Westhampton, Mass. Annual Reports





ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

WESTHAMPTON, MASS.

FOR THE

Year Ending February 1, 1909



ENTERPRISE PRINTING CO., EASTHAMPTON. MASS



TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

BIRTHS-1908

1968	
/ May 17.	Elizabeth Laura Hathaway.
2 July 12.	Earl Franklin Galpin.
3 24.	Noelyn Rovena Galpin.
4 27.	Noelyn Rovena Galpin. ——— Paige.
5 Aug. 26.	Almond Willis Church.
6 Nov. 8.	Olie Francis Coles.
7 18.	Elmer Allen Seymour.
% 29.	Walter Franklin Gett.

BIRTHS IN RECENT YEARS

'03	'04	'05	'06	'07
12	7	8	9	12

MARRIAGES-/908

Mar. 10. Robert W. Witherell of Florence, Nettie A. Pelton of Westhampton.

19:5

- 2 Sept. 1. Elbert R. Daley of Westhampton, Delia Lacourse of Northampton.
- 3 Oct. 3. Frank D. Weeks of Westhampton, Annie E. Elliott of Williamsburg.

1908

4 Nov. 26. George D. Orner of Syracuse, N. Y., Harriet F. Judd of Westhampton.

MARRIAGES IN RECENT YEARS

'03	'04	'05	'(6	'07
3	3	2	-1	<u>์</u> 5

DEATHS-1908

Jan. 10.	Eli Gratton	67
2 13.	Franklin A. Bridgman	77
3 Mar. 11.	Patrick Campbell	70
4 June 18.	Otis C. Witherell	67-11-24
5 28.	Norma E. Rhoades	10- 9
4 July 30.	Eliza A. Bridgman	77
7 Aug. 5.	Ellen C. Edwards	65— 8
	Reuben W. Clapp	86-11-19
9 13.	Mitchell Boucher	84
10 Dec. 19.	Elizabeth A. Judd	67

Causes of Death:—Congestion of Lungs 1, Bronchial Pneumonia 1, Senility 2, Asthma 1, Pyelitis 1, Ulceration of Bowels 1, Heart Disease 1, Strangulated Hernia 1, Cancer of Bowels 1.

DEATHS IN RECENT YEARS

² 03	' 04	'05	' 06	'07
14	11	10	5	12

DOGS LICENSED, 1908

J. Guerin,	March	2	D. S. Bridgman,	May	2
M. G. Crandall,	۲,	2	E. Galpin	6 6	4
Mary A. Lyman	Apr.	28	G. L. Hathaway	6 6	8
W. R. Lyman (2)	66	28	G. L. Witherell	۲,	12
Mrs. F. Lyman	66	28	E. H. Montague	6.6	27
J. F. McCarthy	6 6	28	F. Howard	Jun	e 5
Alger Loud,	66	28	E. F. Page,	6 6	10
Levi Burt,	6.6	28	C. A. Bartlett,	6.6	25
A. J. Griffin,	ζ ζ	29	J. H. Kingsley,	Jul	y 3
Mrs. E. Blakesley,	6 6	29	Oscar Bartlett,	6.6	25
E. J. Hathaway,		29	Frank Gillett,	Aug.	1
Frank Hathaway,	66	30	Nathan Damon (3	3) "	4
George Coleman,	66	30	F. Gagnon,	٤,	1%
George Graves (3),	٤ ٤	30	Almond Benson,	6.6	26
A. K. Chapman,	• 6	30	A. S. Bridgman,	6.6	27
E. B. Clapp,	6.6	30	H. M. Clapp,	Sept.	10
L. W. Clapp,	6 6	30	Julius Billieux,	6 6	12

C. Benson,	May	1	S. A. Rust,	۲.	14
Attalie Pelton,	, ,	1	Allen Bluto (2)	4.4	28
O. W. Bartlett,	"	1	Etienne Challet,	6.6	28
I. O. Shaw,	66	1	F. Blakesley,	6.6	29
H. S. Ives,	6.6	1	Orville Flint,	٠.6	29
A. D. Montague,	6.6	1	Henry J. Payson	(2)	29
Earl Connery,	66	2	Ira Aldrich,	Sept.	29
T. Collier,	6 6	2	C. G. Loud,	66	29
A. D. Rice,	4.6	2	E. W. Payson,	Oct	. 1
Chas. Williams, (2)	6 6	2			

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

F. A. Loud in account with the Town of Westhampton

Dr.

