## ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

## SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

 HIGHWAY AGENTS, AND

SCHOOL TREASURER, OF THE

# TOWN OF KENSINGTON 

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## Town Officers.

Representative, BENJAMIN G. MOULTON.

Supervisors,
SHERMAN W. SHAW, WILL O. TILTON, STEPHEN BROWN, JR.

Moderator, WILBER K. PARKER.

Town Clerk, DANIEL DEARBORN. Selectmen,
JOHN F. GILL, BENJAMIN F. ROWE, ALVA BREWER. Treasurer, WALTER A. HILLIARD.

Collector of Taxes, DANIEL R. PRESCOTT.

Highway Agents, STEPHEN M. KIMBALL, WILBER K. PARKER, ABEL PAGE.

Board of Education,
JOSIAH D. PRESCOTT,
FRANK A. MACE, IRVING C. GOVE.

School Treasurer,
CHARLES E. TUCK.
Constables,
FRANK H. POOR, JOHN L. EATON. Dog Constable, CHARLES E. BACHELDER. Fish and Game Wardens,
CHARLES R. GOVE, ALBERT E. BROWN. Auditors,
JOHN A. BLAKE, JOSIAH D. PRESCOTT.

## Selectmen's Report.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN, APRIL $1,1896$.

Land and buildings,
No. polls,
cows,
horses,
sheep,
other neat stock,
swine,
poultry,
carriages, .
mills,
money at interest,
shares bank stock, stock in trade,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \$ 207,053 \text { oo } \\
& \text { 14,300 oo } \\
& \text { 9,297 оо } \\
& \text { 1,495 oo } \\
& \text { 8,360 оо } \\
& 466 \text { оо } \\
& 25 \text { oo } \\
& 1200 \\
& 260 \text { oo } \\
& 300 \text { oo } \\
& 500 \cdot 00 \\
& \text { 2,289 оо } \\
& \text { 1,600 оо } \\
& \text { I 1,220 oo }
\end{aligned}
$$

$\$ 257,177$ oo
Total,

## APPROPRIATIONS.

State tax,

$$
\$ 540 \quad 00
$$

County tax, Schools by law,

56938

Memorial day,
540 oo

Copying town records, 40 oo
$50 \quad 00$
Contingencies, 40000
Highways and bridges,
64294
Public library by law, $\$ 25$; extra, $\$ 50$, 75 оо
School house repairs,
Amount to collect,
$\$ 2,882 \quad 32$
Rate of taxation, \$I.I5 per \$1oo.
Remaining in hands of Collector, 1894 , \$I I 36
" " " 1895, a 4467
". " " 1896, 210 07
\(\left.\begin{array}{l}JOHN F. GILL, <br>
BENJAMIN F. ROWE, <br>

ALVA BREWER,\end{array}\right\}\)| Selectmen |
| :---: |
| of |
| Kensington. |

## Treasurer's Report.

W. A. Hilliard in account with the town of Kensington for the year ending March $1,1897$.

DR.
To cash received of A. W. Gooch, Treasurer of

1895,
Received of Collector, 1894 ,
$\$ 50598$
12 II
25853
2,767 47
21.24

22809
6440
925
8591
" Town Clerk, for dog licenses,
" W. N. Shaw, balance of Memorial appropriation, $\quad 275$
" Frank H. Poor, use of town house, 10 oo
" G. W. Smith, dog damage, 300
$\$ 3,968 \quad 73$
CR.
Paid state tax, county tax,
Memorial day,
public library, by law, $\$ 25$; extra, $\$ 50$,
bounty on hawks,
support of schools,
school house repairs, snow paths,
highways and bridges, contingent expenses,
$\$ 540$ oo
56938
$40 \quad 00$
75 оо
925
$893 \quad 52$
2560
19357
64685
$167 \quad 38$

## 5

| Paid officers, |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| copying town records, | $\$ 256$ 29 |  |
| abatements, | 35 | 00 |
| expense on dog account, | 19 | 79 |
| Board of Health, | 16 oo |  |
|  | 280 |  |
|  | $\$ 3,490 \quad 13$ |  |
| $\$ 478 \quad 60$ |  |  |

Paid by orders of the Selectmen :

$$
\text { SNOW PATHS, } 1896 .
$$

| Paid Thomas C. Shaw, | $\$ 345$ |
| :---: | ---: |
| Sherman W. Shaw, | 225 |
| Moses W. Evans, | 1560 |
| Wilber K. Parker, | $20 \quad 28$ |
| Samuel Batchelder, | I2 83 |

1897. 

