ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TREASURER, AUDITORS,

AND OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF HENNIKER,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY

1854.

MANCHESTER:

UNION STEAM PRINTING WORKS—CAMPBELL & GILMORE.

1854.
REPORT.

Horace Gibson in account with the town of Henniker, as Treasurer, for A. D. 1853.

To cash and orders received of Jonas Wallace, it being the balance left in the hands of the Treasurer, for A. D. 1852
To cash received of Harris Campbell, the Literary Fund money,
To cash received of George W. Rice, by the hand of Eri Colby for Old Bridge Timber,
To cash received from County, by the hand Eri Colby, the County pauper money,
To cash received from the town of Bradford, for the expense of Mrs. A. A. Moore and child,
To cash received from Abel Conner, Collector at sundry times,
To cash received from the State, the Railroad tax,
To cash received from H. A. Rice, for error in his tax,

$184 00
8 20
100 00
27 00
4449 30
59 42
2 00

$4912 37

Audited by the undersigned, this 2d day of March, A. D. 1854.

JOHN CAMPBELL, JONAS WALLACE, TITUS V. WADSWORTH, Auditing Committee.

Horace Gibson, aforesaid, in account with the town of Henniker, for A. D. 1853.

Paid Walter Harriman, State Treasurer, the State tax, $389 90
Seth K. Jones, County Treasurer, the County tax,
Nathan Sanborn for medicine for Nancy D. Searle,
Stephen Kimball, for boarding, nursing and clothing Nancy D. Searle, from Oct. 12, 1852, to May 10, 1853, County pauper,

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<td>Jonas Wallace</td>
<td>for printing town reports, and preparing the same for the press for A. D. 1852,</td>
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<td>Alfred Winship</td>
<td>for Horse and Wagon to Hopkinton,</td>
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<td>George W. Cogswell</td>
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Paid Stephen Newhall, Prudential Com. in No. 10, 43.18

Horace Childs, do do $11, 130.03
B. F. Noyes, do do $12, 38.25
Israel P. Dodge, do do $13, 30.96

Annis Campbell and K. G. Morrill's portion of School and Literary fund money, 8 38 — 853.43

Thomas Chase, for error in his tax, 2.05
Richard Whittier, do do 2.04
C. S. Dodge, do do 2.32
Issac Rice, do do 3.40
Jeremiah Foster, do do 1.90
Hiram Marsh, do do 4.03

J. O. Polson, for repairing highways, 4 50
Also, for breaking highways, 3 00 — 7 50
T. V. Washworth for repairing and breaking roads, 12 30

George W. Berry, for repairing highways, 2 00
do do for breaking highways, 1 20 — 3 20
Luther Hathorn, for breaking roads and repairing roads and bridges, 2 25

John Campbell for time and expenses at Concord and breaking roads, 6 53

John Gove for breaking roads and snowing bridge, 2 40
Harry Barnes, for breaking roads, 1 23
James H. Bay, do do 16.21
Edward G. Clark, do do 11.58
Walter Felch, do do 80
Franklin T. Huntington, do 9 35
John Campbell, do do 10 00
Joseph How, do do 10 50

Horace Gibson, for postage for A.D. 1852, 60

Horace Gibson, for goods delivered to Calvin Bowman, per order, 95

S. Otis Hanson, for expenses of Town Officers for A. D. 1852, 15.00
Thomas Chase's note, 429 00
Nathaniel Morgan's note, 211 47

Squire M. Patten, and is endorsed on his note against the town, 26 87
Nathl Patch, do do 50 00
Oliver Pillsbury, it being due him for interest money, 26 70

Ira Perley, for advice respecting C. V. R. Road, 8 00

Paid L. Smith, for advice and services in relation to the settlement of Mrs. A. A. Moore and infant child, 2.00
Jeremiah Foster for attending C. C. P., Oct. term, in the case C. V. R. Road, 3.25
Robert Wallace for money advanced and services rendered as selectman, 32.90
Robert Wallace, for money advanced to David E. Harriman for services on town farm in the year A. D. 1852, 156.65
Squire M. Patten, for cash advanced and services rendered as selectman, 42.00
Squire M. Patten, for money advanced to David E. Harriman, for services on town farm, A. D. 1852, 104.41
Erie Colby, for services as selectman, 24.03