10.104	
To cash received for 6 mos. er	nding June 1, 1908
For license of 33 dogs at \$2.00	\$66.00
" " 2 " 5.00	10.00—\$76 00
Cr.	
By Clerk's fees, 35 dogs at 20 cents	\$7.00
By Cash paid County Treasurer	69.00—\$76 00

DR.

To cash received for 6 months	ending Dec. 1, 1908
For License of 25 dogs at \$2.00	\$50.00
" " 1 dog at \$5.00	5.00—\$55 00

CR.

By Clerk's fees, 26 dogs at 20 cents By cash paid County Treasurer

5.20 49.80—\$55.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS A. LOUD, Clerk

Westhampton, Feb. 1, 1909

I have examined the report of the Town Clerk and find it correct.

HENRY MILLER CLAPP, Auditor

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY

Levi Burt	87	85
Frank Blakesley	8	00
A. J. Griffin	2	25
N. A. Kingsley	13	50
C. A Bartlett	24	75

LEVI BURT, SURVEYOR

Levi Burt	\$25	14
Frank Blakesley	18	00
C. A. Bartlett	11	75
Charles Stickney	6	75
Gilbert Flint	6	75
A. J. Griffin	7	50
N. A. Kingsley	5	00
Manly Blakesley	5	25
For gravelling road in March		

\$86 14

HIGHWAY

Levi Burt		87	85
Frank Bla	kesley	8	00
A. J. Grif	fin	2	25
N. A. Kin	gsley	13	50
C. A. Bar	tlett	24	75
T. Gagnor	1	6	75
A. D. Ric	e		50
O. C. Bar	tlett	2	83
Levi Burt	, Tile	5	10
66 66	Spikes		29
	56 feet Plank	1	12
	17 Posts	1.	76
66 66	Railing, 200 ft.	2	00
"	Powder and Fuse		25
"		22	67
E. B. Claj	pp	1	87
M. K. Par	esons	2	00-\$183 49

GRAVELLING RICE FLAT

Levi Burt	11 00
C. A. Bartlett	11 00
Frank Blakesley	11 00
Gilbert Flint	3 00
Orville Flint, Jr.	3 00
Almon Blakesley	6 00
Nelson A. Kingsley	3 00- \$48 00

PARSONS BRIDGE

Levi Burt G. E. Knight O. C. Bartlett M. K. Parsons, 698 feet Plank	3 00 2 00 1 50 13 96—\$ 19 96
WATER TUB AND DAM	
Levi Burt	11 28
W. H. Riley, Lead Pipe	10 78
W. R. Lyman, Planks	8 25-\$ 30 31
M. K. Parsons, old bill, 1904	. 20 84
	\$388 74

P. A. CONNERY, SURVEYOR

P. A. Connery	\$45	80
G. W. Graves	18	83
Aaron Fisher	12	20
E. L. Gorham	5	00
A. L. Snow	18	00
Dennis Courtney	6	00
Hiram Daly	9	00
Etienne Challet	4	00
Albert Delisle		50
M. G. Crandall	1.	05
A. W. Blakesley	9	00
W. R. Lyman	44	61
A. T. Edwards	7	99—\$181 98

NORTH APPROPRIATION

H. L. Dodge	27	5 0
I. O. Shaw	27	5C
C. G. Loud	8	00
Eugene Galpin	7	50
Charles Williams	4	59
F. Hathaway	9	50
D. S. Bridgman	12	25-\$ 96 75

A. D. MONTAGUE, SURVEYOR

A. D. Montague	102	15
" 537 feet Plank	10	74
" 468 " Lumber	9	36
" 500 " Hemlock	9	00
Posts	4	00
" Nails		50—135 75
" Reservoir Bridge		24 60
H. L. Dodge, Old Bill		6 39
6 6		34 15
C. G. Loud		16 75
E. J. Hathaway		2 08
Harry Shaw		12 50
I. O. Shaw		21 25
George Damon		2 25
C. Benson		18 90
T. W. Collier		75
W. W. Kingsley		1 50
Eugene Galpin		9 90

