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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN,

Town Treasurer, School Treasurer, Trustees and
Treasurer of the Public Library, and the
Board of Education,

OF THE

TOWN OF DURHAM,

FOR THE

Financial Year Ending February 15, 1907,

WITH THE

Vital Statistics for 1906 as Prepared by the
Town Clerk.

DOVER, N. H.:

H. E. HODGDON, PRINTER.

1907.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Durham, in the County of Strafford, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Durham, on Tuesday the twelfth day of March next, 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects, viz:

1. To choose a Town Clerk, three Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, two Auditors, and all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
2. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay necessary town charges.
3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repair of highways and bridges.
4. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount on taxes paid on or before July first and how much.
5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract with the Newmarket Electric Light, Power and Heat Co., to light the streets of Durham for one year and appropriate a sum of money therefor.
6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the improvement of highways, in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of 1905 entitled "An act to provide for state aid and for the expenditure of other public moneys in the improvement of the main highways throughout the state," and to pass any other vote in reference thereto.
7. To see what action the town will take for the ex-

termination of the brown-tail moths, and to raise and appropriate money therefor.

8. To see if the town will vote to set aside for the purposes of a public park, the triangular piece of land bounded on the south by the Newmarket road, on the east by the river road and on the north by the property of the late David Stevens and others; it being understood that the town by such act incurs no responsibility for the improvement or maintainance of said park, agreeable to a petition signed by Wm. S. Beard and seventeen other legal voters.

9. To see if the town will vote to build an iron bridge at Durham Falls and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

10. To see if the town will vote to raise the abutments of Durham Falls bridge and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

11. To see if the town of Durham will vote to require the Boston & Maine Railroad Co., "to erect and maintain gates across the highway, by the sides of the railroad, or to station a flagman there" (in accordance with the Public Statutes of New Hampshire, Chapter 159, section 15), said highway being commonly known as the Mill Road, so called, a highway leading from Durham Village to Packers Falls, and passing the house of George G. Hoitt and others, agreeable to a petition signed by Geo. S. Caverno and twelve other legal voters.

12. To see if the town will vote to build or buy one or more snow rolls, and raise and appropriate money therefor, agreeable to a petition signed by G. H. Sawyer and other legal voters.

13. To see if the town will vote to accept a sum of money in trust, the income of which is to be used to care for the burying lot and tomb of the Hayes burying

lot and tomb at Packers Falls, agreeable to the statutes providing for same.

14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to contract with the Receiver of the Newmarket Electric Light, Power & Heat Co. for two (2) street lights of twenty-five (25) C. P. each, to be erected on that part of the Packers Falls road, so called, beginning at the junction of road leading from Durham to Newmarket, near the house of Mrs. C. H. Morse, extending northwesterly to the house of Andrew Francis, near the junction of the road leading to Wiswall's and Lee, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, agreeable to a petition signed by David A. Stevens and other legal voters.

15. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-third day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seven.

C. A. SMART,
P. J. CONNOR,
D. H. FOGG,
Selectmen of Durham.

ASSESSED VALUATION OF DURHAM.

APRIL 1, 1906.

Polls, 247.....	\$24,700	
Land and buildings.....	473,610	
Horses, 245.....	19,327	
Oxen, 22.....	1,585	
Cows, 495.....	14,346	
Other neat stock, 139.....	3,446	
Sheep, 189.....	756	
Fowls, 1520.....	760	
Carriages, 23.....	2,175	
Stock in public funds.....	24,300	
Stock in banks and other corporations in this state.....	18,725	
Stock in corporations out of the state.....	70	
Money on hand, at interest, or on deposit.....	948	
Stock in trade.....	23,132	
Mills and Machinery.....	2,600	
Automobiles 2.....	800	
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>	
		\$611,280
Total tax list.....	\$9,193.44	
Rate of taxation.....	.015	

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid Solon A. Carter, state tax...	\$1,430 00	
S. P. Wentworth, county tax	1,629 62	
	<hr/>	\$3,059 62

STREET LIGHTS.

Paid W. H. C. Follansby, Receiver for Newmarket Electric Light, Power & Heat Co ..	\$475 35	
	<hr/>	\$475 35

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Mary A. Burnham, treasurer, for books.....	\$150 00	
For incidental expenses.....	167 23	
	<hr/>	\$317 23

REBATES.

Paid C. E. Hoitt, administrator for Geo. W. Palmer estate, over- taxed, 1905.....	\$10 80	
Isaac Lucas, overtaxed on wood, 1905.....	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$12 30

ABATEMENTS.

Paid T. W. Schoonmaker on list of 1903.....	\$11 20	
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Paid T. W. Schoonmaker on list of 1904.....	\$19 45
T. W. Schoonmaker on list of 1905.....	52 20
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\$82 85

BREAKING ROADS, 1906-7.

