ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Town Officers
OF
Dorchester, New Hampshire
For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1918.

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FRANKLIN, N. H.
1918.
TOWN OFFICERS.

Moderator.
Herbert H. Ashley

Town Clerk.
Leon H. Merrill

Selectmen.
George N. Burnham  Herbert H. Ashley
Wilbur Merrill

Road Agent.
John T. Hanley

Treasurer.
Frank W. Burnham

Tax Collector.
Azro H. Schoolcraft

Overseer of the Poor.
George N. Burnham

Health Officer.
Azro H. Schoolcraft

Auditors.
Cyrille E. Lebrun  Alden B. Clough
Isaac D. Walker  Herbert H. Ashley
Harrison H. Noyes

School Board.
Herbert H. Ashley

School District Treasurer.
Annie G. Ashley
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Dorchester, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, next at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to repair highways and bridges the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
4. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid for highways the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
5. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid maintenance for highways the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to pay on the town debt.
7. To see what action the town will take in regard to a patrolman for the state aid maintenance work.
8. To choose a delegate to the constitutional convention.
9. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to make temporary loans in anticipation of taxes if necessary.
10. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, or committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
11. To act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this ninth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighteen.

GEORGE N. BURNHAM,
HERBERT H. ASHLEY,
WILBUR MERRILL,
Selectmen of Dorchester.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:
GEORGE N. BURNHAM,
HERBERT H. ASHLEY,
WILBUR MERRILL,
Selectmen of Dorchester.
SUMMARY OF INVENTORY.

Resident and non-resident real estate $223,914 00
Horses, 75 8,308 00
Oxen, 4 350 00
Cows, 130 6,373 00
Neat Stock, 20 752 00
Sheep, 45 252 00
Fowls, 320 320 00
Vehicles and automobiles 635 00
Portable mills, 6 1,185 00
Money on hand and at interest 372 00
Stock in trade 995 00
Mills and machinery 2,800 00

Total valuation $246,256 00
Amount of taxes $4,804.86. Rate for all purposes on $100.00, $1.90.
Exempted to soldiers $1,300 00
Exemptions land planted to pine trees, 36 acres 90 per cent of value $324 00
Polls, 63 $126 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

Town charges $600 00
Highways, town maintenance 900 00
State aid maintenance 200 00
Joint fund, State and town 315 00
Town debt 500 00
County tax 292 96
New Hampshire National Guard tax 44 00
State tax 330 00
High school tuition 280 00
School supplies 100 00
School money required by law 330 00
School money by vote 500 00
School officers' salaries 85 00
Repairs on school houses 50 00
Overlay 277 90

Total appropriations $4,804 86
Added to collector's book, two polls 4 00

Committed to collector $4,808 86
TOWN BUDGET.

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<tr>
<th>Sources of Revenue</th>
<th>Actual 1917</th>
<th>Estimated 1918</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>From State:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Railroad Tax</td>
<td>$ 6 60</td>
<td>$ 6 60</td>
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<td>Savings Bank Tax</td>
<td>101 52</td>
<td>110 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>For Highways:</td>
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<tr>
<td>(a) For State Aid Maintenance</td>
<td>239 96</td>
<td>300 00</td>
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<td>Balance 1916 Joint Fund</td>
<td>11 47</td>
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<td>Bounties</td>
<td>43 20</td>
<td>20 00</td>
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<td>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits</td>
<td>7 29</td>
<td>5 00</td>
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<td>Income of Departments:</td>
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<td>Highways, Sewers, etc.</td>
<td>3 70</td>
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<td>Rebate on Bond</td>
<td>5 00</td>
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<td>Grafton County</td>
<td>139 22</td>
<td>150 00</td>
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<td>From Poll Taxes:</td>
<td>130 00</td>
<td>130 00</td>
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<td>Revenue Applicable only to New Construction and Improvements:</td>
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<td>From State:</td>
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<tr>
<td>(a) For State Aid Highway Construction</td>
<td>385 93</td>
<td>461 25</td>
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<td>Revenue Which Must be Paid to other Governmental Divisions:</td>
<td></td>
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<td>School districts</td>
<td>281 74</td>
<td>290 00</td>
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<td>Amount Raised by Property Taxes:</td>
<td>4,674 86</td>
<td>5,400 00</td>
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Total Revenues                                           | $6,030 49   | $6,872 85      |

