

## ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

*To the Inhabitants of Union School District in Concord  
qualified to vote in district affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Auditorium, on Prince street in said district, on the 29th day of March, 1906, at 7.30 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 reports 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 E. Robertson, and Ella H. J. Hill, and to fill any other vacancies that 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 occasional and extraordinary repairs of school buildings during the ensuing year.

9. To see if the district will vote to erect and equip a new Manual Training school building, appoint a committee with authority to decide upon its location, and authorize such committee to purchase or acquire by condemnation, such land as may be necessary and suitable for a lot for such new Manual Training school building, as the same may be located by the committee; and raise and appropriate money and authorize a contract with the City of Concord for its credit as contemplated by chapter 261 of the Session Laws of 1889, and take such other, or further, action as may be necessary to provide for the location and erection of a new Manual Training school building.

10. To see if the district will ratify and confirm the sale and conveyance to the City of Concord, of the old schoolhouse lot and building at West Concord, made by the special building committee, appointed to erect the new West Concord school building; said sale and conveyance having been made in payment for the lot purchased of said city by said committee for the new West Concord school building.

11. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the completion of the erection and furnishing of the West Concord school building.

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

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CONCORD, N. H., March 29, 1906.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant, a meeting of the legal voters in Union School District was held at the Auditorium, in the City of Concord, N. H., on March 29, 1906, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, and was called to order by the moderator, Samuel C. Eastman, who read the warrant.

ARTICLE 1. The moderator called for votes for moderator and when all had voted who wished, declared the ballot closed, and Samuel C. Eastman having four votes, all that were cast, was declared elected moderator and took the oath of office before Louis C. Merrill, justice of the peace.

ART. 2. The moderator called for votes for clerk and when all had voted who wished, the ballot was declared closed, and Louis C. Merrill having received all the votes cast, was declared elected clerk and the oath of office was administered by Samuel C. Eastman, justice of the peace.

ART. 3. On motion it was voted to dispense with the reading of the reports, and that the reports, as printed, be adopted and placed on file.

ART. 4. Mr. H. H. Metcalf moved to proceed to ballot for three members of the Board of Education, the names to be on ticket, and it was so voted and the moderator called for votes.

On motion of Mr. H. H. Metcalf it was voted that the polls be closed at 8.15 o'clock.

The moderator appointed Arthur Sturtevant and Edson J. Hill to assist in sorting and counting the votes.

The moderator declared the vote as follows:

Number of votes cast . . . . .	443
Necessary for a choice . . . . .	222
John P. George had . . . . .	54
Charles L. Fellows had . . . . .	107
Ella H. J. Hill had . . . . .	334
George H. Moses had . . . . .	360
Edward N. Pearson had . . . . .	422

—and Ella H. J. Hill, George H. Moses and Edward N. Pearson were declared by the moderator as elected members of the Board of Education for three years. The members elect then appeared and were sworn by Samuel C. Eastman, justice of the peace.

ART. 5. Mr. John M. Mitchell moved that John P. George and Henry H. Metcalf be chosen auditors, and it was so voted.

ART. 6. Hon. Charles R. Corning presented the following resolution and moved its adoption:

*Resolved*, That there be raised by tax on the polls and ratable estates of Union School District the sum of nine thousand seven hundred eighty-five dollars (\$9,785) of which sum eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) shall be appropriated for the payment of bonds maturing April 1, 1906, and one thousand seven hundred eighty-five dollars (\$1,785) for the payment of the interest on its funded debt accruing during the year.

Motion seconded, a vote taken, and the resolution declared adopted.

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

*Resolved*, That there shall be raised, and is hereby ordered to 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 appropriation for schools will amount to the sum of sixty-seven thousand seventy-five dollars and nine cents (\$67,075.09).

Motion was seconded, a vote taken, and the moderator declared the resolution adopted.

ART. 8. Mr. John P. George presented the following:

*Resolved*, That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) be raised by taxation upon the polls and ratable estates of Union School District and appropriated for occasional and extraordinary repairs of school buildings and that the expenditure of such a sum shall be under the direction of the Board of Education.

Mr. George moved the adoption of the resolution and the motion being seconded, and a vote taken, the moderator declared the resolution adopted.

ART. 9. Mr. George M. Kimball offered the following resolution which was read by the moderator :

*Voted*, (1) That a new manual training school building be erected and equipped; (2) That Charles R. Corning, George M. Kimball, John M. Mitchell, Henry H. Metcalf, Edson J. Hill, DeWitt C. Howe and Charles R. Walker be, and hereby are, appointed a committee with authority to decide upon a location for said new manual training school building, and said committee is hereby authorized to purchase or acquire by condemnation, in the name of, and on behalf of, the Union School District, such land as may be necessary and suitable for a lot for such new manual training school building to be erected upon, as selected and decided upon by said committee, and said committee is authorized to do all other acts and things in the name of, and on behalf of, the Union School District necessary to secure the location of such lot and to purchase or acquire it; (3) That Charles R. Corning, George M. Kimball, John M. Mitchell, Henry H. Metcalf, Edson J. Hill, DeWitt C. Howe and Charles R. Walker be, and hereby are, appointed a building committee to erect and furnish said new manual training school building and to employ architects, agents and such other assistants as they may require, and to do in the name and on behalf of the Union School District such other acts as may be necessary to carry this vote into effect; (4) That the sum of \$30,000 be, and the same is, hereby appropriated to purchase or acquire the land necessary for the location of said new manual training school building and to erect and furnish said new manual training school building; (5) That the indebtedness of the Union School District arising from the purchase of land, construction and furnishing of said new manual training

school building be funded at a rate of interest not exceeding three and one half per cent. per annum, that a sufficient sum of money be assessed upon the polls and estates of Union School District on the first day of April in each year hereafter to meet the payments of the interest and principal of the said indebtedness at the date or dates of the maturity of the principal and interest as the same may be fixed, as hereinafter provided, and that the money obtained by said assessments be, and hereby is, appropriated to make said payments; (6) That the Union School District requests the City of Concord to aid in funding the indebtedness of the Union School District arising from the purchase of land, construction and furnishing of said new manual training school building, as the City of Concord is authorized to do by chapter 261 of the Session Laws of 1889, entitled "An act to authorize the City of Concord to borrow money in aid of its school districts" provided said City of Concord will borrow the money necessary for the purposes set forth in this vote, and will allow the Union School District to have the use of the money so borrowed, and further that if this request is complied with, the Union School District will seasonably pay the City of Concord sufficient sums of money to enable the City of Concord to meet the payments of principal and interest upon the indebtedness so created as the same falls due, and all incidental expenses, and will apply the money to be raised as herein provided, to the payments aforesaid; and said building committee is hereby further authorized to make said request of the City of Concord and determine with the City of Concord the date or dates when the principal and interest thereon shall mature, and do all other acts and things necessary to carry this vote into effect.

Mr. Kimball moved a yea and nay vote on each paragraph and it was so voted, and the vote was then taken on each paragraph with the following result as stated by the moderator:

1. The ayes appear to have it, the ayes do have it and the paragraph is adopted.
2. The ayes have it and the paragraph is adopted.
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ART. 10. Mr. Edward N. Pearson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption :

*Voted,* That the sale and conveyance to the City of Concord, of the old schoolhouse lot and building, at West Concord, made by the special committee appointed to erect the new West Concord school building, said sale and conveyance having been made in payment for the lot purchased of said city by said committee for the new West Concord school building, be ratified and confirmed.

Motion seconded and a vote taken on the motion which the moderator declared adopted.