Abel Connor, for collecting Taxes for A. D. 1853, 41.00
Abel Connor for notifying town Officers and settling bills of L. Perley and N. H. Asylum against the town, 4.25
James Caldwell, for services as Town Clerk and Superintending School Committee, 30.92

John F. Brown for a pair of Boots delivered to Mrs. Calista Page, 1.25
A. T. Gordon, for error in taxes, 1.05
Frederick Whitney for boarding Alice Whitney 22 weeks, 16.50
Moses D. Perry, for assisting and watching with Joshua Dolby one night, 2.00

Willard Colby, for breaking roads in District No. 6, 16.00

Daniel Rice, for do do 3.40

Alfred Winship, for abatement of Milton Gregg, John Marsh, Ebenezer Mudget, Frederick A. Mitchell, Reuben G. White, Florimond L. Howe and Wm. Parker's Taxes for A. D. 1852, 6 82
Josephus Smith, for repairing and taking care of Town house, 6

Horace Gibson, for postage and stationery, 29.91

S. O. Hanson, for coffins for Thadeus Goodwin's family, 8 00
Paid B. F. Noyes, for services, &c., rendered to
Thaddeus Goodwin's family, 30 53
Jacob Straw, for attendance and medi-
cine for Thaddeus Goodwin's family, 69 76— 135 24
Eli Colby, for breaking roads, 6 56
Eli Colby, for services as selectman, and
money advanced, 13 00
Hiram Q. Clark for breaking roads in Dis-
trict No. 5, 6 88
John Barnes, for repairing and breaking
roads, 3 50
John Peasley, for repairing and breaking
roads, 6 70
Robert Wallace, for services as selectman,
for A. D., 1853, 26 12
Herace Gibson for services as Treasurer,
Committee, 8 00
John Campbell, for services as Auditing
Committee, 1 00
Jonas Wallace, do do 1 00
Titus V. Wadsworth, do do 1 00
Cash remaining in the hands of the Treasurer, 542 15

$4912 37

Audited by the undersigned this second day of March, A. D. 1854.

JOHN CAMPBELL,
Auditing Committee.

JONAS WALLACE,
TITUS V. WADSWORTH,

William D. Eastman in account with the Town of Hen-
niker, Dr.

To amount of real and personal property as per inven-
tory of Selectmen, taken in 1853............. $3627 43
Interest on the same for one year............. 217 65
Agent's compensation.......................... 215 00

OTHER BILLS AS FOLLOWS.

Paid Wallace & Wyman for 4 bbls Flour 24 51, 30 gal-
molasses 8 37, 33 lbs sugar 2 81, 11 lbs Tea 4 42, 754 lbs Fish 3 39, 5 bags
salt 2 47, 31 bush salt 2 03, 233 crackers 1 00, 31 lbs cream tartar
95, 11 lbs spices 24, 3 lbs ginger 33, 17 lbs Tobacco 3 47, 8 lbs rice 40,
1 bottle castor oil 35, 4 oz quick silver 36, 1-4 gross matches 12, 6 pa-
pers garden seeds 30, 1 nappy 15, broad pan 10, 534 lbs Pork 6 47,
9 Pots 25, lb rosin 04, 12 rakes 40, 2 maecker 1 89, thread 16, 5
pleats yard 30, 2 1/2 yds calico 1 81, 1 1/2 lb cast 1 09, 1
pr boots 2 50, 9 yds delaine 1 50, trimmings 8 81, 1-2 lb salt petre 06,
9 yds print 1 12, table cloth 35, 4 plates 12, Pitcher 17, lb knuff 23,

axo 1 00, card 08, 6 balls wicking 26, 3 doz clothes pins 09, box pills
25, bush grass seed 3 88, 12 lbs clover seed 1 62, 4 qts peas 32, broom
28, bottle bitters 25, 2 pills 40, scythe stone 06, seylye 98, 2 files 17,
lb putty 07, lb hog wood 04, bush rye 1 00.

Also paid H. Gibson for 15 gall molasses 3 75, 10 lbs sugar 70, lb
tea 40, 197 lbs fish 88, 25 crackers 1 00, bag salt 20, 5 lbs Rice 25,
broom 23, pr chains 67, 8 yds drating 04, 2 pr ox bows 82.

Also paid J. Butler for 20 lbs sugar 1 35, 6 lbs tea 2 50, barrel
flour 5 75, 2 lbs raisins 20, 1 4 bush 66, bag salt 30, yd calico 30, 6 lbs saleratus 60, spoil thread 04,
1 lb starch 10, 64 lbs pork 8 03.