Frank Hathaway	10 50
Fred Hathaway	16 15
A. L. Hathaway	4 33
E. H. Montague	3 15
George Coleman	4 50-\$325 40
TOWN OFF	ICERS
A. K. Chapman, Treasurer	50 00— \$50 00
F. A. Loud, Clerk	15 00
" Sealer	5 00
" Registrar	6 00
" Elector	4 00
" Recording Births, D	eaths
and Marriages	8 50
" Paid for Birth Retur	ens 3 50— 42 00
H. M. Clapp, Auditor	5 00 5 00
A. D. Rice, Selectman	24 00
" Assessor	25 00
" Registrar	4 00
"Overseer of Poor	5 00
- " Board of Health	2 50- 60 50
E. B. Clapp, Selectman	16 75
" Assessor	25 00
" Registrar	3 00— 44 75
D. S. Bridgman, Selectman	13 00
" Assessor	24 75— 37 75
A. D. Montague, Collector, 1905	6 42
" 1906	24 47
1907	60 00 90 89

Levi Burt, Collector, 1908	75	00-	75	00
A. T. Edwards, Cattle Inspector	16	50		
" Meat Inspector	25	00		
" Quarantine and Notices	4	00-	- 45	50
C. G. Loud, Meat Inspector			15	00
G. E. Knight, Constable	6	50		
" Sexton	2	00—	8	5 0
N. A. Ningsley, Election Officer			2	00
T. P. Elwell ""			2	00
•			\$478	89

MISCELLANEOUS

District Court, G. S. Buckner	14.10
Enterprise Printing Co.	32 20
G. E. Knight, Repairs for Fire Co.	2 00
Westhampton Water Co.	5 00
Levi Burt, Blanks for Fire Permits	1 70
G. H. Batchelder, Insurance on Library	14 40
E. B. Clapp, Dog Fund for Library	100 07
E. W. Kingsley, Mowing Cemetery	6 60
E. L. Shaw, Counsel	6 00
C. T. Bagnall, Tax Book	54
G. H. Batchelder, Insurance on Schoolhouse	12 00
District Court, Buckner and Diamond	21 98
Westhampton Water Co.	10 00
District Court, G. W. Graves	22 47
A. D. Rice, Postage	50

H. L. Hawes, Handcuffs	4 25
G. E. Knight, Care Library	25 00
E. B. Clapp, Thayer fund for Parish	20 00
W. H. Lyman, Removing Hedge	25 ()0
C. N. Loud, 1907, Lumber	14 08
A. K. Chapman, Smith work	5 65
" Postage	2 85
F. A. Loud, Stationery and Printing	7 00
" Express	53
" Postage	2 47
	\$355 79

TAXES

State Tax	385	00
County Tax	343	75
Abatements, A. D. Montague, Collector	12	25
" Levi Burt, Collector		
Abatement by Thayer Fund	14	00
66	20	88
Discount	158	80
Note paid	800	00
Interest	4	44-\$1,739 12

TOWN HALL

C. 1	N.	Loud, Wood, 1907	6	00
G.]	E.	Knight, Janitor	10	00

W. A. Bailey, Brick	12	95		
J. A. Sullivan, Lime and Cement	2	15		
D. S. Bridgman, drawing Brick. etc.	5	25		
A. D. Rice	4	50		
E. B. Bridgman, Mason	12	00		
Gilbert Flint	5	25		
F. W. Blakesley, Wood	12	00		
Cord for Curtain	1	25—	\$71	35
SCHOOLHOUSE				
F. N. Kneeland, Land	125	00		
C. N. Loud, Contract	750			
D. S. Bridgman, Grading			\$885	00
State Aid			132	
Street & Wright funds			143	
STREET LAMPS				
D. B. DeWolf	5	00		
G. H. Batchelder, Lamps	20			
"Care of Lamps	17			
": Oil, Gasoline, Chim-				
neys and Wicks	4	56—	\$46	56
POOR				
Michael Mahher, State Hospital	7	60		
"Transportation		05		
Tansportation	•			

Hiram Daly, settlem't Pittsfield, Groceries	2	00	
" Dr. L. H. Birmingham	43	00	
Soldiers Burial	37	00-	\$93 65

