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Town of Epsom



1903

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, AUDITORS, AND BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE

TOWN OF EPSOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

FEBRUARY 16, 1903.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1902.

Support of schools,	$1,300.00
Repairing schoolhouses,	200.00
Town charges,	300.00
Geo. H. Hoyt Post 66, G. A. R.,	50.00
Paying tuition at high schools,	100.00
Old Home Week Association,	75.00
Repairing highway and bridges,	1,600.00
Total,	$3,625.00
State tax,	726.75
County tax,	981.06
Required by law for library,	51.30
Over-lay,	136.46
Total,	$5,520.57

INVENTORY FOR 1902.

Number polls,	224	—valuation,	$22,400.00
" horses,	248	"	13,694.00
" oxen	32	"	2,014.00
" cows	687	"	18.095
" neat stock,	137	"	2,855.00
" sheep,	149	"	524.00
Bank stock,			2,900.00
Stock in trade,			16,350.00
Mills and machinery,			6,300.00
Land and buildings,			249,448.00
Total,			$334,580.00

RECEIPTS FOR YEAR ENDING FEB. 16, 1903.

To balance in treasury, Feb. 15, 1902,		$429.56
J. A. Clough trust fund,		50.00
S. M. Chesley trust fund,		50.00
Amount remaining on C. M. Steele's list for 1901,		312.00
Amount committed to C. M. Steele for collection in 1902:		
Resident tax,	$4,640.08	
Non-resident tax,	880.49	
		$5,520.57
Received of D. G. Chesley by note,		450.00
S. B. Heald for pedler's license,		5.00
estate of J. L. Brickett cemetery trust fund,		50.00
town clerk, license on dogs,		124.80
W. H. Knowles, use of hearse,		1.00

RECEIVED OF STATE TREASURER.

Insurance tax,	$19.50	
Railroad tax,	225.86	
Savings-bank tax,	980.51	
Literary fund,	70.00	
High school tuition,	21.29	
		$1,317.16
Received dividend on trust funds,		17.74

RECEIVED OF MERRIMACK COUNTY.

For aid of Edward Witham,	$20.25
Osum Dowst,	196.66
Peter Montmieny,	20.00
Chas. H. Ayer,	26.46
Chas. Marden,	81.00
Chas. LeClare,	58.23
H. G. Hartford,	198.00
Healy family,	48.72
Trancient persons,	17.09
Total,	$8,994.24

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid	A. H. French for certificate of births and deaths,	$1.75
	A. P. Bickford, cash paid for printing check-lists,	4.50
	Albert Hook, damage to team,	25.00
	H. S. Knowles, board of lawyers and team in Cotterell case,	7.70
	H. S. Knowles, dinners for town officers,	17.15
	Samuel Bickford, appropriation for Geo. H. Hoyt Post, G. A. R.,	50.00
	Ira C. Evans Co., printing town reports,	31.00
	W. H. Tripp, cash paid for stationery, etc.,	4.58
	B. H. Fowler, appropriation for Old Home Week,	75.00
	Roland Hall, mowing cemetery,	3.00
	C. W. Leighton, police supplies,	5.00
	Freeman Marden, windows for tramp-house, and repairs on road machine,	2.70
	Roscoe Hill, library appropriation,	51.30
	J. E. Griffin, abatement on dead dog,	1.65
	C. H. Palmer, public watering place,	6.00
	A. S. Ladd, " "	3.00
	Lucien Heath, " "	3.00
	A. L. Brown, " "	3.00
	S. R. Yeaton, " "	3.00
	E. C. Eastman, for public statutes and other town supplies,	13.76
	B. B. Haggett, damage to horse,	25.00
	J. E. Philbrick, wood for tramp-house,	2.00
	J. B. Tennant, supplies furnished A. D. Wicome,	112.37
	W. H. Tripp, 8 cords word, furnished A. D. Wicome,	32.00
	W. H. Knowles, attendance with hearse,	19.00
	Roscoe Hill, M. D., recording births and deaths,	6.00
	A. L. Yeaton, damage to sheep,	7.00
	Chesley Bro. " " "	14.00
	F. A. Bickford, " " "	12.00
	J. H. Tripp, " " "	8.00