ART. 11. Mr. John M. Mitchell offered the following resolution and moved its adoption :

*Resolved,* That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in addition to the sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) appropriated by the district by vote at its special meeting holden on June 1, 1905, to secure land and erect and equip the new West Concord school building be, and hereby is, appropriated for the completion and furnishing of said new West Concord school building and for grading the lot upon which it is erected; and that said one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or such part thereof as may be needed for the purposes specified be funded at a rate of interest not exceeding three and one half per cent. in the

manner and by the authority prescribed for the funding of said twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) as provided in the vote of the district passed as aforesaid, on June 1, 1905.

A vote being taken, the moderator declared the resolution adopted.

Mr. Charles J. French moved to return to the consideration of article 7 of the warrant and it was so voted.

ART. 7. Mr. Charles J. French offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

*Resolved*, That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be raised by tax on the polls and ratable estates within Union School District and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a night school in said Union School District during the winter months of 1906 and 1907, and that the expenditure of the amount of money be under the supervision of the Board of Education.

A vote was taken and the resolution declared adopted.

ART. 12. Mr. H. H. Metcalf moved to adjourn and it was so voted.

A true copy, attest:

LOUIS C. MERRILL,  
*Clerk.*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20.

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The Board of Education submits the following report of educational conditions in School District No. 20 for the financial year of 1906-1907.

For a detailed statement of school management, attendance and expenses reference is made to the accompanying reports of the superintendent and treasurer which are made a part of this report.

The school buildings are in good repair and, while sanitary conditions are not perfect at the Summer Street building owing to insufficient ventilation in some of the rooms, no extra appropriation will be required as all necessary repairs and some improvements are made each year.

Two years have been added to the high school course in accordance with the unanimous vote of the district at its last annual meeting. The year began with an enrollment of sixty pupils in this department, which abundantly justifies the new venture. Sufficient tuition has been received to nearly pay the salary of the extra teacher required, and if a full course of four years should be organized, the income from tuitions would be materially increased.

It is now three years since any high school work was attempted in this village and sufficient time has elapsed to judge, if not of its efficiency, at least of its influence on the rest of our school system and on the community.

Under the present management the high and elementary schools form practically one unbroken course with only one graduation point. As a result of this policy and the increased opportunities there has been a large increase in the number of pupils in the higher grades. This year we have sixty pupils from our own district enjoying high

school privileges, while previous to the organization of our own school, twenty-one was the largest number and the average was below seventeen.

These facts show in an unmistakable manner how the children themselves react to the increased opportunities, and they are a sufficient answer to any question as to their stimulating and helpful influence on the lower grades. They also prove the truth of the assertion so often made by those who have studied our educational conditions most carefully that a very large proportion of our people prefer to educate their children as far as possible in the community where they live. The cost of transportation, the long day away from home privileges, home influences and home restraints are, with many of our people, serious obstacles to sending their children away from home to complete their public school education.

Nor is this all. The high school is a most potent factor in raising the ideals of the community. It fosters educational progress and contributes in no small measure to the culture and moral betterment of the people.

Much has been said concerning the rate of taxation in our district. It is fair to state the fact that the principal cause of the increased rate is the new school building, which was a necessity before the high school was organized.

It may also be interesting to those concerned to know that our school tax is less than our precinct tax and that the rate will probably decrease as large property interests now exempt become taxable.

Is there any good and sufficient reason why we should not pay as much for the education and training of our children as we pay for sewer and light privileges? Of what avail are modern conveniences and even hygiene when schools are neglected and the vast majority of children, finding the larger educational opportunities practically denied them, seek work in the factories at fourteen years of age, and are fit only for work demanding little skill or intelligence, and when the education and

training of the secondary schools can only be the special privilege of the favored few who can afford to seek such privileges away from home.

The efficient administration of your school system means equal public school opportunities for rich and poor alike, it means the contact of all children with American ideals and the spirit of American institutions, it means an opportunity for every Penacook boy and girl to prepare for college if they have the natural ability and ambition, it means an increase in the working efficiency and intelligence of the whole village which it is impossible to estimate.

We believe that no public moneys are more judiciously expended or bring a larger return in the things which really increase human wealth and human success than those expended for school purposes. The average current expenditure per pupil is twenty dollars and sixty-seven cents. Does any intelligent person believe that it should be less than this?

There is some honest criticism of the practical value of the work done in the public schools. Such criticism is always welcome, especially from those who have studied the problem sufficiently to be able to offer practical methods for improvement.

No school system, however perfect, will ever be able to compensate for lack of home training and discipline, and it should always be remembered that the sympathy and cooperation of the parents are quite as essential as wise methods on the part of those who administer school affairs.

Growth toward ideal conditions may be slow but it will be sure when the responsibility of each citizen for the conditions which exist is recognized.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. HOLBROOK,  
LEANDER C. PRESCOTT,  
HENRY A. BROWN,

*Board of Education.*

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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*To the Board of Education:*

I herewith respectfully submit my sixth annual report, which is the sixth in the series of reports of the superintendent of schools in District No. 20, Penacook. It gives me pleasure to again thank the members of the Board of Education and the citizens of the district for their loyal support and their kindly interest in the schools.

### ATTENDANCE.

In another part of this report there will be found a list of the names of those children who were perfect in attendance and a table of attendance for the school year 1905-1906. The ten children whose names are on the list are certainly deserving of praise. As they did not know that their names were to appear in this report, they must have been prompted by some other motive than notoriety. They have shown an interest and faithfulness in school work which is surely worthy of emulation, and it is hoped that next year the list may be greatly increased.

A careful study of the table of attendance brings out several interesting facts. The average membership of the schools is gradually increasing from year to year. This is due to the increased membership in the upper grades. The per cent. of attendance is exceptionally good. The highest per cent. is 97, while the lowest is only 91, and the average per cent. is 94.

In one respect the table is disappointing. There are far too many cases of tardiness. Only two schools show even reasonable figures in that respect. At present there is quite an effort being made to improve this condition of affairs, and it is hoped that the parents will heartily co-operate

with the teachers in their efforts. There are also a large number of excuses granted by teachers. I believe many of these to be unnecessary. Parents are too willing to grant the request of children and write excuses when it would be far better not to do so. Children should be taught that their attendance at school and their school work is of first importance. Poor attendance, as indicated by absence, tardiness, and excuses, often accounts for many cases of poor scholarship. Every time that a child misses a school exercise for one of these causes, there has occurred a material loss which it is almost impossible to regain. Pupils, teachers, parents and members of the Board of Education are urged to do everything in their power to decrease in the future the number of cases of tardiness and excuse. Until something is accomplished in this direction our schools will not be all that we desire.

#### PROGRAMME OF STUDIES.

The programme of studies is now so arranged that the grammar school work is completed at the end of the eighth year of school. That is, if a child enters at the age of six years and continues without interruption, he is ready to enter the High school at the age of fourteen. As very few children have such uninterrupted progress, the average age for entering the High school is generally a little over fifteen. Thus with the present programme of studies the children will graduate from the High school at the average age of nineteen years.

The majority of children lose a year in school life during the first four years. For one reason or another the average child does not develop with the same regularity during this early period as later. This failure of young children to proceed uniformly from grade to grade would be greatly alleviated by the extension of the programme of studies to include the work of the kindergarten. The advantage of the kindergarten and its bearing upon school work in gen-

eral, has been fully treated in previous reports and need not be touched upon at length in this connection.

