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Reports of the Town Officers

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Town of Grantham, N. H.

For Year Ending February 15, 1909



... BUYING DRUGS ...



MOST everyone at one time or another has use for something from the drug store.

Perhaps the doctor has left a prescription or has ordered some medicine which he does not carry; or may be an emergency, severe burns, cuts or bruises, in which case you will need some Gauze, Bandages, Plaster or Salve; or again you require something in Rubber Goods, such as Syringes, Atomizers, Hot Water Bottles, Ice Bags, Rubber Gloves and Face Bags; or something for the baby, such as Nursing Bottles, Nipples, Teething Rings, Job's Tears. Sponges, Combs and Talcum Powder. It may be Toilet Articles, Face Powder, Tooth Powders or Hair Brushes, Tooth Brushes and Cloth Brushes or Stationery, Confectionery and Perfumes; then again perhaps it is Cigars, Cigarettes, Tobacco or Pipes.

We keep all the above articles besides so many others that space won't permit us to mention them, in fact we keep everything that A FIRST-CLASS DRUG STORE should keep.

It has been over 40 years since this drug store was established and during that time its policy has been A SQUARE DEAL TO ALL and it goes without saying that this policy will be followed in the future.

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HURD & BRONSON,

REGISTERED DRUGGISTS,

NEWPORT, N. H.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Selectmen

AND OTHER

 TOWN OFFICERS 

OF

Grantham, New Hampshire.

FOR THE

Year Ending February 15, 1909.



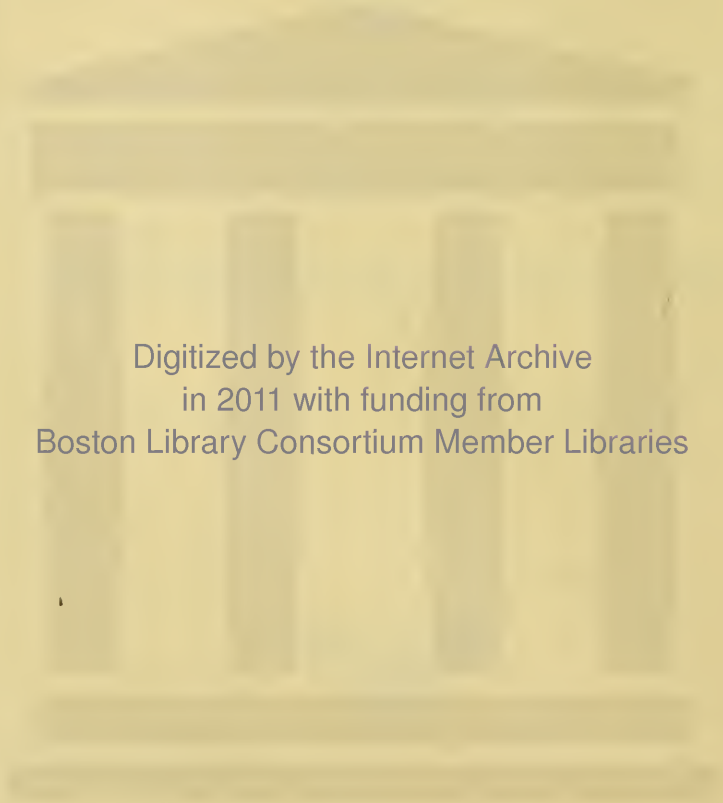
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Selectmen's Report

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1909.

Taxes assessed April 1, 1908 \$2,523 92

ASSETS

Taxes due on 1904 book	\$12 61
1905 book	19 91
1906 book	76 45
1907 book	99 42
1908 book	240 27
In hands of Treasurer	4 39

Total, \$453 05

LIABILITIES DUE ON FUNDS

School fund	\$473 33
Dunbar Hill Cemetery fund, Hayward lot	400 00
East Grantham Cemetery fund, Wm. Howe lot	51 50
East Grantham Cemetery fund, Jonathan Brown lot	154 50
G. H. Walker note	450 00
Amount in Town treasury, unexpended for permanent improvement	32 81

Total, \$1,562 14

Due from State for permanent improvement \$40 38

ABATEMENTS.

