



ANNUAL
REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN,

OF THE

TOWN OF ACTON,

FROM FEB. 26, 1863, TO FEB. 26, 1864.

AND THE

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

ALSO, THE

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK,

AND THE

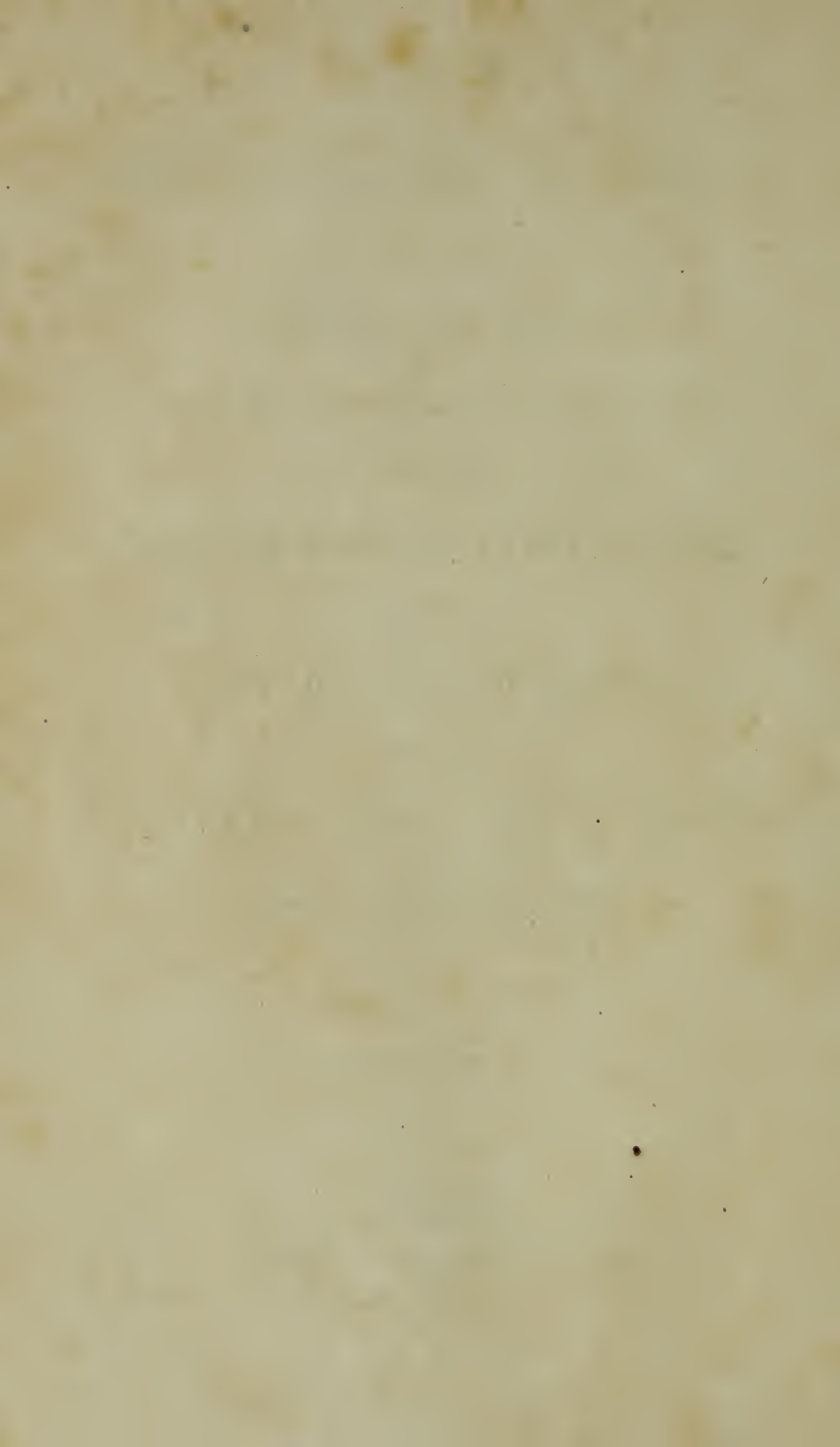
REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE YEAR 1863-64.

CONCORD :

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1864.



SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Amount received, \$20,146 90

EXPENDITURES.

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid.

Jonas Blodget, for Centre School,	\$335 43
George C. Wright, for West School,	335 43
Emerson F. Fuller, for South School,	335 43
Daniel F. Tarbell, for South East School,	199 44
Isaac T. Flagg, for North School,	199 44
Joseph Esterbrook, for East School,	199 44
	<hr/> \$1,604 61

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

Paid.

For repairs on the Centre School House,	\$18 87
“ “ “ West School House,	20 46
“ “ “ South School House,	29 56
“ “ “ South East School House,	11 50
“ “ “ North School House,	1 48
“ “ “ East School House,	1 40
	<hr/> \$83 27

BOOKS AND PRINTING.

Paid.

For Printing Warrants,	\$4 50	
“ “ Dog Notices,	1 00	
“ “ Selectmen's Report,	10 00	
“ “ 450 Pamphlet Reports,	66 25	
“ “ Town Record Book,	4 50	
“ “ Tax Books,	1 33	
		\$87 58

ABATEMENT AND DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

Paid.

John E. Cutter, Abatement on Taxes,	\$14 83	
John E. Cutter, Discount on Taxes,	450 25	
		\$465 08

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid.

Hiram B. Livermore, for breaking roads 84 hours,	\$10 50	
Nehemiah Curtis, for breaking roads 13 hours,	1 62	
Joseph Noyes, for “ “ 27 “	3 37	
Daniel Harris, for “ “ 8 “	1 00	
Francis Kingsley, for repairs on highway,	7 69	
Cyrus Fletcher, for railing highway and repairing bridges,	11 97	
Simon Robbins, for repairs on highway,	7 91	
Silas Conant, for teaming stones for railing,	5 50	
Julius M. Smith & Co., for joist for railing,	8 81	
		\$58 37

APPROPRIATION FOR SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

Paid.

For State Aid,	\$2,314 64	
Recruiting Expenses for 17 men,	1,718 00	
		\$4,032 64

APPROPRIATION FOR TOWN BUILDINGS.

Paid.

Town Hall building committee,	\$6,163 79
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SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid.

Levi Dow, for keeping stranger,	\$ 62	
For wood for Widow Lewis Chaffin,	26 67	
“ groceries for Widow Lewis Chaffin,	10 26	
City of Boston, for support of Sarah Childs,	8 75	
Town of Concord for burial expenses of Elmira Oliver,	5 00	
		\$51 30

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid.

Edward F. Richardson, for examining teachers, su- perintending schools, and writing reports,	\$40 00	
James E. Billings, for services as Overseer of the Poor,	5 00	
Do. do., for two journeys to Cambridge, re- specting Elmira Johnson,	4 00	
Do. do., journey to Boston respecting Sarah Childs and Adeline Robbins,	2 00	
Do. do., journey to Marlboro', respecting Emer- son B. Handley,	2 00	
Jonas K. Putney, for services as Overseer of Poor,	5 00	
J. K. W. Wetherbee, “ “ “	5 00	
William D. Tuttle, 2 1-2 days taking inventory,	5 00	
Do., making and copying taxes,	15 00	
Wm. D. Tuttle, for services as Town Clerk,	15 00	
Do., for collecting and recording 46 births,	9 20	
Do., “ recording 52 deaths,	7 20	
Do., “ “ 9 marriages,	90	
Do., making report and military record,	5 00	
Samuel Hosmer, for taking inventory and making taxes,	15 00	
Eben Davis, for do., do.,	15 00	
John E. Cutter, for collecting taxes for 1862,	70 00	
Jonas K. Putney, for services as Selectman,	8 50	
J. K. W. Wetherbee, do., do.,	30 00	
James E. Billings, do., do.,	36 00	
		\$294 80

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid.