Also paid N. & D. Sawyer 6 lbs saleratus 42, 4 lbs sugar 36, 1 lb tea
40; E. Duvall 8 yds print 1 06, 21 yard cotton cloth 28, 34 lbs sugar
26; paid Nathan Sanborn 3 63 for 3 visits and medicine; paid
Harris Campbell for blacksmithing 4 54; paid Wm. Chandler for black-
smithing 4 73; paid Charles Barker for blacksmithing 45; paid S. M.
Patten 50; J. Patten farrier's services 1 00; D. L. Cogswell for dig-
ing 2 graves 3 00; James Wilkins for 2 coffins 6 00, painting and wedg-
ing boxes of cart wheels 1 50; Timothy Emerson for shoemaking 2 50;
Imri Woods for yarn 4 42; William D. Eastman for beans 1 49; Silas
Colby bush rye 1 00; Thomas Brown cow 23 50; James Wood pr oxen
112 50; Lemuel P. Dodge pr oxen 50 00; Pedler dinner and es-
cence 30; O. Beckwith plow 6 75; J. Forrester print run 6 36; C.
Sargent 1 02 ox contract 03; Peter Eaton repairing harness 23; L. Harrin-
man 41 bush wheat 5 62; Pedler 75 crackers 25; B. Newman repairing
tin ware 50; Pedler for tin ware 1 73; L. Harriman buckwheat and
Vinegar 88; L. Colby 10 bush potatoes 1 67; B. Washworth 664
lbs Pork 6 03; R. Wallace 79 lbs beef 3 86; S. M. Tatten 20 00; coal
1 04; H. Merrill rennet skin 16; C. Smith 25 1-2 days work 19 88;
J. Washworth pair thorough braces 1 00; A. Coldwell threshold 3 24;
P. Merrill 64 lbs beef 2 88; C. Woods pr steers 50 00; John Sve-
pint oil 13; Imri Woods pr oxen 93 00; F. Whitney 3-4 bush rye
67; A. Wood 8 bush Rye 7 73; J. C. & A. Winship stove 17 00,
funnel and tin ware 2 35.
Whole amount of bills............. $593 35
Whole amount of debtor as above........... $4563 48

William D. Eastman,
By amount of Real Estate............. $2000 00

By personal property as per inventory of Selectmen, taken Feb. 26th,
1854—neat stock and horse $470 00; 3 shoots 38; 64 bush wheat
12 00; 20 bush corn 22 00, 12 tons Hay 150 00; 50 lbs butter 10
00; 30 lbs tallow 3 62; bbl beef 14 00; 1 4 bbls pork 35 00; 1 4
bbls sheep 7 00, 140 lbs cheese 15 40, 50 bush potatoes 40 00, 60 lbs
lard 2 70, 3 yds Ribbons 1 75, 35 lbs dried apple 3 00, 30 lbs
beans 4 00, farming tools 75 00, furniture 250 00, 140 lbs ham 16 00.
Sold to Winship 245 lbs old iron 3 45, Paul Morrill px oxen 140 00,
H. Bartlett pr oxen 115 00, O. Beckwith 48 lbs old iron 48, D. Chase 73 lbs butter 1 25, D. E. Harriman 2 pigs 4 00, A. Pullard 19 lbs veal 55, W. S. Childs 10 lbs veal 98, L. Harriman pig 2 00, H. Bell 99 lbs butter 16 50, L. Harriman 61/2 lbs lard 51, C. C. Gibson (31 lbs butter 2 00, pears 3 45, worked for H. Morrill 25, A. Caldwell 17 lbs veal 68, L. Tuttle pr oxen 99 00, J. B. Moulton 31 lbs butter 7 75, 32 lbs cheese 3 20, J. S. Butler bushel beans 2 00, H. Morrill 78 lbs hide 4 68, made 8 linen coats 1 60.

Sold Wallace & Wyman 221 eggs 2 25, 29 lbs cheese 2 95, 54 lbs butter 8 35, 33 pr feeting 1 10, 9 lbs tallow 1 30, 9 lbs calf skin 90, 10 lbs Lard 1 28, making 7 pants 1 40, H. Gibson 24 cggs 25, built 25 rods wall 25 00.

Whole amount of credit $4293 99
Balance against the town $359 49

LIST OF PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN SUPPORTED ON THE FARM THE PAST YEAR.