Davis, Daniel E.	1906 book	\$3 10
Corliss, John E.	1907	1 74
Hastings, Mary A.	1907	3 69
Barton, C. O.	1908	2 66

Total, \$11 19

SCHOOL MONEY

Required by law	\$412 50
Literary fund	34 02
Interest on school fund	14 20
Dog license	78 20
In hands of town	216 25

Total,	\$755 17
School orders drawn	748 57

Due school district	\$6 60
Due on leases	21 00
Due on dog license	66 47

MEMORANDUM OF TOWN PROPERTY

Library, 1 road machine, 1 hearse, hearse and road machine house, 2 snow rollers, 1 road roller, 1 road plow, 1 scraper.

Respectfully submitted,

D. D. THORNTON,
O. C. HASTINGS,
PERLEY WALKER,

Selectmen of Grantham.

Treasurer's Report

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Rec'd of M. P. Burpee, former Treasurer	\$232 06
Town Clerk, dog license	83 67
State Railroad tax	96 60
State Savings bank tax	155 07
State Literary fund	34 02
J. J. Gault for dynamite sold	7 60
Borrowed money	900 00
1904 tax book	1 90
1905 " "	1 67
1906 " "	33 66
1907 " "	127 21
1908 " "	2,280 99
Total,	<hr/> \$3,954 45

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Paid County tax	\$417 23
State tax	\$275 00
School Treasurer	\$737 91
Road Agent	\$1,036 86

USE OF WATERING TROUGHS

Paid D. H. Currier	\$2 50
W. H. Miller	1 25
Draper Co., two	4 00
Total,	<hr/> \$7 75

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Paid J. M. Howe, printing town reports, 1908	\$20 00
J. M. Howe, licensing 36 dogs	7 20
James P. Melzer, dog license book	1 50
W. H. Howard, treasurer Old Home Day Association	39 46
Perley Walker, shingling one third town house	11 68
Eastman, Scammon & Gardner, counsel and cash paid in Sargent case	25 00
F. G. Whitney, care of hearse	4 00
Perley Walker, board of health	5 65
D. S. Gross, painting, repairing and setting guide posts	9 75
Carrie M. Buswell, library tax	50 00
J. M. Howe, postage	74
J. M. Howe, printing four order books and auto. notices	6 50
F. O. Chellis, legal advice	1 00
O. D. Loiselle, posting auto. notices	50
J. M. Howe, recording marriages, births and deaths	3 00
Dr. H. A. Hanaford, return of births and deaths from Jan. 1902 to 1909	8 50
F. P. Rowell, expense in Wilbur and Harry Thornton case	51 88
D. D. Thornton, keeping tramps	15 00
D. D. Thornton, telephoning	1 50
D. D. Thornton, expense to Concord	5 00
D. D. Thornton, book on taxation and put in library	1 15
O. C. Hastings, keeping tramps	2 00
Perley Walker, trip to Claremont and cash paid register of deeds	4 00
John McCrillis, looking up records	2 00
Perley Walker, enumeration of scholars	2 00
F. G. Whitney, paper	25
D. D. Thornton, tax book and blanks	1 00
E. R. Heath, gravel and housing snow roller	9 00

Total, \$289 26

TOWN OFFICERS

Paid D. H. Currier, police	\$10 00
D. D. Thornton, selectman	30 00
D. D. Thornton, overseer of the poor	10 00
O. C. Hastings, selectman	25 00
Perley Walker, selectman	20 00
J. M. Howe, town clerk	10 00
J. M. Howe, librarian	15 60
J. M. Howe, supervisor, three meetings	7 50
A. C. Thompson, supervisor, two meetings	5 00
J. M. Hastings, supervisor, three meetings	7 50
J. M. Hastings, tax collector	45 00
Perley Walker, member of school board	15 00
H. W. Hurd, member of school board	10 00
Meora E. Loverin, member of school board	5 00
W. H. Howard, school treasurer	5 00
W. H. Howard, town treasurer	15 00
Geo. H. Walker, auditor	1 00
H. W. Hurd, auditor	1 00
Total,	\$237 60

