

GRADUATES.

John Mitchell Ahern.	Frank Fitzgerald Hart.
Eva Bartlett.	Marion Eleanor Haynes.
Edith Pearl Batchelder.	Ethel Lillis Healey.
Mary Josephine Casey.	Daniel Higgins.
Benjamin Joseph Champagne.	Clarence Arthur Little.
Marjorie Clement.	Margaret Elizabeth McBain.
Carrie Gibson Clough.	Charles Flemming McGuire.
Marion Cook Clough.	Albert Grover Meehan.
Harry Peach Corson (2).	Helen Olive Monier (3).
Frances Howard Dodge.	Gladys Lloyd Morgan.
Thomas Frances Donovan.	Margaret Morrill.
Catherine Agnes Favor.	Bertha Louise Morrison.
Ruth Fernald.	Margaret Morton.
Ethel May Foster.	Margaret St. Clair Murray.
Cara Ellen Fox.	George Francis Nowell.
Leroy Wallace Frazer.	Beatrice May Paige.
Ardella Ferris French.	Alice Rosalie Porter (1).
Richard Bernard Gallagher.	Ella Locke Richardson.
Bertha Bradbury Gill.	Bridget Rochelle (4).
George Willis Goddard.	Frances Catherine Saltmarsh.
Carrie Ruth Goodrich.	Annie Agnes Turcott.
Mary Elizabeth Harrington.	

(1) First Honor. (2) Second Honor. (3) Third Honor. (4) Fourth Honor.

CHANDLER SCHOOL.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 1902, AT 2 P. M.

MOTTO—*Aim for the highest.*

PROGRAMME.

Chorus—School March,	<i>A. Wrede.</i>
Class.	
Essay—"Cooking and Sewing in the Public Schools,"	<i>Ann Gilman Paul.</i>
Double Quartette—"Madeleine,"	<i>Roeckel.</i>
Misses Glover, Wilson, Leavitt, Smith, and Masters	
Thompson, Wilson, Holt, Young.	

- Concert Recitation—"The Recessional," *Kipling.*
 Misses Brown, Colby, Farrar, Kimball, Prince,
 Pronk, Smith, and Masters Bolton, Casci,
 Foster, Haselton, Head, Holt, Jennings, King,
 Lee, Moore, McMullen, Pronk, Thompson,
 Young.
- Chorus—(a) "The Boatman," *Gilchrist.*
 (b) "In Vacation," *Adam.*
- Essay—"Adventures of Betty Burke," Harriet R. Blodgett.
- Dumb-bell Exercise,
 Masters Bolton, Benson, Casci, Foster, Head,
 Hughes, King, Lee, McMullen, Rollins, Thompson,
 Wilson, Young. Captain—Clarence Pronk.
- Selection, from "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," *Hegan.*
 "The Annexation of Cuba," Ethel Nelrose Pronk.
- Song—"In Seville," Grace Emma Glover.
 Grace Currier Brown, Accompanist.
- Selection, from "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," *Hegan.*
 "Getting Ready for the Show," Carrie Montgomery Straw.
- Selection, from "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," *Hegan.*
 "The Theatre Party," Grace Marion Prince.
- Double Quartette—"The Flower of Liberty," *Marshall.*
- Scarf Drill,
 Misses Blodgett, Brown, Colby, Farrar, Foster, Hill,
 Kimball, Kincaid, Leavitt, Lyna, Paul, Prince,
 Pronk, Smith, Straw, Wilson.
 Grace E. Glover, Pianiste.
- Selection, from "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," *Hegan.*
 "Australia's Mishap," Addie May Lyna.
- Chorus—"Sailing," *Marks.*
 Class.
- Presentation of Diplomas.
- Chorus—"Lo! the Morn in Splendor," *Schuster.*
 Class.

GRADUATING CLASS.

Edlow Joseph Benson.	Michael Edward Lee.
Harriet Rose Blodgett.	Addie May Lyna (3).
James Henry Bolton.	William John McMullen.
Grace Currier Brown (4).	Arvin Roundy Mills.
Edgar Harold Calvert.	George Rosswell Moon.
Joseph Raphael Casci.	Ann Gilman Paul (1).
Annie Frances Colby.	Grace Marion Prince.
Florence May Farrar (2).	Clarence John Pronk.
Clara Blanche Foster.	Ethel Nelrose Pronk.
George Arthur Foster.	Burton Webster Robertson.
Grace Emma Glover.	William Manly Rollins.
Roger Hasey Haselton.	Frances Josephine Smith.
William Hoyt Head.	Carrie Montgomery Straw (5).
Samuel Victor Carl Holt.	Raymond Whiton Thompson.
Arthur Hughes.	Frank Arthur Wardner, Jr.
Octavius Earle Jennings.	Edith Alene Wilson.
Hattie Viola Kimball.	Jesse Scott Wilson.
Peter Joseph King.	Clarence Henry Young.
Gertrude Muriel Leavitt.	

CLASS OFFICERS.

President—George Arthur Foster.
Vice-President—George Rosswell Moon.
Secretary—Edlow Joseph Benson.

EASTMAN SCHOOL.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 1902, AT 2 P. M.

MOTTO—*Strive to win.*

PROGRAMME.

Chorus—"Sailing,"	<i>Marks.</i>
Essay—"Anarchy and Liberty."	
Recitation—"The Little Girl That Grew Up," Alma F. Pinkham.	<i>Anon.</i>
Double Trio—"The Happy Miller," Ethel M. Curtis, Rosa M. Gardner, Emma W. Carter, Alma F. Pinkham, Lida M. Fournier, Jessie E. Dunlap.	<i>Veazie.</i>

Recitation—"Jimmy Butler and the Owl," John H. Batchelder.	<i>Anon.</i>
Chorus—"May Breezes,"	<i>Kreipel.</i>
Essay—"The Habit of Observation,"	Clarence A. Lyle.
Recitation—"Columbia's Banner," Jessie E. Dunlap.	<i>Proctor.</i>
Chorus—"Patriotic Anthem,"	<i>Zwhssig.</i>
Recitation—"The Bachelor's Sale," Lida M. Fournier.	<i>Anon.</i>
Scarf Drill— Misses Carter, Curtis, Dunlap, Fournier, Pinkham, Prescott, Smith, Watrous.	
Double Trio—"Sweet and Low,"	<i>Barnby.</i>
Recitation—"Mona's Waters," Katharine C. Smith.	<i>Anon.</i>
Chorus—"May Song,"	<i>Anon.</i>
Presentation of Diplomas.	
Chorus—"Call to Arms,"	<i>Veazie.</i>

GRADUATING CLASS.

Jessie Elizabeth Dunlap (2).	Clarence Albert Lyle.
James Fred Gardner.	Katharine C. Smith (1).

WEST CONCORD SCHOOL.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 1902, AT 2 P. M.

MOTTO—*Aim for the highest.*

March.	
Chorus—"Lo! the Morn in Splendor."	
Essay—"Our Country,"	Alexander Murchie.
Recitation—"Song of the Market Place,"	Mary Anna Lynch.
Chorus—"Fair Tinted Primrose."	
Garland Drill—By girls.	
Recitation—"Herve Riel,"	Sherman Hall Murray.
Chorus—Butterfly Waltz.	
Essay—"Aim Higher,"	Hilda Emilia Gustafson.

Quartette—"Sailing,"

Misses Blodgett, Peabody, Farnum, Gustafson,
Masters Gay, Farnum, Murchie.

Recitation—"His Own Obituary," Charlotte Inez Peabody.

Recitation—"Music on the Rappahannock," John J. Hughes.

Declamation—"The Traitor's Death Bed," Harry N. Kemp.

Chorus—"School March."

GRADUATING CLASS.

Hilda Emilia Gustafson (1). Alexander Murchie (3).

Mary Anna Lynch (4). Sherman Hall Murray.

Charlotte Inez Peabody (2).

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL ELOCUTIONARY CONTEST

BY THE PUPILS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, AT PHENIX HALL, THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 19, 1903.

PROGRAMME.

Original Declamation — High School.

1. "The United States Post-office,"
Grace Olivia Anderson.
2. "Holidays,"
Frances Howard Dodge.
3. "The Flag of Our Nation,"
Roy Marcy Grover.
4. "Night Brings Out the Stars,"
Grace Leverett Aldrich.

Music — "Merry Days Waltzes," *Kenneth.*
Concord High School Mandolin Club.

