













# WILMINGTON, MASS.

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# TOWN OFFICERS

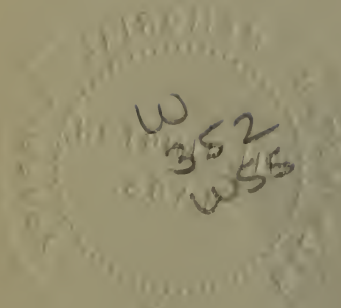
FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR, ENDING DECEMBER 31

1915



BOSTON  
C. M. BARROWS CO.  
1916



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TOWN OFFICERS 1915

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## Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

ARTHUR W. EAMES                      EDWARD N. EAMES  
HERBERT C. BARROWS, *Chairman*

## Assessors

JAMES E. KELLEY           .   .   .           Term expires 1917  
MILTON T. HOLT           .   .   .           Term expires 1918  
GEORGE W. BUCK           .   .   .           Term expires 1916

## Town Clerk

JAMES E. KELLEY

## Treasurer

FRED A. EAMES

## Collector of Taxes

JOSEPH PATCHETT

## Town Accountant

HARRY R. DEMING

## Constable

WALTER A. HILL

## Chief of Police

WALTER A. HILL

**Special Police**

MELVIN W. BROWN	WALTER J. HARRISON
ALBERT D. BUTTERS	WILLIAM H. BAXTER
WILLIAM RITSON	EDWIN L. DAY
DANIEL C. NORCROSS	

**Board of Survey**

SELECTMEN

**Registrars of Voters**

ALDICE G. EAMES	Term expires 1918
PETER F. McMAHON	Term expires 1916
HENRY N. AMES	Term expires 1917
JAMES E. KELLEY, <i>Clerk of Board</i>	

**Keeper of Lock-up**

WALTER A. HILL

**Fence Viewers**

ARTHUR W. EAMES	EDWARD N. EAMES
HERBERT C. BARROWS	

**Field Drivers**

MICHAEL J. McMAHON	FRANCIS NICHOLS
WALTER D. CARTER	ALBERT D. BUTTERS
MELVIN W. BROWN	

**Surveyors of Lumber**

HERBERT C. BARROWS	JAMES E. KELLEY
SCHAMIEL R. McINTOSH	EDWARD N. EAMES
THOMAS T. SIDELINKER	ARTHUR W. EAMES

**Surveyors of Wood and Bark**

JAMES E. KELLEY	HERBERT C. BARROWS
SCHAMIEL R. McINTOSH	EDWARD N. EAMES
FRANK L. EAMES	ARTHUR W. EAMES
WALTER L. HALE	

**Measurers of Leather**

J. ARTHUR TAYLOR	ARTHUR F. BLAKE
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**Public Weighers**

WARREN EAMES	ALBERT LANE
GEORGE L. BLAISDELL	FRED W. CARTER
J. ARTHUR TAYLOR	ARTHUR F. BLAKE
GEORGE A. HART	WALTER L. HALE
FRANK L. EAMES	

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

HOWARD M. HORTON

**Janitor of Town Hall**

CHARLES B. OSBON

**Pound Keeper**

MELVIN W. BROWN

**Superintendent of Town Farm**

MELVIN W. BROWN

**Superintendent of Streets**

WILLIE B. McINTOSH

**Board of Health**

SELECTMEN

DR. D. T. BUZZELL, *Agent*

**Inspector of Animals**

CALVERT H. PLAYDON, M. D. V.

**Inspector of Provisions**

J. HOWARD EAMES

**Forest Fire Warden**

OLIVER A. McGRANE

**Deputy Forest Fire Wardens**

H. C. BARROWS

M. W. BROWN

W. B. McINTOSH

GEORGE S. FOOTE

A. D. BUTTERS

ERNEST W. EAMES

ARTHUR W. GIROUX

**Fire Department**ALBERT D. BUTTERS, *Chief*GEORGE S. FOOTE, *Assistant***Cemetery Committee**

SELECTMEN

ALBERT D. BUTTERS, *Superintendent***Common Committee**

JOSEPH PATCHETT . . . Term expires 1917

JAMES E. KELLEY . . . Term expires 1916

CHARLES B. OSBON . . . Term expires 1918

**School Committee**

HOWARD M. HORTON . . . Term expires 1917

EDWARD S. LEWIS . . . Term expires 1916

ELLEN S. PERRY . . . Term expires 1918

**Undertaker**

EDWARD M. NICHOLS

**Burial Agent**

MILTON T. HOLT

**Trustees of Public Library**

D. FRED WAITE . . . . .	Term expires 1917
JOSEPH PATCHETT . . . . .	Term expires 1917
GUY E. NICHOLS . . . . .	Term expires 1918
DANIEL T. BUZZELL . . . . .	Term expires 1918
EDWARD N. EAMES . . . . .	Term expires 1916
HERBERT C. BARROWS . . . . .	Term expires 1916

**Trustees of Trust Funds**

DUDLEY B. PURBECK . . . . .	Term expires 1918
CALEB S. HARRIMAN . . . . .	Term expires 1916
FRED A. EAMES . . . . .	Term expires 1917

**Tree Warden**

OLIVER A. McGRANE

**Superintendent for Suppressing Moths**

OLIVER A. McGRANE

**Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Fund Committee**

DANIEL T. BUZZELL . . . . .	Term expires 1920
CALEB S. HARRIMAN . . . . .	Term expires 1916
EUGENE G. SHAW . . . . .	Term expires 1917
JOHN W. HATHAWAY . . . . .	Term expires 1918
JAMES E. KELLEY . . . . .	Term expires 1919

**Ballot Clerks and Tellers**

THOMAS H. McMAHON	OTIS GOWING
FRANK W. KIDDER	WARREN EAMES
J. HOWARD EAMES	EUGENE G. SHAW
JOHN E. DENEHY	OLIVER A. McGRANE

# JURY LIST, TOWN OF WILMINGTON

Revised July 5, 1915

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	Street	Occupation
Arthur O. Buck	Church St.	Clerk
Daniel R. Carter	Shawsheen Ave.	Carpenter
William C. Stevens	Woburn St.	Showman
Frank Chapman	West St.	Section Hand
Harry R. Deming	Federal St.	Bookkeeper
Milton T. Holt	Forest Ave.	Postmaster
Harold Swain	Middlesex Ave.	Laborer
Samuel F. Cole	Glen Road	Currier
Henry L. Carter	Woburn St.	Farmer
Oliver McGrane	Church St.	Moth Superintendent
Harry M. Taylor	Chestnut St.	Accountant
Ernest W. Eames	Woburn St.	Farmer
Eli T. Kinsman	Church St.	Clerk
Harry A. Maynard	Off Burlington Ave.	Brakeman
Lawrence C. Swain	Middlesex Ave.	Retired
Joseph Patchett	West St.	Tax Collector
Walter D. Carter	Lowell St.	Farmer
Fred A. Lowell	Chestnut St.	Printer
Sidney C. Buck	Middlesex Ave.	Provision Dealer
George W. Buck	Church St.	Grocer
M. Herbert Foskett	Ballardvale St.	Printer
John E. Denehy	Grove St.	Insurance Agent
Irvin Eames	Woburn St.	Telegraph Operator
Schamiel R. McIntosh	Main St.	Lumber Dealer
John W. Hoban	Middlesex Ave.	Laborer
Thomas H. McMahon	Middlesex Ave.	Currier

# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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Records of Warrants and Proceedings of Town Meetings,  
Births, Marriages and Deaths, with a Statement  
of Money Paid to the County Treasurer  
on account of Dog Licenses





## TOWN WARRANT

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Special Town Meeting, January 18, 1915

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and in accordance with the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday, the eighteenth day of January current, at 8 p.m., to act upon the following articles, namely:

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

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to use any money remaining in the treasury from appropriations not used in full (after the purpose for which the money was raised has been accomplished), to pay any liabilities incurred for other objects in excess of appropriation.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial

year beginning January 1, 1915, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to refund all or any portion of the loans issued in anticipation of taxes of the financial year ending December 31, 1914, and falling due in January, 1915, as provided for by Section 9, Chapter 719, Acts of 1913, as amended, any loan or loans issued under the authority of this vote to be paid from the taxes of the financial year 1914.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this ninth day of January, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

[SEAL]

HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*

## TOWN MEETING

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### Record of Proceedings of Special Town Meeting, January 18, 1915

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, the Warrant read and Article 1 acted upon.

Article 1. Edward N. Eames was elected Moderator by ballot, the check list being used.

Art. 2. Moved: That the Selectmen be authorized to use any unexpended money remaining in the Treasury for the purpose as stated in Article 2. Voted in the affirmative.

Art. 3. Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1915, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 4. Voted: That the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to refund all or any portion of the loans issued in anticipation of taxes of the financial year ending December 31, 1914, and falling due in January, 1915, as provided for by Section 9, Chapter 719, Acts of 1913, as amended, any loan or loans issued under authority of this vote to be paid from the taxes of the financial year 1914.

Voted to adjourn.

Attest:

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*

## TOWN WARRANT

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington,  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in Section 2, Article 1, of the By-Laws of the Town of Wilmington, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday, the first day of March next, at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 6.15 a.m., and may be closed at 4 p.m., for the election of officers and to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To bring in your votes on one ballot for three Selectmen, who shall also be Overseers of the Poor and Board of Survey, one Assessor for three years, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Constable, three Fence Viewers, one School Committee for three years, two Trustees of Public Library for three years, one member of S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for five years, one Tree Warden, one Trustee of Trust

Funds for three years; also to vote on the following questions, to wit: Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town? "Yes or No."

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles:

Art. 3. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To hear the report of committees and act thereon.

Art. 5. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government, Protection of Life and Property, Health and Sanitation, Tree Warden, Forest Warden, Highways, Roads and Bridges, Poor, Dependent Widows and Soldiers' Relief, Schools and Maintenance, Library, Cemetery, Interest, Notes Payable, Abatement of Taxes, Street Lights, State and County Tax, Printing Town Reports, Care of Town Clock, Contingent Fund, etc.

Art. 6. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day and to determine how the same shall be expended.

Art. 7. To see what method the Town will adopt for the collection of taxes and to provide for the compensation of the Collector.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will accept Beacon Street as laid out by the Selectmen as far as its junction with Belmont Avenue (so-called), on plan of Surburban Land Company, as a Town way, or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to extend the street lights from Lake Street on Shawsheen Avenue to the residence of Martin Nee, or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to extend the street lights on Woburn Street and Eames Street to the residence of I. E. Morse, or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will install street lights on Hopkins Street from Shawsheen Avenue to the Billerica line or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 12. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the purchase of a stone crushing plant or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 13. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the purchase of a steam roller or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to grade the grounds and walks around the New High School, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept a strip of land from Mr. Charles Osbon, sixteen feet in width, and take a like amount from the High School lot to be laid out as a Town way the same to extend from Middlesex Avenue to the back line of said lot or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 187, Acts of 1902, an act relative to the licensing of junk collectors, the same to be made a part of the Town By-Laws.

Art. 17. To see what action the Town will take in regard to equipping the fire department with automobile fire apparatus.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000 under Chapter 525, Acts of 1910, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission, or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this nineteenth day of February, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.



HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*

## TOWN MEETING

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### Record of Proceedings of the Annual Town Meeting, March 1, 1915

In accordance with the directions of the foregoing Warrant, the voters assembled on the above date. The votes as declared by the Moderator are as follows:

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, and the Warrant read as far as Article 3. On motion it was voted to dispense reading the balance.

Article 1. Edward N. Eames was elected Moderator, the vote being taken by ballot and the check list being used.

Art. 2. The Moderator read Article 2 and then examined the ballot box, which was found empty, the register indicated 0000, the box was locked and the key delivered to the Constable. The Ballot Clerks and Tellers having been sworn, the official ballots were delivered to the Ballot Clerks, a receipt for the same being taken by the Town Clerk. The Moderator announced that the polls for the election of officers were open and that balloting might proceed. Later on it was voted that the polls for the election of officers be closed at 4.15 p.m. At the appointed time the Moderator declared the polls closed.

The names checked upon the male lists numbered three hundred and four (304), and ninety-one (91) specials for "School Committee Only," and the ballots as counted from the ballot box numbered 304 regular and 91 specials, and the register indicated 395.



For Selectmen, and also to act as Overseers of the Poor and  
Board of Survey

Herbert C. Barrows (Elected) had two hundred and eight votes,	208
Frank W. Dayton had one hundred fifty votes,	150
Arthur W. Eames (Elected) had one hundred eighty- eight votes,	188
Edward N. Eames (Elected) had one hundred eighty- seven votes,	187
Blanks, one hundred seventy-nine,	179

Assessor for Three Years

Milton F. Holt (Elected) had two hundred and ten votes,	210
Edward J. Lyons had seventy votes,	70
Blanks, twenty-four,	24

Town Clerk

James E. Kelley (Elected) had two hundred sixty-nine votes,	269
Blanks, thirty-five,	35

Treasurer

Fred A. Eames (Elected) had two hundred eighty votes,	280
Blanks, twenty-four,	24

Collector of Taxes

Joseph Patchett (Elected) had two hundred seventy-eight votes,	278
Blanks, twenty-six,	26

Constable

Walter A. Hill (Elected) had two hundred seventy votes,	270
Blanks, thirty-four,	34

### Fence Viewers

Herbert C. Barrows (Elected) had one hundred ninety-nine votes,	199
Frank W. Dayton had one hundred thirty-seven votes,	137
Arthur W. Eames (Elected) had one hundred seventy-eight votes,	178
Edward N. Eames (Elected) had one hundred sixty-four votes,	164
Francis T. Hathaway had fifty-four votes.	54
Blanks, one hundred eighty,	180

### School Committee, Three Years

Alden N. Eames had one hundred votes,	100
John J. Kenney had fifty-nine votes,	59
Ellen S. Perry (Elected) had two hundred twenty-two votes,	222
Arthur G. Kidder had one vote,	1
Blanks, thirteen,	13

### Trustees Public Library, Three Years

Daniel T. Buzzell (Elected) had two hundred thirty-five votes,	235
George F. Dodge, had one hundred twenty-four votes,	124
Guy E. Nichols (Elected) had one hundred thirty-five votes,	135
Blanks, one hundred fourteen,	114

### S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee, Five Years

Daniel T. Buzzell (Elected) had two hundred sixty votes,	260
Blanks, forty-four,	44

### Trustee of Trust Funds, Three Years

Dudley B. Purbeck (Elected) had two hundred thirty-three votes,	233
Blanks, seventy-one,	71

### Tree Warden

Oliver A. McGrane (Elected) had two hundred fifty-eight votes,	258
Howard M. Horton had one vote,	1
Blanks, forty-five,	45

### License Vote

Yes, sixty-six,	66
No, one hundred ninety-six,	196
Blanks, forty-two.	42

At 10 o'clock, the hour stated in the Warrant. Article 3 was taken up.

Art. 3. On motion it was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to bring in a list of names as nominations for the several offices to be filled under the article. Moderator appointed Herbert C. Barrows, Arthur W. Eames and Wallace M. Fiske, who submitted the following list, which on motion was accepted and adopted and the nominees declared elected.

### Field Drivers

Walter D. Carter	Michael J. McMahon
Albert D. Butters	Francis Nichols
Melvin W. Brown	

### Surveyors of Lumber

James E. Kelley	Edward N. Eames
Arthur W. Eames	S. R. McIntosh
Herbert C. Barrows	Thomas T. Sidelinker

### Surveyors of Wood and Bark

James E. Kelley	Edward N. Eames
Arthur W. Eames	S. R. McIntosh
Herbert C. Barrows	Frank L. Eames
Walter L. Hale	

**Measurers of Leather**

J. Arthur Taylor

Arthur F. Blake

**Public Weighers**

Warren Eames

George L. Blaisdell

J. Arthur Taylor

Walter L. Hale

Fred W. Carter

Frank L. Eames

Arthur F. Blake

George A. Hart

Albert Lane

**Common Committee, Three Years**

Charles B. Osbon

Art. 4. Voted to accept the reports as printed in the Annual Town Report.

Art. 5. Motion: That the Town raise and appropriate the several and respective sums recommended by the Selectmen on page 124 of the printed report and that the motion be divided and put upon each item separately and subject to amendment. Voted in the affirmative.

**General Government**

Selectmen, salaries and general expenses . . . . .	\$ 800 00
Town Accountant, salary and general expenses . . . . .	250 00
Treasurer, salary and general expenses . . . . .	300 00
Collector, salary and general expenses . . . . .	1,000 00
Assessors, salary and general expenses . . . . .	700 00
Town Clerk, salary and general expenses . . . . .	120 00
Election and Registration, salaries and expenses . . . . .	325 00
Town Hall, janitor, light, fuel and repairs . . . . .	250 00
Constable, salary . . . . .	50 00
Total . . . . .	<u>\$3,795 00</u>

### Protection of Life and Property

Police Department . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Fire Department . . . . .	1,250 00
Suppression of moths, compulsory, \$792.29, and incidentals \$141.10 . . . . .	933 39
Sealer of Weights and Measures \$50, amendment to increase to \$90, amendment defeated and original motion carried . . . . .	50 00
Tree Warden, inquiry in regard to cause of increase and it was answered by the Tree Warden. Voted \$500 . . . . .	500 00
Forest Fires . . . . .	500 00
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Total . . . . .	\$4,233 39

### Health Department

Salary of Agent, quarantine wages, Inspection of Animals, Inspection of Meat and Provisions . . . . .	\$ 500 00
Highways, roads and bridges. Voted that the sum of \$8000 be appropriated, of which two thousand seventy-one dollars and twenty-five cents to be raised by taxation . . . . .	2,071 25
Electric street lights . . . . .	4,500 00
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Total . . . . .	\$7,071 25

### Charities

Town Farm and Outside Poor . . . . .	\$2,000 00
Aid for Dependent Mothers . . . . .	416 00
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Total . . . . .	\$2,416 00

**Town Indebtedness**

Balance note dated September 15, 1905, account of High and Walker schools . . . . .	\$ 240 00
Note No. 1, account of New High School . . . . .	1,750 00
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Total . . . . .	\$1,990 00
Abatement of taxes . . . . .	100 00
Contingent Fund . . . . .	1,000 00

**Soldiers' Benefits**

State Aid: Voted to raise and appropriate \$504, on motion voted to reconsider, then voted to ap- propriate \$504. Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	\$48 00
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**Education**

Schools, including salaries, books and supplies, repairs, fuel, furnishings, outside tuition, trans- portation, voted to appropriate \$18,336, of which \$15,613.50 is to be raised by taxation . . . . .	\$15,613 50
Library . . . . .	400 00

**Unclassified**

Printing Town Reports, care of Town Clock, etc. . . . .	\$500 00
Cemetery . . . . .	500 00

**Interest**

On Loans for General Purposes . . . . .	\$ 850 00
On New High School Loan . . . . .	1,575 00

Art. 6. On motion it was voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$150 for the observance of Memorial Day and that the same be expended by a Committee of three appointed by the Moderator, namely: Job P. Estes, Donald K. Colgate and Frank A. Chapman.

