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Annual Report

of the Town of

Acworth, New Hampshire



For the Year Ending

February 15th, 1907

ADVOCATE PRESS, CLAREMONT

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE TOWN OF

ACWORTH, N. H.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15th, 1907

AND THE VITAL STATISTICS

FOR THE YEAR 1906.

CLAREMONT, N. H.:
THE CLAREMONT ADVOCATE PRESS,
1907.

Report of Selectmen

Taxes required to be assessed in town April 1st, 1906.

State tax,	\$490.00
County tax,	697.13
Town charges,	1,200.00
Highways and bridges,	1,300.00
Support of schools,	1,035.00
Support of library,	110.00
Per cent or overplus,	158.10
Taxes added,	36.08
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	\$5,026.31

Rate of taxation, \$1.76 on each \$100.

INVOICE APRIL 1, 1906.

	No.	VALUATION
Polls,	158	\$15,800.00
Real estate,		208,095.00
Horses,	269	14,918.00
Oxen,	60	2,536.00
Cows,	466	12,270.00
Neat stock,	265	5,328.00
Sheep,	584	1,888.00
Fowls,	100	40.00
Carriages,	2	200.00
Stock in banks,		1,300.00
Money at interest,		7,070.00
Stock in trade,		9,115.00
Mills and machinery,		5,031.00
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Total valuation,		\$283,591.00

ALMON E. CLARK,
 GEORGE J. RACKLIFFE,
 FRED H. BATCHELDER, } Selectmen
 of
 Acworth.

ORDERS DRAWN FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES.

1906.			
Sept. 6	Hiram N. Hayward, treasurer	county tax,	\$697.13
Dec. 1	“ “	state tax,	490.00
Apr. 23	Hiram N. Hayward, treasurer	part appropriation for Silsby	
		Free Public library,	\$ 50.00
Oct. 6	Hiram N. Hayward, treasurer	balance appropriation for	
		Silsby Free Public library,	60.00
			<hr/> \$110.00

ORDERS DRAWN FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

1906.			
Apr. 23	Guy S. Neal, district treasurer's	school money in part,	\$ 50.00
June 2	Edward E. Babb, school supplies,		15.90
	Mary S. Potter, freight on school supplies,		.69
	G. A. Evans, school supplies,		.34
	Guy S. Neal, district treasurer's	school money in part,	400.00
Oct. 6	Mary S. Potter, school supplies,		10.42
19	Guy S. Neal, district treasurer's	balance school money,	585.00
Dec. 1	William Miller, school supplies,		.90
29	American Book Co., books and	school supplies,	97.62
	Guy S. Neal, district treasurer's	literary fund and proportion school fund,	174.43
			<hr/> \$1,335.30

ORDERS DRAWN TO REPAIR HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

1906.			
May 2	E. N. Crossett, lumber for	Hemphill bridge and labor on same,	\$ 55.50
5	C. H. Neal, labor on	highway,	7.87
	W. S. Lombard, 500 feet	bridge plank delivered to Honey brook bridge,	6.75

May	5	C. A. Stocks, labor on highway,	\$ 2.25
	23	W. S. Lombard, for bridge timber in part,	18.40
June	2	George A. Hatch, labor on highway and cash paid,	4.05
		M. D. Gay, labor on highway,	4.40
		C. A. Stocks, labor on highway and cash paid,	29.67
		W. S. Lombard, bridge timber for Boynton and Dodge brook bridge,	52.09
		Arthur Burnham, labor on highway and cash paid in Dist. No. 12,	41.55
		Arthur Burnham, labor on highway and cash paid in Dist. No. 11,	13.50
		Arthur Burnham, labor on highway and cash paid,	3.45
		N. E. Pitkin, labor on highway and cash paid,	1.50
June	14	C. H. Neal, labor on highway and bridges and cash paid,	21.56
	15	W. S. Lombard, labor with team on the highway in Dist. No. 17,	10.00
	20	E. N. Crossett, lumber for Hemphill bridge,	54.87
July	7	M. D. Gay, labor on highway and cash paid,	13.05
		W. H. Booth, labor on highway and cash paid,	33.78
		A. W. Potter, labor on highway and cash paid,	18.65
		O. T. Muzzy, labor on highway and gravel,	9.00
		H. R. Neal, labor on highway and cash paid,	41.05
		T. D. Miller, labor on highway and cash paid,	38.95
		C. A. Milliken, labor on highway and cash paid,	34.80
		Horace Dexter, labor on highway,	7.12
		E. F. French, labor on highway and cash paid,	30.65