STATE ROAD

A. Hall	12	80
George Gett	9	60
Charles Stickney	4	00
O. C. Bartlett	13	
Frank Niles	14	
Joseph Guerin	17	
Arthur Beckwith		15
A J. Griffin	13	
T. P. Elwell	14	
Frank Hathaway		20
Fred Hathaway		20
Thomas Connelly	12	
I. O. Shaw		
Ernest Shaw		60
E. W. Payson		60
J. Guerin	12	
		00
Harry Crandall		00
Hiram Daly	12	90
M. K. Parsons	36	00
C. G. Loud	50	00
Alice Berson	29	60
H. J. Payson	19	20
F. W. Blakesley	32	00

A. T. Edwards	26 00
W. R. Lyman	28 00
M. G. Crandall	16 00
C. A. Bartlett	20 00
Levi Burt	14 00
F D. Bridgman	18 00
A. D. Rice	22 50
E. B. Clapp	26 50
D. S. Bridgman	45 25
G. W. Graves	26 75
Horace Haunton	5 60
Dennis McCarty	8 00
Sharpening Picks	50- \$599 75

RECAPITULATION

Town Officers		478	89
Highway	896	12	
State Road	599	75	
North Improved	96	75-\$1,592	62
Schoolhouse		885	00
Hall Repairs		71	35
State Aid		132	00
Street & Wright fund		143	00
Street Lamps		46	56
Support of Poor		93	65
Miscellaneous		355	79
Taxes		1,739	12
Total Selectmen's Orders		\$5,537	98

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School	Com	ımıttee	ís U	rders

2,717 43

\$8,255 41

\$2,596 78

Balance Feb. 1, 1908
Assessment
From Treasurer's book
Balance Feb. 1, 1909

2,439 06 4,403 07 4,010 06—\$10,852 19

D. S. BRIDGMAN, Selectmen
E. B. CLAPP, of
A. D. RICE, Westhampton

Westhampton, Feb. 1, 1909

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find that they have drawn orders and have vouchers to the amount of five thousand five hundred thirty-seven dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$5537. 8).

HENRY MILLER CLAPP, Auditor

List of Jurors.

Edwin B. Clapp Geo. A. Witherell Jared Williams

Francis A. Loud
O. Warner Bartlett
Arthur K. Chapman

Horace Haunton

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Real Estate Valuatio	n \$176,419	00
Personal " "	49,231	00
Total Valuation	•	\$225,650 00
Tax Rate, \$18.75 per	\$1,000	
Real Estate Tax	3,307	95
Personal " "	923	12
Polls	172	00
Total Tax		4,403 07
	TAX LEVY	
State Tax	385	00
County Tax	343	75
Highways	1,200	00
Schools	1,200	00
Support of Poor	200	00
Town Officers	300	00
Discount on Taxes	125	CO
Parsons Bridge	125	00
Schoolhouse	200	00
Contingent	250	00
Overlayings	74	32—\$4,403 07
		4
	D. S. BRIDGMAN,	Assessors
	E. B. CLAPP, A. D. RICE,	We sthampton

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 1, 1909

DR.

Balance from last year	\$2,439	06
P. A. Connery, overdrawn on roads	40	37
A. G. Jewett, int. on Wright Fund	25	00
Geo. E. Knight, int. on Thayer Fund	8	22
Clark Scholarship		90
City Auditor, Boston, for School Com.	134	5 0
Trustees Whiting Street Fund	70	00
State Treasurer, Tuition of Children	2	50
" Inspection of Animals	5 7	87
N. A. Kingsley, int. on Wright Fund	37	70
Northampton City Treasurer, for Loud	d-	
ville School	210	61
Northampton Institution Savings on no	te 800	00
State Treasurer Corporation Tax	5	
" National Bank Tax	156	86

State T	reasur	er, State Aid	230	00			
6 6	٤ ،	Burial of Indigen	t				
		Soldiers	35	00			
6.6	6 6	High School Tuiti	on,				
		special cases	365	00			
د د	٤ د	Income of Mass. S	School				
		School Fund	1,218	80			
66	6.6	State Highway L	oan				
		Fund	480	00			
County	Treas	urer, Dog Fund	103	25			
Thayer	Fund	, int.	22	15			
Myra (3. Stro	ng Fund	3	77			
Oliver	C. Bri	dgman Fund	18	91			
First N	Tationa	l Bank, int.	15	12			
A. D.	Rice, l	ead pipe	3	00			
A. D.	Montag	gue, Collector for 190	07, int. 14	61-	-\$ 6,44	9	12
Amour	nt of A	ssessment			4,40	3	07
					\$10,85	2	19

CR.

