



## ALTON

# TOWN REPORT

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### ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN. TREASURER CLERK AND SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

## TOWN OF ALTON

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1909

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#### TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN.

FRANK M. AYER.

WILLIAM H. BERRY,

OSCAR DUNCAN.

TOWN CLERK.

PERCY S. JONES.

TREASURER.

HERBERT J. JONES.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

CHARLES II. DOWNING

AUDITORS.

WILLIS P. EMERSON.

SUPERVISORS.

ELAM R. WRIGHT.

JOHN W. PROCTOR.

FRED L. HILL.

SCHOOL BOARD.

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS.

ALBERT J. JONES.

ALTA H. McDUFFEE.

FIRE WARDS

GEORGE W. PLACE.

ALONZO B. LANG.

CHARLES H. DOWNING.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

CHARLES E. FIFIELD, CHARLES E. HUTCHINS. FRANK M. AYER.

POLICE.

CONSTABLE,

EDWARD W. FRANCIS. GEORGE W. PLACE.

## Selectmen's Report.

#### VALUATION OF ALTON.

Real estate, number of acres, 35,605, value,		\$548,522.22	
Personal estate, including polls,		193,194.00	
Total value,			\$741,716.00
Polls,	352	\$100.00	\$35,200.00
Horses,	388	76.77	29,790.00
Oxen,	53	56.60	3,000.00
Cows,	597	27.54	16,645.00
Neat stock,	124	16.65	2,064.00
Sheep,	153	3.14	481.00
Fowls,	165	46	77.00
Hogs,	19	7.21	137.00
Carriages,	14	100.00	1,400.00
Stock in public fund	ls,		1,000.00
Stock in banks and	other	corporations,	1,700.00
Stock in trade,			68,750.00
Aqueducts,			12,000.00
Mills and machiner	ν,		7,750.00
Money on deposit.			500.00
Buildings not design	nated,		700.00
Power boats,	Í		12,000.00
Total,		b	\$193,194.00

Total amount of taxes raised,		\$13,350.89
State tax,	\$1,325.00	
County tax,	1,800.35	
School tax,	3,887.50	
Highway tax,	2,288.29	
Permanent improvement fund,	666.00	•
Fireman tax,	105.00	
Library tax,	159.50	
Town tax,	2,600.00	
Percentage,	519.25	
Total,		\$13,350.00
Tax on poll, \$1.80.		
RECEIPTS.		
Amount of taxes charged to collector,		\$13,350.89
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,	\$2,311.36	
1907 taxes due from collector,	1,486.48	
Willie E. Sanborn, int. on 1907 taxes,		
Received of F. M. Ayer, Everett Good	-	
ing heirs tax.	26.66	
Received of F. M. Ayer, Newman	ı	
Crowell '06 tax,	4.90	
Received of F. M. Ayer, C. Stella	ı	•
Bartlett, '07 tax,	8.33	
Received of F. M. Ayer, E. H. Bishop		
'07 tax,	5.23	
Received of F. M. Ayer, Mrs. David		
Blair, '07 tax,	2.04	
Received of F. M. Ayer, F. Flanders		
'02 tax,	1.85	
Received of F. M. Ayer, Clara Brown		
'05 tax,	4.06	a a

Received of F. M. Ayer, 10a Fortin,	
'07 tax,	26.30
Received of F. M. Ayer, J. G. W. Jones	
estate, '97, '01, '03, '04, '08 tax,	122.59
Received of F. M. Ayer, W. H. Clarke	
'04 tax,	4.50
Received of F. M. Ayer, Frank J. Stev-	
ens '07 tax,	3.21
Received of F. M. Ayer, James Y.	
Collins '07 tax,	1.79
Received of F. M. Ayer, Reuben Lamp-	200
rey '07 tax,	12.93
Received of F. M. Ayer, Mrs. Hen-	2.54
derson '07 tax,	1.54
Received of F. M. Ayer, Dudley Nelson	15.62
'07 tax,	10.02
Received of F. M. Ayer, Harris A.	5.34
Emerson '07 tax, Received of F. M. Ayer, Andrew J.	9.94
Gilman, '99 tax,	21.53
	21.00
Received of F. M. Ayer, Freeman L. Johnson '07 tax,	1.25
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1.20
Received of F. M. Ayer, Royal Cook	1.70
'06 tax,	1.62
Received of F. M. Ayer, E. F. Good-	2.00
win '00 tax,	3.06
Received of F. M. Ayer, Charles P.	
Hayes '01 tax,	4.35
Received of F. M. Ayer, Charles P.	
Hayes '02 tax,	22.50
Received of F. M. Ayer, John L.	
Brown, '97 tax,	4.29

Received of F. M. Ayer, Royal Cook	
'07 tax,	1 40
Received of F. M. Ayer,, Freeman	
Thompson '07 tax,	1.80
Received of F. M. Ayer, Belknap count	y. 218.00
Received of F. M. Ayer, railroad tax,	1,110.54
Received of F. M. Ayer, savings bank	
tax,	1,138.42
Received of F. M. Ayer, literary fund,	125.37
Received of F. M. Ayer, proportion of	
school fund,	300.00
Received of F. M. Ayer, S. J. Roney	
'04 tax,	1.77
Received of F. M. Ayer, S. J. Roney	
'07 tax,	1.29
Received of F. M. Ayer. William P.	
Hale '07 tax,	23 24
Received of F. M. Ayer, Edward	
Appleton '05 tax,	1.89
Received of F. M. Ayer, Smith Dudley	
'04, '05, '07 tax,	7.61
Received of F. M. Ayer, Harry L.	
Flanders '07 tax,	3.21
Received of F. M. Ayer, Nathaniel	
Cook '07 tax,	3.32
Received of F. M. Ayer, George E.	
Loeke '07 tax,	2.84
Received of F. M. Ayer, Mary E.	
Locke '07 tax,	16.35
Received of F. M. Ayer, John Davis	
'06 tax,	1.77
Received of F. M. Ayer, J. N. Shattuck	
'02 tax,	1.94

Received of F. M. Ayer, W. G. J.	
Perry '06-'07 tax,	3.89
Received of F. M. Ayer, G. F. Davis,	
on account '05 tax,	3.97
Received of F. M. Ayer, S. O. Walling-	
ford tax,	10,00
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis	
'99 tax,	44.96
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis	
'01 tax,	64.32
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis	
'02 tax,	63.04
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis	٠
'03 tax,	37.79
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis	
'04 tax,	59.36
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis	
'05 tax,	32.21
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis	
'06 tax,	44.66
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis	
'07 tax,	23.85
Received of F. M. Ayer, Nellie M.	22.0=
Twombly heirs '07 tax,	26.95
Received of F. M. Ayer, Leroy F.	01.10
Woodman '06-'07 tax,	21.10
Received of F. M. Ayer, Calvin S.	FF 70
Glidden '99 tax.	55.10
Received of F. M. Ayer, James M.	7.72
Jones '02 tax,	1.12
Received of F. M. Ayer, Clark Perkins heirs '99, '00, 01, '02, '05, '06, '07	
tax.	38.01
tax.	00.01