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Whole number 13
Present number 10

CONDITION OF THE FINANCES OF THE TOWN.

Amount of outstanding debts as estimated by the Selectmen $120 00
Due on Notes 3750 00
Due Agent of Town Farm 215 00
Cash in the hands of Treasurer 542 15
Due from the County for support of paupers 38 00
Leaving a balance against the town of $3504 85

Audited by the undersigned this 2d day of March 1854.

JOHN CAMPBELL, JONAS WALLACE, TITUS V. WADSWORTH, Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICTS No. 1, 5 AND S. SUMMER.—These schools were taught by Hellen I. Stanley, Eliza L. Sawyer, and Austin S. Kimball, and were under the charge of Mr. Caldwell, who resigned his office as a member of the S. S. Committee, in the Autumn.

In regard to them, he wishes the present Committee to say, viz: that they were all in good order, and acquitted themselves extremely well.

No. 1. WINTER.—WARREN CLARK, teacher. In consequence of neglect on the part of the proper person to notify the Superintending Committee of the length of the school, it was visited but once. The teacher showed a determination to do his best in advancing the scholars in their various studies but appeared to lack somewhat in that energy of character so essential in making a school what it should be.

No. 2. SUMMER.—No School. WINTER: FRANCIS A. GORDON, teacher. A good school. Mr. G. promises to make a thorough and successful teacher.

No. 3. SUMMER.—SARAH P. COWSVEL, teacher. This school made good progress, having enjoyed the advantages of a No. 1 teacher.

No. 4. SUMMER.—A. M. JOHNSON, teacher. A model school. The most perfect order was observed without any apparent effort on the part of the teacher. This school made more than usual progress this Winter, and having enjoyed the services of Miss J. on a former occasion, ranks, if not at the head, at least among the first in point of progress, in town.

No. 5. SUMMER.—ELIZA L. SAWYER, teacher. See No. 1.

WINTER.—HORACE BERRY, teacher. This school was peculiarly unfortunate. Difficulties appeared in the early part of the term which should have called forth decisive action on the part of the teacher. The
conduct of some of the larger scholars was very reprehensible, and the course which he adopted was mild, to reduce them to order, and command their respect. Unquestionably many in the District are responsible in a degree for the great loss which has been sustained in the failure of the school the past winter. The Committee did not feel themselves warranted in removing the teacher under the circumstances, without the expressed wish of the District; and as this was not laid before them so as to enable them to investigate the matter, until the school money was worked out, they can make no more definite report than the foregoing.

No. 6. Summer.—A. J. Colby, teacher. With a little more energy, Miss C. will make an admirable teacher. The school was well regulated, and made fair progress.

Winter.—Robert D. Rice, teacher. Perfect order prevailed and the Committee were pleased to observe more than average progress. Some explanations, by way of aiding the scholars to apply their various studies to practical life, would have been of great advantage.

No. 7. Summer.—Emeline A. Coswell, teacher. Miss C. is an energetic and spirited teacher. The number of scholars was large for a Summer School, but by means of a perfect system in all her arrangements, and good order, she was able to accomplish a great amount of good.

Winter.—Isaac Rice, teacher. The school was the largest in town, and enjoyed the labors of one who, in previous years, had won the love and confidence of the District. Mr. R. fully sustained his former and well earned reputation. He did not come to the school-room with a rod, but in love. He was happily exempted from the necessity of inflicting corporal punishment in any case. The pupils cheerfully submitted to the severe regulations he thought would secure improvement. Generally they became enthusiastic in their studies and at the close of the term, the appearance of the school, both as to order and intellectual attainments, was such as to call forth the unqualified approbation of the Committee.

No. 8. Summer.—Annis S. Kimball, teacher. See under No. 1.

Winter.—Oliver Pillsbury, Jr., teacher. This school was fortunate in securing the services of an experienced teacher, who did much to arouse the energies of his pupils and lead them to think for themselves, as well as to study the textbooks. Good order was secured and preserved, which is Heaven's first law, and so it must be in the school-room, or very little can be accomplished by way of disciplining the mind, and storing it with useful knowledge. The pupils were not only well governed, but became much interested in their studies, and consequently made very satisfactory progress. Thoroughness was aimed at, and in a happy degree secured.

No. 9. Summer.—No school.