Art. 7. Voted: That the Town pay the Tax Collector two per cent of his collections as his compensation during the ensuing year, and that he collect the taxes according to law.

Art. 8. Voted: To accept said street as laid out by the Selectmen as a Town way.

Art. 9. Voted: To extend five (5) lights from Lake Street on Shawsheen Avenue to residence of Martin Nee.

Art. 10. Voted: To extend six (6) lights on Woburn Street and Eames Street to residence of I. E. Morse.

Art. 11. Voted: To extend eight (8) lights on Hopkins Street from Shawsheen Avenue to Billerica line.

Art. 12. Motion made to pass the article. Voted in the negative. Motion made that a Committee of three appointed by the Moderator look into the matter and report at a meeting to be called not later than March 30, 1915. Motion carried, and the Moderator appointed as said committee, Herbert C. Barrows, Willie B. McIntosh and Arthur B. Eames.

Art. 13. On motion it was voted that the above committee consider the question and report at the same time named in Article 12.

Art. 14. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500 to grade the grounds and walks around the New High School.

Art. 15. Voted: To accept a strip of land from Mr. Charles B. Osbon, 16 feet in width, and take a like amount from the High School lot, to be laid out as a Town way, the same to extend from Middlesex Avenue to the back line of said lot.

Art. 16. Voted: To accept Chapter 187, Acts of 1902, relative to the licensing of Junk Collectors, the same to be made a part of the Town By-Laws.

Art. 17. On motion voted that a Committee of three appointed by the Moderator examine into the matter and report at a future meeting. Moderator appointed Albert D. Butters, Caleb S. Harriman and Oliver A. McGrane.

Art. 18. On motion voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000 under Chapter 525, Acts of 1910, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission.

After a declaration of the vote under Article 2, and the administration of the oath of office by the Moderator in open meeting to the following named persons: James E. Kelley as Town Clerk, Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber; Joseph Patchett as Tax Collector; Daniel T. Buzzell as Trustee of Public Library and member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee; Fred A. Eames as Treasurer; Oliver A. McGrane as Tree Warden; Dudley B. Purbeck as Trustee of Trust Funds; the ballots were sealed, countersigned and with check lists used turned over to the Town Clerk; the meeting then adjourned *sine die*.

Attest:

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*



## TOWN WARRANT

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Special Town Meeting, Held March 31, 1915

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington,  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner provided in Section 2, Article 1, of the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Wednesday, the thirty-first day of March current, at 8 p.m., to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To hear the report of committees and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to extend the street lights on Glen Road from residence of Luther Shattuck to Lubber's Brook.

Art. 4. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the heating apparatus in the former High School Building.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred and seventy-five (575) dollars for the purchase of a piano for the New High School Building or do anything in relation to the same.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this twenty-second day of March, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

[SEAL]

HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*

## TOWN MEETING

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### Record of Proceedings of Special Town Meeting, held March 31, 1915

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, the Warrant read and Article 1 acted upon.

Art. 1. Edward N. Eames was elected Moderator by ballot, the check list being used.

Art. 2. The Committee on Fire Apparatus not being ready to report, Mr. H. C. Barrows reported for the Committee on the Stone Crusher and Road Roller as follows: That the Town could buy a Stone Crusher for the sum of \$2281 complete, or without engine for \$700 less, and on the following terms, viz: forty per cent or \$912.40 this year and the balance on a town note, due May 1, 1916, without interest. And a Roller for \$3150 to be paid in three equal annual payments of \$1050 each. On motion it was voted to appropriate \$2281 to purchase a Stone Crusher on the terms above stated, viz: forty per cent to be raised this year and the balance by note payable May 1, 1916, without interest. On the part of the report in relation to the Road Roller, it was voted on motion, to pass the same.

Art. 3. Motion made to pass the article. Voted not to pass. Motion then made to instruct the Selectmen to install the lights over the distance called for in the article on Glen Road. Voted in the affirmative.

Art. 4. On motion it was voted to raise and appropriate \$200 for repairing apparatus in the former High School Building.

Art. 5. Motion made to pass the article. Voted in the affirmative.

On motion it was voted to adjourn.

Attest:

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*

## TOWN WARRANT

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Special Town Meeting Held August 11, 1915

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington,  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and in the manner prescribed in Section 2, Article 1, of the By-Laws of the Town of Wilmington, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Wednesday, the eleventh day of August, at 8 p.m., to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will direct how or by whom the work of grading the grounds and walks around the New High School, as authorized by vote of the Town on March 1, 1915, shall be done or performed or what they will do in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this second day of August, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*

[SEAL]

## TOWN MEETING

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### Record of Proceedings of Special Town Meeting held August 11, 1915.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, the Warrant read and Article 1 acted upon.

Article 1. Charles B. Osbon was elected Moderator by ballot, the check list being used.

Art. 2. Motion made by Mr. Dudley B. Purbeck that the Board of Selectmen shall have charge of the work of grading the grounds and walks around the New High School, and the expenditure of the \$1500 raised and appropriated for that purpose by vote of the Town on March 1, 1915. After extended remarks by Herbert C. Barrows, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Howard M. Horton, Chairman of the School Committee, permission was given to Mr. Randall, Superintendent of Schools, to speak; after which, remarks were made by Mr. E. S. Lewis and some others. The motion was then put to a rising vote, and resulted sixty-four in the affirmative, and sixty-seven in the negative, and the Moderator declared the motion not carried.

On motion, it was voted to adjourn.

Attest:

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*

## TOWN WARRANT

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Special Town Meeting Held October 25, 1915

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington.  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner provided in Section 2, Article 1, of the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall, on Monday the twenty-fifth day of October, 1915, at 8 p.m., to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if<sup>2</sup> the Town will vote to appropriate the receipts of the various departments to the use of the department to which they are credited, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 3. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the proposed raise of rates by the Bay State Street Railway

Company, and also to see what action the Town will take in the matter of enforcing any contract or contracts which may exist between the Town of Wilmington and said road or any of its predecessors now merged with said road.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this fourteenth day of October, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

[SEAL]

HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*



## TOWN MEETING

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### Record of Proceedings of Special Town Meeting held October 25, 1915

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, the Warrant read and Article 1 acted upon.

Article 1. Charles B. Osbon was elected Moderator by ballot, the check list being used.

Art. 2. Motion made by Harry R. Deming, that the amounts in the Treasury and the receipts to December 31, 1915, credited to the several Town Departments with the exception of those already used as Estimated Revenue, be appropriated to the use of said departments. Voted in the affirmative.

Art. 3. After the reading of two letters by the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and a report made by Frank H. Flagg, Esq., as a Special Committee of one appointed by the Selectmen in accordance with a vote passed at a public hearing held October 13, 1915; and the reading by request, by the Town Clerk, of the records of the franchise granted to the Lynn & Boston Street Railway Company in 1900, and a certified copy of the record of location of the Reading and Lowell Street Railway Company dated 1895, from the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, on the following motion made by Frank H. Flagg, Esq., viz: I move that the members of the Board of Selectmen be appointed as a Special Committee to

appear before the Public Service Commission and oppose the proposed change of car fare rates by the Bay State Street Railway Company; that they be and are hereby empowered to join with other towns if they shall deem such action appropriate in opposing such changes and that they be and are hereby empowered and requested to employ counsel for the purpose of enforcing such agreement or agreements as may now be in existence between the Town of Wilmington and the said Company. On being put to a vote, it was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

On motion it was voted to adjourn.

Attest:

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*

## TOWN WARRANT

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Special Town Meeting Held November 23, 1915

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington,  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in Section 2, Article 1, of the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the twenty-third day of November next, at 8 p.m., to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand (\$1000) dollars to support the schools for the remainder of the year 1915, or do anything in regard to the same.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this fiftenth day of November, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

[SEAL]

HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*

## TOWN MEETING

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### Record of Proceedings of Special Town Meeting held November 23, 1915

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, the Warrant read and Article 1 acted upon.

Article 1. Edward N. Eames was elected Moderator by ballot, the check list being used.

Art. 2. Motion made by Mr. Edward S. Lewis: I move, Mr. Chairman, that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000 for the support of schools for the remainder of the year 1915, and that the Town Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to issue a note of \$1000, bearing interest not more than five per cent, payable not later than December 1, 1916; said note to be signed and certified according to the laws of the Commonwealth. Ruled by the Moderator that by the wording in the article and motion "to raise" no action could be taken.

After reading extracts from the Bulletin of the Municipal Finance Bureau, at the request of Mr. C. B. Osbon for information as to why the estimate made by the School Committee for the year 1915 was not sufficient; with the permission of the Moderator, Mr. Howard M. Horton, Chairman of the School Committee, gave an extended explanation of the reason and why the Committee asked for the additional money. After some information by the Chairman of the Selectmen and the Town Accountant,

On motion it was voted to adjourn.

Attest:

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*



BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON FOR THE YEAR 1915

NO.	DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAMES OF PARENTS
1	1915 January 23	Edward Harry Goldberg.	Nathan Goldberg, Rebecca Wernick
2	January 29	Gertrude Ethel Taylor.	Everett E. Taylor, Mary Louise Cavanaugh
4	March 5	Joseph Russell White.	Hervie White, Josephine Amerio
5	March 8	Ethel Esther Surette.	Eugene Surette, Mary Margaret Babine
6	March 22	Anthony John Musolino.	Antonio Musolino, Marguerite C. May
7	April 9	Barbara Eames.	Alden N. Eames, Lena M. Shaw
8	April 15	Dorothy Elizabeth Frizzell.	Ernest G. Frizzell, Cora E. Ward
9	May 6	Charles Chopoorian.	Babst Chopoorian, Searo Jeneakian
10	May 7	Alma Miller.	Albert C. Miller, Alma N. Mullett
11	May 8	Catarina Pagliuca.	Archille Pagliuca, Teresa Baberi
12	May 13	Philip Joseph Gavin, Jr.	Philip Joseph Gavin, Ellen Connelly
13	May 17	Irving Leo White.	James White, Margaret Jaquard
14	May 20	Clarence MacDonald.	Benjamin MacDonald, Sarah Gallagher
15	May 22	Cynthia Mildred Claflin.	Walter L. Claflin, Mildred Davis
16	May 24	Charlotte B. Buck.	Walter V. Buck, Alice Huff
17	June 3	Anastasia Sullivan.	Patrick D. Sullivan, Mary Brabant
18	June 18	Walter Everett Bedell, Jr.	Walter Everett Bedell, Sarah Phillips Gowing
19	July 6	Marjorie Frances Dame.	Frank E. Dame, Mary E. Acherman
20	July 13	—Harlow	John Harlow, Beatrice Ford
21	August 1	Rupert Waterman Deming.	Harry R. Deming, Mabel L. Keach
22	August 3	Gertrude Harriet Irons.	George E. Irons, Elma R. Greenlaw
23	August 7	Warren Arthur Staveley.	Thomas Staveley, Florence E. Berkett
24	August 18	John Ellis Doucette, Jr.	John Ellis Doucette, Mary Rose Durkee
25	August 19	Herman Louis Hubbard.	Simon D. Hubbard, Delcie Doucette
26	September 10	Virginia Bahar Chopoorian.	Meshach Chopoorian, Hannah Ford
27	September 17	William Albert Downing.	Jerry Downing, Mary Emma Gallant
28	September 27	Mary Malvina Muse.	John F. Muse, Mary L. Dulong
29	September 28	Emma Arline Bliss.	Leonard J. Bliss, Bertha E. Haskell

30	October	5	Ruth Pershing.....	Ernest H. Pershing, Mary Hood Crenshaw
31	October	8	Francis Read.....	Herbert Edward Read, Alice May Sangster
32	October	26	Anna Wells Rice.....	Charles H. Rice, Susan A. Wells
33	October	26	Roscoe Samuel Rice } Twins.....	
34	October	26	Evelyn Charlotte Nelson.....	George T. Nelson, Erminnie D. Bloomquist
35	October	26	Charlotte Ora Holt.....	Guy Holt, Gladys Lucas
36	November	12	Oscar Charles Paklain.....	Mgerdich Paklain, Mary Chopoorian
37	November	28	Olive Mae Blaisdell.....	Fred Wilson Blaisdell, Gertrude May Nicoll
38	December	8	Bernard Peter McMahan.....	Peter F. McMahan, Annie M. McEnroe
39	December	19	Peinert.....	Frank M. Peinert, Alice G. Noonan
40	December	23	Walter E. Atton.....	Arthur B. Atton, Harriet L. Formeister
41	December	28	James Harold Frotton.....	John O. Frotton, Mary Maria Sarrrette
42	December	28	Charles Edmond White.....	Deland White, Nellie Muse

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON FOR 1915

No.	Date	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth	Names of Parents
1	Mar. 6	Charles Edgar Miller Helen Frances Robinson	Wilmington Wilmington	23 18	Chauffeur At home	Wilmington Bradford	Charles L. Miller, Mary A. Boutwell Albert E. Robinson, Hattie F. Robbins
2	Mar. 13	George F. Nelson Erminnie D. Bloomquist	Everett Wilmington	24 24	Mech. Insp'r Stenographer	East Boston South Boston	John Nelson, Tina Hanson George Bloomquist, Amanda H. Allard
3	Apr. 19	Henry Francis Ackerman Ida Matilda Lawson	Wilmington Wilmington	25 35	Laborer At home	England Sweden	Walter Charles Ackerman, Kate Westall Andrew Lawson, Olivia Moneson
4	May 16	Walter Harry Doe Christina C. Montgomery	Wilmington Providence, R. I.	28 32	Express Clerk At home	Boston Voluntown, Conn.	Albert E. Doe, Mary J. Dawson Albert F. Montgomery, Ella A. Jencks
5	June 2	Walter James Carroll Mary Agnes Richards	Woburn Wilmington	21 20	Chauffeur At home	Woburn Wilmington	James Carroll, Julia Lambert Samuel Richards, Margaret Young
6	June 13	Floyd Westley Sudsbury Margaret Frances Surette	Woburn Wilmington	20 22	Carpenter At home	Woburn Wilmington	James Sudsbury, Florence McArthur Eugene D. Surette, Margaret Babine
7	June 28	Lewis F. Adams Sarah A. Clare	Wilmington Wilmington	33 28	Teamster At home	New Haven, Conn. Oldham, Eng.	George F. Adams, Margaret Anderson John W. Clare, Eliza Foster
8	July 14	James Joseph Cosgrove Mary E. Robinson	Dracut Wilmington	23 21	Blacksmith Laundry M'kr	Lowell Stonham	Mathias Cosgrove, Mary Regan Albert E. Robinson, Hattie F. Robbins
9	Sept. 1	Henry John Moldt, Jr. Louise Margaret Avondolio	Wilmington Wilmington	40 36	Engraver At home	Philadelphia, Pa. Medford	Henry J. Moldt, Sr., Elizabeth E. Kuhnle Joseph Avondolio, Maria M. Briere
10	Sept. 22	Allen Hill McLatchy Mildred Colgate	Woburn Wilmington	28 21	Janitor Stenographer	Woburn Roxbury	Charles R. McLatchy, Annie Allen Donald K. Colgate, Mary L. Taylor
11	Oct. 20	James Daniel White Annie Josephine Surette	Wilmington Wilmington	24 27	Steam Fitter Dressmaker	Wilmington Wilmington	Charles H. White, Evelyn Babine Joseph E. Surette, Jane P. Babine
12	Oct. 20	George A. Steele May A. Newman	Wilmington Wilmington	24 23	Clerk Stenographer	Concord, N. H. Revere	William Steele, Christina Duguid Frederick L. Newman, May I. Robinson
13	Oct. 27	Henry G. Mullarky Merle L. Taylor	Wilmington Wilmington	28 25	Clerk At home	Montreal, Can. Wilmington	Thomas H. Mullarky, Catherine Giddings J. Arthur Taylor, Emma L. Kincaid



14	Nov. 27	Edgar G. Bloomquist Marie C. Nelson	Wilmington Everett	25 21	Printer Bookbinder	Everett East Boston	George Bloomquist, Amanda H. Allard John Nelson, Tina M. Hansen
15	Dec. 1	George W. Vittum Ethel G. Strong	Sandwich, N. H. Wilmington	30 23	Farmer Bookkeeper	McPherson, Kan. Charlestown	Charles W. Vittum, Nannie M. Simpson Joseph W. Strong, Nellie Dean
16	Dec. 19	Joseph A. White Mildred T. Hutchinson	Wilmington Wilmington	20 20	Vulcanizer At home	Wilmington Roxbury	Raymond White, Josephine Surrutte Arthur H. Hutchinson, Ella Ross
17	Dec. 28	Frank Everett Maybeie Florence Evelyn Hawn	Boston Wilmington	24 19	Salesman At home	Brooklyn, N. Y. Melrose	Frank Maybeie, Sadie Osgood John S. Hawn, Elizabeth A. Parmiter