Received of F. M. Ayer, state board	
License Com. bal. '07, 4.	14
Received of F. M. Ayer, state board	
License Com., 168.	21
Received of Percy S. Jones, town clerk,	
dog license, 315.	60
Received of F. M. Ayer, Sarah J. I.	
Evans fund, 100.	00
Received of F. M. Ayer, Ruth Mitchell	
'00-'01 taxes, 53.	17
Received of F. M. Ayer, hall rent, 77.	00
Received of Steve Demetris, pedler's	
	00
Received of C. H. Downing, back taxes, 49.	
Received of Belknap county, 56.	94
Total,	\$21,803.21
EXPENDITURES.	
Paid Charles E. Tuttle, care hand engine,	\$10.00
Farmington News Co., printing reports,	43.60
Farmington News Co., printing ballots,	4.50
Farmington News Co., printing moth not	
Abbie M. Dore, watering tub, 1907,	3.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Pearl S. Bassett, librarian,	12.50
Edson C. Eastman, order, collector, a	nd
clerk books,	8.47
Mindwell Whitehouse, ind. on note,	75.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
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Alton E. L. & P. Co., lights for fountain	10.00

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M. H. Savage Post, Memorial appropriation,	50.00
Alonzo S. French, library appropriation,	159.50
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasolene,	26.43
Evans Furniture Co., curtains town hall,	24.85
Good Roads Mach. Co., repairs road machine,	17.50
Orrin Lamper, dog damage,	7.00
Pearl S. Bassett, librarian,	12.50
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Nelson Brackett, repairs at lobby,	5.00
Albert J. Jones, school supplies,	151.38
North East Metal Culvert Co., metal culverts,	183.33
Frank M. Ayer, extra firemen, Mt. Major fire,	47.92
Pearle S. Bassett, librarian,	12.50
Board of health, supplies,	25.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Margaret A. Wadleigh, ind. on note,	100.00
Orrin A. Lamper, dog damage,	30.00
Irad B. Gilman, repairing bridge,	19.35
Walter Tuttle, road work,	12.00
John Whitehouse, road work,	4.35
Clarence A. Horne, road work,	10.73
Albert Foster, road work,	3.22
Osear Duncan, road work,	23.65
Herman P. Horne, road work,	75.00
Charles W. Whitehouse, labor Cotton bridge,	45.00
Colby & Hill, bridge plank,	17.28
Alton E. L. & P. Co., lights on fountain,	10.00
Frank M. Ayer, janitor,	50.00
Frank M. Ayer, care of clock,	10.00
Cyrus Furber, sawing wood,	2.00
David E. Clough, labor and lumber,	5.25
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Frank S. Nutter, sheep damage,	20.00
Talli o, Titteel, sheep damage,	20.00

Andrew J. Ward, watering tub, '05, '06, '07,	9.00
George F. Glidden, bridge plank,	40.80
Charles E. Fifield, board of health expense,	37.00
Charles H. Tibbetts, sheep damage,	12.00
Fred H. Crocker, repairs on town hall,	5.94
Oscar Duncan, blacksmith work,	23.90
John Farquhars Sons, slate,	4.54
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasolene and man-	
tles,	32.55
Portsmouth Coal Pockets, coal,	65.84
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Mindwell Whitehouse, ind. on note,	75.00
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Paul E. Buckley, repairs town hall,	1.60
The Downing Co., drain pipe,	60.45
George W. Place, bridge plank,	135.38
George W. Place, coal,	4.18
George H. Fifield, teams fire dept.,	38.50
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Mrs. H. S. Gilman, librarian,	12.50
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., hydrants,	500.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Albert J. Jones, school supplies,	185.55
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Elam R. Wright, return of births and deaths,	3.50
George W. Place, expense at fire,	7.00
James Dobbins, snow guards on hall,	23.52
Alton E. L. P. Co., lights at fountains.	10.00
Gilman Snow Guard Co., snow guards and	
express,	12.20

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Lothrop & Pinkham, wax for hall,	270
J. H. Downing Co., supplies,	9.25
Charles E. Hutchins, board of health supplies,	5 96
J. B. Hunter, door eheck,	6.50
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Albert D. Merritt, wood,	8.00
Willie E. Sanborn, drawing coal,	2.20
Stella M. Francis, recording inventory,	15.00
Stella M. Francis, recording precinct inventory	, 5.00
E. W. Francis, dog officer,	12.75
E. W. Francis, care of tramps,	10.25
Jewell, Owen and Veasey, counsel,	13.00
Alonzo S. French, int. on Palmer fund,	17.50
Jacob Chamberlin, lumber,	3.60
Abbie M. Dore, watering tub, '08,	3.00
H. H. Bennett, labor and material,	5.90
Jones & Lamprey, supplies,	4.23
George W. Place, tramps,	48.50
George W. Place, food for tramps,	1.50
George W. Place, supplies,	12.00
L. G. Welch, supplies,	.60
Ira P. Mitchell, care L. S. Nute lot,	3.00
Willis P. Emerson, supplies,	2.18
Willis P. Emerson, clerk Hose No. 2,	120.70
Melville Adams, clerk Hose No. 1,	292.55
E. W. Cummings, return of marriages,	1.50
E. E. Colbath & Co., oil,	.75
Forest H. Rollins, watering tub, '08,	3.00
Frank A Varney, balance school money,	156.79
Arthur D. Rollins, flag pole and fixtures,	5.50
David H. Morrison, watering tub, '08,	
	$3.00 \\ 762.11$
H. J. Jones, insurance town hall,	100.00

Alton and Alton Bay Water Co., bal. on hy	
rants,	280.00
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., water town	hall, 19.00
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., supplies	at
fountain,	2.00
Police court, '07-'08,	24.00
Albert J. Jones, express on school supplies	1.30
F. M. Ayer, dinners March and November,	, '08, 3.60
F. M. Ayer, stamps and envelopes, mo	th
notices, '08,	3.75
F. M. Ayer, stamps and envelopes, mo	th
notices, '09,	6.05
F. M. Ayer, one day helping slater,	2.00
F. M. Ayer, car fare, tel., ex., and statione	ry, 9.96
F. M. Ayer, care order book,	5.00
F. M. Ayer, renting town hall,	3.00
Oscar Duncan, car fare,	.90
J. Jones & Son, supplies,	31.13
Edwin K. Jenkins, watering tub, '08,	3.00
Charles H. Downing, adjusting back taxes	
William H. Berry, use of team, '08-'09,	<b>15.</b> 00
F. M. Ayer, janitor,	27.00
F. M. Ayer, care of clock,	5.00
Solon A. Carter, state tax.	1,325.00
Stephen B. Cole, county tax,	1,800.35
Margaret A. Wadleigh, interest on note,	29.08
Cordelia M. Woodman, note and interest,	435.49
James W. Durgin, note and interest,	326.62
Sarah J. Clarke, note and interest,	108.87
John Q. Adams, note and interest,	108.87
Total,	\$13,390.75

#### PAUPERS.

Paid P. H. Wheeler, aid to Alvin Hoyt, town, Charles W. Emerson, aid to Alvin Hoyt, town Stephen H. Flanders, aid to Alvin Hoyt, town Frank M. Ayer, aid to Alvin Hoyt, town, Belknap county farm, board, Alvin Hoyt, tow Willis P. Emerson, aid to Mattie Hayes, count David E. Clough, aid to Clara Blackmore, county, Frank A. Varney, aid to Richard Merrill, county,	, 1.50 1.60 n, 13.57
Total,	\$111.61
DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIE Paid the J. H. Downing Co., county, W. P. Emerson, county,	S. \$106.00 81.00
Total,	\$187.00
TOWN OFFICERS.	
Paid Walter A. Lang, ballot inspector, '06, '07	
and '08,	\$6.00
Elam R. Wright, supervisor, '07 and '08,	22.00
Sylvester B. Huckins, supervisor, '07 and '08,	20.00
Charles B. Hutchins, board of health,	20.00
Charles E. Fifield, board of health,	13.30
Charles E. Fifield, probation officer,	15.00
Charles E. Fifield, truant officer,	4.00
Edward W. Francis, police officer,	7.00
George W. Place, constable,	13.00
George W. Place, fire ward,	<b>9</b> .00