Winter.—Caroline S. Wadsworth, teacher. The school was small, but made very satisfactory progress under the intelligent, persevering and well directed efforts of the teacher. It was evident that the pupils had been thrown upon their own resources where the instructor of youth ought ever to place them, so far as is practicable. They were generally ready to answer any question given them in connection with the various studies to which they had attended.

No. 10. Summer.—Prue Buxton, teacher. This school laboratories under the disadvantages of an old and much dilapidated school house. With a superior education, Miss B. was deficient in discipline, consequently the school fell short of what it might have been, had better order prevailed.

Winter.—George A. Eastman, teacher. Mr. E. has done a good work. The Committee noticed a very marked improvement in the appearance of the school, and are happy to give both the teacher and the pupils who credit of having done what they could.

No. 11. Summer.—Jennette C. Morse, teacher. Miss M. came among us as a stranger but very highly recommended by the Sec'y of the Board of Education. She failed however, to meet the expectations of those who were interested in the School. Her education was abundantly sufficient to teach this or any of our schools, but for some reason she did not succeed in reducing the confused elements of the school room to order. She would doubtless labor with better success and more satisfaction to herself and her employers among more advanced pupils. We regretted the evident appearance of special preparation for the closing examination, and took occasion as we always do under such circumstances to put the pupils on to a new track, which as usual proved to be an unfrequented one. It would be doing injustice, however, both to the teacher and pupils not to remark that evident progress was made in some departments of study. We noticed with pleasure, in almost all the exercises, a perfect distinctness of enunciation on the part of the pupils which showed that special pains had been taken with them on this point.

Winter.—Samuel P. Flanders, teacher. Mr. F. gave evidence of being a thorough scholar. The school however, from some cause, as we said of the previous term, failed to meet the expectations of its friends. After the first few weeks, a good degree of order was secured but the teacher was manifestly deficient in some of the requisite qualifications to secure a good school. Having rendered himself obnoxious to many in the district, a portion of the children were withdrawn and the school at its close was reduced to nearly one half its original number. The course pursued by some parents in the district made matters worse, so that the school, though not a decided failure, was not what it should have been. The Committee did not feel justified, however, in dismissing him without an investigation into the causes of complaint which they had not the opportunity of making.

No. 12. One term taught by Adeline S. Eastman. The number of scholars was very small. Those who were present showed that much care had been bestowed upon them and that it had not been in vain.

No. 13. Summer and Winter.—Susan C. Eastman, teacher.—
This school was small, and we cannot therefore be expected to report any great things of it. In the Summer Term, Miss E. secured a good degree of thoroughness in the studies of the school. Everything appeared as well as could be hoped for under the circumstances at the close.

In the Winter, the school commenced favorably but influences from without operated upon it to its decided injury. The progress of the pupils in their studies was not so satisfactory as in the preceding term.

Miss E. is a young but faithful and industrious teacher.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The Committee are happy to report that they found the schools generally in a good condition. The literary qualifications of the teachers were of a high order, and with but few exceptions, they have been good disciplinarians.

A good school, one which will give satisfaction to all parties, results from the combination of several causes. One of these, is a teacher who will combine the ability to govern with that of giving instruction. Undoubtedly, moral suasion should be used in the school room, so far as it can be made effective. Beyond this point, the teacher must exercise his own judgment whether to secure the interference of the Supt. School Committee, or himself inflict corporal punishment. If he adopt the latter course, he must again be governed by his own judgment as to the mode, always, however, avoiding such modes as will be liable to result in a permanent injury.

Other things being equal, that teacher will be most successful in giving instruction who carries into the school room the greatest share of common sense. While such an one will secure a correct knowledge of the text books, he will also arouse the attention and quicken the intellect by introducing illustrations furnished by his own reading and observation. Very much depends upon a teacher's ability to draw upon his own resources, which he has gained by an observation of men and things.

But another thing necessary to secure a good school is the hearty cooperation of the parents and guardians of the pupils. It is impossible to over-estimate this. A very ordinary teacher can do more with this aid than the best of teachers without it. Parents can help the teacher essentially in various ways: by never saying anything against him in the presence of their children, but if they have occasion to find fault with any of his measures seek a private interview with him, and in a quiet manner make such suggestions as the case may seem to require; by encouraging the children in their studies; and speaking to them as favorably of the teacher as the circumstances will allow; by never interfering with the discipline of the school room, unless there is reason to believe that a course is pursued which will result in a permanent injury to the health. Is there not danger of cherishing a distrustful feeling towards the teacher, which will hold him at a distance, so that what-
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