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EXPENDITURES.

Bills paid from March 1, 1882, to March 1, 1883.

Paid Henry O. Cass, for board of J. S. Cass, at the N. H. Asylum,		\$27.49
Andrew S. Evans, grade for highway,		15.00
William T. Sanders, sheep killed by dogs,	\$12.00	
Daniel Philbrick, " " " "	10.00	
Lucian Heath, " " " "	11.00	
Charles W. Towle, " " " "	3.00	
Lemuel B. Towle, " " " "	3.50	
James Woods, " " " "	4.50	
John Chesley, " " " "	5.00	
John Chesley, gander " " "	2.50	\$51.50
George Sanders, agent of Free Baptist Society, endorsement on note,		32.44
Jeremiah Burnham, poll tax of 1881,		1.95
Henry O. Cass, for board of G. S. Cass at the N. H. Asylum,		29.46
Jeremiah Sanborn, for board of Foss child,		5.00
J. B. Sanborn, for order and collector's books,		1.89
Daniel G. Chesley, services as supervisor from March, 1881, to March 13, 1882,		7.50
John Chesley, for breaking out Cass road, March, 1881,		2.00
Daniel G. Chesley, services as superintending school committee for the year 1881,		30.00
Daniel G. Chesley, for making statistical school report to superintendent of public instruction,		2.00
William Brown, endorsement on note,		8.00
Woodbury & Batchelder, for printing town reports, March, 1881,		22.00
D. T. Cilley, for meat furnished Osum Dowst,		1.85
Samuel Stanley, for shoveling snow on highway,		1.00
Constantine Wood, for shoveling snow on highway,		2.05
A. S. Davis, for shoveling snow on highway,		1.00
Josiah Page, for work breaking roads,		1.30
G. H. Rand, " " " "		8.00

Paid J. W. Fowler, orre half cord wood furnished Sarah Mason,	\$2.50
Cyrus Marden, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in Dist. No. 4,	35.00
Henry O. Cass, for board of J. S. Cass at the N. H. Asylum,	31.68
J. P. Locke, for work on turnpike,	4.50
Silas B. Page, for one day's service on pauper case,	1.50
James Yeaton, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 6,	20.56
James Yeaton, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 7,	27.61
James Yeaton, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 24,	18.50
Rufus Marden, abatement of tax,	1.18
Jackson C. Philbrick, for paying county tax,	1,100.17
Langdon Lear, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 18.	16.00
G. W. Batchelder, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 2,	43.15
Abby J. Haynes, for board of Eliza A. Cotton, twenty-four weeks,	30.00
William Lane, for labor and cash paid for labor on bridges, on swamp road, in New Rye,	14.01
William Lane, for labor and cash paid out on bridge near Oliver Brown's,	6.30
J. C. Burnham, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 22,	31.19
H. F. Sanborn, as witness in case of Knight vs. town of Epsom,	35.88
Edgar A. Brown, for breaking road,	3.00
Rosilla W. Heath, endorsement on note,	50.00
James M. Burnham, for services as supervisor, and cash for check list,	7.90
Vienna Batchelder, endorsement on note,	35.00
H. O. Cass, for board of J. S. Cass at the N. H. Asylum,	29.60
G. C. Yeaton, for attorney services and cash paid out in case of Huntress vs. town,	71.40

Paid J. Ritchie, for labor on highway in District No. 10,	\$1.25
G. C. Towle, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 5,	35.50
E. O. Fowler, endorsement on note,	500.00
D. M. Philbrick, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 8,	64.75
A. P. Barton, labor on turnpike,	6.00
D. M. Philbrick, labor on north-east road,	19.00
" " " " turnpike,	25.75
" " for four stringers for gulf bridge,	32.00
" " for one day's work on the same,	1.50
James B. Tennant, note in full,	1,047.12
E. O. Fowler, note in full,	550.55
J. L. Bartlett for labor and cash paid for labor on highway, in District No. 13,	16.00
J. T. Cotterell, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 3,	64.15
J. E. Griffin, for labor and cash paid for labor on Griffin's hill,	16.37
Samuel Whittier, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 19,	44.67
Samuel Whittier, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 18,	38.18
Samuel Whittier, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 17,	32.28
Benjamin Fowler, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 20,	40.00
Joseph Lawrence, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 1,	48.25
Joseph Lawrence, for two stringers for J. E. Griffin's bridge,	5.25
Joseph Lawrence, for labor on Eastman's bridge,	1.25
Daniel Yeaton, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 16,	37.75
Alvah L. Yeaton, for labor on turnpike,	43.50
" " for stringers and labor on bridge near Lord's mill,	15.75
B. B. Yeaton, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 10,	31.50