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Laban G. Welch, supervisor, '07 and '08,	14.00
Charles H. McDuffee, selectman,	4.00
Lewis H. Lamprey, selectman,	3.00
Albert J. Jones, school board,	20.00
Alta H. McDuffee, school board,	30.00
Arthur D. Rollins, school board,	20.00
Frank A. Varney, school treasurer,	15.00
Frank A. Varney, ballot inspector,	6.00
Percy S. Jones, town clerk,	61.89
Waldo C. Varney, town clerk,	9.40
Herbert J. Jones, town treasurer,	50.00
Frank M. Ayer, overseer of poor,	15.00
Oscar Duncan, selectman,	\$1.00
Charles H. Downing, fire ward,	5.00
Charles H. Downing, collector,	185.00
William H. Berry, selectman.	75.00
Alonzo B. Lang, fire ward,	5.00
Frank M. Ayer, selectman,	101.00
Willis P. Emerson, auditor,	2.00
W. P. Peabody, auditor,	2.00
Total,	\$833.59
WINTER WORK ON HIGHWAY, 1907 AN	D 1908.
d Charles E. Fifield,	\$9.15
Herbert Glidden,	1.50
Fred W. Leach,	7.49
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Paid Charles E. Fifield,	\$9.15
Herbert Glidden,	1.50
Fred W. Leach,	7.49
Jacob Peterson,	<b>5.2</b> 0
George Elliott,	4.40
Lewis P. Varney,	1.95
Charles A. Barr,	.85
Calvin S. Glidden,	21.00

Ai T. Gilman,	23.62
Fred S. Gilman,	27.95
Fred I. Woodman,	8.00
Orin D. Glidden,	12.00
Frank Glidden.	6.60
Charles Clough,	4.67
Lewis E. Avery,	4.55
Selden H. Glidden,	5.00
John P. Leavitt,	1.35
Charles H. Moulton.	3.50
Sewell E. Roberts,	15.00
Frank Carpenter,	3.15
Fred E. Glidden,	40.38
Albert D. Morse,	30.96
Charles H. W. Jones,	30.50
George W. Lamper,	37.20
David and Orrin Lamper.	10.36
Willis E. Glidden,	12.35
Amanda Willard,	1.95
Thomas J. Alden,	7.35
Irad B. Gilman,	9.85
Charles D. Marston,	.60
Moses W. Flanders,	1.65
Harry L. Flanders,	.82
John Weeks,	4.79
Thomas J. Alden,	5.85
James B. Place,	5.17
Edwin A. Shagnon,	9.09
Cyrus Deane,	.30
Charles P. Hayes,	3.75
Fred Glidden,	3.00
Albert D. Varney,	5.70
John R. Tufts,	.75

Lester A. Young,		19.25
David H. Morrison,		$2.55^{\circ}$
Harry Morrison,		6.20
George W. Morrison,		7.85
Seth H. Kimball,		5.10
William Shaw,		1.80
Seth E. Rollins,		6.08'
Calvin Rollins,		7.06
Seth E. Grant,		6.30
Harison B. Ricker,		$8.85^{\circ}$
Frank H. Emerson,		.75
Levi G. Page,		6.23
Calvin H. Flanders,		4.73
Morris L. Flanders,		4.80
Dana Bradley,		.90
John McPhee,		2.40
Alonzo B. Lang,		4.35
Charles G. Drew,	•	3.00
Willie M. Stevens,		3.60
George W. Colbath,		3.40
Andrew J. Gilman,		4.60
Forrest H. Rollins,		8.40
George W. Place,		36.30
Hadley F. Gilman,		$23.50^{\circ}$
George H. Fifield,		12.00
George W. Gerrish,		.45
Charles Y. Thyng,		.30
Ira W. Mitchell,		4.00
Lewis A. Proctor,		4.50
Edwin K. Jenkins,		1.20
Edgar P. Seward,		1.50
Romeyn B. Hurd,		7.13
C. C. Rines heirs,		12.45

Nathaniel Phillips,	4.95
Stephen Shagnon,	10.80
George Shagnon,	2.25
Hiram O. Tuttle,	3.30
George W. Rollins,	8.40
Enos G. Rollins,	2.00
George S. Chamberlin,	5.40
Robert A. Frohock,	14.44
W. Allen Varney,	2.10
Percy H. Walker,	3.95
Jonathan L. Rollins,	6.80
Stephen P. Barnes,	2.85
Hervey G. Hayes,	1.80
Albert H. Hayes,	3.10
Joseph A. Mooney,	1.20
Julian Emerson,	.83
Edwin O. Prescott,	5.20
George W. Horne,	1.75
Velzora A. Dealand,	5.80
Sylvester B. Huckins,	9.70
John F. Hanson,	1.25
William H. Berry,	2.40
Frank L. Furber,	5.00
Ira C. Chamberlain,	7.15
Harold A. Dunnells,	5.89

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND	DISBURS	SEMENTS.
Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1908,	\$2,311.36	
Total receipts during the year,	19,491.85	
Total,		\$21,803.21
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Total disbursements during the year,	\$18,652.66	
Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1909,	$3,\!149.55$	
Total,		\$21,803.21
DEBT.		
Liabilities, Feb. 15, 1908,	\$7,133.15	
Assets, Feb. 15, 1908,	3,842.76	
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1908,		\$3,290.39
Liabilities, Feb. 15, 1909,	\$4,865.82	
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Assets, Feb. 15, 1909,	3,915.45	
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Assets, Feb. 15, 1909,  Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,	3,915.45	\$950.37
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,	3,915.45	
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,  Decrease of debt,	3,910.40	\$950.37 \$2,340.02
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,  Decrease of debt,  RECEIPTS.	-	
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Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,  Decrease of debt,  RECEIPTS.  Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,  Taxes received from collector,	\$2,311.36 13,350.89	
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,  Decrease of debt,  RECEIPTS.  Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,  Taxes received from collector,  Railroad tax,	\$2,311.36 13,350.89 1,110.54	
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,  Decrease of debt,  RECEIPTS.  Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,  Taxes received from collector,  Railroad tax,  Savings bank tax,	\$2,311.36 13,350.89 1,110.54 1,138.42	
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,  Decrease of debt,  RECEIPTS.  Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,  Taxes received from collector,  Railroad tax,  Savings bank tax,  Literary fund,	\$2,311.36 13,350.89 1,110.54 1,138.42 125.37	
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,  Decrease of debt,  RECEIPTS.  Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,  Taxes received from collector,  Railroad tax,  Savings bank tax,  Literary fund,  Proportion of school fund,	\$2,311.36 13,350.89 1,110.54 1,138.42 125.37 300.00	
Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,  Decrease of debt,  RECEIPTS,  Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,  Taxes received from collector,  Railroad tax,  Savings bank tax,  Literary fund,  Proportion of school fund,  Belknap county, for support of paupe	\$2,311.36 13,350.89 1,110.54 1,138.42 125.37 300.00 rs, 274.94	
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DISBURSEMENTS.	٦	
Town paupers,	\$22.67	
County paupers,	95.94	
Town officers,	833.59	
Highway, summer work,	2,695.31	
Highway, winter work,	729.14	
Supplies for schools,	336.93	
Damage by dogs,	69.00	
State tax,	1,325.00	
County tax,	1,800.35	
Fireman tax,	105.00	
Memorial appropriation,	50.00	
Town notes and interest,	2,021.04	
Support of schools,	4,656.79	
Abatement 1907 taxes,	21.29	
Abatement 1908 taxes,	62.86	
Dependent soldiers and families,	187.00	
Miscellaneous,	3,641.75	
Total,		\$18,653.66
Excess of receipts over disbursements,	_	3,149.55
Total,		\$21,803.21
ASSETS.		
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1909,	\$3,149.55	
Balance due from Belknap county,	45.92	
Metal culverts on hand,	46.60	
Due from C. F. Rand estate,	33.00	

