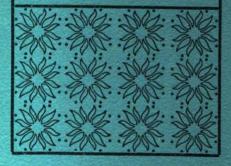


Report of the

# Board of Education

Franklin Township

1901



# REPORT

OF THE

# BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE

# PUBLIC SCHOOLS

OF

# FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP,

CONDITION OF SCHOOLS, RECOMMENDATIONS, BUDGET.

1901.

Dunn Printing and Stationery Company



28 Mechanic Street, Newark, N. J.

# Calendar.

Friday, June 14, 1901, Second Term, 24 weeks, ends.

#### SUMMER VACATION-TWELVE WEEKS.

Monday, September 9, 1901 - First Term, 15 weeks, begins. Friday, December 20, 1901 - ' ' 15 ' ends.

#### WINTER VACATION-TWELVE DAYS.

Thursday, January 2, 1902, \_ \_ \_ Second Term, 25 weeks, begins Friday, June 20, 1902, \_ \_ \_ \_ " " 25 " ends Tuesday, March 18, 1902, \_ \_ \_ Annual School Election.

PARK HALL is rented for purposes approved by the Board. The charge for evening entertainments is \$8,00. This includes the services of the janitor, who must always be admitted, and whose directions concerning safety and good order must be obeyed. The "Auditorium" of Park School is rented for Lectures, Musicales, Church and similar entertainments. Subject in all cases to the approval of the Board and such regulations, as they may deem necessary. The charge for the "Auditorium" is \$15.00. Applications for the rental of Park Hall or "Auditorium" must be made to the District Clerk.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

JOHN F. CLARK,
President.

W. ACKERMAN,
Term expires in 1903,

C. B. VAN DEWATER,
District Clerk,
District Clerk,
Term expires in 1901.

R. W. BOOTH.

J. P. DOLAN,
Term expires in 1902.

#### TEACHERS.

WM. R. WRIGHT, Supervising Principal.

ADELAIDE LUNETTE LIVERMORE, First Assistant, Arithemetic, Algebra and Geometry.  LILLIAN M. HUDSON, English Grammar, Composition and Rhetoric.  LILLIAN A. SCOTT, Ph. B., Literature, Latin and German.  WINIFRED GRAYDON, Reading, Spelling and Natural Sciences.  HELEN L. HESTON, Geography and History.  GRACE A. GERARD, Drawing and Writing.	Park School.
MARY B. QUEREAUFourth Year, Primary Grade.	Park School
ALICE T. HASKELL. Fourth Year, Primary Grade.	Park School
NANA E, KINNEY Third Year, Primary Grade.	Park School
MARGARET E. WHEELER Third Year, Primary Grade.	Park School
MINNIE E. WAGARThird Year, Primary Grade.	Elm Street School
LAURA STAGER Second Year, Primary Grade.	Elm Street School
HELEN B. MOTT Second Year, Primary Grade.	Elm Street School

ELIZABETH HARRISON Second Year, Primary Grade.	Franklin Avenue School
AGNES WILSON First Year, Primary Grade.	Passaic Avenue School
JANE WILSON First Year, Primary Grade.	Passaic Avenue School
VIOLA ACKLEY Kindergarten.	Passaic Avenue School
LENA E. WARREN	Church Street School
KATE C. LAMBERT	Church Street School
CATHARINE CLEVELAND	Chestnut Street School
ALICE M. DAVIS	Fortnightly Club House
PETER I SMITH Music Teacher.	



### GENERAL ACCOUNT.

### INCOME.

Balance March 1, 1900, Franklin Collector \$	8,259	96
Balance March 1, 1900, People's Bank	8	58
Balance March 1, 1900, District Clerk	51	14
From State Tax	8,554	89
From Special Tax, Maintenance of Schools 10,750 00   From Special Tax, Bond No. 10	15,418	co
Library Collection by Contribution	55	27
Township Committee Rents	105	44
Park Hall Rents	76	00
Post Office Rents	192	00
Homestead Rents	122	00

#### EXPENSES.

Teachers' Salaries	\$13.350	00
Janitor's Salary	1,085	00
District Clerk	269	47
School Supplies	315	94
School Books		62
Building Supplies	138	74
Repuirs and Improvements to Buildings and Grounds	1,622	24
Library Books Purchased	105	27
Printing	92	80
Incidentals	24	75
Census	53	30
Fuel		So
Water Rents	109	22
Repairs to Pianos	8	00
Electric Light	84	17
Freight and Expressage	27	29
Furniture	21	00
Cleaning Cesspools	16	50
Cleaning Well	12	00
Interest	1,668	00
Bond No. 10 Redeemed	1,000	00
Bonds Nos. 5 and 6 Redeemed	2,000	00
Bloomfield District Tuition for Transfer	7	50
Rent for School Rooms	187	
Truant Officer	3	00
Balance on hand, Franklin Collector	8,960	17

\$32,768 28

### BALANCE SHEET.

#### ASSETS.

A. H. Van Riper, Collector, cash balance	\$ 8,960	17
Park School	29,313	33
Church Street School	6,000	00
Passaic Avenue School	4,000	00
Park Property	20,431	68
Furniture in Schools and Hall	4,056	27
Accounts due and unpaid:		
Township Committee	208	87