By paid orders of Selectmen	\$5,537	98	
" " School Committee	2,717	43	
Balance due from A. D. Montague,			
Collector Taxes for 1907	28	68	
Balance due from Levi Burt, Collecto	ı		
Taxes for 1908	338	92	
Balance in Treasurer's hands	2,229	18-\$10,852	19

The above report shows a balance in the Town's favor of \$2,596.78—\$1,384.37 of which is school money.

Respectfully submitted,

A. K. CHAPMAN, Treasurer.

Westhampton, Feb. 1, 1909

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct, showing disbursements to the amount of eight thousand two hundred fifty-five dollars and forty-one cents (\$8,255.41), for which vouchers are on file and a balance of cash on hand of two thousand two hundred twenty-nine dollars and eighteen cents (\$2,229.18).

Due from Coilector A. D. Montague twenty-eight dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$28.68).

Due from Collector Levi Burt three hundred thirty-eight dollars and ninety-two cents (\$338.92).

HENRY MILLER CLAPP, Auditor.

REPORT

OF THE

Westhampton Cemetery Association

RESOURCES.

Balance left last year	\$16	69
Dividend from Easthampton Savings Bank	19	16
Dividend from Northampton Savings Bank	18	22
Received from Town for Mowing Cemetery	6	00-\$60 07

EXPENDITURES.

Labor and Teams	35	95	
Teams Drawing Muck from Mr. Loud's			
Pond	24	00	
Fertilizers.	1	50-\$61	45
Leaving a Deficit		\$1	38
Labor on Clark Lot		\$7	95
Leaving Balance on Strong Fund		\$7	73

EDWARD W. KINGSLEY,

Sec'y and Treas:

Library Committee's Report

DR.

Balance from last year	\$215	14	
Interest received on note	53 (00	
Dog Fund	82 (97—\$350	21
m Cr .			

	CR.			
New Books, Magazines, et	c.	\$134	19	
Balance on hand		216	02—\$350	21

HENRY S. IVES, A. D. MONTAGUE, ORVILLE FLINT, Library Committee of Westhampton

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

STATEMENT OF SCHOOLS, TEACHERS EM-PLOYED, ETC.

CENTER SCHOOL.

Vera A. Chapman.

No. of pupils enrolled	31
Total membership	30
Average "	25.3
Average attendance	23.4
No. over 15 years	1
" under 5 years	1
" between 7 and 14 years	17
No. of weeks school	34

Charles R. Burt, Louise A. Clapp, Evlyn H. Hathaway have neither an absent nor tardy mark during the year, and many of the other pupils have lost but two or three days, which shows that the parents of the children have been interested in the school as well as the children. The teacher has also been much interested in the pupils and several have this year entered the higher grade schools.

NORTH EAST.

Mabel L. Flint.

No. of pupils enrolled	13
Total membership	12.55
Average	12.13
" attendance	10.8
No. of pupils over 15 years	0
" under 5 years	0
" between 7 and 14 years	13
No. of weeks school	34

This is the first time in many years that there has not been any in the school not absent nor tardy, and some years there have been several. Many of the pupils have been kept at home on account of the scarlet fever, but by prompt care on the part of the parents it was prevented from becoming an epidemic through the school.

LOUDVILLE SCHOOL.

Mary C. Powers.

No. of pupils enrolled	35
Average membership	29.31
" attendance	26
No. of pupils over 15 years	3
" " under 5 years	0
" between 7 and 14 years	26
No. weeks school	36

Irving Vias has been absent but one half day and has no tardy mark. Alice Connolly has but one day absent and no tardy mark. There has been quite a saving to the town in the cost of maintaining this school during the past year and we feel highly pleased in securing a teacher who has given so good satisfaction to take the place of the former teacher who has done such thorough and successful work for so many years.

HILL SCHOOL.

Louisa W. Congdon.