Due from back taxes bought by town,

Due from 1908 taxes bought by town,

\$3,915.45

596.88

43.50

#### LIABILITIES.

Due sundry parties on notes,	\$4,111.56	
School literary fund,	125.37	
School, balance dog money,	233.85	
Unexpended balance of permanent i	im-	
provement fund.	395.04	
Total indebtedness of town.		\$4.865.82
DOG LICENSI	ES.	
Cash received for dog licenses.		\$315.60
PAYMENTS.	,	
Damage by dogs,	\$69.00	•
Expenses collecting,	12.75	
Balance due schools,	233.85	
Total,		\$315.60
TRUST FUND	S.	
Carrie B. Nute, cemetery fund,	\$150.00	
Eveline L. Palmer, library fund,	500.00	
Sarah J. I. Evans, cemetery fund,	100.00	
Total,		\$750.00
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The foregoing report contains a synopsis of our financial transactions for the past official year.

Respectfully submitted without an apology,

FRANK M. AYER, WILLIAM H. BERRY, OSCAR DUNCAN,

Selectmen of Alton.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON, WILLIAM P. PEABODY.

Auditors.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1909.

## Report of Treasurer.

1908			
March	16	Balance cash in treasury.	\$2.311.36
		Received of W. E. Sanborn, col-	
		lector '07,	606.20
March	28	Received of W. E. Sanborn, col-	
		lector, '07.	143.30
April	13	Received of W. E. Sanborn, coi-	
		lector, '07,	125.71
June	13	Received of W. E. Sanborn, col-	
		lector, '07,	27.55
June	17	Received of C. H. Downing, col-	
		lector,	475.00
July	28	Received of P. S. Jones, dog licenses,	276.00
Aug.	1	Received of State License Commis-	
		sioners, '07 balance,	4.14
Aug.	1	Received of State License Commis-	
		sioners, 1908 licenses,	168.21
Aug.	3	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	200.00
Aug.	15	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	300.00
Aug.	17	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	200.00
Aug.	27	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	300.00
Sept.	12	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	125.00
Sept.	19	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	400.00
Sept.	30	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	79.37

Oct.	10	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	650.00
Nov.	14	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	800.00
Nov.	19.		122.59
			9.50
Nov.	28	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	200.00
T	4	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	
Dec.	1	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	625.00
Dec.	7	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	1,000.00
Dec.	16	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	1,300.00
		Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	218.00
Dec.	26	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	300.00
Dec.	28	Received of F. M. Ayer, R. R. tax,	1,110.54
		Received of F. M. Ayer, savings	
		bank tax,	1,138.42
		Received of F. M. Ayer, literary fund,	125.37
		Received of F. M. Ayer, school fund,	300.00
Dec.	29	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	200.00
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Jan.	2	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	150.00
Jan.	4	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	59.65
Jan.	11	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	1,000.00
Jan.	22	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	72.42
Jan.	25	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	369.29
Feb.	1	Received of P. S. Jones, dog licenses,	39.60
Fеb.	6	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	1,467.71
		Received of Stev Demetris, license,	8.00
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	100.00
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Aver, selectman.	190.09
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	77.00
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	109.65
Feb.	15	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	130.89
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman.	56.94
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#### CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDER.

1908.

March	20 Pai	id Charles E. Tuttle,	\$10.00
March	21	Farmington News,	50.60
March :	28	Abbie M. Dore,	3.00
April	3	F. A. Varney,	500.00
April	6	Pearle S. Bassett,	12.50
April	6	Edson C. Eastmon,	8.47
April 2	20	Mindwell Whitehouse,	75.00
April 2	27	William H. Berry,	40.00
April 2	28	Oscar Duncan,	50.00
May	1	F. A. Varney,	500.00
May 2	22	F. A. Varney,	500.00
May 2	25	Alton Electric Light Co.,	10.00
May 2	29	M. H. Savage Post,	50.00
June	6	A. S. French,	159.50
June	9	Irad B. Gilman	19.35
		The J. H. Downing Co.,	36.00
June 1	.1	Gilbert & Barker Manf'g Co.,	26.43
June 1	.2	Evans Furniture Co.,	24.85
		Good Roads Machine Co.,	17.50
		W. A. Lang,	6.00
June 1	.3	Orrin Lamper,	7.00
June 1	.5 .	Pearle S. Bassett,	12.50
	.7	F. A. Varney,	500.00
June 1	.8	Nelson Brackett,	5.00
June 2	26	Albert J. Jones,	151.38
	26	Walter Tuttle,	12.00
June 2	26	John Whitehouse,	4.35
	26	C. A. Horne,	10.73
	9	Albert Foster,	3.22
July 2	21	S. B. Cole, county treasurer,	
		per receipt,	900.18