Paid Elmer L. Rand.....	\$5 00
John R. Page	4 00
Andrew Bell.....	3 30
James J. Connor.....	4 00
Geo. S. Caverno.....	9 55
James D. Meader.....	4 00
E. B. Griffiths	7 40
H. S. Tuttle... .	3 60
S. P. Chesley	24 50
James T. Bickford.....	19 19
Andrew E. Meserve.....	27 45
Albert DeMeritt.....	22 13
Joseph R. Burnham.....	12 50
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\$146 62

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid E. C. Eastman, collector's and surveyor's books.....	\$2 89
Andrew E. Meserve, wood for office.....	3 00
H. E. Hodgdon, printing town reports.....	60 00
C. E. Hayes, services as bal- lot clerk, Nov. election, 1906.....	3 00
L. B. Bunker, water service, 1906.....	3 00

Paid I. B. Hill, water service, 1906	\$3 00
Lucien Thompson, water service, 1906.....	3 00
The Marshall Press, printing check lists.....	6 50
Ivan C. Weld, services as supervisor at March election, 1906, and posting check list, Nov., 1906.....	8 00
James T. Bickford, services as supervisor, March and Nov. elections, 1906.....	12 00
Mark E. Willey, services as supervisor, Nov. election, 1906.....	4 00
Lucien Thompson, services as ballot clerk, Nov. election, 1906.....	3 00
H. E. Hodgdon, printing 300 vouchers.....	2 50
T. W. Schoonmaker, stationery, postage and tax bills..	8 89
T. W. Schoonmaker, services as tax collector.....	100 00
Charles Wentworth, services as town clerk.....	41 70
W. S. Edgerly, services as town treasurer	40 00
A. E. Grant, salary of school board.....	50 00
W. S. Edgerly, salary as district treasurer.....	10 00
L. A. Stevens, services as police officer.....	20 00
C. A. Smart, services as selectman.....	40 00

Paid P. J. Connor, services as selectman.....	\$40 00
D. A. Fogg, services as selectman.....	40 00
P. J. Connor, running town lines between Durham and Lee, and Durham and Madbury.....	5 00
C. A. Smart, running town lines between Durham and Lee, and Durham and Madbury.....	5 00
C. A. Smart, time and expense to Concord to settle state tax.....	5 00
Mark E. Willey, auditor.....	2 00
Andrew E. Meserve, auditor.	2 00

\$523 48

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid A. G. Whittemore, legal advice.....	\$2 00
F. E. Doe, janitor work and setting glass in town hall, 1905.....	3 30
C. H. Berry, setting glass and making repairs in town hall, 1906.....	3 00
S. P. Chesley, cutting bushes in District No. 6, 1905.....	16 00
C. L. Jenness, wire furnished R. S. Otis and M. Moriarty	9 94
Geo. A. Sullivan, expense caused by quarantine in diphtheria cases.....	21 00

Paid John J. Bunker, making guide boards, material furnished and setting posts.....	\$3 12
Kidder Press Co., four sewer taps.....	28 00
A. E. Grant, disinfecting houses of L. R. Philbrick, W. B. Sprague and Samuel Kidder.....	15 00
C. A. Smart, care of transients.....	2 00
Chas. F. Furbish, repairing road machine.....	18 80
Henry Bascom, damage to carriage by defective highway.....	12 00
B. & M. R. R., 163 old ties..	13 04
A. E. Grant, reporting births and deaths.....	6 25
John Kivel, legal services for selectmen and tax collector, 1905.....	40 00
Fred E. Jenkins, keeping lights on Falls bridge 53 nights.....	7 95
John H. Griffin, stove pipe for town hall and 51 lbs. spikes.....	6 91
C. L. Jenness, sewer pipe....	56 80
W. S. Edgerly, stationery and glass.....	2,20 270 00
W. S. Edgerly, postage and stationery.....	3 08
Selectmen, postage, express and telephone charges.....	4 75

Paid D. H. Fogg, guide posts and spikes	\$1 35
J. B. Smith, B. & A. dividends, 1905.....	113 75
Charles Wentworth, making certified copies vital statistics required by laws of 1905, Chap. 21.....	56 00

\$446 74

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid C. F. Pendergast, labor on highway.....	\$7 00
C. L. Gray, labor on highway	2 00
H. R. Hill, labor on highway	8 40
N. H. College, 8039 ft. bridge plank and 6 stringers.....	180 89
M. G. Woodman, labor on highway.....	7 50
A. L. Cumings, 1900 ft. bridge plank.....	38 00
John Walker, bridge plank and stringers.....	54 20
Andrew Torr, 57 loads gravel	5 70
F. P. Morrison, to Dover for wheel of road machine.....	1 50
A. E. Meserve, labor on highway, 1905.....	5 65
James D. Meader, labor and expense on highway in Dist. No. 1.....	75 00
Chas. S. Langley, repairing highway in Dist. No. 2....	74 77
James J. Connor, repairing highway in Dist. No. 3....	45 00

Paid Clarence I. Smart, repairing highway in Dist. No. 4....	\$75 60
Andrew Bell, repairing highway in Dist. No. 5.....	27 25
S. P. Chesley, repairing highway in Dist. No. 6.....	84 30
Albert DeMeritt, repairing highway in Dist. No. 9....	85 39
F. B. Philbrick, repairing highway in Dist. No. 10. .	56 15
Chas. A. Provost, repairing highway in Dist. No. 11... .	49 15
E. B. Griffiths, repairing highway in Dist. No. 12... .	42 49
C. A. Smart, labor and expense on highway.....	13 75
L. K. Philbrick, labor on highway in Dist. No. 13... .	20 03
Herman Nieme, relaying culvert in Dist. No. 14.....	16 00
Geo. S. Caverno, repairing highway in Dist. No. 14... .	54 86
H. S. Tuttle, repairing highway in Dist. No. 15	144 12
H. S. Tuttle, labor and expense on Falls bridge	15 00
James T. Bickford, repairing highway, 1905.....	12 00
James T. Bickford, brick....	3 75
James T. Bickford, building sidewalk near C. H. Pet-tee's.....	67 00
James T. Bickford, labor and expense on highway and sidewalks in Dist. No. 7, 1906.....	467 08

\$1,739 53

LABOR ON WISWALL'S BRIDGE AND DAME'S
CULVERT.