DAMAGE ON HIGHWAY

Paid Elon G. Sargent, personal damage	\$450 00
W. H. Miller, damage to sleigh	5 00
Total,	\$455 00

DOG DAMAGE

Paid W. H. Kimball, damage to sheep	\$10 00
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PAID ON FUNDS AND NOTES

Paid Perley Walker, interest on Dunbar Hill Cemetery	\$12 00
Geo. H. Walker, interest	14 70
D. D. Thornton, note in full	456 75
Total,	\$483 45

RECAPITULATION

Whole amount received		\$3,954 45
County tax	417 23	
State tax	275 00	
School treasurer	737 91	
Road agent	1,036 86	
Use of watering troughs	7 75	
Miscellaneous bills	289 26	
Town officers	237 60	
Damage on highway	455 00	
Dog damage	10 00	
Paid on funds and notes	483 45	
		\$3,950 06

Balance in hands of treasurer \$4 39

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. HOWARD, Treasurer.

Highway Agent's Report

Paid R. W. Preston, labor on highway		\$33 00
R. F. Smith, use of derrick		5 50
Warren Emerson, gravel		1 50
J. H. Dunbar, labor		1 62
S. B. Colby		3 64
John Colburn		10 02
E. P. Sherman		2 80
J. A. Patten		56 29
W. O. Lewis		8 47
U. I. Currier		59 94
Wilbur Merrill		78 79
S. H. Brooks		89 45
Eli Hall		71 00

W. Rowe		29 97
J. J. Gault		305 10
D. D. Thornton		21 00
F. E. Hastings		75
Perley Walker, labor and plank		2 50
Reney Bros., plank		95 49
Reed & Buswell, plank		53 34
J. C. Loverin, dynamite		11 80
E. A. Spiller, blacksmith bill		2 55
G. E. Bond, labor		1 75
R. E. Howard		50
F. G. Whitney, spikes and nails		3 59
F. B. Pillsbury, labor		10 00
I. B. Walker, stone picker		1 30
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	Total,	\$961 66
	SNOW BILL 1908	
Paid B. J. Clark,	labor with team	\$11 10
D. D. Thornton		3 50
J. B. Green		3 50
J. J. Gault		3 50
H. F. Kimball		3 25
David Reney		3 00
F. E. Hastings		4 55
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		\$32 40
	SNOW BILL 1909	
Paid W. P. Walker,	labor with team	\$3 50
J. J. Gault		10 45
J. B. Green		11 50
G. F. Pecor,	labor	1 50
V. W. Hastings		1 50
Edwin Ide,	labor with team	10 15
F. E. Hastings		1 20
F. B. Pillsbury		3 00
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	Total,	\$42 80
	J. J. GAULT, Road Agent.	

Agent's Report

Dunbar Hill Cemetery Fund

Received interest		\$12 00
Paid Perley Walker, two days' work	3 00	
W. P. Walker, two days' work	3 00	
For fertilizer	6 00	
Total,		\$12 00

PERLEY WALKER, Agent.

Board of Health Report

While we had no case of Diphtheria in town there was some persons exposed to this disease and it was thought best to quarantine them until all danger was past and to disinfect the house which was done. This caused some expense for which we paid F. G. Whitney for groceries and grain for Robert Aldrich \$3 30

Hurd & Bronson, formaldehyde		35
Perley Walker, disinfecting house		2 00

Total,		\$5 65
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Received from town treasurer		\$5 65
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PERLEY WALKER, for Board of Health.

Librarian's Report

Books in library Feb. 15, 1909	1268
Books loaned during the year	860
Average per week	17
Received for fines	\$ 42

JAMES M. HOWE, Librarian.