Joseph R. Vangesel, Note and interest,	\$62 76
George W. Parks, “ “ “	89 04
Francis E. Harris, “ “ “	53 75

Augustine Conant, Interest,	120 00
Frederick Rouillard, “	30 00
Daniel L. Veazey, “	6 00
Daniel Harris, “	18 00
Ebenezer Conant, “	180 00
Joel Hanscom, “	40 80
David M. Handley, “	12 00

\$612 35

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid.

Levi Dow, for notifying dog owners to get their dogs licensed,	\$1 50
Levi Dow, for killing two dogs,	1 00
Daniel H. Wetherbee, for services on town farm,	98 79
For coffin for Michael Quinn,	4 50
Concord Fire Engine Co.,	6 00
Francis Kingsley, for stone posts for burying ground,	6 00
Do., for building wall at the burying ground,	91 65
Thomas Kingsley,	54 00
For town pump,	7 75
Wm. D. Tuttle, for stone posts for bounds and setting same on the common,	1 00
For surveying and making plan and deed of land sold John Fletcher,	2 25
Alonzo Tower, for damage caused by defective highway,	75 00
For insurance on Town Hall while building,	53 50
“ “ “ “ for five years,	150 00
Albert T. Edmonds, for opening vestry for Town meetings,	2 00
Do., for tolling bell for twenty deaths,	4 00
Daniel Jones, for goods delivered Mrs. Harriet Robbins,	19 88
James A. Balch, for tolling bell for four deaths,	80
George Prouty, “ “ “ five “	1 00
Hiram J. Hapgood, “ “ twelve “	2 40
George E. Johnson, for burial straps,	.2 50
For furnace, settees, lamps, &c., for Town Hall,	489 88
Luke Smith, for collecting and taking care of bell metal,	2 00
Wm. D. Tuttle, for eight days' labor at burying ground,	10 00
Francis Dwight, for coffin and robe for J. D. Ogle,	6 95

Do., for burial of 42 persons,	82 86	
Do., for making return of 40 persons to Town Clerk,	4 00	
Henry M. Smith, for burial of nine persons,	18 00	
Fitchburg R. R. Co., for transportation of soldiers in 1862,	15 15	
George C. Wright, for settees for West School,	12 35	
Express,	4 66	
Stationery,	1 75	
		\$1,233 12

CONDITION OF THE TREASURY, FEB. 26, 1864.

RECEIPTS:

Balance in the Treasury, Feb. 26, 1862,	\$292 80	
State Tax, 1863,	2,424 00	
County Tax, 1863,	747 03	
Town Grant, 1863,	4,000 00	
Town Grant for Schools,	1,500 00	
Overlay on Taxes,	265 48	
Highway Deficiencies,	21 20	
Dog Tax,	45 00	
State Aid to Jan. 1st, 1863,	2,416 01	
State bounty for soldiers,	2,647 17	
Town of Sudbury, for tuition,	10 00	
Borrowed money,	5,395 27	
Money from State for May training, 1862,	87 50	
For old bell,	119 59	
From State, for burial of J. D. Ogle and M. Quinn,	10 00	
Armory rent,	50 00	
Town of Concord, for tuition,	20 60	
For old iron and ashes,	21 25	
State school fund,	74 00	
		\$20,146 90

EXPENDITURES.

For support of schools,	\$1,604 61
repairs on school houses,	83 27
books and printing,	87 58
abatment and discount on taxes,	465 08

For roads and bridges,	58 37	
appropriation for soldiers and families,	4,032 64	
" " Town buildings,	6,163 79	
support of poor,	51 30	
Town Officers,	294 80	
- notes and interest,	612 35	
miscellaneous expenses,	1,233 12	
State tax,	2,424 00	
County tax,	747 03	
	<hr/>	\$17,857 94
Balance in Treasury Feb. 26, 1864,		\$2,288 96

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN FEB. 26, 1864.

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To balance as per report, Feb, 26, 1864,	\$2,288 96	
amount due from the State for aid furnished		
families of soldiers,	2,870 92	
	<hr/>	\$5,159 88

AMOUNT DUE ON NOTES.

CR.		
By Cash of Daniel Harris,	\$805 34	
Eben Conant,	4,500 00	
Frederick Rouillard,	1,700 00	
Silas P. Blodget,	795 27	
David M. Handley,	200 00	
Daniel L. Veazey,	100 00	
Mathew McKinney,	100 00	
Charles H. Blood,	100 00	
Joel Hanscom,	680 00	
Augustine Conant,	4,000 00	
Isaac T. Flagg,	100 00	
James Keyes, Jr.,	600 00	
John Wood,	500 00	
Elbridge J. Robbins,	500 00	
Interest on Notes,	570 24	
	<hr/>	\$15,250 85
Balance against the Town Feb. 26, 1864, without		
including the balance due as per Overseers'		
report for 1864,		\$10,090 97

AMOUNT OF STATE AID PAID EACH PERSON.

Paid.

Mrs. Charlotte M. Pike,	\$144 00
Maria Fisk,	144 00
Sally Veazey,	144 00
Betsey M. Sawyer,	144 00
Betsey Shehan,	144 00
Hattie S. Jackson,	144 00
S. H. Wetherbee,	144 00
Rosa Miner,	144 00
Margaret Fitzpatrick,	144 00
Rebecca C. Wright,	116 00
Joanna Moulton,	104 00
Catherine Dwelley,	60 00
Henrietta Goss,	52 00
Nancy Huggins,	52 00
Charlotte Blood,	52 00
Anna E. Robbins,	52 00
Sarah J. Taft,	52 00
Sarah J. Skinner,	52 00
Martha Wayne,	52 00
Berinthia W. Sawyer,	27 43
Eliza W. Reed,	14 00
Sarah Callahan,	35 60
Huldah Moulton,	36 00
Mary A. Butters,	36 00
Helen M. Clark,	36 00
L. W. Bowers,	35 00
F. L. Whitcomb,	26 28
Sarah A. Hutchins,	13 14
H. C. Holden,	13 14
Maria Morrill,	13 14
Eliza Kingsley,	73 20
Fannie Parker,	2 57
S. F. Chaplin,	13 14
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	\$2,314 64

JAMES E. BILLINGS,
 JONAS K. PUTNEY,
 J. K. W. WETHERBEE, } *Selectmen of Acton.*

Acton, Feb. 26, 1864.

REPORT OF TOWN HOUSE BUILDING COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS.

Received of the Town Treasurer, \$8,153 67

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for material and building town house, \$7,663 79
" " furnace, settees and other fixtures, 489 88
 \$8,153 67

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By lumber, oil, nails, &c., on hand, \$75 00
" furnace, settees, &c., 489 88
 \$564 88

Total expense of the house, \$7,588 79

DANIEL WETHERBEE,
SAMUEL HOSMER,
JAMES TUTTLE,
CYRUS FLETCHER,
DAVID M. HANDLEY,
A. M. ROWELL,
LUTHER CONANT, } *Building
Committee.*

REPORT
 OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES,
 AT THE
ALMSHOUSE, IN ACTON,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1st, 1864.