Paid C. A. Atherton.....	\$16 75	
C. W. Ellerson	17 52	
Austin Doeg.....	18 00	
L. K. Philbrick.....	19 75	
P. J. Connor.....	15 75	
I. W. Doeg, use of derrick...	9 00	
P. J. Connor, labor and ex- pense repairing derrick dam- aged at Wiswall's bridge ..	8 40	
	<hr/>	\$105 17
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		\$1,844 70

DOG DAMAGE.

Paid Geo. A. Amazeen, two geese killed.....	\$5 00	
I. B. Hill, one sheep killed..	4 00	
S. J. Woodman, one sheep killed.....	4 00	
D. H. Fogg, assessing dam- age.....	1 00	
C. A. Smart, assessing dam- age.....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$15 00

PERMANENT HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT.

The money available for this purpose was expended on the main highway through the village from the post office to the house of T. W. Schoonmaker, under the management of H. S. Tuttle.

Amount required by law of 1905.....	\$599 00
Paid Wm. A. Grover, making sur- vey and plan of road.....	\$13 75

Paid D. S. Chesley & Co., paving gutters.....	\$45 11
H. S. Tuttle, rebuilding highway from post office to the house of T. W. Schoonmaker.....	54 ^o 14

\$599 00

CEMETERIES.

Paid J. B. Smith, care of Wilson and Furness	\$10 72
True W. Lovering, Woodman	3 00
John W. Gouch, Griffiths....	5 00
J. E. M. Smart, cleaning monument in Griffiths cemetery.	3 00
M. E. Willey, Simpson.....	3 00
Durham Library Association, accumulated interest on Woodman legacy from Jan. 1, 1902, to Jan. 1, 1907, not expended for care of lot....	22 41

\$47 13

BROWN TAIL MOTH NESTS.

Paid Ralph Kent, 33 doz.....	\$1 32
Peruda Modsley, 51 doz.....	2 04
Ethel M. Jenkins. 11 1-2 doz.	46
Fred Comings, 12 doz.....	48
Philip Pinkham, 252 3-4 doz..	10 11
Delmore Palmer, 14 1-4 doz..	57
Bernard Stevens, 5 3-4 doz...	23
Charles Rundlet, 18 doz.....	72
Rushton Marston, 10 1-2 doz.	42
Sidney Willey, 15 doz.....	60

Paid Winthrop E. Meserve, 42 doz.	\$1 68
Harold Kidder, 33 doz.....	1 32
George E. Palmer, 142 doz...	5 68
F. M. Pinkham, 253 1-2 doz..	10 14
Sherburne Fogg, 43 1-4 doz..	1 73
Lester L. Langley, 54 1-2 doz	2 18
James Marston, 15 3-4 doz...	63
Eli Edgerly, 379 1-4 doz.....	15 17
Charles Pettee, 22 1-4 doz....	89
Lester E. Ladderbush, 119 1-4 doz.....	4 77
Charles Ladderbush, 276 1-2 doz.....	11 06
Chester Hall, 16 doz.....	64
Elmer S. Davis, 631 3-4 doz..	25 27
Howard Meserve, 11 1-4 doz .	45
Frank K. Palmer, 395 3-4 doz	15 83
Lester Stevens, 28 3-4 doz....	1 15
Thomas Smith, 71 1-4 doz....	2 85
Philip Watson, 74 doz.....	2 96
Elmore Palmer, 19 doz.....	76
Charles Palmer, 111 1-2 doz..	4 46
E. Cass Adams, 427 3-4 doz..	17 11
Lester Sawyer, 15 doz.....	60
Henry Jones, 57 3-4 doz.....	2 31
Elmer Sanders, 16 3-4 doz....	67
Harry Nesbit, 7 3-4 doz.....	31
M. G. Woodman, 20 1-4 doz..	81
D. A. Watson, 486 3-4 doz...	19 47
Jerry Mitchell, 14 1-2 doz....	58
Wayne Langley, 6 doz.....	24
Margaret Langley, 10 doz....	40
Frank P. Rand, 18 3-4 doz...	75
Thomas Kelley, 37 1-2 doz...	1 50
Alice Marston, 1 3-4 doz.....	07
S. P. Chesley, 56 1-2 doz.....	2 26

Paid John Scobbie, 36 1-4 doz....	\$1 45
Alexander Nieme, 6 1-4 doz..	25
Roger Scott, 160 1-2 doz.....	6 42
Leslie Crouch, 49 doz.....	1 96
Martha L. Hoitt, 3 doz	12
Alver Valiquet, 18 3-4 doz...	75
Harold Ham, 1-2 doz.....	02
Charles L. Ladderbush, 81 doz.....	3 24
Frank S. Berry, 49 1-2 doz....	1 98
James Colomy, 2 3-4.....	11
B. M. Hayes, 2 1-4 doz.....	09
A. J. Langley, 38 doz.....	1 52
Fred S. Palmer, 46 3-4 doz...	1 87
Hamilton Palmer, 8 doz	32
Clinton Ellison, 21 1-2 doz...	86
Sadie Palmer, 2 doz.....	08
Fred W. Morse, 6 1-4 doz....	25
Myles S. Watson, 76 1-2 doz.	3 06
Charles Sawyer, 44 doz.....	1 76
William Haggar, 6 doz.....	24
5000 doz. ———	
	\$200 00
Paid C. A. Smart, services counting, destroy- ing nests, and paying out bounty on same.	25 00
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	\$225 00

SCHOOL MONEY.