Paid Stephen M. Kimball,
Abel Page,
$\$ 44 \quad 60$

Wilber K. Parker,
5430
$40 \quad 26$
\$139 16

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Thomas C. Shaw,
Stephen M. Kimball, Wilber K. Parker, Abel Page,
\$II 65
213 II
21925
20284
$\$ 64685$

## OFFICERS.

Paid John W. York, Auditor, 1895 , Henry C. Tuck, " " Charles W. Foss, Supervisor, Sherman W. Shaw, " Frank H. Poor,
\$ 50
I 50
900
9 оо
9 оо
Paid Ellery C. Wadleigh, Ballot Clerk, ..... \$I 50
Thomas H. Blake, " " ..... I 50
Lewis E. Gove, Ballot Inspector, ..... I 50
Daniel E. Palmer, " ..... I 50
Herbert L. Eaton, Gate Keeper, ..... I 50
Daniel Dearborn, Town Clerk, ..... 2500
Josiah D. Prescott, services on School Board, ..... 8 oo
Josiah D. Prescott, Truant Officer and enumerating scholars, ..... 200
Irving C. Gove, Superintendent of Schools, ..... 2000
Frank A. Mace, services on School Board, ..... 8 оо
Charles E. Tuck, Treasurer of ..... 5 оо
Wilber K. Parker, Moderator, ..... 6 оо
John F. Gill, services as Selectman, ..... $30 \quad 25$
Benjamin F. Rowe, " ..... 2490
Alva Brewer, ..... 2425
Walter A. Hilliard, services as Treasurer, ..... 2000
Daniel R. Prescott, Collector of Taxes, ..... 4151
S. C. Sawyer, Collector of 1895 , ..... 388

## CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid John Templeton, printing town reports, ..... \$30 oo
" " check lists, ..... 450
John F. Gill, stationery, ..... I 45
" Exeter and advice, ..... 200
Charles E. Bachelder, guide boards, ..... 348
" " lettering guide boards, ..... 55
Frank M. Cilley, insurance on town house, ..... 2000
Dr. J. A. Fitz Hugh, returning births, ..... I 75
Mrs. Anne Tilton, ..... 25
Mrs. Robert Beckman, " ..... 25
Jas. H. Batchelder, stationery, ..... 880
John F. McKoy, maintaining public water- ing place, ..... 200

## 7

Paid George Brown, maintaining public watering place, $\quad \$ 2$ oo
W. S. Hobbs, maintaining public watering place, 200
G. O. Weare, maintaining public watering place, 200
F. H. Poor, I cord wood and sawing, 400
" labor on cemetery, 10 oo
" services as sexton, 3850
". 22 locust posts, 660
" putting sawdust in town house, 300
" I-2 cord wood for " 200
C. E. Tuck, school yard fence, labor and lumber, 8 oo
C. E. Tuck, hitch rail at town house, 2 oo
Stephen Brown, Jr., making taxes, Io oo
John F. Gill, putting up guide boards, 2.25
$\$ 167 \quad 38$

## SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

| Paid Chas. E. Tuck, school supplies, | $\$ 6472$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| " | " purposes, | 80540 |
| F. A. Mace, |  | 500 |
| J. D. Prescott, |  | 1800 |
| I. C. Gove, |  | 40 |

$\$ 893 \quad 52$
SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid Frank A. Mace,
I. C. Gove,
$\$ 25$ oo
60
$\$ 2560$

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid John F. Gill, services,

## 8

## COPYING TOWN RECORDS.



## 9

COLLECTOR OF 1896.
Paid Hrs. Nathan Fellows, cow died, ..... \$0 25
A. W. Bartlett, over rated, ..... 45
George W. Sanborn, over 70, ..... I 15
Benjamin F. Rowe, soldier, ..... I 15
John A. Batchelder, poll, ..... 115

WALTER A. HILLIARD, Treasurer.

