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Town Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Charlestown, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the 9th day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ART. 1. To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 2. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, for the maintenance of the poor, for laying out and repairing highways, building and repairing bridges, and for necessary charges arising within the town.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will vote to make a five per cent. discount on all taxes paid on or before July 15th. 1909.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will vote the use of the Town Hall to the different societies in said Town for expenses.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will vote to let the Selectmen deliver the inventory blanks at the time of making the inventory.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of money necessary to secure State aid for the permanent improvement of highways, under the law passed at the January session, 1905.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will vote to provide a suitable place for the Fire Department and their equipment, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 8. To hear the report of the Selectmen in regard to sale of Stone Mill, and take any action in relation thereto.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will vote to license a junk dealer.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept \$100 each in trust from Sylvester S. Crosby and the estate of Susan Ellenwood, and \$250 from the estate of Helen M. Robertson, for care of lots in Forest Hill Cemetery.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell a piece of land formerly occupied by School House in District No. 5.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for a Soldiers' Monument.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to publish the invoice and tax list as a part of the town report, or take any action relating thereto.

ART. 14. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

By agreement between Town Officers the business of the day will be taken up at eleven o'clock A. M., and the polls will be closed at three o'clock P. M., if no objection is made.

Given under our hands and seal this 20th day of February, 1909.

E. M. MEGRATH,
GEO. H. STOUGHTON,
E. R. MILER,

SELECTMEN OF CHARLESTOWN.

A true copy, ATTEST.

E. M. MEGRATH,
GEO. H. STOUGHTON,
E. R. MILER,

SELECTMEN OF CHARLESTOWN.

Town Report

Report of Selectmen

The town voted at the annual meeting March 10, 1908, to raise the following sums, and State tax what the law requires, less railroad tax:

County tax,	\$ 2474 42
Town paupers,	350 00
Town officers,	1000 00
Roads and bridges,	2817 99
North Charlestown bridge,	800 00
Incidentals,	400 00
Cemeteries,	300 00
Scraping sidewalks,	60 00
Insurance on town hall,	100 00
Tax discount,	500 00
Memorial day,	50 00
Interest on trust funds,	150 00
Library,	500 00
School Board, for schools,	4500 00
" books and supplies,	300 00
" music and drawing,	400 00
Salary of Superintendent of schools,	195 00
Fire department,	132 00
Interest on water bonds,	2000 00
State highway,	1321 50
Amount raised by school district,	334 00
Village district tax,	550 00
Selectmen added,	201 07
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	\$ 19,435 98

Estimates and Recommendations for the Ensuing Year

County tax, what the law requires,	
State tax, what the law requires less railroad tax.	
Town paupers,	\$.350 00
Town officers,	1500 00
Interest on water bonds,	2000 00
Roads and bridges, what the law requires, and	500 00
Incidentals,	700 00
Cemeteries,	300 00
Scraping sidewalks,	60 00
Insurance on town hall,	100 00
Tax discount,	700 00
Memorial day,	50 00
Interest on trust funds,	165 00
Fire department,	150 00
Library,	500 00
For schools,	4500 00
" books and supplies,	300 00
" music and drawing	400 00
" Superintendent's salary	195 00

Census

Value of real estate,	\$ 673,875
Number of polls, 381,	38,100
Value of personal property,	113,535
Toll bridges and mills,	32,195
Horses, 397,	34,050
Mules, 1,	50
Oxen, 16,	1,085
Cows, 676,	17,870
Neat stock, 218,	4,200
Sheep, 918,	3,455
Hogs, 35,	375
Fowls, 720,	360
Carriages,	8,050
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	\$ 927,200

Town Officers

C H Miller, police duty,	\$ 26 00
C H Miller, special police duty,	15 00
C H Miller, constable,	20 00
E R Miler, special police duty,	5 00
Geo D Nourse, auditor,	2 50
E A Nims, auditor,	2 50
C S Hutchins, auditor,	2 50
C S Hutchins, ballot inspector,	4 00
R A Wood, ballot inspector,	2 00
W B Wood, ballot inspector,	2 00
M L Messer, ballot inspector,	2 00
B E Adams, supervisor,	18 00
E T Holden, supervisor,	19 20
H E Royce, supervisor,	18 00
W A Hunt, health officer,	3 00
O C Young, M D, health officer,	15 00
H M Stearns, health officer,	3 50
O C Young, water commissioner,	25 00
F W Hamlin, water commissioner,	25 00
A H Streeter, water commissioner,	25 00
F H Perry, town clerk,	50 00
W H Tinker, town treasurer,	50 00
W E Hunt, tax collector,	150 00
W E Hunt, services as moderator	8 00
Geo I Putnam, school board,	16 66
W A Hunt, school board,	16 66
Geo H Stoughton, school board,	16 66
Geo H Stoughton, school treasurer,	15 00
E M Megrath, overseer of poor,	50 00
E M Megrath, selectman,	110 00
Geo H Stoughton, selectman,	110 00

E R Miler, selectman,	110 00
W H Perry, ballot inspector,	4 00
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	\$ 942 18

County Paupers

John Bashaw, support of J Wright and wife,	\$ 96 00
R R Finn, railroad fare of Koegan to Washington,	10 50
J E Brosnahan, house rent for Mrs Knight,	48 00
T P Ahern, house rent for Mrs Westergren,	55 00
W B Osgood, house rent for Mrs Westergren,	5 00
Mrs Sylvester, board of Koegan,	2 85
C N Bidwell, supplies for C F Damon,	1 50
C N Bidwell, supplies for Koegan	3 80
F W Hamlin, supplies for C F Damon,	1 94
F W Hamlin, supplies for S Call,	8 02
F W Hamlin, supplies for F Maxim,	1 22
F W Hamlin, clothing for Pecor child,	7 00
F W Hamlin, clothing for J Wright,	3 75
Bridget Tyter, house rent for F Maxim,	3 00
A L Marden, M D, medical attendance Mrs Burbank,	2 00
D J Reynolds, wood for S Call,	5 50
M A Malony, rubbers for J Wright,	2 75
O C Young, M D, medical attendance F Maxim,	4 75
D J Reynolds, house rent for S Call,	12 00
S Loveley, board of Blanchard family,	4 50
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	\$ 279 08

Town Paupers

•OC Young, M D, medical attendance Wilson child,	\$ 4 50
C H Miller, care of tramps,	113 45
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	\$ 117 95

•Town was later reimbursed

Highway Account

T J McMAHON, Account as Road Agent.

T J McMahon, labor,	\$ 8 60
C F Colton, labor,	9 20
Mark Shields, labor,	2 63
T P McMahon, labor,	50
R H Bacon, nails,	35
W F Merrill, labor,	1 05
W F Merrill, lumber,	1 00
Eben Wright, team work,	8 00
Joe Goewey, team work,	8 00
Mrs E L Hamlin, storage of roller,	2 00
C M Chase, lumber,	9 24
Geo A White, snowing bridge,	1 50
J A Hutchinson, lumber,	2 78
F M Goings, lumber,	34 60
H B Allen, labor,	2 20
E M Megrath, team work,	2 00
C N Adams, labor	1 50
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	\$ 95 15

F O CROSS, Account as Road Agent.

