



DISTRICT No. 9 NEW RYE SCHOOL

The New Rye School was established in 1833, and was taken from part of the existing District No. 3, the Mountain District. The previously added school district was the Fowler District in 1830 which became number 8. It is known from the selectmen's records that part of the expenditures for District No. 3 were paid into the new district to cover the costs of the Mountain Road students who were displaced when that school house burned in December of 1833. This indicates that the New Rye School was in operation in 1833, and that is the same year it appears for the first time in the records. George H. Yeaton had found in records that seem to have disappeared since he viewed them, that Bickford Lang was paid four dollars for land, and the school house was constructed at a cost of \$220.00. Bickford Lang was the Prudential Committee for 1834 and the property was sold to James Wiggin, who was the committee in 1836.

The first mention of a teacher was in a report of 1846 when Hannah M. Wells taught 60 students for one term, and Jonathan C. Sanders taught a second term with 55 students. One instructor, whose name is not known, wrote in rhyme the names of the students of the New Rye School. The poem is not dated, though one student, Clara Etta Chapman, is given as age 12. With her birth year known as 1846, this would make this listing of students as about the year 1858. It reads as follows:

Some may wish to know the names of those who attend this Institute. So, in rhyme I'll try to tell the same. Though of Poets bright wit I am destitute of Andrews there is one Ella; Browns six George E., Harriet and Laura, Sarah and John C. with Charles Albert we think these enough. Though it leaves room for Ancel whose surname is Clough. Elva Cass, Wyman and Albert. Anna Chapman. A Charles, Claraett, who is twelve years old they say. And then these are Does, James Amos and Walter, with Mary Abby Fife, who we think never will falter.

Sarah Dolbeer and Alonso who we may well call the squire, next Hayne, s Mary Jane and grave Jeremiah; then Lewis Healey and Thomas A. Lear with Flora and Nancy who seldom are here, then Calvin; and Susan A. Straw and James S, next comes the Sanders, Mary Anna the less, next Woodman John P., and Mary E. Wells, while Philbricks the number to 34 swells.

School reports for two years are housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord. From these two report it is known that the summer school in 1860 was taught by Mary L. Wallace with 34 students. The winter term was taught by David O. Rand, of whom the report says *is one who does not get sleepy in the school-room, and the result is, his scholars do not get in that state. Mr. Rand is a lover of order, and his pupils made good proficiency. This is a reputable district.* The 1863 report shows 33 summer students and 41 winter terms students, both taught by Sarah E. Wells.

The school house by 1879 was some 45 years old and needed repair, and Joseph Chapman in his school report for the district politely reminded the citizens of the district that for *they have a personal knowledge of the fact that it has not a single feature worthy of preservation. We hope to see a new one erected in its stead at an early day.* This same year, again from information recorded by George H. Yeaton, the district bought land from Eben S. Dutton for twenty five dollars and erected a new school for the cost of \$669.87. The location was probably near the old school house, as Eben Dutton had purchased the old Lang farm in 1869. Cyrus O. Brown, as the superintending school committee for the town, gave it a glowing review in his report for 1880:

As one new school house has been built the past year in No. 9, may two be built the present year. New Rye district the past year, has built a model school house, and supplied it with some of the modern improvements, besides purchasing a beautiful site to locate their house upon.

According to the 1880 (for the year 1879) report for the district, Etta E. Wells, a new teacher, taught the summer term with 15 students, and the school was held in the old building. The winter term was delayed several weeks because the new school was not yet complete. The first teacher in the new facility was Charles W. Tarleton with 17 scholars. He was widely respected:

It seemed fitting that so nice and convenient a house should have for its first teacher so accomplished a scholar, of so much experience in all grades of schools. Mr. Tarlton has a method of teaching peculiar to himself, and is always clear and comprehensible in his explanations and illustrations. Nothing was seen in his school to criticize, and everything to approve. Grammar, geography, and written arithmetic, were all taught by topic. Not being confined to text-books, gave rise to many practical and synthetical questions, which few, if any, know how to ask better than he. By this method, an interest is always awakened. His answers were required to be promptly given, and if not pertinent, were corrected by some pleasant repartee or suggestion.