Treasurer's Report

Amount on hand Feb. 15, 1908	\$88 98
Received for fines	42
Feb. 13, 1909, Rec'd from town	50 00

Total, \$139 40

March 28, 1908, freight	\$ 50
" Frank Stevens, teaming	10
May 4, 1908, gummed labels	25
" cards	1 75
" money order and postage	05
July 27, 1908, paid Willey for 17 books	7 49
Oct. 7, 1908, J. H. Dunbar for books	23 62
Jan. 19, 1909, " "	33 40
" money order and postage	17
Jan. 30, 1909, paid Willey for 18 books	7 02
Feb. 13, 1909, for books at 50 cents	20 00
	<u> </u> \$94 35
Balance	<u> </u> \$45 05

CARRIE M. BUSWELL, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report

"Old Home Day" Association

RECEIPTS

Rec'd of friends	\$2 25
from sale of tea	50
of town treasurer	39 46
	\$42 21

EXPENDITURES

Paid J. M. Howe, printing 400 invitations	\$6 00
" printing 500 programs	3 00
" one half-tone plate	1 50
" printing 400 verses, on two sides	1 50
H. F. Olmstead, cartage of piano	6 00
Transporting Croydon musicians	3 00
F. G. Whitney, groceries, napkins etc.	3 24
Ira B. Walker, postage	4 50
J. B. Haven, meat and express	11 12
M. C. Cooper, butter	50
W. H. Howard, sundries	35
Work washing dishes	1 50
	\$42 21

WM. H. HOWARD, Treasurer.

Auditors' Report

Grantham, N. H., Feb. 16, 1909.

We hereby certify that on the above date we examined the accounts of the selectmen, town treasurer and road agent and found them correctly cast and properly vouched.

H. W. HURD,
GEORGE H. WALKER,

Auditors.

School Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Received in hands of treasurer per 1908 report	\$10 66
from town treasurer	637 91

Total,	\$748 57
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EXPENDITURES

Paid Lena M. Doucette, teaching three terms	\$135 00
Fred E. Bascom, teaching two terms and board	122 40
Myrtie E. Smith, teaching two terms and board	72 00
Eliza F. Spooner, teaching one term and board	88 00
M. C. Moore, teaching one term and board	110 00
Emma Hastings, boarding teacher three terms	81 00
Arabella Thompson, boarding teacher two terms	48 00
Arabella Thompson, transporting teacher	2 50
Erwin E. Spiller, work on school-house and plaster	1 25
Ray Hastings, janitor work	70
Glenn H. Hudson, janitor work	2 20
Horace Hastings, janitor work	40
Ray Hastings, janitor work	1 60

Charles P. Howe, janitor work and repairs	3 50
Bert Thornton, janitor work	1 00
B. E. Sanborn, sawing six cords wood	3 00
Ralph E. Howard, three cords wood	9 00
Leavitt J. Barton, getting wood in shed	1 00
Allen W. Walker, getting wood in shed	1 25,
Mrs. C. O. Barton, cleaning two school-houses	4 00
Edward E. Babb & Co., blackboard and freight	5 50
Reed & Buswell, slab wood	6 50

Total, \$699 80

FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Paid J. M. Howe, school paper, etc.	\$6 60
F. G. Whitney, school supplies	7 94
Hurd & Bronson, school supplies	3 23
Edward E. Babb & Co., books and pencils	27 33
H. W. Hurd, express, freight and rope	3 67

Total, \$48 77

RECAPITULATION

Whole amount received		\$748 57
Paid for school purposes	\$699 80	
for school supplies	48 77	
Whole amount paid out		\$748 57

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. HOWARD, School Treasurer.

Auditor's Report

Grantham, N. H., Feb. 15, 1909.

I hereby certify that I have this day examined the account of the School Treasurer and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEO. H. WALKER, Auditor.

Report of School Board

In reviewing the school work for the year, we are glad to be able to say that the schools and their work, with few exceptions, have been very gratifying.