Forensic Declamation — Grammar Schools.

1. "Abraham Lincoln" (Newman), Rumford School.
William Gage Haseltine.
2. "The Speech of John Adams" (Webster), Kimball School.
Lee Stanley Whidden.

3. "The Evils of War and Its Remedy" (Chamings),
Merrimack School.
Clarence Bert French.
4. "Toussaint L'Overture" (Phillips), West Concord School.
Harry Nelson Kemp.

Music — Three Part Chorus (female voices):

- (a) "The Stars Beyond the Cloud," *Tours.*
- (b) "Now Let Us Make the Welkin Ring," *Hatton.*
High School.

Miscellaneous Declamation — High School.

1. "Cartwheels" (Elliott),
Ann Gilman Paul.
2. "The Stage Driver's Story" (Anon.),
Aaria Mae Taylor.
3. "The Honor of the Woods" (Murray),
Amos Dodge.

Music — "March of the Guard" (male chorus), *Geibel.*
High School.

Miscellaneous Declamation — Grammar Schools.

1. "The Sleeping Sentinel" (Janvier), Kimball School.
Alice Maud Manion.
2. "The Swan Song" (Brooks), West Concord School.
Maud Moore Wilmot.
3. "Dolly Go" (Anon.), Rumford School.
Nellie Maria Webber.
4. "How He Saved St. Michaels" (Stanbury), Merrimack School.
Clarice Mae Elliott.
5. "The Inventor's Wife" (Corbett), Eastman School.
Martha Ann Cate.

Music — "A Frangesia" March, *Costa.*
Concord High School Mandolin Club.

Award of Prizes.

Original Declamation — High School.

First Prize, \$20, awarded to Grace Leverett Aldrich.
Second Prize, \$6, awarded to Frances Howard Dodge.

Forensic Declamation — Grammar Schools.

First Prize, \$6, awarded to William Gage Haseltine.
Second Prize, \$4, awarded to Harry Nelson Kemp.

Miscellaneous Declamation — High School.

First Prize, \$6, awarded to Amos Dodge.
Second Prize, \$4, awarded to Aaria Mae Taylor.

Miscellaneous Declamation — Grammar Schools.

First Prize, \$6, awarded to Nellie Maria Webber.
Second Prize, \$4, awarded to Maud Moore Wilmot.

BOARD OF JUDGES.

Dr. A. C. Alexander, Penacook, N. H.
Supt. H. B. Stearns, Marlborough, N. H.
Judge George M. Fletcher, Concord, N. H.

ESTIMATES FOR 1903-1904.

SALARIES OF TEACHERS.

High school	\$9,625.00
First grammar schools	3,500.00
Second grammar schools	7,625.00
Primary schools	12,600.00
Kindergarten and sub-primary schools	3,375.00
Training teachers	1,700.00
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	\$38,425.00

SPECIAL TEACHERS.

Music	\$1,175.00
Drawing	1,000.00
Superintendent	2,500.00
Financial agent	500.00
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	\$5,175.00

SPECIAL BRANCHES.

Manual training	\$3,400.00
Military drill	200.00
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	\$3,600.00

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Fuel	\$4,500.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
Supplies	2,500.00
Insurance	200.00
Care of houses	4,000.00
Repairs (regular)	2,500.00
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	\$14,200.00
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	\$61,400.00

DEDUCT.

Balance from last year	\$227.68
Literary fund	1,432.62
Dog tax	1,382.97
Tuition	1,000.00
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	\$4,043.27
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	\$57,356.73

PRIZE SPEAKING.

RECEIVED.

Balance from last account	\$1,749.32
Interest on same to January 1, 1903	52.11
Sale of 554 tickets at 35 cents	193.90
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	\$1,995.33

PAID.

Phenix hall and piano	\$35.00
Prizes, including books	66.75
Programmes	4.50
F. P. Mace, furnishing and selling tickets	5.00
Exchange tickets	2.00
Expenses of judges	1.50
Miscellaneous expenses	4.75
Cash on hand as a guaranty fund for future contests	1,875.83
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	\$1,995.33

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

ORGANIZED SEPTEMBER 10, 1859.

LIST OF MEMBERS AND TERM OF SERVICE, 1859-1903.

	NAME.	FROM	TO	DATE OF DEATH
1	Henry E. Parker.....	Sept. 10, 1859	March 30, 1864	Nov. 7, 1896.
2	Asa Fowler.....	Sept. 10, 1859	March 21, 1868	April 26, 1885.
3	Paltiah Brown.....	Sept. 10, 1859	Nov. 20, 1861	Nov. 20, 1861.
4	Joseph B. Walker.....	Sept. 10, 1859	March 22, 1872	
5	Caleb Parker.....	Sept. 10, 1859	March 15, 1862	Jan. 19, 1874.
6	Parsons B. Cogswell.....	Sept. 10, 1859	Oct. 28, 1895	Oct. 28, 1895.
7	Jesse P. Bancroft.....	Sept. 10, 1859	March 20, 1869	April 30, 1891.
8	Josiah P. Nutting.....	Sept. 10, 1859	March 30, 1864	
9	David Patten.....	Sept. 10, 1859	Aug. 21, 1867	March 26, 1879.
10	Samuel C. Eastman.....	March 15, 1862	March 21, 1874	
11	Hazen Pickering.....	March 15, 1862	March 18, 1865	
	Hazen Pickering, 2d time..	March 16, 1867	Aug. 26, 1871	Jan. 23, 1872.
12	Lyman D. Stevens.....	March 30, 1864	March 16, 1867	
13	John V. Barron.....	March 30, 1864	March 22, 1873	March 6, 1878.
14	Abraham J. Prescott.....	March 18, 1865	March 21, 1874	July 4, 1891.
15	Amos Hadley.....	March 21, 1868	March 21, 1874	
16	Elisha Adams.....	March 21, 1868	Aug. 15, 1880	August 15, 1880.
17	William M. Chase.....	March 20, 1869	March 20, 1875	
	William M. Chase, 2d time..	March 28, 1883	Aug. 3, 1896	
18	Henry J. Crippen.....	Aug. 26, 1871	March 31, 1888	Dec. 24, 1893.
19	Albert H. Crosby.....	March 22, 1873	March 18, 1876	Sept. 5, 1886.
20	Oliver Pillsbury.....	March 22, 1873	Sept. 3, 1891	Feb. 22, 1888.
21	Samuel B. Page.....	March 21, 1874	Sept. 1, 1875	
22	Charles P. Sanborn.....	March 21, 1874	March 24, 1877	
23	Charles P. Sanborn, 2d time	March 23, 1878	March 28, 1883	June 3, 1889.
24	Daniel C. Allen.....	March 23, 1874	August, 1876	
	Warren Clark.....	March 20, 1875	August 7, 1883	
	Warren Clark, 2d time.....	March 27, 1886	Nov. 21, 1891	Nov. 21, 1891.
25	Ai B. Thompson.....	March 18, 1876	Feb. 3, 1883	
	Ai B. Thompson, 2d time..	March 28, 1883	March 27, 1886	Sept. 12, 1890.
26	Joseph C. A. Hill.....	March 18, 1876	March 24, 1877	
	Joseph C. A. Hill, 2d time..	Nov. 21, 1881	March 27, 1890	March 14, 1901.
27	Everett L. Conger.....	March 24, 1877	March 23, 1880	
28	Sargent C. Whitche.....	March 24, 1877	March 23, 1878	Dec. 19, 1882.
29	John H. George.....	March 24, 1877	March 28, 1883	Feb. 6, 1888.
30	George W. Crockett.....	March 28, 1880	March 27, 1896	Jan. 9, 1888.
31	Charles B. Corning.....	July 13, 1881	March 25, 1882	
	Charles B. Corning, 2d time	March, 1884	March 26, 1887	
	Charles R. Corning, 3d time	March 30, 1899		
32	Daniel B. Donovan.....	March 25, 1882	March 27, 1890	Nov. 29, 1898.
33	John C. Thorne.....	Feb. 3, 1883	March 31, 1888	
34	James L. Mason.....	March 27, 1886	March 31, 1892	Dec. 18, 1898.
35	Charles H. Thorndike.....	March 26, 1887	June 9, 1887	
36	Cephas B. Crane.....	June 9, 1887	March 27, 1890	
37	Shadrach C. Morrill.....	March 31, 1888	March 30, 1897	
38	John C. Ordway.....	March 31, 1888	March 30, 1903	
39	Harry P. Dewey.....	April 1, 1890	March 30, 1899	
40	Mary P. Woodworth.....	April 1, 1890	March 30, 1899	
41	William Yeaton.....	April 1, 1890	March 30, 1893	
42	Henry C. Brown.....	March 31, 1892	March 28, 1901	
43	Austin S. Ranney.....	March 31, 1892	April 2, 1898	June 4, 1898.
44	Eliphalet F. Philbrick.....	March 30, 1893	March 30, 1899	
45	Susan J. Woodward.....	Nov. 18, 1895		
46	Amos J. Shurtleff.....	Oct. 5, 1896	March 28, 1901	
47	Henry F. Hollis.....	March 30, 1897	April 5, 1900	
48	Willis D. Thompson.....	April 2, 1898	March 28, 1901	
49	John M. Mitchell.....	March 30, 1899		
50	Susan C. Bancroft.....	March 30, 1899		
51	Edward N. Pearson.....	April 5, 1900		
52	Joseph T. Walker.....	March 28, 1901	June 17, 1902	
53	George M. Kimball.....	March 28, 1901		
54	John Vannevar.....	March 28, 1901		
55	George H. Moses.....	June 17, 1902		