Purposes of Expenditures                                  | Actual 1917 | Estimated 1918 |
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<td>General Government:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Town Officers' Salaries</td>
<td>$ 276 94</td>
<td>$ 240 00</td>
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<td>Town Officers' Expenses</td>
<td>85 81</td>
<td>70 00</td>
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<td>Election and Registration Expenses</td>
<td></td>
<td>35 00</td>
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<td>Care and Supplies for Town Hall</td>
<td>3 00</td>
<td>3 00</td>
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<td>Protection of Persons and Property:</td>
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<td>Police Department</td>
<td>6 75</td>
<td>5 00</td>
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<td>Bounties</td>
<td>31 00</td>
<td>20 00</td>
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Health:  
Vital Statistics:  1 50  1 50  
Highways and Bridges:  
State Aid Maintenance:  
State’s Contribution:  239 96  360 04  
Town’s Contribution:  159 99  240 01  
Town Maintenance:  1,252 30  900 00  
General Expenses of highway department:  2 00  
Charities:  
County Poor:  167 05  150 00  
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:  
Highways and Bridges:  
State Aid Construction:  
State’s Contribution:  385 93  370 27  
Town’s Contribution:  313 73  462 85  
Indebtedness:  
Payments on Principal of Debt:  
(b) Long Term Notes:  597 79  1,151 86  
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:  
State Taxes:  374 00  352 00  
County Taxes:  292 96  300 00  
Payments to School Districts:  1,626 74  1,940 00  
Total Expenditures:  $5,817 45  $6,601 53  

EFFECT ON TAX RATE.  
Assessed Valuation Previous Year:  $246,256 00  
Estimated Increase or Decrease in Assessed Valuation:  Not much change  
Amount Required by Budget to be Raised by Property Taxes:  $5,400 00  
Tax Rate Ensuing Year per $100 of valuation:  $2.20  
Every Appropriation of $100 in addition to the Estimates of this Budget will raise the Tax Rate 04c per $100 Valuation.
**Town of Dorchester,**

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<td><strong>Cash:</strong></td>
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<td>In hands of treasurer</td>
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<td>In hands of other officials</td>
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<td><strong>Accounts due town:</strong></td>
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<td>Joint Highway Accounts, unexpended balances in State Treasury</td>
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<td>Maintenance, Unexpended balances in State Treasury</td>
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<td>Due from State, Bounty on hedgehogs</td>
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<td>Due From Grafton County:</td>
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<td>Support county poor</td>
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<td>Taxes not collected:</td>
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<td>Levy of 1917</td>
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<td><strong>Total Assets</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Grand Total</strong></td>
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**Net Debt—Surplus, February 15, 1917** | $1,848 96 |

**Net Debt—Surplus, January 31, 1918** | 1,151 86 |

**Decrease of debt, of surplus** | $697 10 |

**LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY**

<p>| Town hall, lands and buildings | $2,000 00 |
| Furniture and equipment | 35 00 |
| Fire department, Equipment | 63 58 |
| Highway department, Equipment | 500 00 |
| <strong>Total</strong> | $2,598 58 |</p>
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<th>Liabilities.</th>
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<td>State and Town Joint Highway Accounts:</td>
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<td>Unexpended balances in State Treasury</td>
<td>$1 60</td>
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<td>Unexpended balances in Town Treasury</td>
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<td>State Aid Maintenance Account:</td>
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<td>40 01</td>
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<td>Long Term Notes Outstanding</td>
<td>1,519 79</td>
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<td><strong>Grand Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,622 71</strong></td>
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## Town of Dorchester, Receipts.

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<td>Amounted committed to collector</td>
<td>$4,808.86</td>
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<tr>
<td>Less abatements</td>
<td>12.38</td>
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<td>Less uncollected</td>
<td>331.71</td>
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<td>1. Property and poll taxes current year, actually collected</td>
<td>$4,464.71</td>
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<td>From State:</td>
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<td>2. For State aid maintenance</td>
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<td>3. For State aid construction</td>
<td>385.93</td>
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<td>4. Railroad tax</td>
<td>6.60</td>
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<td>5. Savings bank tax</td>
<td>101.52</td>
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<td>6. Literary fund</td>
<td>37.44</td>
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<td>7. State aid for education</td>
<td>197.50</td>
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<td>8. Bounties</td>
<td>43.20</td>
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<td>From County:</td>
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<td>9. For support of county poor</td>
<td>139.22</td>
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<td>From local Sources Except Taxes:</td>
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<td>10. Dog licenses</td>
<td>46.80</td>
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<td>11. Interest on taxes</td>
<td>7.29</td>
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<td><strong>Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:</strong></td>
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<td>12. Refund on bond</td>
<td>5.00</td>
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<td>13. Highway department, sale of wheelbarrow and shovel</td>
<td>3.70</td>
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<td><strong>Total receipts from all sources</strong></td>
<td>$5,690.34</td>
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<td><strong>Cash on hand at beginning of year</strong></td>
<td>135.78</td>
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<td><strong>Grand total</strong></td>
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## Town of Dorchester, Payments.