July 7	Arthur Burnham, labor on highway in Dist. No. 12,	\$4.50
	Arthur Burnham, labor on highway in Dist. No. 11,	8.25
	F. R. Lufkin, labor on highway and cash paid,	47.60
	W. S. Lombard, timber and bridge plank,	21.00
	Elmer Comstock, labor on highway and cash paid,	35.65
	C. H. Neal, labor on highway and cash paid,	42.70
	H. N. Hayward, labor on highway and cash paid in Dist. No. 21,	40.70
	A. J. Davis, labor on highway and cash paid,	80.80
	W. S. Lombard, labor on highway in Dist. No. 19,	11.50
Aug. 4	W. A. Pitkin, labor on highway in Dist. No. 19,	7.50
Sept. 1	George F. Lewis, two men and six horses on scraper two days,	20.00
	H. R. Neal, labor on highway in Dist. No. 7,	3.00
	E. H. Rugg, labor on highway and cash paid,	25.20
	T. D. Miller, labor on highway and cash paid,	11.40
	T. D. Bell, labor on highway,	4.27
	S. A. Nye, labor on highway and cash paid,	50.65
Oct. 6	M. D. Gay, labor on highway,	6.51
	Arthur Burnham, labor on highway in Dist. No. 11,	13.85
	Arthur Burnham, labor on highway in Dist. No. 12,	12.45
	W. H. Booth, labor on highway,	19.53
	Horace Dexter, labor on highway in Dist. No. 9,	22.00

Oct. 9	W. S. Lombard, bridge plank,	\$49.48
	C. H. Neal, labor on highway and cash paid,	5.70
Nov. 3	M. W. Gasset, labor on highway and bridge,	26.55
	Thomas Bell, labor on highway and gravel,	3.64
	M. D. Gay, labor on highway,	6.15
	James Jeffery, " "	38.15
	C. A. Milliken, labor on highway and cash paid,	12.90
	Elmer E. Comstock, labor on highway and cash paid,	7.90
7	W. S. Lombard, bridge plank and hauling same,	5.46
Dec. 1	Manley W. Gasset, labor on highway and cash paid,	6.50
	A. W. Potter, labor on highway and cash paid,	10.35
	Geo. J. Rackliffe, labor on highway,	1.35
29	H. R. Neal, labor on highway and cash paid,	7.50
	W. H. Booth, labor on highway and cash paid,	9.52
	Elmer H. Rugg, labor on highway and cash paid,	19.80
	John R. Smith, labor on highway,	1.20
1907.		
Jan. 4	E. F. French, labor on highway and cash paid,	12.55
Feb. 13	T. D. Miller, labor on highway and cash paid,	8.54
	Frank R. Lufkin, bridge plank,	36.86
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		\$1,313.62

ORDERS DRAWN FOR MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

1906.		
Mar. 17	F. H. Howe, printing town reports,	\$ 25.50
Apr. 14	Lydia K. Howe, use of water tub from May 1, 1905, to Nov. 1, 1905,	1.00
23	E. C. Eastman, supplies for selectmen and town clerk,	5.73

Apr. 23	W. A. Pitkin, use of water tub,	\$2.00
June 2	Geo. F. Lewis, damage on Hemphill bridge,	10.00
July 7	W. M. Welch, spikes for railing and repairs on road machine,	2.00
Sept. 1	Rollo Potter, mowing cemetery,	5.00
	T. W. Muzzy, " "	5.00
	Erving C. Davis, mowing old cemetery,	1.80
Nov. 3	A. E. Hemphill, damage sustained on highway in month of July,	12.50
Dec. 29	Fred H. Batchelder, cash paid Rollo Potter, repairs at town house,	.75
1907.		
Feb. 13	W. E. Clarke, M. D., returning deaths,	1.50
	J. E. Toye, M. D., returning deaths and births,	1.25
	B. T. Mousley, M. D., returning deaths and births,	3.00
	Nathan Spaulding, reporting marriages, births and deaths,	4.35
	R. J. Carey, use of water tub,	3.00
	L. J. Paige, " "	3.00
	Herbert L. Piper, abatement T. W. Muzzy, poll tax,	1.76
	Charles Elliott, use of water tub,	3.00
	14 E. K. Morrison, " "	3.00
	W. C. Neal, breaking roads in cemetery and repair of sexton tools,	4.65
	A. A. Fisk, housing road machine and snow rollers,	8.00
	G. W. Buss, use of water tub to date,	2.50
	Wallace H. French, damage sustained on highway Feb. 26, 1906,	8.00
	15 Nathan Spaulding, express on ballots used at November election,	.35
O. D. Kemp, use of water tub to date,	2.50	
Almon E. Clark, postage, stationery and telephoning,	1.70	
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		\$122.84

ORDERS DRAWN TO PAY NOTES AND INTEREST.