Roscoe Hill, M. D., expenses of Board of Health,	166.19
M. C. Philbrick, for election ballots,	10.00
M. C. Philbrick, for recording marriages, births and deaths,	5.40
M. C. Philbrick, obtaining names of children,	5.25
M. C. Philbrick, stationery, postage,	3.12
G. W. Lane, perambulating town lines,	4.50
Martin & Howe, making deed of cemetery,	5.00
Total,	$748.92

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Paid Solon Carter, state tax,	$726.75
Frank L. Gerrish, county tax,	981.06
Total,	$1,707.81

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Paid M. J. Rand, treasurer:	
town appropriation,	$1,300.00
literary fund,	70.00
high school,	21.29
balance dog license,	90.89
repair money,	200.00
school-books and supplies,	120.69
J. M. Blue, services member school board, 1901,	10.00
M. J. Rand, services member school board, 1901,	10.00
J. M. Blue, services member school board, 1902,	7.50
F. L. Seavey, services member school board, 1902,	10.00
D. G. Chesley, superintending schools in 1901,	30.00
M. J. Rand, superintending schools, 1902,	30.00
M. J. Rand, making statistical report,	2.00
M. J. Rand, services as treasurer,	5.00
Total,	$1,907.37

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

Paid	J. B. Tennant, sewer pipe and freight,		$12.60
	N. J. Goss, sewer pipe and freight,		9.45
	C. M. Steele, labor on N. E. road,		20.75
	C. M. Steele, bridge plank and stringers,		19.68
	J. Lawrence, 2,500 feet bridge planks,		25.00
	Chesley Bro. 1,391 feet bridge planks,		16.69
	Geo. H. Burnham, bridge plank and railing,		57.63
	M. Q. Burnham, blacksmith work,		3.50
	A. L. Ricker, repairing road machine,		1.31
	Road Agents for 1901:		
	John C. Yeaton,		7.50
	F. P. Wheeler,		14.55
	J. C. Brown,		5.78
	J. E. Eastman,		5.68
	Horace Fowler,		6.00
	William C. Burnham,		3.00
	E. M. Kelley,		28.85
	W. H. Knowles,		18.00
	Road Agents for 1902:		
	W. H. Knowles, District No. 1,	$130.00	
	C. H. Palmer, District No. 2,	99.09	
	J. C. Philbrick, District No. 3,	30.00	
	E. M. Kelley, District No. 4,	88.75	
	J. P. Locke, District No. 5,	102.17	
	C. E. Morrill, District No. 6,	115.62	
	Alonzo Batchelder, District No. 7,	94.80	
	J. A. Chesley, District No. 8,	85.53	
	N. H. Monroe, District No. 9,	97.75	
	A. B. Cass, District No. 10,	44.87	
	W. L. Pickard, District No. 11,	63.00	
	Geo. H. Haynes, District No. 12,	96.31	
	Cyrus Marden, District No. 13,	71.75	
	F. A. Bickford, District No. 14,	83.70	
	Horace Fowler, District No. 15,	92.35	
	Chas. R. Dutton, District No. 16,	32.50	
	Hollis Hall, District No. 17,	25.00	
		$1,353.19	
	Total,		$1,609.16

COUNTY ACCOUNT.

Paid	N. J. Goss, car-fare for pauper,	$2.04
	J. G. Witham, for six weeks' care of Edward Witham,	15.00
	Sarah McCarty, board of Osum Dowst and wife,	72.00
	A. P. Bickford, one cord of wood furnished Mrs. A. L. Healy,	5.50
	Mrs. Chas. Marden, care of Mrs. Healy,	8.00
	Mrs. Chas. Marden, care of Mrs. Ayer,	1.00
	Hollis Hall, wood and milk for Osum Dowst,	30.20
	T. W. Center, care of transient persons,	7.70
	G. H. Burnham, wood for Healy family,	2.50
	C. W. Leighton, care of transient persons,	7.35
	Silver & Hall, supplies for C. H. Ayer,	6.96
	Mrs. C. W. Davis, care of Mrs. Ayer,	11.50
	J. B. Tennant, supplies for H. G. Hartford,	133.90
	J. B. Tennant, supplies for Chas. LeClare,	22.33
	H. S. Knowles, supplies for Healy family,	27.72
	H. S. Knowles, supplies for Chas. Marden,	80.00
	H. S. Knowles, supplies for Osum Dowst, . .	74.96
	J. H. Tripp, wood and milk for Chas. LeClare	16.40
	J. H. Tripp, wood and milk for H. G. Hartford,	22.00
	J. T. Libby, for digging grave for Hartford child,	2.00
	Roscoe Hill, medical attendance for county paupers,	115.10
	Total,	$664.16

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION.