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<td>1. Town officers’ salaries</td>
<td>$276.94</td>
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<td>3. Expenses town hall and buildings</td>
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<td><strong>Protection of Persons and Property:</strong></td>
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<td>4. Police department including care of tramps</td>
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<td>5. Bounties</td>
<td>31.00</td>
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<td><strong>Health:</strong></td>
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<td>6. Vital statistics</td>
<td>1.50</td>
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<td><strong>Highways and bridges:</strong></td>
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<td>7. State aid maintenance</td>
<td>399.95</td>
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<td>8. Town maintenance</td>
<td>1,252.30</td>
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<td>9. General expenses of highway department including watering troughs</td>
<td>2.00</td>
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<td><strong>Charities:</strong></td>
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<td>10. County poor</td>
<td>167.05</td>
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<td><strong>Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:</strong></td>
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<td>11. State aid construction</td>
<td>699.66</td>
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<td>12. Payments on long term notes</td>
<td>597.79</td>
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<td>13. Taxes paid to State</td>
<td>374.00</td>
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<td>14. Taxes paid to County</td>
<td>292.96</td>
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<td>15. Payments to School Districts</td>
<td>1,626.74</td>
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<td><strong>Total Payments for all Purposes</strong></td>
<td>$5,817.45</td>
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<td><strong>Cash on hand at end of year</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Grand total</strong></td>
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS.

General Government.

Detail 1. Salaries of Principal Town Officers.
Selectmen, Regular work:
Isaac D. Walker, Feb. 15 to Mar. 13, 1917 $5 00
George N. Burnham, Feb. 15 to Jan. 31, 1918 35 89
Herbert H. Ashley, Feb. 15 to Jan. 31, 1918 30 41
Wilbur Merrill, Mar. 13 to Jan. 31, 1918 20 00
George N. Burnham, 3 days, Lyme and Dorchester Town line 7 50
George N. Burnham, 6 1-2 days, Timber cruising 16 25
Herbert H. Ashley, 6 1-2 days, Timber cruising 16 25
Wilbur Merrill, 6 1-2 days, Timber cruising 16 25
George N. Burnham, Overseer of poor, W. A. Motts and J. Frank Reed cases 11 81
Azro H. Schoolcraft, Collector 67 08
Azra H. Schoolcraft, Health officer 3 50
Leon H. Merrill, Town Clerk 20 00
Frank W. Burnham, Treasurer 20 00
C. E. LeBrun, Auditor 1 50
F. A. Burt, Auditor 1 50
Dana Tibbetts, Supervisor 2 00
Russell Noyes, Supervisor 2 00

Detail 2. Officers' Expenses.
F. W. Brown, town officers' bonds $14 50
Towne & Robie, printing reports 27 73

$276 94
W. J. Randolph, transfers 92.
George N. Burnham, car fare 54
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies 20 94
H. M. Merrill, showing lines 4 50
Town of Lyme, 1-2 expense surveyor 6 00
George N. Burnham, carfare, postage and stationery 7 88
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies 2 80

$85 81

Detail 3. Expenses, Town Hall and Buildings.
John Quimby, care of hall glass and setting same $3 00
Protection of Persons and Property.

Detail 4. Police Department including Care of Tramps.
Burnell Clough, police officer $2 00
James Perreault, care of tramps 4 75

$6 75

Detail 5. Bounties.
Paid bounty on hedgehogs $31 00

H. H. Palmer, M. D., return of births and deaths $ 25
F. A. Bogardus, M. D., return of births and deaths 50
S. Fraser, M. D., return of births and deaths 75

$1 50

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Detail 7.
Report of John T. Hanley, Road Agent:
Received of Selectmen $1,652 25

