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CALENDAR.

Friday, June 19, 1896, - Second Term, 24 weeks, ends.

SUMMER VACATION—ELEVEN WEEKS.

Tuesday, September 8, 1896, First Term, 16 weeks, begins.

Wednesday, December 23, 1896, “ “ 16 “ ends.

WINTER VACATION—ELEVEN DAYS.

Monday, January 4, 1897, - Second Term, 24 weeks, begins.

Friday, June 18, 1897, - - “ “ 24 “ ends.

PARK HALL is rented only for purposes approved by the Trustees. The charge for evening entertainments is \$6. This includes the services of the Janitor, who must always be admitted and whose directions concerning safety and good order must be obeyed. Applications should be made to the District Clerk.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

W. H. Boardman, <i>President.</i>	A. B. Bishop. Terms expire in 1897.	L. Rusby.
E. F. Bassford.	J. P. Dolan. Terms expire in 1896.	H. B. Duncan.
C. B. Vandewater. <i>District Clerk.</i>	R. W. Booth. Term expires in 1896.	B. N. Marsh. Term expires 1898.

TEACHERS.

WM. R. WRIGHT, PRINCIPAL.

ADELAIDE L. LIVERMORE, <i>Geometry, Algebra and Natural Sciences.</i>	}	Park School.
LILLIAN M. HUDSON, <i>Literature, Rhetoric and English Grammar.</i>		
NORMA L. SWAN, <i>History, Geography, and Elocution.</i>		
MABEL J. CHASE, <i>Writing, Drawing and Singing.</i>		
MARY ELY, <i>Arithmetic, Book-keeping, Reading and Physiology.</i>		
High School : Seniors, 11; Class A, 7; Class B, 18. Grammar School : Class A, 13; Class B, 21; Class C, 40; Class D, 52.		
LIZZIE M. CULLEY, - - - - -		Park School
Fourth year Primary School, 55 pupils.		
GERTRUDE A. ROSE, - - - - -		Park School
Third year Primary School, 53 pupils.		
ELIZABETH E. ROSS, - - - - -		Park School
Second year Primary School, 50 pupils.		
GERTRUDE BROADBENT, - - - - -		Church Street School
First year Primary School, 42 pupils.		
ADELE W. GALLEY, - - - - -		Passaic Avenue School
First year Primary School, 45 pupils.		
VIOLA ACKLEY, - - - - -		Passaic Avenue School
Kindergarten, 36 pupils.		
KATE C. LAMBERT, - - - - -		Church Street School
Kindergarten, 30 pupils.		
PETER J. SMITH, - - - - -		Music Teacher
Total, 472 pupils enrolled.		
WM. BOOTH, - - - - -		Janitor

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

INCOME.

Balance, February 28, 1895, Franklin Collector.....	\$4,670	19
“ “ “ “ Belleville “	486	63
“ “ “ “ Aquackanonk “	14	10
“ “ “ “ Fidelity Title and D Co.	450	00
“ “ “ “ District Clerk.....	77	33
State Appropriation	297	33
“ Tax	4,701	27
Special Tax, Maintenance of Schools	4,000	00
“ “ Bond No. 5.....	1,000	00
“ “ Interest on Bond and Mortgage.....	2,093	00
Park Hall Rents.....	368	22
Homestead Rents.....	178	50
Library account from State	\$30	00
“ “ Sale of Books to Pupils 1 40)	31	40
Sale of Grass.....	12	00
Pupils for Damaged Books.....	4	42
Fidelity Title and Deposit Co. Interest.....	3	41
Repairs to Buildings, from pupil.....	35	
School Supplies, Sale of Botany Paper.....	1	25
Loan from Building and Loan Account.....	1,000	00
Condemned Land.....		10
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		\$19,339 50

EXPENSES.