July         28         F. M. Ayer,         47.92           Aug.         5         Oscar Duncan,         23.65           Sept.         17         Pearle S. Bassett,         12.50           Sept.         19         Herman P. Horne,         75.00           Sept.         19         Board of health,         25.00           Oct.         1         F. A. Varney,         500.00           Oct.         5         Margaret A. Wadleigh,         100.00           Oct.         5         Orren A. Lamper,         30.00           Oct.         5         Charles W. Whitehouse,         45.00           Oct.         5         Colby & Hill,         17.28           Oct.         5         Alton Electric Light Co.,         10.00           Oct.         5         W. H. Berry,         15.00           Oct.         5         W. H. Berry,         15.00           Oct.         5         F. M. Ayer,         60.00           Oct.         23         Cyrus Furber,         2.00           Oct.         23         David E. Clough,         5.25           Oct.         28         F. A. Varney,         500.00           Nov.         3	July	23	New England Metal Culvert Co.,	183.33
Aug. 5         Osear Dunean,         23.65           Sept. 17         Pearle S. Bassett,         12.50           Sept. 19         Herman P. Horne,         75.00           Sept. 19         Board of health,         25.00           Oct. 1         F. A. Varney,         500.00           Oct. 5         Margaret A. Wadleigh,         100.00           Oct. 5         Orren A. Lamper,         30.00           Oct. 5         Charles W. Whitehouse,         45.00           Oct. 5         Charles W. Hill,         17.28           Oct. 5         Charles W. H. Berry,         15.00           Oct. 5         W. H. Berry,         60.00           Oct. 5         W. H. Berry,         60.00           Oct. 23         Cyrus Furber,         2.00           Oct. 23         David E. Clough,         5.25           Oct. 28         F. A. Varney,         500.00           Nov. 3         Frank S. Nutter,         20.00	_	28	F. M. Ayer,	47.92
Sept. 19         Herman P. Horne,         75.00           Sept. 19         Board of health,         25.00           Oet. 1         F. A. Varney,         500.00           Oet. 5         Margaret A. Wadleigh,         100.00           Oet. 5         Orren A. Lamper,         30.00           Oet. 5         Colby & Hill,         17.28           Oet. 5         Colby & Hill,         17.28           Oet. 5         Alton Electric Light Co.,         10.00           Oet. 5         W. H. Berry,         15.00           Oet. 5         F. M. Ayer,         60.00           Oet. 23         Cyrus Furber,         2.00           Oet. 23         David E. Clough,         5.25           Oet. 28         F. A. Varney,         500.00           Nov. 3         Frank S. Nutter,         20.00           Nov. 4         Andrew J. Ward,         9.00           Nov. 5         George F. Glidden,         40.80           Nov. 9         Charles E. Fifield,         37.00           Nov. 13         Charles H. Tibbetts,         12.00           Nov. 13         Grarles H. Tibbetts,         12.00           Nov. 13         Grarles W. Barker Co.,         32.55           Nov.		5	Oscar Duncan,	23.65
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Nov.       7       George F. Glidden,       40.80         Nov.       9       Charles E. Fifield,       37.00         Nov.       13       Charles H. Tibbetts,       12.00         Nov.       13       Fred H. Croeker,       5.94         Nov.       13       Oscar Duncan,       23.90         Nov.       13       John Farquhar & Son.       4.54         Nov.       13       Gilbert & Barker Co.,       32.55         Nov.       19       Portsmouth Coal Pockets,       65.84         Nov.       19       P. H. Wheeler,       4.50         Nov.       19       Stephen H. Flanders,       1.50         Nov.       19       F. M. Ayer Co.,       1.60         Nov.       24       Clarence Spinney,       5.00	Nov.	3	Frank S. Nutter,	20.00
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Nov.       13       Charles H. Tibbetts,       12.00         Nov.       13       Fred H. Croeker,       5.94         Nov.       13       Oscar Duncan,       23.90         Nov.       13       John Farquhar & Son.       4.54         Nov.       13       Gilbert & Barker Co.,       32.55         Nov.       19       Portsmouth Coal Pockets,       65.84         Nov.       19       P. H. Wheeler.       4.50         Nov.       19       Charles W. Emerson.       1.50         Nov.       19       Stephen H. Flanders,       1.50         Nov.       19       F. M. Ayer Co.,       1.60         Nov.       24       Clarence Spinney,       5.00	Nov.	7	George F. Glidden,	40.80
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Nov 24 F A Varney 500.00			Clarence Spinney,	
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Nov.	25	Elam R. Wright,	22.00
Nov.	28	Sylvester B. Huckins,	20.00
Nov.	28	Mindwell Whitehouse,	75.00
Nov.	28	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Nov.	30	Paul E. Buckley,	1.60
Nov.	30	The J. H. Downing Co.,	50.00
Nov.	30	The Downing Co.,	60.45
Nov.	30	George W. Place,	135.38
Nov.	30	George W. Place,	4.18
Dec.	3	W. P. Emerson,	66.00
Dec.	3	W. P. Emerson,	66.00
Dec.	3	George H. Fifield,	38.50
Dec.	5	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Dec.	12	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Dec.	12	Mrs. Harold S. Gilman,	12.50
Dec.	16	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co.,	500.00
Dec.	17	F. A. Varney,	500.00
Dec.	19	Albert J. Jones,	185.55
Dec.	19	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Dec.	26	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Dec.	28	Solon A. Carter, state tax, per	
		receipt,	1,325.00
Dec.	30	S. B. Cole, county treasurer,	
		per receipt,	900.17
190	9.		
Jan.	2	Elam R. Wright,	3.50
Jan.	4	George W. Place,	7.00
Jan.	4	James Dobbins,	23.52
Jan.	4	Alton Electric Light Co.,	10.00
Jan.	4	Gilman Snow Guard Co.,	12.20
Jan.	4	Lothrops & Pinkham,	2.70
Jan.	8	The J. H. Downing Co.,	9.25
Jan	14	Chas. E. Hutchins,	25.96

Jan.	15	J. B. Hunter Co.,	6.50
Jan.	23	F. A. Varney,	500.00
Feb.	4	Albert DeMerritt,	8.00
Feb.	4	Charles E. Fifield,	32.30
Feb.	4	The J. H. Downing Co.,	20.00
Feb.	8	Willie E. Sanborn,	2.20
Feb.	8	Belknap county farm,	13.57
Feb.	8	Stella M. Francis,	20.00
Feb.	8	E. W. Francis,	30.00
Feb.	8	Jewell, Owen & Veasey,	13.00
Feb.	8	A. S. French,	17.50
Feb.	8	Jacob Chamberlain,	3.60
Feb.	11	Abbie M. Dore,	3.00
Feb.	11	David E. Clough,	1.00
Feb.	11	H. H. Bennett,	5.90
Feb.	11	Jones & Lamprey,	4.23
Feb.	13	George W. Place,	84.00
Feb.	13	L. G. Welch,	14.60
Feb.	13	Ira Mitchell,	3.00
Feb.	13	Willis P. Emerson,	15.00
Feb.	13	Willis P. Emerson,	15.00
Feb.	13	Willis P. Emerson,	2.18
Feb.	13	Willis P. Emerson,	120.70
Feb.	13	Melville Adams,	292.55
Feb.	13	Frank A. Varney,	2.04
Feb.	13	Edwin W. Cummings,	1.50
Fēb.	13	C. H. McDuffee,	4.00
Feb.	13	Lewis H. Lamprey,	3.00

Feb.	13	S. E. Colbath & Co.,	.75
Feb.	13	Forest H. Rollins,	3.00
Feb.	13	F. A. Varney,	156.79
Feb.	13	A. J. Jones,	20.00
Feb.	13	Alta H. McDuffee,	30.00
Feb.	15	Arthur D. Rollins,	20.00
Feb.	15	Arthur D. Rollins,	5.50
Feb.	15	David H. Morrison,	3.00
Feb.	15	F. A. Varney,	21.00
Feb.	15	F. A. Varneỳ	4.90
Feb.	15	Percy S. Jones,	61.89
Feb.	15	A. S. French (executor) ,	762.11
Feb.	15	Alton police court,	24.00
Feb.	15	W. C. Varney,	9.40
Feb.	15	H. J. Jones,	100.00
Feb.	15	Alton & Alton Bay Water Work	
		Co.,	301.00
Feb.	15	H. J. Jones,	50.00
Feb.	15	A. J. Jones,	1.30
Feb.	15	Oscar Duncan,	31.90
Feb.	15	J. Jones & Son,	31.13
Feb.	15	C. H. Downing,	190.00
Feb.	15	A. B. Lang,	5.00
Feb.	15	Edward K. Jenkins,	3.00
Feb.	15	C. H. Downing,	15.00
Feb.	15	W. H. Berry,	35.00
Feb.	15	F. M. Ayer,	32.00
Feb.	15	F. M. Ayer,	33.36

Feb.	15	F. M. Ayer,	116.00
Feb.	15	Margaret A. Wadleigh,	29.08
Feb.	15	Cordelia M. Woodman,	435.49
Feb.	15	James W. Durgin,	326.62
Feb.	15	Sarah J. Clark,	108.87
Feb.	15	John Q. Adams,	108.87
Feb.	15	Willis P. Emerson,	2.00
Feb.	15	W. P. Peabody,	2.00
	Tota	- ıl,	\$14,522.95
Balance in treasury,			3,149.55

\$17.672.50

#### HERBERT J. JONES, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON, W. P. PEABODY,

Auditors.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1909.

## School Report.

In conformity to the statute requirements, the school board herewith submits the following as their twenty-second annual report of the public schools of the town of Alton.

#### W. ALTON.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Grace H. Rollins; fall term of nineteen weeks, taught by Grace H. Rollins.

#### MOUNTAIN.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Carolyn E. May; fall term of nine weeks, taught by Carrie C. Paul; and threee weeks taught by Bertha M. Stevens.

#### CLOUGH.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Elizabeth R. Johnson; fall term of eighteen weeks, taught by Martha Savage.

#### McDuffee.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Eva M. Harris; fall term of nineteen weeks, taught by Eula M. Presby.

#### HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Nelson S. Mitchell and Fannie G. de Dochemont, assistant. Full

term of fifteeen weeks, taught by Percy E. Gleason and Fannie G. de Rochemont, assistant. The winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

#### GRAMMAR.

Spring term of eleven weeks and fall term of fifteen weeks, taught by Grace E. Lord. The winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

#### INTERMEDIATE.

Spring term of eleven weeks, and fall term of fifteen weeks, taught by Margaret H. Manning. A winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

#### PRIMARY.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Bertha M. Stevens; fall and winter terms of fifteen and ten weeks respectively, taught by Leila F. Hussey.

#### BAY.

A spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Elizabeth T. Whitehouse; fall term of nineteen weeks, taught by Elizabeth M. Hardy.

#### RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of district treasurer,	\$366.88
Raised by tax for support of schools,	3,187.50
Raised by tax for repairs,	50.00
Raised by tax for High school.	300.00
Raised by tax for grade schools.	350.00
Literary fund,	117.12
Dog tax,	252.17

State (school supervision),	300.00
Tuition from Mr. Munsey,	20.50
Railroad tax,	100.00
	\$5.044.17
Due from Mark Harris,	10.50

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid teachers' salaries	\$3,131.00	
fuel and fitting same,	228.38	
janitor,	205.39	
superintendent,	583.33	
repairs,	42.35	
tuition to other towns,	60.00	
transportation of school children.	407.00	
miscellancous,	134.76	
Bal. in hands of district treasurer,	251.96	
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\$5,044.17

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS, ALTA H. McDUFFEE, ALBERT J. JONES, School Board of Alton.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON, WILLIAM P. PEABODY,

Auditors.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1909.

# School District Treasurer's Report.

#### CASH RECEIVED.

CASH RECEIVED.			
1908			
March	20.	Balance in treasury,	\$366.88
April	3.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
May	1.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
	22.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
June	17.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
Oct.	1.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
	28.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
Nov.	24.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
Dec.	17.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
1909	).		
Jan.	23.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
Feb.	15.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	56.79
	15.	Received railroad money,	100.00
	16.	Received of Mr. Munsey for tuition,	20.50
		\$	5,044.17
CASH PAID OUT.			
1908.			
March	20.	Paid B. L. Blaisdell,	\$21.25
	9.1	Porthe M Stevens	60.00

1908			
March	20.	Paid B. L. Blaisdell,	\$21.25
	24.	Bertha M. Stevens,	60.00
April	4.	E. O. Prescott,	2.75
	6.	Grace E. Lord,	40.00

T	6.	Fannie G. De Rochemont.	40.00
	10.	Nelson S. Mitchell,	65.00
	10.	Margaret Manning,	50.00
	10.	C. A. Twombly,	50.00
	17.	Charles H. Davis,	7.15
	17.	Julian Emerson,	9.00
	22.	Harry L. Moore,	113.32
	24.	George A. Dore,	2.00
	29.	Leroy Woodman,	6.00
May	1.	B. L. Blaisdell,	27.19
	1.	Elizabeth T. Whitehouse,	28.00
	1.	Bertha M. Stevens,	40.00
	1.	Margaret II. Manning.	40.00
	1.	Grace E. Lord,	40.00
	2.	Carolyn E. May,	32.00
	2.	Fannie G. De Rochemont.	40.00
	2.	Elizabeth R. Johnson,	28.00
	4.	Nelson S. Mitchell,	65.00
	6.	C. H. W. Jones,	2.50
	6	Chas. H. Davis,	7.15
	6	Eva M. Harris,	28.00
	11	F. N. Merrill,	30.00
	16	W. Allen Varney,	15.00
	16	B. L. Blaisdell,	10.00
	17	Louie M. Small,	35.00
	22	Grace E. Lord,	30.00
	22	Fannie G. de Rochmont,	30.00
	23	Nelson S. Mitchell,	130.00
	29	Carolyn E. May,	32.00
	29	B. L. Blaisdell,	10.00
	29	Bertha M. Stevens,	40.00
	29	Eva M. Harris,	28.00
June	3	Elizabeth Johnson,	28.00

ī	4	H. L. Moore,	56.66
	4	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00
•	16	Elizabeth T. Whitehouse,	14.00
	19	Margaret H. Manning,	45.00
	19	Nelson S. Mitchell,	65.00
	19	Grace E. Lord,	\$40.00
	19	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	40.00
	19	Elizabeth Johnson,	21.00
	20	Raymond C. Duncan,	12.50
	20	Eva M. Harris,	21.00
	20	Allen Varney.	25.00
	20	Louie M. Small,	42.00
	20	B. L. Blaisdell,	19.50
	26	Carolyn C. Varney,	20.00
	27	Gilman & Cotton,	60.00
	27	Ai T. Gilman,	105.00
	29	Carolyn E. May,	24.00
	29	Farmington News,	6.00
July	1	I. W. Mitchell,	3.00
	2	H. L. Moore,	113.35
	2	H. L. Moore,	7.75
	6	Elizabeth T. Whitehouse.	35.00
	24	Bertha M. Stevens,	10.00
Aug.	11	Raymond C. Dunean,	6.57
	12	Forest Rollins,	1.85
Sept.	4	H. L. Barr,	35.00
	10	B. L. Blaisdell,	12.95
	22	Chas. H. Davis,	7.15
	25	Percy E. Gleason,	20.00
Oct.	1	Jones & Lamprey,	87.32
	2	Percy E. Gleason,	45.00
	2	Fannie G. de Rochemont.	40.00
	2	Grace E. Lord,	40.00

ħ	2	Leila F. Hussey,	36.00
	2	Elizabeth M. Hardy,	28.00
	2	Eula M. Presbry	28.00
	2	B. L. Blaisdell,	20.00
1	3	Margaret H. Manning.	40.00
	3	H. L. Moore,	60.00
	6	Allen Varney,	20.00
	8	Dorothy R. Palmer,	28.00
	8	Dorothy R. Palmer,	7.00
	15	Percy E. Gleason,	25.00
	23	Martha Atkinson,	33.80
	31	Albert S. Emerson,	.90
	31	Grace H. Rollins,	30.00
	31	Grace E. Lord,	40.00
	31	Leila F. Hussey,	36.00
	31	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00
	31	Percy E. Gleason,	40.00
Nov.	3	Eula M. Presbry,	28.00
	31	B. L. Blaisdell,	21.50
	3	Allen Varney,	20.00
	5	Fannie G. de Rochemont.	14.00
	6	Elizabeth M. Hardy,	28.00
	9	Carrie E. Paul,	67.20
	21	Grace H. Rollins,	47.00
	24	Percy E. Gleason,	65.00
	24	Grace E. Lord,	40.00
	24	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	40.00
	24	Leila F. Hussey,	36.00
	25	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00
	25	Allen Varney,	15.00
	28	B. L. Blaisdell,	21.50
Dec.	5	Harry L. Moore,	60.00
	5	Eula M. Presbry,	28.00

f	8	Elizabeth Hardy,	21.00
	8	Martha Savage,	35.00
	11	Wolfeboro school district,	22.50
	11	Alta H. McDuffee,	5.00
	18	H. L. Moore,	11.80
	18	H. L. Moore,	60.00
	18	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	30.00
	18	Grace E. Lord,	30.00
	18	Leila F. Hussey,	27.00
	15	Percy E. Gleason,	75.75
	18	Percy E. Gleason,	1.90
	19	Margaret H. Manning.	30.00
	19	B. L. Blaisdell,	15.00
	24	Julian Emerson,	5.00
	25	Elbridge Ellis,	15.00
	25	Martha Savage,	28.00
	28	Bertha M. Stevens,	24.00
	28	Elizabeth M. Hardy,	28.00
1909	9.		
Jan.	4	W. Allen Varney,	20.00
	1	Eula M. Presbry,	28.00
	12	Ai T. Gilman,	75.00
	23	Percy E. Gleason,	15.00
	23	Elizabeth M. Hardy,	28.00
	23	Eula M. Presby,	21.00
	23	W. Allen Varney,	20.00
	25	Martha G. Savage,	28.00
	27	G. W. Place,	76.66
	28	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	40.00
	28	Grace E. Lord,	40.00
	30	Leila F. Hussey,	36.00
	30	B. L. Blaisdell,	21.50
Feb.	4	Margaret H. Manning.	40.00