Paid B. B. Yeaton, for labor on bridge near Lord's mill,	\$3.75
B. B. Yeaton, for cash paid L. Parker for drawing bridge plank,	1.25
B. B. Yeaton, for labor on turnpike,	6.50
Anson B. Cass, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 12,	43.05
Solon A. Carter, state tax,	964.00
William Babb, for labor on turnpike,	6.00
" " " " on north-east road,	1.50
" " " " on road leading from his house to the main road,	5.00
Samuel Quimby, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 15,	48.38
William Goss, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 3,	42.80
William T. Sanders, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 21,	35.00
Daniel Watson, for breaking north-east road,	7.05
J. C. Hall & Son, for goods furnished Osum Dowst,	51.45
Silver & Robinson, " " Wm. C. Bennett,	87.00
True B. Marston,	4.00
" " " Sara Mason,	112.25
" " " Josiah D. Howe,	52.00
" " " Sam'l Batchelder,	134.00
Abby J. Haynes, for board of Eliza A. Cotton twenty- eight weeks,	35.00
Wm. Fowler, endorsement on note of school District No. 8,	20.00
Jeremiah Sanborn, for board of Foss child forty-seven weeks,	47.00
Stephen F. Brown, for public watering tub,	3.00
Wm. Goss, " "	3.00
Arthur C. Locke, " "	3.00
T. J. Smith, for services as attorney in cases of Knight and Huntress, and money paid out,	95.04
A. H. French, M. D., for medical service for Josiah D. Howe,	3.00
A. H. French, medical service for Osum Dowst,	6.00
" Wm. C. Bennett,	22.80

Paid M. D. Bickford, wood furnished Wm. C. Bennett,	\$10.00
Samuel Martin and J. H. Dolbeer, services as auditors,	
March 1, 1882,	3.00
Wm. Goss, wood furnished Sarah Mason,	6.50
" " " Samuel Batchelder,	6.50
J. B. Tennant, time spent to notify witnesses in Hun-	
tress case,	8.00
J. H. Dolbeer, one day's service in pension case of	
Betsey C. Goss,	1.50
Benjamin Towle, service as justice,	.50
T. L. and W. Fowler, at the inquisition in pension case	
of Betsey C. Goss,	4.00
J. B. Sanborn, order book and warrants,	.90
T. J. Smith, attorney service in case of Huntress v.	
town,	125.00
Wm. L. Foster, attorney service in Huntress case,	150.00
E. W. Cochrane, board of horses at Portsmouth,	14.00
J. W. Goodwin, board of attorneys and witnesses at	
Portsmouth during trial of Huntress case,	91.32
W.H. Hackett, clerk of U. S. court, for swearing	
witnesses and subpoena furnished,	8.15
D. S. Jones, for conveying jury to place where Knight	
and Huntress accident occurred,	10.00
D. S. Jones, as expert in Huntress case at Portsmouth,	6.50
Mr. Webster, " " "	10.00
Mr. Flanders, " " "	10.00
Mr. Osgood, " " "	6.50
Mr. Morgan, " " "	7.50
Mr. Chesley, " " "	7.50
C. B. Hildreth, service in Huntress case at Portsmouth,	20.00
J. W. Fowler, for money paid for R. R. tickets, tele-	
graphing and telephoning in Huntress case,	47.26
R. B. Lull, for board and lodging jury at Suncook,	19.50
Thirty-two witnesses on Huntress case at Portsmouth,	276.80
Samuel Martin, for services in Knight and Huntress	
cases, and money paid out,	36.20
J. W. Fowler, time spent about law suits,	28.00
Wm. L. Foster, balance of bill as attorney, commenc-	
ing Sept. 1, 1881, up to March 1, 1883,	300.00

SCHOOL ORDERS.