Paid	Geo. Yeaton, Coe's Academy, one term,	$7.35
	Roland Hall, Coe's Academy, one term,	7.35
	Florence Yeaton, Concord High School, three terms,	45.00
	Ralph Cass, Concord High School, two terms,	30.00
	Grace Leighton, Pittsfield High School, two terms,	23.72

	Ada Brown, Pittsfield High School, two terms,	$14.00
	Iva D. Stokes, New Hampton, three terms,	34.50
	Ethel Goss, New Hampton, two terms,	24.00
	Total,	$185.92

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid	C. F. Haynes, services as supervisor,	$9.00
	A. P. Bickford, services as supervisor,	6.50
	T. W. Center, services as constable,	5.00
	D. T. Cilley, services as auditor for 1902,	1.50
	S. R. Yeaton, services as auditor for 1901,	1.50
	C. W. Leighton, services as police officer and taking depositions,	7.00
	M. C. Philbrick, services as town clerk,	30.00
	C. M. Steele, balance as collector for 1901,	5.00
	C. M. Steele, in part as collector for 1902,	60.00
	N. J. Goss, services as town treasurer,	30.00
	W. H. Tripp, services as selectman,	80.00
	B. H. Fowler, services as selectman,	72.00
	W. C. Burnham, services as selectman,	68.00
	Total,	$375.50

ABATEMENTS.

Paid	C. M. Steele on list of 1901,	$5.40
	W. S. Wells, for over-tax,	1.65
	William B. Clark, paid in Pittsfield,	2.15
	C. M. Steele, on list of 1902, out of town,	6.60
	county paupers,	3.30
	miscellaneous,	13.20
	Total,	$32.30

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES.

Miscellaneous expenses,	$748.92
State and county tax,	1,707.81
School account,	1,907.37
Highways,	1,609.16
County paupers,	664.16
High school tuition,	185.92
Town officers,	375.50
Abatements,	32.30
Total,	$7,231.14
Uncollected taxes,	$75.00
Remaining in treasury trust funds,	150.00
Remaining in treasury, town money,	1,538.10
	$8,994.24

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER H. TRIPP,
BLANCHARD H. FOWLER,
WILLIAM C. BURNHAM,
Selectmen.

EPSOM, N. H., Feb. 16, 1903.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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March 1	To cash on hand,	$429.56
	Chesley fund,	50.00
	Clough fund,	50.00
April 12	Received of S. B. Heald, license,	5.00
June 1	Received dividends on trust funds,	17.74
June 21	Received of C. M. Steele, collector, taxes for 1901,	312.00
June 26	Received of D. G. Chesley, by note,	450.00
	M. C. Philbrick, dog license,	124.80
Sept. 22	Received Brackett fund,	50.00
Dec. 31	Received of Solon A. Carter, insurance tax,	19.50
	Solon A. Carter, railroad tax,	225.86
	Solon A. Carter, savings-bank tax,	980.51
	Solon A. Carter, literary fund,	70.00
	Solon A. Carter, high school tuition,	21.29
	C. M. Steele, taxes, 1902,	5,445.57
1903.		
Feb. 14	Received of Merrimack County, support paupers,	666.41
	W. H. Knowles, use of hearse	1.00
		$8,919.24

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Feb. 14	By order from 1 to 148 inclusive,	$7,231.14
	Chesley fund,	50.00
	Clough fund,	50.00
	J. L. Brackett fund,	50.00
	balance cash on hand,	1,538.10
		$8,919.24

NATHAN J. GOSS,
Town Treasurer.

Epsom, N. H., February 16, 1903.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF TOWN, FEBRUARY 16, 1903.

LIABILITIES.