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON FOR THE YEAR 1915

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Sex	Age Y. M. D.	Disease or Cause of Death	Residence	Place of Birth	Names of Parents
1 Jan. 5	Harriett A. (Sheldon) Shaw	F	M 58 5 17	Dilatation of Heart & Cancer	Wilmington	Wilmington	H. Allen Sheldon, Catherine Buck
2 Jan. 20	Frank E. Millett	M	M 67 8 29	Acute Indigestion	Wilmington	Andover	William Millett, Martha Gladhill
3 Jan. 28	Louis L. Getchell	M	W 82 1 26	Senile Gangrene	Wilmington	Martinique	Not known, Not known
4 Feb. 1	Adam Busted	M	M 47 3 9	Cardiac Asthma	Wilmington	Woburn	James Busted, Mary ———
5 Feb. 19	Samantha Foskett	F	S 85 3 18	Pneumonia & Pleurisy	Wilmington	Charlton	Ebenezer Foskett, Annie ———
6 Feb. 22	Charles E. McIntosh	M	S 56 2 13	Carcinoma of Intestines	Wilmington	Wilmington	G. W. McIntosh, Mary A. Plummer
7 Feb. 23	Virginia Bahar Choppoorian	F	S 1 8 11	Bronchial Pneumonia	Wilmington	Wilmington	Meslach G. Choppoorian, Hannah Ford
8 Mar. 11	Edward F. Crosby	M	S 70 6 5	Lobar Pneumonia & Pleurisy	Wilmington	Osterville	Jacob Crosby, Melvina Kelley
9 Mar. 29	Eva A. (Straw) Pearson	F	M 76 0 25	General Peritonitis & Cancer	Wilmington	Greenfield, N. H.	Ira Straw, Betsey Gould
10 Apr. 5	Emma A. (Marshall) Caswell	F	M 67 0 4	Cerebral Sclerosis & Carcinoma of Adnexa	Wilmington	Boston	John Marshall, Lucy T. Miller
11 Apr. 11	Harold A. Roper	M	S 0 4 9	Cerebro Spinal Meningitis	Wilmington	Lowell	Arthur Roper, Minnie Babine
12 Apr. 19	William E. Shinnick	M	S 50 5 19	Chronic Nephritis	Wilmington	Exeter, N. H.	Thomas Shinnick, Ellen Murphy
13 May 5	Daniel McAuley	M	W 68 0 0	Cerebral Hemorrhage	Boston	Ireland	William McAuley, Margaret McElhaneey
14 May 31	Julia A. (Kimball) Twing	F	M 83 11 22	Compound Fracture & Gangrene	Wilmington	Palmyra, Me.	———Kimball, not known
15 June 24	Stillborn	F	S 33 0 0	Broncho Pneumonia	Wilmington	Ireland	Christopher Nee, Bridget Nee
16 June 26	Coleman Nee	M	M 33 0 0	Broncho Pneumonia	Wilmington	Wilmington	Joseph E. Lavoie, A. M. Marion
17 July 10	Joseph L. Lavoie	M	S 1 9 1	Tubercular Meningitis	Wilmington	Wilmington	Forrest H. Buck, M. Louise Grafham
18 July 13	Stillborn	F	S 2 5 21	Accidental Drowning	Wilmington	Wilmington	Nicholas B. Wilham, Frances P. Langly
19 July 27	Forrest H. Buck, Jr.	M	S 67 2 22	Cancer	Wilmington	Salem	Not known, not known
20 July 28	Abbie C. Witham	F	S 67 2 22	Cancer	Wilmington	Wilmington	Not known, not known
21 Aug. 8	William H. Smith	M	M 90 4 0	Arterio Sclerosis	Wilmington	Maine	Not known, not known
22 Aug. 14	May K. Cotton	F	M 37 5 10	Typhoid Fever	Wilmington	England	Not known, not known

23 Aug. 19	Fred Driscoll?	M												Not known, not known
24 Aug. 21	John O. Blanchard	M			Railroad Accident				Wilmington	Wilmington	Wilmington	Manchester, N. H.	Walter Blanchard, Charlotte Bond	
25 Aug. 25	Drusilla Belle Tilton	F	S	1	3 25	Dysentery			Wilmington	Somerville	Somerville	Francis M. Tilton, Drusilla Norris	Patrick Kane, Susan Ward	
26 Aug. 26	Collette A. Kane	F	S	20	0 0	Drowning			Wilmington	Wilmington	Lynn	James A. Blendo, Sarah A. Patten		
27 Sept. 13	Bertha O. H. (Blendo) Bell	F	M	5	8 5	Sclerostemosis Enteritis			Wilmington	Wilmington	Brunswick, Me.	Samuel James, Harriet Duning		
28 Oct. 5	Samuel James	M	W	73	4 29	Organic Heart Disease			Wilmington	Wilmington	Marlboro, Vt.	Clarke A. Winchester, Louisa Thayer		
29 Oct. 8	Wells E. Winchester	M	M	70	7 29	Cerebral Hemorrhage			Wilmington	Wilmington	Weston, Vt.	Leonard Meads, Olive Baldwin		
30 Oct. 21	Olive S. (Meads) Eames	F	W	73	5 12	Diabetes Mellitis			Wilmington	Wilmington	Wilmington	George F. Cook, Jerusha C. Damon		
31 Oct. 21	Carric (Cook) Parrott	F	D	50	00 18				Wilmington	Wilmington				
32 Nov. 4	Emmina P. Mellen	F	S	16	3 16	Accidental burns			Wilmington	Wilmington	New Hampshire			
33 Nov. 18	William J. Hammond	M	M	48	1 9	Struck by railway train			Wilmington	Wilmington	Donegal, Ireland	David Hammond, Isabel Maxwell		
34 Nov. 21	Martha (Brent) West	F	M	70	0 0	Apoplexy			Wilmington	Wilmington	West Virginia	Henry Brent, Mary Mansfield		
35 Nov. 28	Harriet E. Cazneau	F	S	58	2 10	Branchio Pneumonia			Wilmington	Wilmington	Roxbury	Isaac Cazneau, Nancy Hurd		
36 Dec. 19	Stephen Boyer Hooper	M	M	63	2 1	Chronic Nephritis			Wilmington	Wilmington	Prince Edwards Is.			
37 Dec. 21	John Hasman Cocker	M	W	82	5 0	Angina Pectoris			Wilmington	Wilmington	Cork, Ireland	Edward Cocker, Annie		
38 Dec. 26	Sarah E. (Hatch) Johnson	F	W	67	6 13	Yellow Atrophy Liver			Wilmington	Wilmington	Charlestown	John Hatch, Mary Denton		
39 Dec. 28	Mary C. Muse	F	S	4	7 18	Croupous Pneumonia			Wilmington	Wilmington	Wilmington	Laurence P. Muse, Mary M. Muse		
40 Dec. 28	Sanford W. Putnam	M	S	38	11 7	Railroad Accident			Wilmington	Wilmington	Wilmington	William H. Putnam, Ann E. Carter		

The following named persons were buried in Wilmington, but died elsewhere, during the year 1915.

- Apr. 4 Nancy A. Carter at Waltham, aged 80 yrs. 10 mos. 6 dys.
- June 19 Dorcas Ann Fuller, at Bourne, aged 81 yrs. 2 mos. 19 dys.
- July 6 Marshall Guimont, at Tewksbury, aged 81 yrs. 0 mos. 0 dys.
- July 23 Frederick H. Jones, at Haverhill, aged 41 yrs. 9 mos. 13 dys.
- July 31 Charles W. Mudgett, at Lynn, aged 52 yrs. 10 mos. 23 dys.
- Sept. 27 Israel Hubley, at Tewksbury, aged 85 yrs. 0 mos. 0 dys.
- Oct. 14 Isobell P. Smith, at Boston, aged 62 yrs. 4 mos. 10 dys.
- Oct. 17 John William Blackburn, at Bedford, aged 49 yrs. 2 mos. 23 dys
- Nov. 14 Harrison G. Sleeper, at Newport, Me., aged 78 yrs. 11 mos. 12 dys.
- Dec. 13 Charles Edwin Eames, at Melrose, aged 72 yrs. 5 mos. 11 dys.

## RECAPITULATION

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Births registered in 1915 . . . . .	42
Males . . . . .	22
Females . . . . .	20
Marriages registered in 1915 . . . . .	17
Deaths in 1915 . . . . .	40
Males . . . . .	20
Females . . . . .	20
Dog License Account:	
Number of Licenses issued . . . . .	196
By cash paid County Treasurer . . . . .	\$433 80
Account of printed Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths:	
Number on hand January 1, 1915 . . . . .	216
Sold during the year . . . . .	2
Number on hand January 1, 1916 . . . . .	214

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*

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The Town Clerk will furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives, applying therefor, blanks for returns of births as required by law.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Together with the Reports of the  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL  
SUPERVISORS OF MANUAL ARTS  
SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

For the year ending December 31, 1915

**School Committee**

Edward S. Lewis . . . . .	Term expires 1916
Howard M. Horton . . . . .	Term expires 1917
Ellen S. Perry . . . . .	Term expires 1918

**Superintendent of Schools**

Charles L. Randall, 97 Eighteenth Street, Lowell, Tel. 4746

**Attendance Officer**

Samuel R. Rice

**School Physician**

Daniel T. Buzzell, M.D.

**Manager of School Savings Bank**

Mrs. Helen H. Buck

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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In presenting the Annual Report of the School Board to the citizens of Wilmington, we feel that we can say in the words of Mrs. Partington, "that we have pursued the evil tender of our way" during the year 1915.

As usual there have been several changes in the list of teachers of which specific mention will be found in the Superintendent's Report.

For several years the Walker building has been overcrowded. In spite of the fact that both the seventh and eighth grades have been removed to other locations, the relief has not been permanent. Rooms originally equipped for thirty-six or forty-two pupils have been forced to seat forty-five to fifty-two. In view of these conditions we have opened, the past year, a new school in the Centre building to be known as the Centre Primary. This school is intended to accommodate the children on Church Street and Middlesex Avenue north of Clark Street and also those living on Clark Street.

By doing this we are enabled to place the children from the Silver Lake district at the Walker building and relieve the congestion at the West School.

The removal of several houses by the Merrimac Chemical Company, across the line from Woburn, will mean an increase in school population in our East District of approximately twenty. This will place our East School, which for several years has been small in numbers, on a better basis for good work.

These changes in population in the West and East Districts show how hard it is to forecast school problems in advance.

In regard to the new High School building, we will say, that barring a few minor defects in construction, we are highly pleased with the manner in which it has met the needs of the school.

It has met with the highest commendation from all visitors and pronounced by State authorities an ideal plant for our purpose and one of which the people should be proud.

As the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500) was appropriated at the March meeting for the grading of the High School grounds, we had plans prepared by Mr. Clarence E. Carter of Reading in conjunction with Mr. A. Chandler Manning of Wilmington, and in accordance with said plans and specifications a contract was entered into with Mr. George S. Foote of North Wilmington, for the sum of fourteen hundred and eighteen dollars (\$1418). The contract has been carried out under the supervision of Mr. Carter and is complete except a little cleaning up for which a small amount has been retained.

We desire to express our hearty thanks to Mr. Manning for his kindness and courtesy in preparing the plans for the grounds which was entirely without financial recompense. In accordance with Mr. Manning's recommendation we would ask that the Town appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) for the purpose of planting trees and shrubbery.

Owing to an overflow of water in the basement caused by the heavy rains in June and July, the floor of the gymnasium at the High School was badly damaged and had to be removed. It has not been replaced but should be, as we feel satisfied that changes already made in the sewage system will prevent an occurrence of the difficulty. Early in December, the motor operating the pump at the High School burned out and as the



pump had shown insufficient capacity for the work, it seemed wise instead of repairing the old motor to install a new and larger outfit.

We have at the present time a pump which furnishes fifteen gallons of water per minute instead of two and one-half gallons with the old one.

We have received a request from Mr. L. C. Swain, the owner of land adjoining the Whitefield School, that the school lot be fenced. As the law requires that all school property be fenced if requested by abutters, it will be necessary to appropriate money for the purpose.

As the fence around the West School is in bad shape and a complaint was received some time ago from the adjoining owner, we would suggest that the appropriation include this matter; also we would call the attention of the citizens to the matter of transportation of scholars.

The law provides that a town may furnish such transportation if it sees fit, but it is not mandatory. The matter has been brought before you at several times and has been decided in the negative.

During the past year we have furnished transportation in some cases but have discontinued it since September 1, as the finances would not permit of its continuance.

During the past year new furniture has been placed in one of the rooms of the Walker building, in the new room opened at the Centre building and also an additional room at the High School.

A request for an appropriation to take care of this item is included in our budget for 1916. At the beginning of the month of December we were confronted by a lack of funds for the completion of the year.

TABLE OF STATISTICS

SCHOOL	TEACHER	PREPARATION	Total Enrollment	Present Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Pupils under 7	Pupils between 7 and 14	Pupils between 14 and 16	Pupils over 16	No. of Pupils in Grade I	No. of Pupils in Grade VII	No. of Pupils in Grade VIII	
High School	F. W. Carrier Horace F. Bates Ruth M. Giles Elizabeth Batchelder Elizabeth Lord Bernice C. Everett Grace C. Wells Eva L. Hersey Carolyn M. Swain M. Ethel Chapman Ida L. Shaw Henrietta A. Swain Mildred Eames Gertrude Eames Florence Koford Nettie M. L. Haley Genenia M. Kimball M. Ethel Chapman Lillian Sutherland Marion A. Perry Jessie M. Carter Mabel P. Counce Grace A. Jenkins Cora E. Strong William J. Beresford	* University of Vermont * Harvard * Smith * Salem Normal * Allegheny College * Wellesley, Simmons * Smith Boston University Salem Normal * Rust's Kindergarten Hyannis Normal Salem Normal * Northfield Seminary Hyannis Normal Plymouth Normal Salem Normal * Northfield Seminary * Lowell Normal Wheelock * Lowell Normal * Conservatory * Normal Art	120	109	113.8	109.5	96.2	0	19	57	44	25			
Central, Grade VIII			41	35	38.8	35.6	91	0	33	7	1	16	0	0	35
Grade VII			43	41	38.4	36	94	0	28	3	0	11	0	41	
Primary			28	28	24.7	25	95	5	23	0	0	18	6		
Grade VI			43	41	40.4	37.8	94	0	41	1	0	33	0		
Grade V			41	37	36.8	34	93	0	38	3	0	36	0		
Second Primary			42	40	39.7	36.5	92	0	40	0	0	35	0		
Primary			43	43	41.7	39	93.5	32	11	0	0	43	31		
Whitefield Grammar			30	27	28.3	26.3	93	0	28	2	0	35	0	9	
Primary			34	29	30.7	27.9	93.8	8	20	1	0	56	3		
North East			2	18	18	17	95	7	17	0	0	59	2		
South			14	10			91	3	11	0	0	14	4		
West			19	17	18	16	92.1	12	7	0	0	22	9		
Music			38	35	35.9	31	87	10	25	0	0	17	8		
Drawing															
Sewing															
Manual Training															
		Total	560	510			92.9	77	351	74	45	420	61	50	35

Note. \*Indicates graduates.

As there seemed to be a feeling that the schools should not be closed an arrangement was entered into with the teachers whereby they accepted a reduction in their salaries for December, with the understanding that it should be made up to them in 1916.

We trust that the action of the Board will be sanctioned by the citizens and the reduction of fifty per cent for three weeks made good.

For some years the leading question in municipal finances has been the support of the public schools.

As the tax rate of Wilmington has been low compared with the majority of towns, the question of school expenditures has not been so important as in some others.

The construction of the new High School and the increase in school population have resulted in increased expense which requires additional appropriation.

A careful study of the financial statement for 1915 will show that the larger part has been expended on salaries.

The policy of the Board has been to secure competent teachers and having done so to retain their services as long as we felt we could in justice to the best interests of the Town.

We do not feel that we have been extravagant in this respect and trust that no effort will be made to get cheaper teachers in a spirit of ill-advised economy.

Next to the salaries of teachers the largest item of expenditure is books and supplies.

This is a subject which has been in controversy for several years and while we realize that there is more or less waste in

the use of supplies we feel that the teachers do the best they can to reduce such waste to a minimum.

We would recommend that the matter of insurance of Town buildings be taken up with a view of procuring better rates than are now available.

A form of blanket policy has been adopted by some towns and the sinking fund plan by others.

Upon another page will be found a detailed estimate for the support of the School Department for the year 1916.

An opportunity for the pupils in our High School to do something in the line of gardening has been given by Mr. Sylvester Carter.

Mr. Carter has offered to allow the school children to use the land which he owns on Federal Hill.

Some of the members of the Grange have offered to assist by giving money, seeds and fertilizer.

Mr. Carter has also offered to superintend the work which the pupils might do in gardening.

It is sincerely hoped that with the co-operation of the Grange a beginning in gardening may be made.

In conclusion we can only say that we have tried to the best of our ability to fulfill the duties entrusted to us by the citizens of the Town. Although as tax payers we have a desire to reduce the cost of our schools if possible we do not approve of cutting down expense by a reduction of efficiency.

(Signed)

HOWARD M. HORTON,  
ELLEN S. PERRY,  
EDWARD S. LEWIS.

