ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
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OF THE
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FOR THE YEAR ENDING
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**SELECTMEN'S REPORT.**

The Town of Candia in account with the Selectmen.

**PAUPER EXPENSES.**

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Paid Dr. L. J. Young, medical attendance on Mrs. Rollo ... 12 50
T. M. Gould, medical attendance on Mrs. A. Heath ... 9 00
J. M. Young, coffin and robe for Mrs. William Fifield ... 12 00
W. J. Dudley, goods furnished and house rent for Mrs. Robie ... 52 00
Aaron Heath, boarding and nursing Frank A. Robinson ... 10 00
Mrs. George Turner, for boarding Hannah Turner ... 26 00
Robert Clark, goods furnished William Smith ... 1 35

SCHOOL FUND.

Paid Jonathan Pillsbury, District No. 1 $208 70
Phineas M. Swain, ... 2 120 73
Edmund Hill, ... 3 143 19
Moses F. Emerson, ... 4 121 02
Levi J. Robie, ... 5 83 06
Ira B. Ordway, ... 6 96 12
Mrs. Geo. W. Smith, ... 7 98 80
Augustus P. Gilman, ... 8 88 50
Dr. L. J. Young, ... 9 145 83
Joseph F. Young, ... 10 109 38
Frank P. Brown, ... 11 85 73
George B. Brown, ... 12 91 88
Hazen L. McDuffee, ... 13 75 50
Lewis D. Moore, ... 14 71 45
John Currier, Deerfield ... 1 25
school-house repairs in Dist. No. 10 ... 30 50

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid A. J. Thurston, note and interest $1,444 62
George W. Miller, ... 1,319 10
Arthur C. Bean, ... 51 16
Eliza A. Turner, ... 75 68
Judith T. Currier, ... 691 79
Albert Bean, ... 525 00
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**Total**: $6,156.70
ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Jesse W. Sargent, labor and money paid out for working non-resident tax on Tower Hill road... $40 00
T. G. Fellows, damage done sleigh and coach 7 00
Moses F. Emerson, plank for bridge and drawing 7 00
Daniel S. Sawyer, labor and lumber for bridge 2 50
Thomas A. Palmer, breaking roads, 1879 3 50
Frank P. Langford, breaking roads, 1879 7 62
Daniel D. McDonald, breaking roads, 1879 4 00
Abraham L. Barker, breaking roads, 1879 90
Dudley Lougee, breaking roads, 1879 3 20
Charles H. Smith, breaking roads, 1879 3 76
James Adams, breaking roads, 1879 7 34
True Eaton, breaking roads, 1879 2 40
John W. Bean, breaking roads, 1879 3 65
Daniel F. Emerson, breaking roads, 1879 1 75
Joseph Hubbard, breaking roads, 1879 6 90
Edmund E. Smith, breaking roads, 1879 17 00
Andrew J. Fifield, breaking roads, 1879 11 45
Samuel Gile, breaking roads, 1879 4 65
O. I. Bean, breaking roads, 1879 4 40
Gordon Bean, labor on highway and repairs on bridge 12 00
Jesse M. Young, labor on highway 11 50
Aaron Heath, labor on highway 1 50
P. W. Sanborn, labor on highway 2 80
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<td>Joseph Watson</td>
<td>labor, powder, and use of drills on highway</td>
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<td>laying over two stone bridges and railing the same</td>
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A. J. Edgerly, all other services as selectman .... 4500
Jesse W. Sargent, time and expenses to Manchester twice and Exeter twice .... 850
Jesse W. Sargent, five days' time, signing and selling bonds .... 625
Jesse W. Sargent, all other services as selectman .... 3500
Lewis H. Dearborn, to Raymond twice .... 200
Lewis H. Dearborn, use of horse while taking inventory .... 687
Lewis H. Dearborn, four days' time, signing and selling bonds .... 500
Lewis H. Dearborn, all other services as selectman .... 2000
Frank W. Eaton, four days' time, signing, selling, and recording bonds .... 500
Frank W. Eaton, all other services as town clerk .... 3500
Jesse M. Young, for collecting school-house tax in No. 10 .... 150
Jesse M. Young, for collecting town, county, and state tax .... 3500
J. C. Hobbs, services as supervisor .... 600
M. V. B. Eaton, services as supervisor .... 800
Jonathan Pillsbury, services as supervisor .... 600
Albert R. Hatch, services rendered the town in 1877 and 1878 .... 8000
Dr. L. J. Young, for records of births and deaths .... 700
Congregational society, for use of vestry for town meetings .... 1500
Campbell & Hanscom, for printing town reports in March, 1879 .... 3500
Paid Temple & Farrington, for books
and stationery . . . . 7 00
J. J. Lane, for inserting notices for
town bonds . . . . 1 35

--- $548 07

ABATEMENTS.