Indebtedness by note and interest,	$4,072.01
Trust funds,	150.00
Due school district (dog license),	82.15
	$4,304.16

ASSETS.

Remaining on C. M. Steele's collector's list, of 1902,	$75.00	
Trust funds,	150.00	
Balance in the treasury,	1,538.10	
		$1,753.10
Actual indebtedness,		$2,551.06
Reduction of indebtedness,		$324.35

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen and treasurer and found them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

JOHN H. DOLBEER,
DANIEL YEATON,
Auditors.

EPSOM, N. H., Feb. 16, 1903.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

The new library building was completed and opened to the public Old Home Week.

The distribution of books was delayed a short time that we might renumber the books and make a new catalogue.

The expense of the building has exceeded the appropriation and the contributions, as will be shown by accompanying account.

In addition to the donation of the late John Dolbeer, we have received cash contributions from Mrs. Susan Forbes, Mrs. Annie Smith, Mrs. Hattie Sanborn Cogswell, Mrs. C. J. Swaine, Mrs. Sarah Peabody Childs, Mrs. Georganna Ray, Harry Towle, and Mrs. Clara Ambrose; while interested citizens contributed toward fixing the grounds, building the plank-walk and purchasing the curtains.

William G. and J. M. Hoyt gave liberally for new books, Mrs. Forbes presented a valuable set of encyclopædia, and other friends have contributed books.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT.

Balance on hand, Feb. 15, 1902,	$87.21
Received town appropriation,	51.30
interest on money in bank,	11.02
for curtains,	9.85
for book fines,	1.11
for book returned,	.65
	$161.14

Paid H. W. Osgood, chairs, curtains, mats, etc.,	$27.57	
for stove and freight on same,	4.15	
Foss & Osgood, stove-pipe, etc.,	7.30	
Temple & Farrington, books,	44.24	
Mrs. Goss, services as librarian,	16.67	
N. H. Fire Insurance Co.,	35.54	

for stereoscopic views,	$5.00	
for express and telephone,	1.55	
for brushes, dust-pan, broom, etc.,	1.75	
for cleaning windows,	1.50	
for book labels,	.80	
Mrs. Snow, librarian (6 mo.),	12.50	
		$158.62
Balance,		$2.52

BUILDING ACCOUNT.

Balance on hand, Feb. 15, 1902,		$14.61
Received of John Dolbeer,		300.00
other contributions,		55.00
material sold,		5.64
contributions for plank-walk,		9.30
		$384.55
Paid Geo. F. Batchelder, labor,	$265.31	
W. H. Thompson, labor,	65.22	
W. H. Thompson, material,	17.76	
Wingartner liquid finish,	45.25	
Head & Dowst, material,	29.75	
E. O. Garrett, hardware,	23.73	
J. B. Varick Co.,	18.61	
Colonial Glass Co.,	18.00	
Thompson & Hoague,	.85	
freight and express,	3.79	
A. D. Sherburne, labor,	2.50	
C. F. Haynes, labor,	3.00	
G. H. Burnham, lumber,	9.30	
Silver & Hall, nails, etc.,	13.80	
		$516.87
Balance due trustees,		$132.32

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. DOLBEER,
WARREN TRIPP,
ROSCOE HILL,
Trustees.

February 20, 1903.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

Received of town,		$166.19
Paid for supplies furnished families while quarantined for scarlet fever, as per bills,	$157.87	
fumigating two houses,	6.00	
formalin for fumigating,	2.00	
postage,	.32	
		$166.19

ROSCOE HILL,
A. L. RICKER,
J. C. LEAR,
Board of Health.

February 14, 1903.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EPSOM.

The school year of 1902 has become history, the reading of which varies but little from that of former years. We have maintained six schools, each having an equal length of twenty-nine weeks.

We have earnestly endeavored to obtain the services of competent and faithful teachers. A great many people are under the impression that a capable teacher is all that is necessary for a successful school; but while the teacher is, of course, the most essential part, there are two more of equal importance, and those are earnest pupils and interested parents. Given these three and you cannot fail of having a prosperous school.