Balance in town treasury, Feb. 15, 1906.....	\$352 41
Amount by law required.....	2,145 00
Amount raised in school meeting:	
For schools.....	400 00
For repairs.....	150 00
Assessed for tuition.....	800 00

Received from state:

Literary fund.....	\$92 11	
Balance of dog licenses, 1905.....	50 80	
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		\$3,990 32
Paid W. S. Edgerly.....	\$3,990 32	
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		\$3,990 32

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid G. Chesley.....	\$5 50	
C. S. Langley.....	4 55	
D. C. Heath & Co.....	7 57	
Ginn & Co.....	45 33	
American Book Co.....	21 54	
Edward E. Babb & Co.....	52 88	
R. E. Lane.....	2 73	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.....	2 38	
Geo. C. Merriam Co.....	5 02	
Silver Burdett & Co.....	7 18	
Little, Brown & Co.....	3 68	
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		\$158 46

RECAPITULATION.

State and county taxes.....	\$3,059 62
Street lights.....	475 35
Public library.....	317 23
Rebates.....	12 30
Abatements.....	82 85
Breaking roads.....	146 62
General expenses.....	523 48
Miscellaneous expenses.....	446 74
Highways.....	1,844 70
Dog damage.....	15 00
Permanent highway improvement.	599 00

Cemeteries.....	\$47 13	
Brown Tail Moths.....	225 00	
School money.....	3,990 32	
School books and supplies.....	158 46	
Cash in town treasury.....	571 04	
	<hr/>	\$12,514 84

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF
DURHAM, FEB. 15, 1907.

LIABILITIES.

G. F. T. A. dividends.....	\$113 75	
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ASSETS.

Due on collector's list of 1903.....	\$8 00	
“ “ “ 1904.....	15 24	
“ “ “ 1905.....	16 27	
“ “ “ 1906.....	978 09	
Cash in town treasury.....	571 04	
	<hr/>	\$1,588 64

We, the undersigned, auditors of the town of Durham, certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

W. S. MESERVE, }
M. E. WILLEY, } Auditors.

C. A. SMART, }
P. J. CONNOR, } Selectmen
D. H. FOGG, } of
Durham.

REPORT OF TREASURER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....		\$626 79
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, list, 1903.....	\$54 26	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, interest, 1903	5 59	
T. W. Schoonmaker, abatements, 1903.....	11 20	
	<hr/>	\$71 05
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, list, 1904.....	\$13 44	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, interest, 1904.....	1 89	
T. W. Schoonmaker, abatements, 1904.....	19 45	
	<hr/>	\$34 78
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, list, 1905.....	\$1,456 94	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, interest, 1905.....	56 43	
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, abatements, 1905.....	52 20	
	<hr/>	\$1,565 57

T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, list, 1906.....	\$8,217 33
T. W. Schoonmaker, tax collector, interest, 1906.....	10 10
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	\$8,227 43
Boston & Albany R. R. dividends, 1906, G. F. T. A.....	\$113 75
State treasurer, railroad tax.....	614 48
savings bank tax.....	925 15
literary fund.....	92 11
Charles Wentworth, town clerk, dog licenses.....	177 60
Charles Wentworth, town clerk, pool table licenses.....	19 00
Griffiths legacy, withdrawn from bank.....	8 00
Woodman legacy, withdrawn from bank.....	25 41
Simpson legacy, withdrawn from bank.....	3 00
Wilson legacy, withdrawn from bank.....	4 12
Furness lagacy, withdrawn from bank.....	6 60
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	\$12,514 84

CASH PAYMENTS.

Highways.....	\$1,844 70
Miscellaneous.....	446 74
Street lights to Feb. 1, 1907.....	475 35
Rebates.....	12 30
Abatements	82 85
Cemeteries.....	47 13
State tax.....	1,430 00

County tax.....	1,629 62
Dog damage.....	15 00
School books and supplies.....	158 46
Schools.....	3,990 32
General expenses.....	523 48
Snow bills.....	146 62
Brown tail moths.....	225 00
Public library	317 23
Permanent highways.....	599 00
Cash on hand.....	571 04
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	\$12,514 84

TRUST FUNDS HELD BY THE TOWN OF DURHAM.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

GEORGE FFROST LEGACY.

Dividends for 1905 on hand Feb.		
15, 1906, as per report.....	\$113 75	
Dividends for 1905.....	113 75	
		\$227 50
Paid Joshua B. Smith, treasurer, George Ffrost temperance asso- ciation.....		113 75
Balance due G. F. T. A. dividends for 1906.....		\$113 75

WOODMAN LEGACY.

On deposit, book A 16,175, Straf- ford Savings Bank.....	\$300 00	
January 1, 1907, to accrued inter- est.....	25 41	
		\$325 41
Paid town for care of cemetery, 1906.....	\$3 00	
Paid Durham Library Association unexpended balance for five yrs.	22 41	
		\$25 41
		\$300 00

GRIFFITHS LEGACY.

On deposit book A 16,176, Strafford Savings Bank.	\$300 00	
January 1, 1907, to accrued interest	108 23	
	<hr/>	\$408 23
Paid town for care of cemetery, 1906.....		8 00
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		\$400 23
Accrued interest not withdrawn...		100 23

SIMPSON LEGACY.