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correctly cast and properly vouched, and do hereby approve the same.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { JOHN A. BLAKE, } \\ \text { JOSIAH D. PRESCOTT, }\end{array}\right\}$ Auditors.

## Report of Highway Agents.

STEPHEN M. KIMBALL. Highway Agent.

In account with town of Kensington, for year ending February

$$
15,1897 .
$$

DR.
To money received of Town Treasurer,
CR.


May, ", "
May . I, I " " $45^{\circ}$
I, I-2 day's work, I man, 75
4, I " self, man and horses, 6 oo
9, work picking stones,
40
June 3, I day's work, self, man and horses, 6 oo
4, 1 " " 6 оо
5, 1 " " 6 oo

6, I-2 " " 3 oo
II, 1 " " 6 oo
I2, I " " " $\quad$ " 0
13, I " " 6 oo
15, time and material repairing railing, 1 oo
Oct. 6, self, man and horses, I 50
6, 22 I feet plank, 3 o9
30, 3 hours work, $\quad 45$
Nov. 24, self and 2 men, 350

## I I


$\$ 2 \mathrm{I} 3$ II
SNOW BILLS.

DR.
To money received from Town Treasurer, $\$ 4460$

## 12 <br> CR.

1897. 

Jan. 29, By 3 hours with team making snow path, \$o 75

- 25 hours, self and 2 men, 425

30, 4 hours with team making snow path, I oo
30, labor, self and I man, 3 Io
Feb. 5, " " " I 75
9, 2 hours' work, 30
\$1I 15
Feb. 13, By cash paid B. G. Moulton, $\$ 675$
J. W. York, 495
C. E. Tuck, 75
S. W. Shaw, 435
E. C. Wadleigh, $\quad$ I 90
T. R. Millbury, 365
D. Dearborn, 90
C. R. Gove, $\quad 150$
T. C. Shaw, 255
W. A. Hilliard, 75
B. F. Rowe, I 50
D. B. Prescott, 75
G. A. Prescott. I 50
R. P. Prescott, I 20
T. E. Simpson, I5
J. P. Rowe, 30
$\$ 4460$

W. K. PARKER, Highway Agent,

In account with town of Kensington, for the year ending February I5, 1897.
Received of Town Treasurer,
CR.
1896.

Apr. 16, John Brewster, 5 hours with team on road machine,

## I 3

Apr. 16, Moses Evans, ro hours with team on road machine, $\$ 400$
W. K. Parker, 10 hours with team on road machine, ..... 400
W. K. Parker, running road machine, ..... 200
17, Moses Evans, io hours with team on road machine, ..... 400
W. K. Parker, io hours with team on road machine, ..... 4 oo
John Brewster, io hours with team on road machine, ..... 4 оо
W. K. Parker, running road machine, ..... 2 oo
May 6, Alfred Robie, 3 hours on highway, ..... 45
Frank Poor, work on highway, ..... 250
W. K. Parker, 9 hours on highway, ..... I 35
W. K. Parker's man, io hrs. on highway, ..... I 50
W. K. Parker, labor, with team, ..... I 25
Albert Fellows, 5 hours on highway, ..... 75
7, Frank Poor, work on highway, ..... 250
Albert Fellows, 5 hours on highway, ..... 75
Chas. Austin, 5 ..... 75
Mr. Blake, 5 ..... 75
8, W. K. Parker's man and team, on highway, ..... 425
June 25, Chas. Robie, Io hours with team on highway, ..... 400
W. K. Parker, io hours with team onhighway,400
W. K. Parker's man, io hrs. on highway, ..... I 50
26, Chas. Robie, 3 hours with team on highway, ..... I 20
W. K. Parker, io hours, man and team, ..... 550
28, W. K. Parker, 8 hours with team, ..... 320
July 7, Alfred Robie, 3 hours on highway, ..... 45
8, Alfred Robie, 10 ..... I 50
9, Alfred Robie, 2 ..... 30