District No. 1, Daniel C. Ayer,	\$187.80
2. Benjamin Towle,	104.86
3. John R. Dow,	59.39
4. Samuel Whittier,	177.30
5. Henry C. Ames,	50.00
6. Charles C. Sargent, Union,	46.57
7. Benjamin B. Yeaton,	88.99
8. William Fowler,	48.68
9. Jesse C. Smith,	96.19
10, William Tripp,	50.68
11, George S. Sanders, Union,	<u>37.46</u>
	\$947.92
Paid Wm. Goss, for wood furnished Joseph W. Morrill,	\$4.50
John C. Burnham, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 22,	6.50
Anson B. Cass, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 12,	18.81
Benjamin Towle, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 23,	11.37
David M. Knowles, for services as supervisor for the year 1882,	7.50
R. C. Brown, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 9,	63.75
R. C. Brown, for labor on north-east road, 2.70	
" " " turnpike,	11.25
" " " bridge near B. B. Yeaton's	3.50
" " " 3 days' work on Gulf bridg	5.25
T. F. Kelley, for labor on turnpike and north-east road,	14.25
D. M. Philbrick, for breaking roads in District No. 8,	21.00
A. L. Yeaton, " " on turnpike,	5.25
Benjamin Fowler, " District No. 20,	10.00
Daniel Yeaton, " 16,	13.25
Joseph Lawrence, " 1,	17.00
George Sanders, jr., " 15,	9.50
Wm. T. Sanders, " 21,	5.25

Paid A. H. French, M. D., medical charges for True B. Marston,	\$22.80
A. H. French, M. D., for recording births and deaths,	5.75
" " service at inquisition of Betsey C. Goss,	2.00
Amount of abatements on George Sanders, jr., list, year 1881,	14.52
B. B. Yeaton, for labor on highway in District No. 10,	4.20
George Sanders, jr., services as collector, year 1881,	80.00
Lucian Heath, for labor on highway,	5.00
Warren Tripp, for time and expense as guardian in pension case of Betsey C. Goss,	16.45
C. H. Hall, for breaking roads in District No. 11,	3.00
Horace B. Sherburne, for labor on highway,	3.70
Martin, Russ & Co., for 16 railroad ties,	6.40
" " 1560 feet bridge plank,	18.72
J. W. Fowler, for food and lodging one tramp one night,	1.00
J. C. Burnham, for one night to watch with Betsey C. Goss,	1.00
J. W. Fowler, paid bounty on forty crows,	4.00
Samuel Whittier, for snowing Short Falls bridge,	2.00
" " labor and cash paid for labor breaking roads in District No. 19,	3.87
Samuel Whittier, for repairing road near Short Falls bridge,	.35
" " cash paid for breaking road in District No. 17,	6.00
Samuel Whittier, for labor on highway in District No. 18,	1.25
Geo. W. Batchelder, for breaking road in District No. 2	3.00
Wm. H. Straw, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 14.	19.37
John Bartlett, one pine tree for railing on north-east road,	3.15
Henry S. Knowles, for dinners furnished selectmen and auditors, with horses, from Feb. 24, 1882, to Feb. 28, 1883,	31.25
Henry S. Knowles, dinners furnished men and horses in Huntress case,	2.50