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9	Percy E. Gleason,	75.25
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3	H. L. Moore,	60.00
6	B. L. Blaisdell,	5.00
6	Julian Emerson,	2.50
$\vec{o}$	Grace H. Rollins,	56.00
9	New Durham school district,	7.50
9	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	10.00
9	Grace E. Lord,	10.00
9	Leila F. Hussey,	9.00
10	Margaret H. Manning,	10.00
12	Chas. H. Jones,	3.00
12	George Locke,	5.00
12	Cyrus Furber,	1.00
12	Jones & Lamprey,	13.91
15	H. L. Moore,	60.00
15	S. E. Colbath & Co.,	1.75
15	A. D. Rollins,	13.85
15	A. D. Varney,	8.00
16	J. Jones & Son,	4.82
16	Alton and Alton Bay W. Co.,	11.75
16	W. E. Sanborn,	1.50
Total,		\$4,792.21
Balance	in treasury,	251.96
Total,		\$5,044.17

### FRANK A. VARNEY,

Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

W. P. EMERSON, W. P. PEABODY, Auditors.

## Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Board and Citizens of Alton:

I herewith submit to you my second annual report as superintendent of your public schools.

### ATTENDANCE.

Following the spirit of my last report, special effort has been made to encourage the children to a more regular and punctual attendance. A notable improvement over last year may be observed, yet in a few cases much is still to be desired. Below is a comparison of the attendance record for the fall terms of 1907 and 1908:

High 91.9%	West	74.8%	
Grammar 90.8 Intermediate 93.9	Clough McDuffee		
Primary 92.4	Mountain .		
D	1907 1908		
.bay	 85.6%		

### THE BAY SCHOOL.

Owing to the increased number of children at the Bay, the school was re-opened for the spring term with an average membership of fifteen pupils. It has since been in session. Twelve pupils are now enrolled.

The work of the school has been confined to that of the first five grades, and made as far as possible identical with that of like grades at the village. Pupils completing the fifth grade here pass to the sixth grade at the village. In

this way it has been conducted as a semi-graded school. But it is plainly impossible to do the same work with equal efficiency. The school year is shorter by six weeks, and the teacher has charge of five grades instead of three.

### REPAIRS.

A few minor repairs have been made during the year. Some changes are still needed at West Alton and the McDuffee school. But the question of special importance at present is that of better and more adequate accommodations for the village. The school building is filled to its full seating capacity. In the grammar room, desks have been installed until there is no room for more. The school in the block must seek new quarters at the beginning of another year. The matter has now become one of more than temporary expediency; it is one of permanent educational and financial policy.

Either a substantial addition to the present building could be erected, or a new building entire. The first, if properly constructed, would meet all present needs at comparatively small expense; the other would give to Alton a permanent public building to which she could point with pride, and would provide for her children a school home equal to the best.

### MEMBERSHIP.

The general movement of school membership is towards the center and the graded schools. This is universally true and has been for many years. The following table shows the trend in Alton, based upon average membership for the fall terms, 1907 and 1908:

	1907	1908	1	1907	1908
Grammar	. 27.08%	29.27%	Mountain	. 18.38%	15.62%
Inter.	. 26.09	22.38	West .	. 9.39	7.63
Primary.	. 29.02	30.81	Clough .	. 9.96	10.21
Bay .		11.53	McDuffee	. 7.23	9.88

This shows a gain of 14 per cent. in the village schools, and a loss of 3 per cent. in the districts.

### CO-OPERATION.

The habit of persistent attention to duty, beyond its effect upon the child's daily work, forms in itself an essential part of his education, a part that determines quite largely the degree of his success in after life. With few children this habit is natural and easily formed; but with most it is developed only through the constant vigilance of parents and teacher. Thus the vital importance of cooperation the one with the other in the work and discipline of the school. Whatever is allowed to weaken this cooperation by so much weakens the possibilities of the child. Whatever leads to open opposition paves the way to a narrow, discontented citizen twenty years hence; narrow through his false impressions of duty and authority, discontented because in his limited vision he is ever out of harmony with his environment. The parent who openly ceases to support the discipline of the school, and allows his words of criticism and abuse to fall upon the ears of his children not only seriously injures the school, but does more. I believe, to blight the future possibilities of his children than the most efficient instruction can ever regain. A child's respect for all that the school stands for may be permanently weakened and often totally destroyed by a parent's single criticism. Criticize the school if it needs it, but never within hearing of the child. Parents have reason to expect much from the school, but never more than they are willing to contribute in encouragement and support.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

Our high school has again been approved by the state department and commended for its work, which in every the partiment was satisfactory. The adoption of a second of English course has justified itself by an added interest and a nearer approach to the real requirements of the students. A more business-like attitude prevails, with less desire to drop studies or change courses. Each study is recognized as having its proper place, to be satisfactorily completed before credit can be received. This is adding much to the school's strength and character. Eleven pupils entered in September on examination, ten from our own schools and one from Gilmanton.

A student is now promoted and graduated according to points or credits. At the end of each year he receives as many credits for each study satisfactorily completed as there have been recitation periods per week in that study. For full work, he must take twenty periods per week, which entitles him to twenty credits at the close of the vear. Eighty credits are required for graduation.

In case a student fails in one study he is promoted conditionally, and repeats that study. Should he fail in two or more studies, he remains in his class another year, repeating, however, only the work in which he has failed, possibly taking in addition one or two studies in the next succeeding class, according to his standing and ability. Thus a student receives credit for just what he has done, and at no time is he obliged to repeat a study in which he has done satisfactory work. He may complete his course of eighty credits in three, four, or five years.

The high school of the present stands as an open door to every child in the state. It offers, aside from preparation for college, a continued four years' training during a period in life most susceptible to potent influences for success and right living. It is waking up the ambitious boy and girl of the farm and the village to new opportunities and giving them a start. The small high school is doing a great good in this respect, one that common terms can never measure.

But does the town reap its due proportion of the benefit? Probably not. The drift of high school graduates is usually away to the larger centers. The school, of course, in so far as it awakens ambition and prepares for possibilities foreign to the life of the town is responsible. To offset this drain, I believe the school in time can do much. It can bring its work into closer touch with that of the community which it serves. Children educated to home industries are more apt to remain at home to enrich the life and citizenship of their native town.

Every high school should maintain its college preparatory course, and every encouragement be given to those able and desiring to enter college. But what of the boy, the girl whose school training ends at our hands? We should offer to him an equal chance. It is to him that the educational thought of the present is being directed. Is he surrounded by manufacturing interests; they offer him a course including the mechanic arts. Does he live in a business center; they direct his training towards the essentials of commercial life. Is his home and interest on the farm; then let us assist him to a knowledge of the elements of agriculture and a better life upon the farm. Thus, I believe, will be determined in a large measure the high school education of the future.

The aim is not in any sense to furnish trade instruction. but it is an attempt to meet the child on the ground of his nearest interests and offer to him a cultural training centered about these interests, also to offer to those who find little that is attractive in the classical courses a vital link that connects with the realities of life; resulting, I believe, in a greater per cent. of the young people of the community settling at home to add to its wealth and influence.