Very many parents expect too much from a teacher; remember that courtesy and polite attention—the foundation for a good scholar—begins at home. In five schools we have retained the same teachers. This we consider a great advantage; where a teacher is successful in one term, she can take up the work at the commencement of the next and carry it on with greater improvement than a strange teacher.

We have added supplementary reading for the higher classes, and have placed the Standard dictionaries in each school. Many of the pupils will not enter higher grades and we think that they should have a chance to find the proper pronunciation and definition of the words they will use in every-day life.

The new law requiring the town to pay the tuition of high school pupils, should act as an incentive to all pupils to improve their town opportunities, and then avail themselves of high school advantages. We question whether some, who think they are ready to enter the high school, might not attend the town schools longer, to their own improvement.

Were the pupils in all towns required by the state superintendent to pass a prescribed examination in their studies before leaving the town schools, perhaps there would not be so much complaint of the over-crowding of the high schools.

We have at present a diversity of language books in the schools. Hyde's seems to be giving the best satisfaction and will, doubtless, be introduced into all the schools at the commencement of the spring term.

The removal of Rev. James Blue from town in December necessitated the appointment of some one to fill the vacancy. Charles A. Brown accepted the appointment, at the request of the other members of the board.

During the year we have made repairs on five schoolhouses. The house at Short Falls has been newly plastered, painted, and the stone-work straightened and cemented, making a pleasant and warm room. At New Orchard, the buildings were newly shingled. At Gossville, the ceiling was repaired and painted. A new chimney was built at the Mountain and closets for books and supplies placed in the Mountain and Centre houses.

The number of children in town, by selectmen's enumeration in April, 1902, is: Boys, 45; girls, 60.

We are aware that our mistakes have been many, but through all our aim has ever been to "accomplish the greatest good to the greatest number."

M. JOSIE RAND,
CHARLES A. BROWN,
FRANK L. SEAVEY.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

CENTER SCHOOL.

Elnora S Chesley, 3
Mabel F. Chesley,
John Chesley,
Blanche Philbrick, 3
Flora D. Hall,
Albert J. Yeaton.
Bertha M. Hall, 2
Isaac Stacy Hart, 2
Willis Clay Hart, 2
Clarence H. Hart,
Lysle E. Hart,

GOSSVILLE.

Nellie F. Sherburne, 3
Ethel Goss,
Alfred Eastman,
Ethel Marston, 2
Gladys Cheney,
Earl White,
Marion Burnham,
Arthur Brown,
Rodney Leighton,
Irving White.
Elsie White, 2

SHORT FALLS.

Sophronie Yeaton,3
Leonard Batchelder, 2
Russell Yeaton, 3

NORTH ROAD.

Katie A. Yeaton,
Mabel L. Yeaton,
William Yeaton,
William Sullivan,
Robert Yeaton, 2
Roscoe Kelley, 2
True Kelley.

NEW RYE.

E. A. Ruggles, 2
Arthur Wells, 2
Walter B. Wells,
Verna Wells,
Jennie Cass,
Louise Montmieny,
Mary Montmieny,
Ernestine Montmieny.

MOUNTAIN.

Gerald Pickard,
Abbie Hartford,
Amos Leclair,
Agnes Hartford,
Esther Cofran.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EPSOM.

Balance in treasury, March 9, 1902,	$89.61
Received town appropriation,	1,300.00
literary fund,	70.00
high school tuition,	21.29
town balance of dog licenses,	90.89
repair money,	200.00
for purchasing books,	120.69
for one book sold,	.25
	$1,892.73

Paid salaries of teachers,	$1,239.00	
for school books,	120.69	
conveyance of pupils, 1901,	10.00	
Pittsfield school board, tuition,	13.50	
Chichester school board, tuition,	28.25	
Mrs. Cilley, teaching Helen Cilley,	19.00	
wood and fitting same,	83.34	
cleaning houses,	14.50	
miscellaneous, and work on blackboards,	40.83	
repairs on schoolhouses,	191.37	
		$1,760.48
Balance in treasury,		$132.25

M. JOSIE RAND.

I have examined the accounts of the treasurer of Epsom School Board and find them correct and properly vouched.