On deposite, book A 6,088, Strafford Savings Bank.....	\$100 00	
January 1, 1907, to accrued interest.....	4 60	
	<hr/>	\$104 60
Paid town for care of cemetery, 1906.....		3 00
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		\$101 60
Accrued interest not withdrawn...		1 60

FURNESS LEGACY.

On deposit, book A 12,478 Strafford Savings Bank.....	\$100 00	
January 1, 1907. to accrued interest.....	6 60	
	<hr/>	\$106 60
Paid town for care of cemetery 1906.....		6 60
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		\$100 00

WILSON LEGACY.

On deposit book A 15,219 Strafford Savings Bank.....	\$100 00	
January 1, 1907, to accrued interest.....		4 13
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		\$104 13
Paid town for care of cemetery, 1906.....		4 12
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		\$100 01
Accrued interest not withdrawn...		01

WALTER S. EDGERLY,

Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, auditors of the town of Durham certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the town treasurer, and find them correctly cast and all payments properly vouched.

W. S. MESERVE,

M. E. WILLEY,

Auditors.

GEORGE FFROST TEMPERANCE ASS'N.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury, Feb. 11, 1906	\$15 39	
Boston & Albany R. R. Dividends		
1905.....	113 75	
Assessments.....	24 00	
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		\$153 14

EXPENDITURES.

Benefits to members.....	\$122 00	
Incidentals.....	11 20	
In treasury February 11, 1907.....	19 94	
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		\$153 14
On deposit.....	\$1,416 85	
In treasury.....	19 94	
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		\$1,436 79
George Ffrost Fund.....	\$1,308 85	
Membership fees.....	127 94	
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		\$1,436 79

J. B. SMITH,
Treasurer,

Durham, N. H., Feb. 11, 1907.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The trustees of the Durham Public Library submit the following report for the year ending February 15, 1907.

At the stated meeting in March, the same officers were reelected. In June, Major Henry B. Mellen, for seven years the Librarian, died and the Durham Public Library Trustees unanimously adopted the following resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF MAJOR HENRY B. MELLEN.

WHEREAS the Divine Providence has removed from our midst, Major Henry B. Mellen, who was one of the foremost in the establishing of a library for the benefit of the citizens of Durham, who acted as Librarian for several years, without compensation except the pleasure derived from seeing and knowing of its development and progress, who was a staunch citizen honored for his straightforward and manly qualities and who contributed in many ways to all that tended to improve the town. Therefore be it: Resolved, that we submit to this loss with feelings of grief and extend to Mrs. Mellen and the members of her family our heartfelt sympathy.

RESOLVED, that we send a copy of these resolutions to Mrs. Mellen, and spread a copy on the records of the Durham Public Library.

The contract between the Town of Durham (in behalf of the Durham Public Library) and the Durham Library Association was terminated and took effect October 1, 1906, by mutual consent.

Upon its termination, the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts assumed the financial management of the Durham Public Library in accordance with its contract with the Town of Durham signed January 13, 1906, a copy of which contract was printed in the annual town report for the year ending February 15, 1906.

The college will continue the work of the library in the Durham Library Association building until such a time as the new library building shall be completed and the libraries of the college, town, and Durham Library Association shall be removed and united in the said new building. The building will probably be opened to the public about September 1, 1907.

The new library building has a frontage of seventy-six feet and a depth of sixty-five feet, not including the stack extension planned to give shelving room for sixty thousand volumes. It is a two-story building with granite basement and trimmings of Indiana sandstone. This building has been made possible by the generosity of the late Hamilton Smith, who provided in his will ten thousand dollars for the erection of a public library building, and Mr. Andrew Carnegie who gave to the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, twenty thousand dollars toward the erection of a library building.

As the College has assumed the financial management of the library, the only financial obligation resting upon the town of Durham in regard to the library is the appropriation annually of at least twenty-five dollars, in accordance with its contract with the state of New Hampshire made in 1892.

Under the contract with the college, "the sum so appropriated is to be turned over to the trustees of said college, and expended by them, or under their direction, only for books, magazines and binding of the same, for addition to and incorporation with the consolidation library."

Your attention is called to the reports of the Treasurer and Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCIEN THOMPSON, Secretary.

DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY.

1892—February 15, 1907.

Books presented by state (\$100), (1892).....	107
Books bought with annual \$25.....	366
Books given to Public Library (since 1901)..	75
Pamphlets given (since 1901).....	212

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

February '06—February '07.

	Vols.
Bought with town appropriation (\$25).....	24
Bought with town appropriation (\$125).....	97
Bought with Simpson fund.....	23
Increase during year.....	252
Total number bound volumes.....	9900
Magazine Subscriptions.....	34
Average circulation per month.....	708
Average circulation per week.....	163
Distributed during year.....	8500
Distributed afternoons.....	3900
Distributed evenings.....	4520
Bought by association.....	216

CHARLOTTE A. THOMPSON,
Librarian.

BOOKS DONATED TO PUBLIC LIBRARY.

February 1906—February 1907.

Donors.	Books. Pamp.	
U. S. Government.....	9	36
N. Y. Government.....	2	
N. H. State Library.....	1	
N. H. College.....		2
N. H. College Monthly,—Editors.....		8
Town of Durham.....		1
Lucien Thompson.....		2
Maxwell's Talisman,—Editors.....		4
Christian Cynosure,—Editors.....		12

Totals.....	12	65

TO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Lucien Thompson	2
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DURHAM LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The Directors of the Durham Library Association respectfully submit the following report. The contract with the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts took effect October 1, 1906, and the expenses of the library have been paid by the college since that date. The library work has been carried on as heretofore in the rooms of the Durham Library Association with Miss Charlotte A. Thompson as Librarian, and this arrangement will continue until the new college public library building is completed, when the books will be transferred to the rooms in the new building and be distributed to the public together with the books owned by the college. Under this contract, the citizens of Durham will enjoy equal privileges with the college, "in order to insure the usefulness of the libraries now existing, in said town of Durham * * to insure the free access to them of all the citizens of said town and the officers, faculty and students of said college" this combination and consolidation were made.