W H & J O Fisk, breaking roads,	\$ 9 00
H M Stearns, breaking roads,	12 00
E W Greenwood, breaking roads,	12 00
E R Miler, breaking roads,	4 00
F O Cross, housing scraper,	1 00
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	\$ 38 00

FRED W HUNTLEY, Account as Road Agent,

F W Huntley, labor and team work,	\$ 533 75
F W Huntley, repairs on road machine,	18 00
F W Huntley, mileage,	5 10

F W Huntley, dynamite,	5 95
F W Huntley, nails, telephone etc,	66
G L Richardson, team,	1 25
T J McMahan, labor,	23 22
Guy Burbank, labor,	2 70
J E Perry, team work,	7 00
Wilbur Merrill, team work,	3 50
A Wilson, labor,	50
F Maxim, "	1 50
Walter Green, "	11 10
W E Woodard, "	4 40
Geo White, "	3 75
Wm McMahan, "	4 50
Geo Elie, "	4 72
J E Swift, "	75
Henry Allen, "	2 00
W J Tuttle, "	1 50
Eno Lindquest, "	3 00
Homer Leonard, "	21 05
B Champlain, "	12 57
S Loveley, "	14 60
A Loveley, "	49 50
W Blanchard, "	1 25
G L Bond, "	3 45
J Sylvester, "	6 00
Wm Bowman, "	3 00
G G Hunt, "	1 50
C Peterson, "	2 25
Fred Sylvester, "	4 60
Clyde Smith, "	3 75
E F Rodgers, "	25 50
W G Way, "	48 00
D T Bond, "	30 25

Geo Hodge, labor,	60 00
A G Parks, “	88 33
John Butler, “	1 88
C M Chase, rolling snow,	8 00
C McKinnon, rolling snow,	8 00
W S Jones, labor,	32 00
C F Miller “	37 50
P Benware “	14 10
John Davis, team work,	104 15
C H Miller, “	97 00
Geo S Bond, “	63 38
F E Beach, “	42 00
L A Cross, “	71 00
F O Cross, “	315 62
E E Wheeler, labor,	1 00
Geo Cummings, team work,	3 75
W E Adams, “	13 50
H R Lawrence, “	7 00
L St Clair, “	33 25
Eben Wright, “	22 40
H M Stearns, labor and team work,	20 19
H M Stearns, gravel,	1 00
E R Miler, team work,	39 45
L B Eaton, “	28 80
A L Eaton, “	28 00
W D Eaton, “	53 50
W H & J O Fisk, labor and team work,	52 32
J L & A S Putnam, “ “	51 00
H E Goodell, “ “	23 55
Geo S Fisk, “ “	17 44
C J Fifield, “ “	9 00
H Glenn, “ “	1 50
S W Putnam, “ “	4 25
C K Wood, “ “	10 65

H B Osgood, labor,	5 50
C T Hull, stone,	17 75
O D Cummings, stone,	15 25
G G Bowen, lumber,	200 47
G G Bowen, gravel,	8 20
Mrs C Paris, “	50
C L Wetherbee, gravel,	5 30
J C Fairbrother, “	42 50
F D Jardine, “	2 20
Mary F Bolles, stone,	1 50
F W Hamlin, tools,	20 21
Water commissioners, pipe,	21 96
D P Stearns, plow,	12 50
Canton Bridge, sluices,	42 00
D P Stearns, sharpening tools and repairs,	14 75
L P Farwell, gravel,	2 50
J Middleton, labor,	4 50
Freeman Laxon, labor and team work,	10 50
C F Colton, labor,	6 40
B E Adams, labor,	1 00
W H Perry, team work,	10 50
W H Perry, gravel,	8 20
E W Greenwood, team work,	3 50
F G Hill, labor,	6 00
W E Hunt, cement,	1 40
B G Bemis, repairing screen,	2 25
Mortimor, labor,	13 50
F Smith, labor,	1 50
Rand Ball & King, hardware,	12 90
A H Streeter, tile,	25 35
Henry Allen, water trough,	2 00
G H Messer, housing roller and road machine,	6 00
	\$ 2757 22

Error in account	38 82
	\$ 2796 04

Ox Brook Bridge

United Construction Co, bridge,	\$ 416 00
F W Huntley, team work,	187 30
F W Huntley, labor and team work,	146 86
W H Kiniry, use derrick,	22 00
B & M R R, sand,	6 00
F W Huntley, ropes,	5 93
S G Breed, lumber,	13 50
J E Swift, lumber,	13 37
W E Hunt, cement,	199 50
R H Bacon, incedentals,	11 98
Frank Elie, labor and supplies,	6 85
W M Densmore,	75
Eben Wright, team work,	12 00
T J McMahan, labor,	79 50
Eno Lindquest, “	30 00
Geo Hodge, “	1 50
A L Hamlin, “	2 77
Guy Burbank, “	9 00
A Sylvester, “	1 50
Wm McMahan, “	13 65
Bert Cross, “	108 75
A G Parks, “	65 11
F Sylvester, “	9 00
W Green, “	39 90
Error in account,	27 98
	\$ 1430 70
Total highway account,	\$ 4359 89

State Road

F W Huntley, team work,	90 00
F W Huntley, labor and team work,	93 15
L P Farwell, team work,	78 60
C Bailey, “	78 00
R R Allen, “	76 40
Eben Wright, “	76 00
E M Megrath, “	57 50
L A Cross, “	90 00
F O Cross, “	309 25
John Butler, “	9 20
John Butler, gravel,	272 12
C A Evans, gravel,	31 45
C A Evans, labor,	1 50
H G Dean, team work,	51 70
T J McMahan, labor,	37 52
L B Sylvester, “	28 50
F Smith, “	30 00
W E Woodard, “	25 50
E W Woodard, “	16 50
Mark Shields, “	15 75
Joe Blanchard, “	9 00
C Peterson, “	14 25
Geo Whitney, “	14 25
J Barron, “	3 00
J Hannan, “	75
C M Chase, “	13 50
R White, “	11 25
Geo Hodge, “	32 25
N D Whitney, “	24 00
A F Sylvester, “	28 50
A F Rice, “	29 25
H G Niles, “	29 25

R H Bean, labor	22 42
Frank Davis, "	13 50
G W Bemis, sign boards,	1 00
Rand Ball & King, hardware,	9 43
F Elie, repairing,	40
R H Bacon, incidentals,	90
F W Hamlin, tools,	4 63
D P Stearns, repairing,	3 90
Canton Bridge Co, slucies,	19 20
Jack Sargent, labor,	13 20
Error in account,	4 01
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	\$ 1770 48

Fire Department

D P Stearns, treasurer, for salaries,	\$ 126 00
D P Stearns, treasurer, for services,	157 11
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	\$ 283 11

Insurance, Town Hall

George H Stoughton,	\$ 96 00
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Silsby Library

George S Bond, treasurer,	\$ 500 00
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Memorial Day

R R Robertson, Adjt,	\$ 50 00
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Wiring Town Hall

Fall Mt E L & P Co, wiring hall,	\$ 192 19
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Village District Tax

District treasurer,	\$ 300 00
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Incidentals

Geo I Putman, printing town reports, ballots etc,	63 00
W B Fellows, National tax book,	1 15
W S Wardman, services and express small pox case,	16 35
F W Hamlin, supplies small pox case,	12 21
Cooley Grocery Co, supplies small pox case,	6 05
O C Young M D, telephone and gown small pox case,	5 39
O C Young M D, medical attendance small pox case,	90 00
N C Dodge, supplies small pox case,	15 02
O C Young M D, vaccination small pox case,	23 50
E R Miler, services and help at fire,	16 00
E C Eastman, books and stationery,	13 77
R J Davis, burial Patsey Warraino,	3 00
E R Miler, arrest and care prisoners,	3 44
E F Stoughton typewriting,	3 00
E F Stoughton, copying tax book,	7 00
Geo I Putman, printing,	1 25
C H Morse, rebate tax,	10 80
A T Morse, rebate tax,	14 04
John Chamberlain, rebate tax,	61
L T Hodgman, rebate tax,	9 19
W H Whitcomb, truant officer,	3 00
W W Horton, cleaning ditch,	1 25
E Chamberlain, teams for truant officer,	2 75
E Chamberlain, teams for fire and to No Charlestown,	5 00
F W Huntley, team to fire at South Charlestown,	2 80
A L Hall, real estate transfers,	4 96
Mark Shields, flagging autos,	2 00
W H Whitcomb, printing,	1 25
Bert Paine, watching fire,	1 50
G H Stoughton, services and help bush fire	34 50
W H Whitcomb, printing check list,	6 50
Geo H Stoughton, school census,	10 00

J W Davidson, repairing town clock,	15 00
E Chamberlain, team truant officer,	1 25
F W Hamlin, supplies lobby,	6 78
W A Swan, dinner for election,	16 00
Geo S Bond, balance highway damage,	15 02
C H Bradford, " "	8 44
S A Spooner, " "	8 44
F D Jardine, " "	15 57
Owen Lake, watching fire,	2 00
F W Hamlin, Justice fees,	33 00
E L Osgood, road damage,	25 00
C S Hutchins, repairs on lobby,	1 00
D P Stearns, team for truant officer,	2 00
F H Perry, vital statistics,	13 50
F H Perry, notifying Jurors,	4 00
O C Young M D, recording births and deaths,	7 00
J E Toye M D, " "	5 50
Wm Dowling M D, " "	1 00
L Jarvis M D, " "	50
W F Hazelton M D, " "	25
Rev F A Foxcroft, recording marriages,	1 75
Rev Geo L Thompson, " "	50
Rev E T Blake, " "	75
Rev S L Elberfeld, " "	50
D L Floyd, auctioneer,	2 00
Kimball Union Academy tuition Wallace Wright,	28 00
E M Megrath, wood for lobby,	7 00
F H Perry, postage stamps,	2 00
O C Young M D, vaccinations,	4 00
J E Toye M D, vaccinations,	5 00
H W Parker, fees and retainer,	31 00
E F Stoughton, typewriting,	1 50
W H Whitcomb, truant officer,	3 45