J. B. TENNANT,
Auditor.

Epsom, N. H., February 21, 1903.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Name of School.	Teachers.	Wages per month.	No. of weeks.	No. of different pupils registered.	Average number of pupils.	Average daily attendance.	Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Drawing.	Vocal music.	Physiology.	Bookkeeping.	Algebra.	Civil government.	No. visits by school board.	No. visits by parents and others.
Center	Lillie M. Bickford	$28.00	10	15	15	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	6	1	....	....	2	57
	Lillie M. Bickford	28.00	11	15	14	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	9	9	15	6	2	....	....	2	22
	Lillie M. Bickford	28.00	8	14	13	12	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	8	8	14	12	2	2	....	2	22
Gossville	Willie T. Goss	32.00	10	24	23	22	24	24	24	21	14	10	4	10	24	....	2	2	....	...	4	32
	Mattie B. James	32.00	11	27	24	19	27	27	27	21	17	13	3	....	....	....	8	1	....	....	4	15
	Mattie B. James	32.00	8	20	20	16	20	20	20	19	16	10	2	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	4	11
Short Falls	Olive E. Freese	28.00	10	20	20	18	20	20	20	16	12	8	8	8	20	20	10	....	....	....	5	34
	Olive E. Freese	28.00	11	17	17	15	17	17	17	14	10	6	6	6	17	17	10	....	....	....	5	25
	Olive E. Freese	28.00	8	19	19	16	19	19	19	16	10	7	7	7	19	19	12	....	....	2	4	20
North Road	Eva M. Emerson	28.00	10	15	14	13	14	14	13	13	9	7	2	7	....	....	2	....	2	....	4	15
	Eva M. Emerson	28.00	11	14	12	11	12	12	12	11	8	7	2	7	12	....	....	....	2	....	4	5
	Eva M. Emerson	28.00	8	12	12	10	12	12	12	11	10	7	2	7	12	....	1	....	1	....	4	3
New Rye	Margaret Waterhouse	28.00	10	22	22	15	22	22	22	22	10	7	9	10	22	22	11	....	2	....	4	28
	Margaret Waterhouse	28.00	11	18	18	13	18	18	18	18	11	11	8	11	18	18	12	....	2	....	4	16
	Margaret Waterhouse	28.00	8	17	18	12	18	18	18	18	12	12	12	12	18	18	....	....	2	....	4	9
Mountain	Hannah Sleeper	28.00	10	18	13	9	13	13	13	7	2	....	....	....	....	13	2	....	....	....	5	20
	Hannah Sleeper	28.00	11	14	14	10	14	14	14	14	5	....	....	....	14	14	....	....	....	....	3	15
	Hannah Sleeper	28.00	8	12	12	11	12	12	12	12	5	5	4	....	12	12	1	....	...	....	4	18

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen of Epsom: In compliance with an act of the legislature passed June session, 1877, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the records of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual reports," I submit the following:

Births Registered in the Town of Epsom for the Year ending December 31, 1902.