We shall not attempt to give a detailed enumeration of the books until they have been transferred to the new building where they will be inventoried, so that next year an accurate statement, based on an actual count, can be given. The invested funds of the Durham Library Association are as follows:

A list of the invested funds belonging to the Durham Library Association is in the custody of Miss Mary A. Burnham, Treasurer, October 1, 1906.

LYDIA SIMPSON FUND.

27 shares Boston & Albany Railroad Company. Certificate No. 66,819, dated Feb. 1, 1901.

8 shares (common stock) Boston & Maine Railroad Company, No. B 22,322, dated Feb. 4, 1901.

3 shares (preferred stock) Fitchburg Railroad Company, No. 32,089, dated Feb. 5, 1901.

Strafford Savings Bank, Book A 11,081, invested Apr. 1, 1901 principal \$724.00.

The last dividend credited on the book was entered April 27, 1906. when the total amount of the principal and interest was \$816.77.

ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS.

Manchester Savings Bank Book No. 61,448, principal \$1,000, invested July 24, 1896.

The last dividend credited on the book was entered April 4, 1905, when the total of principal and interest was \$1,010.00.

1 share Atchison, Topeka & Sante Fee Railroad Company preferred stock, certificate No. A 23,341, dated March 25, 1897.

16 shares Atchison, Topeka & Sante Fee Railroad Company common stock, certificate Go. A 3,798, dated March 25, 1897.

Mrs. Anna M. Woodman's Legacy to the town of Durham, N. H. in which the Durham Library Association has a part of the income.

I give and bequeath to the town of Durham, N. H., the sum of three hundred dollars, in trust, to be expended, so much of the income as may be needed, in keeping aforesaid burial lot and fence in good repair, and resetting the gravestones when necessary, and also in mowing once a year all the space between the trees, as well as the lot above described. Any surplus income remaining unexpended at the end of each period of five

years shall be applied by the town for the library recently established there.

[The town received this legacy in 1886, and the net amount turned over to the Durham Library Association for the last five year term ending in 1907, was twenty-two dollars and forty-one cents.]

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT DEMERITT,

LUCIEN THOMPSON,

Committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

LIBRARY EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

Town of Durham as per contract with State of New Hampshire for books to be owned by the Town.....	\$25 00
Town of Durham as per contract with Durham Library Association for books to be owned by association.....	125 00
Town of Durham as per contract with Durham Library Association for incidental expenses.....	167 23
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Total amount received from town.....	\$317 23
Received for fines.....	14 30
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Total.....	\$331 53

EXPENSES.

Books.....	\$137 01
Money in treasurers hands on book account..	12 99
Librarians salary.....	80 76
Daniel Hall; legal advice.....	20 00
Book binding.....	35 70
Coal.....	12 60
Express.....	7 75
Janitor.....	11 80
Electric lighting.....	5 72
Printing.....	3 50

Stationery and postage.....	\$3 00
P. O. box rent.....	70
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Total.....	\$331 53

Respectfully submitted,

MARY A. BURNHAM,

Treasurer.

We hereby certify that the foregoing accounts for the year ending Feb. 15, 1907 are correctly cast and properly vouched, and a balance on book account of \$12.99 in the hands of the treasurer.

LUCIEN THOMPSON,

WINTHROP S. MESERVE,

Finance Committee.

Durham, N. H., Feb. 15, 1907.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the School District of Durham, N. H., qualified to vote in District Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said district on the sixteenth day of March, nineteen hundred and seven, at two o'clock, P. M., to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the board of education for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a member of the board of education for the ensuing three years.
5. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
6. To see if the district will vote to recind the vote authorizing the board to unite with some other town or towns forming a supervisory district for the purpose of employing a superintendent.
7. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to employ a local superintendent.
8. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise in addition to that required by law for the support of public schools and for the repairs of school-houses.
9. To choose such auditors, agents and committees as the voters may deem necessary for the management of the affairs of the district.
10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Durham this 27th day of February 1907.

ALBERT E. GRANT,
School Board.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

The school board has a very pleasant task in rendering its report of the condition of our schools for the past year. The pupils have made good progress in all of the grades. There has been no epidemics of serious illness among the children to interfere with or retard the progress of the work.

More than ordinary attention has been given to the sanitary conditions of our school buildings and surroundings which is a very important factor for the welfare of our little children.

We have been able to retain three of our teachers through the entire year, Miss Effie Carter in the intermediate department, Miss Edith Whittemore in the grammar grades and Miss Mabel Canney at Packer's Falls. We have been obliged to increase the pay of these teachers in order to retain their services as they received several calls from other towns offering them larger salaries than we were paying and we believe it is far better to pay good pay to good teachers than it is to pay low pay to poor teachers. The primary school was taught in the spring by Miss Eaton who resigned at the end of the term and Miss Clara Blandford was employed to teach the fall and winter terms which she has done in a most creditable manner.

The point school was taught by Miss Frances Burnham in the spring term and by Miss Marion Bradford during the fall and winter terms.

Miss Grace Foss has been employed as music instructor and she has certainly done excellent work.