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD AND TERMS OF SERVICE.

PRESIDENTS.

NAME.	FROM	TO
*Henry E. Parker.....	September 17, 1859.....	March 17, 1862.
*Asa Fowler.....	March 17, 1862.....	March 23, 1865.
Joseph B. Walker.....	March 23, 1865.....	March 24, 1870.
*Hazen Pickering.....	March 24, 1870.....	March 27, 1871.
*Elisha Adams.....	March 27, 1871.....	August 15, 1880.
*Oliver Pillsbury.....	August 30, 1880.....	September 3, 1881.
*Parsons B. Cogswell.....	March 27, 1882.....	March 30, 1886.
*Henry J. Crippen.....	March 30, 1886.....	April 2, 1888.
William M. Chase.....	April 2, 1888.....	April 8, 1895.
*Parsons B. Cogswell.....	April 8, 1895.....	October 28, 1895.
John C. Ordway.....	November 18, 1895.....	March 29, 1900.
Charles R. Corning.....	April 9, 1900.....	

SECRETARIES.

Joseph B. Walker.....	September 15, 1859.....	March 18, 1861.
*Paltiah Brown.....	March 18, 1861.....	November 4, 1861.
Joseph B. Walker, 2d time.....	November 20, 1861.....	March 17, 1862.
Samuel C. Eastman.....	March 17, 1862.....	April 2, 1864.
Lyman D. Stevens.....	April 2, 1864.....	March 22, 1865.
Samuel C. Eastman, 2d time.....	March 22, 1865.....	April 4, 1870.
William M. Chase.....	April 4, 1870.....	March 24, 1873.
*Henry J. Crippen.....	March 24, 1873.....	March 20, 1876.
*Warren Clark.....	March 20, 1876.....	April 2, 1883.
*Daniel B. Donovan.....	April 2, 1883.....	April 7, 1890.
Mary P. Woodworth.....	April 7, 1890.....	March 30, 1899.
Henry F. Hollis.....	April 3, 1899.....	April 5, 1900.
Susan J. Woodward.....	April 9, 1900.....	

SUPERINTENDENTS.†

Amos Hadley.....	July 10, 1873.....	July 1, 1874.
Daniel C. Allen.....	August 10, 1874.....	December 1, 1881.
*Warren Clark.....	March 4, 1882.....	July 6, 1885.
Louis J. Rundlett.....	August 1, 1885.....	

*Deceased.

†Henry E. Sawyer, principal of the High School, performed the duties of superintendent of schools, in addition to those of instructor, in 1862-'63.

OFFICERS OF UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, 1859-1901.

Moderators.—Asa Fowler, 1859, '63, '68, '69, '70, '72. Samuel Coffin, 1860. Dudley S. Palmer, 1861. Amos Blanchard, 1861. Henry E. Sawyer, 1862, '64. Thomas P. Treadwell, 1862. P. B. Cogswell, 1863. William E. Chandler, 1863, '64. Charles P. Sanborn, 1865, '73. Anson S. Marshall, 1866. John Kimball, 1867, '76, '77, '79, 1880-1888 inclusive. Enoch Gerrish, 1871. George A. Pillsbury, 1873, '74. William M. Chase, 1875. Benjamin E. Badger, 1876. William H. Buntin, 1878. E. H. Woodman, 1889, '90, '91. Charles C. Danforth, 1892-1901 inclusive. James O. Lyford, 1897. Samuel C. Eastman, 1898.

Clerks.—Jeremiah S. Noyes, 1859. Stillman Humphrey, 1860-1894 inclusive. Willis D. Thompson, 1895, '96, '97. Louis C. Merrill, 1898-1901 inclusive.

The following persons served as clerks *pro tem.*: Paltiah Brown, Aug. 17, 1861. S. C. Eastman, April 8, 1865. William M. Chase, July 8, 1871. Thomas B. Little, March 24, 1877. Isaac W. Hammond, March 28, 1884.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of Union School District qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the city hall in said district, on Thursday, the twenty-sixth day of March, 1903, at seven o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To hear and act upon the report of the board of education for the past year.
4. To choose three members of the board of education to hold office for three years to fill vacancies arising from the expiration of the term of office of Edward N. Pearson, John C. Ordway, and Susan J. Woodward, and also to choose one member to hold office for one year to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Joseph T. Walker, and to fill any other vacancies which may occur in said board.
5. To choose one or more auditors and all other necessary officers for the ensuing year.
6. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the payment of the debts of the district.
7. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools for the ensuing year, including industrial education, military drill and calisthenics.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the repairs of school buildings during the ensuing year.

9. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for extraordinary repairs of school buildings during the ensuing year.

10. To see what action the district will take upon the report of the board of education relating to the enlargement of the High school building in compliance with the direction of the district at the special meeting of April 18, 1902.

11. To see if the district will vote to build a four-room building to take the place of the present building on the Plains, so called, or to enlarge the present building, raise and appropriate money and make all other necessary arrangements therefor.

12. To see what action the district will take in regard to a truancy law.

13. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventh day of March, 1903.

CHARLES R. CORNING,
SUSAN J. WOODWARD,
JOHN VANNEVAR,
GEORGE M. KIMBALL,
JOHN C. ORDWAY,
EDWARD N. PEARSON,
SUSAN C. BANCROFT,
JOHN M. MITCHELL,
GEORGE H. MOSES,

Board of Education of Union School District.

I certify that on the ninth day of March, 1903, I posted a copy of the written warrant attested by the board of education of said district at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the police station in the City of Concord, N. H., being a public place in said district.

L. J. RUNDLETT.

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CITY OF CONCORD.

MERRIMACK, SS.

CONCORD, March 9, 1903.

Personally appeared the said L. J. Rundlett, and made oath
that the above certificate by him signed is true.

Before me :

GEORGE W. JOHNSON,
Justice of the Peace.

ANNUAL MEETING OF UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT.

CONCORD, N. H., March 27, 1902.

Agreeably to the warrant, a meeting of the legal voters in Union School district was held at the city hall, this twenty-seventh day of March, 1902, at seven o'clock in the evening, and was called to order by the moderator, Charles C. Danforth, who read the warrant.

ARTICLE 1. A ballot was taken for moderator, and Charles C. Danforth was unanimously elected, and took the oath of office before John M. Mitchell, justice of the peace.

ART. 2. A ballot was taken for clerk, and Louis C. Merrill was declared elected unanimously, and the oath of office was administered by John M. Mitchell, justice of the peace.

ART. 3. Charles R. Corning moved to accept and adopt the reports as printed.

The motion was carried.

ART. 4. H. H. Metcalf nominated Charles R. Corning, Susan C. Bancroft, and John M. Mitchell as members of the Board of Education for three years. John M. Mitchell moved to proceed to elect three members of the Board of Education for three years, the names to be on one ballot, and that the polls close at eight o'clock.

Motion seconded and carried.

The polls were declared open by the moderator.

Moved by John P. George, that during the balloting, Articles 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 be taken up and acted upon by the meeting.

Motion adopted.

ART. 5. John P. George moved that the clerk cast one ballot for William Yeaton and Adam P. Holden as auditors for the ensuing year.