1906.		
July 7	Nellie Kemp, interest on note No. 22,	\$ 9.00
Dec. 29	Juliette A. Osgood, town note No. 2 with interest to date,	87.35
1907.		
Feb. 13	H. N. Hayward, town notes Nos. 17 and 18 with interest,	315.52
14	Nellie E. Kemp, town note No. 22 with interest,	307.85
	Flora E. Buss, town note No. 8 with interest,	412.86
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		\$1,132.58

ORDERS DRAWN FOR SUPPORT OF DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

1906.		
Apr. 16	O. D. Kemp, wood furnished Henry Lemke,	\$ 8.00
May 10	Almon E. Clark, supplies for Henry Lemke,	1.50
July 7	A. E. Hemphill, wood furnished Henry Lemke,	1.25
Aug. 4	H. G. Perham, house rent and milk furnished Henry Lemke,	10.50
Sept. 1	B. T. Mousley, M. D., medical attendance to Henry Lemke,	33.00
Nov. 3	A. E. Hemphill, 3 cords wood furnished Henry Lemke,	4.50
19	C. O. Hemphill, 2 cords wood furnished Henry Lemke,	9.00
	A. E. Clark, potatoes furnished Henry Lemke,	1.85
1907.		
Feb. 13	H. G. Perham, house rent and milk for Henry Lemke to Jan. 1, 1907,	16.50
	B. T. Mousley, M. D., medical attendance for Henry Lemke,	2.70
14	Arthur L. Perham, 2 cords wood furnished Henry Lemke,	8.00
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		\$96.00

ORDERS DRAWN FOR SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

1906.		
Apr. 14	Lydia K. Howe, keeping Fred Howe 181 days to May 1, 1906,	\$ 45.25
21	Luther J. T. Clough, keeping Almira Clough 26 weeks to May 1, 1906,	78.00
28	Daniel Moody, keeping Syrena Moody 13 weeks to May 1, 1906,	26.00
June 2	B. T. Mousley, M. D., medical attendance Mrs. Ursula Abbott,	38.00
	Mrs. W. H. Blackmar, care of Mrs. Ursula Abbott,	3.00
Sept. 1	Mrs. A. H. Warner, board and bedding for Mrs. Ursula Abbott,	10.00
	Edgar K. Morrison, procuring nurse for Mrs. Ursula Abbott,	1.50
	Daniel Moody, keeping Syrena Moody 13 weeks to Aug. 1, 1906,	26.00
6	H. F. Olmstead, casket for Syrena Moody,	15.00
Oct. 27	Lydia K. Howe, keeping Fred Howe 184 days to Nov. 1, 1906,	46.00
	Daniel Moody, keeping Syrena Moody 5 weeks to Sept. 5, 1906,	10.00
Nov. 7	Luther J. T. Clough, keeping Almira Clough May 1st to Nov. 1st, 1906,	78.00
1907.		
Feb. 13	B. T. Mousley, M. D., viewing body of Syrena Moody,	1.25
15	Mrs. Emma R. Smith, board and care of Mrs. Ursula Abbott three weeks,	6.00
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		384.00

ORDERS DRAWN TO PAY HIGH SCHOOL TUITION.

1906.		
Apr. 14	Treasurer Stevens high school, tuition Gaylie Call,	\$ 6.00
June 2	Treasurer Stevens high school, tuition Gaylie Call,	6.00

Nov. 3	Treasurer Kimball Union academy, tuition Carl Fisk and Nina Batchelder,	\$32.00
1907		
Feb. 9	Treasurer Kimball Union academy, tuition Carl Fisk and Nina Batchelder,	24.00
13	Treasurer Newport high school district, tuition Sadie N. Lombard,	18.00
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		\$86.00

ORDERS DRAWN FOR BREAKING ROADS.

1906.		
Apr. 14	J. L. Webster, breaking roads,	\$ 5.40
	Martin D. Gay, " "	3.06
16	Arthur W. Potter, " "	6.28
	E. E. Sherman, " "	3.75
21	Elmer H. Rugg, " "	3.60
23	Guy S. Neal, " "	1.20
May 5	W. S. Lombard, running snow roller,	15.30
	Luther J. T. Clough, breaking roads,	2.94
	C. A. Stocks, " "	3.60
June 2	James Jeffery, " "	2.40
July 7	C. A. Milliken, " "	4.20
Sept. 1	Arlyn E. Peck, breaking roads March, 1906,	2.10
Dec. 29	C. A. Milliken, breaking roads,	1.50
1907.		
Feb. 14	Guy S. Neal, " "	8.50
	M. D. Gay, " "	2.05
	W. S. Lombard, running snow roller,	9.00
	Thomas Bell, cutting brush and breaking roads,	7.30
	John Albert, breaking roads and trip to South Acworth,	6.85
15	O. D. Kemp, cutting brush and breaking roads,	2.35
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		\$91.38

ORDERS DRAWN ON ACCOUNT OF DAMAGE TO
SHEEP BY DOGS.

1906.			
July 7	W. S. Lombard, services as dog constable,	\$ 8.00	
Dec. 29	C. O. Hemphill, damage to sheep by dogs,	\$ 6.00	
	George Hatch, damage to sheep by dogs,	5.00	
	John R. Smith, damage to sheep by dogs,	40.00	
1907.			
Jan. 4	F. W. Hyde, agent, damage to sheep by dogs,	49.15	
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1906.			
Dec. 29	F. H. Batchelder, services as appraiser of damage to sheep by dogs,	\$ 2.90	
	A. E. Clark, services as appraiser of damage to sheep by dogs,	6.60	
		<hr style="width: 100px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	\$9.50
	Total,		<hr style="width: 100px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>
			\$117.65
	Damage to sheep,	\$100.15	
	Services as dog constable,	8.00	
	“ appraisers,	9.50	
1907.			
Feb. 14	Order to Guy S. Neal, district treasurer's balance dog license,	1.80	
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	Total,		\$119.45
	Amount of dog licenses returned,		\$119.45

ORDERS DRAWN TO PAY TOWN OFFICERS.