The situation was just the opposite the following year when Miss Nettie L. Dowst taught the summer term. The committee reported that *the responsibility of a teacher's position and the need of earnest effort did not appear to be realized by her, nor did she feel inclined to follow our suggestions. As no progress was apparent, we closed the school.* Miss Emma F. Greene taught the winter term. Reports on the school remained satisfactory through the end of printed district reports. From the ensuing school board reports, the discussion was mostly about maintenance and included an honor roll each year of students with perfect or near perfect, attendance. From these reports it is learned that the New Rye School received painting about 1894 and shingled two years later, and the inside painted by 1901 and again in 1911.

The chimney in the school house was found unsafe and replaced in 1913 with 'a new chimney with tile lining.' With the beginning of area school districts, the Superintendent of Schools presented an annual report, with the local school board submitting them as well. The school closed early in 1921 due to an epidemic of scarlet fever. The old painted wooden black boards in the school house were replaced with new 'hyloplate' ones in time for the 1924 school year. This same time period, many of the smaller schools began to close in favor of combining classes and grades in the larger school rooms. For this purpose, the New Rye School saw significant improves with new paint inside and out and repairs made on the shed. The following year the lighting was improved by relocating the windows, the teacher's platform removed to make more space, the old double sears were shorted to make single seats with additional ones acquired from the Allenstown School District.

The realignment of grades saw the New Rye School in 1935, hosting grades one through four, 22 pupils, and taught by Margery C. Yeaton, who became a staple at New Rye. The school house was wired for electricity about 1936. For the final years of its use, the school held classes for grades 5 through 8, and closed June 1942.

A warrant article for the school district in 1955 asked the voters to sell the school house at New Rye for one dollar, to the New Rye Congregational Church. The church received the building and used it for Sunday School use, and later for use by the local Boy Scout troop. The building burned in 1998 and was rebuilt nearly identical to the way it looked prior to the fire. It remains home to Epsom Scout Troop 80.

DISTRICT No. 9 NEW RYE SCHOOL

Established 1833 on land bought of Bickford Lang.

Rebuilt 1879, paying Eben Dutton for land.

Closed 1942.

Sold to New Rye Congregational Church. Used by local Scout Troop.

Burned 1998. Rebuilt.

1832-1833

Paid Bickford Lang \$4.00 for land and a building constructed at a cost of \$220.00 (Geo. H. Yeaton)

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

The whole to assessment \$457.61

District No. 9, 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. 9, paid Bickford Lang. 45.51

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

Paid James Wiggin Jr., District No. 9, 45.27

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

Paid Samuel Wells Jr., District No. 9, 50.55

1838 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid Amos Prescott, District No. 9, 45.60

1839 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid Amos Davis, District No. 9, 50.81

1840 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid Alek (Eleck) Brown, District No. 9, 48.94

1841 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid Samuel L. Lear, District No. 9, 46.68

1842 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid Jonathan Brown, District No. 9, 42.23

1843 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid (Langson) Lear, District No. 9, 49.25

1844 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid Daniel Clough, District No. 9, 47.05

1845 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Paid Franklin Goss, District No. 9, 47.72

1846 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
District No. 9, 45.10
Henry F. Sanborn, School Committee
B. L. Locke, School Committee

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

District No. 9, Hannah M. Wells, teacher, 60 students. Jonathan C. Sanders, second term, 55 students.

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. 9, 45.51

1848 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town
Henry F. Sanborn
B. L. Locke
William Ham, school committee

District No. 9, 50.80

1850 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

William Ham, Superintending School Committee

Nathan Griffin

Paid Joseph Chapman, District No. 9, 62.54

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. 9, 62.48

1852 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Henry F. Sanborn, Superintending School Committee

Paid Henry Knox, District No. 9, 75.05

1853 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid Charles C. Doe, District No. 9, 56.46

1854 Selectmen in the town of Epsom to the several School Districts in said Town

Paid John H. Fife, District No. 9, 75.31

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

Benjamin Towle, School Committee

Paid Hanover O. Wells, District No. 9, 80.63

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

Paid Henry D. Haynes, District No. 9, 83.68

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

B.L. Locke, Superintending school committee

Paid William Lane, District No. 9, 82.22

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 Edwin T. Philbrick, District No. 9, 77.68