The course in music is still under the direction of Mrs. Martha Gale, who has made some changes in the work during the past year. New books from the Modern Music Series have been placed in some rooms. As the other old books now in use become unserviceable through wear, they will be replaced by more new ones. The Weaver System of Individual Sight-Reading has been successfully used; some new charts have been furnished, and some sheet music has been placed in the hands of the older pupils. From time to time it has been the custom to give school entertainments with musical programmes to illustrate what is being done in this course. At present such a programme is under preparation and will probably be publicly given in the near future.

The course in physiology has been revised and much extended. A new text-book, Conn's Physiology and Hygiene, has been introduced. This course now fully complies with the requirements of the law and gives the children a good knowledge of the human body and much valuable information in regard to its care.

At present the Werner Arithmetic is being used in most of the rooms. This is extremely spiral in its method of treating the subject-matter. The method is one that has been much in vogue during the past few years. Theoretically, the system is pedagogically sound. The child should take up the discussion of arithmetical facts in their elementary forms as early as the mind is able to grasp them, and these facts should be constantly added to as the mind develops. On the other hand, it is equally true that too many ideas should not be presented in a short period of time, and all facts that are closely allied should be grouped so that comparisons could be made and their relations be definitely shown. In addition the explanation of processes, as they come up for consideration, should be accompanied by sev-

eral examples and problems for the purpose of illustration and drill. This does not mean a return to the old method of presenting fractions in one school year, percentage in the next, and so on, but to simply bring together all the material pertaining to any arithmetical fact which is to be taken up during a definite period of the child's development. In this way there would be less confusion of facts and the child would be able, through comparison and drill, to form more definite arithmetical conceptions. Furthermore, text-books should be so arranged that the pupil may easily refer through the index to any definition or process. This is an important consideration in view of the fact that it is generally conceded to be one of the prominent features in school work to train children how to use books and find out things for themselves. Any book with its subject-matter in confusion, loses its value and is soon discarded. So a text-book, to be of value to pupils, must be well arranged and easy of reference.

It is my privilege to again call the attention of the Board of Education and members of the district, to the condition of the course in drawing. This is being carried out as well as possible, each teacher independently doing her own work. Often many excellent results are obtained, but on the whole the work lacks uniformity in logical arrangement and development. The difficulties encountered in carrying out this course can best be overcome by the employment of a special teacher in the subject. As a method of expression it is fully as worthy of study as music, and deserves an equal expenditure.

At the beginning of the last fall term the State Programme of Studies, with a few slight modifications, was adopted for the first four grades. This programme was worked out by some of the best educators of the state. It serves to establish a uniformity among the schools of the state, so that children moving from one school district to another may do so without loss of time in their studies. It furnishes uniform directions in regard to the amount of

work covered, and the results that should be obtained in each year of school work. It does not definitely determine the text-books to be used, but its recommendations in this direction are good and worthy of consideration. It also contains excellent lists of reference books for teachers on the various subjects. Any thoughtful teacher will find it a great assistance, whatever the programme of studies in use.

#### GRADING.

As during previous years, the first grade, on account of its size, has been divided and a part placed in the room with the second grade. Besides the first, the fifth grade is the only one that has been divided. A part of this has been with the sixth and a part with the eighth grade. The plan of having a part of the fifth combined with the eighth is by no means satisfactory on account of the difference in the age of the pupils and the methods of teaching the different subjects presented to the two classes. The combination, however, for the past year seemed unavoidable. Another year it will not be necessary, as the lower grades can be accommodated by themselves.

During the year several pupils have been advanced a grade as they have shown their ability to do harder work. This is always done with the consent of the parents, and where the physical condition of the child is good. Double promotion more frequently occurs in the lower grades, as there advancement depends upon the maturity and natural development of the child rather than on the individual effort.

More children should each year fail of promotion. It is the tendency of teachers, and especially of parents, to crowd children whose mental activities are not rapid enough to do required work. Such crowding is, in the long run, injurious, and these children would develop better and get more from school if they were doing work within

their understanding. Children thus struggling to keep up with their class, as they say, are very apt to become discouraged and generally leave school at the earliest opportunity. If such children and their parents could be brought to realize the importance of considering mental development in relation to grading, a great many unhappy and discouraging hours would be saved the children as well as a great many cases of absolute failure. Only eight years are required to enter the high school, so if a child loses a year only nine years are required, and formerly nine years were required for all children. The superintendent wishes that more parents would consult him in regard to the matter.

#### TEACHERS.

During the past year there have been far too many changes in the teaching force. Since the resignation of Miss Lillian G. Stevens, there have been two teachers, Miss Grace B. Knowlton and Miss Eva M. Cheney, in the second grade. Miss Stevens resigned on account of her health, and Miss Knowlton, to accept a position in Concord. The same change has occurred in the eighth grade. Miss Elizabeth G. Saunders resigned at the end of the last spring term, and Miss M. Jennie Doyle was elected to fill the position. After a few weeks, Miss Doyle resigned to accept a better position in Massachusetts, and Miss Edna Crowell was elected to fill the position. Miss Nettie M. Bowen resigned and her place was filled by the election of Miss Ella M. Shaw.

During the summer Mr. Willard B. Atwell resigned as principal of the High school. Mr. Atwell was principal for three years and did good work in the establishing and building up of the High school. Mr. George H. Harmon, a graduate of Bates, was elected to the position. The growth of the school and the addition of another year's work necessitated the employment of another High school

teacher. Miss Susan Annie May, a graduate of Brown, fills this position. There were, then, no less than five teachers who resigned during the year. In only one case, that of Miss Stevens, was poor health the cause. The others came about directly or indirectly through the lack of sufficient salary inducements. The district, in order to maintain permanency and the standard of its teaching force, must at an early date make a more generous salary schedule. The present teaching force, including the new members, is composed of well-educated, well-trained teachers, who will soon become candidates for better positions. Due recognition must be granted the facts that the expense of living is greater for teachers, and that it takes more time and more money to secure the training required of them now than ever before. In the long run, it is a good financial as well as educational policy to continue the services of good teachers as long as possible.

#### HIGH SCHOOL.

In the last annual report the superintendent recommended that the programme of studies for the High school and ninth grade at that time be somewhat changed, another year's work added and the state superintendent be asked to approve the whole for a three-year High school. The recommendation has been carried out in full, and to-day Penacook has a successful, approved three-year High school with an average enrollment of about fifty-five pupils. Considering the size of the village, this is certainly all that could be expected as far as numbers are concerned. Should another year be added, the number enrolled next year would probably be about seventy-five, and the year following nearly one hundred.

Arguments are no longer necessary to justify the existence of the High school as it now is. Its programme of studies, approved by the state superintendent of public instruction, its teachers, graduates of well-known institu-

tions, and its large enrollment are most emphatic evidences that a long deep-felt need has been successfully met. The question now before the district is, shall the fourth year be added? Should the addition be made, three rooms must be devoted to the High school, one more teacher, a college graduate, must be employed and some new books and apparatus must be purchased. One room at the Summer Street school is still unused, so there need be no anxiety or expense incurred in securing the needed accommodations. The additional teacher, although she must be a college graduate, can, in all probability, be secured at a normal figure which will not exceed by much, if at all, the average salary already paid by the district. Books and the apparatus for a chemical and physical laboratory will probably cost somewhat over one hundred dollars, at the beginning of the next school year. The physical laboratory, however, which is the most expensive part of the equipment, even under the present conditions of a three-year High school, must be established. Thus the extra expense of the fourth year will be largely for the salary of the extra teacher, and this to a large extent will be met by the increased number of tuitions paid by those attending school from outside of the district. There have been, during the fall and winter terms, enrolled eleven pupils for whom tuition has been paid at the rate of thirty dollars per year. Most of these will remain another year while quite a few others will enter.