The most serious trouble with our schools is the irregular attendance. While there is a law to compel regular attendance, the results would be more satisfactory with a voluntary rather than compulsory attendance. While irregular attendance is detrimental to an entire school, it seems a pity that parents fail to realize that their own children are the greatest losers by needless absences.

Until parents show more interest and pride in the schools, and work with the teacher, the results cannot be entirely satisfactory.

Eighty-one weeks schooling have been maintained in town the past year: a spring term of eleven weeks and a fall term of sixteen weeks in each school. We were fortunate in procuring teachers who seemed adapted to the schools.

In closing, we wish to thank parents, teachers and citizens for the interest and help they have in most cases accorded us in our endeavors for good schools. And we hope that the united efforts of the school board, parents, teachers and scholars in the coming year will place the schools of Grantham in the highest order.

Respectfully submitted,

PERLEY WALKER,

for the School Board.

BIRTHS

Registered in the town of Grantham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1908.

Date	Name of child (if any.)	Sex.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of child	Color.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Fathers age.	Mothers age.	
Mar. 31		male.	LIVING	9	White	Charles H. Bean	Bertha L. Corliss	White	Grantham	Farmer	Grantham	Meriden	50	40	
June 11		male.		1		Guy L. Purmort	Carrie E. Clark			"	Laborer	Sharon, Vt.	Lebanon	32	28
June 14		male.		1		Bennie M. Aldrich	Ernie Mae Bowles			"	Mill hand	Lisbon	Easton	24	21
July 10		female		1		Fred L. Dudley	Edith M. Spooner			"	Civil Engin'r	Brentwood	Grantham	32	22
Dec. 14		male		1		Zena Pillsbury	Bernice Saunders			"	Laborer	Springfield	Grantham	36	31

MARRIAGES

Registered in the town of Grantham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1908.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age in years	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Birthplace of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. of Mar.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom Married
May 7	GRANTHAM	John W. Colburn..... Lencie M. Hastings	GRANTHAM	20	White	Farmer	No. Dorchester	James I. Colburn .. Sarah M. Brooks ..	No. Dorchester	Sawyer	1	Rev. F. P. Sawyer...
May 23		Bennie M. Aldrich		16		Housework..	Grantham...	Nathan J. Hastings.. Laura Davis	Dorchester Hanover	Housewife Farmer	1	Grantham
		Effie Mae Bowles		24		Mill hand....	Lisbon.....	John C. Aldrich	Grantham	Farmer.....	2	Rev. F. P. Sawyer...
		Ira Mel. Barton		21		Housekeeper	Easton.....	Florence Nye	"	Housekeeper Carpenter	1	Grantham
July 2		Jeletsa Clark		33		Mill hand...	Croydon	Clarence O. Barton. Ella M. Angell	Croydon	Laborer	2	Rev. F. P. Sawyer ..
				3		Housework..	Springfield..	Francis B. Pillsbury Naomi Sargent.....	Springfield..	Housewife Farmer	2	Grantham

DEATHS

Registered in the town of Grantham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1908.

Date 1908.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.			Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex	Color.	Single, Mar. or Widowed	Occupation.	Birthplace of		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.	Father.	Mother.									
Feb. 5	Springfield	Daniel	Edmond	Davis.	63	..	Grantham	M	White	S	Laborer	New London Grantham	George Davis	Mary Batchelder	
Mar. 10	Manchester	Abby V.	Densmore	.....	51	9 29	"	f		M		Springfield	Marshall Eastman.	Hepsibath P. Boyce
May 20	Franklin	Rosina	Hastings	.....	88	8 28	Northfield, Vt	f		W		Plainfield	Neil Whitaker	.....
Aug. 21	Grantham	Nancy M.	Fisher	.....	91	5 21	.....	f		W		Northfield, Vt	.....	..... Carpenter

I hereby certify that the foregoing records are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief,

JAMES M. HOWE, Town Clerk.



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