Paid:
John T. Hanley $241 25
H. H. Noyes 53 25
I. D. Walker 21 95
C. E. LeBrun, lumber 8 56
L. J. Goss 27 78
Russel Noyes 68 57
Henry Delsart 1 00
Arthur Ashley
Hall Bros., lumber
G. W. Rowen
H. D. Tibbetts
Ernest Hanley
H. M. Merrill
H. H. Ashley
O. E. Decato
John Quimby
J. G. Colburn
Bert Ashley
W. L. Cutting, blacksmithing
Carlyle Carter
John S. Motts
Joseph Archembault
Weston Stevens
Z. G. Taylor
A. T. O'Brien
F. W. Burnham
M. P. Doherty
Wilfred Blain
H. H. Chamberlain
G. N. Burnham
Frank Hanley
Wilbur Merrill
John Taylor
Paul D. Smith
C. L. Dupuis
Michael Feinien
G. M. Goodfellow
Clyde Quimby
Custer Quimby
H. U. Colburn, express
Allen H. Schoolcraft
F. Blain
A. W. Ashley
Charley Ashley
Good Roads Machinery Co.
Emri Whicher
A. H. Schoolcraft
S. D. Burley
F. G. Clough
P. C. Allen
W. N. Foster 5 04
Isaac Matava 5 00
Jesse Reed 70 20
Jack Halden 6 00
Charley Clough 30 36
Frank Burt 8 32
Albert Bickford 3 35
H. H. Clough 8 00
New England Box Co. 3 82
Good Roads Machinery Co., road machine 180 00
Good Roads Machinery Co., 1-2 express on machine 10 23
E. S. Pease 60

Snow Bills.

J. T. Hanley 30 95
James Perreault 4 70
G. W. Rowen 8 71
Geo. Goodfellow 2 00
Ernest Carter 1 00
James Carter 1 00
Z. G. Taylor 16 25
John Taylor 8 20
Guy E. Camp 9 52
John Colburn 3 25
Russel Noyes 32 50
Henry Delsart 3 56
Weston Stevens 1 56
H. H. Noyes 8 00
H. H. Chamberlain 45
Leon Merrill 6 79
Allen Schoolcraft 2 66
Joseph Archembault 13 30
C. E. LeBrun 2 50
John Quimby 2 64
Alfred Ashley 75
Thomas Newton 1 00
H. H. Clough, from Feb. 15, 1917 24 19
G. N. Burnham 12 25
F. W. Burnham 5 38
A. H. Schoolcraft 1 00
Wilbur Merrill 15 25
H. H. Ashley 2 66
Total Expenditures $1,642 31
Cash on hand 9 94

$1,652 25

Respectfully submitted
JOHN T. HANLEY,
Road Agent.

JOINT FUND ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

Received of selectmen $699 66

Payments.

Paid:
John T. Hanley $85 58
H. H. Noyes 41 75
G. W. Rowen 60 82
H. H. Ashley 56 00
P. C. Allen 32 00
Michael Feinein 22 44
Z. G. Taylor 60 00
John Taylor 20 25
George Ashley 17 00
Lester Goss 17 00
Charles Hazen 30 00
Ernest Hanley 34 00
Russel Noyes 42 25
Carlyle Carter 27 32
Allen Schoolcraft 8 22
H. H. Chamberlain 20 00
W. L. Cutting, sharpening picks 1 60
E. S. Pease, shovels 10 80
A. W. Ashley 43 30
Otty Decato 11 50
George Goodfellow 27 32
Wilbur Merrill 1 00
REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

Receipts.

Received from the town $167 05

Payments.

Paid for support of W. A. Motts and family:
G. N. Burnham $ 9 75
H. A. Gilman 39 22
John Quimby 2 00
E. S. Pease 49 44
Wilbur Merrill 8 68
F. A. Bogardus, M. D. 15 00
Thos. Johnston 21 86
T. J. Stewart 10 10
H. H. Ashley 3 00

Paid for J. Frank Reed:
G. N. Burnham, expense to Ashland and Woodsville and taking J. Frank Reed to County farm 8 00

Received from Grafton County Commissioners and paid treasurer $139 22

Due from Grafton County, Jan. 31, 1918 27 83

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE N. BURNHAM,
Overseer of Poor.
### COLLECTOR’S REPORT

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<td>$4,804 86</td>
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<td>Two Polls added after assessment</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$4,808 86</strong></td>
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<td>Amount collected and paid treasurer</td>
<td>$4,464 71</td>
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<td>Abatements</td>
<td>12 38</td>
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<tr>
<td>Balance due on book</td>
<td>331 77</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$4,808 86</strong></td>
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<td>Interest paid Treasurer</td>
<td>$7 29</td>
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<td><strong>Total collected and paid treasurer</strong></td>
<td><strong>$4,472 00</strong></td>
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Respectfully submitted,

AZRO H. SCHOOLCRAFT,
Collector.