Whenever a district adds another year's work to its school system, it increases by just so much the educational standard of the schools and community. This is especially true when it affords opportunity for a large number of pupils, who for financial or other reasons can not continue their education outside of the district. For example, out of the fifty-one now enrolled in the High school, it is not probable that even fifty per cent. would have gone to a High school out of the district. The opportunities, then, offered these children, who would have been otherwise deprived of a High school education, have been eagerly ac-

cepted and these same children will be better fitted to take the positions of responsibility which will devolve upon them as they continue to live in the community. A fourth High school year would add more to the educational standard of the schools than any previous year of the child's school life. With this year children could fit for college or other higher educational institutions without leaving home, and the reduced expense in the secondary school would enable many, where there are now but few, to look forward to a college or high technical education. From an educational point of view, the High school should have a full four years' course. Then, and then only, will the school system of the district be complete, and the pupils have something definite to look forward to, namely, the High school diploma. The superintendent recommends this to the careful consideration of the School Board and residents of the district.

As has been before mentioned, an additional year in the High school would require another room. One of the grades in the Charles Street building could be transferred to Summer Street and the room thus vacated be used. However, as a matter of fact, the Summer Street building would be far more economical for High school purposes than the present situation, where the High school must soon occupy the whole building, crowding out all the grades. On the other hand, the second floor of the Summer Street building, by using the double room as an assembly room, could be made to accommodate the school for some time to come.

Thus far the High school has been conducted with the hope and, I may say, expectation that the fourth year would finally be added. The programme of studies is simply the first three years of a four-year course. Records are being kept of all the work of the pupils. Definite per cents. have been decided upon for promotion and certificate privilege. In order to be promoted and finally graduate, a child must acquire an average per cent. of seventy. While those wishing to obtain certificates of scholarship, in

order to attend more advanced institutions, must attain eighty-five per cent. for the last two years of the course. In these respects the whole plan has been in accordance with the idea of a complete four-year High school.

#### IN CONCLUSION.

In closing this report, it may be well to call your attention briefly to the purpose of the public schools. During the last ten years the educational affairs of the state have progressed by leaps and bounds. New and extremely beneficial attendance laws have been enacted, opportunity is now furnished every child of the state to attend a High school at public expense, supervisory laws have been passed, several laws of equalization have become successfully applicable to a large number of poorer districts of the state, and much other equally advantageous legislation has taken place. Furthermore, at the time of writing, the General Court is considering the establishment of another Normal school, the further extension of the equalization laws, and the certification of teachers. Through these numerous legislative acts, the state shows an interest in its public schools and indicates that they are really a department of the state rather than the property of local municipalities. In short, the state recognizes that the political safety of a republic depends directly upon the intelligence of its citizens. It is then for the protection of the state that the vast system of public schools exists. Bearing this in mind, it is readily seen that the public schools must educate children for citizenship. They must, as far as possible, train children so that they may be able to perform intelligently the ordinary duties, social, moral, and political, devolving upon them. The schools of the district are, as far as possible, endeavoring through the conscientious efforts of the teachers and school officials, to attain this object.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. SANBORN,  
*Superintendent.*

# DIRECTORY.

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

DR. H. C. HOLBROOK, chairman.  
LEANDER C. PRESCOTT, secretary  
HARRY A. BROWN.

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## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

H. C. SANBORN.

Office at the Summer Street building.  
Hours, from 12 M. to 1 P. M., Wednesdays.

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## TEACHERS.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

*Principal*—GEORGE H. HARMON.  
*Assistant*—SUSAN ANNIE MAY.

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## GRADES.

EDNA CROWELL . . . . .	Grades VIII and V.
HANNAH R. HOLDEN . . . . .	Grade VII.
MARIA CARTER . . . . .	Grades VI and V.
ELLA M. SHAW . . . . .	Grade IV.
SUSAN E. PICKARD . . . . .	Grade III.
EVA CHENEY . . . . .	Grades II and I.
HENRIETTA L. OTTERSON . . . . .	Grade I.
MARTHA GALE . . . . .	Music.

TRUANT OFFICER.

WILLIAM FARRAND.

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ROLL OF ATTENDANCE.

Mildred Raymond, High school; Walter Gregg, Grade VIII; Gladys Quimby, John Rodd, William O'Keefe, William Fortin, Grade VI; Frank Narcomb, Grade V; Lena Jemery, Grade IV; Mildred Runnells, Grade III; Albert Simoneau, Grade II.

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR 1905-1906.

TEACHERS.	Grade.	Length of school in weeks.	Whole number of different pupils registered.			Average membership.	Average daily absence.	Average daily attendance.	Per cent. of attendance.	No. of cases of tardiness.	No. of pupils under 5 years of age.	No. of pupils over 16 years of age.	No. of pupils between 6 and 16 years of age.	No. of visits by committee.	No. of visits by superintendent.	No. of visits by parents and others.	No. of pupils not absent or tardy.
			Boys.	Girls.	Total.												
Willard B. Atwell.....	High	36	16	17	33	30	1	29	97	245	.....	9	24	1	14	34	1
Elizabeth G. Saunders.....	8th	36	18	15	33	29	1	28	96	144	.....	3	30	2	14	21	1
Nettie M. Bowen.....	7th and 5th	36	23	28	51	40	3	37	94	59	.....	.....	51	3	13	18	.....
Hannah R. Holden.....	6th	36	22	23	45	38	1	37	96	38	.....	.....	45	2	8	31	4
Maria Carter.....	4th	36	26	23	49	37	1	36	95	113	.....	.....	39	3	9	103	2
Susan E. Pickard.....	3d	36	13	25	38	36	3	33	92	114	.....	.....	34	2	9	150	1
Lillian G. Stevens } Grace B. Knowlton }	2d and 1st	36	21	26	47	36	3	33	91	100	.....	.....	47	6	21	127	1
Henrietta L. Otterson.....	1st	36	35	29	64	53	5	48	91	257	.....	.....	64	4	24	172	.....

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand for the year ending 1905-1906 . . . . .	\$80.72
Received from city treasurer . . . . .	7,383.15
Received from children, breaking glass . . . . .	.50
Received from H. C. Holbrook, sale of books . . . . .	8.92
Received from sale of grass . . . . .	5.00
Received from tuition . . . . .	232.74
Total . . . . .	\$7,711.03

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries . . . . .	\$3,999.72
Books . . . . .	494.31
Supplies . . . . .	102.40
Sinking fund . . . . .	500.00
Tuitions . . . . .	361.04
Fuel . . . . .	535.00
Care of schoolhouse . . . . .	438.87
Furnishings . . . . .	311.16
Repairs . . . . .	135.85
General supplies . . . . .	32.36
Miscellaneous . . . . .	254.58
Balance on hand . . . . .	545.74
	\$7,711.03

Respectfully submitted,  
 DAVID T. TWOMEY,  
*Treasurer.*

## SALARIES.

H. C. Sanborn, superintendent . . . . .	\$299.30	
W. B. Atwell . . . . .	244.42	
George H. Harmon . . . . .	555.50	
Elizabeth Saunders . . . . .	110.00	
Nettie Bowen . . . . .	110.00	
Hannah Holden . . . . .	360.00	
Maria Carter . . . . .	372.50	
Susan Pickard . . . . .	360.00	
Grace B. Knowlton . . . . .	99.00	
Henrietta Otterson . . . . .	324.00	
Susan May . . . . .	300.00	
M. Jennie Doyle . . . . .	140.00	
Ella M. Shaw . . . . .	250.00	
Eva M. Cheney . . . . .	225.00	
Edna Crowell . . . . .	110.00	
Martha S. Gale (music) . . . . .	115.00	
David T. Twomey, treasurer . . . . .	25.00	
		\$3,999.72