1906.			
Mar. 13	Lyman A. Young, services of school board,	\$ 60.00	
	Hiram R. Neal, “ as supervisor,	6.00	
Apr. 14	Hiram N. Hayward, “ town auditor,	4.00	
21	Elmer H. Rugg, services as supervisor March, 1905, and March, 1906,	10.00	

Apr. 23	Almon E. Clark, services as selectman,	30.00
	Geo. J. Rackliffe, " "	30.00
	Fred H. Batchelder, " "	30.00
	Almon E. Clark, services as overseer of poor, Feb. 15, 1906, to May 1, 1906,	4.00
Sept. 1	Geo. P. Dickey, services as supervisor,	10.00
Dec. 1	Hiram R. Neal, " "	6.00
	Geo. J. Rackliffe, " selectman to date,	11.00
29	Elmer H. Rugg, " supervisor "	5.00
1907.		
Feb. 13	Hiram N. Hayward, " town treasurer,	25.00
	" " " school dis't clerk,	2.00
	Nathan Spaulding, " town clerk,	25.00
	R. J. Carey, " supervisor,	2.00
14	Guy S. Neal, " school dis't treas'r,	5.00
	W. C. Neal, " sexton for the year,	71.00
	H. L. Piper, " tax collector for 1906,	60.00
15	Almon E. Clark, " selectman to date,	23.00
15	" " " overseer of poor to date,	10.00
	Geo. J. Rackliffe, balance services as selectman to date,	7.00
	Fred H. Batchelder, balance services as selectman to date,	26.50
	Fred H. Batchelder, services as overseer of poor,	2.50
		<u>\$465.00</u>

Receipts in Treasury

AS SHOWN BY TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

1906.		
Feb. 27	To cash in treasury as per auditor's report,	\$1,466.39
Apr. 16	To cash received from A. E. Clark, tax collector 1903,	18.00
June 2	To cash received from county support of paupers,	199.50

Aug. 4	To cash received from A. E. Clark, tax collector 1903,	65.16
	To cash received from A. E. Clark, tax collector 1903, Int.,	10.08
Nov. 22	To cash received from county support of paupers,	235.10
Dec. 1	To cash received from state insurance tax,	1.50
	“ state savings bank,	156.15
	“ state literary fund,	62.83
	“ state proportion of school fund,	111.60
	To cash received from state high school fund,	3.46
29	“ state dog licenses,	117.65
Mar. 18	“ F. H. Batchelder, tax collector 1905,	100.00
26	To cash received from F. H. Batchelder, tax collector 1905,	50.00
Apr. 23	To cash received from F. H. Batchelder, tax collector 1905,	60.00
May 16	To cash received from F. H. Batchelder, tax collector 1905,	50.00
26	To cash received from F. H. Batchelder, tax collector 1905,	40.00
1907.	Interest on taxes,	8.83
Jan. 31	To cash received from dog license,	1.80
Feb. 14	“ H. L. Piper, tax collector for 1906, interest on taxes,	5.00
	To cash received from H. L. Piper, tax collector for 1906,	4,400.00
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		\$7,163.05

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State tax,	\$ 490.00
County tax,	697.13
Silsby Free Public library,	110.00
School purposes,	1,335.30
Repairing highways and bridges,	1,313.62

Paid Miscellaneous purposes,	122.84
Aid to dependent soldier,	96.80
Aid to paupers,	384.00
Town officers,	465.00
Breaking roads,	91.38
Damage to sheep by dogs,	119.45
High school tuition,	86.00
Notes and interest,	1,132.58
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Total,	\$6,444.10
Cash in treasury to balance,	718.95
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Total,	\$7,163.05

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen and treasurer and find them correct and supported by vouchers.

GUY S. NEAL, Auditor.

Town Clerk's Report

Number of male dogs licensed, 44,	\$ 88.00
Number of female dogs licensed, 8,	40.00
Henry G. Mathewson, female dog licensed Dec. 6, 1906,	2.05
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	\$130.05
Amount of dog license money paid Hiram N. Hayward, town treasurer,	\$119.45
Amount of fees allowed town clerk by law for licensing dogs,	10.60
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	\$130.05

NATHAN SPAULDING, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing account of the town clerk and find it correct.

GUY S. NEAL, Auditor.

Auditor's Statement

ASSETS OF TOWN FEB. 15, 1907.

Cash in treasury,	\$718.95
Due from Herbert L. Piper, tax collector 1906,	626.31
Due from county on account of death certificate for Mrs. Syrena Moody,	1.25
Due from county on account of aid furnished Henry Leinke,	27.20
Due from town of Lempster on account of aid to Mrs. Ursula Abbott.	58.50
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Amount of assets,	\$1,432.21
In treasury Feb. 15, 1907, after paying indebtedness,	\$1,432.21
“ Feb. 15, 1906, “	797.30
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Gain from last year,	\$634.91
Respectfully submitted,	

GUY S. NEAL, Auditor.