Paid Charles Osgood, loss of horse . $0 46
George Warner, loss of horse . 1 17
Nathan Carr, loss of horse . 31
David E. Brown, loss of horse and
cow . . . . 70
Moses Palmer, loss of cow . 31
S. F. Colcord, over-taxed . 52
Joseph D. French, poll-tax, over
seventy . . . . 1 56
Elias P. Hubbard, poll-tax, over
seventy, in 1876 and 1877 . 3 28
George Brown, dog tax, 1879, had
none . . . . 1 00
John S. Patten, dog tax, 1878, had
none . . . . 2 00
J. W. Cleaves, over-taxed . 1 33
James T. Dudley, over-taxed . 1 92
Jesse M. Young, abatements on tax-
list for 1879 . . . . 21 14
J. C. Hobbs, abatements on tax-list
for 1877 . . . . 14 29
J. C. Hobbs, abatements on tax-list
for 1878 . . . . 50 21
Sargent Currier, over-taxed . 78

--- $100 98

RECAPITULATION.

Paid pauper expenses . . . . $350 15
school fund . . . . 1,571 64
notes and interest . . . . 6,156 70
roads and bridges . . . . 275 13
miscellaneous . . . . 548 07
abatements . . . . 100 98

--- $9,902 67
By sundry orders on treasurer . . $9,002 67
Settled as above.

ANDREW J. EDGERLY,
JESSE W. SARGENT,
LEWIS H. DEARBORN,
Selectmen of Candia.

CANDIA, Feb. 28, 1880.

This day examined the accounts of the Selectmen of the
town of Candia for the past fiscal year, and find them cor-
rectly cast, with proper vouchers for the same.

CHARLES OSGOOD,
JOHN H. NUTTING,
J. LANE FITTS.

Auditors.
TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Town of Candia in account with the Treasurer.

Paid state tax for the year 1879  .  $1,180 00
    county tax for the year 1879  .  1,585 92
    sundry orders of selectmen  .  9,002 67

By cash of treasurer for 1878  .  $1,035 39
    railroad tax for 1878  .  96 13
    savings-bank tax for 1878  .  1,313 76
    literary fund for 1878  .  112 11
    county for 1878  .  285 49
    Mrs. Dearborn, money hired  .  400 00
    Mrs. Robinson, money hired  .  2 60
    Mrs. Driscoll, money hired  .  11 00
    Benjamin Taylor, money hired  .  11 00
    J. S. Morrill, money hired  .  200 00
    M. L. Cleaves  .  100 00
    Will Cushing  .  100 00
    Congregational society  .  404 68
    J. W. Cate, on note  .  300 00
    M. F. Emerson, balance on note  .  544 09
    Congregational society  .  300 00
    J. C. Hobbs, collector for 1878  .  1,395 90
    interest for 1878  .  47 85
    J. M. Young, collector for 1879  .  6,031 14

Total  .  $11,768 59
By cash of interest for 1879 . . 21.67
True Eaton, for use of hearse . . . 4.00
bank interest . . . 12.02

$12,728.83

Amount paid out . . . . 11,768.59

Cash in hands of Treasurer . . $960.24

GEORGE EMERSON,
Treasurer.

CANDIA, Feb. 28, 1880.

This day examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the town of Candia for the past fiscal year, and find them correctly cast, with proper vouchers for the same.

CHARLES OSGOOD,
JOHN H. NUTTING,
J. LANE FITTS.

Auditors.
TOWN DEBT.

Town bonds issued and sold July, 1879. . . . . . . . $24,300 00
Interest accrued on bonds to March 1, 1880. . . . . . . . . 729 00

$25,029 00

ASSETS.

J. W. Cate, note and interest . . $501 70
William B. Thorn, note and interest  70 46
Balance in hands of J. C. Hobbs, uncollected . . . . 1,278 10
Balance in hands of J. M. Young, uncollected . . . . 552 66
Cash in hands of Treasurer . . . . 960 24

$3,363 16

Town debt less assets . . . . $21,665 84

ANDREW J. EDGERLY,
JESSE W. SARGENT,
LEWIS H. DEARBORN,
Selectmen of Candia.

We, the Auditors, have further examined the note-book of said town, and there appeared to have been outstanding, due upon the principal of the notes, March 4, 1879, $27,531.00, instead of $26,281.00, as reported.