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Aug. 2 I, W. K. Parker, I man, 1 horse, 4 hours, \$I 10
Sept. ro, W. Parker, 2 men and team, 5 hours, 275
Oct. I8, W. K. Parker, i man, 5 hours on highway,75
W. K. Parker, 2 men and team, ro
hours on highway,

26, Chas. Robie and team, 8 hours on highway,

320
W. K. Parker, 2 men and team, 8 hours on highway,

440
27, W. K. Parker, 2 men and team, io hours on highway,

550
Chas. Robie and team, 8 hours on
highway,
Wm. Gaddis, 10 hours on highway, I 50
28, " " 150
Chas. Robie and team, io hours on
highway,
W. K. Parker, 2 men, 5 hours on
highway,

30, W. K. Parker, team, 2 men, ro hours on highway,

550
J. Brewster, team, 2 men, 5 hours on
highway,

3I, W. K. Parker, team, 2 men, 10 hours on highway,

550

> 31, J. Brewster, team, 2 men, io hours on highway,

Nov. 2, C. Robie and team, 9 1-2 hours on
highway,
380

> J. Brewster, team, 2 men, to hours on highway,

> W. K. Parker, team, 3 men, io hours on highway,

## H. Brown, 9 hours on highway, <br> 135

Sidney Chase, ro " I 50
Wm. Gaddis, 10 " I 50
Nov. 4, W. K. Parker, team, 3 men, io hours
on highway,
J. Brewster, team, 2 men, io hours on
highway, \$7 100

Total,

- $\quad 1896$.

Received of Town Treasurer,

## CR.

Mar. 12, C. Robie, shoveling snow, 3 hrs. at I5c. \$o 45

| A. Robie, | " | 3 | " | 45 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| H. Brown, | " | 3 | $"$ | 45 |
| E. Huff, | " | 3 | " | 45 |
| Wm. Gaddis, | " | 3 | " | 45 |

## 16

Mar. 12, W. K. Parker, 2 men and horse, 3 hrs., \$I 20
Moses Evans, I man and team, 5 hrs., ..... 275
C. Robie, team, 5 hrs., ..... 200
13, C. Robie, shoveling snow, io hrs. at 15 c., ..... 50
A. Robie, " 10 " ..... I 50
W. K. Parker, " 2 men, io hrs.,at 15 C ., 300
20, W. K. Parker, I man and single team, ..... I 20
Wm. Gaddis, shoveling snow, $10 \mathrm{I}-2 \mathrm{hrs}$.
at I5c., ..... I $5^{8}$
J. Brewster, shoveling snow, 4 hrs. at 15 c.; ..... 60
W. K. Parker, I man, shoveling snow, 5 hrs., at I5c., ..... I 50
21 , J. Brewster, shoveling snow, 5 hrs. at 15 c., ..... 75
27, ..... 45
Total for 1896 , 6 1897.
Jan. 29, Chas. Robie, 5 hrs. with team, ..... $\$ 200$Chas. Robie, shoveling snow, 5 hrs. at
I5c., ..... 75
I man, io hrs. shoveling snow at 15 c ., ..... I 50
W. K. Parker, io hrs. with team, ..... 4 oo
Wm. Gaddis, shoveling snow, ro hrs.
at 15 c ., ..... I 50
H. Brown, shoveling snow, io hrs. at 15 c . ..... 50
Ben Dowe, ..... " 10 " ..... I 50
Geo. Davis, ..... 60
Moses Evans, 5 hrs., 2 men and team, ..... 275
30, ". " " ..... 275
W. K. Parker, " ..... 275
W. K. Parker, 3 hrs., 2 men, ..... 90
Wm. Gaddis, shoveling snow, ro hrs. at 15 c. 150
H. Brown, " Io " I 50
Feb. 4, Chas. Robie, 9 " ..... I 35Moses Evans, I man, shoveling snow, 8hrs. at I5c.240

## I7


$\$ 60 \quad 54$
ABEL PAGE, Highway Agent,
In account with the Town of Kensington, for the year ending February 15, 1897.