F W Hamlin, supplies for lobby,	1 99
Fay Thompson & Fay, posters,	1 75
Ira G Colby, fees and retainer,	23 00
J W Davidson, care town clock,	15 00
Geo W Buss, account of land damage,	5 00
Geo S Bond, half account of land damage,	2 25
Geo H Stoughton, mileage postage etc,	7 52
Mary Carmody, tax rebate,	5 76
C E Milliken, tax rebate,	20 00
E M Megrath, stamps mileage etc,	5 23
E M Megrath, two trips to Newport,	8 00
J L Hammett Co, flag for high school,	7 75
E R Miler, postage mileage etc,	4 50
Stevens High School, tuition,	96 00
C H Miller, repairs on lobby,	1 40
C H Miller, cleaning lobby,	2 50
C H Miller, arrest and care of prisoners,	87 96
Fall Mt Elec L & P Co service light at dry bridge,	10 64
W E Hunt, taxes abated,	11 38
	\$ 976 61

Cemeteries

T J McMahan, burial account,	\$ 12 00
“ labor in Hope Hill cemetery,	53 36
“ care Metcalf lot,	17 50
“ care McIntyre and Hull lot,	3 50
“ care Clark lot,	7 00
Geo White labor Hope Hill cemetery,	75
E Chamberlain, teams on hearse,	13 50
W J Tuttle, burial account,	45 00
“ labor in Forest Hill cemetery,	105 00
“ care Gilchrist lot,	3 00
“ care Robertson lot,	3 00

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W J Tuttle,	care H Evans lot,	3 00
“	care Bradford lot,	3 00
“	care Osgood lot,	3 00
“	care Morse and Darrah lot,	6 00
“	care Mark lot,	2 50
“	care Dean lot,	3 00
D P Stearns,	teams on hearse,	7 00

\$ 291 11

Ashael Porter Widow Fund

Paid Mrs Martha Anderson,	\$ 4 80
Mrs Ann Bradley,	4 80
Mrs John Baldwin,	4 80
Mrs M C Burbank,	4 80
Mrs Mercy Benware,	4 80
Mrs Helen K Cushing,	4 80
Mrs Mary Carmody,	4 80
Mrs Lizzie Fletcher,	4 80
Mrs Mae E Fisk,	4 80
Mrs Bridget Tyter,	4 80
Mrs Hiram Green,	4 80
Mrs Mary L Jones,	4 80
Mrs Maria Jaseph,	4 80
Mrs Ann Putnam,	4 80
Mrs C P Snow,	4 80
Mrs Laura J Stearns,	4 80
Mrs Bridget Galvin,	4 80

\$ 81 60

Scraping Sidewalks

E Chamberlain,	10 00
D P Stearns,	33 00

\$ 43 00

Schools

Paid treasurer School District,	\$ 4520 00
“ for books and supplies,	300 00
“ for Superintendent’s salary,	390 00
“ for music and drawing,	400 00
“ for dog tax 1907,	206 33
“ for Literary fund,	138 60
“ for Insurance on school building,	182 00
“ for repairs on school building,	150 00
“ for Swan fund,	11 56
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	\$ 6298 49

Town Hall

F W Huntley, coal,	\$ 25 85
Electric Light Co, lighting,	45 22
D Gray, janitor,	60 80
Cooley Grocery Co, supplies	8 25
F W Hamlin, supplies,	2 11
A H Streeter, repairs,	1 56
W W Horton, labor,	12 90
B G Bemis, table horses,	1 75
G L Richardson, wood,	5 00
C S Hutchins, repairs,	2 30
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	\$ 165 74

Sheep Killed by Dogs

H N Dodge,	\$ 12 00
H Willard,	6 00
J R Gowing,	3 00
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	\$ 21 00

State and County Tax

Treasurer Sullivan County,	\$ 2184 77
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Report of Tax Collector

Tax bills, 1908,		\$ 19435 98
Taxes added,		79 81
Interest collected,		36 41
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		\$ 19552 20
Paid Town Treasurer,	\$ 18847 53	
Discount allowed,	704 67	\$ 19552 20
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W E HUNT,
COLLECTOR.

Town Debt

TRUST FUNDS

Darrah and Morse fund,		\$ 100 00
Clara Gilchrist fund,		100 00
Geo Mark fund,		70 00
Aaron Dean fund,		100 00
Julia Osgood fund,		100 00
McIntyre and Hull fund,		100 00
Aaron Clark fund,		200 00
Dexter Bradford fund,		100 00
Henry F Evans fund,		125 00
Ashael Porter widow fund,		2330 00
Swan fund for schools,		330 33
Horace Metcalf fund,		500 00
Emily O Bradbury fund,		100 00
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		\$ 4255 33
Town water bonds,	\$ 50,000 00	
Town water notes outstanding,	2,000 00	52,000 00
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		\$ 56,255 33

Report of Town Clerk

Number of male dogs licensed, 132,		\$ 264 00
Number of female dogs licensed; 17,		85 00
		<u>\$ 349 00</u>
Amount paid town treasurer,	\$ 311 75	
Amount of fees allowed clerk by law	37 25	\$ 349 00
		<u><u>\$ 349 00</u></u>

FRED H PERRY,

TOWN CLERK.

Notes and Interest account of Town Debt

O C Young, guardian, interest on water note,		\$ 40 00
Walter R Willard, interest on water note,		20 00
James E Perry, interest on water note,		20 00
Conn River Nat Bank, interest on temporary loan,		11 50
Temporary note,		1000 00
		<u>\$ 1091 50</u>

Assets of the Town

Due from County on paupers account,		94 99
10,000 feet pine lumber,		180 00
Grist mill property,		1000 00
Treasurer's balance,	\$ 2101 09	
Less outstanding orders,	60 45	
Less outstanding coupons,	74 00	134 45
		<u>1966 64</u>
		\$ 3241 63

Recapitulation

Incidentals,	\$ 976 61
Town hall,	165 74
Sheep killed by dogs,	21 00
County tax,	2184 77
Silsby library,	500 00
Memorial day,	50 00
Wiring town hall,	192 19
Village district,	300 00
Porter widow fund,	81 60
Scraping sidewalks,	43 00
State road,	1770 48
Highways,	4359 89
Schools,	6298 49
Fire department,	283 11
Insurance town hall,	96 00
Interest on town debt,	91 50
Note at bank,	1000 00
Cemeteries,	291 11
Town paupers,	117 95
Country paupers,	279 08
Town officers,	942 18
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	\$ 20,044 70

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD M. MEGRATH,	}	SELECTMEN
GEORGE H. STOUGHTON,		OF
EDWARD R. MILER,		CHARLESTOWN.