ARTICLES ON HAND, APRIL 1, 1864.

1 pair oxen, \$175,00, 1 horse, 70,00, 9 cows, 300,00,	\$545 00
3 shotes, 48,00, 30 bush. corn, 42,00, 12 bush. oats, 9,00,	99 00
5 bush. beans, 12,50, 3-4 bush. peas, .93, 22 fowls, 8,25,	21 68
55 bush. potatoes, 33,00, 1-2 bbl. soap, 2,50, 350 lbs. pork, 43,75,	79 25
75 lbs. beef, 6,00, 4 bbls. apples, 4,00, 36 lbs. candles, 5,40,	15 40
soap grease, 1,25, 1 bbl. pickles, 3,00, 10 lbs. tallow, .90,	5 15
vinegar, 3,00, 53 M. skewers, 26,50, 100 lbs. ham, 14,00,	43 50
59 lbs. lard, 8,26, 3 1-2 tons hay, 70,00, 37 lbs. dried apples, 3,33,	81 59
10 bush. ashes,	1 25
	\$891 82

RECEIPTS.

For milk, \$344,62, apples, 178,71, calves, 46,96,	\$570 29
skewers, 40,13, cows, 146,50, pork, 20,61,	207 24
beef, 18,79, hay, 39,86, labor, 70,00, poultry, 9,70,	138 35
eggs, 14,70, turnips, 6,85, onions, 5,41, hide, 5,20,	32 16
lard, 3,82, pasturing, 1,75, peas, .15.	5 72
	\$953 76

EXPENDITURES.

Cloth and clothing, \$29,12, boots and shoes, 16,13,	\$45 25
Skewer timber, 4,50, castings, 4,61, earthen ware, 2,50,	11 61
Sugar, 14,13, molasses, 24,82, tea, 5,33, coffee, 7,44,	51 72
Meat, 56,61, butter, 48,44, cheese, 16,43, fish, 7,77,	129 25
Flour, 47,00, rye meal, 10,37, corn, 2,37, Indian meal, 14,87,	74 61
Salt, 4,90, onions, 5,20, bread, 1,86, tobacco, 6,55,	18 51
Yeast, .40, saltpetre, .28, spices, 3,99, starch, .24,	4 91
Salaratus, .40, camphor, .10, lemons, .13,	63
Raisins, .52, oil, 2,15, soap, 1,07, rosin, 1,00,	4 74
Wicking, .39, grass and garden seeds, 5,14, milk, 2,53,	8 06
Cider, 1,70, nails, .73, lampblack, .4, powder, .60,	3 07
Spirits, .75, cords, .71, tools, 13,59, blacksmith's bill, 17,25,	32 26
Crockery, .98, plaster, 3,50, potash, 2,15, bone meal, .40,	7 03
Sawing bill, 1,11, whips, .38, ladders, 4,28,	5 77
Bill, 3,75, barrels, 10,31, lumber, 1,05, glass and putty, .52,	15 63
Stove polish, .6, paper, .10, repairing pump, 5,00,	5 16
Use of bull, 1,00, labor, 1,75, newspaper, 2,20,	4 95
Cash to paupers, .75, wooden ware, .49,	1 24
Expenses to Boston, 15,49, Dr. Cowdry's bill, 7,58,	23 07
Use of pasture, 20,00, coffin, 7,20, cows, 59,25,	86 45
Heifers, 83,30, shotes, 23,77, brooms, 1,25,	108 32
Salve, .23, matches, .50, use of wagon, 6,50,	7 23
Use of winnowing mill,	50
Services of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Wetherbee,	275 00
James E. Billings' services,	6 00
Jonas K. Putney's " "	6 00
J. K. W. Wetherbee's services,	6 00

 \$942 97

Amount of inventory, April 1, 1863,	\$822 05
Interest on farm,	239 40

 \$1,061 45

 \$2,004 42

RECAPITULATION.

Amount of receipts,	\$953 76
Amount of expenditures,	942 97
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Cash on hand,	\$10 79
Total amount of expenditures,	\$942 97
Amount of inventory, April 1, 1863,	822 05
Interest on farm,	239 40
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	\$2,004 42

Total amount of receipts,	\$953 76	
Amount of inventory, April 1, 1864,	891 82	
	<hr/>	\$1,845 58
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Expense of victualing foreigners,		\$158 84
		10 00
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Total expense of supporting poor in Almshouse,		\$148 84

Whole number of persons (exclusive of foreigners) supported in the Almshouse, 6 ; average, 5 1-4 ; present number, 5.

JAMES E. BILLINGS,	} Overseers of Poor.
JONAS K. PUTNEY,	
J. K. W. WETHERBEE,	

Acton, April 1, 1864.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN ACTON, IN 1863.

No.	Date of Birth.	Names.	Names of Parents.
1.	Jan. 11,	In Worcester, Hattie Emily Smith,	daughter of Henry M. and Abbie B. Smith.
2.	Jan. 12,	Frank F. Webber,	son of Gilbert T. and Sarah A. Webber.
3.	Jan. 15,	William Wilson Schouler,	son of William and Elizabeth G. Schouler.
4.	Jan. 28,	Fred Everett Cutler,	son of N. E. and Sarah A. Cutler.
5.	Feb. 1,	Frederic Stearns Mead,	son of Varnum B. and D. Elizabeth Mead.
6.	Feb. 4,	Addie Henrietta Barker,	daughter of Henry and Louisa M. Barker.
7.	Feb. 8,	John Frederic Kinsley,	son of Thomas and Maria Kinsley.
8.	Feb. 13,	Rosalia Etta Fredericks,	daughter of William A. and Margaret Fredericks.
9.	Feb. 17,	In Littleton, Mary Kate and Margaret Ellen Gubbins,	
10.	" "	twin children of James and Margaret Gubbins.	
11.	Feb. 18,	In New Ipswich, N. H., Evergene Adelia and Eugene	
12.	" "	Appleton Avery, twin children of James E. and Harriet B. Avery.	
13.	March 3,	Carrie Evelyn Jones,	daughter of Elnathan Jr. and Elizabeth Jones.
14.	March 6,	Walter A. Richardson,	son of Charles F. and Mary Richardson.
15.	March 11,	Mabel Loraine Livermore,	daughter of Hiram B. and Laura E. Livermore.
16.	March 25,	Florence Perkins,	daughter of Isaiah B. and Mary E. Perkins.
17.	April 21,	Albert McDonald,	son of George and Mary McDonald.
18.	April 21,	Kate Conway,	daughter of John and Julia Conway.
19.	May 2,	A daughter of Henry H. and Ellen A. Hale.	