**ESTIMATE FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS  
FOR YEAR 1916**

Administration

Salary of Superintendent . . . . .	\$870 00	
Office expense, Superintendent . . . . .	25 00	
Salary School Committee . . . . .	200 00	
Office expense, School Committee . . . . .	50 00	\$ 1,145 00

Salaries of teachers, janitor, etc. . . . .	14,500 00
Text books and supplies . . . . .	1,600 00
Furniture . . . . .	400 00
Fuel . . . . .	800 00
Transportation . . . . .	150 00
Insurance . . . . .	200 00
Repairs . . . . .	600 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	500 00
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	\$19,895 00

**ESTIMATE OF REVENUE, 1916**

Income of School Fund . . . . .	\$1,300 00
Dog tax . . . . .	400 00
Rebate on Superintendent's salary . . . . .	400 00
High School grant . . . . .	500 00
Tuition . . . . .	50 00
Tuition of State wards . . . . .	100 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	300 00
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	\$3,050 00
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Amount to be raised by taxation . . . . .	\$16,845 00

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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### Recapitulation

Total resources. . . . .		\$18,842 13
Expenditures:		
Salaries of Teachers . . . . .	\$12,015 35	
Salaries of Committee . . . . .	150 00	
Salary of Superintendent . . . . .	682 64	
Salary of Physician . . . . .	100 00	
Salary of Attendance Officer . . . . .	3 00	
Salary of Director Savings Fund. . . . .	15 00	
Industrial education . . . . .	72 29	
Transportation . . . . .	131 00	
Fuel . . . . .	1,733 78	
Insurance . . . . .	755 58	
Repairs . . . . .	1,104 33	
Books and supplies . . . . .	1,325 63	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	660 85	
Construction . . . . .	86 00	
	\$18,835 45	
Unexpended balance . . . . .		\$ 6 68

### Miscellaneous

L. C. Swain (rent) . . . . .		\$40 00
Town of Reading (lighting) . . . . .		40 04
Boston & Maine R.R. . . . .		10 37
American Express Co. . . . .		2 44
Masury-Young Co. (floor oil) . . . . .		51 09
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. . . . .		39 98
Edward Caldwell (safe) . . . . .		25 00

J. W. Studley (lettering safe) . . . . .	10 75
Ralph Rogers (teaming) . . . . .	5 50
D. C. Norcross (cleaning) . . . . .	25 00
L. H. Kincaid (cleaning) . . . . .	4 00
L. H. Kincaid (cleaning clock) . . . . .	1 00
Charles Blaisdell (cleaning vaults) . . . . .	27 00
Hickok Producing Co. (gasoline) . . . . .	18 90
Gilbert Barker Co. (gasoline) . . . . .	28 62
Gilbert Barker Co. (oil) . . . . .	7 25
Clifford Horton (census) . . . . .	25 00
State of Mass. (boiler inspection) . . . . .	6 00
Boston Regalia Co. (flag) . . . . .	1 75
J. W. Van Buskeik (towel racks) . . . . .	1 00
C. S. Harriman & Co. (pails) . . . . .	80
Fairbanks Co. (ash truck) . . . . .	2 75
C. S. Harriman (ash barrels) . . . . .	28 50
E. S. Perry (postage) . . . . .	2 08
Buck Bros., Wilmington . . . . .	9 03
Buck Bros. North Wilmington . . . . .	1 80
S. R. McIntosh . . . . .	2 53
E. E. Smith & Co. (ash sieves) . . . . .	6 86
C. S. Harriman & Co. (toilet paper) . . . . .	7 00
C. H. Foskett (programmes) . . . . .	12 00
H. F. Miller & Sons (tuning piano) . . . . .	3 20
American Seating Co. (seats for hall) . . . . .	56 00
Frank E. Fitts & Co. (ash cans) . . . . .	18 75
E. A. Page Co. (oil) . . . . .	4 25
C. B. Coburn Co. (brushes and twine). . . . .	3 77
H. M. Horton (sundries) . . . . .	4 35
Mrs. Surette (cleaning) . . . . .	5 00
Samuel R. Rice (cleaning) . . . . .	24 00
C. L. Randall (office expense) . . . . .	16 35
H. M. Horton (setting up furniture) . . . . .	60 25
Gould Buckle (cleaning) . . . . .	4 00
Lloyd Lewis (express) . . . . .	2 10
Lloyd Lewis (removing ashes) . . . . .	6 30
J. B. Estes (automobile hire) . . . . .	8 00

**Construction**

E. E. Carter (shed at North school 1914)	\$60 00	
H. C. Barrows (grading High School)	20 00	
Warren Blaisdell (grading High School)	6 00	
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		\$86 00

*Expenditures Itemized***SALARIES****High School**

F. W. Carrier . . . . .	\$937 50	
H. F. Bates . . . . .	472 50	
Ruth M. Giles . . . . .	732 00	
Elizabeth Batchelder, . . . . .	625 63	
Elizabeth Lord . . . . .	375 00	
Bernice J. Everett . . . . .	473 75	
Grace C. Wells . . . . .	202 50	
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		\$3,818 88

**Eighth Grade**

Eva L. Hersey . . . . .	\$603 38	
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		\$603 38

**Seventh Grade**

Carrie M. Swain . . . . .	\$543 75	
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		\$543 75

**Walker School**

Ida Shaw . . . . .	\$550 50	
Henrietta Swain . . . . .	525 00	
Gertrude Eames . . . . .	450 00	
Mildred Eames. . . . .	431 25	
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		\$1,956 75



## Whitefield School

Florence Koford . . . . .	\$525 00	
Nettie Haley . . . . .	197 70	
Elizabeth Smith . . . . .	220 00	
Nina L. Barrows . . . . .	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$948 70

## District Schools

Jessie Carter . . . . .	\$388 50	
Genenia Kimball . . . . .	378 38	
Marion Perry . . . . .	412 50	
M. Ethel Chapman . . . . .	240 00	
Lillian Sutherland . . . . .	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,569 38

## Center Primary

M. Ethel Chapman . . . . .	\$148 50	
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## Special Teachers

Mabelle P. Counce . . . . .	\$215 00	
Grace A. Jenkins . . . . .	215 00	
Cora L. Strong . . . . .	241 00	
William Beresford . . . . .	326 00	
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## Attendance Officer

Samuel R. Rice . . . . .	\$3 00	
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**Director of Savings Fund**

Helen H. Buck . . . . .	\$15 00	
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**School Physician**

Daniel T. Buzzell, M.D. . . . .	\$100 00	
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**Janitors**

Daniel C. Norcross . . . . .	\$684 00	
Samuel R. Rice . . . . .	351 00	
Mrs. Babine . . . . .	240 00	
Mrs. Surette . . . . .	39 00	
Gould Buckle . . . . .	39 00	
Laurence H. Kincaid . . . . .	39 00	
Chester Dodge . . . . .	24 00	
Alvin Kessel . . . . .	13 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,429 00

**Superintendent**

Charles L. Randall . . . . .	\$682 64	
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**School Committee**

Ellen S. Perry . . . . .	\$50 00	
Edward S. Lewis . . . . .	50 00	
Howard M. Horton . . . . .	50 00	
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**Industrial Tuition**

Middlesex County Training School . . . . .	\$ 2 29	
Lowell Vocational School . . . . .	70 00	
	<hr/>	\$72 29

**Transportation**

Bay State Street Railway Co. . . . .	\$115 00	
Adolph Simpson . . . . .	16 00	
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**Fuel**

Frank L. Eames (coal) . . . . .	\$618 07	
Walter L. Hale (coal) . . . . .	520 11	
Fred A. Eames (coal) . . . . .	371 10	
Ellen S. Perry (wood) . . . . .	137 50	
Town of Wilmington (wood) . . . . .	40 00	
John C. Horton (sawing wood) . . . . .	30 00	
Lloyd Lewis (sawing wood) . . . . .	6 00	
Chester Horton (teaming) . . . . .	3 00	
Chester Horton (teaming coal) . . . . .	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,733 78

**Insurance**

Fred A. Eames . . . . .	\$502 08	
Waldo L. Dean . . . . .	157 00	
Rowe and Porter . . . . .	18 00	
Joseph W. Strong . . . . .	78 50	
	<hr/>	\$755 58

**Books and Supplies**

Ginn & Co. . . . .	\$ 5 50
D. C. Heath Co. . . . .	1 10
Allyn & Bacon . . . . .	4 11
P. P. Caprone & Co. . . . .	4 88
Houghton Mifflin Co. . . . .	35 16
American Book Co. . . . .	97 29

A. G. Pollard Co. . . . .	59 67
E. E. Babb Co. . . . .	104 68
S. R. McIntosh . . . . .	34 54
Haymarket Hardware Co. . . . .	52 02
J. L. Hammett Co. . . . .	311 35
Thompson Box Co. . . . .	9 00
Bon Marche Co. . . . .	16 40
Silver Burdett Co. . . . .	3 09
Henry Holt Co. . . . .	5 45
World Book Co. . . . .	1 98
Oliver Ditson Co. . . . .	8 92
Jones, McDuffee & Stratton . . . . .	8 62
Funk & Wagnalls Co. . . . .	14 00
F. H. Roberts Co. . . . .	2 40
Johnson & Morrison . . . . .	4 40
Arthur A. Smith . . . . .	39 85
Cambridge Bottle Supply Co. . . . .	2 21
Benjamin Sanborn Co. . . . .	7 58
C. F. Perry . . . . .	73 11
A. & E. Burton . . . . .	7 25
Tabbot Dye & Chemical Co. . . . .	128 32
Buck Bros., Wilmington . . . . .	72 02
Town of Wilmington . . . . .	28 00
Three Millers Co. . . . .	8 75
E. E. Gray Co. . . . .	39 09
Hickok Producing Co. . . . .	18 90
A. H. Lochr . . . . .	4 40
Walter L. Hale . . . . .	2 49
E. E. Cole Co. . . . .	1 75
William Beresford . . . . .	3 44
Grace A. Jenkins . . . . .	11 21
Albert D. Mack . . . . .	3 75
Kenney McPartten . . . . .	3 25
Sylvester Carter . . . . .	40
Milton Bradley Co. . . . .	1 50
John Allen . . . . .	1 60

Buck Bros., North Wilmington . . . . .	61 75	
Singer Machine Co. . . . .	2 50	
Butterfield Printing Co. . . . .	10 08	
Ruth M. Giles . . . . .	3 10	
E. E. Carter . . . . .	10 80	
		<hr/> \$1,325 63

## Repairs

J. E. Surette . . . . .	\$ 1 20	
Boston Metal Ceiling Co. . . . .	150 00	
E. O. Burrows (new boiler) . . . . .	482 22	
F. A. Guyette (painting) . . . . .	114 73	
S. R. McIntosh (lumber and hardware) . . . . .	22 41	
H. M. Horton . . . . .	42 80	
E. A. Hamlen . . . . .	1 00	
Chester Dodge (setting glass) . . . . .	40	
Lloyd Lewis (setting glass) . . . . .	80	
H. R. Barker & Co. (valves) . . . . .	6 20	
Boston Heating & Lighting Co. (valves) . . . . .	13 75	
W. W. Rice . . . . .	4 95	
Arthur Atton (topping chimney) . . . . .	26 75	
Smith & Anthony . . . . .	30 00	
E. E. Carter (lumber and hardware) . . . . .	161 06	
Chester Horton . . . . .	42 11	
Brockway Smith Corp. (glass) . . . . .	3 95	
		<hr/> \$1,107 33

## Outstanding Indebtedness

Salary due C. L. Randall . . . . .	\$64 00
Salary due D. C. Norcross . . . . .	18 00
	<hr/> \$82 00

## Statement of Household Arts Department

Paid C. F. Perry (milk and eggs) . . . . .	\$73 11	
Paid Buck Bros., Wilmington (groceries) . . . . .	72 02	
Paid Buck Bros., North Wilmington (groceries) . . . . .	61 75	
Paid E. E. Gray Co. (groceries) . . . . .	33 09	
Paid John Allen (meat) . . . . .	1 60	
Paid Three Millers Co. (extracts) . . . . .	8 75	
Paid E. E. Cole Co. (salt) . . . . .	1 75	
Paid Walter L. Hale (ice) . . . . .	2 49	
Paid Kenney & Partten (fish) . . . . .	3 25	
Paid Sylvester Carter (peaches) . . . . .	40	
Paid A. G. Pollard (dry goods) . . . . .	59 67	
Paid F. H. Roberts Co. (cocoa) . . . . .	2 40	
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		\$320 28
Receipts from lunch and sewing department . . . . .		\$276 64
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Net deficit . . . . .		\$43 46

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Committee of Wilmington.

*Mrs. Perry and Gentlemen:* I hereby submit my third annual report, which is the twentieth in the series of superintendents' reports.

The past year has been one of marked progress in your schools. The opening of the new school building, the introduction of new courses in the High School, and the readjustment of the grades have produced important changes which I shall mention under separate topics.

### Teachers

Your schools are in good condition, the work of your teachers is commendable. I shall especially mention, however, only those who have left your service and those who are new to the Wilmington schools.

At the end of the school year in June, Mr. F. W. Carrier, for four years principal of the High School, resigned the principalship and later accepted a position in the Somerville High School. Mr. Carrier was an able teacher, a conscientious man, and a warm friend. He gave his best to the Wilmington High School. He won the love and friendship of scores of pupils. A large number of friends in this town wish him well in his new duties and are interested in his success.

Mr. Horace F. Bates, a graduate of Harvard College, a teacher of wide experience, and a man with strong recommendations, was secured as principal of the school. Although Mr. Bates has been in his new position but one term, he has already secured a strong hold on the school. The pupils feel his interest

both in the studies and in out-of-school activities. He has built up good attendance and a business-like attention to studies, while he has aroused new interest in gymnastic and athletic pursuits. I believe that Mr. Bates will make a strong principal.

One other left the High School in June, Miss Elizabeth Lord, for two years assistant teacher. Miss Lord was doing good work; she left to accept a better salaried position.

Miss Grace Wells, a graduate of Smith College, with one year's successful experience as a teacher, was secured to follow Miss Lord. Miss Wells is doing excellent work in the class room; she shows a fine attitude toward the school, and promises to make an excellent teacher.

In February, 1915, Miss Bernice Everett, a graduate of Wellesley College, with post-graduate study at Simmons College, was engaged as teacher of the Household Arts. It seemed wise to secure for the important task of starting a new course a teacher with thorough training and successful, varied experience. Miss Everett was such an one; to her has fallen the important task of instigating, arousing, and holding the interest in the new course of Household Arts. I believe that Miss Everett has succeeded in this task, and in another place shall quote from her report.

Miss Ethel Chapman, for two years teacher at the East School, was promoted in September to the new room opened in the Central School. Her position at the East School was filled by Miss Lillian Sutherland, a graduate of Lowell Normal School, with one year's experience as teacher. Miss Sutherland has made a good start in her work.

In December, 1915, we received the resignation of Miss Ruth M. Giles, for six years first assistant and teacher of English and German in our High School. Miss Giles has won a strong place in the affection of many students. I consider her an able teacher, a good disciplinarian, a helpful force on the faculty. Her loss will be felt, but we cannot but congratulate her upon securing a position which she considers a promotion. We have found it very difficult at this season of the year to fill Miss Giles' place with a competent, experienced teacher. Miss



Alice S. Furber of Manchester, N. H., of seven years' experience, seemed to your superintendent and to the committee to be such a teacher. It was with deep regret that we received Miss Furber's resignation, due to ill health, after but two weeks of service. At the time of this writing, the position is filled by a substitute teacher. We are feeling the misfortunes due to the regrettable policy of shifting teachers in mid-year.

### High School

January, 1915, the new High School building was dedicated. We began work there the following Monday. This well equipped, well lighted, well heated and ventilated, modern building with its assembly room, gymnasium, sewing room, commercial rooms, household arts room, and laboratories has done much for the pupils of the school. This building has already been described in last year's report, so I will take no more space than to say it is thoroughly up-to-date, and one of the most useful buildings with which I am acquainted.

I have indicated under the topic "Teachers" that a new course was started in the High School. This course, Household Arts, was started for several reasons: one, the excellent equipment presented by the Woman's Club; another, the State requirements obliging us to employ another teacher; and lastly, the belief of the School Committee and superintendent that this new field of training was eminently worth while.

In February, 1915, under the direction of Miss Everett, this new course was offered to the girls of the Wilmington High School. Great interest was shown from the first. In spite of some criticism aroused by the innovation, I believe that the course is proving beneficial to your girls and satisfactory to the parents. I can give you no better idea of what is being done than to quote from Miss Everett's report recently sent to me: "We try to teach the Freshmen the processes of simple and practical cookery, habits of personal cleanliness, and care of utensils. The upper class girls do more difficult work and learn the scientific reason for what they do. They could serve

meals, but thus far expense has prevented us from doing this. They learn, in a general way, food values and what foods should be served together, price of foods, table setting, sewing, etc.

“As the course develops, we hope to introduce Household Management, although that would require a room for practical use, dietetics and a little house planning and decoration. As sewing has been so recently introduced into the schools, there is little difference in the grade of the work in the three upper classes of the High School. The work is on underwear, garments, and simple waist and dressmaking, planning for the students to do something new on each piece of work. They learn cutting and planning to get the most from the least amount of material. As far as practical, the students make garments which fill their individual needs, thus relating the work to their daily lives. The girls pay for, or provide the material they use. In the future we hope to study fabrics, processes of manufacture and dyes, that a woman may know the true value of the material she contemplates buying. An adjustable form or figure would help us greatly in our work.

“Many parents have expressed appreciation of the recess luncheon. When that part of the work was begun, several teachers said that they saw quite a change in the way pupils took up their work after recess, they had more energy and force than formerly.

“When the lunch work can be done with advantage to the girls, it is done in the cooking classes. But it is not profitable to repeat much simple work in class, so the next plan is to have two or more members take their turn in doing the lunch cooking, while the rest of the class carry on the regular work. This year three of the Senior girls take charge of the lunch work. They plan the daily list of the girls who wash dishes and serve, they set the table and do any cooking necessary in the period before recess. All this is a valuable lesson in responsibility, in adapting themselves to work with others and in meeting situations. We serve simple nourishing foods in as great variety as possible with our limited lunch equipment.

" We have been able to sell the food at two cents a serving and cover the cost of the raw material. During the Fall term, so many of the lessons have been on food for the lunch room that the total cost of raw material for lunch and lessons has been less than ten dollars above the luncheon receipts, or less than one dollar a week. The important fact is that this luncheon work gives the class of girls who do the work invaluable experience in cooking in more-than-family quantity, and also they see the results of the labor serve a definite purpose."

While our attention has been riveted to a great degree on plans for the new course, we have not neglected more time-honored methods of High School education. The question has been frequently asked, " Do you fit for college?" I answer most emphatically, " Yes, and we will continue to fit for college so long as the school is under the present administration." Both the principal and myself will guarantee that any pupil entering the Freshman class expressing the desire to fit for college, and doing good work in his college preparatory subjects, will be fitted, upon graduation, to enter any classical college in New England. I do wish to say, however, that in order to do this, the pupil must choose his course and stick to it during the four years. That pupil who makes selections from one course or another, choosing, oftentimes, those subjects which are easiest, planning to get his " points " in the simplest way, will be unable to enter college, or, indeed, to fit for college, should he decide in his Senior year that he wished to take the college course. The above warning is important both to pupil and parents; the following advice, " Choose your course and stick to it," is equally important for those pupils who wish to study in any higher institution after High School graduation.

In spite of the fact that a new teacher was added to the school in February, 1915, the number of pupils has increased so much, that several classes are larger than can be handled by one teacher. State requirements prohibit assigning a class of over thirty pupils to one teacher of less than two years' experience. Common sense and good school judgment will agree that no

teacher in the High School should be called upon to handle a class of forty-five pupils. We have several classes at the present time so large that they should form two recitation divisions. This is now impossible as it would form more classes than could be managed by the five teachers in the six periods per day. It seems to me inevitable that the natural growth of the school will very soon demand another teacher in the academic subjects.

In closing this topic, let me call attention of all readers to the fact that a new schedule or course of study for the High School is to be placed in the hands of the pupils at the beginning of another school year. It will be advisable for the pupils with their parents to study carefully these courses, making such selections as will not alone fit the pupil for graduation, but will fit him to continue his work or study after completing the High School course.

### Central and Walker Schools

At the beginning of the present school year, the "Old High School" building was occupied by the seventh and eighth grades, with the "Overflow" primary room, under the name of the Central School. This building had been remodelled during the summer vacation, a new heating plant installed and the rooms fitted with adjustable furniture adapted to the grades. At the present, three school rooms and a fourth for manual training are occupied.

This change enables us to relieve the congested condition at the Walker School. It is the intention, at the present time, that the Walker School should be limited to its seating capacity, forty-two pupils per room, and other pupils sent to the Central building. The room in the Walker building occupied by the third and fourth grades was fitted with adjustable seats and desks during the summer vacation. This desirable change leaves the Walker School well equipped for primary and intermediate work.