No. of pupils enrolled	15
Average membership	12.50
" attendance	11.66
No. of pupils over 15 years	0
" " under 5 years	1
" between 7 and 14 years	10
No. weeks school	34
Raymond S Bartlett and Mary Graves have	ve but one

day absent on the register and only one tardy mark each. Several others have been absent but two or three days and have no tardy mark. Some pupils have been transferred to other schools which make the difference between the number enrolled and the average membership.

NORTH-WEST SCHOOL.

Flora E. Torrey.

No. of pupils enrolled		15
Average membership	10	67
" attendance	8 (95
No. of pupils over 15 years		.()
" under 5 years		()
" between 7 and 14		13
No. of weeks school		34

We have been very fortunate in securing as comfortable a place for this school after the schoolhouse burned, and the delay was only for a few days. The location was so near the center of distance that none of the pupils were greatly inconvenienced.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Flora B. Collins.

No. of pupils enrolled		14
Average membership	10	5 9
" attendance	9	60
No. of pupils over 15 years		0

No. of pupils under 5 years

"" between 7 and 14 years

No. of weeks school

34

There has always been more damage done to this school-house than to any other in town. For the past season the teacher has been more or less troubled by some one, who had a key to the door, going in and erasing work she had put on the blackboard for the next day and putting on characters that were a disgrace to the ones who did it. A new door has been put on and a different lock.

EXPENSES.

Teachers' salaries	1,865	75
Northampton tuition	225	00
Chesterfield tuition, Lura Dodge	15	60
Easthampton tuition	90	00
" Superintendent's salary	52	78
" " supplies	67	13
" Loudville	30	60
Fuel, H. M. Clapp, 3 cords hard, 1 soft	18	00
"W. R. Lyman " "	18	00
"A. D. Montague, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hard, $\frac{1}{2}$ soft	17	25
"H. L. Dodge, 1½ cords mixed	3	50
" C. N. Loud, 1907-8, 4 cords mixed, Hill	16	50
$3\frac{3}{4}$ "Center	15	50
" O. W. Bartlett, 13 hard	9	00
" Ira Aldrich, sawing and packing	4	00
" M. K. Parsons, soft wood for Loudville	9	25
G. L. Hathaway, labor, etc.	4	75

E. B. Bridgman, repairs	5	50
J. L. Hammett Co., books	5	42
C. K. Jewett Co., lumber and shingles	4	80
C. A. Montgomery, disinfectant	6	75
G. H Bachelder, pens and pencils	6	00
M. G. Crandall, repairs	2	00
Ginn & Co., books	7	50
Alma J. Bridgman, music	119	70
Janitors	40	88
Cleaning	7	62
Sundries	4	65
C. N. Loud, services 1907-8, 12 days	30	00
F. D. Bridgman, 1907-8	8	00
A. D. Montague, 1908-9	6	00
	\$2.717	43
RESOURCES.	\$2.717	43
	\$2.717 970	
Balance from last year	970	39
Balance from last year Town appropriation		39 00
Balance from last year	970 1,200 134	39 00
Balance from last year Town appropriation City Auditor, Boston "	970 1,200 134	39 00 50
Balance from last year Town appropriation City Auditor, Boston Northampton, Loudville	970 1,200 134 2 210	39 00 50 50 61
Balance from last year Town appropriation City Auditor, Boston "	970 1,200 134 2	39 00 50 50 61 00
Balance from last year Town appropriation City Auditor, Boston Northampton, Loudville High school tuition	970 1,200 134 2 210 365 1,218	39 00 50 50 61 00 80
Balance from last year Town appropriation City Auditor, Boston Northampton, Loudville High school tuition	970 1,200 134 2 210 365	39 00 50 50 61 00 80

The balance in the treasury will all be needed to pay the running expenses of the schools through the remainder of the school year, and, as the treasurer has already stated, can can be used for no other purpose. We have received from the state a blank requiring us to state every item for which the state money has been used, and unless the whole amount can be accounted for it will probably affect the amount which the state has given the town.

The selectmen, together with the school committee, met at the place where the old schoolhouse stood, and after examining the grounds around that and the ground on the other side of the highway finally decided that the site where we have located the new building was nearer the center of travel for all who have pupils to send and much better protected from the wind.