20. May 24, Freddy Rand, son of George W. and M. Augusta Rand.
21. May 26, John Franklin Hosmer, son of Cyrus and M. Matilda Hosmer.
22. May 30, Gilman Henry Parlin, son of Asaph, Jr., and Candace M. Parlin.
23. June 5, Herbert Melvin Taylor, son of Thomas and Martha A. Taylor.
24. June 11, Frederic Brooks Noyes, son of Thomas F. and Sarah C. Noyes.
25. June 13, Robert Howard Todd, son of James and Margaret C. Todd.
26. July 4, Emma Teel, daughter of William H. and Mary E. Teel.
27. July 15, James Paul Hayward, son of Joel F. and Sarah E. Hayward.
28. July 16, Myrtilla Richardson, daughter of Edward F. and Frances H. Richardson.
29. Aug. 2, Herbert Augustine Conant, son of Luther, Jr., and Celeste J. Conant.
30. Aug. 3, William Murphy, son of Daniel and Elizabeth J. Murphy.
31. Aug. 6, Elmer Ellsworth Handley, son of Reuben and Caroline M. Handley.
32. Aug. 12, Mary Chase, daughter of Thomas N. and M. Maria Chase.
33. Aug. 22, Thomas Haggerty, son of William, 2d, and Catherine Haggerty.
34. Sept. 12, Nixon Ball, son of Lewis F. and Martha D. Ball.
35. Sept. 14, In Stow, George Alvah Edson, son of James T. and Susan T. Edson.
36. Sept. 23, Nellie Haggerty, daughter of William and Mary Haggerty.
37. Oct. 2, Estelle D. Heath, daughter of Edwin H. and Isabella M. Heath.
38. Oct. 26, James Hannon, son of Michael and Mary Hannon.
39. Nov. 10, A son to James L. and Frances E. Parker.
40. Nov. 13, Frank Cleveland Wright, son of George C. and Susan H. Wright.
41. Nov. 20, Elizabeth Griffin, daughter of Morris and Catherine Griffin.
42. Nov. 23, Etta Cora Temple, daughter of John and Lottie A. Temple.
43. Dec. 18, Viola Sophia Tuttle, daughter of Luke and S. Sophia Tuttle.
44. Dec. 26, A son to Henry A. and Mary O. Dwelley.

Born in Acton, 38 ; males, 23 ; females, 15.

MARRIAGES IN ACTON, IN 1863.

No.	Date of Marriage.	Names of Parties.
1.	Jan. 1,	Loren James Bradford, of Japan, and Miss Hattie A. Burroughs, of Acton.
2.	April 1,	Henry Hartwell, of Acton, and Miss Augusta H. Penningman, of Concord.
3.	April 3,	James Wheeler and Miss S. Jennie Rowell, both of Acton.
4.	May 6,	John White and Miss Sarah A. Rouillard, both of Acton.
5.	Aug. 2,	Charles A. Brown, of Fitchburg, and Miss Anna B. Atwood, of Acton.
6.	Sept. 12,	Edward C. Cutcliff and Mrs. Louisa A. Marble, both of Acton.
7.	Oct. 10,	George M. Kendall and Miss Henrietta Conant, both of Acton.
8.	Oct. 18,	George F. Keyes and Miss Arabella W. Priest, both of Acton.
9.	Nov. 25,	George Conant, of Acton, and Miss Leora E. Willis, of Stow.

DEATHS IN ACTON, IN 1863.

No.	Date of Death.	Name and Age of Deceased.
1.	Jan. 15,	Mrs. Hattie R. Conant, aged 26 yrs. 8 mos. 25 days.
2.	Jan. 22,	Widow Nabby F. Hayden, aged 73 years.
3.	Feb. 5,	Mr. John Harris, aged 88 yrs. 10 mos.
4.	Feb. 14,	Nathaniel B. son of Charles F. and Melisa Jordan, aged 2 yrs. 7 mos.
5.	Feb. 15,	Mr. Joseph Brabrook, aged 83 yrs. 6 mos. 16 days.
6.	“ “	Carrie M., daughter of William A. and Lydia J. Wilde, aged 6 yrs. 4 mos. 3 days.
7.	March 25,	Mrs. Lucy B. Noyes, wife of Capt. Joseph Noyes, aged 53 yrs.
8.	March 28,	Patrick Phelan, son of Michael and Ellen Phelan, aged 16 yrs. 4 mos. 21 days.
9.	April 1,	Mr. Reuben Wheeler, aged 81 yrs.
10.	“ 18,	Mr. Lovell Spaulding, aged 69 yrs. 1 mo. 23 days.
11.	“ 21,	Franklin Loker, son of Henry and Mary M. Loker, aged 19 yrs. 10 mos. 9 days.
12.	April 26,	Mrs. Mary M. Bowers, wife of Luke W. Bowers, aged 30 yrs. 10 mos. 6 days.
13.	April 27,	Carrie Evelyn, daughter of Edwin and Mary J. Fletcher, aged 2 yrs. 3 mos. 15 days.

14. April 28, Mr. Henry Puffer, aged 37 years.
15. May 2, Lavina W., daughter of Luke W. and Mary M. Bowers, aged 2 yrs. 6 mos.
16. June 2, Mr. Joel Conant, aged 75 yrs.
17. " 3, Capt. Robert P. Boss, aged 59 yrs
18. " 9, Mr. Abel Robbins, aged 71 yrs. 9 mos.
19. July 2, Franklin B., son of Isaiah B. and Mary E. Perkins, aged 9 yrs. 7 mos.
20. July 4, Olvin H., son of Joseph and Nancy Estabrook, aged 5 yrs. 11 mos. 4 days.
21. July 8, Silas F., son of Silas Jr., and Almira Conant, aged 6 yrs. 9 mos. 13 days.
22. July 11, Jeremiah, son of James and Catherine Hurley, aged 10 yrs. 1 mo. 25 days.
23. July 15, Nellie Celeste, daughter of Joseph and Nancy Estabrook, aged 3 yrs. 10 mos. 17 days.
24. July 20, Edua C. Taylor, daughter of Zobeth and Marthaetta Taylor, aged 8 yrs. 8 mos. 27 days.
25. July 24, Nellie C., daughter of Moses and Nancy M. Hayward, aged 6 yrs. 11 mos. 18 days.
26. July 27, Bertha Sophie, daughter of Varnum and Sarah L. Tuttle, aged 8 mos. 20 days.
27. Aug. 1, Miss Lucy Jennings, aged 75 yrs. 10 mos. 15 days.
28. Aug. 25, Mrs. Hannah Hapgood, widow of Ephraim Hapgood, aged 77 yrs.
29. Aug. 30, Mr. William Hosmer, aged 59 yrs. 1 mo. 15 days.
30. Sept. 4, Mr. John Tenny, aged 35 yrs 6 mos. 10 days.
31. " 11, Mrs. Mary J. Fletcher, wife of Edwin Fletcher, aged 30 yrs. 5 mos.
32. Sept. 15, Flora Abbie, daughter of Henry M. and Abbie B. Smith, aged 4 yrs. 5 mos. 6 days.
33. Sept. 29, Mrs. Mary Knight, wife of Simeon Knight, aged 82 yrs.
34. Oct. 1, Miss Mary A. Pierce, aged 17 yrs. 3 days.
35. " 15, Alfred Adams, son of Nathan S. and Louisa W. Adams, aged 18 yrs.
36. Oct. 25, Miss Martha J. Hyde, aged 19 yrs. 3 mos. 14 days.
37. " 28, William W., son of William and Elizabeth G. Schouler, aged 9 mos. 13 days.
38. Oct. 29, Ida Everlena, daughter of Winthrop E. and Lydia A. Wood, aged 1 yr. 1 mo. 17 days.
39. Nov. 3, Mrs. Mary Matilda Hosmer, wife of Cyrus Hosmer, aged 26 yrs. 9 mos. 11 days.
40. Nov. 25, Mr. Henry Hapgood, son of John and Mary A. Hapgood, aged 21 yrs. 9 mos. 20 days.
41. Dec. 5, Mrs. Sarah Hosmer, widow of Mr. Samuel Hosmer, aged 94 yrs. 7 mos. 13 days.