Motion carried, ballot cast, and William Yeaton and Adam P. Holden declared elected auditors for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. Charles R. Corning offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That there be raised by tax on the polls and ratable estates of Union School district the sum of sixteen thousand five hundred and sixty dollars (\$16,560), of which sum fifteen thousand three hundred dollars (\$15,300) shall be appropriated for the payment of the principal and interest on the bonds maturing July 1, 1902, and eight hundred and forty dollars (\$840) for the payment of one year's interest on the bonds issued for the building of the Dewey school, and four hundred and twenty dollars (\$420) for the payment of six months' interest on bonds of the Dewey school.

Mr. Corning moved the adoption of the resolution.

Vote taken, and resolution adopted.

ART. 7. John M. Mitchell offered the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That there be raised by tax on the polls and ratable estates within Union School district, for the support of schools for the ensuing year, such a sum as in addition to the sum assigned to the district by the city of Concord out of the sum appropriated for schools will amount to the sum of fifty-two thousand seven hundred and eighty-six dollars and nineteen cents (\$52,786.19).

A vote was taken, and the moderator declared the resolution adopted.

ART. 8. On motion, it was voted to postpone this article indefinitely.

ART. 9. Joseph T. Walker offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) be raised by tax on the polls and ratable estates within Union School district for the purpose of providing improved ventilation and other sanitary improvements; said sum to be expended in such amounts and upon such buildings as may be designated and authorized by the Board of Education.

Mr. Walker moved the adoption of the resolution.

A vote was taken, and the resolution declared adopted.

ART. 10. Henry C. Brown offered the following resolution, and moved its adoption :

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in addition to the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) already appropriated for the completion and furnishing of the new Rumford school building, for the grading of the Rumford school lot and building of lots thereon, and the building committee for said school be and hereby is authorized to borrow the above sum on behalf of the district, as Union School district is authorized to do by act of the legislature of New Hampshire, approved July 26, 1889, entitled "An act to authorize the Union School district in the city of Concord to borrow money."

A vote was taken, and the moderator declared the resolution adopted.

ART. 11. Arthur F. Sturtevant offered the following resolution, and moved its adoption :

Resolved, That the present and prospective indebtedness of the district arising from building and furnishing of the Rumford school building now in process of erection and grading the lot be funded at a rate of interest not exceeding

three and one half ($3\frac{1}{2}$) per cent., and that a sufficient sum of money be assessed upon the polls and estates in Union School district on the first day of April in each year hereafter to meet the payments of interest and principal as it falls due from year to year, and that the money obtained by said assessments be and hereby is appropriated to make said payments.

2—*Resolved*, That the district request the city of Concord to aid in funding this indebtedness, as the city is authorized to do by the act of the legislature of New Hampshire, approved August 14, 1889, entitled “An act to authorize the city of Concord to borrow money in aid of its school districts,” *provided* said city will borrow the money necessary for the purpose set forth in the last resolution, and will allow the district to have the use of the money so borrowed; and further, that if this request is complied with, the district will seasonably pay to the city sufficient sums of money to enable the city to meet the payments of interest and principal upon its indebtedness so created, as the same fall due, and all incidental expenses, and will apply the money to be raised under the last resolution to the payments aforesaid.

3—*Resolved*, That Henry C. Brown, Eben B. Hutchinson, and Louis C. Merrill, the Building Committee for the Rumford school, be the agents of the district to negotiate and agree with the city for its aid, as set forth in the last resolution, and to sign, seal, and deliver all writings and papers that may be deemed necessary or advisable relating to said negotiations and agreements, and if the city does not aid the district, as requested, said persons are authorized to borrow money for the use of the district for the purpose set forth in the first resolution, and to give the district's notes or other obligations for money so borrowed, and full authority is hereby given said persons to do all the acts aforesaid, and it shall be their duty to make a full report in writing of their doings under the authority herein granted at the next annual meeting of the district.

Mr. Sturtevant's motion to adopt the foregoing resolutions was seconded.

Mr. S. C. Eastman moved to amend by inserting, after the words "per cent." in the sixth line of the first resolution, the words "the principal payable at such times as may be convenient within ten years," and the motion was seconded.

Mr. H. G. Sargent moved to amend the amendment by striking out the word "ten" and inserting in its place the word "twenty," and the motion was seconded, a vote taken, and the amendment to amendment was adopted.

Mr. Sturtevant accepted the amendment to the first resolution as amended, a vote taken, and the moderator declared the resolution as amended passed in the affirmative.

ART. 12. Mr. Charles J. French offered the following ordinance, and moved its adoption :

Voted, before making any contract for the furnishing of labor, materials, or supplies involving the expenditure by the Union School district of Concord, N. H., of one hundred dollars or over, the Board of Education shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, plans and specifications covering the work to be done or the materials or supplies to be furnished, and advertise for public bids in the form of sealed proposals for furnishing said labor, materials, or supplies in one or more of the papers printed in Concord, N. H., at least one week before the awarding of said contract.

No proposal or bid shall be received by the Board of Education unless the same is sealed. All proposals shall be publicly opened and read in the presence of the Board of Education, at the hour and place designated in the advertisements for bids, provided, always, that the said Board of Education may reject any or all proposals, or waive any defects when in their judgment, the interests of Union School district justify such a course.

All contracts shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

In awarding contracts for labor and material to be furnished to the Union School district, the citizens and taxpayers of the city of Concord shall be given the preference, all other considerations being equal.

Mr. John M. Mitchell moved to amend by inserting after the word "furnished," in the eighth line, the words, "in all instances when a plan and specification is practicable."

Mr. W. D. Thompson moved to indefinitely postpone the ordinance.

Motion seconded, and the motion to indefinitely postpone was adopted.

Mr. W. D. Thompson stated that the report of the building committee for the Dewey school, as printed in the annual report, having been adopted, he moved that the committee be discharged and it was so voted.

Mr. James M. Killeen moved that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Dewey School Building Committee for the able and efficient manner in which that committee had discharged the duties imposed upon the committee.

The motion was adopted.

Mr. John M. Mitchell offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, at the annual meeting of this district, holden on March 28, 1901, at which it was voted to appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for erecting and furnishing the Rumford school building, one fifth part or six thousand dollars (\$6,000) thereof to be raised by taxation upon the polls and estates within the district when the money was raised for the regular appropriation for 1902,

Voted, that as said amount of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) has not yet been assessed, and in view of the amount which must be raised to liquidate the maturing bonds of the district and the amount necessary for the use of the district for the current year, it is the sense of this meeting that the resolution directing the assessment upon the polls and estates of said sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for the year 1902 should be rescinded, and that said amount be included in the bonded indebtedness of the district with the balance of the authorized cost of said Rumford building, and to secure this result it is hereby recommended and directed that the Board of Education call, as soon as practicable, a special meeting of the district to take action with reference to the rescinding of said resolution and authorizing the temporary loan of said amount, and ultimately borrowing the same upon the credit of the district by the issue of the bonds of the district in accordance with the provisions of chapter 197 or chapter 261 of the Laws of 1889.

A vote was taken after some discussion and the resolution was declared adopted.

The ballot having been closed at eight o'clock, as voted, the moderator appointed George A. Foster and Arthur F. Sturtevant to sort and count the votes, and reported as follows:

Whole number of votes cast	227
Necessary for a choice	114
Harlan C. Pearson had	1
Henry C. Brown	1
George H. Moses	1
S. C. Morrill	3
Susan C. Bancroft	219
Charles R. Corning	223
John M. Mitchell	224

The moderator declared Susan C. Bancroft, Charles R. Corning, and John M. Mitchell elected members of the Board of Education for three years.

No further business being present, on motion of Charles J. French, it was voted to adjourn.

A true record. Attest:

LOUIS C. MERRILL,
Clerk.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of Union School District qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the city hall in said district, on Friday, the 18th day of April, 1902, at seven o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To see whether the district will vote to rescind, in whole or in part, the vote passed at its annual meeting in 1901, by which the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) was voted to be raised by taxation upon the ratable polls and estates in said district in the year 1902, said six thousand dollars (\$6,000) being one fifth part of the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) voted to be raised and appropriated for the erection and furnishing of a new schoolhouse on the lot occupied by the Rumford school.