We have now a building sufficiently large to accommodate all the pupils, and should the town ever conclude to sell any part of the lot bought of Mr. F. N. Kneeland they can reserve enough land for a large play ground for the pupils. Mr. Hathaway has also given us a right to a very nice spring of cool water only a short distance from the school-house and we feel that the town is very fortunate in being able to procure so good a location.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. BRIDGMAN, A. D. MONTAGUE, C. N. LOUD,

School
Committee.

Westhampton, Feb. 1, 1909

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find that they have drawn orders and have vouchers to the amount of twenty-seven hundred seventeen dollars and forty-three cents (\$2,717.43).

· HENRY MILLER CLAPP, Auditor

Report of the Joint School Board

TO THE DISTRICT COMPRISING THE TOWNS OF EASTHAMP-TON, SOUTHAMPTON, AND WESTHAMPTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 1, 1908.

Received from State Treasurer

\$ 214 05

Credited to Superintendent's salary:

Southampton

78 95

Westhampton

49 48— 128 43

Credited to towns of district on the average membership of all the schools of the district for the year ending July 1, 1908:

To Southampton

52 63

To Westhampton

32 99— 85 62—\$214 05

Received from towns of district				
on same basis as above:				
Town of Southampton's share				
Superintendent's salary	168	42		
Town of Westhampton's share				
Superintendent's salary	105	56		
Paid Superintendent's salary for				
year ending July 1, 1908:			\$1600	00
Net cost to Easthampton	\$1240	40		
Net cost to Southampton	84	21		
Net cost to Westhampton	52	78		

FRANZ WILLER, Chm., Joint C. N. LOUD, Sec., Committee

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee:

Gentlemen:—

I respectfully submit the annual report of the Superintendent of Schools for the past year.

At the opening of the schools in September there were few changes in the teachers. The teachers who have not before taught in town are:

TEACHER	SCHOOL	WHERE EDUCATED
Eva M. Smith	Center	Framingham Normal
Ruth J. Bridgman	Northwest	Northfield Seminary

The following statistics are taken from the reports of the teachers at the close of the school year 1907-1908, ending last June:

REPORT FOR 1907—1908.

School	Whole Number	Average Membership	Average Attendauce	Per Cent. of Attendance
Center	31	25.30	23.40	92
Hill	15	12.50	11.66	93
South	14	10.59	9.60	90
Northeast	13	12.13	10.80	89
Northwest	15	10.67	8.95	83
Loudville	35	29.31	26.00	88
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Totals	123	100.50	90.50	

The report from Loudville includes the pupils from Northampton and Easthampton.

The Loudville school has been under the control of the Westhampton School committee for the year which this report covers. According to an agreement, the annual expense of maintaining the school is divided among the towns of Northampton, Easthampton and Westhampton in proportion to the number of days of attendance by the pupils of the three towns.

ATTENDANCE FOR 1907-1908.

Westhampton	2146	days.
Northampton	2032	6 6
Easthampton	373	6 6
Total	4,551	days.

The cost of the school for the year was as follo	ws:	
5 tons of Coal from Northampton	\$34	75
Supplies, Easthampton .	29	86
Janitor	10	00
School's share of instruction in music	25	00
Teacher's salary	360	00
Wood	3	00
School's share of Superintendent's salary	9	08
Total	\$471	69
Westhampton's share of expense	\$222	.42
Northampton's "" ""	210	6.
Easthampton's " " "	38	66

There has been no change in the general character of the work. As in the past, we try to make a constant improvement in the standard of the schools, and to put especial emphasis on the studies that seem to be of the most importance to the pupils. Several pupils expect to enter high schools next September.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. MILLER

ARTICLES

IN THE

Warrant for Annual Meeting March 1, 1909

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Art. 3. To hear and act upon all reports to be presented at said meeting.

Art. 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers to serve the Town the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To vote "Yes" or "No" on the question, "Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this town?"

Art. 6. To see if the Town will accept of the list of Jurors as revised by the Selectmen.

Art. 7. To vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the following question: "Shall an Act, passed by the General Court in the year 1908, entitled, "An Act to provide for the

protection of forest or sprout lands from fire,' be accepted by this Town?"

- Art. 8. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges the ensuing year.
- Art. 9. To see if the Town will raise a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day..
- Art. 10. To take action in regard to the Collection of Taxes.
- Art. 11. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money to meet current expenses in anticipation of Taxes.