DR.
To money received of Town Treasurer,
$\$ 20284$
CR.
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.
April 18 , to labor on Eaton road, 1 man, 3 hs., $\$ 045$
May i6, repairing bridge, 1 man, 2 horses, 2 " 80
28, labor on highway, I man, 5 " 75
" " C. M. Evans, 5 " 75
29, " " C. M. Evans, 5 " 75
" " I man, 5 " 75
June I, ". " I man, 8 " I 20
19, hauling tile from Amesbury,
22, placing tile, I man, 5 " 75 labor, I man and 2 horses, 5 " 200
" C. M. Evans, : 10 " 50
" Chas. Card, 10 " 150
" E. Huff, 10 " I 50
" H. Peacock, 10 " 50


Aug. 22, labor, I man, 2 hrs., \$0 30
" C. M. Evans,
2 " 30
Sept. 8, hauling gravel, I man and 2 horses,
16, 1 man and 2 horses,
Morrill Evans,
17, I man and 2 horses,
Morrill Evans,
18, i man and 2 horses,
Nov. 6, I man and 2 horses, 7, I man and 2 horses, W. F. Card, 9, I man and 2 horses, John Evans and 2 horses, W. F. Card,
ro, I man and 2 horses, John Evans and 2 horses, H. Peacock, W. F. Card,

12, I man and 2 horses, John Evans and 2 horses, C. M. Evans, Ned Lovering,
13, I man and 2 horses, C. M. Evans,

13, John Evans and 2 horses,
16, I man and 2 horses, C. M. Evans,

17, I man and 2 horses, C. M. Evans,

18, 1 man and 2 horses, C. M. Evans,

19, I man and 2 horses, C. M. Evans, John Evans,
20, I man and 2 horses,
C. M. Evans,
$\left.\begin{array}{rrrr}3 & " & 1 & 20 \\ 8 & " & 3 & 20 \\ 5 & " & & 75 \\ 10 & " & 4 & 00 \\ 10 & " & 1 & 50 \\ 5 & " & 2 & 00 \\ 2 & 1-2 & " & 1\end{array}\right) 00$

Nov. 25, I man and 2 horses, C. M. Evans, 30, I man and 2 horses,
Dec. I, I man and 2 horses, W. F. Card, 7, I man and 2 horses, C. M. Evans,

- 8, I man and 2 horses,
C. M. Evans,

9, I man cutting bushes,
10, 1 man and 2 horses,
Geo. Warner, shovelling gravel, 3 1-2 " 52
W. F. Card,
if, I man and 2 horses,
W. F. Card,

12, I man and 2 horses, W. F. Card, 26, I man,
Jan. I 2, I man cutting bushes, 15, I man, 16, labor, i man, C. M. Evans,

Feb. in, labor, i man,
" C. M. Evans,
22 feet bridge tile at 42 C . per foot,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 9 \text { hrs., \$360 } \\
& \text { - } 9 \text { 6 1 } 35 \\
& 3 \text { I-2 " I } 40 \\
& 8 \text { " } 320 \\
& 8 \text { " } 120 \\
& 8 \text { " } 320 \\
& 8 \text { " I } 20 \\
& \text { " } 3.20 \\
& 8 \text { " I } 20 \\
& 3 \text { " } 45 \\
& 8 \text { " } 320 \\
& 4 \text { " } 60 \\
& 8 \text { " } 320 \\
& \text { "، } 120 \\
& 8 \text { " } 320 \\
& 8 \text { " } 120 \\
& 4 \text { " } 60 \\
& \text { " } 60 \\
& 4 \text { " } 60 \\
& 7 \text { ". I } 05 \\
& 7 \text { " } 105 \\
& \text { " } 75 \\
& 5 \text { " } 75
\end{aligned}
$$

924 scraper, 200
Stamps, money order and express, 34
Stephen Brown, moving road machine
to Hilliard farm,

Total,
$\begin{array}{r}50 \\ \hline\end{array}$Climax Road Machine Co., point forscraper,

$\qquad$- 34
$\$ 20284$

## SNOW BILLS.

DR.
To money received from Town Treasurer,

## CR.

1896. 