CHARLES OSGOOD,
JOHN H. NUTTING,
J. LANE FITTS,
Auditors.
REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Teachers and Citizens of Candia:—

Agreeably to the provisions of law, your committee submits the following report of the condition of your schools during the past year.

We believe that to be the best education that fits the learner for the duties of common life, such a life as a large majority of our youth will enter upon when they leave their only school. Realizing this, we have felt a deep interest in each scholar attending our schools, have noted the progress made, have counseled the teachers, and have taken such action as our best judgment dictated, by holding "teachers' meetings" and making frequent visits to the school-rooms, and by doing what we could to encourage and improve our schools.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Summer term taught by Miss Clara A. Lane of Epping. This teacher came to this school with excellent literary qualifications and considerable experience in teaching, but found the amount of labor required in the school-room taxed her physical powers to the utmost. The examination at the close indicated a fair amount of progress. We thought when visiting this school if the teacher had displayed more firmness in government, she might have shown still more favorable results.

Teacher, fall and winter terms, Mrs. L. A. B. Knowles, who brought the fruits of several years' experience as
teacher. Good results were expected and realized. Mrs. Knowles throws all her energies into the work, makes the school duties very attractive to all, and inspires her pupils with an interest in their studies that insures rapid advancement and a thorough understanding of the lessons taught.

District No. 2.

Teacher, Miss Alice D. Bean, under whose prudent and careful management the schools for the year were successful. Her genial nature gained the esteem of her pupils and she was aided by the co-operation of the parents, thus making the twenty-one weeks of service pleasant and profitable.

District No. 3.

Miss Margaret Jackson of Londonderry, teacher. In managing this school, Miss Jackson exhibited excellent judgment. Not how much but how well, was the motto of this school. Commendable instructions were given in reading and spelling. This teacher is blessed with a "sound mind in a sound body." At the close of the fall term, it was repeatedly stated that every parent was perfectly satisfied with the teacher and with what had been accomplished during the year.

District No. 4.

The summer and winter terms were taught by Miss Ruth A. Emerson. An air of quietness and good feeling seemed to pervade the school-room, which indicated that the devotion of the teacher to her pupils' interests was acknowledged by them. At the close of the winter term, the exercises were highly satisfactory to the committee, and evinced to all that Miss Emerson is an energetic, faithful teacher, one who knows how to keep her pupils interested in their work.

The influence of this teacher must be most salutary in forming the character of the young, wherever she labors. We welcome her back to our schools and hope she may be retained in terms to come.

Among the many visitors present at the examination, were twelve teachers, nearly all of whom had taught in that district. From the toasts and complimentary
remarks offered at the close, we were compelled to think it very unfortunate for any of us that we were not born or had never taught in that intelligent and unexceptionably good district.

District No. 5.

The teacher both terms was Miss Georgietta E. Stevens, of Deerfield, who showed in this, her first school, that she possessed the elements of a good teacher, being thorough, patient and persevering. Under her instructions, the scholars made as good progress in their studies as could be expected. This school is composed largely of scholars from other districts; perhaps this is the reason there was not that enthusiasm to excel manifested during the winter term, which is so desirable.

District No. 6.

Summer term taught by Mrs. Julia A. Eaton, who in this school fully sustained her former record as teacher; that she had been faithful and untiring in her work was apparent to all at the close of the school. Thirteen names are found upon the "Roll of Honor." Mrs. Eaton's services were earnestly sought for the fall term, but could not be secured on account of the cares of her home.

The fall term was given to Nathan I. Moore, who entered upon these duties without previous experience, but it is acknowledged that he met with gratifying success. He was clear in his illustrations, and free to assist his pupils in every difficult work. Order and decorum were the result of the exercise of good authority in the school-room. The voices of the scholars were developed to such an extent that they recited in tones that could be understood, which in this school was a decided improvement. The scholars were taught to think and reason for themselves, the practical element entering largely into the instructions given. Special pains was taken in writing, and marked improvement was noticeable.

District No. 7.

Miss Anna Nichols of Manchester took charge of the summer term. Miss Nichols tried hard to instruct and
please; if she had been more discreet in managing the school, her services would doubtless have been better appreciated by all interested. The examination was quite interesting to all present. Col Levi Bean, a resident of the district, enlivened the occasion by presenting to several of the scholars large chromos as prizes for correct deportment, scholarship, etc.

The fall term was given to Miss Harriet L. Nutting, who by her tact and good sense won the confidence of the pupils and patrons of the school. She does not forget that what is easy to her may be hard to her pupils; she sees every truth with clearness, and is able to make such clear to others. The examination occurred on a cold, windy November day, so but few visitors were present. Notwithstanding the comfortless position of the scholars on account of the cold and the many harps hung at the windows and on the shattered clapboards, the exercises were very gratifying.