## Districts

Three of the four district schools are poorly equipped at the present time. The boy and girl attending one of these primary schools should have as good school furniture, with as good lighting and ventilation, as the pupil in any other part of the town. I recommend that you consider carefully the advisability in the near future of equipping the North, East, and West schools with some form of a modern heating and ventilating system as, for example, one similar to that in use at the South school. The opening of the "Overflow" school at the Central building was intended to help the congestion at the West school as well as at the Walker school by allowing all pupils living on the "State Road" to attend the Walker or the Central building. This arrangement was carried into effect, yet you will see from the table of statistics that the enrollment at the West school remains too large for a four-grade room.

## Manual Training

Manual training for the boys, together with sewing for the girls, has been continued this year with marked success in each department. I wish to especially call your attention to the exhibition last June, seen by so many townsmen, of useful articles which have been made both in sewing and woodwork, and to the many ways in the latter subject in which the boys have been working to the advantage of the town in what I term "public projects." I ask your earnest attention to the reports of Miss Strong and Mr. Beresford which follow.

## Lunch Serving

The practice of serving warm lunches during the winter term, which I mentioned in my report of last year, has been continued. The High School Lunch Club has been reported at another place. Miss Carter, at the West school, did good service with her primary children throughout the last winter, and thus far through the present winter. Miss Koford, at

the Whitefield school, is taking up the matter with marked enthusiasm this term. Money has been raised, some furniture bought and a small room fitted up at one end of the large hall. Oil stoves have been secured, a table has been made and covered with oilcloth. Should you visit this building at a quarter past twelve, any day in winter, you will find the pupils in the primary room served with a cup of hot cocoa, in addition to the cold lunch which they bring from home. You will find the pupils of the grammar school, some twenty who stay at noon, eating their lunches at a table at which the teacher presides, with a cup of hot cocoa and some other warm dish, beside their regular lunch. The pupils enjoy this, they do not hurry the luncheon and I am sure they gain more benefit than from the old-time ten minute cold lunch in the basement.

### Exhibit

There was held in June, at the High School Hall, under the direction of Miss Jenkins, an exhibit of the various forms of handwork, including penmanship, carried on in the public schools of the Town. At least one specimen of drawing was shown by every pupil in the grades, while there was an excellent exhibition from the advanced classes in the High School. The department in woodworking and sewing made valuable contributions.

Public exhibition was given by the pupils in business writing, in which your pupils have made marked success, and secured during the year one Palmer diploma, thirty-five Palmer certificates, fifty-eight Palmer progress pins, and one hundred fifty-eight Palmer buttons.

The cooking department also gave an exhibition of its skill.

During the evening a typewriting contest by the pupils of the advanced class in the Commercial course was carried out.

The citizens showed their appreciation by a large attendance. I trust that the high excellence obtained in 1915 may be more than equalled in the coming exhibit in 1916.

## Institute

An Institute was held at the High School building December 10, 1915, by the State Board of Education. All the teachers of the district of which Wilmington is a part were present together with visiting teachers from two other towns, some one hundred in all. The topic, Literature, from grade one through the High School, was discussed and illustrated with class work by various teachers during the forenoon. An excellent dinner was served in the Gymnasium at noon. In the afternoon, after a pleasant musical programme, directed by Miss Ethel B. Waite, strong, practical addresses were given by Deputy Commissioner William Orr and Agent Francis S. Wadsworth of the State Board of Education. I have heard from many teachers that the day was not only a pleasant one, but a profitable one to them. The teachers of the district appreciated the courtesy of the Wilmington committee in extending to them the use of the High School building for this important convention.

## Statistics

You will notice from the table of statistics that the total enrollment remains about the same as one year ago, while there is a slight gain in the present enrollment.

Please notice that seventy-seven pupils are under seven, the compulsory age, and that there are sixty-one pupils in grade one.

I wish you also to notice the high per cent of attendance, and the fact reported by the teachers, 421 people have visited the schools during the past year.

## Conclusion

In conclusion I wish to ask the hearty co-operation of parents and citizens with the teachers in the important task of learning what is best for the child. Neither home nor

school alone can succeed in educating the pupil, together home and school, working with intelligent sympathy, one for the other, will mean success. I wish, also, to ask the co-operation of the citizens with the plans and undertakings of those who are called on to administer the school problems. With this co-operation we succeed, without it we fail.

I wish to call your attention to the reports which follow and form a part of this report.

I again desire to thank supervisors and teachers for their loyalty during the past year, and the school committee for its cheerful, hearty support.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. RANDALL.

Lowell, Mass., January 18, 1916.



## REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

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Wilmington, Mass., January 7, 1916.

Supr. Randall and Members of School Board:

I hereby submit my second annual report as attendance officer of Wilmington Schools. I have made six calls during the year 1915. In five cases I found some little sickness as the cause of non-attendance.

In the remaining case the boy was told to cut a stick for his mother and she said she would use it upon him. I also had a talk with him and told him what I would do to him if he did not attend school.

Yours respectfully,

SAMUEL R. RICE.

## WILMINGTON ROLL OF HONOR

(Perfect in Attendance)

*One Year:* Greta Bloomquist, Wilbur Sheldon, Robert Grady, Miriam Buck, Mabel Carter.

*Two Terms:* Myrton Sheldon, Mabel Thompson, Willard Denley, Alice McGrane, Helen Porter, Simon Porter, Stanley Cady, Beatrice Adams, Kenneth Carter.

*One Term:* Evelyn McGrane, Gertrude Story, Margaret Russi, Lowie Goldberg, Beatrice Hancock, James Denehy, Frances Hancock, Beatrice Rice, Minnie Goldberg, Raymond Anderson, Bernice Bisbee, Clarence Blaisdell, Alfred Butters, Mildred Carlson, Joseph Morgan, Kenneth Glover, Gladys Rice, Frank Day, John Grady, Ruth Livingston, Evelyn Maynard, Wesley Millett, Charles Rice, Bert Tilley, Florence Carter, Helen Carter, George Fuller, Louise Brazee, Gertrude Butters, Helen Dailey, Alice Glover, Clarence Putnam, Joseph Richmond, Eleanor Story, Kenneth Carlson.

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### SCHOOL CENSUS

Number of boys between 5 and 16	.	.	225
Number of girls between 5 and 16	.	.	231
Total			456
Number of boys between 7 and 14	.	.	147
Number of girls between 7 and 14	.	.	148
Total			295
Number of boys between 14 and 16	.	.	38
Number of girls between 14 and 16	.	.	50
Total			88

**THE REPORT OF  
THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL  
1915-1916**

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Superintendent Charles L. Randall,  
Wilmington, Mass.

*Dear Sir:* With pleasure I submit to you a report on the condition of the High School during the four months I have had the honor and privilege to be Principal. As a report of this sort should be concise and brief, dealing principally with facts, I shall endeavor to discard theories and show present conditions, indulging also in a few bright hopes and promises for the future.

**Enrollment**

The total enrollment for the Fall was as follows:

	<i>Girls</i>	<i>Boys</i>	<i>Totals</i>
Seniors.....	10	7	17
Juniors.....	18	9	27
Sophomores.....	16	13	29
Freshmen.....	27	20	47
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	71	49	120

As four pupils have removed from town and seven have left school for various reasons, the present enrollment is 109. The mortality, so called, has not been excessive.

### Age Statistics

The average age of the freshman class is fourteen years and six months. This is higher than in Boston (14-3) and in Lawrence (14-5). It may be accounted for by the fact that there are eight pupils over sixteen years of age and eight over fifteen. This apparent retardation is by no means uncommon. The average age of the senior class, assuming that all graduate, will be in June, eighteen years and two months.

### Choice of Course of Study

The enrollment cards show that fifty-four pupils chose the Commercial Course; thirty-six the General Course; twenty-three the College Course and seven the Domestic Arts Course. In the freshman class eighteen chose the Commercial Course; thirteen the General Course; eleven the College Course and five the Domestic Arts Course. We would all like to see more pupils headed for college and normal school.

### Attendance Record

The attendance for the fall term has been 96.2 per cent with thirty-three pupils not absent or tardy. Notes are required for all cases of absence and tardiness. Opportunity for pupils who have been absent to make up work is given two afternoons each week, at which times the teachers are present. Although compulsory afternoon attendance for delinquent pupils may not be advisable this year, it is undoubtedly true that until some such scheme is inaugurated, the yearly per cent of failures will be large.

### School Equipment

The pupils are fortunate in having a modern building, well heated, well ventilated and well lighted. It is a pleasure to work in such a building. At present the laboratories are not

used as much as they will be when more science is offered in the curriculum. New apparatus in Physics is needed. A rectifier to change alternating to direct current would help the work in Electricity, for example. The school could make good use of a stereopticon, with reflectoscope, for illustrative work in the auditorium.

The school library, now rather small, should grow by steady yearly additions. I strongly recommend the purchase of a modern encyclopedia, of which a low priced edition is now being extensively advertised. Without such a reference library, composition work in Rhetoricals is sadly handicapped. We expect to make good use, this year, of the town library.

The Commercial department is fairly well equipped and is very popular among the pupils. There are forty-five pupils taking typewriting, out of sixty-three who are eligible for the work.

The Household Arts department, thanks to the Woman's Club, is ably meeting the present requirements. The noon lunches, simple in menu, cheap in price, high in quality, are gladly patronized by the pupils. As most of the girls will be homemakers some day, the value of the work in domestic science cannot be overestimated. I heartily commend the work of this department. Wilmington is ahead of the majority of towns and small cities in Massachusetts in maintaining a Household Arts department for its High School girls.

### Rhetoricals

The work in public speaking and composition writing, begun in November, has already borne good fruit. We wish all our pupils to have an audible voice, clear and correct speech, self-control, absence of shyness, initiative and good personal appearance. All of these are cultivated by practice in rhetoricals. A subject of current interest is assigned for the rhetoricals each week, with appropriate sub-topics and recitations. A cordial invitation is extended to parents and patrons

of the High School to attend these exercises, every Thursday at 12.30 P.M. We are anticipating a public prize-speaking contest to take place in the late winter.

### Athletics

When I come to the topic of "ex-curriculum" activities, I am reminded of what G. Stanley Hall has written, "We have not sufficiently realized that the young must have excitement. There must be a zest for reading, a swing and a tilt to the school music, keen and enthusiastic competition in our athletic meets, before our boys and girls are getting the most out of life in the 'teens.' All this helps to eliminate sex and moral problems."

The outlook in athletics is excellent. We had fall baseball games with class competition, football practice, but no outside games, and this winter we are playing basketball. Our Field Day, October 12, profitable financially, developed keen rivalry and excellent competition among the boys. A beginning in gymnastic work has been made by the purchase of Indian clubs, to be followed by dumb bells, wands and other simple apparatus. We plan to have an indoor meet some time in February.

The girls have the use of the gymnasium twice a week, at which times they have played basketball under the direction of the assistant teachers.

The boys' athletic association, in good condition at present, has held monthly meetings. The officers are, President, Howard Bedell; Vice-President, James White; Secretary, Norman Perry; and Treasurer, Principal H. F. Bates. We intend to raise the necessary funds this winter to outfit our baseball nine with new uniforms and other necessary equipment.

### Social Life

The ideal High School is the center of the intellectual, the athletic and also the social activities of its pupils. At school receptions, entertainments and dances, properly conducted

under the supervision of the faculty, parents, teachers and pupils become better acquainted, while the latter learn the arts, customs and habits of good society. Our High School will do more along these lines in the future than it has in the past. The auditorium, with its new piano secured through the gifts of friends of the school, offers us the finest possible place for social activities.

### Scholarship

Our standard of scholarship is about the average for a school that sends very few of its graduates to college. Out of thirteen graduates of 1915, but one went to a higher institution. If we could have a larger group of students, headed directly for normal school or college, maintaining always an average rank of 85 per cent or better, I think our standard would improve.

The general tone and spirit of the school is good. The "esprit de corps" of the teachers is commendable. We have the State certificate for normal schools. Our next step will be to secure the approval of the New England College Entrance Board.

The principal is in his office at the High School building daily from 8.25 to 9.10 A.M. at which time he will be pleased to see parents and patrons of the school.

### High School Graduation

The graduation exercises of the Class of 1915 were held in the Congregational Church, Wednesday evening, June 30. The following pupils received diplomas:

College Preparatory Course: Ralph Leon Buck, Clyde Holt, Charles Michael Frolio and Lawrence Harrison Kincaid. General Course: Royal Robert Jordan, Joseph Bernard McMahan, and Edith Robinson Lundgren; and Commercial

Course: Ruth Engla Bloomquist, Helen Fletcher Roberts, Mildred Mary Frolio, and Edwin Joseph Twomey. Certificates were granted to Emma C. Baxter and Romaine Gerard Cortland Nichols.

In closing allow me to thank you and the committee for the favorable circumstances under which I have been permitted to begin my work in Wilmington. The outlook is indeed pleasing for a High School in Wilmington, which, holding fast to the best traditions and noblest achievements of the past, looks forward to higher standards and greater efforts in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE FREEMAN BATES,  
*Principal of the High School.*



## SUPERVISOR OF MANUAL ARTS REPORT

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Mr. Charles L. Randall,

Superintendent of Schools, Wilmington, Mass.:

*Dear Sir:* I herewith submit my second annual report for your consideration.

In the primary grades the work since September has followed the same general plan that was used last year and has included nature drawing with colored crayons, color study, free-hand paper cutting, with special work at Thanksgiving and Christmas appropriate to the season. During January the work will be mostly illustrative, training the children to express, with pencils and scissors, their sports and incidents of everyday life. Construction will be taken up in February and March and several projects such as furniture for a doll house, a Dutch village, an Indian village and a farm will be worked out. This affords a study of measurements and requires accurate use of the ruler. In April, May and June the program will include illustration, free-hand drawing of objects, design and nature work.

In the grammar grades the work this fall began with nature study rendered in pencil and color. During November and December a good deal of time was devoted to object drawing, the principles of perspective and the grouping of objects. In the seventh and eighth grades some attractive landscapes were made. During the spring months the outline will include

construction problems, applied design, color study, interior decoration and nature drawing. One of the new features of drawing work is the sand-table project, carried out on a larger scale. In a large exhibition which I visited last spring, several of these projects were shown. One was a quarry made by pupils who lived near it and another worked out by pupils of a fishing town showed part of the village, the wharf and boats. The grammar grades of the Whitefield School are at work on a similar project,—the tannery. The buildings are being constructed of paper and are made as near like the original as possible.

The High School drawing is divided into two sections, the mechanical and the free-hand classes. The mechanical division includes all of the freshmen boys and several sophomores, juniors and seniors. We have studied view drawings, geometric drawing, working drawings, developments, perspective, orthographic projection and architecture. We will continue along these lines and also take up intersection of solids, shadows and machine drawing. The free-hand class includes all of the freshmen girls and several from the upper classes. Nature drawing and painting, still life groups done in charcoal and drawing from casts have been taken up this fall. Interior decoration, applied design and pencil technique will be carefully studied during the rest of the year.

The High School drawing is naturally the most advanced of all the drawing in town and unfortunately receives the least amount of instruction. The supervisor's time is so limited that each division of the High School drawing classes has a forty minute period once a week. This time is not sufficient to gain the results that should be acquired in a High School of this size and standing. This can only be remedied by extending the supervisor's time another day.

Last June an exhibition of drawing, sewing, cooking, writing and wood-work was held in the High School Hall. It was well

attended both afternoon and evening and the parents had the pleasure of seeing their children's work. The High School drawing was especially good. The sewing and wood-work were exhibited on tables in the center of the hall and screens, most of which were made by manual training boys, filled the wall spaces and were covered with drawings. We are planning for another exhibit in June which we hope will be much larger and better than that of last year.

I have found the teachers very willing and helpful in carrying on the work and I sincerely thank them and you, Superintendent, for your co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE A. JENKINS.

January 4, 1916.

## REPORT OF INSTRUCTOR OF MANUAL TRAINING

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To the Superintendent of Schools.

*Sir:* Kindly find herewith my second report as Instructor of Manual Training.

Last year I tried to, and have, to a certain extent, had the pupils realize the value of measuring with accuracy, any project which they were making. The pupils are very much interested in the work, and I think showed some very satisfactory results which were shown at the exhibit last year.

Perhaps the best report that I could make would be to name some of the private and public work accomplished by the pupils.

At first I found it necessary to have the pupils adapt themselves to the use of the square, saw and plane, by planing the edge of a board straight and squaring the end, then cutting it off to the line. After some exercise the following are the results to which those principles were adapted, the pupils making for their use during the school term:

Step-ladders, feed hoppers, flower trellis, small benches, center table, checker table, flower stand, saw horses, window ventilating boards, bread boards, cutting boards, dog kennel, chicken brooder, box trap, feed boxes, match boxes, knife trays, wagon seat, wagon body, wood barrow, towel rollers, shelf rack and shelves, medicine chest, window and piazza screens, ironing boards, guinea pig house, pattern for a branch pipe and various other articles.

The public work accomplished was done principally for the schools in the following lines:

### For the Grammar Grades

Nine diploma frames, seven frames 12 inches long by five inches high for exhibition purposes, scraping, sandpapering and refinishing ninety-three desks and painting stands, and four step-ladders.

### For the Domestic Department

Five fly screens, one screen door, two scouring boards, one shelf, one lunch table, two tables repaired and refinished.

### For the Sewing Department

One ironing board, one sewing table, one folding screen.

### For the High School

Thirty chairs furnished with rubber bumpers, one ladder 11 feet, 6 inches, for the Janitor, three typewriting tables repaired, eight window guards for gymnasium.

### For the Manual Training Department

Three work benches, one lumber rack.

In the seventh and eighth grade work we are following last year's programme and also advancing in a more difficult line of work, building tool cabinets, tool boxes, cabinets for laboratory, sewing school and eighth grade purposes.

We are making screens for the Grammar School building. We also have forty-two desks to refinish, which, with other work we expect to accomplish before the end of the school term, will make a fair showing at the exhibition.

Respectfully yours,

WILLIAM F. BERESFORD.

Cambridge, Mass., January 15, 1916.

## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

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Mr. C. L. Randall,

Superintendent of Schools, Wilmington, Mass.

*Dear Sir:* The following is a report from the music department for the year 1915:

There have been very noticeable gains in sight-reading and familiarity of technical construction of music this past year and there are also some places that can be improved upon in order to obtain more uniformity of work throughout the town. In order to bring the music to a still finer basis, individual work will be done in the future with special material and plans for its growth up through all the grades. For the past two years we have been establishing a system that has been confined to class drill while the principles were being learned, now we shall be able to go still farther and develop the individual child to a greater extent. It seems advisable to begin this, under the present conditions, in the third, fourth and fifth grades.