Auditor's Statement

OF AFFAIRS AT ACWORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR
ENDING FEB. 15, 1907.

1906.			
Feb. 15	By cash in treasury, as per auditor's report,	\$ 4.88	
	By cash rec'd of town treasurer, school money in part,	50.00	
	By cash rec'd of town treasurer, school money in part,	400.00	
	By cash rec'd of town treasurer, school money in part,	585.00	
	By cash rec'd of town treasurer, Literary and State fund,	174.43	
1907.			
	By cash rec'd of town treasurer, balance of dog license,	1.80	
		\$1,216.11	
	Paid Teachers' wages,	\$ 736.00	
	Repairing schoolhouses,	21.20	
	Transportation of scholars,	264.95	
	For fuel,	38.40	
	For miscellaneous purposes,	48.31	
	Cash in treasury to balance account,	107.25	
		\$1,216.11	

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of the School Board and Treasurer of Acworth Town School District, and find the same correct with proper vouchers.

G. A. EVANS, Auditor.

Report of School Board

CASH PAID FOR TEACHERS.

1906.		
May 18	Alice S. Chadwick, teaching 7 days in So. Acworth division,	\$ 10.00
June 21	Jessie Ball, teaching 9 weeks in Grout Hill division,	45.00
	Daisy M. Crossett, teaching in County Div.,	45.00
22	Alice S. Chadwick, teaching in South Acworth division,	57.50
27	Nannie Buswell, teaching in Center Div.,	72.00
29	Millicent B. Ross, assistant in Center Div.,	45.00
July 2	Nina E. Batchelder, teaching 9 weeks in Tracy division,	45.00
Oct. 26	Nannie Buswell, teaching 8 weeks in Center Div.,	64.00
Nov. 7	Nellie E. Donovan, teaching 10 weeks in South Acworth division,	75.00
29	Millicent B. Ross, teaching 8 weeks in Center division,	32.00
Dec. 17	Gaylie Call, teaching 15 weeks in Grout Hill division,	75.00
20	Nellie Donovan, teaching 5 weeks in South Acworth division,	37.50
22	Florence Hooper, teaching 15 weeks in Tracy division,	77.00
	Nannie Buswell, teaching 7 weeks in Center Div.,	56.00
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		\$736.00

REPAIRING SCHOOLHOUSES.

1906.		
June 1	Martin Bascom, setting twelve lights glass at Center division,	\$ 1.00
	Guy S. Neal, repairs, moving and setting up stove at Center division,	3.55
4	Algene A. Fisk, repairs at So. Acworth Div.,	2.00
18	Joe Nichols, repairs on roof of South Acworth schoolhouse,	.50
Aug. 3	Geo. L. Allen, repairs on Derry Hill schoolhouse,	1.25
Dec. 4	Geo. W. Call, repairs and work at Center schoolhouse,	12.90
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		\$21.20

CASH PAID FOR FUEL.

1906.		
June 18	G. A. Evans, 2 7-8 cords wood for South Acworth division,	\$ 7.90
Aug. 18	Guy S. Neal, 2 cords stove wood for Center Div.,	8.00
Sept. 5	Eugene N. Crossett, 1 cord stove wood for Grout Hill division,	4.00
Nov. 6	Lemuel Smith, 1 cord wood for Tracy Div.,	2.50
Dec. 21	Guy S. Neal, $\frac{1}{4}$ cord wood,	1.00
1907.		
Jan. 28	Guy S. Neal, 4 cords wood for Center Div.,	15.00
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		\$38.40

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS.

1906.		
June 21	James Jeffery, transportation of children,	\$ 12.60
25	Mrs. C. H. Neal, transportation of scholars from East Acworth,	24.75
	Lemuel Smith, transportation of scholars at Tracy division,	33.00
	Hiram N. Hayward, transportation of Jeffery's children,	14.40
July 9	J. Watkins, transportation of Watkins' children,	9.00
Oct. 26	Guy S. Neal, transportation of Jeffery's children,	12.00

Nov. 3	James Jeffery, transportation of children,	\$12.00
Dec. 14	Wm. F. Blay, transportation of scholars to Tracy division,	12.60
20	Julia Gainley, transportation of East Acworth scholars to Grout Hill division,	13.60
21	Guy S. Neal, transportation of Jeffery's children,	21.00
1907.		
Jan. 19	Elroy E. Reed, transportation of County scholars 14 weeks to So. Acworth Div.,	70.00
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		\$264.95

MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS.