1858 - Names of the Scholars of our School NEED TEACHER NAME

Some may wish to know the names of those who attend this Institute. So, in rhyme I'll try to tell
the same. Though of Poets bright wit I am destitute of Andrews there is one Ella; Browns six
George E., Harriet and Laura, Sarah and John C. with Charles Albert we think these enough.
Though it leaves room for Ancel whose surname is Clough. Elva Cass, Wyman and Albert. Anna

Chapman. A Charles, Claraett, who is twelve years old they say. And then these are Does, James Amos and Walter, with Mary Abby Fife, who we think never will falter. Sarah Dolbeer and Alonso who we may well call the squire, next Haynes Mary Jane and grave Jeremiah; then Lewis Healey and Thomas A. Lear with Flora and Nancy who seldom are here, then Calvin; and Susan A. Straw and James S, next comes the Sanders, Mary Anna the less, next Woodman John P., and Mary E. Wells, while Philbricks the number to 34 swells.

[If Clara Etta Chapman, born 1846 is age 12, that would put this school class about the year 1858. The families are New Rye, so that is most likely the New Rye School District No. 9]

Based on the above, the students are the following.

Ella Andrews, George E. Brown, Harriet Brown, Laura Brown, Sarah Brown, John Calvin Brown, Charles Albert Brown, Ansel Clough, Elva Azilla Cass, William Wyman Cass, Albert S. Cass, Annie M. Chapman, Clara Etta Chapman, Charles Chapman, James Doe, Amos Doe, Walter Doe, Mary Abby Fife, Sarah Dolbeer, Alonzo Dolbeer, Mary, Jane Haynes, Jeremiah Haynes, Lewis Healey, Thomas Alvin Lear, Flora Ann Lear, Nancy Davis Lear, Josiah Calvin Lear, Susan A. Straw, James S. Straw, Mary Ann Sanders, John P. Woodman, Mary E. Wells and Philbricks, Julia Irene and Annie B. Philbrick making 34.

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

B.G. Howe, Superintending School Committee

Paid Samuel S. Cass, District No. 9, 77.00

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

District No. 9 – Simeon L. Sanders, Prudential Committee

Amount of school money assigned to district, \$77.33

Number of scholars, summer and winter:

First term, 34

Second term, 35

Length of school in weeks:

First term, 8

Second term, 8

Wage per month, including board:

First term, \$12

Second term, \$23.48

Summer Term. Mary L. Wallace, Teacher. Miss Wallace has an ambition, a *true* grit, which few female teachers, have. This ranks among our finest schools. She ought to make teaching a business; for she bears with her the palm of success.

Winter Term. David O. Rand, Teacher. This teacher is one who does not get sleepy in the school-room, and the result is, his scholars do not get in that state. Mr. Rand is a lover of order, and his pupils made good proficiency. This is a reputable district.

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

Paid Joseph Chapman, District No. 9, 74.28

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. 9 – J. Chapman, Prudential Committee

Teacher both terms Miss Sarah E. Wells

Whole number of scholars, summer 33, winter 41

Average attendance summer 27, winter 37

Length of school, summer 9 weeks, winter 11 weeks

This school was under the same teaching during the year, no small advantage when the teacher is as able and efficient as Miss Wells has shown herself to be. The advancement due allowances being made for absences and other interruptions has been highly satisfactory in all the studies presented. More than ordinary improvement was made by a class of beginners in geography and a class in written arithmetic.

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

Paid William H. Straw, District No. 9, 77.95

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

Paid Henry D. Haynes, District No. 9, 78.88

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

Paid Calvin Dolbeer, District No. 9, 82.75

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. 9, 23 boys, 19 girls

Annual Town Report 1870

Paid Samuel S. Cass for School District No. 9, 88.17

Annual Town Report 1879

Paid Joseph Chapman for School District No. 9, 89.00

1879 DISTRICT No. 9.

Joseph Chapman, Prudential Committee.

Summer term.—Miss Nettie L. Dowst, teacher.

Winter term.—Miss Emma F. Greene, teacher. Wages per

month, 18 summer term, \$19.00 ; winter term, \$20.00 ; length of school, summer term, 7 weeks; winter term, 9 weeks; whole number of scholars, 17 each term ; average attendance, 16 each term.