Paid Henry S. Knowles, recording births and deaths,	\$7.00
" " express and postage,	.95
" " services as town clerk,	15.00
Robert Philbrick, for labor on road,	.78
Geo. C. Towle, for labor on highway in District No. 5,	7.25
Samuel Quimby, for 2178 feet bridge plank,	28.31
" " breaking roads in District No. 15,	7.12
James Yeaton, for bounties on forty-four crows,	4.40
" " labor on turnpike and bridge,	7.00
James W. Fowler, services as selectman, year 1882,	55.00
Jackson C. Philbrick, services as town treasurer, year 1882,	30.00
Amount of abatements on Wm. Fowler's list, year 1882	64.11
Samuel Quimby, services as selectman, year 1882	36.00
James Yeaton, " " " "	34.50
Samuel B. Cofran, breaking out Seavey road,	10.12
James Yeaton, for breaking roads in District No. 6	7.90
" " " " " 7,	10.62
" " " " " 24,	11.59
John S. Hoyt, for board and burial expenses of Betsey C. Goss,	69.50
Cyrus Marden, for labor and cash paid for labor on highway in District No. 4,	14.62
James L. Bartlett, for breaking roads in District No. 13,	<u>2.29</u>
Amount of expenditures,	\$9,508.22
Amount of receipts,	<u>11,211.41</u>
Amount of receipts above expenditures,	\$1,703.19
Remaining in hands of collector,	\$477.44
Remaining in hands of treasurer,	<u>1,225.75</u>
	\$1,703.19

JAMES W. FOWLER,) *Selectmen*
 JAMES YEATON,) *of*
 SAMUEL QUIMBY,) *Epsom.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received of Jackson C. Philbrick, treasurer for 1881,	\$473.79
Geo. Sanders, jr., collector for 1881,	514.06
Wm. Fowler, " " 1882,	7,248.02
Selectmen, money hired,	800.00
State treasurer, insurance tax,	4.50
" " railroad tax,	161.03
" " saving bank tax,	790.35
Literary fund,	104.42
County, for support of paupers,	<u>637.80</u>
Total receipts,	\$10,733.22

EXPENDITURES.

Paid 183 orders of the Selectmen on the treasurer,	\$9,508.22
Remaining in the treasury,	\$1,225.75

JACKSON C. PHILBRICK,
Town Treasurer.

AUDITOKS' EEPOET,

March 1, 1883.	
Amount of receipts reported by treasurer,	\$10,733.97
Amount of expenditures,	<u>9,508.22</u>
Cash remaining in treasury,	\$1,225.75
Indebtedness by note March 1, 1883,	\$17,423.04
Due Wm. Fowler for collecting taxes	<u>90.00</u>
Liability of town March 1, 1883,	\$17,513.04
Remaining on Wm. Fowler's list of taxes,	\$477.44
Remaining in treasury,	\$1,225.75
Actual indebtedness,	\$15,809.85
Reduction of debt,	\$1,388.80

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer of the town of Epsom for the year ending March 1, 1883, and found them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN H. DOLBEER,
SAMUEL MARTIN,

Auditors

REPORT

OF THE
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The following report relating to the public schools of the town of Epsom, is respectfully submitted by the Superintending School Committee, in compliance with the law:—

GENERAL STATEMENTS.

1. *The Number and Length of Schools.*—The number of terms of school kept during the year, exclusive of those in the Union districts, is 20; the whole length of schools for the year, 157.6 weeks : the average length of school to each district, a fraction more than 17 ½ weeks.

2. *Different Scholars and Average Attendance.*—The whole number of different scholars attending school during the year, exclusive of those who attended in the Union districts, is 199, viz : boys, 100; girls, 99; average attendance, 183.

3. *Money Expended.*—The amount of money raised by the town for school purposes was \$843.50 ; amount of literary fund, \$104.42 ; an average of \$4.76 for each scholar.

4. *Branches Studied.*—During the fall and winter terms 162 scholars studied reading; 163 studied spelling; no, penmanship ; 133, arithmetic; 85, geography; 57, grammar; 10, history; 26, composition; 1, philosophy; 4, physiology; 4, book-keeping; 7, algebra.

5. *Number of Children.*—The number of children in town, of each sex, by selectmen's enumeration in April, 1882, is : boys, 73 ; girls, 68.

PARTICULAR REMARKS.

DISTRICT No. I.

Amount of school money, \$187.80. Daniel C. Ayer, prudential committee. Wages paid teacher per month, including board, summer and fall terms, \$25.00 ; winter term, \$32.00. Length of school, summer term, 10 weeks ; fall term, 8 weeks ; winter term, 6f- weeks. Number of scholars, summer, 35 ; fall, 33; winter 37. Average attendance, summer, 29 ; fall, 29 ; winter, 32.