Report of Town Treasurer

RECEIPTS

Balance,		\$ 1,142 55
Tax collector,		18,847 53
Railroad tax,	1,328 48	
Savings bank tax,	39 97	
Literary fund,	138 60	
School fund,	195 00	
High school tuition,	5 64	
	<u>1,707 69</u>	
State tax,	1,440 00	
	<u>267 69</u>	267 69
Balance due town,		208 71
State license,		486 57
State roads,		267 59
Pauper claims,		1,000 00
Water board,		1,000 00
Money borrowed,		311 75
Dog licenses,		23 34
Pool table licenses,		8 00
Peddlers licenses,		23 00
Justice fines,		153 86
Town hall receipts,		80 04
Rent from store, M J Cooley,		100 00
For care of Ellinwood lot,		100 00
For care of Labaree lot,		100 00
For care of Crosby lot,		15 00
G S Jonss, sheep killed in 1907,		7 53
Dividends on stock, Nat' Bank of Bellows Falls,		4 66
Cement, sand and labor sold,		1 00
Old junk,		4 50
Will Wilson, rebate Doctor's bill,		70 81
From road agent,		18 00
From school treasurer,		
		<u>\$ 24,242 13</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Orders by Selectmen 1907-'08,		22 54
Orders by Selectmen 1908-'09,		19,984 50
Interest on Town Bonds,		
Coupons No. 1,		206 00
Coupons No. 2,		988 00
Coupons No. 3,		940 00
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		\$ 22,141 04
Orders outstanding,	60 45	
Coupons outstanding, No. 1,	2 00	
Coupons outstanding, No. 2,	12 00	
Coupons outstanding, No. 3,	60 00	
True balance,	1966 64	
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In hands of Treasurer,	2101 09	2,101 09
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		\$ 24,242 13

Report of Treasurer of Board of Water Commissioners

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1908,		\$ 53 09
Rec'd B & M R R acct goods damaged in transit,		9 95
F W Huntley, pipe for town,		21 96
Town of Campton, pipe and supplies,		47 96
Rentals April 1, 1908,	329 23	
Rentals July 1,	337 57	
Rentals October 1,	360 90	
Rentals January 1, 1909,	401 67	1429 37
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		\$ 1562 33

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid F H Perry, P M, stamped envelopes,		10 93
O C Young, for express,		2 70
B D Benson & Co, book for treasurer,		7 75

Geo I Putnam, printing,	5 00
Donaldson Co, pipe,	27 43
C S Hutchins, painting hydrants	6 70
F W Hamlin, wire etc,	7 50
Muehler Mfg Co, supplies,	15 97
G L Richardson, cleaning lower reservoir,	90 35
A H Streeter, labor and supplies,	236 07
Town Treasurer,	1000 00
Balance on hand,	151 93
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	\$ 1562 33

149 paying services the past year with rentals of \$1429 37

STOCK ON HAND

Pipe and specials,	\$ 300 00
Hydrants and gates,	61 00
Curb-cocks, goose-necks and service boxes,	90 00
1 diaphragm pump,	43 00
1 water tapping machine,	75 00
Galvanized pipe and fittings,	8 00
Meters in use and on hand,	242 73
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	\$ 819 73

ARTHUR H. STREETER,

FRANK W. HAMLIN,

OSCAR C. YOUNG,

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The Silsby Free Public Library

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DR. O. C. YOUNG, Chairman,	Term expired
FRANK W. HAMLIN, Vice Chairman,	Term expired
DR. N. G. BROOKS,	Term expires 1910
GEORGE S. BOND, Treasurer,	Term expires 1910
WILLIAM P. HOLCOMB,	Term expires 1911
ELMER T. BLAKE, Secretary,	Term expires 1911
Librarian, ANNA LOUISE WEBBER.	

Report of Trustees

The Library has been opened, as usual, on two afternoons and evenings of each week. The Reading Room has been supplied with some of the leading periodicals, and many new books have been added. In the purchase of new books an effort has been made to build up each of the several departments, and to meet the needs of the community as far as possible. The Trustees acknowledge with gratitude the gifts of books from different individuals, and especially the generous gift of Miss Edna Gilson of nine beautiful volumes.

Notice has been received of a bequest of \$1,000 from the late Mrs. Helen Robertson.

O. C. YOUNG,
FRANK W. HAMLIN,
N. G. BROOKS,
GEORGE S. BOND,
WILLIAM P. HOLCOMB,
ELMER T. BLAKE,

Trustees.

Report of the Librarian

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SILSBY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY :

The following report for the library year ending Feb. 1, 1909, is respectfully submitted :

Nine thousand two hundred and eighty-two books have been loaned, an average of 92 books per day for the 100 library days; 81 new cards have been issued, making 1527 the whole number.

One hundred and ninety volumes have been added. Of these 158 were purchased by the book committee, 17 given by the Government, 9 by Miss Edna Gilson, 2 by Miss Clapp, 3 by G. L. Raymond, and 1 by a friend. The Century and New England Magazines have been added to the reading room. The National and Harper's Weekly dropped.

ANNA LOUISE WEBBER, LIBRARIAN.

Report of the Treasurer

RECEIPTS

Feb. 18, 1908. Cash on hand,	\$ 12 86
Received of Town,	75 00
Librarian, fines,	5 00
Town,	100 00
Librarian, fines,	5 00
Town,	200 00
Librarian, fines,	10 00
Interest on Evans fund,	40 00
Town,	125 00
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	\$ 572 86

EXPENDITURES

Express,	1 20
Yale & Towne Mfg Co, repairs,	1 44
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
A L Webber, cataloguing,	8 40
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
F W Huntley, coal and trucking,	8 25
L P Merrifield, labor,	1 00
F M Electric Light & Power Co,	37 50
F M Electric Light & Power Co,	6 02
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
Gustav Stickley, The Craftsman,	2 25
F M E L Co. lights,	1 96
F M E L Co, balance installing,	10 00
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
Young Folks Educational League,	45 00
A L Webber, librarian,	26 00
W H Moore, periodicals,	5 85
The Journal of American History,	2 00
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
G H Waldron, war photos,	3 00
F M E L Co, lights,	1 96
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
A L Webber, cataloguing,	8 50
F M E L Co, lights,	1 68
W W Arnold janitor,	6 25
A L Webber, librarian,	26 00
The Baker & Taylor Co, books,	45 21
F M E L Co, lights,	1 82
F W Huntley, sundries,	3 00
G G Bowen, posts,	3 00
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
F M E L Co, lights,	1 68

W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
F W Huntley, coal,	15 70
A L Webber, librarian,	27 25
W W Arnold janitor,	6 25
E J Barnard & Co, binding,	26 85
F M E L Co, lights,	2 24
G L Allen, periodicals,	27 50
F W Huntley, coal,	25 85
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
W W Arnold, janitor,	6 25
G L Richardson, labor,	2 55
A H Streeter, repairs,	1 66
John Fisk, express,	30
Library Bureau,	1 00
The Baker & Taylor Co, books,	99 53
F W Hamlin, sundries,	1 20
Balance,	13 51
	\$ 572 86

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. BOND, TREASURER.

Report of Auditors

We the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Charlestown, have examined the foregoing accounts of the Town Treasurer, Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor, Treasurer of Silsby Free Public Library, and Water Commissioners, and find them correct with proper vouchers.

CHARLES S. HUTCHINS,
ERNEST A. NIMS,

AUDITORS.

Report of the Board of Health

BOARD OF HEALTH

WESLEY E. HUNT, Chairman,

OSCAR C. YOUNG, M.D., Sec.,

HORACE M. STEARNS.

The chief events that have come to our observation during the past year have been a severe epidemic of whooping cough, imported from Claremont unwittingly, and gaining an entrance into the South Charlestown school before anyone knew what was happening. And thus the entire school was exposed and soon the village school was in the same predicament, until it seemed as though all the children were whooping. Quarantine was out of the question, but a few instances of laxity on the part of parents in allowing their children to go through all the unsightly contortion of a full blown spasm of whooping on the public streets and in public places are memories that will remain with the villagers for a good while to come.

Moral—Keep these little children away from public places, even if not quarantined. One death in an infant five weeks old resulted from this epidemic.

SMALL POX

On the 16th of April, 1908, a beautiful case of this much dreaded disease appeared in the family of William S. Morrill, one mile north of the village. In some way, unknown, he contracted the disease while at his usual work as railway mail clerk.

And the situation is not exaggerated when your Secretary admits that the first few nights after a diagnosis was fully established, were sleepless ones for him. Vaccination, to those who had in any degree been exposed, was immediately performed. The strictest quarantine was enforced.

And fortune favored us. Only one case of varioloid, and that in the same family, resulted. When we think of the dreadful epidemic that recently occurred at Brattleboro, Vt., and the loss to the town in a business way, and the ridicule that was heaped upon some of its leading men, whether justly or otherwise, we feel very thankful that we escaped so easily; and, although the expense of this case was considerable, it was as nothing compared to that of Brattleboro, and small as compared to a case at Bellows Falls, Vt.

OSCAR C. YOUNG,

Secretary for the Board.