## TEXT-BOOKS.

Ginn & Co. . . . .	\$193.18	
Edward E. Babb & Co. . . . .	168.93	
Silver-Burdette Co. . . . .	73.18	
Isaac Walker (register) . . . . .	4.00	
J. D. Pearsons . . . . .	9.00	
D. C. Heath & Co. . . . .	14.00	
American Book Co. . . . .	18.77	
Educational Publishing Co. . . . .	12.00	
Gault & Spaulding . . . . .	1.25	
		\$494.31

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Oliver Ditson Co., music . . . . .	\$2.99
J. L. Hammett & Co., ink, crayons, cards, paper, etc. . . . .	32.44

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C. H. Fowler Drug Store, paper and ink syringe . . . . .	\$2.24	
George B. Jennings Co., music . . . . .	2.97	
The Scarborough Co., rollers . . . . .	12.90	
Edward E. Babb Co., paper . . . . .	15.20	
Eagle Pencil Co., pencils . . . . .	7.32	
F. E. Bean, stationery and clock . . . . .	4.65	
Milton Bradley Co., kindergarten . . . . .	21.69	
	<hr/>	\$102.40

## SINKING FUND.

1906.

May 28. Deposited in N. H. Savings Bank . . . . .		\$500.00
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## TUITION.

Union School District, High school . . . . .	\$341.04	
Lebanon School District, Mildred Ward . . . . .	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$361.04

## FUEL.

J. C. Farrand, 72 tons coal . . . . .	\$530.00	
H. H. Hayward & Co., wood . . . . .	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$535.00

## CARE OF SCHOOLHOUSE.

William E. Farrand . . . . .		\$438.87
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## FURNISHINGS.

American Seating Co., desks and chairs . . . . .	\$201.60	
Isaac Baty, chair . . . . .	1.65	
Mary Bean, piano . . . . .	56.00	
C. H. Barnett, slate blackboards . . . . .	51.91	
	<hr/>	\$311.16

## REPAIRS.

1906.

May	1.	Orr & Rolfe, labor and car fare . . . . .	\$2.20
		F. P. Annis, painting blackboards . . . . .	.75
		C. H. Barnett, labor and supplies . . . . .	25.13
	26.	Isaac Baty, labor and stock	2.05
Oct.	3.	F. P. Annis, paint and labor	6.25
Dec.	5.	Louis J. Sebra, labor and material building fence .	46.32
	14.	W. J. Corbett, paint and labor . . . . .	2.40
		Henry Rolfe, crushed stone and labor, one man . . .	5.50
		F. E. Williams, labor and stock . . . . .	6.80
		C. M. & A. W. Rolfe, lumber, glass and labor . . .	13.82

1907.

Feb.	1.	Concord Axle Co., repairs on boiler . . . . .	13.85
		John B. Varick Co., gong . . . . .	6.25
March	7.	E. E. Babb, labor and supplies . . . . .	4.53

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 \$135.85

## GENERAL SUPPLIES.

G. E. Farrand, oil, pails, brooms, gold dust, etc. . . . .	\$7.04
D. W. Fox, dippers, locks and keys, thermometer, lantern globes, etc. . . . .	5.19
Foote, Brown & Co., waste-baskets, cloth, oil, ink, mops, etc. . . . .	20.13

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 \$32.36

## MISCELLANEOUS.

1906.

April	6.	V. C. Hastings, 6 months' water rent . . . . .	\$30.00
May	1.	E. L. Davis, trucking . . . . .	1.60
		American Express Co., express . . . . .	.95
		Penacock Electric Light Co., 3 months' power . . . . .	7.50
	26.	American Express Co., express . . . . .	1.30
June	18.	J. Willey, team hire . . . . .	3.00
July	9.	Bertha I. Stevens, elocution lessons, graduating class . . . . .	15.24
Sept.	12.	J. C. Farrand, team and labor . . . . .	2.22
		Lloyd & Mann, printing diplomas . . . . .	4.00
		George H. Whitman, ribbon, cambric and pins . . . . .	1.24
		Penacock Electric Light Co., 3 months' power . . . . .	7.50
		H. A. Brown, traveling expenses hiring teacher . . . . .	4.93
		E. L. Davis, freight and cartage . . . . .	10.80
		W. B. Ranney, printing . . . . .	15.75
		Morrill & Danforth, insurance . . . . .	25.00
Oct.	19.	V. C. Hastings, 6 months' water rent . . . . .	30.00
Nov.	2.	American Express Co., express . . . . .	8.05
		Penacock Electric Light Co., 3 months' power, and repairing motor . . . . .	8.40
Dec.	16.	American Express Co., express . . . . .	.90

1907.

Jan. 29.	E. L. Davis, freight and cartage . . . . .	\$37.88	
	Nelson Case, sawing wood . . . . .	3.00	
Feb. 1.	American Express Co., express . . . . .	1.35	
	Penacook Electric Light Co., 3 months' power . . . . .	7.50	
	First Baptist Church, graduating exercises . . . . .	5.00	
	H. C. Sanborn, mileage, postage, paper, telephoning, etc. . . . .	6.77	
March 7.	American Express Co., express . . . . .	.95	
	F. Carl Merrill, repairing and tuning piano . . . . .	11.00	
18.	W. B. Ranney, printing . . . . .	2.75	
			<u>\$254.58</u>

## SCHOOL FUNDS AND HOW OBTAINED.

Appropriations . . . . .	\$3,043.70
Amount voted by district . . . . .	2,825.00
Literary fund . . . . .	225.70
Dog licenses . . . . .	110.30
Text-books . . . . .	208.09
Abial Walker trust fund . . . . .	2.08
Sinking fund . . . . .	500.00
Tuitions returned by state . . . . .	468.28
	<u>Total . . . . .</u>
	\$7,383.15
Total amount of sinking fund . . . . .	\$1,500.00
Interest on the same . . . . .	82.37
	<u>\$1,582.37</u>
Total bonded indebtedness . . . . .	\$13,800.00

## SCHOOL REPORT OF THE TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CONCORD, 1906-1907.

Once again your attention is called to the close of another school year. Looking back over the year's work, we are able to report progress and improvement in many directions. We have had a school year of about thirty-five weeks; the longest in our history. It may be desirable to extend the school year to thirty-six weeks or even more than that the coming year. However, it is the opinion of many who are well qualified to judge, and the opinion is indorsed by your school board, that thirty-six weeks of schooling in the year is enough for the best interests of the average child.

The financial affairs of the district have been ably managed by our town treasurer, Mr. Isaac N. Abbott, who has served the district faithfully in various positions over an uninterrupted period of forty-nine years.

The close of the year finds all bills paid, schoolhouses in good serviceable condition, and a substantial sum in the treasury.

Our schools are in charge of teachers who have taught from six to forty terms and they are doing uniformly good work.

We earnestly hope the district will vote to authorize the school board to unite with others in forming a supervisory district for the purpose of employing expert supervision. This will, at least, be worth the trial and will not, we trust, make our expenses burdensome. This would be a help to the teachers as a course of study would be planned for them and the work throughout the district would be more uniform.