Date of birth.	Name of child* (if any).	Sex and condition.					Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents.	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
		Male.	Female.	Living or still-born.	No. of child.	Color.							
Jan. 2	Marion Agnes	.....	F.	Living	1	W.	Timothy B. Langley	Bertha T. Cotterell	W.	Epsom	Farmer	Epsom	Epsom.
" 7	Doris Emma	.....	"	"	3	"	Wm. C. Burnham	Hattie A. Pike	"	"	"	"	Bradford.
Feb. 20	Marie Eunice	.....	"	"	1	"	George E. Warren	Clara E. Brown	"	" [Mass.	Mechanic	" [Me.	Gilmanton. [C. B.
Mar. 7	Frank E.	M.	.....	"	2	"	Frank E. Cross	Mary M. Smith	"	Brookline,	Cutlery gr'd'r	Cherryfield,	Port Hood Island,
" 23	Alfred	"	.....	"	5	"	Fred Stone	Lena Ritchie	"	Epsom	Farmer	Plattsb'g, N.Y	Canada.
" 29	Iva Roxana	.....	"	"	2	"	John W. Murby	Nora A. Foss	"	"	Carpenter	Provid'e, R. I.	West Alton.
Apr. 6	Sumner Hall	"	.....	"	3	"	Elmore J. Pierce	Ellen P. Mash	"	"	Farmer	St. Johnsbury	Perkinsville, Vt.
" 6	.....	"	.....	"	9	"	Hiram G. Hartford	Mary E. West	"	"	Laborer	Deerfield. [Vt.	Fremont.
" 30	Ellsworth Blake	"	.....	"	2	"	M. C. Philbrick	Mary P. Cass	"	"	Carpenter	Allenstown	Epsom.
May 19	Adin Donald	"	.....	"	3	"	Norman H. Munroe	Helen G. Hardy	"	"	Farmer	An'apolis, N.S	Goffstown.
" 26	Hester	.....	"	"	3	"	S. W. Bickford	Emma J. Philbrick	"	"	Farmer	Epsom. [Mass.	Allenstown.
June 7	Alta Fern	.....	"	"	7	"	John W. Hart	Mattie S. Hastings	"	"	Shoemaker	W. Townsend,	Salem.
" 19	Hazel May	.....	"	"	1	"	Wm. J. McKenzie	Florence M. Dow	"	"	Grocery clerk	Digby, N. S.	Chichester.
" 29	.....	.....	"	"	4	"	Albert A. Ordway	Angie E. Crooker	"	"	Farmer	Epsom	Fall River, Mass.
July 11	Doris Abbie	.....	"	"	1	"	Alonzo Batchelder	Laura A. Haynes	"	"	"	"	Bedford.
Aug. 7	James	"	.....	"	6	"	Charles La Clair	Matilda Harmel	"	"	Wood chopp'r	Canada	Canada.
" 15	Herbert Lawr'ce.	"	.....	"	3	"	H. W. Etheridge	Katie Grant	"	"	Farmer	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia.
Sept. 5	Charles Hilliard	"	.....	"	4	"	Frank P. Wheeler	Lillian C. Hilliard	"	"	"	Mo'pelier, Vt.	Chichester.
Oct. 9	Hazen George	"	.....	"	2	"	George W. Perkins	Maria L. Robbins	"	"	Shoemaker	Saugus, Mass.	P. E. Island.
Nov. 27	Howard Tripp	"	.....	"	1	"	Olaf A. Ring	Leola I. Tripp	"	"	Farmer	Wood River,	Epsom.
Dec. 26	.....	"	.....	"	8	"	Albert L. Healey	Hattie F. Ladd	"	"	Laborer	Bristol. [Neb.	Piermont.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Epsom for the Year ending December 31, 1902.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation.	Marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
April 7	Epsom.....	Harvey J. Wells....	Epsom.....	26	W.	Farmer.....	Epsom.....	James L. Wells.....	Epsom.....	Farmer.....	1	Rev. E. B. Tetley,
		Loella M. Marden..	"	27	"	Teacher.....	"	Abbie L. Meserve....	Pittsfield.....	Housewife		
								Freeman Marden....	Epsom	Mechanic	1	Epsom.
								Lovina I. Bickford...	"	Housewife		
Oct. 15	"	Joseph M. Judkins.	W. Unity...	21	"	Farmer.....	W. Unity.....	Caleb M. Judkins....	W. Unity.....	Farmer	1	Rev. E. B. Tetley,
								Maria A. Colburn...	Newbury.....	Housewife		
		Moena G. Whidden	Epsom.....	19	"	Domestic	Pittsfield.....	Horatio C. Whidden.	Manchester,	Shoemaker....	1	Epsom.
								Clara A. Hoyt.....	Epson..[Mass.	Housewife		
Nov. 5	"	Minot R. Yeaton...	"	24	"	Farmer.....	Epsom.....	Daniel Yeaton.....	"	Farmer.....	1	Rev. J. M. Blue,
								Annie B. Rowell.....	Chichester....	Housewife ..		
		Helen G. Green....	"	23	"	Teacher.....	"	John S. Green...	Pittsfield.....	Mason	1	Epsom.
								Mary M. Flanders...	New York....	Housewife		
" 19	Deerfield ..	Bertel R. Foss.....	"	31	"	Farmer.....	Alton.....	Charles H. Foss.....	Alton.....	Farmer	1	Rev. J. M. Blue,
								Roxana A. Rollins....	"	Housewife		
		Lena F. Kimball....	Deerfield ...	20	"	Domestic	Deerfield.....	Rufus F. Kimball....	New Hampt'n	Farmer	1	Epsom.
								Alice A. Hartford....	Wilmot.....	Housewife		
" 27	Epsom.....	John H. Howard...	Lynn, Mass:	32	"	Store keeper..	England.....	John Howard.....	.....	.....	1	Rev. J. M. Blue,
								Lizzie Spearin.....	.....	.....		
		Alice A Goodhue..	"	26	"	Domestic.....	Lynn, Mass...	Geo. W. Goodhue....	.....	.....	1	Epsom.
								Melissa Gordon.....	.....	.....		
Dec. 6	"	Kidder C. Fisk.....	Epsom	31	"	Farmer.....	Allenstown...	Calvin Johnson.....	.....	Shoemaker....	2	Rev. E. B. Tetley,
								Augusta A. Wiggin..	Epsom	Housewife		
		Blanche Brown.....	Laconia....	28	"	Mill operative	Gilmanton....	Charles J. Brown....	Concord	Hotel keeper..	1	Epsom.
								Hattie Lyford.....	Vermont.	Housewife		
" 18	"	Frank S. Weeks....	Epsom.....	47	"	Sawyer.....	Epsom.....	Stephen F. Weeks....	Gilmanton....	Farmer.....	1	Rev. E. B. Tetley,
								Elmira Reynolds....	....	Housewife		
		Lizzie E. Dewplice.	Pittsfield....	24	"	Domestic	Pittsfield.....	Nehemiah Lock	Rochester	Farmer.....	1	Epsom.
								Emma Warren.....	Northwood...	Housewife		