2. To see whether said district will vote to authorize the Building Committee of the new Rumford school to borrow upon the credit of the district the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) which was last year voted to be raised by taxation in the year 1902, for use in building said new Rumford school, and to act as agents of the district in negotiating with the city of Concord for the use of the credit of the city in funding the indebtedness so created as by law provided.

3. To see what action the district will take as to the votes passed at its annual meeting in the year 1901, with reference to raising and appropriating money for the erection and furnishing of a new schoolhouse on the lot occupied by the Rumford school.

4. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this second day of April, 1902.

CHARLES R. CORNING,
JOHN C. ORDWAY,
JOSEPH T. WALKER,
EDWARD N. PEARSON,
G. M. KIMBALL,
JOHN VANNEVAR,
SUSAN C. BANCROFT,
SUSAN J. WOODWARD,
JOHN M. MITCHELL,

Board of Education of Union School District.

I certify that on the third day of April, 1902, I posted a copy of the written warrant attested by the Board of Education of said district at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the police station in the city of Concord, N. H., being a public place in said district.

LOUIS J. RUNDLETT.

MERRIMACK SS.

CONCORD, N. H., April 3, 1902.

Personally appeared the said Louis J. Rundlett, and made oath that the above certificate by him signed is true.

Before me,

LOUIS C. MERRILL,

Justice of the Peace.

A true copy of the warrant, return of service, and certificate of oath.

Attest,

LOUIS C. MERRILL,

Clerk.

CONCORD, N. H., April 18, 1902.

Agreeably to the foregoing warrant a meeting of the legal voters in Union School district was held at the city hall this eighteenth day of April, 1902, at seven o'clock in the evening.

The meeting was called to order by Louis C. Merrill, clerk of the district, who stated that in absence of the moderator it would be necessary to choose a moderator *pro tempore*.

Mr. James O. Lyford moved that James M. Killeen serve as moderator *pro tempore*.

Motion seconded, a vote taken, and Mr. James M. Killeen was elected unanimously; viva voce vote, no ballot being taken.

The oath of office was administered to the moderator *pro tempore* by Harry G. Sargent, justice of the peace.

The moderator read the warrant for the meeting.

ARTICLE I. Mr. James O. Lyford offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Union School district, held March 28, 1901, it was voted that the sum of thirty thousand dollars be appropriated for a new schoolhouse, to be erected on the Rumford school lot, and that one fifth part of said thirty thousand dollars, amounting to six thousand dollars, be raised by taxation upon the polls and estates for the year 1902, and

WHEREAS, it appears that the present funded indebtedness of the city is such that the burdens of taxation will be more equalized if said sum of six thousand dollars is raised at some later period,

Now therefore, *Resolved*, That so much of the aforesaid resolution of March 28, 1901, as requires said sum of six thousand dollars to be raised in 1902 is hereby rescinded, and it is voted that said sum of six thousand dollars be funded at a rate of interest not exceeding three and one half per cent.,

the principal payable at such times as may be convenient within twenty years, and that the same shall in all respects be included in and covered by the resolutions passed at a meeting of Union School district held March 27, 1902, relating to the present and prospective indebtedness arising from the building and furnishing of the Rumford school building, and that all the terms of said resolutions, so far as applicable, shall apply to said indebtedness of six thousand dollars.

A vote was taken and the resolution was adopted.

ART. 2. Mr. Harry G. Sargent moved that the article be indefinitely postponed, and it was so voted.

ART. 3. Mr. Harry G. Sargent moved that the article be indefinitely postponed, and it was so voted.

ART. 4. Mr. John P. George offered the following resolution and moved its adoption :

Resolved, That the Board of Education be requested to investigate and report what steps should be taken by the district to relieve the present overcrowded condition of the High school, and if any alteration of or additions to the present building shall be deemed necessary by the board, to inform the district what would be the probable cost of the same; and to give the results of their investigations in the next annual report.

Motion seconded and resolution was adopted.

Mr. James O. Lyford moved that the resolution offered by him under article 1 of the warrant be accepted as applicable to articles 2 and 3 as well as article 1, and it was voted.

No further business being presented, it was voted to adjourn.

A true record. Attest,

LOUIS C. MERRILL,
Clerk.

REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE OF RUMFORD
SCHOOL BUILDING.

CONCORD, N. H., March 14, 1903.

To the Voters of Union School District :

Agreeable to the vote of Union School district on March 28, 1901, your committee erected a new building in place of the old one on the Rumford school lot, between Monroe and Thorndike streets, which was completed in August last, and has been occupied since the first of September.

Your appropriations amounted to \$35,000 and the cost of the building, including furniture, filling and grading of the lot, concrete walks and edge-stones on the streets, was \$34,177.71, to which should be added interest, \$925.04, paid on money borrowed with which to meet payments as the work progressed, making \$35,102.75, the total expense, as per treasurer's report herewith.

The sum of \$200 allowed by the contractors for the old building was deducted from the contract price, hence it does not appear in the treasurer's report.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

From money borrowed	\$33,200.00
sale of bonds	35,000.00
premium on bonds	710.50
accrued interest on bonds	302.85
	\$69,213.35

EXPENDITURES.

For building	\$29,288.69
furniture	1,919.76
plans and supervision	700.00
grading	829.93
fuel and janitor	510.53

For sewer and drains	\$135.43
walks and edge-stones	571.40
fence	55.17
incidentals	166.80
interest	925.04
notes paid	33,200.00
cash on hand	910.60
	————— \$69,213.35

LOUIS C. MERRILL,
Treasurer.

CONCORD, N. H., March 13, 1903.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing account of the treasurer of Rumford School Building Committee and find the same correctly cast with a proper voucher for each item of expenditure therein mentioned.

WILLIAM YEATON,
Auditor Union School District.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

BUILDING.

No.	1. Hutchinson Building Co., on contract	. \$1,393.70
	4. " " " "	. 6,574.40
	6. " " " "	. 1,651.30
	10. Fuller, Warren & Co., heating and sanitary apparatus contract	. 1,390.00
	16. Hutchinson Building Co., on contract	. 2,217.60
	17. " " " "	. 853.00
	23. " " " "	. 1,000.00
	27. Fuller, Warren & Co., heating and sanitary apparatus contract	. 1,000.00
	28. C. W. Dadmun, on telephone contract	. 80.00
	29. Thomas Nawn, date tablets and teaming	. 29.65
	32. Thompson & Hoague, steel beams for furnaces	. 112.25
	33. Hutchinson Building Co., on contract	. 1,083.50
	37. " " " "	. 770.00
	41. C. L. Fellows & Co., mason work	. 11.84
	43. Concord Water-Works, pipe	. 9.36
	44. Hutchinson Building Co., on contract	. 1,112.50
	46. Boston & Maine Railroad, steel rails	. 27.72
	48. Hutchinson Building Co., on contract	. 818.80
	50. Fuller, Warren & Co., heating and sanitary apparatus contract	. 390.00
	51. Hutchinson Building Co., on contract	. 7,300.00
	53. Benjamin Bilsborough, finishing floors	. 125.00
	56. C. W. Dadmun, on telephone contract and wiring for electric clocks	. 95.80
	80. Concord Light and Power Co., gas fixtures	. 3.65
	81. Rowell & Plummer, repairing cement floor	. 2.04
	82. C. W. Dadmun, electric bells and wiring	. 6.45
	83. Fuller, Warren & Co., heating and sanitary apparatus contract	. 695.00
	86. Lee Brothers, plumbing work	. 35.65

No. 87.	Thompson & Hoague, hardware	\$26.68
90.	W. L. Jenks & Co., hardware	9.70
91.	Hutchinson Building Co., on contract	259.20
93.	“ “ “ extra work	203.90
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		\$29,288.69

FURNITURE.

No. 55.	G. L. Lincoln & Co., desks and chairs	\$1,291.65
60.	Blodgett Brothers & Co., electric clock contract	175.00
68.	J. M. Stewart & Sons Co., window shades and desks	322.99
73.	Blodgett Brothers & Co., electric clock contract	31.40
78.	G. L. Lincoln & Co., chairs	46.60
84.	Allen, Totman Co., kindergarten furni- ture	52.12
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		\$1,919.76

PLANS AND SUPERVISION.

No. 2.	J. E. Randlett, plans	\$250.00
9.	“ “ “	150.00
36.	“ “ “	100.00
89.	E. B. Hutchinson, supervision of con- struction	200.00
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		\$700.00

GRADING.