A short course in agriculture in our schools, we believe,

would awaken an interest in that most essential of occupations and would be especially helpful to any who may wish to enter the agricultural college.

We recommend to parents that their visits at the school-room be more frequent. Encourage and support the teacher in every possible way, and if any injustice prevails, come directly and in a fair manner to the committee for adjustment.

ALBERT SALTMARSH,  
IRVING T. CHESLEY,  
JUDSON F. HOIT,

*School Board.*

#### MILLVILLE GRAMMAR.

This school has been taught for two years by Miss Marjorie Robinson, a teacher of experience, who has worked faithfully with her pupils. c.

#### MILLVILLE PRIMARY.

This school has been taught for a number of years by Miss Ethel Paige, whose efficient work has won for her the esteem of all, and it is with regret that we accept her resignation. c.

#### ASHVILLE SCHOOL.

This school has been taught by Mrs. Maude G. Thompson, a graduate of Tilton Seminary, a teacher of seven years' experience in the graded schools of Belmont and the Town District of Concord. Mrs. Thompson's scholars show great progress during the past year and we hope she will return in the spring. c.

#### IRON WORKS SCHOOL.

This school of thirty scholars has been taught during the past year by Miss Edna Watson, a teacher of experi-

ence, whose excellent work is satisfactory to all parents and scholars in the district. c.

#### HORSE HILL AND No. 4 SCHOOLS.

During the spring and fall terms the scholars at No. 4 were conveyed to Horse Hill school. Miss Ruth W. Favor was in charge of the spring term and both schools seemed to maintain their standing as well as under separate teachers.

After the close of the spring term Miss Favor resigned the position she had filled acceptably for two years and Miss Grace E. Wallace, of Centre Sandwich, succeeded her in the work. Miss Wallace, though a young teacher, gave to the school excellent service which was highly appreciated. A winter school of twelve weeks was maintained at No. 4 with Miss Tina B. Hurd, of Lisbon, as teacher. The closing examination proved to a good number of parents and friends that the school had been in every way a success. s.

#### BURROUGH SCHOOL.

This school, for three years under the instruction of Mrs. Belle C. Ball, of Concord, has made good improvement during her entire term of service. An average of about thirty pupils of ages ranging from five to nearly fifteen years is certainly a field, requiring busy and faithful work. The present instructor has filled her position most acceptably to all interested in the welfare of this school, and her services should be retained for the coming year. s.

#### SNAPTOWN SCHOOL.

Miss Fannie Kendall taught the spring term. Miss Mary Shaw, a graduate of Pittsfield high school, taught the fall and winter terms doing good work. H.

## TURTLETOWN SCHOOL.

Miss Flora Hook, who has so successfully taught this school in the past, resumed charge again during the past year. The improved condition of the schoolhouse, together with good teaching service, has made the school a success.

H.

## MOUNTAIN SCHOOL.

The spring term was commenced by Miss Hannah M. Stanyan. Owing to sickness in her home she was obliged to leave and Miss Della Corser finished the term in a very satisfactory manner. The fall and winter terms were taught by Miss Bridgett Rochelle, a graduate of Concord high school, who gave entire satisfaction to scholars and parents.

H.

## PLAINS SCHOOL.

Miss Isabel Adams was in charge of this school during the three terms. She gave her usually faithful service, which resulted in good advancement of the pupils in all branches taught.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

The treasurer of the Town School District respectfully submits the following report of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending March, 1907:

## RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year . . . . .	\$397.92
Balance from city treasurer . . . . .	384.25
Regular appropriation . . . . .	3,616.62
Extra appropriation . . . . .	500.00
Literary fund . . . . .	140.30

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Dog licenses . . . . .	\$131.07
Text-books . . . . .	247.25
Abial Walker trust fund . . . . .	2.47
Tuitions returned by state . . . . .	118.19
Other tuitions . . . . .	75.20
Cash . . . . .	1.00
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Total receipts . . . . .	\$5,614.27

## EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries . . . . .	\$2,917.25
Books . . . . .	114.61
Supplies . . . . .	89.45
Fuel . . . . .	148.96
Repairs . . . . .	272.57
Conveying scholars . . . . .	130.00
Music . . . . .	34.00
Tuitions . . . . .	408.46
Enumerating children . . . . .	15.45
Water . . . . .	12.00
Incidentals . . . . .	132.77
Truant officer . . . . .	1.00
Printing . . . . .	1.25
Treasurer . . . . .	25.00
Balance undrawn . . . . .	1,255.90
Cash to balance account . . . . .	55.60
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Total expenditures . . . . .	\$5,614.27

ISAAC N. ABBOTT,

*Treasurer.*

# FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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## REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

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*To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:*

I herewith submit for your consideration the following report of the Fire Department for the year 1906:

The department responded to forty-six (46) bell alarms and one hundred and sixty-one (161) still alarms.

	Bell.	Still.	Total.
Precinct,	27	140	167
Penacook,	12	18	30
East Concord,	3		3
West Concord,	4	3	7
	<hr/> 46	<hr/> 161	<hr/> 207

In the line of fires the year, when compared with the preceding one, has been uneventful. The loss was not large and a considerable portion of this was entailed by the destruction of buildings far removed from the city proper, without fire protection, the only surprising feature being the total lack of insurance in some instances.

In the line of expenditures, the year has been extraordinary. Valuable additions and improvements have been made to the apparatus and equipment, among the most notable of which may be mentioned the purchase of a ladder truck, hose wagon, twenty-five hundred feet of hose, extension ladder, life-net, and the rebuilding of Engine four.

The apparatus is in good condition but the fact must be borne in mind that the boilers of some of the engines have

attained such age that the replacement of same will be subjects for consideration in the near future.

The fire-alarm telegraph system is in good condition. One box was added to the system and the circuits kept in thorough repair. I would respectfully recommend the installing of a fire-alarm station on Auburn Street, between High and Franklin Streets, during the coming year. Relative to recommendations pertaining to the improvement of the system, I can but refer your honorable body to reports of former years.

The annual test of hose resulted in the relining of seven-hundred and fifty feet and the discarding of eight hundred and fifty feet.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. GREEN,  
*Chief Engineer.*

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

Appropriation,	\$22,000.00
Joint resolution, hose,	2,250.00
rebuilding Engine 4,	2,000.00
ladder truck,	1,200.00
hose wagon,	490.00
horse,	300.00
extension ladder,	175.00
outstanding claims,	496.18
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	\$28,911.18

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Permanent men,	\$7,074.00
Vacations,	624.50
Rent, Veterans' Association,	150.00
Call men,	6,960.00
Forage,	1,399.53
Fuel,	1,407.07

Lights,	\$761.54
Incidentals,	2,299.43
Horseshoeing,	327.00
Horses purchased,	260.00
Horse hire,	597.85
Laundry,	52.00
Fire alarm,	683.52
Supplies, chemical engine,	40.24
Hose,	2,250.00
Water,	119.50
House man,	80.00
Extension ladder,	175.00
Ladder truck,	1,160.00
Rebuilding Engine 4,	2,000.00
Hose wagon,	490.00
	————— \$28,911.18

## ALARMS.

## PRECINCT.

STILL. January 2, 6.47 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Miss Lizzie McIntire, 77 School Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 5, 4.35 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Miss Mary Robinson, 28 Union Street. Extinguished by members of Alert Hose Company. No loss.

STILL. January 7, 12.25 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Robert Barry, 20 Green Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 9, 4.20 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of R. A. Marshall, 246 North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 35. January 10, 8.28 p. m. Chimney fire in Central Block, North Main Street. Extinguished with chemicals. Recall 8.41 p. m. No loss.