Both teachers were without experience in teaching, but both possess the requisites of first-class teachers, and were unusually successful for beginners. The scholars were taught to reason, to think for themselves, to go through their studies instead of over them, and consequently they made commendable progress in their studies. No class in town achieved more satisfactory results in Colburn's Arithmetic, than the class in No. 9. We need not remind the citizens of the district of the condition of their school house, for they have a personal knowledge of the fact that it has not a single feature worthy of preservation. We hope to see a new one erected in its stead at an early day.

DISTRICT No. 9. Roll of Honor

First Term—Leola M. Straw, Lucina S. Straw, Alice F. Fife.

1879

Paid Eben S. Dutton \$25.00 for land and a new school house constructed at a cost of \$669.87

1880 SCHOOL REPORT.

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Superintending School Committee. Epsom, March 1, 1880.

1880 DISTRICT No. 9.—NEW RYE.

Whole number of scholars in summer, 15 ; winter, 17. Average attendance: summer, 13; winter, 163-5.

Wages: summer, \$16; winter, \$32. Number weeks of school: summer, 10 ; winter, 9 7-10.

Summer Term.—Miss Etta E. Wells, teacher. Her first term of teaching. Her school was small, and many of her 19 pupils in their rudiments. At one of my visits I found but five or six scholars present. Answers were promptly given to all questions. She did her work with a woman's patience, and accomplished all that could be done, and a satisfactory progress was made.

Winter Term.—Mr. Charles W. Tarlton, A. M., teacher. The winter term was delayed some weeks till the new school house was completed. It seemed fitting that so nice and convenient a house should have for its first teacher so accomplished a scholar, of so much experience in all grades of schools. Mr. Tarlton has a method of teaching peculiar to himself, and is always clear and comprehensible in his explanations and illustrations.

Nothing was seen in his school to criticize, and everything to approve. Grammar, geography, and written arithmetic, were all taught by topic. Not being confined to text-books, gave rise to many practical and synthetical questions, which few, if any, know how to ask better than he. By this method, an interest is always awakened. His answers were required to be promptly given, and if not pertinent, were corrected by some pleasant repartee or suggestion.

1881 DISTRICT No. 9.—NEW RYE.

Summer term, 8 weeks; scholars, 12; wages, per month, \$18. Winter term, 14 weeks; scholars, 18; wages, per month, \$22.

Miss Nettie L. Dowst, teacher of summer term. The responsibility of a teacher's position and the need of earnest effort did not appear to be realized by her, nor did she feel inclined to follow our suggestions. As no progress was apparent, we closed the school.

Miss Adelaide Veasey, teacher of winter term. A want of experience is not always a bar to success.

Although this was her first school, she accomplished more than many who have had much experience. More thoughtful interest is awakened when a teacher can apply her questions without the constant aid of a text book. In this respect we especially commend her, as also, in the effort, so seldom made in our schools, to teach reading. Common school arithmetic class did good honest work, and made substantial progress.

1883 DISTRICT No. 9.

Amount of school money, \$96.19. Jesse C. Smith, prudential committee.

Miss Clarena L. Richardson, of Pembroke, taught the summer term, and Miss Ella F. Chesley, the winter term. Wages per month, summer, \$18.00; winter, \$22.00. Length of school, summer, 8 weeks; winter, 10 weeks. Number of scholars, summer, 14; winter, 22. Average attendance, summer, 13; winter, 20.

Both teachers were well known to the people of the district. Their best efforts were put forth in the discharge of their duties, and met with success and appreciation. This school has for several terms enjoyed uniformly good instruction, and it ranks among the first in town in scholarship.

DISTRICT No. 9. Roll of Honor

First Term.—May E. Dolbeer, Minnie E. Huckins, Etta M. Dutton, Alice Fife, Gracie L. Woodman.

Second Term.—Clara O. Cass, Isabel M. Straw, Ethel G. Brown, May E. Dolbeer, Gracie L. Woodman, Alice M. Wells, Alice M. Aikley, Alfred T. Cass.

1884 District No. 9.

Amount of school money, \$119.18. John H. Dolbeer, prudential committee.

Miss Ella F. Chesley taught the summer term, and Miss Hattie A. Marden, of Suncook, the winter term.

Wages per month, summer, \$22 ; winter, \$22. Length of school, summer, 9 weeks ; winter, 11 weeks.