No. 2.	Cavis Brown, grade	\$20.75
4.	G. L. Theobald, grade	42.75
8.	E. B. Hutchinson, cash paid for men and team	32.50
14.	G. L. Theobald, grade	7.50
19.	“ “ “	7.00

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No. 39.	G. L. Theobald, grade	\$56.75
53.	“ “ “	110.25
67.	G. W. Chesley, grading and loam	542.63
79.	Lucy M. Sargent, gravel	9.80
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		\$829.93

FUEL AND JANITOR.

No. 11.	Concord Coal Co., coal	\$65.85
15.	Samuel Holt, wood	22.50
18.	Samuel Holt, wood	10.00
20.	H. O. Marsh, wood	13.00
23.	Concord Coal Co., coal	64.40
21.	G. W. Johnson, care of fires	24.00
24.	Concord Coal Co., coal	167.52
26.	G. W. Johnson, care of fires	16.00
34.	Concord Coal Co., coal	32.40
35.	G. W. Johnson, care of fires	16.00
42.	H. O. Marsh, coal	23.50
45.	G. W. Johnson, care of fires	21.00
47.	Concord Coal Co., coal	19.36
54.	G. W. Johnson, care of fires	3.00
57.	J. W. McNaughton, care of fires	4.75
63.	H. O. Marsh, coal	7.25
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		\$510.53

SEWERS AND DRAINS.

No. 7.	Lee Brothers, sewer	\$40.51
25.	Lee Brothers, drain	4.02
31.	C. L. Fellows & Co., brick and mason work on drain	21.00
38.	E. B. Hutchinson, cash paid for work on drain	69.90
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		\$135.43

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WALKS AND EDGE-STONES.

No. 58. J. H. Rowell & Co., concrete walks in yard	\$487.15
71. City of Concord, edge-stone	84.25
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	\$571.40

FENCE.

No. 85. B. Bilborough, stock and labor	\$28.03
92. Hutchinson Building Co., stock and labor	27.14
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	\$55.17

INCIDENTALS.

No. 12. People and Patriot Co., advertising	\$3.00
13. Monitor and Statesman Co., advertising	3.00
49. Henry Burke, cleaning windows	26.25
61. Eastman & Merrill, insurance	34.28
64. George Prescott, signs and numbering rooms	4.26
70. Boston Bank Note Co., printing bonds	50.00
73. W. M. Thayer, express on bonds to Boston	7.00
88. Henry C. Brown, expenses of committee to Tilton, Manchester, Worcester, At- tleboro, and Winchester	39.01
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	\$166.80

INTEREST.

No. 30. New Hampshire Savings Bank	\$40.00
40. First National Bank	64.00
59. New Hampshire Savings Bank	40.00
62. New Hampshire Savings Bank	20.00
65. Loan and Trust Savings Bank	130.00
66. Merrimack County Savings Bank	100.00
69. First National Bank	50.00

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No. 74. Merrimack County Savings Bank . . .	\$113.62
75. New Hampshire Savings Bank . . .	25.67
76. Loan and Trust Savings Bank . . .	198.38
77. First National Bank . . .	143.37
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	\$925.04

NOTES PAID.

No. 94. Merrimack County Savings Bank . . .	\$9,000.00
95. New Hampshire Savings Bank . . .	3,000.00
96. Loan and Trust Savings Bank . . .	10,500.00
97. First National Bank . . .	10,700.00
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	\$33,200.00
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Total expenditures	\$68,302.75
Cash on hand	910.60
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	\$69,213.35

At a meeting of Union School district, on March 27, 1902, resolutions were adopted appointing your committee as agents of Union School district to negotiate and agree with the city of Concord for its aid in funding the indebtedness arising from building and furnishing the new Rumford school building, by the issuing of bonds at a rate of interest not exceeding three and one-half ($3\frac{1}{2}$) per cent.

Agreeable to that vote, the city of Concord and your committee have executed the following agreement, a copy of which has been made in the records of Union School district and the original filed with the financial agent, with whom also has been filed the plans, specifications, and the contract for Rumford school building.

AGREEMENT.

WHEREAS, The Union School district, in the city of Concord, at the annual meeting duly notified and held at the city hall, in said city, on the twenty-seventh day of March, 1902, passed resolutions, of which the following is a copy :

1. *Resolved*, That the present and prospective indebtedness of the district arising from the building and furnishing of Rumford school building, now in process of erection, and grading the lot, be funded at a rate of interest not exceeding three and one-half ($3\frac{1}{2}$) per cent., and that a sufficient sum of money be assessed upon the polls and estates in Union School district on the first day of April in each year hereafter to meet the payments of interest and of the principal as it falls due from year to year, and that the money obtained by said assessments be and hereby is appropriated to make said payments.

2. *Resolved*, That the district request the city of Concord to aid in funding this indebtedness, as the city is authorized to do by the act of the legislature of New Hampshire approved August 14, 1889, entitled "An act to authorize the city of Concord to borrow money in aid of its school districts," provided said city will borrow the money necessary for the purpose set forth in the last resolution, and will allow the district to have the use of the money so borrowed; and further, that if this request is complied with, the district will seasonably pay to the city sufficient sums of money to enable the city to meet the payments of interest and principal upon its indebtedness so created, as the same fall due, and all incidental expenses, and will apply the money to be raised under the last resolution to the payments aforesaid.

3. *Resolved*, That Henry C. Brown, Eben B. Hutchinson, and Louis C. Merrill, the Building Committee for the new Rumford school, be the agents of the district to negotiate and agree with the city for its aid, as set forth in the last resolution, and to sign, seal and deliver all writings and papers that may be deemed necessary or advisable relating to said negotiations and agreements, and if the city does not aid the district, as requested, said persons are authorized to borrow money for the use of the district for the purpose set forth in the first resolution, and to give the district's notes or other obligations for the money so borrowed, and full authority is hereby given to said persons to do all the acts aforesaid, and

it shall be their duty to make a full report in writing of their doings under the authority herein granted at the next annual meeting of the district; and

WHEREAS, The city council of said city of Concord, in compliance with the request contained in the second resolution above copied, on the ninth day of September, 1902, passed an ordinance for the issue of the city's bonds to raise the money required by said district as aforesaid :

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS IS TO WITNESS :

1. That in accordance with said resolutions and ordinance, the city of Concord has issued and delivered to said district its bonds to the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) in denominations of \$1,000 each, and of the following dates, amounts, and tenor :

Date.	Amount.	Payable when.	Rate of interest.	Interest payable.
Oct. 1, 1902	\$7,000	October 1, 1909	3½ per cent.	Semi-annually.
Oct. 1, 1902	7,000	October 1, 1910	" "	"
Oct. 1, 1902	7,000	October 1, 1911	" "	"
Oct. 1, 1902	7,000	October 1, 1912	" "	"
Oct. 1, 1902	7,000	October 1, 1913	" "	"

2. That said district is to have the use of the money arising from the sale of said bonds until said bonds become due.

3. That said district will seasonably pay to said city sufficient sums of money to enable it to meet the payments of principal and interest of said bonds as the same become due, and all incidental expenses growing out of their issue, and will apply the money to be raised under the first of said resolutions to said payments.

4. That said district will indemnify the said city, and save it harmless from all loss, costs, and expenses to which it may be subjected by reason of making and issuing said bonds.

5. That when said district has fulfilled its agreements contained in articles 3 and 4 above, it shall be discharged from all further liability to said city by virtue of the transactions herein referred to.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties have set their corporate names to this agreement in duplicate, and have interchangeably delivered the same this fourth day of December, A. D. 1902, by their respective agents thereto duly authorized.

(Signed) CITY OF CONCORD, BY
 HARRY G. SARGENT,
Mayor.
 W. F. THAYER,
Treasurer city of Concord, N. H.

HENRY C. BROWN,
 EBENEZER B. HUTCHINSON,
 LOUIS C. MERRILL,
Building Committee of Rumford School.

The treasurer's report shows a cash balance on hand amounting to \$910.60, and the treasurer awaits your instructions as to its disposal, but the committee would recommend that the interest due April 1 on the bonds herein mentioned, be paid from the balance on hand.

In closing, your committee desire to extend their thanks to the Board of Education, and to L. J. Rundlett, superintendent of schools, for many suggestions which helped solve many perplexing questions the committee had to consider.