School Report

Report of Treasurer

1908

EXPENDITURES

Teachers:

Mertice P Thrasher,	36 weeks at \$15,	\$ 540 00
Harriet H Albee,	21 " 11,	231 00
Harriet H Albee,	15 " 10,	150 00
Flora M Stoughton,	21 " 10,	210 00
Flora M Stoughton,	5 " 9,	45 00
Bessie B Heath,	15 " 9,	135 00
Ethelene M Barnard,	21 " 9,	189 00
Esther E Meacham,	10 " 9,	90 00
Carrie B Huntley,	15 " 9,	135 00
Mildred C Lord,	21 " 9,	189 00
Carrie J Putnam,	15 " 8,	120 00
Carrie J Putnam,	15 " 9,	135 00
Ella J Hastings,	36 " 8,	288 00
Ruth F Bowman,	15 " 9,	135 00
Mary W Lester,	15 " 6,	90 00
Mary W Lester,	21 " 7,	147 00
Bertha M Holden,	10 " 6,	60 00
Harlan R Goodwin,	11 " 6,	66 00
Maud Butler, (sub)	6 " 9,	54 00

 \$ 3009 00

Music and drawing:

D D Ladd,	200 00
Mrs G G Hawkins,	114 24

 314 24

Janitor service:

W H Whitcomb,	40 weeks at \$6 00	240 00
W M Densmore,	35 " 1 50	52 50
Laura M Knight,	27 " 75	20 25
Ella J Hastings,	9 " 75	6 75
Harold Walker,	35 " 50	17 50
Mary W Lester	20 " 35	7 00
Bertha M Holden,	10 " 35	3 50
Harlan R Goodwin,	5 " 35	1 75
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Transportation:

W M Densmore,	174 days at \$1 00	174 00
C T Mathews,	174 " 50	87 00
M D Corliss,	98 " 1 50	147 00
M D Corliss,	77 " 2 00	154 00
Ethel E Cross,	175 " 75	131 25
Mrs Geo W Eggleston,	86 " 25	21 50
Mrs Paulette,	6 " 35	3 15
C L Wetherbee,	5 " 50	2 50
C L Wetherbee,	30 " 75	22 50
Charles N Adams,	57 " 75	42 75
Walter T Buy,	49 " 35	17 15
Joe Goewey,		8 00
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Fuel:

W H & J O Fisk, wood and kindlings,	4 80
W H & J O Fisk, wood and kindlings,	69 77
F W Huntley, coal,	247 56
W A Hunt, coal,	92 30
Elizabeth Putnam, wood,	75
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Repairs:

Charles H Hutchins, labor high school	98 75
Charles H Hutchins, labor Farwell school,	2 50
W H Whitcomb, cleaning for painting,	26 40
Frank W Hamlin, varnish,	41 39
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	169 04

Insurance:

Geo H Stoughton,	184 00
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F H Foster, Treas, Supt's salary Feb 1, '08
to Mar 1, '09

422 50

Books and Supplies:

Ginn & Co,	10 97
The Schowhof Book Co,	7 91
J L Hammett Co,	1 54
Silver Burdett & Co,	8 45
Silver Burdett & Co,	9 74
Ginn & Co,	3 05
Milton Bradley & Co,	3 40
E E Babb,	6 25
Silver Burdett & Co,	3 20
O Ditson Co,	1 89
Rand McNally & Co,	5 35
Silver Burdett & Co,	9 22
J L Hammett Co,	9 30
Rand McNally & Co,	19 72
J L Hammett & Co,	43 49
Milton Bradley & Co,	3 45
Ginn & Co,	62 88
American Book Co,	10 22
Ginn & Co,	52
Rand McNally & Co,	4 25
Silver Burdett & Co,	43 40

J L Hammett Co,	15 45
Silver Burdett & Co,	24 48
Sam'l W Cole,	25
Rand McNally & Co,	3 80
Ginn & Co,	78 37
O Ditson Co,	2 10
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	392 65

Incidentals:

A H Streeter,	1 70
W M Densmore,	9 87
Frank Bushman, cleaning vault So Chas,	7 50
F W Hamlin,	9 31
F W Huntley, Trucking,	95
A H Streeter,	5 39
Mrs Frank Benware, cleaning school house,	75
L P Merrifield, repairs,	2 95
Laura M Knight, cleaning school house,	2 50
D D Ladd, expenses graduation,	9 00
Rev Vivian F Hendee expenses graduation,	5 00
W M Densmore,	2 33
E L Elliott, printing,	75
Emma Dean, cleaning school house,	75
Geo I Putnam, printing,	4 25
Ella J Hastings, broom,	25
N B Sherman, broom, etc, 1906,	55
W H Whitcomb, printing,	1 80
Mrs Frank Benware, cleaning,	3 50
D P Stearns, repairs on boiler,	1 00
A H Streeter,	70
A L Hamlin, repairs Farwell school,	2 98
C E Whipple, repairs Farwell school,	18 82
F W Huntley rd agt, cement, Farwell sch,	4 66
R H Bacon, supplies, Farwell school	88

J O Miller, curtains Farwell school	14 15
Rand Ball & King Co,	1 21
L P Merrifield, repairs,	3 00
Frank Bushman, cleaning closets,	7 50
Masury Young & Co, floor oil,	25 00
Laura Knight, cleaning,	1 00
W M Densmore, labor and cleaning,	4 72
Geo A White, brooms,	2 75
E L Elliott, printing,	1 25
A H Streeter, repairs,	1 93
F W Hamlin, supplies,	1 44
Traveller Ins Co, boiler ins and inspt,	30 00
A H Streeter, labor etc,	85
F W Huntley, trucking,	2 70
L A Cross, organ for Snumshire,	15 00
Geo H Stoughton, postage and express	4 38
Town Treasurer, error town order,	18 00
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	\$ 233 00

SUMMARY

Cash on hand Feb 17, 1908,	\$ 391 80
Town appropriated for support schools,	4500 00
" " books and supplies,	300 00
" " Supt's salary,	390 00
" " music and drawing,	400 00
District appropriated for insurance,	184 00
" " repairs,	150 00
Received from Literary fund,	138 60
dog tax 1908,	206 33
Swan fund,	11 56
Langdon (tuition Fifield,)	10 00
error in town order,	18 00
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	\$ 6700 29

DISBURSEMENTS

Teachers salaries,	\$ 3009 00
D D Ladd, music,	200 00
Mrs Frances G Hawkins, drawing,	114 24
Janitor service,	349 25
Books and supplies,	392 65
Transportation,	810 80
Fuel	415 18
Repairs,	169 04
Insurance,	184 00
Supt's salary, Feb 1, 1908 to March 1, 1909,	422 50
Incidentals,	233 00
Balance in bank,	400 63
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	\$ 6700 29

GEO H. STOUGHTON,

TREASURER.

Report of Auditors

We the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Charlestown, have examined the foregoing accounts of the School District Treasurer, and find them correct, and with proper vouchers.

CHARLES S. HUTCHINS,

ERNEST A. NIMS.

AUDITORS.

Report of Superintendent of Schools

The School Board of the School District of the Town of Charlestown,

Gentlemen: I hereby present to you my fourth annual report, being fifth in a series of such reports.

IN GENERAL

Progress is the watchword of the age. In every department of life men are seeking to make things better than their fathers knew them. In all the pursuits of business and the various occupations there is continual advance and every step upward is made a vantage ground that further advancement may be made.

The uplift is not only along material and intellectual lines but is felt as strongly in the moral life of the nation. The future will witness cleaner methods in politics, a greater degree of honesty in business and public life and a keener sense of honor in the discharge of a public trust.

This is no dream for we begin to see the beginning of the reality. A few of the signs of the times are the recent action for independence on the part of the Balkan states, the awakening of China, Russia, and Turkey, the rapid strides for a larger national life made by Japan, the New Idea in political life in our own country, the wave of temperance that is sweeping over America and stirring Great Britain, the most intemperate countries in the world.

Noting these events of current history and others too numerous to mention, one need not be an optimist to see that the world is moving onward. These considerations emphasizes the obligation ever resting on the schools to prepare the children of to-day to act well their part in the Republic as the citizens of to-morrow, to enter the activ-

ities of life in the altruistic spirit with an honest endeavor to make their generation better than the preceding.

In order that the schools may fulfill this high mission they, like other line of work must make continual advancement materially, intellectually and morally. It is always perilous to repose on the achievements and laurels or the conditions of the past, however satisfactory they may seem as we look back on them. It is not true that what was good enough for our fathers is good enough for us. This idea sometimes obtains in school matters, but nowhere else; if it should obtain everywhere all improvement would be out of the question.