H. Bush & Co.....	\$ 100 00	
Thatcher Furnace Co.....	350 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 450 00
Cleaning Cistern and Well.....	13 00	
Freight and Expressage.....	53 60	
Electric Lights.....	115 98	
School Books.....	224 53	
Water Rents.....	150 00	
Cleaning Schools.....	12 15	
Moving Account.....	5 00	
Fuel.....	669 76	
Building Supplies.....	31 79	
Census.....	40 75	
District Clerk.....	150 00	
Incidentals.....	50 95	
School Supplies.....	376 07	
Printing.....	53 30	
Repairs and Improvements to Buildings		
Homestead.....	\$ 28 55	}..... 718 16
Park Hall.....	29 82	
Park School.....	365 85	
Passaic Avenue School.....	40 50	
Church Street School.....	253 44	
Insurance.....	137 20	
Teachers.....	6,940 00	
W. E. Stager.....	\$319 25	} Janitors..... 775 25
W. Booth.....	456 00	
Library Account.....	98 64	
Permanent Improvement		
Charles Bird.....	\$ 12 00	}..... 373 19
John Adams.....	10 00	
Anchor Post Co.....	82 18	
John Hanley.....	22 21	
Patrick McKenny.....	201 80	
J. A. Wylie.....	45 00	
Furniture.....	213 82	
	<u> </u>	\$11,203 14
Dispute with Belleville, written off.....	1 66	
Franklin Building and Loan Association.....	1,000 00	
Interest.....	2,128 00	
Bond No. 5.....	1,000 00	
Balance in hands of Franklin Collector.....	3,481 87	
Balance in hands of Belleville Collector.....	90 13	
Balance in hands of Aquackanonk Collector.....	14 10	
Balance in hands of Fidelity Title and Deposit Co.....	3 41	
Balance in hands of District Clerk.....	17 19	
	<u> </u>	\$ 7,736 36
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		\$19,389 50

BALANCE SHEET.**ASSETS.**

A. H. Van Riper, Collector.....	\$ 3,481 87
Belleville, Collector.....	90 13
Cash, District Clerk.....	17 19
Park School.....	29,313 33
Church Street School.....	6,000 00
Passaic Avenue School.....	4,000 00
Park Property.....	18,607 92
Furniture in Schools and Hall.....	2,993 55
Aquackanonk Collector.....	14 10
Fidelity Title and Deposit Co.....	3 41
Yanticaw Imp. Assn.....	14 20
Township Committee.....	211 57
Nutley Wheelmen.....	27 07
Law and Order.....	6 00
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	\$64,780 34

LIABILITIES.

Park Property Bonds.....	\$10,000 00
Park School Bonds.....	28,000 00
Church Street School Mortgage.....	2,800 00
Library Account.....	18 59
Surplus Account.....	23,961 75
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	\$64,780 34

INSURANCE POLICIES.

Park Hall, Building, American Ins.	to July 10, 1898	\$ 1,000 00
“ “ “ Northern	“ “ June 19, 1898	3,000 00
“ “ Chairs, Caledonia	“ “ September 11, 1897	350 00
Homestead, Building, Northern	“ “ June 4, 1898	3,000 00
Passaic Ave., “ “	“ “ May 31, 1898	2,500 00
“ “ “ American	“ “ December 9, 1900	1,200 00
“ “ Furniture, “	“ “ December 9, 1900	150 00
“ “ “ Caledonia	“ “ September 8, 1897	250 00
Church St., Building, American	“ “ September 1, 1896	2,000 00
“ “ “ Essex M.	“ “ July 2, 1898	2,500 00
“ “ Furniture, “ “	“ “ July 2, 1898	200 00
New Park, Building, Royal	“ “ April 9, 1897	10,000 00
“ “ “ Lon. and Lan.	“ “ September 17, 1897	4,000 00
“ “ “ Guardian	“ “ April 11, 1897	5,000 00
“ “ “ Phoenix	“ “ April 11, 1897	5,000 00
“ “ “ American	“ “ September 21, 1897	2,000 00
“ “ “ Caledonia	“ “ September 17, 1897	2,000 00
“ “ Furniture, American	“ “ July 10, 1898	1,000 00
“ “ “ “	“ “ December 9, 1900	650 00
“ “ “ Essex M.	“ “ July 2, 1898	150 00
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		\$45,950 00

GENERAL OUTLINE OF THE COURSE OF STUDY.

PRIMARY GRADE.

<i>FIRST YEAR.</i>	<i>SECOND YEAR.</i>	<i>THIRD YEAR.</i>	<i>FOURTH YEAR.</i>
Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic
Drawing	Drawing	Drawing	Drawing
Geography	Geography	Geography	Geography
Gymnastics	Gymnastics	Gymnastics	Gymnastics
Language	Language	Language	Language
Physiology	Physiology	Physiology	Physiology
Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Singing	Singing	Singing	Singing
Spelling	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling
Writing	Writing	Writing	Writing

GRAMMAR GRADE.