May first the resignation of Superintendent W. B. Sprague took effect and since then we have had no Superintendent.

As most of the citizens of Durham school district probably know there was a deadlock between the towns representing the supervisory district of Durham, Epping and Newmarket. The Newmarket board had a candidate for the position of Superintendent which they were bound to elect and would consider no other candidate, a man which we believe would be entirely unsatisfactory to the majority of the citizens of Durham school district; and after several meetings and discussions with the joint board it was evident that the Newmarket board was unchangeable and that no other man but their candidate could serve them as Superintendent. The board after carefully considering the matter, took action to withdraw from the district of Durham, Epping and Newmarket, thinking that we could easily unite with some other towns to form a more satisfactory district; this however we were unable to do as nearly all of the towns that were to unite to form supervisory districts had already made up their districts and we were unsuccessful in finding towns with which we could unite to form a satisfactory district.

While it has to a great extent increased the duties of the school board, we have willingly given our time and attention that our schools might not suffer the loss of a superintendent.

While it is not our wish to take any backward steps or to set a bad precedent, we earnestly suggest that the school district take action to rescind the vote which was taken some years ago, authorizing the board to unite with some other towns to form a supervisory district and vote to employ a local supervisor.

The board believes that a competent man from our own town can be secured at a much less expense than

we have had to pay for our share of the superintendents services and we also believe that our schools would receive more attention and be more satisfactory to all concerned.

ALBERT E. GRANT,
FREDERICK W. TAYLOR,
CHARLES S. LANGLEY,
School Board.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE DURHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1907.

AVAILABLE SCHOOL MONEY.

Cash on hand.....	\$134 52	
Amount required by law.....	2,145 00	
Amount raised for schools.....	400 00	
Amount raised for tuitions.....	800 00	
Amount raised for repairs.....	150 00	
From town of Newmarket, refund- ed on tuitions.....	40 00	
Literary fund.....	92 11	
From town, balance of dog licens- es, 1905.....	50 80	
From H. E. Canney, tuition.....	18 00	
Balance due from town, 1905.....	352 41	
		\$4,182 84

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$134 52	
Received from town treasurer.....	3,990 32	
Received from H. E. Canney, tui- tion.....	18 00	
Received from town of Newmarket refunded on tuitions.....	40 00	
		\$4,182 84

EXPENDITURS.

Teachers and superintendent.....	\$1,862 63
Janitors.....	157 00
Cleaning school-houses.....	20 50
Tuitions.....	574 40
Fuel.....	204 35
Miscellaneous expenses.....	78 87
Repairs.....	80 14
Transportation	150 00
Carrying Water.....	8 25
Cash on hand.....	1,046 60
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\$4,182 84

TEACHERS.

VILLAGE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Winter, C. Edith Whittemore, 3 weeks.....	\$37 50
Spring, C. Edith Whittemore, 10 weeks.....	125 00
Fall, C. Edith Whittemore, 16 weeks.....	206 00
Winter, C. Edith Whittemore, 4 weeks.....	52 00
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\$420 50

VILLAGE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Winter, Effie M. Carter, 3 weeks..	\$36 00
Spring, Effie M. Carter, 10 weeks.	120 00
Fall, Effie M. Carter, 16 weeks...	200 00
Winter, Effie M. Carter, 4 weeks..	50 00
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\$406 00

VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Winter, Cora M. Eaton, 3 weeks..	\$34 50
Spring, Cora M. Eaton, 10 weeks.	115 00
Fall, Clara Blandford, 16 weeks..	184 00
Winter, Clara Blandford, 4 weeks	46 00

\$379 50

POINT SCHOOL.

Winter, Frances Burnham, 4 weeks	\$40 00
Spring, Frances Burnham, 9 weeks	90 00
Fall, Marion H. Bradford, 16 weeks	160 00
Winter, Marion H. Bradford, 6 weeks.....	60 00

\$350 00

PACKERS' FALL SCHOOL.

Winter, Mabel E. Canney, 3 weeks	\$21 00
Spring, Mabel E. Canney, 10 weeks	70 00
Fall, Mabel E. Canney, 16 weeks	120 00
Winter, Mabel E. Canney, 4 weeks	30 00

\$241 00

SUPERINTENDENT.

W. B. Sprague	\$65 63
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\$65 63

CLEANING SCHOOL HOUSES.

C. W. Ellison, "Packers Falls"...	\$1 00
Mrs. C. W. Ellison, " "	4 00
Mrs C. H. Berry, "Village".....	12 00
C. S. Langley, "Point".....	3 50

\$20 50

JANITORS.

C. E. Hayes, "Village"	\$99 00
Mabel Canney, "Packers Falls"	22 00
Elmer L. Rand, "Point" 2 years	36 00

\$157 00

TUITIONS.

Robinson Seminary	\$30 00
Dover High School	531 00
Newmarket Lower Grade	13 50

\$574 50

FUEL.

W. S. Meserve & Son, coal, wood	\$199 35
Lucy J. Morse, wood	3 00
J. Langley, & Son, wood	2 00

\$204 35

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

W. B. Sprague, express	\$5 20
A. E. Grant, disinfectant	2 00
C. E. Hayes, truant officer	5 00
C. E. Hayes, janitors supplies	75
C. E. Hayes, enumerating children	10 00
R. E. Lane, enumerating cards	1 42
A. E. Grant, express	5 55
F. P. Morrison, trucking	4 62
W. S. Edgerly, janitors supplies	10 96
C. S. Langley, cleaning clock, etc.	2 25
C. S. Langley, hiring teachers	5 12
Grace T. Foss, teaching music	26 00

\$78 87

REPAIRS.