**District No. 8.**

Summer term taught by Miss Jennie L. Butler of Newton, Mass. Miss Butler entered this school with an excellent reputation as a teacher of fidelity and skill. Her scholarship was of a superior grade for our schools. The examination at the close of the term gave many proofs that valuable ideas had been conveyed to her pupils calculated to be of lasting benefit. Miss Butler had several calls to teach during the fall terms, but, having the offer of a more lucrative position in a graded school nearer home, decided not to return. We regret that we must lose from our schools such an excellent teacher and lady, but we know our loss will be her gain.

Fall term, Mattie E. Stevens, of Vermont, teacher. This teacher being a stranger to our schools, and not having taught for some time past, succeeded much better than was expected at the opening of the term. As a disciplinarian and teacher she accomplished a good work.

Winter term taught by Miss Harriet L. Nutting, who, taking up the work just left by Miss Stevens, succeeded admirably in all the work of the school. The committee is confident that every branch received due attention, and that the school has been a profitable one to all in attendance. Owing to accumulated school funds, this district has had
five more weeks of schooling than any other in town. Although it was the only alternative to change teachers each term, the several schools rank among the best in town.

**District No. 9.**

Summer term. Miss Lizzie S. Pickering, of Newington, teacher. This teacher having had several years' experience, we anticipated that the term would be exceedingly profitable; but by injudicious management on the part of the teacher, with most of the scholars and parents, her services very soon became unprofitable to the district, and after five weeks' experience she concluded to resign her position.

Fall term was taught by George W. Nutter of Barnstead. This teacher, taking advantage of the situation, won where the former teacher failed, gained the good-will of the pupils and the co-operation of the parents. It has been stated repeatedly that Mr. Nutter was the best teacher the district had employed for years. It is evident that a male teacher should be employed for the fall or winter terms in years to come.

**District No. 11.**

Summer term taught by Miss Harriet L. Nutting, who, with no previous experience as teacher, showed a capacity to teach and govern that cannot fail to make her a useful and popular teacher if she perseveres. At each visit the school appeared well, showing that good improvement was made.

Fall term. Edmund S. Simpson, of Chester, teacher. His genial disposition, his knowledge of the branches taught, and his fidelity to duty, made him a very successful teacher. It was stated at the examination by one of the oldest residents of the district, "that it had been the best school there had been in the district for forty years."

**District No. 12.**

This district decided to have but one term, in order to secure the services of John S. Emerson, their former teacher. Mr. Emerson possesses that quick perception of the scholars' nature, and a capacity for exciting their inter-
est. which are essential gifts for a successful educator. A prominent excellence in his teaching is his attention to principles upon which rules are founded. He is ready to give a reason for everything taken up and he requires it of his pupils even in the smallest things. More such teachers, who know how to go to the bottom of fundamental principles, ought to be welcomed to and retained in our schools.

District No. 13.

Miss Nellie F. Dolber, teacher for the one term for the year. This school is small in numbers, and the amount of schooling per year the least in town. But in spite of any lack of privilege, the most of the scholars are ambitious to learn, and we believe they compare favorably with others of the same ages where greater privileges are enjoyed. Miss Dolber, in this, her second year in this school, retained the respect of her pupils, was assiduous in her labors, and accomplished a good work for the district.

District No. 14.

Teacher for the year, Mrs. Clara A. Nelson. What was reported of this teacher last year holds true at present. The scholars here are co-workers to advance in their studies, and have been very ambitious to excel, one evidence of which is that six upon the "Roll of Honor" are from this small district. On account of the sickness of the teacher, the fall term was cut short by three weeks; consequently there was no examination.

Roll of Honor.

Charles Fifield, Harry Brown, Carrie F. Emerson, Jennie Palmer, May Belle Colecord, Lillian Young, Everett Jones, Norah Dearborn, Mattie Thompson, Mabel Dearborn, S. Lucy Dearborn, Eva L. French, Ida T. Parson, George L. Rowe, Elmer Moore, Gertie Brown, Ella Richardson, Carrie B. Rowe, Hattie Smith.

There have been 129 male scholars and 152 female scholars (including all ages) attending school; and by the selectmen's report there are in town, between the ages of four and fourteen years, 118 males and 115 females.
We would also like to give a list of those scholars’ names who have been perfect in attendance for one term, but space allotted us forbids, and we will simply say that the number in all is 121. Notwithstanding the fact that death has removed a larger number than usual of our citizens, it is remarkable that not one of our school-children has died during the year; and on account of their prevailing good health and earnest resolutions, a higher percentage of daily attendance as compared with last year is noticeable.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

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* Excluding board.
Remarks and Suggestions.