STILL. January 13, 1.49 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. J. Lynch, 31 Hall Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 15, 4.45 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of C. H. Hanson, 111 North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 16, 6.03 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of D. C. Lynch, 97 Rumford Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 17, 7.32 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of D. H. Leavitt, 47 Green Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 19, 9.05 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. F. P. Hallett, 117 School Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 24, 6.40 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. F. Ray, 9 Auburn Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 25, 10.25 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. G. Fletcher, 2 North Spring Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 26, 7.11 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. L. A. Dyer, 112 Rumford Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. January 29, 12.44 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of C. E. Plummer, 34 Washington Street. Members of Alert Hose Company responded. See next alarm.

STILL. January 29, 1.06 p. m. A call for assistance from scene of preceding fire. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 1, 8.35 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Frank Robinson, 77 Washington Street. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. February 2, 8.44 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of O. A. Robertson, 45 West Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 2, 3.26 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. J. Donovan, 18 Badger Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 2, 8.15 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Charles Masse, 7 Tavern Place. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 3, 10.14 a. m. A call to investigate cause of smoke in residence of Dr. Elizabeth Hoyt, 85 North State Street. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. No fire.

STILL. February 3, 7.22 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 122 Warren Street, owned by John Bolger and occupied by A. P. Thompson. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$1,200.00	\$7.00	\$700.00	\$7.00

STILL. February 6, 9.47 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. F. Clark, 119 Rumford Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 6, 8.35 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Samuel Holt, 72 South State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 8, 7.24 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. T. Bailey, 5 North Spring Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 8, 8.52 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. T. Bailey, 5 North Spring Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 15, 5.29 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Potter, 171 North Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Co. No loss.

STILL. February 16, 9.12 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. H. M. Griffin, 22 Mills Street. Extinguished by Chemical Co. No loss.

STILL. February 17, 10.04 p. m. Chimney fire in residence 49 Washington Street, owned and occupied by Mrs. Ellen Callahan. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$3,000.00	\$5.00	\$2,000.00	\$5.00

STILL. February 19, 8.00 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Catherine Cashine, 75 South Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 22, 9.19 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Oliver Shepard, 24 Ferry Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 22, 10.48 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. C. Wilmot, 27 Franklin Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 23, 8.10 a. m. Fire in closet in building 72 North Main Street, owned by Mrs. William Drew and occupied by R. F. Keane, tailor. Cause unknown. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Contents,	\$10.00	\$10.00	None.	None.

STILL. February 28, 2.25 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Sylvester, 37 Stone Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 28, 2.56 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. A. Perrigo, 37 Thompson Street. Chemical Company being in service Kearsarge wagon sent, which returned to quarters upon meeting said company. Extinguished by Chemical Co. No loss.

STILL. February 28, 6.51 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of C. H. Colby, 9 Dakin Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. February 28, 7.23 p. m. Grass fire corner of Harrison and Badger Streets. Chemical Company being in service Kearsarge wagon sent. No assistance required. Extinguished by neighbors. No loss.

STILL. March 1, 10.30 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. R. Burroughs, 27 Fayette Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 2, 8.20 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. L. Marshall, 97 South Main Street. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. March 4, 8.59 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. F. Chellis, 77 North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 4, 5.47 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. E. Hobson, 47 Tremont Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 5, 3.28 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. V. F. Silver, 25 Maple Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 6, 8.44 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Miss C. A. Sewall, 90 Warren Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 7, 5.55 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of F. J. Reille, 147 North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 12, 11.28 a. m. Set of buildings on Garvin's Falls road, owned by Mrs. William Standish and occupied by S. A. Richardson, destroyed. Chemical Company responded but could do little beside assisting in the removal of contents. One horse perished. Cause unknown.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Buildings,	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$900.00	\$900.00
Contents,	1,000.00	600.00	None.	None.

STILL. March 12, 5.22 p. m. Chimney fire in Rumford Block, 80 North Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 15, 8.51 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of G. D. Meader, 10 Marshall St. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 17, 8.55 a. m. Chimney fire in residence 22 North Spring Street, owned by George A. Foster and occupied by David A. Gage. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,000.00	\$10.00	\$1,500.00	\$10.00

STILL. March 20, 7.20 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Miss Mary Pierce, 19 North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 29, 6.15 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of James O. Lyford, 11 Pitman Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. March 31, 11.15 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Frank Bartlett, 4 Jackson Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 3, 9.06 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. C. Messier, 10 Myrtle Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 7, 6.29 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Joseph Lemer, 55 South State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 9, 5.40 a. m. Fire on roof of ell of residence 279 Pleasant Street, owned by John Lane and occupied by George Miller. Caused by overheated chimney. Extinguished by occupants before the arrival of Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$1,000.00	\$25.00	None.	None.

Box 56. April 10, 4.45 a. m. Residence on Dunbarton road, near Orphans' Home, owned by St. Paul's School and occupied by Thomas Hill, destroyed. Fire originated in carriage-house attached to rear of building. Cause unknown. Seven hundred feet hose wet. Recall 6.42 a. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00
Contents,	2,000.00	1,900.00	None.	None.

STILL. April 14, 2.52 p. m. Grass fire on Giles Street, near residence of H. C. Morrison. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 14, 5.40 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. M. Woodbury, 57 South Spring Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 16, 4.12 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. S. C. Morrill, 123 North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 19, 7.48 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Frank Mayo, 87 Rumford Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 19, 8.30 a. m. Fire in hollow tree in White Park. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. April 19, 11.30 a. m. Brush fire on Gladstone Street. Chemical Company responded. See next alarm.

4-4-4. April 19, 12.06 p. m. A call for assistance from scene of preceding fire. Eagle wagon and detail from the department sent under command of Engineer W. E. Dow. Labored three and one-half hours. No loss.

STILL. April 20, 11.04 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. L. Demerritt, 10 Downing Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

11-11. April 21, 5.35 p. m. A call for assistance from Loudon. Engine 2, Eagle wagon and detail from the department sent under command of Engineer W. E. Dow. Engine worked three hours. One thousand and fifty feet of hose wet. Detail returned at midnight.

STILL. April 22, 3.02 p. m. Fire on roof of residence 3 Liberty Street, owned and occupied by C. L. Gibbs. Caused by spark from chimney. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$5,000.00	\$61.00	\$3,400.00	\$61.00

STILL. April 24, 7.50 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of W. C. Silver, 69 Franklin Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

4-4-4. April 24, 12.09 p. m. Brush fire on Lightning Hill, near head of Centre Street. Detail from the department sent under command of Engineer J. J. McNulty. Extinguished by near-by residents before arrival of firemen. No loss.

STILL. April 26, 9.30 p. m. Chimney fire in Low Court in paint shop occupied by George Abbott, Jr. Extinguished by Chemical Company. Loss trifling.

Box 25. April 27, 11.26 p. m. Slight fire in packing case in glazier shop occupied by C. W. Drake, Durgin Street. Cause unknown. Recall 11.32 p. m. Loss trifling.

4-4-4. April 29, 3.29 p. m. Brush fire on Auburn Street, near head of Franklin Street. Detail from the department sent under command of Engineer W. E. Dow. Labored one hour. No loss.

STILL. April 29, 3.32 p. m. Information received from the scene of preceding fire that a building was in imminent danger. As the barge had not arrived at the Central Station to convey the detail of firemen, the Chemical Company was immediately sent and the aid rendered was most timely.