ATTENDANCE

Per cent of attendance for Charlestown for the year 1907-'08, arranged in the order of excellence :

Harriet H Albee,	98.13
Mertice P Thrasher,	97.51
Flora M Stoughton,	95.54
Bessie B Heath,	94.76
Carrie J Putnam,	92.36
Carrie B Huntley,	92.24
Mary A Lester,	91.19
Ruth F Bowman,	86.42
Ella J Hastings,	84.52
Average for the year,	92.53

When the schools opened at Charlestown in September we found to our surprise that in the primary room there was an attendance of forty-seven pupils. Thirty pupils in a primary room is considered the maximum number for effective work. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction, in a recent utterance, has made the emphatic statement, "No teacher in grades I and II

should ever be assigned more than thirty pupils. It may be possible to keep more than that number in order ; it is doubtful if it is ever possible to TEACH more. In grades above the II it is far better to keep the number down to a maximum of thirty pupils per teacher.”

In the above statement it is assumed that there is but one grade in a room. But when the situation is that of three grades and forty-seven pupils in one room it is clear that something must be done for relief. The matter was under consideration for some time, and the ground was gone over again and again to devise the best means possible with no extra room and no extra appropriation, for relieving the situation. It was certain that the school year would be a failure for all the pupils under present conditions. The problem was to reduce the number that would be in the room at the same time. The following plan was finally settled on as the only one feasible under the circumstances: grades I and II be dismissed at the middle of each session, leaving only grade III in the room to receive the undivided attention of the teacher. To even things as nearly as could be for the other grades, grade III was required to come in not till the middle of the afternoon session. This arrangement seems to favor grade III, who are in school three of the full half sessions, having the whole time of the teacher during two of the half sessions and their full share during the early morning half session. Grade II loses more than any other for the reason that by the old arrangement this grade shared the periods after each recess with the third grade. But under the faithful work of their teacher they are not falling behind and the whole school is keeping up to grade. It is to be kept in mind that in the case of young pupils, it is not the number of hours they are in the school room that

counts, but rather the amount of time they are actively at work, and children from six to nine years of age can do all the mental work they ought to do in a comparatively short time.

I have spent considerable space in the explanation of this matter because I think it has been misunderstood by some, and I think it is a rule that when people understand a matter and the reason for certain measures, they may generally be trusted to do the sensible thing.

TEACHERS

Charlestown is still fortunate in it's teachers. I do not refer only to those who have given the community a long term of service and in the principal village of the town, but also those in smaller and more remote schools. Charlestown has within its borders some teaching not excelled in the state.

Miss Bertha Holden's place was filled without delay, fortunately, by Mr. Harlan R. Goodwin. The vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Child was filled by one who had already served an apprenticeship in town, so that the new teachers are Mr. Goodwin, Miss Barnard and Miss Lord.

A town is fortunate that can secure good teachers and retain their services year after year.

Parents of Charlestown, after yourselves, no one will influence your boy or your girl like their teacher. For this reason be sure to become acquainted with her, visit the school room often, try to get into sympathy with her, try to see things from her view point, especially the things that affect your child. Talk her UP, not DOWN in your home. She is human and will make mistakes and reveal faults of character and as teacher, but as you love your

child and desire his welfare in school and in life, dont criticise his teacher in his hearing. FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR CHILD stand by the teacher. But to adjust misunderstandings go privately to her in a frank and friendly spirit, and ten to one all troubles will disappear. If all would do this we would soon have ideal conditions in our schools.

CONCLUSION

In general the school work of the town has been very prosperous and successful during the year. The setbacks that come on account of sickness are unavoidable. The teachers are doing their utmost to prevent or counteract such tendencies as work against the high aim of the schools.

Charlestown is to be commended for the intelligence it shows in the support of its schools. Their reward will return to them in an intelligent and virtuous citizenship in the future.

The Superintendent has been aided in his work by an harmonious and cordial cooperation on the part of the teachers and supervisors as well as the strong support of the School Board and citizens. For this he wishes to put on record this word of appreciation.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. H. CUMMINGS.



Report of School Board

Good work has been done in all the schools the past year. The work as planned by the Superintendent has been well carried out by the efficient corps of teachers.

It is probable that never before were the schools as well graded as now, or the pupils in general as nearly on a par with pupils in near by larger towns in which the pupils are supposed to enjoy greater advantages. The advantage gained by expert supervision of schools was never more clearly shown than now.

The increased sum raised the past year for school purposes has been utilized by lengthening the school year.

The re-populating of farms in the eastern part of the town, which has been steadily going on, has resulted in a marked increase in the number of children to be transported to school, increasing the transportation account considerably. This matter has reached a point where it seems good economy to re-establish a school to accommodate the pupils in the Hemlock and South Hemlock districts.

It is probable that the money now spent in transportation from those districts would maintain a good school in the district.

The South Charlestown school building has been the object of special investigation the past year, with a view to improving its sanitary condition.

This is a problem that must be solved very soon.

The increased attendance at the village schools this year has overtaxed the accommodations, so that it has been necessary to make special hours of attendance for certain grades.

Should this continue the necessary thing to do will be to provide extra school rooms and extra teachers. The enlargement of the present school buildings therefore becomes plainly a problem for the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. STOUGHTON,

GEO. I. PUTNAM,

W. A. HUNT,

SCHOOL BOARD.

Report of Supervisor of Music

To the Superintendent of Schools:

In our work we have made an especial effort to interest the little ones in music, to teach them to enjoy the singing, believing that much depends on the way they are started.

To this end personal work has been done with those who were found unable to sing a single tone on entering school. We have had, and have now, pupils in fourth and fifth grades who are very strong singers and who were during their first year of school, supposed to be hopelessly unmusical, and if great care and patience had not been exercised, would have been left outside the limits of song during their entire life.

In the higher grades of the primary room keys are studied from chart and numbers are written. In the intermediate grades books and sheet music are studied, thereby adding the new difficulty of keeping their place. In the grammar and high schools three and four part music is attempted. We believe that the influence of our subject is growing.

By the faithful cooperation of the teachers several instances of new interest has been manifested during the present year.

Let it be remembered that sight singing (music reading) is an exact science, not guesswork, which may be mastered by those who have the average amount of intelligence coupled with a willingness to work, provided they start early in life.

D. D. LADD, SUPERVISOR.

Report of Supervisor of Drawing

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The State course of instruction in drawing has been followed during the past year more fully as we are getting more nearly up to grade in our work begun three years ago. No one doubts the invaluable possession through life of the ability to sketch truthfully and rapidly with pencil, and that is our most important aim in teaching drawing as a part of the regular school work. The use of colors is also being taught and its application in form and design is most important in the training of a child's good taste, both in his own work and in his appreciation of the work of others.

Courses of drawing as a part of our public school work are no longer experimental but are recognized all over the world as of vital importance in the development of every child. An evidence of this was the convention of several thousand art instructors in London during the past summer, where men and women came from all over the world to discuss their work, to compare and exhibit their results and to listen to the most prominent art educators of the present day. America was well represented and her exhibits greatly admired,

May the coming year show continuous improvement in our work and the same hearty cooperation of teachers and children.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES G. HAWKINS, SUPERVISOR.

VITAL STATISTICS

REGISTERED IN THE

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN

NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31st., 1908

Births Registered in the Town of Charlestown, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1908.