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### TREASURER’S REPORT

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<td>Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1917</td>
<td>$ 135 78</td>
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<td>Received of selectmen</td>
<td>1,218 34</td>
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<td>Received of collector</td>
<td>4,472 00</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$5,826 12</strong></td>
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<td>Paid by order of the selectmen</td>
<td>$5,817 45</td>
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<td>Cash on hand, Jan. 31, 1918</td>
<td>8 67</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$5,826 12</strong></td>
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Respectfully submitted,

FRANK W. BURNHAM,
Treasurer.
ABATEMENTS.

L. J. Goss, poor $2 00
Harold Ashley, paid in Concord 2 00
E. Patanode, cannot locate 2 95
Geo. Ricker, paid in Alexandria 2 00
Henry Williams, cannot locate 2 00
R. L. Moore, cannot locate 1 43
Total $12 38

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE N. BURNHAM,
HERBERT H. ASHLEY,
WILBUR MERRILL,
Selectmen of Dorchester.

We, the undersigned, having examined the accounts of the selectmen, treasurer, road agent, collector of taxes, and overseer of the poor, of the town of Dorchester, for the year ending Jan. 31, 1918, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. E. LEBRUN,
ALDEN B. CLOUGH,
Auditors.

Owing to a change in the school laws, there will be no school report this year.
VITAL STATISTICS

To the Selectmen of the town of Dorchester: In compliance with an Act of the Legislature, passed June Session, 1887, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual report," I hereby submit the following:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date of Marriage</th>
<th>Place of Marriage</th>
<th>Name and Surname of Groom and Bride</th>
<th>Residence of each at time of Marriage</th>
<th>Age in Years</th>
<th>Occupation of Groom and Bride</th>
<th>Place of Birth of each</th>
<th>Name of Parents</th>
<th>Birthplace of Parents</th>
<th>Occupation</th>
<th>Condition, No.</th>
<th>Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married</th>
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<tr>
<td>June 11 Keene</td>
<td>Dorchester</td>
<td>George S. Ashley</td>
<td>Dorchester</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>Loco'e fireman</td>
<td>Lawrence, M's.</td>
<td>Alfrew W. Ashley</td>
<td>P. E. Islands</td>
<td>Farmer</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Frederick A. Hatch, Methodist minister, Keene</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Glia Muriel Wheat</td>
<td>Keene</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>Musician</td>
<td>Woodsville</td>
<td>Minnie O'Mallie</td>
<td>Dorchester</td>
<td>Housewife</td>
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<td>George Wheat</td>
<td>Barre, Vt.</td>
<td>R. R. employee</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Jennie M. Wheat</td>
<td>Braintree, Vt.</td>
<td>Housekeeper</td>
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## DEATHS

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<tr>
<th>Place of Death</th>
<th>Name and Surname of the Deceased</th>
<th>Age</th>
<th>Place of Birth</th>
<th>Sex, Conditi'n</th>
<th>Occupation</th>
<th>Place of Birth</th>
<th>Name of Father</th>
<th>Maiden Name of Mother</th>
<th>Cause of Death</th>
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<tr>
<td>Jan. 7</td>
<td>M'rgaret J. Colburn</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>Lynn, Mass.</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>Housekeeper</td>
<td>Montreal, Can.</td>
<td>Hector Fraser</td>
<td>Nellie Munroe</td>
<td>Valvular dis. of b'rt</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Lucinda Johnston</td>
<td>60</td>
<td>Melbourne</td>
<td>W</td>
<td>Housewife</td>
<td>Belfast, Ire.</td>
<td>Mathew Fleming</td>
<td>Elizabeth Baxter</td>
<td>Carcinoma liver</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 18</td>
<td>Louis A. Delsart</td>
<td>74</td>
<td>New York City</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>Barber</td>
<td>New York</td>
<td>Lewis T. Delsart</td>
<td>Maria Augustine</td>
<td>Chron' Bright's dis'e</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 30</td>
<td>Henry M. Merrill</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>Dorchester</td>
<td></td>
<td>Laborer</td>
<td>Danbury</td>
<td>Charles Wheelock</td>
<td>Louisa Pollansbee</td>
<td>Valvular dis. of b'rt</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Robert C. Wheelock</td>
<td>77</td>
<td>Nova Scotia</td>
<td></td>
<td>Retired</td>
<td>Nova Scotia</td>
<td></td>
<td>Hannah Baker</td>
<td>Cerebr'l hemorrh'ge</td>
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Place of death: * Fort Sloeum, N. Y.

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

LEON H. MERRILL, Town Clerk.