SOLDIERS IN THE UNITED STATES SERVICE.

No.

1. Jan. 31, Albert E. Conant, Co. F, 30th Reg., died on voyage home from New Orleans.
2. Feb. 9, Elbridge Conant, son of Silas and Eliza Conant, aged 21 yrs. 7 mos. 19 days, died at Suffolk, Va., of brain fever.
3. Feb. 15, Marivan Miner, Co. E, 26th Reg., aged about 50 yrs., died at New Orleans of consumption.
4. April 4, Wm. H. Loker, Co. E, 26th Reg., son of Henry and Mary M. Loker, died in action, aged 21 yrs. 10 mos.
5. April 10, George W. Knight, Co. E, 53d Reg., son of Simeon and Lucinda P. Knight, aged 20 yrs., died at or near New Orleans.
6. July 10, John H. P. White, Assistant Quartermaster of 26th Reg., aged 46 yrs., died at New Orleans.
7. Aug. 9, Henry W. Laselle, Co. E, 26th Reg., son of Charles and Harriet Laselle, died at New Orleans, aged 19 yrs. 5 mos.
8. Oct. 13, Eri Huggins, Co. A, 26th Reg., died at New Orleans, aged 55 yrs. 9 mos. 5 days.
9. Nov. 29, Lieut. Geo. L. Shaw, Co. F, 47th Reg., died in Boston, aged 26 yrs., of disease contracted while in the service.
10. Jan. 14, Wm. B. Reed, Co. E, 26th Reg., son of William and Lucy D. Reed, aged 21 yrs., died at Franklin, La.
11. Aug. —, Mathew McKinney, Co. E, 26th Reg., died at or near New Orleans.
12. Dec. 1, Lieut. John A. Howard, 3d Corps d'Afrique, died at St. James Hospital, New Orleans, of fever.

MILITARY RECORD.

The past year has been an eventful one in the history of the nation, as of the town. In the great struggle for national existence, though success has not always attended our arms, yet upon a careful survey of the whole field of operations, it will be seen that important advantages have been gained, and that while the limits of the rebellion have been greatly narrowed down, its military strength and resources have been seriously impaired.

While the burdens of the war press heavily upon the resources of the nation, taxing to the utmost the financial skill of the government to maintain its credit, yet the people have not abated one jot of heart or hope, and if we mistake not, cost what it may, are to-day more than ever determined that the struggle shall not cease till the rebellion is crushed and every obstacle to the nation's permanent peace and prosperity forever removed.

The "military situation" so far as Acton is concerned, is decidedly encouraging. Thus far we have fully met every requisition of the government, and have a sufficient surplus placed to our credit to meet any further demands that may be made upon us, at least for some time. It appears that in estimating the quotas of the different towns, on the late call for 500,000 men, the results of the draft of July 10, 1863, were taken into consideration by the government, and that the quota of Acton, in addition to the proceeds of that draft, for the said 500,000, was *fifteen*, a number less by two than was at first reported, and raised by the recruiting committee; so that at the present time we have an excess of two raised on that call, in addition to thirty-nine re-enlisted men and six new recruits, making in all an excess of forty-seven men with which to meet the call just made for another 200,000, and for future drafts, should there be any.

Much credit is due to the town's recruiting committee for their persistent and well directed efforts in filling the several quotas, and thus bringing about these desirable results.

The results of the draft of July 10, 1863, may be summed up as follows:

Number drafted, 35. Of this number 20 were examined and exempted; 12 were examined and accepted; 1 enlisted prior to the draft; 1 enlisted subsequent to the draft; 1 failed to report; making in all, 35. Of the 12 accepted, 11 procured substitutes, and one paid the commutation fee, thus making the net proceeds of that draft, 14.

The names of those who procured substitutes, paid commutation money and enlisted, are as follows :

Waldo G. Dunn, enlisted, Sylvanus Hunt, enlisted.

Those who Procured Substitutes.

Charles Sweatt,	S. F. Hosmer,
James L. Parker,	Charles Robbins, 2d,
Edwin A. Jones,	John R. Houghton,
Alonzo Hapgood,	George Conant,
Varnum B. Mead,	Hiram Hapgood.
Merrick Puffer,	
Edwin Tuttle paid commutation money.	

Re-enlisted Men and Volunteers.

It was hoped that a complete list of those who have re-enlisted from this town might be obtained in season for this report, but as the returns from the several regiments in the field have not all been sent in to the Adjutant General's office, and the work of re-enlistment is still in progress, it was found impossible to do so.

The following is a list of those who are known to have re-enlisted, and of those who have lately entered the service from this town. Many additions will undoubtedly be made to the number within the next thirty days.

Re-enlisted Men, (Veterans.)

Capt. Wm. H. Chapman,	Privates James H. Wood,
1st Lieut. Silas P. Blodget,	“ Wm. F. B. Whitney,
2d Lieut. Elias E. Haynes,	“ John Wayne,
Privates Henry Brown,	“ Lincoln E. Wheeler,
“ Samuel R. Burroughs,	“ Robert C. Chaffin,
“ John B. Cram,	“ George W. Sawyer,
“ Geo. W. Cram,	“ James W. Fiske,
“ Nathan Goss,	“ James Braut,
“ Wm. S. Handley,	“ Richard Casey,
“ A. J. Huggins,	“ George Dale,
“ Delette H. Hall,	“ John C. Fink,
“ Abram Handley,	“ Joseph Fasser,
“ Gilman S. Hosmer,	“ Wm. H. Herring,
“ Loring M. Jackson,	“ Richard C. Hess,
“ Francis Kinsley,	“ Charles McGuire,
“ James Moulton,	“ Peter W. Perry,
“ Charles Morse,	“ Henry Roselle,
“ Benjamin Skinner,	“ Frederic R. Stromier,
“ Dennis Sheahan,	“ John Smith,
“ Warren L. Teel,	“ George A. Schaffer,
“ Thomas Wright,	“ David Kirk.

Total, 39 men exclusive of officers.

Volunteers Lately Entered the Service.

Thomas Kinsley,
 Oscar Dwelley,
 Albert Rouillard,
 Eugene L. Hall, enlisted, not sworn into service.
 Emery Lothrop, " " " " "
 Charles Young, 11th Regiment.

Total, 6.

WM. D. TUTTLE, *Town Clerk.*

ACTON, March 25, 1864.

REPORT
OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF THE SCHOOLS IN ACTON,
FOR THE YEAR 1863-64.

Gentlemen of the School Committee:

It has been a question of some moment for us to decide, whether to say nothing about the existing evils connected with our schools, and write the least we possibly could and have it pass for a report, or to express our thoughts more fully, and risk being censured for trying to make some great display of literary talent, as some would sneeringly call it; and, for making an extravagantly large printer's bill. The latter course we have, however, decided to pursue.