Alton lies in the midst of an agricultural community. Fifty per cent. of our high school students come from homes on the farm. It seems to me that there is a demand for an agricultural course. I would commend the matter to your careful consideration.

In the language of the state course of study, this course contemplates the following purposes:

- "1. It proposes to utilize the science of agriculture as a means of general culture, parallel for this purpose with physics, chemistry, and the languages.
- "2. It proposes to meet the boy whose previous interests have been those of the farm on the ground of those interests, and interpret them to him as a worthy part of higher education.
- "3. It proposes to offer to him a sound educational basis for an efficient and worthy life as a husbandman.
- "4. While primarily for the boy who cannot go to college, it also will serve as an excellent preparation for advanced schools of agriculture.
- "5. It contemplates an addition to the wealth of the state and nation in a more highly trained generation of farmers.

Following is the course in outline:

Year	Subject	Hours per Week	Year	Subject	Hours per Week
I	English	5	III	English	5
	Algebra	5		Chemistry	5
	Biology	5		Comparative	)
	Farm Bookkeeping	( )		Physiolog	xy >5
	Business Practice	$\int 5$		Rural Engineering	( )
		Í		French	5
II	English	5	IV	English	4
	Geometry	5		American History	4
	Physics	5		French	4
	Horticulture	)		Rural Economy ar	id)
	Agriculture	\$ 5		Farm Managemen	
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### SCHOOL WORK.

The school work has been considerably strengthened and brought nearer to standard grade. Results in most instances have been gratifying. No special methods have been encouraged. Emphasis has been placed on proper preparation and presentation by the teacher, followed by constant drill.

In accordance with a state movement recently organized, a plan for testing the eyesight of pupils has been begun. This is not in any way an attempt to displace the duties of the physician, but merely to ascertain by means of the common letter chart whose eyes are defective and need treatment. A card will be sent to the parents of pupils whose eyesight is found to be at fault. Parents may then consult an oculist, who will determine the nature of the trouble and, if possible, correct it. This is but the beginning of a widespread movement based upon the conviction that a child's physical as well as his mental welfare is a matter of public concern.

A visiting day was granted to each teacher during the spring term with good results. One was also given to each district teacher in the fall for visiting our own graded schools. This I believe to be of special value, as it enables these teachers, usually of less experience, to keep in touch with work at the village. I would recommend that the same privileges be allowed the coming year.

Let me again urge parents and citizens to visit the schools and observe for themselves what the children are doing.

For further data, I refer you to the appendices.

In conclusion, allow me to express my high appreciation for the generous support of board, teachers and pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. MOORE,
Superintendent.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1909.

### SUMMARY.

### School Year 1907-1908.

Length of village schools, in weeks,	36
Length of district schools, in weeks,	30
Average length for all schools,	32.57
Whole number of pupils,	204
Boys,	99
Girls,	105
Average attendance,	152
Average absence,	18
Average membership,	170
Percent of attendance.	89
Cases of tardiness,	693
Number of pupils not absent nor tardy,	8
Number visits by superintendent,	111
Number of visits by school board,	32
Number of visits by citizens.	279
Average weekly salary of teachers,	\$8.31
Number normal graduates,	3
Cost per pupil total current expenses.	\$29.67
Cost per pupil for instruction,	18.58
Cost per pupil for supervision,	3.43
Cost per pupil for supplies, etc.,	.94
Cost per pupil for books	1.26

### FALL TERM, 1908.

SCHOOL	TEACHER	Wages per Week	Education	Total Number Pupils	Average Attendance	Average Membership	Percentage of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness
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High School Classes

	First Year	SecondYear	Thi,d Year	First Year Second Year Thi, d Year Fourth Year	Total
Entered by Promotion, Sept., 1908	11	15	1	10	36
Failed to Pass Previous Year	00	0	1	0	က
Total Membership	14	15		10	39
Left During the Year	೧೦೦	00		0	, 9
Membership, Feb. 15, 1909	п	13	1	10	350
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## Roll of Honor.

School year 1907-1908.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Mildred Davis.

Edith Welch.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Albert Adams.

Wallace Adams.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL. Ella Adams.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Helen Gilman.

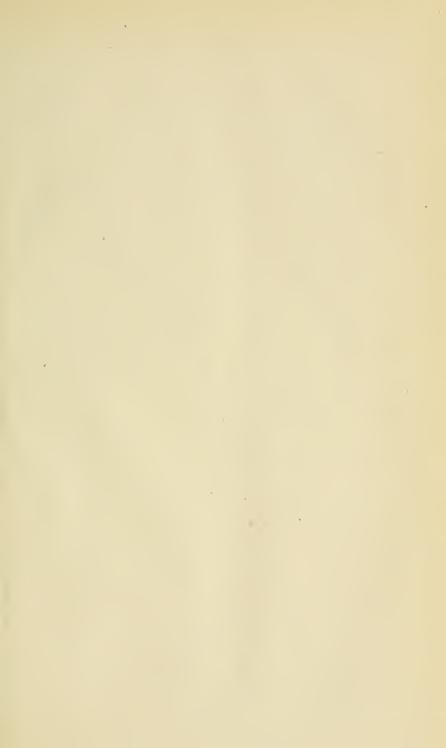
Doris McDuffee.

Rexford Hormand.

## Library Report.

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To cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1908,	\$24.58	
To cash received from town treasurer,		
June 6,	159.50	
To cash received Mrs. Duncan, binding		
book,	1.50	
To cash, interest Eveline L. Palmer fund,	17.50	
Total,		\$203.08
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By cash paid Current Literature Co.,	\$1.50	
By cash paid Grumiaux News Agency.	22.60	
By eash paid freight on books,	.58	
By cash paid Charles Lauriat Co., books,	118.14	
By cash paid G. G. Neal, binding books,	29.40	
By cash paid Mrs. E. R. Wright, makin	g	
catalogue,	5.00	
By cash paid E. H. Thomas, printing	<u>6</u> ,	
catalogues,	6.00	
By cash paid postage,	.04	
By cash on hand Feb. 15. 1909,	19.82	
Total,		\$203.08
Number of books in library.		8,213
Number of books loaned for year,		5,665
Respectfully submitte	ed,	
OLIVER J. M	I. GILM	AN.
ANNA M. WR	IGHT,	
ALONZO S. I	RENCE	[,

Library Trustees.





# MARRIAGES REGISTERED in the TOWN OF ALTON, N. H., for the YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Name, Residence ned Official Sta- tion of person by whom married.	Melville A Shaver clargyman Alton	Alton  Edm'd O S Osgood  reergyman  Bruttleboro Vt	Melville A Shaver clergyman	2 E W Cummings elergyman 2 Altoo	1 John H Wilkins clergyman 1 Farmington	1 E W Cummings clergyman	1 E W Cummings clergyman	1 E W Cummings elergyman	1 Edwin B Stiles clergyman	1 E W Cummings clergyman 1 Alton	clergyman Gilioanton
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Pince of Birth of Each.	Alton Epsom New Darham	Alton Brattlehoro Vt	Alton Hadley Mass	Alton FallRiverMass	Alton Gilmanton	Gilford Alton	Eastport Me Wolfboro	Alton	Boston Mass	Tilton Dover	Bangor Me Alton
Groom Groom nod Bride.	28 w Foremao 26 Housekeeper 30 Farmer	Vamper Merchant	Mail carrier Housekeeper	Carpenter Bousekeeper	Clerk	=	Stock cutter Housekeeper	Sboemaker Honsekeeper	Clerk Bookkeeper	R R Employee Stenographer	Nurse
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