Date	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Parents' Color	Parents' Residence	Father's Occupation	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Father's Age	Mother's Age
Jan 12	Margaret E	F	Living	1	All White	Ervin A Tuttle	Jeanette Lawton	S Charlesto'n	Teamster		Grafton Vt	Bellows F's Vt	23	23
Feb 10	Margaret	F	"	4	"	Hugh H Burns	Christie A Praught	Charlestown	Gardener		Scotland	Prince Ed. Isle	39	39
Feb 21	Lois C	F	"	4	"	Horace M Stearns	Charbel Greenwood	Charlestown	Farmer		Charlestown	Charlestown	35	28
Mar 21	Fred C	M	"	1	"	Horace Hull	Myrtle Lovell	"	Laborer		Norwich Conn	Waterbury Vt	23	19
Apr 5	Merrill R	M	"	4	"	Curtis F Damon	Coram Sanders	"	Machinist		Springfield Vt	Rockingh'm Vt	26	22
Apr 24	Lois A	F	"	1	"	Charles A Peterson	Alice C Sanders	N Charlest'n	Farmer		Peabody Mass	Worcester M'ss	20	21
May 25	Andrew M	M	"	8	"	Herbert A Deane	Ida M Pecor	Charlestown	Laborer		Bethel Vt	Plainfield	46	36
May 27	Ella C	F	"	5	"	John H Bashaw	Coram Copeland	"	Barber		Langdon	Langdon	26	20
May 28		M	"	2	"	Irving A Densmore	Viola Fleming	"	Farmer		Charlestown	Brockton Mass	29	24
May 8	Burt	M	"	5	"	B G Champlin	Edith D Blydenburgh	N Charlest'n	Farmer		Blenhorn N Y	Bridport Vt	38	30
Jun 18	Edwin F	M	"	7	"	Moses H Douglas	Lizzie Lander	S Charlesto'n	Laborer		Windsor Vt	New York N Y	38	33
Jun 24	Louis H	M	"	2	"	George W Wright	Lydia H Foucher	Charlestown	Engineer		Charlestown	Brandon Vt	33	27
July 6	Harris	F	"	3	"	Edmund F Lynch	Elizabeth A Byrne	"	Farmer		West Andover	Boston Mass	37	33
Aug 1	Wright	F	"	5	"	John H Fisk	Alice A Forsyth	"	Meat Mer		Charlestown	Middleto'n Co'n	29	21
Aug 15	John W	M	"	2	"	Frank L Harris	Lizzie M Finnigan	N Charlest'n	Farmer		Ludlow Vt	Ashlot	30	32
Aug 17	Evelyn D	F	"	4	"	Eben V Wright	Lena Smith	S Charlesto'n	Farmer		Newport	Charlestown	26	28
Sept 6	Henry A	M	"	1	"	Herbert P Jondro	Minnie Wilson	Charlestown	Laborer		Brookfield Vt	"	23	18
Sept 8	Edward M	M	Stillborn	2	"	Antonio Andosca	Mary Costello	Charlestown	"		Italy	Italy	22	17
Oct 8	Fred B	M	Living	1	"	William Hogan	Aline M Finnigan	"	Farmer		Charlesto'n Ms	Paris	34	30
Oct 19	Louis	M	Stillborn	5	"	Edw D Walker	Etta J Hill	"	Laborer		Acworth	Westport N Y	43	35
Nov 19	Francis D	M	Living	1	"	Mark S Scofield	Caroline E Green	"	"		Springfield Vt	Chester Vt	19	18
Nov 20	Francis D	M	"	4	"	Will Blanchard	Angie F Wilson	"	"		Williston Vt	Charlestown	35	20
Dec 4	David F	M	"	7	"	Pasquale Guarino	Mare Gradina	"	"		Italy	Italy	39	39
Dec 6	David F	M	"	1	"	Frank G Davis	Katherine F Delaney	"	"		Charlestown	Bellows F's Vt	25	24
Dec 8	David F	M	"	7	"	Thos P Ahern	Mary Harrison	"	Farmer		Louisville Ky	Ireland	36	33

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Feb 21	Charlestown	Guy A Bridges	Baltimore Vt	30		Farmer	Chester Vt	CW Bridges Ella Parkhurst	Chester Vt Springfield Vt	1	1 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown
Mar 17	"	Emma V Schapin	Portland Me	19		Farmer	Chicago Ill			1	1 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown
Apr 22	Windsor Vt	Ernest E Doty	Chester Vt	31		Farmer	Pittsfield Vt	Charles L Doty Vilera Harvey	Pittsfield Vt	1	1 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown
		Cora B Martin	"	18		Farmer	Rutland Vt	George J Martin Emma Brewster	Chester Vt	1	1 Rev William H Hayes Windsor Vt
		Edward R Miller	Charlestown	25		Farmer	Charlestown	Edward Miller Christena Miller	Charlestown	1	1 Rev William H Hayes Windsor Vt
		Lena M Fikes	"	27		Merchant	Leroy N Y	Ernest Fikes Emma Vanwagner	Leroy N Y	1	1 Rev William H Hayes Windsor Vt
25	Athol Mass	Rodney H Ramsay	"	63		Merchant	Langdon	David Ramsey Mary A	Phila N Y Marlow	2	2 Rev Isaac W Grimes Athol Mass
		Emma J Shumway	Athol Mass	57	White	Nurse	Jaffery	Joseph J Piper Roanice A Porter	Jaffery	2	2 Rev Isaac W Grimes Athol Mass
May 18	Charlestown	Henry J Holden	Chester Vt	36	White	Laborer	Chester Vt	Henry C Holden Agusta Clark	Cavendish Vt Chester Vt	2	2 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown N H
		Kate A Sigston	"	32	White	Laborer	Springfield Vt	Moses Smart Delia Garland	Charlestown Hartford Conn	2	2 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown N H
23	"	James L Fish	Charlestown	30	White	Laborer	Whitehall N Y	James Fish Betsey Nichols	Whitehall N Y	1	1 Rev Geo L Thompson Charlestown N H
		Bertha Bristol	"	21	White		Depeyster N Y	Mansfield Bristol Saphronia Breesee		1	1 Rev Geo L Thompson Charlestown N H
June 6	"	Fred S Lockwood	Proctorsville Vt	41	White	Station A'gt	Waitsfield Vt	Plyna Lockwood Sarah J Lockwood	Springfield Vt Springfield Vt	2	2 Rev Geo L Thompson Charlestown N H
		Sarah J Whiting	"	41	White	Laborer	Uxbridge Mass	Silas Wheelock Margaret Crane	Uxbridge Mass Uxbridge Mass	2	2 Rev Geo L Thompson Charlestown N H
July 20	Rockingh'm Vt	Frank G Davis	Charlestown	25	White	Laborer	Charlestown	John Davis Katherine Galvin	Uxbridge Mass	1	1 Rev Edward Reynolds Rockingham Vt
		Katherine Delany	Bellows Falls	22	White	Dressmaker	Walpole			1	1 Rev Edward Reynolds Rockingham Vt

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July 24	Charlestown	William H Sylvester Ida M Johanson	Charlestown "	26 26	All White	Laborer	Charlestown Sweden	Joseph Sylvester Minnie Middleton Andrew J Johans'n	Bridgewater Vt Charlestown Sweden	1 1	1 Rev Elmer T Blake Charlestown
Aug 28	"	Mark S Scofield Caroline Green	" "	19 17	All White	Laborer	Springfield Vt Chester Vt	Frank Scofield Louise Jacobs Walter Green Hattie M Ober	Springfield Vt Milford Rockingham Vt Saxtons River Vt	1 1	1 Rev Sam'l L Elberfeld Charlestown
Sept 9	"	Warren E Griffith Gertrude E Dexter	Rushville Ill Birmingham Ala	23 22	All White	Merchant	Rushville Ill Whitewater Wis	Charles B Griffith Lyde M Knowles Avelyn I Dexter Nellie L West	Rushville Ill West Topsham Vt Monroe Wis	1 1	1 Rev Lewis Dexter Topsham Vt
Oct 14	"	Isaac Martin Emma Perkins	Newport Vt "	35 28	All White	Laborer	Quebec P Q Richmond P Q	John Martin Mary Gay Joseph Perkins Olive Baski	Quebec Quebec Quebec Quebec	1 1	1 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown
17	"	Leland H Slater Clara A Robinson	Brattleboro Vt "	38 19	All White	Machinist	Stafford Conn Wilmington Vt	Geo W Slater Lora S Aborn Fred G Robinson Anna L Waite	Stafford Conn Stafford Conn Wardsboro Vt Wardsboro Vt	2 1	2 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown
29	"	Dudley R Child Ruth F Bowman	Charlestown "	41 26	All White	Minister Teacher	Boston Mass Charlestown	Dudley R Child Wm H Bowman Addie M Slade Leander Bourdon	Moawequa Ill St Louis Mo Windsor Vt Springfield Vt	1 1	1 Rev Edwin M Slocomb Augusta Me
31	"	Victor Bourden Leome LaBosier	Marlboro Mass "	23 19	All White	Shoemaker	Windsor Vt Marlboro Mass	Susan Young U LaBosier Sarah LaBosier Jerome Tufts	Canada Canada Hudson Mass	1 1	1 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown
Nov 14	"	Bert Tufts Ida M Blodgett	Springfield Vt Charlestown	25 22	All White	Teamster	Walpole	Cora Perry Louis Blodgett Misda Billings	Walpole Walpole	1 1	1 Rev Sam'l L Elberfeld Charlestown