1897.

Jan. 29, Chas. Fish and 2 horses, 8 " 320
David Brown, and 2 horses, 8 " 320
Stephen Brown and 2 horses, 8 " 320
Geo. M. Gove and team, 3 oo
Abel Page, 8 " I 20
Chas. E. Card, 6 1-2 " 98
C. Sumner Card, 6 1-2 " 65
H. L. Eaton, 4 " 60
O. R. Eaton, I " I5
J. L. Eaton, 5 " 75
C. M. Evans, 7 " I 05

30, I man and 2 horses, 4 " 160
Geo. M. Gove and team, 225
C. M. Evans, 6 I-2 " 97

Abel Page, 3 " 45
O. R. Eaton, 5 " 75
H. L. Eaton, 2 " 30

30, J. L. Eaton, . 5 " 75
Feb. 4, Abel Page, 7 " I o5
C. M. Evans, 7 " I 05
W. Hilton, • 2 " 25

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Feb. 4, J. L. Eaton,
    Geo. M. Gove,
    B. F. Lovering and team,
    John Evans,
5, I man and 2 horses,
    C. M. Evans,
6, I man and 2 horses,
    C. M. Evans,
8, Abel Page,
    C. M. Evans,
    George Farrell,
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3 I-2 hs., \$0 53
3 " 45

- 555

12 " I 80
7 " 280
8 " I 20
3 " I 20
4 " 60
3 " 45
4 " 60
I 05

## Library Report.

At the town meeting of March, 1896, Charles E. Tuck was appointed Trustee for three years, M. E. Beckman for two years, and A. E. Brown for one year. And it was voted that seventy-five dollars be appropriated for the Library.

During the year the trustees have purchased 45 books.
The number of books taken from the Library during the past year were as follows :

Fiction, 980 ; History, 79 ; Travels, 62 ; Biography, 50 ; Religion, 19 ; Poetry, 6 ; Natural History, 5 ; Miscellaneous, 15 ; or a total of $\mathrm{I}, 2 \pm 6$ volumes. Besides this, numerous papers and magazines have been read.
A. E. BROWN, for the Trustees.

## BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR.

Life of Oliver W. Holmes, "

- Tom Grogan, Westward Ho!
David Crockett,
Maggie,
When a Man's Single,
We Girls,
A Singular Life,
Rose in Bloom,
Under the Lilacs,
Tom Sawyer,
Swiss Family Robinson,
Three Men in a Boat,
Last Days of Pompeii,
Rienzi,
Dr. Warrick's Daughters,
People We Pass,
The Carbuncle Clue, The Pocket Rifle,
A Start in Life,
The Starry Flag,
Through by Daylight,
The Hardscrabble,
Typee,
Quo Vadis,

Vol. I. Morse. Vol. II.

Smith.
Kingsley.
Abbott.
Crane.
Barrie.
Whitney.
Phelps.
Alcott.
"
Clemens.
Wyss.
Jerome.
Lytton. "

Davis.
Ralph.
Hume.
Trowbridge.
"
Adams.
"
Kellogg.
Melville.
Sienkiewicz.


## School Report.

According to the usual custom we submit the following report :
The Spring term of the North School was in charge of Miss Mary Prescott. Her earnestness and desire for the welfare of her pupils was very evident to all who saw student and teacher at work together. Resigning her position for one of more responsibility, she was succeeded by Miss Eleanor Whyte, a graduate of Robinson Seminary.

The Winter term found Miss Sarah A. Green, of this town, installed as teacher. Concerning her ability, or success in this capacity, nothing need be stated, since the past experience of so many years has proved her to be a most worthy teacher.