Respectfully submitted,
 HENRY C. BROWN,
 E. B. HUTCHINSON,
 LOUIS C. MERRILL,
Building Committee for Rumford School.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
DISTRICT NO. 20, FOR THE YEAR ENDING
MARCH 31, 1903.

During the past year the schools have maintained a high standard, and while ideal conditions have not been reached there has been a continuous growth in that direction. Harmonious relations exist between all the teachers, the superintendent and the school board, and the energy of all has been conserved for the one great purposeful whole, the maintaining of a school as perfect as can be had under the conditions which the district provides, where knowledge shall be imparted according to modern methods, the mind, soul and body of each pupil trained intelligently and harmoniously, and pure ideas and high ideals of manhood and womanhood implanted. The function of the public school is constantly growing broader; wider and constantly wider with our increasing civilization is its influence and power extending, and its facilities and equipment should keep pace with its opportunities; manual training with its underlying principle of developing the whole child should be an important part of the school work, and your committee advise an appropriation for this purpose. We also urge the district to take immediate steps toward providing more school room, the number of pupils is constantly increasing and more room is an absolute necessity if the schools are to do the best work. During the past year much has been done to renovate and improve the condition of the school building, all the rooms and the basements have been kalsomined and the desks and tables refinished. In the last annual report the attention of the district was called to the unsanitary condition of the school building. Unsanitary conditions still prevail and will continue to do so till some system of ventilation is installed. The present system of heating is ill-constructed and insufficient, and until some changes are made it will be necessary to use stoves in some

parts of the building. Believing it to be necessary that some competent person should supervise our schools, who shall be able to view the entire field, who shall study not one school but many, and who shall be able to unite the teachers as one body, we advise the continuance of the supervisory district relation, and commend the efforts of the superintendent to bring the school up to a high standard. We recognize with appreciation the efforts of Mr. Merriam for the moral uplift of the school and the community, and we urge the citizens of District No. 20 to consider the importance of the school as a moral force in our community and to contribute generously of their time and influence for its support.

IRA C. PHILLIPS,
HENRY C. HOLBROOK,
L. C. PRESCOTT,
Board of Education.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Board of Education:

I herewith respectfully submit my second annual report, which is the second in the series of reports of the superintendent of schools in District No. 20, Penacook. The conditions under which the superintendent has labored during the past year have been far more favorable than those existing previous to the time of the last annual report.

Our present corps of teachers is working with a common feeling of perfect harmony and sincere good will for the best interest of the schools. This sentiment has to a certain extent found its way into the controlling impulses of the pupils and through them to the parents. This condition of pleasantness in the schools has made possible a far higher standard of work than could otherwise have been attained, yet it seems to me that there are some difficulties still remaining to impair the results of the school labors. Teachers and pupils must have behind them a united and sympathetic

community. Whatever may be the individual opinions of the citizens of the district all should work together to obtain the greatest good for the pupils. The work of our public schools is far too important to admit for a moment the interference of the personal element. The will—whatever that may be—of the majority must be the law of the community and the guide of school official and should be cheerfully sanctioned by all. Not until this condition of harmony and true interest in the welfare of the schools exists can teachers obtain the best results from their pupils.

In this report I shall endeavor to briefly set forth the changes and improvements which have taken place in the schools during the past year, their present condition, and some plans for their future welfare and improvement. I take this opportunity to thank the Board of Education for the interest and support which they have extended to me in my work.

ATTENDANCE.

In my last report I called the attention of the board to the need of some by-law of the district concerning the attendance of children between the ages of six and eight. Under the present regulations children cannot be compelled to attend school until they are eight years of age. Many, however, do enter much younger, but their attendance is often very irregular and hence their progress is very unsatisfactory. A large number do not enter until the law obliges them to do so.

The results are bad and are felt throughout the whole school system. Many of those entering at six years of age are absent so much that they fail to do a sufficient amount of work to insure promotions, hence spend two and sometimes three or more years in the first grade. Thus at the very start they lose interest in their work and become discouraged.

Those who fail of promotion to the second grade and those who do not enter school until they are eight years old increase the average age so that in the first grade where it should be about six and one-half years it is as an actual fact about eight.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The purpose of a course of study is not to prescribe a certain amount of work to be done in a definite time, but rather to be a guide to pupils and teacher and show the best correlation of subjects. To be sure it should also show the amount of time necessary for the accomplishment of a definite amount of work by classes of average intelligence. However, as the capacity of every class for acquiring knowledge varies, no fixed allotment of time can be made. Our present course is so arranged and provided with supplementary lines of work that teachers can, to a large extent, use their own judgment in regard to the amount of work done by the different pupils.

Until the fifth or sixth year of a child's school life reading should be its most important study. The skill the child acquires in this branch of school work forms the base of all future knowledge and culture. This fact has had great influence upon the changes made in the course in reading. To increase the child's vocabulary and his ability to pronounce words several of the best drill readers have been added and some drill in phonics given by each of the teachers of the lower grades.

In the selection of books for supplementary reading, great care has been used to get only the best works of leading authors. The object is, of course, to form in the children a habit of reading the best literature and thereby securing for them a pleasant and efficient method of acquiring broad culture. Although several new reading books have been purchased during the year, the schools have by no means been furnished with an adequate amount of reading material, and in order to obtain the best results additions must be made from time to time.

Another important feature of a good reading course is its correlation with other subjects. Many of the books have been chosen with the express intention of supplementing geography, history, and nature study. The farther this correlation of subjects can be extended the more efficient the course.

The spiral system of teaching arithmetic has been introduced in the lower grades, and Book I of the Werner series of arithmetic is in use. The use of the other books of this series and the methods accompanying them should be extended to the higher grades as soon as possible. The Hall primer of arithmetic is used in the second grade. With a part of the grade the book has been a success; with the other part it is giving some difficulty because the children have not been sufficiently prepared. This is not the fault of any previous instruction, but is due to the overcrowded and uncertain condition of the first grade. This trouble would soon be removed if the district would make the proper attendance regulations for children between six and eight years of age, and establish a kindergarten, which recommendations are discussed at length in another part of this report.

The language course remains much the same as that of last year. The Mother Tongue, Book II, has been introduced in the sixth grade, and the Collar and Daniell's "First Year in Latin," in the ninth. Frye's Advanced Geography has been introduced in the sixth grade.

The whole course of study has been arranged with a certain definite end in view. It has seemed better to make gradual rather than sudden sweeping changes. There are two important reasons for this. In the first place any great change necessitates many new text-books, hence an additional expense which might be burdensome, while if the change takes place gradually the new and better books can replace the old worn out copies. Then again a radical change in a course of study causes a great deal of friction and readjustment, which with the slower process does not occur.

In the choice of new books great care has been used to secure only the best, and such as have been used with success in other schools of high standard. Should the present plan be carried out, another year will find many more of the best text-books now published in use in our schools.

TEACHERS AND GRADING.

The suggestions made in the last annual report in regard to the choice of new teachers has been carefully followed. All our teachers have had careful training, or several years of successful experience. The results are already manifest in the quality and quantity of the work being done in the schools. If the present standard of our teaching force can be maintained — and public sentiment should not let it fall lower — the teachers will be able to do more efficient work than they have in the past, the results will be more and more satisfactory, and a wider field of learning and culture will be opened to the pupils. The standard of any school cannot rise beyond the standard of its teachers. The weak, inefficient teacher must give way to the stronger and better qualified. That a teacher is unsuccessful in her school does not always show that she is incompetent, but simply that she is undertaking work for which she is not prepared or well adapted.

During the year there have been but few changes in the teaching force. At the beginning of the spring term Miss Lillian Stevens took up the work which had been carried on by Miss Bessie Rolfe. At the beginning of the fall term Miss Katherine McLaughlin was placed in charge of the new room opened in the engine house. There have been many difficulties in organizing and conducting this school in a room built for other than school purposes, and so far away from the central plant. Miss McLaughlin seems to have met and conquered these difficulties as they presented themselves. Miss Mildred Emery has taken Miss Bessie Kelley's place in the first grade. The other teachers who were in the schools last year are doing their usual faithful work, and citizens who visit their rooms may see satisfactory results.