Number of scholars, summer, 14; winter, 18. Average attendance, summer, 13; winter, 16.

The teachers were very much interested in their work—that their duties should be well performed. Mutual good will and kindness appeared to exist between the teachers and scholars, and there was great interest on the part of the pupils in their work. Notice of the close of the winter term was received too late for me to be present at the close ; but from the appearance of the school at the commencement of the term, I shall venture to report good improvement.

District No. 9. Roll of Honor

Second Term.—Grace L. Woodman, Alice M. Wells, Clara O. Cass, Fred T. Cass, Ethel G. Brown.

1885 DISTRICT No. 9.

Charles F. Haynes, Prudential Committee.

Summer Term.—Whole number of scholars attending school, 14; average attendance, 13; length of school, 7 weeks

Miss Clarena L. Richardson had charge of this term. This school appeared well, and accomplished very satisfactory results. This school is the best classed of any in town.

Winter Term.—Whole number of scholars attending school, 15 ; average attendance, 14; length of school, 12 weeks; wages of teacher, \$20 per month each term.

Mrs. Clara C. Woodman was the teacher of this term. Mrs. Woodman seems to have a happy faculty of interesting the young, and was untiring in her efforts to instruct those under her care. There was a gratifying improvement in the order of the school. At the examination her school gave evidence of being well taught.

DISTRICT No. 9. Roll of Honor

First Term.—Alice M. Wells, Bertie R. Towle.

Second Term.—Clara O. Cass, Fred P. Cass, Lewis Cass, Bertie R. Towle.

1886 DISTRICT NO. 9 — NEW RYE.

Mrs. Clara C. Woodman taught both summer and winter terms. —

Mrs. Woodman's scholars of the summer term were all quite small and she did not aim so much to keep them quiet and in order as she did to keep them interested in school work. Under her tuition the children could not have found school life monotonous. The winter term was attended by larger scholars and still that keen interest was manifest which marked the success of the preceding term. The classes in grammar and fractions are worthy of special mention as having done good work. The examinations did not fail to elicit the admiration of all who enjoyed the privilege of being present.

DISTRICT NO. 9. Perfect Attendance

First Term—Ethel G. Brown, Alice M. Wells, Grace L. Woodman, May I. Straw, Fred. T. Cass, Lewis Cass, Ralph E. Evans, George H. Haynes.

Second Term.—Bertie R. Towle, George H. Haynes, Fred. T. Cass, Lewis Cass, Grace L. Woodman, Alice M. Wells, Ethel G. Brown.

1887 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE NEW RYE.

First Term—Ethel G. Brown, Lewis C. Cass, Geo. H. Haynes, Ralph E. Towle.

Second Term—Alice M. Wells, Grace L. Woodman, Lewis C. Cass.

1888 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE. NEW RYE.

First Term. Gertie H. Greene, Clarence W. Brown, Lewis C. Cass, George H. Haynes.

Second Term. Alice M. Wells, Grace L. Woodman, Lewis C. Cass.

Third Term. Ralph E. Towle.

1889 ROLL OF HONOR. NEW RYE.

First Term.—Alice Wells, Grace Woodman, Ethel Brown, Charlie Brown, Lewis Cass, George Haynes, Ralph Towle.

Second Term.—Alice M. Wells, Grace Woodman, Ethel Brown, Lewis Cass, George Haynes.

Third Term.—Alice M. Wells, George H. Haynes, Charlie L. Cass.

1889 Teachers

Annie M. Kyle

Ella M. Prescott

1890 ROLL OF HONOR. New Rye.

E. Lewis Cass, Perley Trickey, Alice E. Brown.

1892 ROLL OF HONOR. NEW RYE.

Nora A. Fife*, Alice E. Brown, Hazel B. Wells, Georgie H. Brown, Gertie J. H. Greene, Perley Trickey*.

Almon M. Worth 2, C. Lewis Cass, Clarence W. Brown, George H. Haynes.

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. NEW RYE.

Nora A. Foss, C. Lewis Cass, 2* Arthur H. Fife, N. Louisa Fife, H. Gertie Greene, George H. Haynes, Effie M. Fife, Edward C. Moses.*

1894 SCHOOL REPORT

The Centre and New Rye schoolhouses have been painted during the past year, and it is hoped that other schoolhouses will be repaired and painted in the near future.