I again urge that every schoolroom should have one or more painted staves upon the blackboard. This would make the work much easier both for teacher and pupil.

Last winter an operetta, "A Merry Company," was given by pupils from the seventh and eighth grades which was entirely successful. Through the generous patronage of our townspeople we were able to purchase a school victrola, which is proving its value in many ways. Later it can be of considerable assistance in folk dances and games, as some of the teachers are interested and anxious to introduce folk music in

the near future. Another entertainment similar to that of last year is in preparation and by this means we hope to substantially increase our number of victrola records.

Possibly the most encouraging improvement both of spirit and ability is noticed in the High School chorus. Not very much has been said about tone quality, that will come later under still different conditions, but the singing assumes more of what a High School chorus is expected to produce and as a result we have been able to accomplish a fair amount of work in a shorter time than formerly. We now have a program of interesting selections nearly completed. It is my plan to do special work with a girls', also a boys' chorus.

Everywhere there is a splendid attitude toward public school music and every teacher is working, I believe, to procure the very best possible results with the material at hand.

I desire to thank you and your committee for the hearty support and helpful suggestions during the past year.

Respectfully yours,

MABELLE PROCTOR COUNCE.

## REPORT OF TEACHER OF SEWING

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Mr. C. L. Randall,

Superintendent of Schools, Wilmington, Mass.

*Dear Sir:* I hereby submit my report of work in sewing, as follows:

During the year 1915 I have tried to make the course in sewing very practical. The children have applied their knowledge of the various stitches in making useful articles and wearing apparel, viz: towels, pillow cases, table linen, dresses, rompers, aprons, and underwear. They have also mended the school flags.

I plan to devote a part of the remainder of this year to the dressing of children from infancy up, using patterns, thereby giving a working knowledge which will enable them to help their parents in the dressing of the younger children and themselves. One day of each month will be set aside for mending, at which time I should be glad to have the children bring articles from home for this purpose.

I wish to express my thanks to the teachers and parents for their kindness and co-operation, and to you and the committee for your interest in the work.

Yours respectfully,

CORA E. STRONG.



## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN'S REPORT

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To the School Board of Wilmington:

*Gentlemen:* I herewith submit my report as School Physician for 1915-16. I have visited all of the schools, but have not as yet examined each pupil separately, owing to the prevalence of the grippe. We have been fortunate during the past year in the matter of contagious diseases. Three cases of scarlet fever have been reported; three of measles; none of diphtheria; there has been an epidemic of varicella (chicken-pox) in the West school. This is not a particularly dangerous disease, but the State Board requires that it be reported. It does interfere with the school attendance.

I find that many more of the children have had their teeth cared for during the past year. Advice as to care of teeth should be iterated and reiterated. I have caused to be printed and placed in the several schoolrooms, some simple health rules, which I hope will be observed by teachers as well as scholars. I suggest that means be provided for the scholars to wash their faces and hands, and that the teachers see to it that these are used frequently. Hot water and soap in abundance should be provided. Cleanliness is the best preventative of disease.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL T. BUZZELL, M.D.,

*School Physician.*

## SCHOOL SAVINGS BANK REPORT

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Mr. C. L. Randall, Superintendent of Schools.

*Dear Sir:* This concludes five years of Banking in the Public Schools of Wilmington, and this report should show whether it has been a success or not. We have had no money this year from the High School, Athletic Association or the Class of 1916. Last year from these we received \$107.25, and still we have had more deposited than in 1914.

The following shows the deposits from each school:

Eighth Grade . . . . .	\$13 47
Seventh Grade . . . . .	26 65
Center Grammar . . . . .	17 01
Walker Grammar . . . . .	31 86
Walker Sub-Grammar . . . . .	14 67
Walker Intermediate . . . . .	46 37
Walker Primary . . . . .	49 64
Whitefield Grammar . . . . .	47 36
Whitefield Primary . . . . .	26 01
North School . . . . .	5 26
East School . . . . .	6 50
South School . . . . .	14 89
West School . . . . .	30 63
H. S. Gymnasium . . . . .	67 00
Teachers . . . . .	60 00
	\$457 32
 Number of New Banks . . . . .	59
Total amount deposited in five years . . . . .	\$2,442 30
Total number of bank books in five years . . . . .	281

Respectfully,

HELEN H. BUCK,  
*Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN ACCOUNTANT  
FOR THE  
Financial Year, Ending December 31, 1915  
SHOWING  
APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT  
AND BALANCE SHEET.



## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Herewith I hand you my report as Town Accountant for the financial year ending December 31, 1915, showing appropriations, receipts and payments; statement of Town Debt and balance sheet giving financial condition of the Town December 31, 1915.

It will be noted by referring to Schedule 2, Balance Account, into which have been carried the balances of the different accounts, that notwithstanding a deficiency in Revenue and a shortage in estimated receipts of \$4,557.39, the credit balances of sundry accounts exceed this amount by \$916.41, which has been carried to the credit of Excess and Deficiency Account, as it appears on Balance Sheet. These figures speak for themselves and require no further comment.

The books and accounts of the Tax Collector, Trustees of Trust Funds, Treasurer of the S. D. J. Carter Free Lecture Committee and Town Clerk's Dog Tax Records have been audited and found correct.

The Town valuation book was duly examined, and commitment book compared with same before delivery of latter to the Collector.

The Treasurer's vouchers and books have been checked, and the cash balance in Town Treasury, as rendered in his account, \$6,125.38, is correct.

HARRY R. DEMING,  
*Town Accountant.*

## SCHEDULE I

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### Selectmen

Appropriation . . . . .	\$800 00
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#### *Payments*

Salaries . . . . .	\$675 00
Perambulating Town lines . . . . .	75 00
Postage and stationery . . . . .	7 30
Printing . . . . .	42 50

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\$799 80

Unexpended, transferred to 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	20
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\$800 00

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\$800 00

#### Town Accountant

Appropriation . . . . .	\$250 00
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#### *Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$200 00
Postage and stationery . . . . .	17 69
Printing . . . . .	1 50

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\$219 19

Unexpended, transferred to 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	30 81
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\$250 00

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\$250 00

**Treasurer**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$300 00
	<i>Payments</i>	
Salary . . . . .	\$250 00	
Postage, stationery and telephone . . . . .	46 40	
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	\$296 40	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	3 60	
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	\$300 00	\$300 00

**Tax Collector**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,000 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .		69 51
	<i>Payments</i>	
Salary . . . . .	\$980 56	
Postage and stationery . . . . .	63 33	
Printing . . . . .	11 00	
Telephone . . . . .	14 62	
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	\$1,069 51	\$1,069 51

**Assessors**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$700 00
	<i>Payments</i>	
Salaries . . . . .	\$625 00	
Postage and stationery . . . . .	9 82	
Printing . . . . .	18 50	
Record of transfers . . . . .	33 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	9 76	
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	\$696 08	

Unexpended, transferred to 1915

Balance Account . . . . . \$ 3 92

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\$700 00

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\$700 00**Town Clerk**

Appropriation . . . . . \$120 00

Received for printed records . . . . . 50

*Payments*

Salary . . . . . \$100 00

Postage and stationery . . . . . 7 20

Printing . . . . . 3 50

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\$110 70

Unexpended, transferred to 1915

Balance Account . . . . . 9 80

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\$120 50

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\$120 50**Election and Registration**

Appropriation . . . . . \$325 00

*Payments*

Election, salaries . . . . . \$98 00

Printing . . . . . 26 50

Postage and expressage . . . . . 53 \$125 03

Registration, salaries . . . . . \$155 00

Printing . . . . . 20 25

Postage and expressage . . . . . 1 02 176 27

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\$301 30

Unexpended, transferred to 1915

Balance Account . . . . . 23 70

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\$325 00

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\$325 00



**Town Hall**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$250 00
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*Payments*

Salary, janitor . . . . .	\$137 50
Light . . . . .	17 86
Fuel . . . . .	36 50
Telephone . . . . .	18 57
Repairs . . . . .	11 97
Supplies . . . . .	50

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\$222 90

Unexpended, transferred to 1915

Balance Account . . . . .	27 10
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\$250 00

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\$250 00

**Town Constable**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$50 00
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*Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$50 00
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**Protection of Persons and Property****Police Department**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Received for police duty . . . . .	157 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	27 82

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$1,062 75
Printing . . . . .	2 25
Telephone . . . . .	25 05

Travelling expenses . . . . .	\$26 99	
Uniforms . . . . .	7 42	
Auto and team hire . . . . .	37 00	
Signs . . . . .	16 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	7 36	
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	\$1,184 82	\$1,184 82

### Fire Department

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,250 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	285 83

### *Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$767 76	
Printing . . . . .	3 00	
Telephone . . . . .	16 20	
Horse hire . . . . .	102 50	
Hardware, repairs, etc. . . . .	89 98	
Stable rent and board . . . . .	52 00	
Fuel . . . . .	50 38	
Whistle repairs and maintenance . . . . .	93 02	
Changing fire alarm lines . . . . .	296 42	
Badges . . . . .	5 75	
Hose . . . . .	55 98	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	2 84	
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	\$1,535 83	\$1,535 83

### Sealer of Weights and Measures

Appropriation . . . . .	\$50 00
Received sealing fees . . . . .	18 50

*Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$50 00	
Repairs to equipment . . . . .	7 35	
Expressage . . . . .	1 64	
Dies and seals . . . . .	1 73	
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	\$60 72	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915		
Balance Account . . . . .	7 78	
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	\$68 50	\$68 50

**Suppression of Moths**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$ 933 39
Received from State . . . . .	1,306 02
Received for private work . . . . .	158 65
Charged property owners on tax bills . . . . .	735 11

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$2,241 46	
Printing, postage and stationery . . . . .	47 56	
Telephone . . . . .	25 57	
Liability insurance . . . . .	101 10	
Insurance on building and sprayer . . . . .	47 25	
Team hire . . . . .	339 50	
Freight and expressage . . . . .	7 46	
Hardware . . . . .	2 56	
Pump and sprayer fittings . . . . .	20 29	
Supplies . . . . .	33 47	
Repairs . . . . .	4 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1 36	
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	\$2,871 58	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915		
Balance Account . . . . .	261 59	
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	\$3,133 17	\$3,133 17

**Tree Warden**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00
Received for private work . . . . .	15 80

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$332 33	
Team hire . . . . .	51 75	
Trees . . . . .	86 00	
Fertilizer . . . . .	6 00	
Loam . . . . .	26 00	
Repairs . . . . .	4 30	
Supplies . . . . .	6 90	
Expressage . . . . .	1 04	
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	514 32	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	1 48	
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	\$515 80	\$515 80

**Forest Fires**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00
Received for fire service, B. & M. R.R. . . . .	38 80
Received for fire service, Tewksbury . . . . .	4 60
Received for fire service, Billerica . . . . .	54 10
Received refund telephone charges . . . . .	2 44
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	339 81

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$663 03
Team and auto hire. . . . .	160 50
Postage and stationery . . . . .	1 00

Telephone . . . . .	\$ 9 37	
Repairs . . . . .	14 81	
Pumps, cans, shovels, etc . . . . .	70 75	
Supplies . . . . .	17 77	
Freight and expressage . . . . .	1 22	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1 30	
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	\$939 75	\$939 75

### Health and Sanitation

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00
Received fees, Slaughter House Inspector . . . . .	159 00
Received from State, account Inspector of Animals . . . . .	75 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	37 34

### Payments

Salary, Agent of Board of Health . . . . .	\$ 15 00	
Board and treatment, Contagious Disease Hospitals. . . . .	217 29	
Fees for returning births, marriages, and deaths . . . . .	62 80	
Salary, Inspector Meats and Provisions . . . . .	323 00	
Salary, Inspector of Animals . . . . .	150 00	
Postage and printing . . . . .	3 25	
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	\$771 34	\$771 34

### Highways, Roads and Bridges

Appropriation . . . . .	\$8,000 00
Received for posts . . . . .	31 70

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$2,520 72	
Team hire . . . . .	1,780 53	
Liability insurance . . . . .	96 13	
Repairing tools and hardware . . . . .	160 97	
Freight . . . . .	83	
Land damage . . . . .	100 00	
Removing snow . . . . .	140 25	
Gravel . . . . .	151 55	
Repairs to Town Pumps . . . . .	53 54	
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	\$5,004 52	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915		
Balance Account . . . . .	3,027 18	
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	\$8,031 70	\$8,031 70

**New State Highway**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,000 00
Received from State . . . . .	2,080 40
Received from County . . . . .	2,118 65
Received for cement, crushed stone, etc. . . . .	116 20
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	65 40

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$2,765 78
Team hire . . . . .	881 77
Land damage . . . . .	195 00
Stone and gravel . . . . .	626 32
Tar . . . . .	930 07
Supplies . . . . .	351 89
Coal . . . . .	160 40
Lumber . . . . .	63 01

Freight and expressage . . . . .	\$ 65 73	
Pump, tools, etc . . . . .	143 23	
Dynamite . . . . .	110 45	
Hire of steam roller . . . . .	51 00	
Boiler inspection . . . . .	5 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	31 00	
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	\$6,380 65	\$6,380 65

### Stone Crusher

Appropriation . . . . .		\$912 40
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### Payments

Part payment on Crusher	\$880 00	
Less freight . . . . .	80 66	\$799 34
Freight . . . . .		80 66
Labor setting up . . . . .		32 00
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		\$912 00
Unexpended, transferred to 1915		
Balance Account . . . . .		40
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		\$912 40
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		\$912 40

### Electric Street Lights

Appropriation . . . . .		\$4,500 00
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### Payments

Paid for lights, per contract . . . . .	\$4,287 01	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915		
Balance Account . . . . .		212 99
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		\$4,500 00
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		\$4,500 00

## CHARITIES

## Poor

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,000 00
Received from State, account Outside Poor	333 36
Received from Cities and Towns, account Outside Poor	122 99
Received from individuals, account Outside Poor	96 50
Received account burial . . . . .	50 00
Received for produce and stock . . . . .	2,101 91
Received for team hire and labor . . . . .	1,807 83
Received for wood . . . . .	229 12
Received for miscellaneous . . . . .	7 45
Teaming lumber . . . . .	614 32

*Payments*

## Account Town Farm:

Superintendent's salary . . . . .	\$ 474 93
Telephone . . . . .	20 78
Hay and grain . . . . .	1,138 82
Stable supplies and repairs . . . . .	113 48
Blacksmithing . . . . .	137 11
Groceries, provisions and fish . . . . .	695 14
Hardware . . . . .	113 74
Live stock . . . . .	727 06
Household furnishings and drygoods	28 44
Labor . . . . .	1,279 97
Burial . . . . .	25 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	52 17
Incubator and brooder . . . . .	39 60
Freight, expressage, etc. . . . .	15 09
Seeds, fruits and fertilizers . . . . .	150 78
Clothing and shoes . . . . .	7 81
Medical services and medicines . . . . .	16 38
Veterinarian . . . . .	9 00

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Total account Town Farm . . . . . \$5,045 30



## Account Outside Poor:

Groceries and provisions . . . . .	\$539 79
Fuel . . . . .	56 18
Clothing and shoes . . . . .	45 00
Cash . . . . .	397 00
Medical aid . . . . .	244 94
Hospital and nursing . . . . .	181 50
Burials . . . . .	42 75
Transportation . . . . .	6 50
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Total account Outside Poor . . . . .	\$1,513 66

Total payments account Town Farm  
and Outside Poor . . . . .

Unexpended, transferred to 1915

Balance Account . . . . .

\$6,558 96	804 52	<hr/>	<hr/>
\$7,363 48		\$7,363 48	

**Aid to Dependent Mothers**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$416 00
Received from State . . . . .	162 66
Received from other towns . . . . .	84 00

*Payments*

## Paid under provisions Chapter 763,

Acts 1913 . . . . .

Unexpended, transferred to 1915

Balance Account . . . . .