J. Langley & Son.....	\$1 75
Charles H. Berry.....	12 00
C. E. Hayes.....	8 25
John W. Berry.	34 60
Frank T. Berry.....	3 25
H. G. Hayes.....	84
D. Foss & Son.....	11 30
John H. Griffin.....	8 15

 \$80 14

TRANSPORTATION.

Lester Ladderbush, 1905-06.....	\$42 00
Andrew Sullivan.....	18 00
A. L. Comings	27 00
Frank E. Doe.....	9 00
David W. Watson.....	27 00
Herman Niemi.....	27 00

 \$150 00

CARRYING WATER.

Harold Kidder.....	\$4 25
Charlie Ladderbush.....	1 00
Philip Watson.....	3 00

 \$8 25

WALTER S. EDGERLY,
Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer of the School District, and find them correctly cast and all payments properly vouched.

W. S. MESERVE,
M. E. WILLEY,
Auditors.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1906.

1906. Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of child.	No. of child	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
Jan. 6	Durham	John Broderick	1	John Broderick	Bessie Willey
" 10	"	John Smart	4	John Smart	Grace Ransom
" 13	"	Willey R. Brown	5	Willey R. Brown	Ellen Norris
" 27	"	Levi Hammell	1	Levi Hammell	Rosa Binett
Mar. 26	"	Ernest Morrill	3	Ernest Morrill	Florence Bickford
" 27	"	Mildred F.	4	Harry F. Hall	Katherine Ham.
May 8	"	Fred E. Jenkins	6	Fred E. Jenkins	Lillian Montgomery
" 19	"	Clarence E. Stevens	4	Clarence E. Stevens	Helen Gallant
" 29	"	Louis Ellison	1	Louis Ellison	Sadie Fogg
June 8	"	Ernest D. Parisseau	8	Ernest D. Parisseau	Nelida Lavine
" 18	"	George Buker	3	George Buker	Eva Cate
" 20	"	Antonio Belmont	5	Antonio Belmont	Angelina Capona
" 26	"	Joseph Burnham	4	Joseph Burnham	Bessie Winkley
" 3	"	Charles H. Jones	1	Charles H. Jones	Mable Stearns
Aug. 3	"	Roscoe Palmer	5	Roscoe Palmer	Lillian Arsenault
Sept. 19	"	Herman Hanscome	4	Herman Hanscome	Hannah Stimpson
Oct. 4	"	Albert E. Grant	1	Albert E. Grant	May Nowell
" 13	"	Lester Ladderbush	9	Lester Ladderbush	Emma Fauche
Nov. 3	"	Joseph Gilbert	4	Joseph Gilbert	Eva Yell
Dec. 9	"	William D. Gibbs	1	William D. Gibbs	Perla G. Bowman
" 11	"	Levi Hammel	2	Levi Hammel	Rosa Binett
" 25	"	Levi Hammel	2	Levi Hammel	Rosa Binett

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1906.

1906. Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each.	Place of Birth.	By Whom Married.
Feb. 25	Newmarket	Mathew J. Quinn Maud E. Moore	Orwell, Vt. Fairhaven, Vt.	Orwell, Vt. Fairhaven	P. Thomas Catholic Priest

June	28	Newfields	Frank S. James	Durham	37 Raynond	Albert H. Thompson
			Victoria McBurnie	Newfields	25	Clergyman
Aug.	14	Newmarket	Clarence S. Jackson	Durham	20 Ludlow, Vt.	C. S. Young
			Emma G. Brown	Chester, Vt.	17 Andover, Vt.	C. S. Young
Aug.	22	Newmarket	Harrie E. Rand	Durham	27	Clergyman
			Bertha A. Dame	"	21	Clergyman
"	30	Durham	Robert McArdie Keown	Madison, Wis.	26	Wm. S. Beard
			Francis Burnham	Durham	26	Clergyman
Nov.	14	Lowell, Mass.	D. Albert Watson	"	25	John M. Greene
			Clara M. Mitchell	Lowell, Mass.	20	Clergyman

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1906.

1906. Date of Death.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of Deceased.	Place of Birth.		Disease or Cause of Death.
Jan.	10	Durham	Betsy S. Foss	73 Stafford	General Debility
"	22	"	William M. G. Francis	15 Newmarket	Hemorrhage (Accident)
Mar.	3	"	Clarissa F. Severance	79 Durham	Paralysis of Heart
"	3	"	Hannah Troy Henry	85 Andover, Mass.	Old Age
"	6	"	Thomas H. Wiswell	89 Exeter	Old Age
"	7	Worcester Mass.	John J. Ackeroyd	48 Utica, N. Y.	Lobar Pneumonia
"	8	Durham	Caroline A. Nelson	58 Newfields	Cancer of Liver
"	9	"	Sadie M. Atherton	14	Tuberculosis
April	4	"	Lena A. Sawyer	Durham	Pneumonia
"	22	"	Albert Gilbert	1 Exeter	Tuberculosis
May	6	"	Ira Willey	87 Durham	General Debility
June	10	"	Sarah E. Kidder	26 Boston, Mass.	Consumption
"	20	"	Henry B. Mellen	78 Durham	Paralysis
Nov.	8	"	B. Franklin McDaniel	32 Lee	Old Age
Dec.	2	"	Bella Gallant	23 Fifteen Point, P. E. I.	Accident