D. G. CHESLEY,
DANIEL YEATON

1894 ROLL OF HONOR. NEW RYE.

Clarence W. Brown.

1896 SCHOOL REPORT.

By an amendment of the school laws made by the last legislature the school year was made to begin with the fall term.

One side of the New Rye school-house shingled.

DANIEL YEATON,
MARY L. WALLACE,
JOHN H. DOLBEER

1896 ROLL OF HONOR.

NEW RYE.

Tillie R. Doe, 2 Hazel B. Wells, Arthur Munroe, George H. Brown.

1897 REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

The New Rye school house needs to be shingled upon one side.

1897 ROLL OF HONOR.

NEW RYE

Tillie R. Doe, Phebe Tricky', George H. Brown, John Goss.

1898 SCHOOL REPORT

One side of the one (school) at New Rye shingled.

1898 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE.

Tillie R. Doe, George H. Brown, 3

TEACHERS

1898

NEW RYE: Hattie E. Merrill

1899 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE

Tillie R. Doe, 2, Jennie Cass, 2, Hazel B. Wells, Verna O. Wells, Walter B. Wells, Guy A. Murby

TEACHERS

1899

NEW RYE: Lillian B. Kittredge, Mabel E. Wheeler

1900 PERFECT ATTENDANCE

New Rye.—Jennie Cass, Tillie R. Doe, Walter B. Wells.

1901 SCHOOL REPORT

The schools have been very much interrupted by sickness; measles, whooping-cough and scarlet fever prevailing to such an extent that only one of our schools could keep its regular course.

Repairs have been made on the New Rye school building, which has been painted on the inside.

John H. Dolbeer

D.G. Chesley

M. Josie Rand

1901 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE.

Edward Ruggles, 2, Walter B. Wells, Jennie Cass, Frank Brown, 2, Guy A. Murby.

TEACHERS

1901

NEW RYE: Lona Gay, Louise Durgin, Adelena H. Dudley

1902 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

NEW RYE.

Frank E. Brown, 2 Jennie M. Cass, 2 Clyde V. Dutton, 2 Alice L. Kendall, Fred LeClair, Peter LeClair, 2

Guy A. Murby, 2 Edward A. Ruggles, 3 Arthur A. Wells, 2 Verna O. Wells, Walter B. Wells. 2

1903 PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

NEW RYE.P. A. Ruggles, 2 Arthur Wells, 2, Walter B. Wells, Verna Wells, Jennie Cass, Louise Montmieny, Mary Montmieny, Ernestine Montmieny.

1904 REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

The school house at New Rye has been painted and thoroughly cleaned. The shed there has been shingled also.

Chas. A. Brown

Frank L. Seavey

Helen G. Yeaton

1904 PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE SCHOOL:

Frank E. Brown, 3, Ovila Montmienz, 3, mary Montmienz, 3, Louiza Montmienz, Ernestine Montmienz, 2, Scott Munroe, Jennie Cass, Thelma Dutton, Clyde V. Dutton, 2, Walter B. Wells, Verna O. Wells, Mary Shank.

TEACHERS

1904

NEW RYE: Margaret D. Waterhouse, Hannah H. Sleeper

1906 PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE SCHOOL:

Verna O. Wells, Jennie C. Cass, Thelma Dutton, Walter B. Wells, Clyde V. Dutton, Arthur A. Wells, Frank E. Brown, 3, Scott Monroe, 2, Harold Weeks.

TEACHERS

1906

NEW RYE: Hannah H. Sleeper

1908 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE SCHOOL.

J. Harold Weeks, 3, Scott Munroe, 2, Gladys Murby, Iva Murby, Clyde Turner, Earl Chapman, Jessie Hunt, 2, Mary Hunt, 2, Thelma Dutton

TEACHERS

1908

NEW RYE: Rena E. Horton, Abbie Emerson, Margaret D. Haynes

1909 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE: Thelma E. Dutton, 3, Marion F. Turner, 2, Marion Pierce, 2, Mary A. Hunt, Gladys E. Murby, 2, Iva R. Murby, 3, lacking one day, Madeleine E. Brown, 2, J. Harold Weeks, 3, N. Scott Munroe, 3, Clyde Turner, 2, Sumner H. Pierce, 2, J. Dudley Pierce, 2, Chester R. Weeks, 2, Dontald Turner, 2, lacking one day. Absent one day, Arthur Wells.