During the past year, each school in town has been supplied with a new map of New Hampshire, and the teachers were instructed to teach their pupils something of their own State. A few of the teachers are faulty in not making better use of them. If used rightly the maps will be of great value to our scholars. We listened a few days since to a recitation of all the towns in the State in alphabetical order by counties, by a class of twelve scholars.

Your committee has thought that a change of spellers and readers would be beneficial, so by the counsel and cooperation of teachers and parents a thorough change has been made in favor of Monroe's Practical Speller, which has given entire satisfaction to teachers and pupils. Reading is most neglected of all our common-school studies. The reading is enough in amount, but is usually dull, monotonous, and without meaning or sufficient study. Where we find one scholar that can read intelligently, we find ten working in square root. We think an exchange of readers would be an excellent investment for our schools, and would doubtless awaken a new interest with teachers and scholars. We think the study of the history of the United States is too much neglected in our schools. We need no arguments to prove its importance.

Another axiom (though a trite one) demands our consideration and harmonious action: that is, the consolidation of our districts. The advantages to be derived from larger, longer, and consequently better schools by employing better teachers, would far outweigh all arguments in favor of the present number of districts.

Taking our schools as a whole, we find much to encourage us. The scholars generally are quick, bright, and appreciative, and compare favorably in scholarship with those elsewhere about us. The several prudential committees have tried hard to get the best available teachers, and, with but few exceptions, have been successful.

The state superintendent sends out ninety written questions for teachers and town committees to answer, making it very important that the law be carried out. "That no teacher be paid until the register is returned to the town committee properly filled out and receipt given."

We should be glad to see a higher standard of scholar-
ship and general culture on the part of those, who, from
time to time, offer themselves as teachers, but how can this
be effected except by raising the standard of public senti-
ment? It is a serious mistake to suppose that teachers
only need a fair knowledge of the particular branches in
which they are to give instruction. For instance, many
have said, because our children are young and the school
small, a young, cheap teacher will do. Especially are moral
worth, a correct use of language, and cultivated manners
of the highest importance, since young children learn more
by imitating their elders than from books.

Four male teachers have been employed the past year
with the best of results. If two or three more could be em-
ployed for our winter schools, it doubtless would be an
improvement in the right direction. A good teacher of
experience seldom seeks for a school, but, on the other hand,
is earnestly sought after by those whose duty it is to pro-
cure teachers.

To hire good teachers and retain them for several terms,
is a suggestion of the most practical importance your com-
mittee can make, in view of the present and prospective
wants of our schools.

It is universally admitted that intellect, trained, ennobled,
purified, and quickened, is the universal power to build up,
while intellect neglected, perverted, or corrupted, is the
most terrible of agencies to pull down and destroy. Permit
me, in closing this report, to say to you as parents, sustain
our schools; look well to the education of the children
under your care. It is better economy to support the com-
mon school, than the alms-house, the jail, or the prison.
The best legacy you can give your children is a good, prac-
tical education.

To you as fellow-citizens, I will simply say, I have tried
to be faithful to my convictions of duty in the great trust
you have committed to me.

For the honors you have conferred upon me, and for
your charity to my faults, accept my heartfelt thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. ROWE,
Superintendent.
The report of School District No. 10 not being furnished in season to come in its regular order, is inserted here.

District No. 10.

Summer term, Miss Mary I. Dearborn, teacher. This school ranks among the largest in town, only one having more scholars. Miss Dearborn, being young in years and experience, found this school a heavy task to manage and instruct satisfactorily. Doubtless she would have succeeded better in a small school.

The winter term was taught by Miss Lillie R. Dolber, who proved to be the right teacher in the right place. Miss Dolber knows the text-books thoroughly, and is not at all confined to them. Her manner of handling their contents, and of directing her pupils in a clear and definite line of thought, proved conclusively the importance, not only of the sciences taught, but of a practical training in the art of imparting instruction. The deportment of the scholars at each visit of the committee was very commendable, and at the examination there was such a uniformity of good recitations, in tones not often misunderstood, there is little need of making distinctions. The new wall-maps, purchased by the efforts of the teacher, and used by the scholars, with a new State map, proved that the money had been wisely expended. The scholars tangibly showed their appreciation of the teacher by presenting her with a beautiful photograph album. This district will be fortunate to secure the same teacher in future terms.
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