At the East School, Miss Mary E. Batchelder has been the instructor for the past year. She is much liked by both pupils and parents. Good order has been maintained and advancement in all directions is a very pleasing result. Much praise is due her for the genuine kindness and sympathy she has shown to all under her instruction.

Throughout the past year Miss Elizabeth E. U. Tyler has been teacher of the West School. She is to be commended for the methods she employed, for the faculty she possesses of interesting each scholar in his studies and for her pleasing manner of teaching.

A few changes in school books have been made. The Harper Readers have been introduced, also the new system of vertical penmanship. This new system of writing will soon be accepted as universal, for so many of our large cities and towns have already adopted it that its surety of becoming the standard writing is fully believed. Many interior repairs have been made in the East and West buildings during the past year. It seems to be a deplorable truth that the books in one of our schools have received very hard usage. Such treatment of books parents should not allow. If the teacher cannot seem to prevent it, the fathers and mothers should.

The number of children in town at the beginning of the Spring term, between the ages of 5 and 16 years, as enumerated by the School Board was 92, 43 girls and 49 boys. The number enrolled on the school register, 80 .

IRVING C. GOVE,<br>For the School Board.

Feb. 27, 1897.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SCHOOLS.

| , | North School. |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { EAST } \\ \text { School. } \end{gathered}$ |  |  | West School. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | - шләL риоэәS | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & \text { y } \\ & 0 \\ & 2 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & \vdots \end{aligned}$ |  | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 |  |  |  | 벅.3 |
| Wages of Teachers per month. | \$32 | \$32 | \$32 | \$28 | \$28 | \$28 | \$28 | \$28 | \$28 |
| No. of weeks in each term.... | 10 | II | 13 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| No. of Pupils. | 31 | 28 | 28 | 20 | 20 | 15 | 28 | 21 | 19 |
| Percentage of attendance | . 857 | . 880 | . 610 | . 850 | . 883 | . 796 | . 961 | .931 | . 882 |
| No. in Reading and Speiling. . | 31 | 28 | 28 | 20 | 20 | 15 | 28 | 21 | 19 |
| Penmanship.......... | 28 | 28 | 28 | 20 | 20 | 15 | 23 | 21 | 16 |
| Arithmetic. | 31 | 28 | 28 | 20 | 20 | 15 | 28 | 21 | 19 |
| Geography.... . . . . . . | 21 | 20 | $\cdots$ | 17 | 17 | 14 | 13 | 16 | 15 |
| Grammar. | 18 | 16 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 12 | 13 | 10 | 9 |
| History . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 18 | 16 | 10 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 9 | 9 |
| Composition | 16 | 16 | 16 | 18 | 14 | 10 | 9 | 6 | 6 |
| Physiology | 13 | 10 | 10 | 6 | . | 3 | 3 | 8 | 8 |
| Book-keeping. |  | . | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | . | . | . |
| Algebra | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | $\ldots$ | . |  |
| Music.. | . | . | . | 20 | 20 | ${ }^{1} 5$ | .. | .. | . |

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Charles B. Tuck, in account with the town School District for the year ending Feb. 19, 1897 :

Received of Frank A. Mace, Treasurer for 1896, \$14 95
F. A. Mace, 500

Town Treasurer, for school supplies, 6472
Town Treasurer, 80540
J. D. Prescott, I8 oo

| Amount received, | \$908 07 |
| :---: | :---: |
| paid out, | 837 I3 |
| Remaining in hand |  |

EXPENSES ITEMIZED.
TEACHERS' SALARIES.
1896.