TEACHERS

1909

NEW RYE: Margaret D. Haynes, Olive M. Sullivan

1911 REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

We have painted the inside of the school house at New Rye.

Charles A. Brown

Lizzie F. Fowler

John W. Cox

1911 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE SCHOOL: Scott N. Munroe, 3, Madeline E. Brown, 2, Mary A. Hunt, 2, Ralph Stanton

TEACHERS

1911

NEW RYE: Blanche M. Drake, Mittie J. Smith

1912 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE: Scott Munroe, 3, Thelma Dutton, 2, Mary Hunt, 1, Gladys Murby, 1, Marion Pierce, 1, Ramon Howard, 1, Madeleine Brown, 2, Beatrice Morin, 2, Natalie Knox, 1, Iva Murby, 1, Sumner Pierce, 1, Ralph Stanton, 1.

TEACHERS

1912

NEW RYE: Mittie J. Smith

1913 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In addition to minor repairs at the several school houses, a new chimney with tile lining has been built at New Rye, the old chimney being found in an unsafe condition.

John W. Cox

Charles A. Brown

Lizzie F. Fowler

1913 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE: Madeleine E. Brown, 2, Beatrice M. Morin, 2, Thelma E. Dutton, 1, Marion L. Pierce, 1, Iva R. Murby, 1, Ralph H. Stanton, 1, N. Scott Munroe, 1, Chester R. Weeks, 1, Ward E. Bohner, 2, Ruth P. Bohner, 2

TEACHERS

1913

NEW RYE: Mittie J. Smith

TEACHERS

1914

NEW RYE: Mittie J. Smith

1915 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

NEW RYE: Olive R. Foss, Gladys E. Murby, Ramon H. Howard, Adin D. Munroe, Madeleine Brown, Ruth P. Boehner, 2, Marion L. Pierce, Ward E. Boehner, Sumner H. Pierce

TEACHERS

1915

NEW RYE: Mittie J. Smith, Lillie M. Bickford

1916 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE: Madeline E. Brown, Ruth P. Boehner, Olive R. Foss, Ward E. Boehner, Marion E. Bodge

TEACHERS

1916

NEW RYE: Lillie M. Bickford

1917 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE SCHOOL: Adin D. Munroe

TEACHERS

1917

NEW RYE: Lillian M. Bickford, Hazel A. Newton, J. Harold Weeks

1918 ROLL OF HONOR

NEW RYE SCHOOL

Dorothy M. Flanders, Ray F. Murby, George L. Stearns, Clifton J. Fife, 2, Winthrop H. Fife, 2

1918 TEACHERS

NEW RYE: J. Harold Weeks, Lena Skinner

1919 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

NEW RYE SCHOOL

Lucille Marden, 2, Luella Allard, Howard Ring, 2, Richard Worth, Ethel Brown, Herbert Bickford, 3, Raymond Ring, 2, Russell Tripp, Edward Elliott.

1919 TEACHERS

NEW RYE: Lena Skinner

1920 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE (no school report)

NEW RYE

J. Clifton Fife, Winthrop H. Fife

1920 TEACHERS

NEW RYE: Mittie J. Smith

1921 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (excerpt)

During the year there were three changes made in the teaching force. At New Rye School, Irene V. Ramsdell resigned and Margaret W. Haynes was elected to take her place.

1922 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (excerpt)

For the year ending June 30th, 1921.

The New Rye school, had a school year of 34 weeks. Owing to an epidemic of scarlet fever this school was closed.

1923 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (excerpt)

There were maintained during the year, five schools for a school year of 36 weeks. The State Program of Study was well carried out. Number of students, New Rye, 16.

1924 SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

During the summer vacation various minor repairs were made at all the school houses. Hyloplate blackboards were placed in the New Rye school house.

Eleanora C. Nutter

Grace E. Marden

Helen T. Rand

1924 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE:

Jane Jaworska, Joseph Jaworska, Alice Jaworska, Eldon Howard

1924 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (excerpt)

There were maintained during the year five schools, for a school year of thirty-six weeks. There was one change in the teaching force. Miss Edith Robinson resigned and Miss Scribner took her place. The teachers and school boards of the Union have formed a Teacher's Association and have already held one meeting and have voted to have at least four meetings a year.