And first, we wish to speak of our school-houses; and in no very flattering term seither. We know there are a plenty ready to say, they are good enough; what would be the use to build better ones, for the scholars to tear in pieces. If you should build *ever* so good ones, it would not be long before they would look as bad as these we now have. Why, they exclaim, "some of our school-houses have not been built comparatively but a short time, and *just look at them.*" That is what we say, LOOK at them, and *carefully* to; and we think you will come to the sage conclusion, that they are *ill* planned, *poorly* built

shammy things. Now we want candidly to ask those who think they are well arranged for the convenience and health of scholars, and teachers, and are *good enough*, if they can give any description of them; if they can tell what color they are painted, or whether they are painted at all. My word for it in nine cases out of ten they could not do it. How should they? They never go inside of them, unless it is to some school-meeting in the evening, when there is a prospect of some trouble being fermented. We suppose many will consider this plain language; and indeed it is so. But we believe if they could see the defects of our school-rooms, as we have for the past two years, they would think it none too much so. We are not believers in the oft repeated assertion, that our scholars would injure and deface a good new house, as quick as they would an old dingy thing, with benches without paint or varnish, and walls without paper. We do not believe the children and youth in this town are so much worse than they are in others; and we know they have large, convenient, and even ornamental school-houses in other towns, and they are kept well too. We believe if *this* town would build some *good* school-houses, convenient and well finished, that *our* scholars would take pride in keeping them so. This, in a measure, is proved by the fact, that the house in the South East District was, a few years ago, well repaired and the walls papered; and, notwithstanding the Committee who put it on was censured for wasting money by so doing — as the scholars would tear it off in one term — it remains neat and whole to this day, and a credit to him. We do not think it a good way to cultivate feelings of respect for public property, by having constantly before the eyes of our children defaced benches, dingy walls, and plastering hanging from the ceiling here and there, in a manner to tempt even those not inclined to mischief, to hit it a poke and tumble it

down; any more than it would be a good way to cultivate thoughts of purity and chastity, by constantly presenting to the view pictures obscene and immoral. We think all should be as willing to be taxed to raise money to build good *school-houses* for their children to attend *school* in, as they would be to raise money to build a good *town house* to attend *town meeting* in, and we think if the town is able to have a town house worth some eight thousand dollars, it is able to have school-houses worth as much.

Sustaining Teachers.—We believe there is no greater evil connected with our common schools, (certainly not if we except absenteeism,) than that of not *fully* sustaining teachers. This perhaps will apply more particularly to schools in the country, than to those in cities, where parents well understand that any interference on their part with the rules and regulations of teachers will not be tolerated. In cities, teachers usually teach years in the same school, while in the country, with few exceptions, if the same teacher is retained in one school for two, or *three* terms at most, it is an instance truly worthy of comment. Now the question arises, what makes the difference? Simply this: in the first instance parents mind their own business, and allow those who are chosen for that purpose, to say when a teacher is doing right, or when he is not; in the second instance parents are constantly intermeddling with teachers, and finding fault with every little thing that don't please *them*. A small speck seen in a school's horizon at the first of the term, is talked about and magnified, until to the view of many it becomes an awful cloud, enveloping in utter darkness all good qualities. We do not wish to be understood, that we would retain in school a teacher, who did not in any respect try to do their duty, or who were wholly unfit for the position; by no means—we would dismiss them at once. But committees and parents do not always agree

as to what teachers ought to be dismissed, and what not. Frequently parents are heard to say, what is the use to keep such a teacher in school; they are not doing any good, the money is only being thrown away. Now upon what foundation are such remarks usually based; simply this; they have *heard* the teacher has done thus and so. He has made rules that they don't think there is any need of, or that are right; and that he has requested exercises of the scholars, that never was asked of them when they went to school. Ask them if they have been into the school to see if they have been rightly informed, and they will answer, oh, no! we have not been near the school. On the other hand the Committee visits the school; sees and investigates for himself, and finds altogether a different state of affairs from what flying reports say; and can see no sufficient reason for dismissing the teacher. Ah! if some people only knew how deeply they often injure others by censuring them before they know whether they have been rightly informed in regard to them or not, or know what the real motive was that actuated the censured party, or by what circumstances they were surrounded, how much trouble it would save in the world, especially in schools. Oft-times we hear it said of teachers, they are so proud and haughty they cannot speak to any one, when all the while they are yearning for the warm grasp of some friendly hand, and a word of encouragement from some parent who sends children to their school. Perhaps it would be well for those who are so particular about etiquette, to bear in mind that, when a stranger comes into their place to stop, *they* not he, are the ones to speak first without a formal introduction. We think a safe rule to go by in regard to the support of teachers is to do by them under all circumstances, as we would wish to have a child of our own done by, if they should go among strangers to teach.

Absenteeism.—Although, in our former report we spoke of this, we cannot forbear saying a few words now; for we believe it is one of those evils that can be remedied only by being constantly kept in view. Why is it that parents will be so blind to their own interests, and that of their children as not to have them attend school punctually, if *possible*, and derive the full benefit of the money that is expended for them. The problem in one of the old arithmetics about the time it would take a toad to get out of a well, that fell back two feet every night, for three he got ahead in the daytime, would be a good one for those scholars to work out, who for every three days' attendance are absent two. They would probably find it would take ten or twelve terms to make that advancement they ought to in less than half that time. A teacher usually has enough to do in school hours, without being hindered and perplexed by scholars who were absent the day before, coming to him and asking him where this and that lesson is. Besides they are a dead weight upon their classes, always tending to keep them back. It is a pity that all parents could not have the infinite pleasure of teaching one term of school; then, though they might not like, they would acknowledge the justness of what we have said.

We will now give a brief view of the several schools and teachers.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

E. F. FULLER, *Local Committee.*

The Primary Department of this school, for the spring and fall terms, was taught by MISS LOTTIE C. FAULKNER, the same honored teacher who has had charge of it so long. Under her guidance this school has made great advancement; not only intellectually but morally. A real live working teacher, neither sparing pains nor labor for the improvement of those committed to her care, she has

earned a reputation that any one might well feel proud of. At the examination of the school *all* the classes showed excellent improvement. Most of the writing-books — of which there were forty-two — looked neat and were well written, considering that most of the writers were but eight and ten years old — some even less than eight. It was evident that good attention had been paid to this branch of study. Another thing was also evident, and that was the advantage of having the same teacher a succession of terms. The singing by both boys and girls was excellent. Miss Faulkner not wishing to teach the winter term, the Committee finally decided to engage the services of MISS HELENETTE COLBY, of Warner, N. H., the teacher who taught the spring and fall terms of the higher department. Miss Colby labored with much zeal to keep the school up to its former high standing; and we are pleased to say that the examination showed that she had successfully done this. Her method of teaching in this school, though differing in some respects from their former teachers, was on the whole, so nearly the same, that it did not take the scholars so long to get acquainted with them, as is usually the case when a new teacher enters a school. The gymnastic exercises in which all the school engaged were well performed, interesting and we believe useful. The higher department for the spring and fall terms, was taught by Miss Colby. The school was a profitable one to those scholars who tried to govern themselves, and also avail themselves of the good instruction the teacher gave in the various branches taught. At the closing examination individual scholars, more than classes, showed good improvement. With the right stimulus to action this teacher is capable of taking high rank. The winter term of the higher department, was taught by MR. A. E. WHITE, the same teacher who taught the North school the winter previous. Of this

teacher we need say but little ; his *labors* will speak *for* him, as long as those scholars who stood faithfully and honorably by him shall live. We believe that many, who had before been dull, backward scholars will, as years roll away, look back with feelings of gratitude to this teacher as a true friend ; who toiled faithfully for their greatest good against all opposition and censure. One thing all admitted, even those who opposed him most, that their children learned *first rate*, and were not abused. The examination showed just what we expected, thoroughness and great improvement. At its close, the scholars, to show their respect and appreciation, presented the teacher with a beautiful album and gold ring.

NORTH SCHOOL.