July 6, paid Mary J. Prescott,' teaching North School io weeks, $\$ 80$ oo
June 26, Mary E. Batchelder, East School io weeks,

70 oo
June 30, Elizabeth E. U. Tyler, West School io weeks, 70 oo
Nov. 2 I, Eleanor Whyte, North School II weeks,

88 оо
Nov. 19, Mary E. Batchelder, East School 12 weeks,

8400
Nov. 28, Elizabeth E. U. Tyler, West School I2 weeks, 84 oo
Feb. I9, S. Abbie Green, North School II weeks, 88 оо
Feb. 19, Mary E. Batchelder, East School II weeks,

77 oo
Feb. 19, Elizabeth E. U. Tyler, West School II weeks,

7700

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

| Maynard, Merrill \& Co., | $\$ 429$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Ginn \& Co., | $3 \quad 75$ |
| American Book Co., | 624 |
| John F. Johnson, | 2963 |
| Irving C. Gove, | 120 |
| American Express Co., | 125 |
| Irving C. Gove, | 1836 |

Apr. 20, Charles E. Bachelder, cleaning
North School house, $\$ 050$

Aug. 28, Charles E. Bachelder, cleaning North School house, I oo
July 2, Mrs. D. Worthen, cleaning East School house,

200
Feb. 26, George Brown, for building fire at North School in Jan. and Feb., I896,

I 20

## 1897.

Feb. George Brown, building fire, 350
Feb. 16, Warren A. Wilbur, building fire at West School,

I 00
1896.

Aug. 25,
O. A. Fleming, I chair, I 75
R. P. Prescott, sawing wood, 50

Mary E. Warner 2 brooms, 50
Otis H. Eastman, sawing wood, I 50 " " building fire, 3 oo F. A. Mace:
lead pipe,
\$0 42
window fastenings, 48
time repairing windows, curtains and doors,

I 00
time attending to painting, 2 oo
paid Chas. Batchelder, sawing wood,

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Aug. 25, Frank H. Poor :

| wood for North School, | $\$ 950$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| wood for East School, | 900 |
| wood for West School, | 949 |
|  |  |
|  | $\$ 2799$ |

J. D. Prescott:

3 warrants for school meeting in 1896,
\$0 15
glass and putty, 25
labor at schoolhouse,
I 00
2 brooms, 40 time and team, hiring teachers, 1 oo
Soap and pail, 45
Wire, stationery and postage, 17
sawing wood, 2 oo
dipper for North school, 15
$\$ 5 \quad 57$
$\$ 544 \mathrm{I}$
$\$ 837$ I 3

CHARLES E. TUCK, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the above account, find it correctly cast and properly vouched.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { HARRISON ROWE, } \\ \text { DAVID BROWN, }\end{array}\right\}$ Auditors.
BIRTHS Registered in the Town of Kensington, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1896.

MARRIAGES Registered in the Town of Kensington, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1896.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Date } \\ & 1896 \text {. } \end{aligned}$ | Place of Marriage. | Name and Surname of Groom and Bride. |  | 0 <br> 0 <br> $\vdots$ <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 | Place of Birth of each. | Name of Parents. | O- | Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July 12 | Kensington, | Arthur L. Knowles, Rosa A. Cilley, |  | W |  |  | Ist, | Weare N. Shaw, Justice of the Peace. |
| Sept. 5 | Exeter, | Herbert A. Swain, Mary A. Gooch, | $\begin{aligned} & 25 \\ & 26 \end{aligned}$ | 6 6 | Brentwood, Kensington, | Orrin Swain, Mary E. Sinclair, Arthur W. Gooch, Mary A. York, | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Ist, } \\ \text { 6 } \end{gathered}\right.$ | George E. Street, Clergyman. |
| Oct. 17 | Kensington, | George C. Eastman, Mary A. Gove, | 23 19 | $\begin{array}{\|l} 6 \\ 6 \end{array}$ | Kensington, Kensington, | George A. Eastman, Ellen Brown, Charles R. Gove, Emma L. Fellows, | Ist, | George Osgood, Clergyman. |
| Nov. 27 | South Hampton, | James W. Purinton, Emma E. Waldron, | 49 47 |  | South Hampton, - Exeter, | Isaiah F. Purinton, Sophia H. Fitts, George Waldron, Huldah Ladd, | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { 2d, } \\ \text { ist, } \end{array}$ | Edward S. Cotton, Clergyman. |

DEATHS Registered in the Town of Kensington, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1896.




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