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Dec 2	Charlestown	George S Jones	Charlestown	23	All White	Engineer	Charlestown	Henry H Jones Frances Ola	Charlestown	1	1 Rev Francis A Foxcroft Charlestown
	"	Amanda J Robertson	New York N Y	22	All White	Cook	Sweden	John Robertson Kristina Johnson	Baltimore Md Sweden	1	
	"	Arthur F Leland	Springfield Vt	22	All White	Clerk	Springfield Vt	George F Leland Nellie A Pierce	Baltimore Vt Springfield Vt	1	1 Rev Elmer T Blake Charlestown
	"	Florence N Finn	Charlestown	19	All White		No Hatfield Mass	Richard R Finn Mary F Smith	So Vernon Vt Hinsdale	1	
	"	George Fish	Chester Vt	26	All White	Spinner	Chester Vt	Akron Fish Maggie Campbell	Shrewsbury Vt Woodstock Vt	1	1 Rev Elmer T Blake Charlestown
	"	Cora Desmond	"	18	All White		"	Patsy Desmond Mary Clark	Baltimore Vt Chester Vt	1	

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Date	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age			Place of birth	Sex	Color	Single, married, wid.	Birthplace of		Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Disease or cause of death
		Years	Months	Days					Father	Mother			
Jan	1 Frank Waterman	43	4	7	Providence R I	M	White	M	Springfield Vt	Perkinstown Vt	Francis Waterman	Mary Langdon	Typhoid Fever
	7 Avis P White	24	7	19	Springfield Vt	F	White	S	Acworth	Robert Merrill	Robert S White	Jennie A Parker	Pulmonary Embolism
	13 Martha W Merrill	77	1	7	Acworth	F	White	S	Springfield Vt	Levi Rumrill	Levi Rumrill	Ursula Garfield	Cancer of Stomach
Feb	29 Lucius Rumrill	71	10	21	Charlestown	M	White	M	West inst'r Vt	West inst'r Vt	Ezra Franklin	Martha Bowman	Malaria Lagrippe
	31 May F Putnam	39	9	30	Charlestown	F	White	M	Langdon	Derastus Rich'dson	Derastus Rich'dson	Eleanor Lane	Cancer
	3 Ellen L Fish	74	5	1	Westminster Vt	F	White	M	Langdon	Artimus Adams	Artimus Adams	Harriet Davidson	Dilation of heart
	8 John H Adams	58	11	25	Plattsburg N Y	M	White	M	Cambridge M's	Samuel Webber	Samuel Webber	Anna Green	Heart disease
	20 Lewis Rumrill	79	8	21	Chester Vt	M	White	W	Lebanon	Gideon Eastman	Gideon Eastman	Aurilla Davis	Senile Pneumonia
Mar	27 Etta C Reed	31	8	21	Lebanon	F	White	M	Charlestown	E Westmoreld	Arthur H Hunt	Mary A Holden	Hodgkins' disease
	28 Lonis Sanders	87	11	22	Charlestown	M	White	M	Ireland	Ireland	John Callahan	Ellen McCarty	Pneumonia
Apr	23 Mervin W Hunt	80	3	5	Charlestown	M	White	M	Ireland	Ireland	John Callahan	Elizabeth Cane	Capillary Bronchitis
	26 George W Haywood	88	3	5	Ireland	M	White	M	Stoughton Mas	Stoughton Mas	Lewis Gay	Ellen McCarty	Cancer of bladder
May	31 Cornelius Callahan	88	2	10	Canton Mass	M	White	W	Ireland	Ireland	John Callahan	Elizabeth Cane	Senile Gangreen of toe
	22 Lewis Gay	88	2	10	Canton Mass	M	White	W	Ireland	Ireland	Lewis Gay	Elizabeth Cane	Acute Pneumonia
June	11 Annie C Davis	65	9	23	Ireland	F	White	M	Ireland	Ireland	James Jones	Mary A Holden	Tuberculosis
	29 Frances W Webber	79	5	23	Ireland	F	White	M	P E Island	P E Island	Mark Cody	Margaret Morrison	Acute Endocarditis
July	3 Sarah J Finnigan	62	8	16	P E Island	F	White	W	Newbury Vt	Newbury Vt	Joseph Perham	Rhoda Hewey	Arterio Sclerosis
	3 Mary H Staples	76	8	16	Springfield Vt	F	White	W	Hardwick Vt	Hardwick Vt	Moses Clark	Annie Kincaid	General Sorcomea
Aug	20 Susan Ellenwood	88	4	21	Newbury Vt	F	White	W	Ireland	Ireland	Patrick Ruanoc	Bridget Higgins	Cerebral apoplexy
	1 Katherine Stapleton	46	11	27	Ireland	F	White	W	Newport	Newport	Eben V Wright	Lena Smith	Peritonsillar anemnia
Sept	4 Margaret R M Smith	72	11	1	Ireland	F	White	W	Stoddard	Stoddard	Benj E Hall	Myra V Ruffie	Epithelome of labia
	1 Infant (Wright)	79	21	8	No Charlestown	F	White	W	Plainfield	Plainfield	Martin Lawton	Sally Derby	Non development
Sept	5 Mary E Tripp	1	1	8	Claremont	F	White	W	Ireland	Ireland	Ernest Jondro	John Wilson	Exhaustion from sarcoma
	13 Lola M Hall	74	9	23	Charlestown	F	White	M	Italy	Italy	Tony Andosca	Mary Costello	Convulsions
Sept	31 Lucretia M Burnham	1	1	8	Charlestown	F	White	M	Italy	Italy	Ernest Jondro	John Wilson	Cancer of Uterus
	1 Evelyn D Jondro	74	15	8	Charlestown	F	White	M	Italy	Italy	Ernest Jondro	John Wilson	Enteritis
Sept	4 Andrew M Bashaw	4	8	15	Charlestown	M	White	M	Italy	Italy	Ernest Jondro	John Wilson	Menigitis
	5 Infant (Andosca)	4	8	15	Charlestown	M	White	M	Italy	Italy	Ernest Jondro	John Wilson	Dystocia

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		Years	Months	Days									
Sept 21	Thomas Malony	51	5	4	Proctorsville Vt	M	W	Ireland	Ireland	James Malony	Mary Milan	Chronic Bright's disease	
23	Matha A. Ellenwood	70	11	18	Newbury Vt	F	W	Newbury Vt	Hardwick Vt	Moses Clark	Annie Kincaid	Cancer of Rectum	
Oct 1	Lucy D. Moody	83	1	28	Newbury Vt	F	W	Weston Vt	Londond'ry Vt	George Joseph	Mary West	Heart disease	
1	Robert A. Jaseph	74	10	8	Weathersfield Vt	F	W	Ireland	Ireland	Clarence Hosley	Flora Deane	Kicked by a horse	
25	Bessie M. Hosley	6	2	19	Weston Vt	F	W	Ireland	W Epping	James O'Donnell	Oemlan	Senile dementia	
Nov 2	Mary A. Scott	76	4	22	Ireland	F	W	Charlestown	W Epping	Fred H Perry	Mabel A Folsom	Pneumonia	
17	Fred H Perry Jr	76	7	19	Charlestown	M	W	Middlebury Ms	Claremont	James Wood	Sarah Miller	Endocarditis	
25	Thomas R. Melville	74	8	3	Charlestown	M	W	Acworth	Westport N Y	Edw D Walker	Etta J Hill	Cancer of breast	
25	Susan M. Loveland	74	8	3	Perkinsville Vt	F	S	Perkinsville Vt	Springfield Vt	Sullivan J Demary	Jane H Brown	Stillborn	
8	Infant (Walker)	63	3	24	Perkinsville Vt	F	W	Perkinsville Vt	Springfield Vt	William Mansfield	Phoebe Tilman	Chronic Endocarditis	
8	Sarah J. Demary	77	4	1	Canton Mass	F	W	Louisville Ky	Ireland	Timothy Holden	Catherine H'mph'y	General Paresis	
9	Horace H. Mansfield	77	4	1	Charlestown	M	W	Louisville Ky	Ireland	Thomas P. Ahern	Mary Harrison	Old Age	
24	Louisa H. Lane	88	6	13	Charlestown	F	W	Louisville Ky	Ireland	Thomas P. Ahern	Mary Harrison	Premature birth	
31	David F. Ahern	88	6	13	Charlestown	M	W	Louisville Ky	Ireland	Thomas P. Ahern	Mary Harrison	Premature birth	

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

FRED H. PERRY,
Town Clerk.

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