1905.		
Mar. 12	Mrs. C. M. Johnson, cleaning schoolhouse, telegraph, hooks, etc.,	\$ 1.35
1906.		
Apr. 17	John Newill, sawing 2 7-8 cords wood in South Acworth division,	2.88
May 8	Mrs. Lou Morse, cleaning schoolhouse in Center division,	2.60
	Mrs. Wm. Bailey, cleaning schoolhouse in South Acworth division,	2.00
29	Mrs. N. E. Constantine, cleaning schoolhouse in Tracy division,	2.00
June 21	Jessie Ball, sweeping schoolhouse in Grout Hill division,	.75
22	Alice Chadwick, janitor work So. Acworth Div.,	2.00
25	Henry Neal, janitor work Grout Hill Div.,	1.00
27	Nannie Buswell, janitor work Center Div.,	2.00
29	Harry Gowen, janitor work County Div.,	.50
Aug. 14	Nina Batchelder, janitor work Tracy Div.,	1.25
Sept. 1	Chester Johnson, cleaning schoolhouse, tin pail, door lock, glass, putty in County Div.,	2.67
5	John Newill, sanitary work in So. Acworth Div.,	1.00
8	Harry B. Gowen, janitor work in County division, for 1905,	1.50
Oct. 26	Nannie Buswell, janitor work in Center Div.,	2.00
30	Gaylie Call, cleaning schoolhouse Grout Hill division,	2.00
Nov. 6	Henry Emery, drawing and sawing wood in Tracy division,	2.00

Dec. 17	Gaylie Call, janitor work 15 weeks Grout Hill division,	\$2.00
22	Daisy M. Crossett, sweeping schoolhouse in County division,	.75
	Florence Hooper, janitor work fall and winter terms in Tracy division,	2.00
	Nannie Buswell, janitor work in Center Div.,	2.00
1907.		
Jan. 29	Ray H. Buss, services as truant officer for 1906,	7.00
Feb. 14	Lyman A. Young, postage and incidentals,	1.06
	Bella Balla, janitor work fall and winter terms 1906 in South Acworth division,	4.00
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		\$48.31

LYMAN A. YOUNG, } School Board
 ALMON E. CLARK, } of
 MARY S. POTTER, } Acworth.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

During the past year four schools have been maintained for the entire year. The County Division was united with the South Acworth school for the fall and winter terms. The Derry Hill pupils united with those at Acworth Centre, and, with an assistant teacher for the younger pupils, a reasonable amount of time could be given to each class, and very thorough work done.

But little can be saved by consolidation as very low wages are paid in the outlying divisions. This makes it very difficult to secure suitable teachers in those divisions. However, all the schools during the past year have been good and some have done very satisfactory work. Unquestionably consolidation in the end gives better schools, and four teachers in two schools, with larger classes, and more time for each class, can do much better work than the same number of teachers in different schools with very small classes, and more of them to the teacher. For this, and other reasons, our schools should be condensed as much as possible.

In March of 1905 there was a surplus of \$71.70 in the treasury and \$90 was raised for repairs. In March of 1906 there was a surplus of \$4.88 in the treasury and nothing was raised for repairs, but the town raised \$200 more for school purposes than in 1905, making \$43.18 more school money in 1906 than in 1905, besides a slight increase in the amount received from the state.

Each division has had twenty-four weeks of school. More than anything else a longer school year is needed and every effort should be made to raise the money to make this possible. With so short a year as our schools now have, every effort should be made by parents and pupils to have the attendance perfect. The average of perfect attendance has been about five pupils for each term of school. In one of the smallest divisions, for a term of nine weeks, every pupil's name was on the roll of perfect attendance. In another school during a term of seven weeks there were seventy-seven tardinesses. The average attendance in all the schools has been 88 per cent. which means that twelve out of every one hundred pupils who had actually entered school at any time during the term, were absent each day. If those who did not enter at the beginning of a term, and did not remain till the end, were counted as absent, as they really are, the per cent. would be much lower.

The town pays about \$10 for every day the schools are in session. The absence or non-absence of pupils makes very little difference in the cost to the town for the maintenance of the schools, so those parents who do not send their pupils regularly to school and for the whole school year are poor economists, since they are paying out money for which they get no return.

In some parts of the town parents have shown interest in the schools and visited them frequently. In other parts there has been an almost entire lack of interest on the part of parents. A school where twenty-nine pupils were registered showed fifty-two visitors, only three of whom were parents who had pupils in the school. This, and the lack of interest on the part of parents as shown by the poor attendance of pupils, is very discouraging to both teacher and pupils.

But little has been done in the way of repairs on school buildings, and there is much that should be done. At present most of the rooms are not only ugly in appearance but uncomfortable or unsafe places for children to be in six hours a day. The sanitary arrangements of two of the schools, those at Acworth Centre and at South Acworth, are such as to be a disgrace to any community. The school buildings should be put

in good repair, and that section of the by-laws in regard to the destruction of school property should be rigidly enforced. Thrifty looking, well cared for schoolrooms will help to make thrifty, law abiding citizens of those pupils who go out from them.

Teachers and pupils in two schools have made a beginning toward much needed improvements and it is to be hoped they will be aided by the town. Maps, dictionaries, black boards with smooth, dull black surfaces and other apparatus are still needed in some of the schools, and a little added each year would soon give all the schools a good supply and greatly aid teachers and pupils in their work.

