Dearborn
1886
Myrtta E. Cass
Clara E. Dearborn
1898
Mary J. Prescott

1899
Hattie B. Merrill
Irvin C. Foss
1901
Thomas S. Brown
Charles A. Brown
1904

Hannah H. Sleeper
Frank D. Foss (sub)
Etta S. Chase
1906
Ethel G. B. Dooley
1908
Inis W. Ring
1909
Nella V. Swett
Winnie M. Watosn
Edna Quimby
1911
Bertha L. Tasker