<i>D CLASS.</i>	<i>C CLASS.</i>	<i>B CLASS.</i>	<i>A CLASS.</i>
Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic—Beginning
Composition	Composition	Composition	Geometry
Declamation	Declamation	Declamation	Composition
Drawing	Drawing	Drawing	Declamation
Geography	Geography	Geography	Drawing
Grammar	Grammar	Grammar	Grammar
Physiology	Physiology	History, U. S.	History, U. S.—Gov'tment
Reading	Reading	Physiology	Physiology
Singing	Singing	Reading	Reading
Spelling	Spelling	Singing	Singing
Writing	Writing	Spelling	Spelling
		Writing	Writing—Bookkeeping

HIGH SCHOOL.

ENGLISH COURSE.

<i>B CLASS.</i>	<i>A CLASS.</i>	<i>SENIOR.</i>
Algebra	Algebra	Composition
Botany	Composition	Declamation
Composition	Declamation	Elocution
Declamation	Elocution	Geometry
Drawing	Geometry	General History
Physical Geography	Literature	Singing
Reading	Physics	Chemistry
Rhetoric	Singing	Reviews
Singing		

LATIN COURSE.

<i>B CLASS.</i>	<i>A CLASS.</i>	<i>SENIOR.</i>
Algebra	Algebra	Composition
Composition	Cæsar	Declamation
Declamation	Composition	Elocution
Drawing	Declamation	Geometry
Latin, Beginning	Elocution	General History
Reading	Geometry	Singing
Rhetoric	Literature	Virgil
Singing	Singing	Reviews

ANNUAL REPORT.

The last census of this township and school district shows 815 children of school age, which is an increase of 101 children over those of the previous year. The present enrollment in the public schools is 472, which is an increase of 118 over last year. This phenomenal increase in school attendance began early in the present school year and caused a considerable expenditure for putting the Church street building in order and equipping one of the rooms in that building for a second kindergarten school. It also involved the employment of three additional teachers. These increases were made after much deliberation and in accordance with an apparently unanimous public sentiment. The cost of this maintaining of two additional school rooms and three teachers, and the furnishing of each scholar with all school supplies free of charge, which was made compulsory by a law passed since our last annual meeting, makes a larger appropriation for next year necessary. With rigid economy we believe that a special tax of \$6,000 will be sufficient.

The financial report shows that the established custom of spending the income of the park buildings on park improvement has been adhered to. The main transverse road has been graded and made available on the lines skillfully planned by Mr. Downing Vaux and gives some indication of the beauty and value of the park when all the walks and roads are completed. The new road and its sidewalk should be suitably coated this summer.

The Park School building has been equipped with electric lights, primarily for the purpose of making the large auditorium available at all times without the danger involved in using temporarily-placed kerosene lamps. This lighting made possible the course of free lectures, or plain talks, for the benefit of the older school children and of citizens generally. The lecturers have been in all cases our own citizens who talked on practical subjects with which they were exceptionally familiar. To the speakers, Messrs. Hoerber, Prout,

Duncan, Geer, Philhower and Van Riper the thanks and appreciation of the community have been expressed by large and appreciative audiences. The discipline in all the schools is decidedly improved and it is believed that parents may safely trust their young children in the schools without fear of moral contamination. It has been a matter of regret that the principal and the trustees have been compelled to resort to extreme measures in several cases in order to secure this result.

The flag drill and salutation of the American flag, as formulated by the late Colonel Balch of the United States army, is a daily feature of the opening exercises of the primary schools. The fire drill is so perfected that every child in the Park schools can be marched out in an orderly manner in less than a minute.

The schools of this township are now fully and accurately graded, so that from the Kindergarten to the High school each pupil is in the class where he belongs and each one has the best possible opportunity to advance in proportion to his ability and industry. The system of "departmental teaching" has been successfully established in the eight departments of the Park School building. That is, instead of one teacher staying in one room all day and teaching different branches, each teacher becomes expert in some studies and goes from room to room and teaches those branches of study in which she is most expert. Under the old system, one teacher had charge of one room and one set of pupils all the time, and she taught mathematics, grammar, rhetoric, natural sciences, etc., and naturally could not be a first-class instructor in all of such varied subjects. The new system affords the pupils a change of teachers several times each day. It is working to good advantage and its success here is causing our school to be favorably known in the county and in the state.