MARY S. POTTER, Superintendent.

SECTION II.—This section if any person shall wilfully or maliciously cut, scratch, mark, or in any way whatever, injure or deface any part of the schoolhouse or schoolhouse furniture, he or she shall pay at least, for each offence, double the amount of damage arising in consequence thereof, and for every accidental damage, the full amount of such damage only.

Silsby Free Public Library

TRUSTEES.

GEORGE A. EVANS, term expires March, 1907.		
HIRAM N. HAYWARD,	“	1908.
ABRAM M. MITCHELL,	“	1909.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

It is believed the library creates as much interest as in years preceding, 135 visitors have registered during the year, 3495 books and other publications have been loaned since your last report, making the average above 67 each week. The present number of books is 2465, making an addition of 55.

The library has subscribed for ten monthlies and four weeklies which are read as eagerly as the best books. Friends furnish McClure's Magazine, Harper's Weekly, Saturday Evening Post, Printing Art, Kitchen Magazine, American Motherhood, and The World To-Day.

With thanks to the town for the increased appropriation, with gratitude to all who have contributed money or literature, with esteem for the giver of two loads of kindling wood, I herewith submit my fourteenth annual report.

Very respectfully,

HIRAM N. HAYWARD, Librarian.

SILSBY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY IN ACCOUNT WITH H. N. HAYWARD, TREASURER, FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 14, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

1906.			
Feb. 15	By cash in treasury as per auditor's report,	\$	5.35
Apr. 23	Rec'd of selectmen part of appropriation,		50.00
July 7	Sarah E. Potter, subscription,		4.00
21	Charles H. Dyer, " "		2.00
Aug. 4	Rev. Mr. Farley, " "		2.00
6	Miss Gabriel, " "		.50
	Miss Booth, " "		.50
11	Cora Williams, net proceeds of sociable,		6.00
25	Mrs. A. C. Starr, subscription,		1.00
	Josephine Starr, " "		1.00
30	Cora Williams, net proceeds of sociable,		2.50
Sept. 8	Mrs. J. C. Robinson, subscription,		1.00
Oct. 6	Selectmen, balance of appropriation,		60.00
Nov. 13	William Miller, subscription,		1.00
	H. N. Hayward, " "		-1.00
	William Miller, Jr., " "		1.00
15	Martha Prindell, " "		1.00
17	Mrs. R. B. Potter, " "		.25
	Mrs. C. B. Spaulding, " "		.25
	Millicent B. Ross, " "		.25
24	Mrs. G. H. Dodge, " "		.50
	Mrs. Guy S. Neal, " "		.50
Dec. 8	Arlyn G. Peck, " "		.50
11	Dr. C. A. Brackett, " "		3.00
19	Ada L. Wallace, " "		.25
22	Esther R. Chatterton, " "		1.00
29	Effie R. Dexter, " "		.50
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			\$146.85

EXPENDITURES

1906.		
Apr. 4	To cleaning cellar and grounds, spreading ashes,	\$1.00
May 15	Cash paid G. A. Evans floor dressing, brush,	3.65
17	Cleaning interior of building during the spring months,	3.00

May 18	To cash paid S. O. Brackett, express on books, \$.60
19	Cash paid DeWolfe & Fiske Co., new books,	19.91
June 4	“ Am. Horse Breeder Ass’n book,	2.00
19	Varnishing interior of building,	2.00
27	Cash paid E. Lovejoy, painting arch,	1.50
July 24	“ DeWolfe & Fiske Co., new books,	23.19
	“ S. O. Brackett, express on books,	.65
Sept. 6	“ for San Francisco horror,	1.50
Oct. 1	“ William Miller, floor dressing,	2.50
23	“ Drawing two loads kindling wood,	.50
Nov. 16	Cleaning building during the fall months,	3.00
20	Varnishing floors,	1.00
26	Cash paid W. H. Moore, papers and magazines 1907,	22.35
Dec. 10	Cash paid for Christian Herald 1907,	1.50
28	“ Granite Monthly to 1908,	2.83
1907.		
Feb. 14	Janitor and librarian service one year,	39.00
	Keeping records, labeling and num- bering books,	2.00
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		\$133.68
	Cash in treasury to balance,	13.17
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		\$146.85

Respectfully submitted,

H. N. HAYWARD, Treasurer.

Acworth, N. H., Feb. 14, 1907.