Miss L. A. Harriman, of Raymond, was engaged to keep the summer term, but in consequence of a misunderstanding in regard to wages she left after keeping one week, and Miss Mina H. Quimby, of Concord, was employed to finish the term and to keep the fall term.

In this school reading was really made a study. In order to read so as to be well understood by others it is necessary that the reader should understand well what he is reading himself. Reading, by substituting the definitions of some of the more difficult words in place of the words themselves, was a very interesting exercise. Good progress was made in all the other branches studied. •The winter term was taught by Miss Adda Lake, of Deerfield. The teacher endeavored to impress upon the minds of her pupils the importance of being thorough in whatever they undertook, preferring short and well-learned lessons instead of longer and consequently more imperfect ones. The scholars were generally studious and well-disposed, and, although the term was short, made some improvement in their studies.

The summer school was somewhat interrupted by some evil disposed person or persons breaking and entering the school-room between the sessions, and injuring property therein. It is hoped that the guilty will see the folly and wickedness of such acts, and that nothing of the kind will ever again occur in this usually quiet district.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Amount of school money, \$104.86. Benjamin Towle, prudential committee.

Summer term, Miss Nellie J. Pickering, of Portsmouth, teacher. Wages per month, \$22.00; length of school, 7 weeks; number of scholars, 24; average attendance, 18.

This is a school that requires a large amount of energy and skill in its management. The teacher labored hard and diligently for the proper discipline and improvement of her pupils, and had all the parents in the district sustained the school until they became acquainted with the teacher, it is believed they would have appreciated her services as a teacher, and the school would have prospered well. Scholars that attended constantly made good progress in their studies.

Winter term, Miss Adelaide Veasey, of Deerfield, teacher. Wages per month, \$30.00 ; length of school,,7 weeks ; number of scholars, 31 ; average attendance, 26.

A much better feeling prevailed this term than during last term, the scholars were more constant in attendance, and classes generally made good improvement. An advanced class in written arithmetic deserves especial mention. A goodly number of the parents and friends of the scholars were present at the closing examination of each term.

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. 4.

Amount of school money, \$177.30. Samuel Whittier, prudential committee.

Miss Adelaide Veasey, teacher. Wages per month, summer, \$26.00 ; fall, \$26.00 ; winter, \$30.00. Length of school, summer, 8 weeks; fall, 7 weeks; winter, 9 weeks. Number of scholars, summer, 31; fall, 26; winter, 25. Average attendance, summer, 27.5; fall, 19.9; winter, 22.1.

There are some good scholars here, who improved well every term. The first class in the National Arithmetic is especially worthy of mention. There are others who did not give so much attention to the duties of the school-room during the third term as they did to what was being done outside; consequently, they did not appear so well as I wish. The school needs a thorough disciplinarian, in order to bring it up to the proper standard of excellence. A public exhibition was given by the scholars after the close of the school, which was a very creditable affair, greatly enjoyed by the large audience in attendance.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Amount of school money, \$50.00. Henry C. Ames, prudential committee.

Miss Arabella Chesley taught both terms. Wages per month, \$20 each term. Length of school, summer term, 6 weeks; fall term, 4 weeks. Number of scholars, summer, 4; winter, 5. Average attendance, summer, 3.9 ; fall, 4.5.

The teacher labored faithfully with her scholars, who in turn made good advancement in their studies. The class in geography did remarkably well.

DISTRICT No. 6.—UNION.

This school is under the supervision of the committee of Pitts-field.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Amount of school money, \$88.99. Benjamin B. Yeaton, prudential committee.

Summer term, Miss Grace E. Drew, of Pembroke, teacher. Wages per month, \$20.00 ; length of school, 7 weeks; number of scholars, 18; average attendance, 15.

Although the teacher was quite young, and without experience, yet she was perfectly at ease in the school-room, and knew how to

direct her energies. The school was orderly, cheerful, systematic, and, consequently, progressed rapidly. The presents made the teacher at the close of the term indicate the esteem in which she is held by her pupils.

Winter term, Miss Edith L. Towle, of Deerfield, teacher. Wages per month, \$22.00 ; length of school, 12 weeks ; number of scholars, 18 ; average attendance, 15.