Deaths Registered in the Town of Epsom for the Year ending December 31, 1902.

Date of death.	Place of death.	Name and surname of deceased.	Age. Years.	Months.	Days.	Place of birth.	Sex and condition. Sex.	Color.	Single, married, or widowed.	Occupation.	Place of birth. Father.	Mother.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
Jan. 4	Epsom....	Walter J. Hartford	5	..	2	Epsom.....	M.	W.	S.	.....	Deerfield.....	Fremont.....	Hiram G. Hartford.	Mary E. West.
Mar. 3	"	Eliza J. Leighton	57	9	8	"	F.	"	M.	Housew'fe	Epsom.....	Eliot, Me.....	Daniel C. Bickford..	Jane Staples.
Apr. 10	"	James Baker.....	64	7	22	Pembroke .	M.	"	M.	Farmer ...	Pembroke	Pembroke.....	Stephen Baker.....	Hephzibah Kelley.
May 1	"	Helen Bickford	8	3	1	Epsom.....	F.	"	S.	Student....	Epsom.....	Allenstown.....	Samuel W. Bickford	Emma J. Philbrick.
Sept. 24	"	Isabel D. Tripp.....	86	2	1	Pembroke .	F.	"	W.	House'per	Deerfield.....	Epsom	John M. Prescott....	Hannah Dickey.
Nov. 8	"	David M. Philbrick	79	2	13	Epsom.....	M.	"	M.	Farmer ...	... .	.....	Daniel Philbrick....	Polly Locke.
" 15	"	Marie L. Vaillancourt..	..	11	15	Allenstown	F.	"	S.	.....	Canada	Canada	Jean Vaillancourt..	Emma Pamerleau.

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Feb. 6	Pembroke.	Esther J. Hartford	63	7	27	Hooksett ..	F.	W.	M.	Housew'fe	....	.....	Nathan Cate.....	Maxiamillie Colby.
" 15	Chichester	Albin W. Perkins	79	1	25	.....	M.	"	W.	Farmer ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Apr. 15	Rye	Henry Knox.....	72	4	22	Epsom.....	M.	"	M.	H'telk'per	Pembroke	Epsom	Isaac Knox.....	Sally Wiggin.
June 24	Loudon ...	Geo. W. Morse.....	88	2	21	.....	M.	"	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dec. 22	Boscawen.	Susie Dutton.....	39	..	..	Maine.....	F.	"	S.	Invalid....	Hooksett	Epsom	Eben S. Dutton.....	Betsey R. Bickford.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. C. PHILBRICK, *Town Clerk.*