ISAAC T. FLAGG, *Local Committee.*

The spring and fall terms of this school were taught by MISS ANGENETTE WHEELER, of Acton. This was her first effort at school teaching, and we think a very good one. Mild and pleasant in her intercourse with her scholars, she so gained their good will that governing was easy. She labored earnestly for the advancement of her little charge, and was successful beyond our expectations, as the examination showed. Gymnastic exercises were introduced to the pleasure and profit of the school. The winter term of this school was placed in charge of MR. B. T. KINSMAN, of Tuft's College. Mr. Kinsman is a young man of fine abilities, though quiet and unassuming in the school-room. Some difficulty arose in this school in regard to the division of the class in the higher reader, which was referred to us to decide. We decided in favor of the division the teacher had made ; not however to please him, but because we believed it right. In our visits to the school we noticed that the teacher seemed inclined to lead his scholars to do right by good example,

rather than use coercive measures; a course that would perhaps be questionable, where there are rogueish boys who need *both* combined. The classes generally made fair improvement; the spelling classes in particular were very good. At the close of the examination the teacher was presented with a handsome album, which showed the esteem and good will of his scholars.

SOUTH EAST SCHOOL.

D. F. TARBELL, *Local Committee.*

MISS CLARA WEATHERBEE had charge of the spring and fall terms of this school. Miss Weatherbee has long been known to the town as a teacher of merit; and we think her reputation suffered none by her effort in this school. In all our visits the school appeared quiet and orderly; and the happy faces of the scholars showed that they were enjoying the hours of school. The examination passed off pleasantly, and showed a degree of improvement creditable to scholars and teacher. The winter term was placed in care of MR. OMAR A. FLINT, of this town. We knew Mr. Flint to be a young man of excellent moral character, and a fine scholar; and had no fears in giving him our approbation to enter the school but what he would keep a good one, though it was his first term. And he did keep a good and profitable school, for all those scholars who went to school, not to dictate as to what they should or should not do, but to obey the requirements of the teacher, and strive to the best of their ability to learn. We believe if the intentions of all in the district to promote the interests of the school had been as good as the teacher's, there would have been no occasion to find fault. The examination was a good one, better even than we expected; showing good improvement in the classes generally, and in some *very* good. The writing books showed good attention had been paid to them. We think this teacher will yet win a good reputation as such.

WEST SCHOOL.

GEO. C. WRIGHT, *Local Committee.*

The primary department of this school was taught for the year by MISS SUSAN C. HUGGINS. Miss Huggins has improved greatly as a teacher since the first term she had charge of this school. In our visits, we found the order nearer what we could wish, and her methods of teaching superior to what they had been. As an inevitable result of this, the school made good improvement. This was plainly evident at the examinations, which were creditable to both scholars and teacher, and we think interesting and gratifying to the parents and friends who were present.

The higher department was under the instruction of MISS CLARA H. HAPGOOD, for the spring and fall terms. Miss Hapgood commenced her labors with her accustomed zeal, and had it not been for her failing health, owing to too much care and anxiety on account of sickness at home, would have merited that approbation which she has always won. The labor required to govern and teach a school like this, though one of the best in town, is so exhausting that a teacher needs to expend all their powers of body and mind in it to carry it forward with that success which would be expected. Under the circumstances, the examination was as good as we anticipated; showing that the school, if not the most profitable, was not an unprofitable one. We hope, after a rest to recruit mind and body, Miss Hapgood will again engage in the work of teaching, for which she is well fitted.

The Winter term was taught by MR. E. CROSBY, of Tuft's College. Mr. Crosby is a superior scholar and has a good faculty of imparting his ideas to others. Kind and courteous with his scholars, he early won their esteem and good will, so that none but inveterate rogues would try to take advantage. The examination was an honest

affair, without gilt or varnish, and was very satisfactory to us and the large number of visitors present. There are some excellent classes in this school, that would reflect credit upon an academy; for instance, the class in Analysis, and first class in Arithmetic. The wonder is, how the teacher accomplished so much under the unfavorable circumstances of an inconvenient and crowded school-room and so large a number of classes.

EAST SCHOOL.

JOSEPH ESTERBROOKS, *Local Committee.*

The Spring and Fall terms of this school were placed in charge of MISS JENNIE M. HARRIS, an old teacher, who had earned a good reputation by her success in several of the schools in town. We always found the school, while under her care, orderly and studious; each scholar seeming to know their proper place and business. The school was much broken up by sickness, and five of its members were removed by death. Notwithstanding these interruptions, the examination was quite good. Among the classes we noticed more particularly, were those in Geography, the first division in Written Arithmetic and the Primer class. The writing books looked neat and showed good improvement.

In consequence of some misunderstanding between the Committee and two female teachers who both laid claim to the school, it was decided to employ a male teacher for the Winter term. Accordingly the services of MR. H. E. ELLIOT, of Tuft's College, were engaged. Mr. Elliot, is a young teacher, of but little experience, but he entered the school with the determination to have a prosperous one, and to a good degree was successful. Full of life and animation, he kept his scholars wide awake and in good working order. The examination showed that the classes in general had made fair improvement. Some

of them, especially in Reading and Spelling, did very well. The exercises in Mental Arithmetic were deserving of particular commendation.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

JONAS BLODGET, *Local Committee.*

The primary and higher departments were united into one school during the Spring and Fall terms, and Miss NELLIE J. FLETCHER placed in charge. We think Miss Fletcher had good courage to undertake to govern and teach such a school as this, which, though not much larger than some others in town, requires much firmness and decision in government, and composed as it was of all ages and sizes, there was a large number of classes. The teacher labored hard, and if some thought the order was not all that could be desired, they must bear in mind the disadvantages under which the teacher was placed, and that none but those of the most vigorous mind and body could successfully meet the demands made upon them in such a school. At the examination, the classes in Mental Arithmetic, the smaller classes in Reading and the classes in Geography, we noticed more particularly. This school exhibited the best register of any of the schools; twenty-six being neither absent or tardy the first term, and twenty-seven the second.

Miss Fletcher also had charge of the Winter Primary. Here she performed a good work; bringing the school under good discipline, and advancing the scholars in a thorough and efficient manner. The examination was interesting to all present; all the classes doing well and showing that the school had been a profitable one.

The higher department for the Winter term was again taught by Mr. LUTHER CONANT, JR. This teacher's history is already before the town, written by himself, in many of our schools, by his labors to advance their

interests. Suffice it for us to say, we think he has written no higher page than that of last winter. The examination was indeed a good one, the classes answering promptly and correctly, proving that both teacher and scholars had labored earnestly in the good work of education.

In closing, we would say, that we think the schools, as a whole, have enjoyed a good degree of prosperity the past year. Better attention has been paid to Reading, Spelling and Writing; hence the schools stand higher in this respect than they did a year ago. Composition and Declamation have also claimed their share of attention in most of the schools, and with very good results, as we were pleased to witness at many of the examinations. There has been no change in the text books for the last year, although we should have liked to introduce Wilson's new series of Readers, the best, we think all will say who carefully look them over, yet published. The main reason why we did not try to introduce them at the commencement of the Winter term was, because the agent was round so near the time for the schools to commence, that we supposed the store-keepers and many of the scholars would have their supply of books purchased, and object to making the change. We hope, however, to see them introduced the next term.

We would not have the idea prevail, because we have spoken thus plainly in our report, that there are *no* true friends of common schools in the town of Acton, by no means! for we know there are many. All that is needed is for them to take a *firm, decided* stand as such, ever bearing in mind the great truth once uttered by the learned John Quincy Adams: "That the best legacy a man could leave the world is a family of *well educated* children, who would be useful ornaments to society."