VITAL STATISTICS

In compliance with an Act of the Legislature passed June Session, 1887, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of the births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Reports," we submit the following:

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the year ending Dec. 31, 1906:

Date, 1906	Name of child (if any)	Sex and Condition			Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Parents' Color	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace and age of Father	Birthplace and age of Mother
		Male or Female	Living or Stillborn	Number of Child							
Jan 22	Harold Curryer	M	Living	1	White	White	All Acworth	Laborer	Bartonville, Vt 22	Walpole 22	
Mar 30	Elma C Comstock	M	Living	6	White	White	All Acworth	Farmer	Andover, Vt 39	Lempster 29	
Oct 8	Elwin C Comstock	M	Living	2	White	White	All Acworth	Farmer	Andover, Vt 39	Lempster 29	
Oct 20	Margarette E Welch	F	Living	1	White	White	All Acworth	Laborer	Hungary 46	Hungary 23	
Dec 21	Mary F Rugg	F	Living	1	White	White	All Acworth	Retired	Ohio 46	Grafton, Vt 24	
Dec 24	Mary F Rugg	F	Living	4	White	White	All Acworth	Blacksmith	Lempster 22	Newport 18	
								Farmer	Acworth 29	Charlestown 28	

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the year ending Dec. 31, 1906.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at Time of Marriage	Age, Yrs.	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Groom and Bride	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	M	Married	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married
Jan 1	Acworth	Harry A Davis Edith L Barlow	Langton Acworth	25 18	White	Laborer	Langton Keene	Solomon Davis Rose Porter Charles Barlow Edith Barlow	Acworth Springfield, Vt	1	1	F B Rockwood Clergyman Acworth
Feb 18	Acworth	John F Bolla Belle E Lufkin	Acworth Acworth	22 18		Machinist	Austria Acworth	John Bolla Joseph Bolla Frank L Lufkin Eva C Reed	Austria Austria	1	1	Geo A Smith Clergyman Lempster
Apr 21	Acworth	Carl S Lombard Rachael Buckman	Acworth Acworth	20 18	White	Sawyer	Windsor, Vt Acworth	Charles Lombard Ardie Barnes Rollin Chase Lillie Chase	Acworth Acworth	1	1	F B Rockwood Clergyman Acworth
Aug 20	Acworth	Clayton B Spaulding Vera J Clarke	Acworth Ainstead	27 18	White	Carpenter	Wells, Vt Ainstead	Nathan Spaulding Annie Clarke George J Clarke Louise J Milliken	Comish Powlet, Vt Wells, Vt Ainstead Charlestown	1	1	F B Rockwood Clergyman Acworth
Nov 7	Acworth	Roy H Buss Jessie B Webster	Acworth Acworth	25 20		Farmer	Acworth Acworth	George W Buss Flora F Bailey John L Webster Josephine George	Acworth Unity Lempster Acworth	1	1	F B Rockwood Clergyman Acworth
28	Charlestown	Harry D Kemp Ineze L Nash	Acworth Ainstead	23 20		Carpenter	Acworth Ainstead	Weston O Kemp Welle E Kemp James L Nash Louella M Nash	Charlestown Springfield, Vt Walpole	1	1	Elmer F Blake Clergyman Charlestown

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1906.

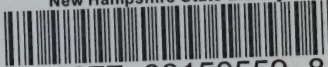
Date 1906	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex and Condition			Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Name of Mother
		Y	M	D		Father	Mother						
Jan 30	George Chapman	75	5	9	Smith's Creek, N. H.	M	M	Married	Carrriage Maker	Amherst, N. S.	Acworth	Thomas Chapman	Jennie Wood
Feb 7	George Bailey	78	1	20	Acworth	M	M	Widow	Farmer	Acworth	Acworth	Eliphalet Bailey	Abigail Sibly
Mar 16	* Ray Crossman	86	6	31	Acworth	M	M	Widow	Sailor	Acworth	Acworth	Jonathan Reed	Eunice Ingalls
	Mary R Kemp	83	7	5	Acworth	M	F	Widow	Farmer	Windsor, Vt	Acworth	Joseph Lombard	Eunice Lombard
Apr 10	Charles L Lombard	80	1	4	Acworth	M	F	Widow	Housewife	Bridgewater, Mass	Acworth	Horace Campbell	Sally Groat
May 12	Mary G Cummings	84	3	25	Acworth	M	F	Widow	Farmer	Acworth	Acworth	Windsor Copeland	Hannah Slader
Sept 5	Joseph Copeland	91	1	8	Acworth	M	F	Widow	Farmer	Acworth	Acworth	Roswell Walker	Edith E Willis
Sept 5	Gerrude E Walker	91	1	21	Acworth	M	F	Widow	Laborer	Waterbury, Ct	Acworth	Frederick H Reed	Gertrude G Combings
Oct 4	Syrena Moody	83	1	25	Weshanticut, R. I	M	F	Widow	Laborer	Acworth	Acworth	Jesse Smith	May I Potter
Oct 17	Paul L Reed	83	1	25	Marlow	M	M	Married	Farmer	Castleton, Vt	Acworth	J. S. Salesbury	Elmira A Moore
Oct 21	Samuel O Smith	63	1	8	Acworth	M	M	Married	Farmer	Acworth	Acworth	William Mitchell	Emma Hardey
Oct 21	Jack Salesbury	63	1	8	Acworth	M	M	Married	Housework	Goshen	Langdon	F. H. McLaughlin	
Oct 21	J. T. Mitchell	13	6	2	Acworth	M	F	Female					
Oct 21	Bessie L. McLaughlin	13	6	2	Acworth	M	F	Female					

* Died at Portsmouth, Va.

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

N. SPAULDING, Town Clerk.

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