When it was found necessary to place one school in a room outside of the main building, some difficulty was experienced in the choice of the grades to be moved. After careful consideration the seventh and eighth grades, numbering in all

about twenty-five, were placed in the new room. This left the sixth and ninth grades in charge of Mr. Merriam. This arrangement, though the best that could be made, is not the most desirable, as it is always best to place the higher grades in charge of the principal. The first grade is, as usual, very large. In order to relieve somewhat the pressure in this room, some of the pupils who have been in the school at least one year were placed in Miss Stevens' room, where they are to continue their first grade work. Some of them, it is hoped, may be able to do the work of the second grade before the end of the year.

The conditions which confront the district in the first grade room are really serious, and should be attended to at once. The register shows an enrollment of between seventy and eighty. The crowding together in one room of such a large number is a menace to their physical health and mental development. Their ages range from five to thirteen, and their needs vary nearly the same as their ages. It is unreasonable to expect that a single teacher can do the work required. The condition should be relieved at once by the establishment of a kindergarten. The parents who have children in school have the right and should demand this much for the welfare of their children. Almost no modern school system can be found in which the kindergarten does not form an important part. It has stood the test of time and proven itself to be of great value.

There is another need much felt in the schools by both teachers and pupils, viz., a special teacher in drawing. It is hoped by all concerned that some advance will be made in this direction during the coming year. The superintendent has made some investigations in regard to the cost of securing a teacher, and finds the expense would not be great.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND REPAIRS.

In the fall the large size of the sixth grade made it impossible to use the school hallway, as was done last year. The Board of Education carefully considered the various places

that might be available and found the ward-room the most suitable. Through the courtesy of the city government the room is now used for school purposes.

Closets provided with running water have been placed on the second floor of the building and a portable partition built to enclose the schoolroom. This arrangement has furnished an excellent, well lighted, well ventilated, and well heated room. In case the district does not provide more rooms by building a new schoolhouse this summer, the use of this extra room will be of great advantage to the schools another fall. It would be difficult to find a use to which a room ordinarily so unused could be put where a greater good would result to so large a number of people in such a good cause.

During the summer vacation the walls and ceilings of the rooms and hallways of the school building received a thorough cleaning and whitening. The desks and seats in Mr. Merriam's and Mrs. Holden's rooms have been restained and the floors of all the rooms have been redressed. The building now presents a clean, wholesome appearance, which it is the pride of teachers and pupils alike to preserve.

Mr. William Farrand, who has been janitor since the opening of the fall term, has done his share to keep the building in the condition in which it should be. Mr. Farrand, both as truant officer and janitor, has given the best satisfaction in the performance of his duties.

This report would not be complete unless it contained some mention of the need of a new school building. This year the pressure was relieved somewhat by the use of the ward-room but still the seating capacity of the first grade room is taxed to its utmost. Instead of having fewer scholars another fall we may justly expect an increase of at least twenty-five and probably more. What shall be done with these pupils? Other room might be secured outside of the present school building. However it seems to me that this method of providing for the overflow will soon, if it has not already, reach the limit of economy.

A new building of at least four rooms must be built in the near future, and until it is built the work in the schools can not be satisfactory.

This need has been long felt and thoroughly discussed by the members of the district, and I think the majority realize its importance. It now remains for them to act.

CO-OPERATION.

In conclusion allow me to quote freely from an article which I have previously written. In the last annual report the object of our school system was briefly explained. Now it is well that a means should be suggested by which this object may be better attained. School officials, teachers, and pupils may do everything in their power to bring about the highest good and best results in the schools, yet their efforts will not meet with entire success unless they have the hearty sympathy and co-operation of the parents. The effort on the part of the teachers to increase the per cent. of attendance furnishes a good illustration of this fact.

The best rules and regulations for the regularity and punctuality of attendance have failed again and again, simply from careless indifference on the part of the parents. Children are allowed to be late or remain away from school on the merest pretext. The result is injurious to the individual pupil and the school as a whole—to the individual, in that habits of irregularity and indifference are formed; to the school, in that the regular work is interrupted by tardiness and completely broken up by absence.

But this is only a single case in which parents may lend support to the schools. Teachers labor day after day with untiring zeal and patience; they mold and develop the mind and character of hundreds of pupils, yet it is seldom they receive a suggestion or a word of encouragement from parents or even a visit which would show parental interest. Parents too often think that the only time when it is necessary for them to show an interest in the work of the class-room is when they can find fault.

There is no institution of modern civilization so important or so worthy of attention and care as our system of public schools. Phenomenal in its development, unlimited in its capacity for good, it stands an institution on the work of which rest the possibilities and welfare of the greatest republic and nation in the world. The broader the mental development and the stronger the character of the children who leave the public schools to become citizens, the more nearly has our educational system attained the object toward which it is striving. Then realizing its power over society in general the parents should place themselves in the true relation of friendly and kindly interest to the school, and place the school in its true relation of importance to the child. If in my work I can awaken in the citizens of District No. 20 a deeper sympathy for the welfare of the schools I shall feel that I have accomplished a great good.

H. C. SANBORN,
Superintendent.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Received from Oscar Smith	\$42.11	
“ “ city treasurer	6,750.68	
“ “ tuition	44.00	
		————— \$6,836.79

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries	\$3,243.65	
School supplies	135.75	
Care of schoolhouse	351.68	
Fuel	237.76	
Repairs	344.05	
Books	179.77	
Tuition	1,230.00	
Miscellaneous	282.37	
General supplies	82.68	
		————— \$6,087.71
Balance in hands of treasurer	749.08	————— \$6,836.79

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID T. TWOMEY,

Treasurer.

SALARIES.

H. C. Sanborn, superintendent	\$299.97
B. J. Merriam	799.92
Bessie Kelley	99.00
Mary W. Smith	99.00
Bessie Rolfe	9.00
Gertrude Stevens	315.00
Susan Pickard	360.00
Maria Carter	360.00

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Hannah Holden	\$349.00
Katherine McLaughlin	225.00
Mildred Emery	225.00
Annie M. Chandler (music)	77.76
David T. Twomey, treasurer	25.00
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	\$3,243.65

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

1902.	
April 16. Ira C. Evans Co.	\$2.50
May 15. Annie M. Chandler, music supplies	7.18
June 13. W. M. Welch	12.00
June 20. Edward Babb & Co.	8.60
June 20)	
and } J. L. Hammett Co.	96.22
Oct. 22.)	
Oct. 22. Rumford Printing Co.	1.75
1903.	
Mar. 21. Eagle Pencil Co.	7.50
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	\$135.75

CARE OF SCHOOLHOUSE.

E. B. Runnells, janitor service	\$95.68
Wm. Farrand, " "	250.75
F. B. Holt, cleaning extra room	3.40
Thomas Farrand, floor brush	1.85
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	\$351.68

FUEL.

1902.	
May 15. E. L. Davis, coal and slabs	\$13.87
July 15. J. C. & G. E. Farrand, wood and slabs	13.50
Oct. 31. John C. Farrand, wood	33.91
Dec. 19. " " " "	24.86

1903.

Jan.	2.	John C. Farrand, wood and coal	\$36.74
	21.	B. F. Varney, wood	35.00
	30.	H. D. Moulton & Co., sawing wood	4.50
	30.	E. L. Davis, coal	15.40
	30.	John C. Farrand, wood	2.68
Feb.	14.	Dustin Island Woolen mill, coal	29.26
Mar.	14.	Fred H. Chase, wood	10.00
	21.	John C. Farrand, coal and wood	18.04
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			\$237.76

REPAIRS.

1902.

Sept.	1.	B. J. Ferrin, labor on desks	\$9.28
	6.	J. E. Symonds, refinishing desks	20.00
	6.	James Bowen, labor and stock	16.55
	6.	C. G. Davis, dressing blackboards	4.90
	6.	George Abbott, Jr., kalsomining	85.25
	6.	A. H. Urann, whitewashing	3.90
	6.	W. A. Bean, labor and stock	3.28
	6.	Isaac Baty, plumbing, as per contract	100.00
Sept.	30.	C. M. & A. W. Rolfe, lumber and labor extra room	35.02
Oct.	3.	Concord Axle Co., fire-brick and mortar75
	3.	Ed. C. Durgin, labor on extra room	27.55

1902. 1903.

Oct.	31-Mar. 14.	Geo. A. Griffin, labor and paint	8.86
	31.	Isaac Baty, labor and fittings	3.15
	31.	W. C. Spicer, paint95

1903.

Mar.	14.	Isaac Baty, labor and supplies	16.08
	21.	Ed. C. Durgin, labor	8.53
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\$344.05