\$72,970 32

#### LIABILITIES.

Park Property Bonds	\$5,000 00
Park School Bonds	22,000 00
Church Street School Mortgage	2,800 00
Library Account, balance due appropriation	114 01
Surplus	43,056 31

\$72,970 32

### INSURANCE POLICIES.

Park Hall Building, Home Ins. Co., to May 20, 1902.	\$ 4,000 00
Park Hall Furniture, Home Ins. Co., to May 20, 1902	750 00
Homestead Building, Home Ins. Co., to May 20, 1902	3,000 00
Homestead Furniture, Home Ins. Co., to May 20, 1902	300 00
Passaic Ave. Building, Home Ins. Co., 1902.	3,700 00
Passaic Ave. Furniture, Home Ins. Co., to May 20, 1902	400 00
Church St. Building, Home Ins. Co., to May 20, 1902	4,500 00
Church St. Furniture, Home Ins. Co., to May 20, 1902	300 00
Park School Building, Home Ins, Co., to May 20, 1903	28,000 00
Park School Furniture, Home Ins. Co., to May 20, 1902	1,800 00
Franklin Ave. Furniture, Home Ins. Co., to Sept. 20, 1902	150 00

\$46,900 00

# Annual Report.

Owing to the insufficient appropriation of the previous year, the condition of our schools at the beginning of the year under review, was far from satisfactory. Overcrowded schools, lack of sufficient teaching force and school room accommodations were chief among the unusual conditions presented to the Board of Education. The appropriation of last Spring has enabled the Board to provide a good teaching force, but the lack of school room accommodation making it necessary to hold half-day sessions in some grades, and to use as temporary schools, rooms inconveniently located, of unsanitary condition and unsuited for the purpose, greatly increases the difficulties of administration.

Aside from the circumstances and conditions before mentioned, the schools may be regarded as in good condition. The system is intact from top to bottom and much better equipped with books and working supplies than during the previous school year,

The present teaching force includes, besides the superintendent, twentyone teachers and a special music instructor. There have been added to our
system during the previous year one kindergarten, temporarily located in the
rooms of the Fortnightly Club, one first year primary class and one third year
primary class. To accommodate properly teachers and their pupils, six new
school rooms ought to have been ready for use the first of September. Only
two rooms, the feed store on Franklin avenue and the Fortnightly Club house,
could be secured; and the remaining four classes have been permitted to
attend only half-day sessions of school throughout the year.

During the past year the sanitary system of the Park school has been thoroughly overhauled and a new system installed, not only effecting a saving in cost in the matter of water consumption, but the building can now be regarded in perfect sanitary condition. On account of the lack of school rooms and the means with which to employ the extra teacher needed, it has been found impossible to extend the high school course of study one year as was contemplated in the revised course adopted three years ago.

#### THE GROWTH OF THE SCHOOLS.

In accordance with the provision made at the last annual school election, three new teachers were employed last September, and all limitations placed upon the attendance of the classes last year were removed. As a result, there has been a marked increase in the number of pupils enrolled.

The following shows the total emollment of pupils since September, 1900, and a comparison with the preceding year:

	1901		1900	
	Classes,	Pupils.	Classes.	Pupils
High School	3	34	3	29 -
Grammar School	5	165	5	141
Primary School	1.1	440	11	407
Kindergarten	3	102	2	73
Total		741		650
Increase		91		

#### THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

The school library has been enriched during the year by 273 books; making the total number of books now in the school library 1,523. In this connection it may be well to direct attention to the item in the Budget, calling for an appropriation of one hundred dollars for library books. In previous years a large part of the funds spent for this purpose has been raised through the collections made by the school children. The new school law of 1900 has made it lawful to raise moneys for school libraries by special tax, and the Board has thought it best to recommend to the people the latter method, thus avoiding the disagreeable features attending the raising of money through subscriptions collected in the old way.

The school ilbrary, in a town not having a public library, is a most important factor, and, as will be seen by the figures above given, our own school library is becoming a matter of no small importance.

#### TRUANCY.

During the fall months there were so many cases of truancy that it was deemed advisable to take advantage of the new school law of 1900 and appoint a truant officer. Although he has been called upon to act but a few times, still his work has been most effective towards discouraging truancy.

#### COMMENCEMENT.

The next commencement will be held on Friday evening, June 14th, and it has been decided to omit the usual commencement address held on such occasions and substitute therefor exercises of an entertaining character by members of the graduating class.

#### THE NEW BUILDING,

At a special meeting of the citizens, December 21st, 1900, the Board was authorized to issue bonds of the school district in the sum of \$18,000, covering the purchase of what is known as the Stager site, and the erection thereon of an eight-room school house. The Board has carefully examined into every detail in connection with the subject, and visited many schools around us; plans submitted by different architects have been examined, and finally, at a recent date, the plans of Mr. C. G. Jones, of Belleville, N. J., were submitted to builders and contractors for estimates, and the appropriation voted by the people last December has been found entirely inadequate for the purposes.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

In accordance with the Budget herewith submitted, the Board respectfully offers to the consideration of the citizens an appropriation for the support of the schools for the ensuing year of the sum of \$10,500.