STILL. May 4, 9.01 a. m. Chimney fire in Exchange Block, 98 North Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 6, 8.17 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Edgar Howe, South Street, near Wheeler's Corner. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 8, 6.34 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of C. K. Tenney, 52 South Main Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 11, 11.31 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of William McIsaac, 15 Monroe St. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 12, 10.50 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of F. L. Dudley, 3 Broadway. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

4-4-4. May 14, 11.35 a. m. Brush fire west of prison. Detail from the department sent under command of Engineer J. J. McNulty. Labored seven hours. At 3.07 p. m., houses being in danger, Chemical Company was sent to assist. An unoccupied building formerly used as a blacksmith shop and engine house, owned by A. M. Johnson, destroyed. Loss trifling.

STILL. May 14, 1.55 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Felix Bean, 82 South State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 14, 3.07 p. m. Brush fire west of prison. Chemical Company responded. See alarm same date, 11.35 a. m.

4-4-4. May 15, 9.30 a. m. Brush fire on Long Pond road near residence of Michael Daly. Detail from the department sent under command of Engineer W. E. Dow. Labored two hours. No loss.

STILL. May 15, 8.05 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Oscar Thomas, 21 Concord Street. Extinguished by members of Good Will Hose Company. No loss.

4-4-4. May 19, 11.48 a. m. Brush fire on east side of river near the Passaconaway Club property. Chemical Company and detail from the department sent under command of Engineer J. J. McNulty. Labored three hours. Cause alleged to have been spark from locomotive. Claims filed against B. & M. R. R. aggregating \$512 for loss of wood as follows:

George P. Thompson,	\$400.00
S. A. Richardson,	100.00
T. J. Byrne,	12.00

STILL. May 20, 9.30 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Charles Herbert, 103 North State Street. Extinguished by members of Alert Hose Company. No loss.

STILL. May 20, 12.11 p. m. A call to investigate cause of smoke in Blanchard Block, 3 South Main Street. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. May 20, 8.40 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. W. Lowry, 49 Green Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 21, 6.22 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of D. McLeod, 4 Wentworth Avenue. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 23, 6.50 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of R. E. Walker, 22 South Spring Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. May 26, 8.30 a. m. Fire in hen-house in rear of 5 Harvard Street, owned and occupied by D. B. Webster. Caused by kerosene lamp. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$200.00	\$20.00	None.	None.

STILL. June 4, 7.44 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Miss Lizzie McIntire, 77 School Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 9, 6.12 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of H. Palmer, 27 Perley Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 11, 8.55 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Thomas Cilley, 26 Essex Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. June 21, 2.25 p. m. Fire in flooring in kitchen in St. Mary's School, 32 South Main Street. Caused by lack of protection under range. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$10,000.00	\$5.00	\$6,000.00	\$5.00

STILL. June 23, 12.27 p. m. A call to investigate cause of smoke in residence of Joseph Gingran, 1 Marshall Street. Stovepipe failed of entering chimney. Chemical Company responded. No loss.

Box 17. June 28, 3.35 p. m. Slight fire in barn in rear of 13 Washington Street, owned by Charles S. Bordman and occupied by Rev. V. M. Morse. Caused by children playing with matches. Three hundred feet hose wet. Recall 3.47 p. m. Loss trifling.

STILL. July 18, 11.26 a. m. Slight fire in oven of gas stove in residence of T. W. Craigie, 4 South State Street. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. No loss.

STILL. August 1, 9.33 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. C. Rhines, 106 Warren Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. August 7, 12.31 p. m. Fire in pile of old lumber in B. & M. R. R. yard south of Marsh coal plant. Caused by spark from locomotive. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. August 11, 12.21 p. m. See next alarm.

Box 26. August 11, 12.22 p. m. Fire in residence 5 Ford Avenue, owned by Mrs. H. M. Hartshorn and occupied by George A. Sleeper. Cause unknown. Recall 12.30 p. m. Extinguished with chemicals.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$2,500.00	\$40.00	\$1,500.00	\$40.00
Contents,	600.00	19.06	400.00	19.06

STILL. August 25, 10.25 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Addie Butterfield, 44 South State Street. Extinguished by members of Good Will Hose Company. No loss.

STILL. September 1, 3.31 p. m. Fire in bridge over railroad tracks, Bridge Street. Caused by spark from locomotive. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 42. September 1, 10.50 p. m. Fire in residence 10 Myrtle Street, owned by Mrs. John L. Jordan and occupied by Henry Libby. Cause unknown. Five hundred and fifty feet hose wet but no water used in building. Extinguished with chemicals. Recall 11.11 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$1,200.00	\$34.50	\$800.00	\$34.50
Contents,	1,000.00	90.00	None.	None.

STILL. September 2, 6.42 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of J. E. Tucker, 21 Franklin Street. Extinguished by members of Alert Hose Company. No loss.

STILL. September 5, 8.59 a. m. Slight fire on roof of building connected with E. S. Tenney coal plant, Ferry Street. Caused by spark from smokestack. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. Extinguished by employees. No loss.

STILL. September 6, 2.12 p. m. Slight fire on roof of Concord Coal Co. plant, Bridge Street. Caused by spark from smokestack. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

4-4-4. September 11, 3.22 p. m. Brush fire on Plains near property of John Prentiss. Detail from department sent under command of Engineer W. E. Dow. Labored one hour. No loss.

STILL. September 13, 5.40 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of A. N. Harvey, 5 Wentworth Avenue. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

4-4-4. September 17, 4.12 p. m. Brush fire on Plains near property of John Prentiss. Detail from the department sent under command of Engineer W. E. Dow. Labored two and one-half hours. No loss.

STILL. September 23, 11.12 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of James McBain, 95 Franklin Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 9, 8.45 p. m. Fire in temporary shed used for the storage of lime and cement, in front of Manual Training school, in course of erection, Rumford Street, owned by J. H. Mendell & Co. Caused by water coming in contact with lime during heavy shower. Extinguished by Chemical Company and employees of owner.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Contents,	\$450.00	\$25.00	None.	None.

STILL. October 14, 2.40 p. m. Alarm caused by smoke issuing from basement windows of Sacred Heart School, Thorndike Street. Chemical Company responded but no assistance was required. Janitor building fire in furnace.

STILL. October 15, 7.45 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of Robert Clark, 7 Myrtle Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 19, 11.53 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of G. N. Hartshorn, 56 High Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 22, 3.42 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of H. H. Bean, 121 Rumford Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 23, 5.35 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of M. D. King, 26 Beacon Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 24, 7.17 a. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. H. Tandy, 10 Valley Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

Box 48. October 26, 2.16 p. m. Fire in residence 20 Pierce Street, owned by Mrs. Edith Lovering and occupied by Leon H. Emerson. Cause unknown. One thousand feet hose wet. Recall 2.35 p. m.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$3,000.00	\$322.01	\$2,000.00	\$322.01
Contents,	1,500.00	110.32	500.00	110.32

STILL. October 28, 2.01 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Hannigan, 177 North State Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 29, 7.42 a. m. Alarm caused by igniting of wood in oven in residence of Nicholas Theodoss, 4 Lewis Court. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. October 30, 2.36 a. m. Fire in building 34 Warren Street, owned by Home Realty Company and occupied by Philbrick market. Caused by overheated stove-pipe. Extinguished by Chemical Company.

	Value.	Loss.	Insurance.	Ins. paid.
Building,	\$20,000.00	\$35.00	\$8,000.00	\$35.00

STILL. October 31, 12.25 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of John Brooks, 42 Walker Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.

STILL. November 1, 4.22 p. m. Chimney fire in residence of E. J. Leary, 21 Fayette Street. Extinguished by Chemical Company. No loss.