The teacher worked hard, with a good degree of success, but some of the higher branches were not taught as thoroughly as could be wished. The term was lengthened considerably by contributions of wood and board by the parents, which shows that her services were appreciated.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Amount of school money, \$48.68. William Fowler, prudential committee.

Miss Etta J. Bachelder, of Pembroke, taught both terms. Wages per month, summer, \$12.00; winter, \$14.00. Length of school, summer term, 8 weeks; winter term, 13 weeks. Number of scholars, summer, 8 ; winter, 9. Average attendance, summer, 8 ; winter, 9.

The school in this district is worthy of mention as a model in deportment. The teacher has not been tried by careless and disobedient scholars ; all have a noble self-respect which will not stoop to anything low or unbecoming the good scholar. Of course, such a school must prosper.

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. 10.

Amount of school money, \$50.68. William Tripp, prudential committee.

Miss Georgia Osgood, of Concord, taught the summer term, and Mrs. Lizzie M. Warren, the fall term. Wages-per month, summer, \$———; fall, \$16.00. Length of school, summer, 5 weeks; fall, 8 weeks. Number of scholars, summer, 13 ; fall, 16. Average attendance, summer, 12.6 ; fall, 14.

The school here may be thought to be " backward," but whoever has watched its course for the past two years must have observed a growing zeal for study and a progress unusual to it. Scholars have been more constantly present and manifested more than usual interest in the exercises of school, which have resulted in a very commendable improvement, giving the school a high rank.

DISTRICT No. n.—UNION.

This school is under the supervision of the committee of Chichester.

In concluding this report, allow me to present, as the result of an experience of several years the following items for your consideration, as I regard them as elements essential to the success of our common schools:—

1. Provide good school-houses, as a good school-house is closely connected to a good school.
2. Attend the annual school meetings, and choose the right person for prudential committee, as the success of a school depends very much upon the proper discharge of the duties of this officer.
3. Employ good teachers, such as can make the several branches taught in the school more attractive and pleasing than they are made by the text-books.

4- A good teacher once secured should be retained until good reasons appear to the contrary. Generally a change of teachers from term to term is equivalent to sacrificing a large fraction of it in advance, leaving the chances against us for the remainder.

5. Have your children constant and punctual in attendance at school, and well supplied with text-books.

6. Finally, encourage teachers and scholars by your presence in the school-room, at least once each term, and at the final examination.

D. GILMAN CHESLEY,

Superintending School Committee.

Epsom, March 1, 1883.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Including the names of all pupils who have been present every half day of a term without being tardy, as reported by the teachers.

DISTRICT No. 11

First Term.—Gracie L. Quimby, Mabel Sanders, Michael M. Steele.

Third Term.—Eliza. Philbrick, Fred S. Heath, Maurice L. Langley, Walter J. Philbrick.

DISTRICT No. 2.

First Term.—Cora Rand, Ella Lougee, Alfred Yeaton.

Second Term.—Cora Rand.

DISTRICT No. 3.

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

Second Term.—Walter H. Tripp.

DISTRICT No. 5.

First Term.—W. F. Lewis, Bertie S. Stanley, John C. Yeaton.

DISTRICT No. 7.

First Term.—Addie B. Hoyt, Nellie M. Brown, Emma M. Kelley, John C. Brown, Alfred M. Brown, Freeman A. Brown, Ernest L. Heath.

Second Term.—Emma M. Kelley, Freeman Brown.

DISTRICT No. 8.

First Term.—Annie L. Fowler, Georgia A. Fowler, Ida M. Fowler, Alice M. Fowler.

Second Term.—Annie L. Fowler, Georgia A. Fowler, Alice M. Fowler, Ida M. Fowler, Bertie B. Lovejoy.

DISTRICT No. 9.

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.

DISTRICT No. 10.

First Term.—Guy Marden, Ernest Marden, Johnnie Tripp, Leon Gordon, Flora Gordon, Hattie Gordon, Hattie Pike, Emma Knowles, Phenie L. Marden.

Second Term.—Augusta H. Pike, Flora B. Gordon, Hattie E. Gordon, Leon S. Gordon, Charlie H. Pike.