It having been found that the sum of \$18,000, voted by the citizens December 21st, 1900, is inadequate for the erection, completion and furnishing of the proposed new school house; the Board respectfully recommends that it be granted authority to borrow the sum of \$10,000, and to issue thirty year four per cent. bonds of the district of the denomination of \$1,000 each, for that purpose,

The Board further recommends the authorization of an issue of bonds in the sum of \$27,000, for accomplishing the retirement and extension of the old bonds; the date of maturity on the new issue to correspond with the date of maturity of the last bond of the old issue, or a period of extension of about ten years

## BUDGET, 1901-1902,

Teachers, Present List			
Teachers, Proposed Increase Salaries		00	
Three Additional Teachers	450	00	
1 1 21	-	\$14,250	00
Janitor, Salary		00	
District Clerk		00	
School Books		00	
School Supplies		00	
Building Supplies		00	
Alterations and Repairs to Buildings and Grounds		00	
Printing		00	
Incidentals		00	
School Census.	70	00	
Fuel		00	
Water Rent	200	00	
Freight and Expressage	50	00	
Electric Lights	100	.00	
Legal Advice	100	00	
Tuning and Repairing Pianos		00	
Library Appropriation		00	
		-\$ 5,395	00
		- 0,000	-
Cash on Hand-Collector \$9,960	17	\$ 19,645	00
Rent from Township Committee 208		4 - 91 - 43	
	- \$ 9,160	0.1	
Expenses to Oct. 1, Teachers \$ 6,625		,	
Expenses to Oct. 1, Janitor 700			
Expenses, Interest May 1, 1901 675			60
Expenses, Interest July 1, 1901 84			
Miscellaneous Bills 600			
	\$ 8,68.	1 00	
	Activities and a second	\$ 485	0.4
		\$ 19,159	96
Probable Income, 1901-1902 :			
From State	. \$8 oo	00	
Franklin Building and Loan, Rent.		00	
Post Office, Rent	-	2 00	
Township Committee, Rent		00	
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		\$ 8,432	00
		\$10,727	

# General Outline of the Course of Study.

#### KINDERGARTEN.

#### The daily work consists of -

- 1. The morning-story hour and singing
- 2. Gift work: Dictation, imitation and free play.
- 3. Occupations: Weaving, sewing, drawing, color work, paper folding and cutting, parquetry and clay work.
  - 4. Songs and games.

#### PRIMARY GRADE.

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Arithmetic.	Arithmetic.	Arithmetic.	Arithmetic.
Drawing.	Drawing,	Drawing.	Drawing.
Language.	Language.	Language.	Language.
Nature Work.	Nature Work.	Nature Work.	Nature Work.
Physiology.	Physiology.	Physiology.	Physiology.
Reading.	Reading.	Reading.	Reading.
Singing.	Singing.	Singing.	Singing,
Spelling.	Spelling.	Spelling.	Spelling.
Writing.	Writing,	Writing.	Writing.

#### GRAMMAR GRADE.

D Class.	C Class.	36 Class.	H Class.
Arithmetic.	Arithmetic.	Arithmetic.	Arithmetic.
Composition.	Composition.	Composition.	Composition.
Declamation.	Declamation.	Declamation.	Declamation.
Drawing.	Drawing.	Drawing.	Drawing
Geography.	Geography.	Geography.	Geometry.
English Grammar.	English Grammar.	English Grammar.	English Grammar
Physiology.	Physiology.	Physiology.	Physiology.
Reading.	Reading.	Reading.	Reading.
Singing.	Singing.	Singing.	Singing.
Spelling.	Spelling.	Spelling.	Spelling.
Writing.	Writing.	Writing.	U. S. History.
		U. S. History.	

# HIGH SCHOOL. LATIN COURSE.

#### LATIN COURSE,

15 Class.	H Class.	genior.
Algebra.	Algebra. One-half year.	Composition.
Composition.	Cæsar.	English.
Drawing.	Composition.	General History. One-half year.
English.	Drawing.	Geometry. One-half year.
Government. Oue-half year.	English,	Literature, One-half year
Latin Grammar.	English History. One-half year.	Reviews. One-half year.
Latin Lessons.	Geometry. One-half year.	Vergil's Aeneid.
Rhetoric.	Literature. One-half year.	
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### SCIENTIFIC COURSE.

16 Class.	H Class	Senior.
Algebra.	Algebra. One-half year.	Composition.
Composition.	Botany, One-half year	English.

#### SCIENTIFIC COURSE. (Continued).

Drawing.

Composition.

General History.

One-half year.

English,

Drawing.

Geometry,

One-half year.

Government.

One-half year.

English.

German.

Physical Geography. One-half year,

English History,

One-half year.

Literature. One-half year.

Rhetoric. Geometry.

One-half year,

Physics.

Zeology.

One-half year.

Reviews.

One-half year.

DECLAMATION .- Once in four weeks for each pupil throughout the High School years.

SINGING.-One period per week.

CURRENT EVENTS.—One morning each week.