E. F. RICHARDSON, *Superintendent.*

REPORT OF THE LOCAL COMMITTEES.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Appropriation,	\$335 43	
Balance from last year,	20 93	
	\$356 33	\$356 33

SPRING AND FALL TERMS.

Paid Miss Nellie J. Fletcher, for teaching 9 1-2 weeks, at \$4.50 per week,	\$ 42 75	
“ Nellie J. Fletcher, for teaching 10 weeks, at \$4.50 per week,	45 00	

WINTER TERM.

Paid Mr. Luther Conant, Jr., for teaching 15 weeks, at \$10.00 per week,	150 00	
“ Miss Nellie J. Fletcher, “ “ “ 4.00 “	60 00	
“ for wood, care of house, and building fire,	32 25	
“ “ setting glass, pails, brooms and painting blackboard,	3 67	
“ “ cleaning and fixing funnel,	1 25	
	\$334 92	\$334 92

March 19, 1864.

J. BLODGET, *Committee.*

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Appropriation,	\$335 43	
Balance from last year,	8 14	
	\$343 57	\$343 57

SPRING AND FALL TERMS.

Paid Miss H. Colby, for teaching 16 weeks, at \$4.50 per week,	\$ 72 00	
“ “ L. C. Faulkner, “ “ “ 4.00 “	64 00	

WINTER TERM.

Paid Mr. A. E. White, for teaching 12 weeks at \$10.00 per week,	120 00	
“ Miss H. Colby, “ “ “ 4.50 “	54 00	
“ for wood, cleaning house and building fire,	26 75	
“ G. T. Weber, for cleaning stove-pipe,	1 25	
“ for two chairs,	1 16	
“ “ pails, brooms, dipper and chalk,	3 71	
	\$242 87	\$242 87

February 23, 1864.

E. F. FULLER, *Committee.*

WEST SCHOOL.

Appropriation,	\$335 43	
	\$335 43	\$335 43

SPRING AND FALL TERMS.

Paid Miss C. H. Hapgood, for teaching 16 weeks at \$4.50 per week,	\$72 00
“ “ S. C. Huggius, “ “ 4.00 “	64 00

WINTER TERM.

Paid Mr. E. Crosby, for teaching 12 weeks at \$10.25 per week,	123 00
“ Miss S. C. Huggins, “ 10 “ 4.50 “	45 00
“ F. Wyman, for building fire, &c.,	3 50
“ for wood, brooms and chalk,	27 65
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	\$335 15
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March 18, 1864.	G. C. WRIGHT, <i>Committee.</i>

SOUTH-EAST SCHOOL.

Appropriation,	\$199 44
Balance from last year,	14 23
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	\$213 67

SPRING AND FALL TERMS.

Paid Miss C. Wetherbee, for teaching 16 weeks, at \$4.50 per week,	\$ 72 00
“ Mr. O. A. Flint, “ 12 “ 8.75 “	105 00
“ for wood, and washing house,	20 00
“ “ cleaning stove-pipe, building fire, and chalk,	3 87
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	\$200 87
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February 24, 1864.	D. F. TARBELL, <i>Committee.</i>

NORTH SCHOOL.

Appropriation,	\$199 44
Balance from last year,	3 30
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	\$202 74

SPRING AND FALL TERMS.

Paid Miss A. Wheeler, for teaching 10 weeks, at \$3.50 per week,	\$ 35 00
“ “ “ “ 8 “ \$3.62 1-2 “	29 00

WINTER TERM.

Paid Mr. B. F. Kinsman, for teaching 14 weeks, at \$8.75 per week,	122 50
“ for wood, building fire, and sweeping house,	13 75
“ “ broom, crayons, &c.,	65
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	\$200 90
	1 84
March 4, 1864.	ISAAC T. FLAGG, <i>Committee.</i>

EAST SCHOOL.

Appropriation,	\$199 44
Balance from last year,	4 76
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	\$204 20

SPRING AND FALL TERMS.

Paid Miss Jennie M. Harris, for teaching 20 weeks, at \$4.50 per week,	\$ 90 00
“ Mr. Herbrt Elliot, “ 10 “ 10.00 “	100 00
“ for wood, building fire, cleaning house,	13 75
“ chalk and broom,	<hr/>
	\$204 20
February 20, 1864.	JOSEPH ESTABROOK, <i>Committee.</i>

STATISTICAL TABLE FOR 1863-64.

DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	Length of Schools in months.	Wages per month	Amount of Wages.	Whole number of Scholars.	Average number of scholars.	Number over 15 years of age.	No. under 5.	Not absent or tardy.	Visitors present at examination.
SPRING TERM.										
Centre, South,	Nellie J. Fletcher,	2 1-4	\$18 00	\$40 50	57	52	1	0	23	0
	Helenette Colby,	2 2	18 00	36 00	47	41	3	0	6	0
" " West,	Lottie C. Faulkner,	2 2	16 00	32 00	56	50	0	3	20	0
	Clara H. Hapgood,	2 2	18 00	36 00	46	40	2	0	12	0
" " East, South East, North,	Susie C. Huggins,	2 2	16 00	32 00	48	35	0	7	4	0
	Jennie M. Harris,	2 2 1-2	18 00	45 00	42	34	2	0	3	0
	Clara Wetherbee,	2 2	18 00	36 00	28	25	1	2	8	0
	Angenette Wheeler,	2 2 1-2	14 00	35 00	25	23	1	3	4	0
			17 1-4	\$136 00	\$292 50	349	300	10	15	
FALL TERM.										
Centre, South,	Nellie J. Fletcher,	2 2 1-2	\$18 00	\$45 00	54	49	0	0	27	30
	Helenette Colby,	2 2	18 00	36 00	49	41	6	0	14	56
" " West,	Lottie C. Faulkner,	2 2	16 00	32 00	57	48	0	1	18	67
	Clara H. Hapgood,	2 2	18 00	36 00	48	40	2	0	5	56
" " East, South East, North,	Susie C. Huggins,	2 2	16 00	32 00	52	40	0	6	4	48
	Jennie M. Harris,	2 2 1-2	18 00	45 00	32	24	0	0	0	36
	Clara Wetherbee,	2 2	18 00	36 00	25	20	0	1	3	16
	Angenette Wheeler,	2 2	14 50	29 00	22	18	0	3	1	31
			17	\$136 50	\$291 00	339	280	8	11	
WINTER TERM.										
Centre, " " South,	Luther Conant, Jr.,	3 3-4	\$40 00	\$150 00	47	42	15	0	11	75
	Nellie J. Fletcher,	3 3-4	16 00	60 00	31	29	0	2	12	35
" " West,	Alphonso E. White,	3 3	40 00	120 00	61	54	23	0	10	55
	Helenette Colby,	3 3	18 00	54 00	58	50	0	0	12	60
" " East, South East, North,	Erastus Crosby,	3 3	40 00	123 00	61	54	22	0	8	90
	Susie C. Huggins,	3 3	18 00	54 00	52	41	0	0	1	45
	Herbert Elliott,	2 2 1-2	40 00	100 00	41	33	8	0	2	30
	Omar A. Flint,	3 3	35 00	105 00	36	23	10	0	1	13
	B. F. Kinsman,	3 3 1-2	35 00	122 50	26	22	11	1	4	44
				28 1-2	\$283 00	\$888 50	453	348	89	3