Several boys and girls who have graduated between the ages of 14 and 16 have been denied the privilege of working in manufacturing establishments because they did not attend school three hundred half-days as required by law. Number of registered pupils: New Rye, 15.

1925 REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

The New Rye school building was painted. The interior of the New Rye School house was also painted, and needed improvements were made on the shed.

Five schools are maintained this year. Two new teachers, Miss Doris E. Wadsworth and Miss Eleanor Anderson, were elected to fill vacancies at Short Falls and New Rye, respectively.

Grace E. Marden

Helen T. Rand

Eleanora C. Nutter

1926 REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

During the summer vacation various repairs and alterations were made on the school buildings.

At New Rye the lighting was improved by placing the windows at the rear and left of the pupils, and by re-arrangement of the seats. The platform was removed to provide more floor space. The old double seats were shortened to make single seats. Additional single seats were purchased from the Allenstown School District. Conditions in this school are thus much improved.

HELEN T. RAND,

ELEANORA C. NUTTER,

INIS W. CASS

1926 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE:

Frank Jaworsky

1929 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE

Anna Jaworski, Joseph Jaworski

1930 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE

Anna Jaworski

1932 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE

Evelyn Smtih

1933 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE

Philip Cofran, Evelyn Smith

1934 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE SCHOOL – Grades 5-8

Evelyn Smith, Priscilla Wells, Virginia Wells, Olga Yeaton

1935 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT (excerpt)

Graded schools of primary and grammar organization were maintained with four grades each at Short Falls and New Rye respectively. There were also three mixed schools. Following is the list of teachers, their respective schools and pupils enrolled:

Margery C. Yeaton	New Rye	22
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1936 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE SCHOOL

Theodore Yeaton, Jean Phalen, Olga Yeaton

1937 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT (excerpt)

The adequacy of our school buildings: All four buildings now in use have been wired for electricity through the kindness of the Parent-Teacher Association, the Community Club, and other interested citizens.

1937 ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE

Carroll Stevens, Neal Wells, Elizabeth Hines, Olga Yeaton

1941 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT (excerpt)

At the current time, schools are being maintained in Epsom as follows including:

New Rye	Grades 5-8	Mrs. Margery C. Yeaton	21 students
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1942 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT (excerpt)

.The present organization of the schools is as follows, including:

New Rye	Grades 5-8	Mrs. Margery C. Yeaton	23 students
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1943 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT (excerpt)

Student population, 113, boys 48, girls 53

New Rye	Grades 5-8	Mrs. Margery C. Yeaton	20 students
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TEACHERS

1846

Hannah M. Wells

Jonathan C. Sanders

1860

Mary L. Wallace

David O. Rand

1863

Miss Sarah E. Wells

1879

Miss Nettie L. Dowst

Miss Emma M. Green

1880

Miss Etta E. Wells

Charles W. Tarlton

1881

Nettie L. Dowst
Miss Adelaide Veasey
1883
Clarena L. Richardson
Miss Ella F. Chesley
1884
Ella F. Chelsey
Miss Hattie A. Marden
1885
Clarena L. Richardson
Mrs. Clara C. Woodman
1886
Clara C. Woodman
1889
Annie M. Kyle
Ella M. Prescott
1898
Hattie E. Merrill
1899
Lillian B. Kittredge
Mabel E. Wheeler
1901
Luna Gay
Louise Durgin
Adelena H. Dudley
1904
Margaret D. Waterhouse
Hannah H. Sleeper
1906
Hannah H. Sleeper
1908
Rena E. Horton
Abbie Emerson
Margaret D. Haynes
1909
Margaret D. Haynes
Olive M. Sullivan
1911
Blanche M. Drake
Mittie J. Smith
1912
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Lillie M. Bickford
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Hazel A. Newton
J. Harold Weeks
1918
J. Harold Weeks
Lena Skinner
1919
Lena Skinner
1920
Mittie J. Smith
1935
Margery C. Yeaton
1941
Mrs. Margery C. Yeaton

1942

Mrs. Margery C. Yeaton

1943

Mrs. Margery C. Yeaton