\$375 00	287 66	<hr/>	<hr/>
\$662 66		\$662 66	

**Soldiers' Benefits****State Aid**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$504 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	42 00

*Payments*

Paid as per State returns . . . . .	\$546 00	
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	\$546 00	\$546 00

**Soldiers' Relief**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$48 00
Payments . . . . .	\$48 00

**Schools**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$18,336 00
Received from Domestic Science and Manual Training Departments . . . . .	288 64
Received for books and transportation . . . . .	17 49

*Payments*

Salaries . . . . .	\$12,965 99
Industrial Education . . . . .	72 29
Transportation . . . . .	131 00
Fuel . . . . .	1,733 78
Insurance . . . . .	755 58
Repairs . . . . .	904 33
Books and supplies . . . . .	1,325 63
Miscellaneous . . . . .	660 85
Construction . . . . .	86 00

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\$18,835 45

Unexpended, transferred to 1915

Balance Account . . . . .	6 68
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### Grading New High School Grounds

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,500 00
<i>Payments</i>		
Architect's services . . . . .	\$ 85 08	
Grading . . . . .	1,373 30	
	\$1,458 38	
Balance subject to drafts . . . . .	41 62	
	\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00
Balance . . . . .		\$41 62

### Vocational School

Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .		\$42 00
<i>Payments</i>		
Tuition . . . . .	\$42 00	

### Repairs to Heating Apparatus Old High School Building

Appropriation . . . . .		\$200 00
<i>Payments</i>		
Repairs to heating apparatus . . . . .	\$200 00	

### New High School Building

Balance from 1914 . . . . .		\$8,423 58
<i>Payments</i>		
Account building contract . . . . .	\$6,511 50	
Account heating contract . . . . .	677 25	
Architect's commission . . . . .	201 51	
Furnishings . . . . .	855 57	

Steps . . . . .	\$ 12 00	
Fuel . . . . .	125 35	
Electrical work . . . . .	2 20	
Piping . . . . .	8 97	
Tile pipe and trenching . . . . .	29 20	
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	8,423 55	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915		
Balance Account . . . . .	03	
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	\$8,423 58	\$8,423 58

### Public Library

Appropriation . . . . .	\$400 00
Received from Library Trustees . . . . .	19 16
Received from Trustees of Trust Funds . . . . .	13 93

### Payments

Salary, Librarian . . . . .	\$143 75	
Light . . . . .	12 44	
Fuel . . . . .	28 00	
Labor and repairs . . . . .	7 50	
Printing . . . . .	3 75	
Books . . . . .	183 73	
Binding . . . . .	36 16	
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	\$415 33	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915		
Balance Account . . . . .	17 76	
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	\$433 09	\$433 09

### Unclassified

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00
Received account tax deed release . . . . .	4 52
Received for old books . . . . .	2 76
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	35 28

*Payments*

Printing Town Reports . . . . .	\$251 15	
Delivering Town Reports . . . . .	4 00	
Repairs to Town Clock . . . . .	50 00	
Certifying Town Notes . . . . .	14 00	
Repairs to Town Notices Boxes . . . . .	1 25	
Auto hire . . . . .	6 00	
Stationery . . . . .	5 25	
Rent of safety deposit box . . . . .	10 00	
Sealing Town scales . . . . .	2 12	
Surveying . . . . .	29 05	
Care of Town flag . . . . .	3 00	
Tax sales . . . . .	113 59	
Ringling Town bell . . . . .	5 00	
Care Town clock . . . . .	45 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	3 15	
	\$542 56	\$542 56

**Memorial Day**

Appropriation . . . . . \$150 00

*Payments*

Memorial address . . . . .	\$10 00
Music . . . . .	72 72
Printing . . . . .	1 50
Special car . . . . .	6 00
Flowers . . . . .	14 75
Refreshments . . . . .	37 40
Flags . . . . .	6 24
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1 00
	\$149 61

Unexpended, transferred to 1915

Balance Account . . . . . 39

\$150 00	\$150 00
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**Cemetery**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00	
Received one-half from sale of lots . . . . .		62 50

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$482 09	
Paints, tools and hardware . . . . .	19 45	
Repairs . . . . .	1 00	
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	\$502 54	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	59 96	
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	\$562 50	\$562 50

**Trust Funds**

Received income, S. D. J. Carter Free Lecture Fund. . . . .	\$240 00	
Received for perpetual care fund, ceme- tery lot, Isabella Holt . . . . .		75 00
Received from Trustees, income ac- count cemetery and common funds . . . . .		34 60

*Payments*

Paid S. D. J. Carter Free Lecture Com- mittee, income . . . . .	\$240 00	
Paid account care Cemetery Lots:		
James Frazer . . . . .	3 75	
Martha Temple . . . . .	2 00	
Thomas P. Eames . . . . .	2 75	
Susan Carlton . . . . .	1 75	
Isaac Cazneau . . . . .	1 75	
George W. and Minnie A. Sidelinker . . . . .	3 00	
Charlotte C. Smith . . . . .	40	
Richard Carter . . . . .	1 00	
Sabra Carter . . . . .	75	

Abner C. Childs . . . . .	\$ 1 25	
Gilman C. Harnden . . . . .	1 50	
Rufus C. Eames . . . . .	25	
William H. Carter . . . . .	1 00	
S. D. J. Carter . . . . .	1 90	
Charles H. Hopkins . . . . .	1 50	
Dolly Harnden . . . . .	50	
John Sheldon Sargent . . . . .	1 50	
Sabra Carter (Jaques Lot) . . . . .	1 00	
Paid account Sabra Carter Common Fund . . . . .	7 05	
Paid Trustees Trust Funds, perpetual care fund account lot Isabella Holt . . . . .	75 00	
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	\$349 60	\$349 60

**Interest**

Appropriation:		
General loans . . . . .		\$ 850 00
High School bonds. . . . .		1,575 00
Received interest on taxes . . . . .		718 30
Received interest on deposits . . . . .		90 17

*Payments*

On temporary loans . . . . .	\$1,017 63	
On New High School Bonds . . . . .	1,575 00	
On High and Walker School Note . . . . .	9 60	
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	\$2,602 23	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	631 24	
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	\$3,233 47	\$3,233 47

**Town Indebtedness**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,990 00
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*Payments*

New High School Bonds, Nos. 1 and 2	\$1,750 00	
Final payment on High and Walker School Note . . . . .	240 00	
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	\$1,990 00	\$1,990 00

**Contingent Fund**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,000 00
Transferred to:		
Tax Collector . . . . .	\$ 69 51	
Police . . . . .	27 82	
Fire Department . . . . .	285 83	
Health . . . . .	37 34	
New State Highway . . . . .	65 40	
State Aid . . . . .	42 00	
Vocational Schools . . . . .	42 00	
Unclassified . . . . .	35 28	
Forest Fires . . . . .	339 81	
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	\$944 99	
Unexpended, transferred to 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	55 01	
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	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00

**Town Farm Lumber Account**

Received for lumber sold . . . . .	\$1,477 63
Received for sawing lumber . . . . .	292 52

*Payments*

Cutting and sawing . . . . .	\$1,045 72	
Fire insurance premium . . . . .	30 36	
Teaming lumber . . . . .	614 32	
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	\$1,690 40	
Balance . . . . .	79 75	
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	\$1,770 15	\$1,770 15
Balance . . . . .		\$79 75



## Reserve Account

Balance . . . . .		\$107 74	
Balance from Tax Abatements 1913 . . . . .			1 39
Paid for record, taxable property . . . . .	\$30 00		
Balance . . . . .	79 13		
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	\$109 13	\$109 13	
Balance . . . . .			\$79 13

## Tax Abatements 1913

Balance . . . . .		\$101 98	
Abated 1913 Taxes . . . . .	\$100 59		
Balance to Reserve Account . . . . .	1 39		
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	\$101 98	\$101 98	

## Tax Abatements 1914

Balance . . . . .		\$158 34	
Abated 1914 Taxes . . . . .	\$ 3 76		
Balance . . . . .	154 58		
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	\$158 34	\$158 34	
Balance . . . . .			\$154 58

## Tax Abatements 1915

Appropriation . . . . .		\$100 00	
Overlay . . . . .		120 40	
Abated 1915 Taxes . . . . .	\$ 1 62		
Balance . . . . .	218 78		
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	\$220 40	\$220 40	
Balance . . . . .			\$218 78

**SCHEDULE 2**

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**1915 Balance Account***Dr.*

Deficiency in revenue . . . . .	\$3,863 82
Deficiency in estimated receipts . . . . .	693 57
Excess of unexpended balances over deficits, carried to Excess and De- ficiency Account (See Balance Sheet)	916 41
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	\$5,473 80

## SCHEDULE 2

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### 1915 Balance Account

*Cr.*

Unexpended Balances:

Selectmen . . . . .	\$ 20
Town Accountant . . . . .	30 81
Treasurer . . . . .	3 60
Assessors . . . . .	3 92
Town Clerk . . . . .	9 80
Election and Registration . . . . .	23 70
Town Hall . . . . .	27 10
Sealer Weights and Measures . . . . .	7 78
Moth Account . . . . .	261 59
Tree Warden . . . . .	1 48
Highways . . . . .	3,027 18
Stone Crusher . . . . .	40
Electric Street Lights . . . . .	212 99
Aid to Dependent Mothers . . . . .	287 66
Schools . . . . .	6 68
Library . . . . .	17 76
Memorial Day . . . . .	39
Cemetery . . . . .	59 96
Interest . . . . .	631 24
Contingent Fund . . . . .	55 01
New High School Building . . . . .	03
Poor . . . . .	804 52
	\$5,473 80

## SCHEDULE 3

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### Revenue Account

*Dr.*

Appropriations . . . . .	\$54,009 79
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### Estimated Receipts

*Dr.*

Estimated:

Street Railway Excise tax . . . . .	\$2,543 39
Street Railway Franchise tax . . . . .	3,385 36
State Aid . . . . .	504 00
Cemetery (one-half sale of lots) . . . . .	88 00
Schools. . . . .	2,722 50
Corporation tax, public service . . . . .	226 77
Corporation tax, business . . . . .	58 62
Court fines . . . . .	20 00
Licenses . . . . .	67 00
National Bank tax. . . . .	67 57

Estimated Total . . . . .	<hr style="width: 100%;"/> \$9,683 21
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## SCHEDULE 3

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### Revenue Account

*Cr.*

Tax commitment . . . . .	\$40,396 79
Tax commitment (December) . . . . .	64 11
Estimated receipts . . . . .	9,683 21
Received from State, account loss in taxes . . . . .	1 86
Deficiency, transferred from 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	3,863 82
	\$54,009 79

### Estimated Receipts

*Cr.*

Amounts Actually Received:	
Street Railway Excise tax . . . . .	\$2,484 07
Street Railway Franchise tax . . . . .	2,673 42
State Aid . . . . .	510 00
Cemetery (one-half sale of lots) . . . . .	62 50
Schools . . . . .	2,739 02
Corporation tax, public service . . . . .	171 66
Corporation tax, business . . . . .	13 53
Court fines . . . . .	135 00
Licenses . . . . .	142 00
National Bank tax . . . . .	58 44
	\$8,989 64
Actual receipts total . . . . .	\$8,989 64
Deficiency, transferred from 1915 Balance Account . . . . .	693 57
	\$9,683 21

## SCHEDULE 4

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### STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT

#### Temporary Loans

(Anticipation of Revenue)

Outstanding January 1, 1915:

Note No. 16 . . . . .	\$6,000	00
Note No. 17 . . . . .	4,000	00
		\$10,000 00

Borrowed during 1915:

Note No. 41 . . . . .	\$4,000	00
Note No. 42 . . . . .	5,000	00
Note No. 43 . . . . .	8,000	00
Note No. 44 . . . . .	10,000	00
Note No. 46 . . . . .	7,000	00
Note No. 47 . . . . .	6,000	00
		\$40,000 00

\$50,000 00

Paid during 1915:

Note No. 16 . . . . .	\$6,000	00
Note No. 17 . . . . .	4,000	00
Note No. 41 . . . . .	4,000	00
Note No. 42 . . . . .	5,000	00
Note No. 43 . . . . .	8,000	00
		\$27,000 00

Outstanding December 31, 1915 . . . . . \$23,000 00

### High and Walker School Note

(dated September 15, 1905)

Balance unpaid January 1, 1915 . . . . .	\$240 00
Paid during 1915 . . . . .	240 00

### New High School Bonds

(issue of 1914)

Outstanding, January 1, 1915 . . . . .	\$35,000 00
Paid during 1915 . . . . .	1,750 00
Outstanding, December 31, 1915 . . . . .	\$33,250 00
Total Town Indebtedness, December 31, 1915 . . . . .	\$56,250 00

## SCHEDULE 5

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### Balance Sheet, December 31, 1915

*Dr.*

Cash in Treasury . . . . .	\$6,125 38
Joseph Patchett, Collector:	
Due on 1914 taxes . . . . .	\$ 6,101 06
Due on 1915 taxes . . . . .	17,776 93
	\$23,877 99
Funded debt (Balancing Account) . . . . .	33,250 00
	\$63,253 37



## SCHEDULE 5

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### Balance Sheet, December 31, 1915

*Cr.*

Temporary loans . . . . .		\$23,000 00
Reserve Account . . . . .		79 13
Tax Abatements 1914 . . . . .		154 58
Tax Abatements 1915 . . . . .		218 78
Cemetery lots, Reserve Account . . . . .		88 00
Grading High School lot . . . . .		41 62
New High School Bonds (issue of 1914)		33,250 00
Town Farm Lumber Account . . . . .		79 75
Excess and Deficiency, balance January 1, 1915 . . . . .	\$5,425 10	
Net credit from 1915		
Balance Account . . . . .	916 41	
	916 41	\$6,341 51
		\$63,253 37

## SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATIONS

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The Selectmen recommend the following appropriations for the fiscal year 1916:

### General Government:

Selectmen, salaries and general expenses . . . . .	\$800 00
Town Accountant, salary and general expenses . . . . .	250 00
Treasurer, salary and general expenses . . . . .	375 00
Collector, salary and general expenses . . . . .	1,000 00
Assessors, salaries and general expenses . . . . .	725 00
Town Clerk, salary and general expenses . . . . .	120 00
Election and Registration, salaries and general expenses . . . . .	350 00
Town Hall, janitor, light, fuel, and repairs . . . . .	200 00
Town Constable . . . . .	50 00

### Protection of Life and Property:

Police Department, receipts and . . . . .	1,000 00
Fire Department, receipts and . . . . .	1,250 00
Suppression of moths (compulsory \$842.70, and incidentals \$157.30), receipts and . . . . .	1,000 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, receipts and . . . . .	50 00
Tree Warden, receipts and . . . . .	300 00
Forest Fires, receipts and . . . . .	500 00

### Health:

Health and Sanitation, Salary Board of Health Agent, quarantine wages, Inspection of Animals, Meats and Provisions, Vital Statistics . . . . .	500 00
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## Highways:

Highways, Roads and Bridges (including Street Railway and Franchise Taxes) . . . . .	\$8,000 00
Electric Street Lights . . . . .	5,500 00

## Charities:

Town Farm and Outside Poor, balance of receipts of sale of lumber . . . . .	
Aid for Dependent Mothers, receipts and . . . . .	400 00

## Town Indebtedness:

Bonds Nos. 3 and 4 account New High School . . . . .	1,750 00
Note No 45 (balance due on Stone Crusher) . . . . .	1,320 00
Contingent Fund . . . . .	1,000 00

## Soldiers' Benefits:

State Aid . . . . .	360 00
Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	48 00

## Education:

Schools, including salaries, books and supplies, repairs, fuel, furnishings, vocational schools, outside tuition, transportation (including esti- mated receipts of \$2,550) . . . . .	19,000 00
Fencing Whitefield School and West School . . . . .	400 00
Library . . . . .	400 00
Memorial Day . . . . .	200 00

## Unclassified:

Printing Town Reports, care of Town clock, etc . . . . .	500 00
Cemetery . . . . .	500 00

## Interest:

On loans for general purposes, receipts and . . . . .	300 00
On New High School Loan . . . . .	1,496 25

## REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

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Number of inmates in the Almshouse . . . . . 2

Melvin W. Brown, *Superintendent.*

### Inventory of Personal Property at Almshouse, January 1, 1915

Live stock . . . . .	\$1,440	00
Farming tools and vehicles . . . . .	770	15
Hay, grain, wood, manure, etc. . . . .	719	90
Household furniture . . . . .	377	50
Groceries, provisions, etc. . . . .	301	81
		\$3,609 36

### Inventory of Personal Property at Almshouse, January 1, 1916

Live stock . . . . .	\$1,381	00
Farming tools and vehicles . . . . .	877	15
Hay, grain, wood, manure, etc. . . . .	727	80
Household furniture . . . . .	370	50
Groceries, provisions, etc. . . . .	233	55
		\$3,590 00

Decrease in Personal Property . . . . .		\$19 36
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**Memorandum of Expenses at Town Farm paid on  
Town Orders**

Salary, Superintendent . . . . .	\$474 93
Telephone . . . . .	20 78
Hay and grain . . . . .	256 17
Blacksmithing . . . . .	12 05
Groceries and provisions . . . . .	129 94
Burial . . . . .	25 00
Household furnishings . . . . .	16 50
Live stock . . . . .	347 95
Labor . . . . .	166 57
Incubator . . . . .	29 60
Stable supplies . . . . .	5 50
Hardware . . . . .	29 01
Miscellaneous . . . . .	5 36
	\$1,519 36

**Receipts at Almshouse**

Team hire and labor . . . . .	\$1,807 83
Live stock . . . . .	183 00
Milk . . . . .	1,021 21
Poultry and eggs . . . . .	69 78
Vegetables and fruits . . . . .	477 92
Wood . . . . .	229 12
Telephone . . . . .	65
Pound fees . . . . .	1 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	5 80
	\$3,796 31

**Payments at Almshouse**

Labor . . . . .	\$1,113 40
Groceries, provisions and fish . . . . .	565 20
Clothing and shoes . . . . .	7 81

Medical services and medicines . . . . .	\$ 16 38	
Hardware . . . . .	84 73	
Hay and grain . . . . .	882 65	
Blacksmithing . . . . .	125 06	
Live stock . . . . .	262 00	
Sled, harness and stable supplies . . . . .	81 50	
Expense selling produce . . . . .	5 22	
Freight and expressage . . . . .	9 87	
Dry goods . . . . .	11 94	
Poultry and eggs . . . . .	117 11	
Repairs . . . . .	26 48	
Brooder . . . . .	10 00	
Seeds, fruit and fertilizers . . . . .	150 78	
Veterinarian . . . . .	9 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	46 81	
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	\$3,525 94	
Paid Town Treasurer . . . . .	270 37	
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		\$3,796 31

### Aid Rendered Outside Poor

#### *Payments*

Groceries and provisions . . . . .	\$539 79	
Fuel . . . . .	56 18	
Clothing and shoes . . . . .	45 00	
Cash . . . . .	397 00	
Medical aid . . . . .	244 94	
Hospital and nursing . . . . .	181 50	
Burials . . . . .	42 75	
Transportation . . . . .	6 50	
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		\$1,513 66

### Recapitulation 1915 Poor Account

#### *Resources*

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,000 00	
Received account Outside Poor . . . . .	552 85	
Received account burials . . . . .	50 00	
Received for horse . . . . .	350 00	
Received at Almshouse . . . . .	3,796 31	
Teaming lumber . . . . .	614 32	
	<hr/>	\$7,363 48

#### *Charges*

Payments on Town Orders . . . . .	\$1,519 36	
Payments at Almshouse . . . . .	3,525 94	
Payments account Outside Poor . . . . .	1,513 66	
	<hr/>	\$6,558 96
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Balance to credit of Poor account . . . . .		\$ 804 52
Less decrease in Personal Property . . . . .		19 36
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Net credit balance . . . . .		\$785 16

EDWARD N. EAMES, *Chairman*,  
 HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
 ARTHUR W. EAMES,

*Overseers of the Poor.*

## ASSESSORS' VALUATION, 1915

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Real Estate . . . . .	\$1,735,945 00
Personal property . . . . .	370,798 00
Amount of tax assessed . . . . .	45,505 46
State tax assessed . . . . .	3,997 50
State Highway tax assessed . . . . .	254 38
County tax assessed . . . . .	2,078 39
Amount assessed on polls . . . . .	1,334 00
Rate of taxation per \$1000 . . . . .	21 60

### Schedule of Town Property

Schoolhouses and lots . . . . .	65,000 00
Town Farm . . . . .	4,000 00
Personal property at Town Farm . . . . .	3,439 20
Town Hall, lot and Fire Alarm equipment . . . . .	3,800 00
Cemetery land and lots . . . . .	1,250 00
Public Library and lot . . . . .	1,000 00
Contents of Public Library . . . . .	2,300 00
Hearse house . . . . .	100 00
Highway tools and machinery . . . . .	2,400 00
Town hearse . . . . .	150 00
Town scales . . . . .	150 00
Cemetery tool house and tools . . . . .	100 00
Furniture in Selectmen's Office . . . . .	100 00
Seven safes . . . . .	900 00
Two fire engines . . . . .	1,000 00



Two hose wagons . . . . .	\$ 250 00
Two fire engine houses and lots . . . . .	1,600 00
Hose, ladders, horses, harness, etc. . . . .	600 00
Lumber from Town Farm (estimated) . . . . .	1,800 00
Police equipment . . . . .	35 00
Land account tax sales . . . . .	390 00
Moth building . . . . .	600 00
Sprayers and fixtures . . . . .	900 00
Sealers of Weights and Measures outfit . . . . .	175 00
Forest Fire outfit . . . . .	200 00
Common and Flag Staff . . . . .	1,200 00
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	\$93,439 20

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
 GEORGE W. BUCK,  
 MILTON T. HOLT,  
*Assessors of Wilmington.*

*Note:* Owing to an error in the amount deducted for estimated revenue, the rate of taxation per thousand was considerably less than it should have been.

## COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT

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### Account of 1913 Tax

Uncollected, January 1, 1915 . . . . .		\$4,407 64
Taxes collected . . . . .	\$4,307 05	
Taxes abated . . . . .	100 59	
		\$4,407 64
Interest collected \$395 10.		

### Account of 1914 Tax

Uncollected, January 1, 1915 . . . . .		\$14,331 05
Taxes collected . . . . .	\$8,226 23	
Taxes abated . . . . .	3 76	
		8,229 99
Uncollected, January 1, 1916 . . . . . \$6,101 06		
Interest collected \$298 84.		

### Account of 1915 Tax

Commitment . . . . .		\$47,582 57
December Commitment . . . . .	64 11	
		\$47,646 68
Taxes collected . . . . .	\$29,868 13	
Taxes abated . . . . .	1 62	
		\$29,869 75
Uncollected, January 1, 1916 . . . . . \$17,776 93		
Interest collected \$24 36.		
Excise tax collected \$2,484 07		

JOSEPH PATCHETT,  
*Collector.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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### Receipts

Cash in Treasury . . . . .	\$5,566 05
Cash received on account of:	
Corporation Tax, Public Service . . . . .	\$171 66
Corporation Tax, Business . . . . .	13 53
National Bank Tax . . . . .	58 44
State Aid . . . . .	510 00
Street Railway Tax . . . . .	2,673 42
High School tuition . . . . .	500 00
Income Mass. School Fund . . . . .	1,178 82
Reimbursement for loss of taxes on land used for public institutions . . . . .	1 86
Suppression of moths . . . . .	1,464 67
Inspector of Animals . . . . .	75 00
New State Highway . . . . .	4,299 47
Aiding mothers with dependent children . . . . .	202 66
Return of dog licenses . . . . .	442 70
Superintendent of Schools . . . . .	400 00
Income from S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund . . . . .	240 00
Tuition of children . . . . .	86 25
Burial of indigent soldiers and sailors . . . . .	50 00
Repairs State Highway . . . . .	15 78
Slaughter house inspection . . . . .	159 00
Income Cemetery and Common Trust Funds . . . . .	48 53
Cemetery lots . . . . .	125 00
Forest fires . . . . .	99 94

Schools . . . . .	\$ 359 88
Police . . . . .	292 00
Poor . . . . .	3,032 80
Highway . . . . .	31 70
Licenses . . . . .	142 00
Perpetual care of cemetery lots . . . . .	75 00
Printed records . . . . .	50
Old books . . . . .	2 76
L'brary . . . . .	19 16
Tree Warden . . . . .	15 80
Sealer's Fees . . . . .	18 50
Industrial schools . . . . .	77 50
Revenue loans . . . . .	40,000 00
Interest on deposits . . . . .	90 17
Taxes . . . . .	44,885 48
Interest on taxes . . . . .	718 30
Tax release . . . . .	4 52
	————— \$108,148 85

*Payments*

Paid Selectmen's orders . . . . .	\$64,100 97
State tax . . . . .	3,997 50
Repairs State Highway . . . . .	254 38
County Tax . . . . .	2,078 39
Balance on old High School Loan . . . . .	240 00
Revenue Loans . . . . .	27,000 00
High School Bonds 1 and 2 . . . . .	1,750 00
Interest . . . . .	2,602 23
Cash in Treasury . . . . .	6,125 38
	————— \$108,148 85

FRED A. EAMES,  
*Treasurer.*



REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS OF TOWN OF WILMINGTON 1915

	Amount	Accumulated Interest	Withdrawn	Balance on Deposit
Library Funds:				
Burnap, Library Fund, No. 8512 Andover .	\$200 00	\$ 65 36		\$265 36
Benjamin Buck, No. 18341 Andover .	500 00	231 98	\$13 93	718 05
Charlotte C. Smith, No. 4215 Mechanics .	500 00	97 50		597 50
Sabra Carter Common Fund, No. 18349 Andover	200 00	59 73	7 05	252 68
Cemetery Funds:				
Isabelle Holt, No. 5169 Blackstone .	75 00		1 75	75 00
Isaac Cazneau, No. 18985 Andover .	100 00	17 26		115 51
Susan Carlton, No. 18345 Andover .	75 00	14 38	1 75	87 63
G. W. & Minnie Sidelinker, No. 22450 Andover	200 00	39 67	3 00	236 67
Sabra Carter, Jaques Lot, No. 18347 Andover	200 00	37 74	1 00	236 74
William H. Carter, No. 24631 Andover .	100 00	10 28	1 00	109 28
Dolly Harnden, No. 18342 Andover .	100 00	7 19	50	106 69
Thomas P. Eames, No. 18346 Andover .	100 00	13 92	2 75	111 17
Sabra Carter, No. 18348 Andover .	100 00	20 99	75	120 24
Richard Carter, No. 22451 Andover .	100 00	11 43	1 00	110 43
James Frazer, No. 18343 Andover .	200 00	44 00	3 75	240 25
Martha Temple, No. 18344 Andover .	100 00	26 10	2 00	124 10
S. D. J. Carter, No. 22579 Andover .	200 00	44 63	1 90	242 73
Charlotte C. Smith, No. 4214 Mechanics	50 00	6 76	40	56 36
Charles H. Hopkins, No. 4248 Blackstone	200 00	14 36	1 50	212 86
Abner C. Childs, No. 33384 Woburn .	100 00	12 70	1 25	111 45
Gilman Harnden, No. 32614 Woburn .	100 00	11 08	1 50	109 58
Laura Parker, No. 32615 Woburn .	50 00	2 68		52 68
Sarah G. Sheldon, No. 33814 Woburn .	200 00	12 65		212 65
Rufus C. Eames, No. 4642 Blackstone .	100 00	3 25	25	103 00
John Sheldon Sargent, No. 4859 Blackstone	100 00	3 02	1 50	101 52
	\$3,950 00	\$808 66	\$48 53	\$4,710 13

S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund:			
American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Col. 4% Bonds, Nos. 17546, 19667, 3986, 3991, 3992, 3993	.	.	\$5,541 50
Blackstone Savings Bank, No. 1879	.	.	578 50
Bond Interest for 1915	.	.	240 00
Savings Bank Interest	.	.	47 64
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Paid F. A. Eames	.	.	\$6,407 64
			\$240 00
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Balance on hand	.	.	\$6,167 64

D. B. PURBECK,  
 FRED A. EAMES,  
 CALEB S. HARRIMAN,  
*Trustees.*

## REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

*Gentlemen:* I submit the following report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1915.

Number of arrests . . . . .	31
Males . . . . .	27
Females . . . . .	4
Residents . . . . .	20
Non-residents . . . . .	11

### Causes of Arrest

Breaking and entering and larceny . . . . .	7
Delinquent Child . . . . .	4
Bastardy . . . . .	1
Assault and battery . . . . .	1
Assault . . . . .	2
Non-support . . . . .	3
Abandonment . . . . .	1
Insane . . . . .	3
Vagrancy . . . . .	1
Malicious mischief . . . . .	2
Disorderly conduct . . . . .	1
Indecent exposure . . . . .	1
Practicing medicine without a license . . . . .	1
Lewd and lascivious cohabitation . . . . .	2
Violation of the automobile laws . . . . .	1



## Disposition of Cases

Sentenced to the House of Correction . . . . .	3
Suspended sentence to the House of Correction . . . . .	1
Sentenced to the State Farm, Bridgewater . . . . .	1
Danyers Insane Asylum . . . . .	3
Placed on probation . . . . .	8
Placed on file . . . . .	7
Discharged . . . . .	2
Turned over to the Cambridge police . . . . .	1
Turned over to the Boston police . . . . .	1
Number of fines imposed . . . . .	4
Amount of fines imposed . . . . .	\$150
Cases investigated . . . . .	19
Search warrants . . . . .	1
Appealed cases . . . . .	4
Dogs killed . . . . .	11

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. HILL,  
*Chief of Police.*

## REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

*Gentlemen.* The annual report of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1915, is submitted as follows.

Change of wiring fire alarm system, a roll call of members, record of fires and alarms, value of buildings lost and damaged and insurance on same. Owing to a change made by the Telephone Company in the location of their central office, we were obliged to install a new line of wires from the Town Hall to the new office so the transmitter box could be placed there. The cost of this new line was about \$300.00.

Another unlooked for sum of \$28.82, was caused by a wire breaking in the air compressor. The motor had to be rewound.

Both hand engines were overhauled and put in good order.

Number of buildings destroyed by fire . . . . .	8
Number of buildings damaged by fire . . . . .	4
Number of chimney fires . . . . .	5
Number of fires caused by oil stoves . . . . .	1

There were twenty alarms given in the past year. Twelve were for building fires, three were for chimney fires, and five were for brush fires, one of which was out of town. Besides these, two telephone calls for chimney fires were answered on still alarms.

\*January 3, 1915 — Still alarm. House owned by A. D. Carter on Lowell Street, chimney fire. No damage.

January 15, 1915 — Box 62. House owned by Walter Frazer on Church Street. Damage, \$600. Cause, not known. Value, \$5500. Insured, \$4000. Contents, \$2000. Insured, \$1500.

January 25, 1915 — Box 36. House owned by Margaret Musolino on Burlington Avenue. Damage, \$10. Value, \$4000. Insured, \$3500. Cause, children playing with paper in furnace.

January 26, 1915 — Box 34. Barn on the Crockett Estate on Main Street, burnt. Value, \$300. Insured, \$200. Cause, not known.

February 12, 1915 — Box 32. House on Crockett Estate, Main Street. Chimney fire. No damage.

March 3, 1915 — Box 14. House and barn, owned by Mrs. Eva Day, on Balladvale Street, burnt. Value, \$1200. Insured, \$1000. Cause, railroad fire.

March 6, 1915 — Box 41. Brush fire.

March 24, 1915 — Box 37. Brush fire.

April 21, 1915 — Box 61. Brush fire.

April 28, 1915 — Box 45. Barn owned by Cullen Brothers on Forest Street. Cause, not known. Value, \$400. Not insured. Damage, \$100.

May 9, 1915 — Box 62. Brush fire.

May 9, 1915 — Box 37. Hen house owned by Margaret Higgins, Burlington Avenue, burnt. Value, \$50. Not insured. Cause, oil stove.

May 11, 1915 — Box 62. House owned by M. E. Buck on Middlesex Avenue. Chimney fire.

May 14, 1915 — Box 61. House owned by Edna Kelley on Glen Road, burnt. Value, \$500. Insured, \$500. Contents, \$400. Insured, \$400. Cause, overheated stove.

May 19, 1915 — Box 32. House on the Horton Estate on Parker Street. Chimney fire.

May 28, 1915 — Box 43. Out of town call, for brush fire.

June 10, 1915 — Box 43. House owned by James Maguire at Lake Street, burnt. Value, \$2500. Insured, \$0000. Contents, \$400. Cause, not known. Vacant at time.

July 4, 1915 — Box 65. House owned by Mrs. Parker on Railroad Avenue. Damage, \$5.00. Insured. Cause, fireworks set roof on fire.

August 13, 1915 — Box 37. Camp owned by Criss Johnson burnt, on Taft Road. Value, \$700. Insured, \$700.

October 17, 1915 — Box 41. House on the W. H. Carter Estate on Shawsheen Avenue, burnt around chimney. Cause, chimney burnt out. Value, \$2000. Insured, \$1800. Damage, \$10.

\*December 10, 1915 — Still alarm. House owned by James White on Parket Street. Chimney fire. No damage.

December 28, 1915 — Box 43. Bungalow owned by Fannie Freeman, burnt, on Grove Avenue. Value, \$1000. Insured, \$800. Contents, \$400. Insured, \$200. Cause, not known. Vacant.

Value of buildings lost by fire . . . . .	\$ 5,900
Insurance upon same . . . . .	5,200
Value of contents lost by fire . . . . .	1,325
Insurance upon same . . . . .	1,100
Value of other buildings damaged by fire . . . . .	15,500
Insurance upon same . . . . .	13,000
Damage done to same . . . . .	725

### Roll of Department

#### *Chief*

Albert D. Butters

#### *Engine and Hose Company No. 1*

Edwin L. Day	Chester Horton	Rudolph Porter
Frank Muse	Carroll Horton	R. Elmer Carter*
Howard R. Pratt	James D. White	Frank White*
Daniel W. Boynton	Frank D. Butters	Frank Harris*
Elmer E. Simonds	Harry Miller	Edgar Shaw†
Mason Alexander†		

#### *Engine and Hose Company No. 2*

Ernest Eames	Jeff Babine*	Joseph Babine*
Henry Cutter	Amos Durkee*	Joseph McMahan*
Adrion Durkee	Edward Nichols*	Arthur Babine*
William H. Doucette	Clarence Wells*	Roy Nichols†
Raymond White	Robert White*	Arthur Surrette†
Edgar S. Wills		

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. BUTTERS,

*Chief.*

\* Joined.

† Resigned.

## REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of  
Wilmington :

I submit the following report of the Forest Warden for the  
year ending December 31, 1915.

Number of applications for permits to build a fire in the open,  
267; permits granted, 252; number of calls from fire look-out  
stations, 39; all of which were investigated. Twenty-three  
calls were answered for grass and brush fires, an unusually large  
number compared with previous years owing to the severe  
drouth during the early spring months.

We now have a well equipped department with all articles  
necessary for forest fire work. I have investigated all fires  
and have sent reports of same to the State Forester.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER A. McGRANE,

*Forest Warden.*

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

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I hereby submit the following report as Superintendent of Streets for the year 1915 :

### Money Expended

Removing snow . . . . .	\$147 50
Scraping roads . . . . .	437 89
Salem Street . . . . .	701 34
West Street . . . . .	309 75
Lowell Street . . . . .	380 44
Butters Row . . . . .	83 00
Wildwood Street . . . . .	366 25
Burlington Avenue . . . . .	38 50
Church Street . . . . .	116 26
Hillside way . . . . .	406 60
Beacon Street . . . . .	201 25
Parker Street . . . . .	65 00
Osborne Street . . . . .	490 01
Railroad Avenue . . . . .	45 00
Grove Street . . . . .	15 38
Glen Road . . . . .	54 00
Shawsheen Avenue . . . . .	58 75
Cross Street . . . . .	75 00
Middlesex Avenue . . . . .	31 50
Federal Street . . . . .	25 50
Land damage . . . . .	100 00
Liability Insurance . . . . .	96 13
B. & M. R. R. Bridge, 35, 36 and 37 . . . . .	400 28
Tools and Supplies . . . . .	215 44
Gravel . . . . .	143 75

### State, Town and County

Lowell Street, 2,200 feet macadam, cement beam bridge and 18 inch tile culvert, 120 feet long. Total cost, \$6,540.00.

Our streets are in a fair condition, but by decreasing the amount raised each year they cannot but show the effect. We were unfortunate again this year to have \$3,390 taken from our appropriation.

We have placed catchbasins and drains in needed places, which has been well appreciated.

The crushing plant which was bought by the Selectmen proved to be a complete running plant and a great help to the work on Lowell Street. With a slight increase caused by the wet weather while the work at the bridge was in progress over the special appropriation of \$2,000 from the Town and the like sum from the State and County, the macadam on Lowell Street was extended 2,200 feet, the abutments at the bridge were extended and pointed and a cement beam bridge. We also put in an 18 inch tile culvert, 120 feet long, beyond the layout of 1915.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. McINTOSH,  
*Superintendent of Streets.*



## REPORT OF THE SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE

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To the Citizens of Wilmington:

The following programme for the 1915-1916 Course was arranged and announcements of the same mailed to the citizens of Wilmington, stating the dates, and that the entertainments would be held in the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, Wilmington. Friday, October 22, 1915, University City Entertainers, Concert; Friday, November 19, 1915, The Arcadians, Concert; Friday, December 17, 1915, Mr. Camil Saldanha, Oriental Magic; Friday, January 7, 1916, Mr. Sidney Landon, Impersonations; Thursday, February 17, 1916, Dvorak Concert Company, Concert.

DR. DANIEL T. BUZZELL, *Chairman*,  
JAMES E. KELLEY, *Treasurer*,  
JOHN W. HATHAWAY, *Secretary*,  
CALEB S. HARRIMAN,  
EUGENE G. SHAW,

*Carter Lecture Committee.*

### Treasurer's Report

Balance on deposit January 1, 1915 . . . . .	\$ 34 33
January 7, Received from Trustees of Trust Funds . . . . .	120 00
October 19, Received from Fred A. Eames (Loan) . . . . .	40 00
November 2, Received from Fred A. Eames, Town Treasurer . . . . .	120 00
	\$314 33

### Expense Account for 1915

January 20, Paid Eastern Lyceum Bureau . . . . .	47 50	
February 13, Paid Eastern Lyceum Bureau . . . . .	44 09	
February 26, Paid Grange Hall Corporation, rent of hall . . . . .	28 00	
October 16, Paid John W. Hathaway, post- age . . . . .	5 50	
October 25, Paid Eastern-Empire Lyceum Bureau . . . . .	35 00	
October 25, Paid Fred A. Bonin, tuning piano	3 10	
November 2, Paid Fred A. Eames, return of loan . . . . .	40 00	
November 9, Paid W. E. & J. F. Twombly, printing . . . . .	6 00	
November 18, Paid Eastern-Empire Lyceum Bureau . . . . .	55 00	
December 18, Paid Eastern-Empire Lyceum Bureau . . . . .	25 00	
December 31, Cash to balance . . . . .	25 14	
	\$314 33	

*Note:* On January 3, 1916, received from Fred A. Eames, Town Treasurer, \$120. Two entertainments and the rent of the hall for the Course are to be paid therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

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To the Citizens of Wilmington :

The Board of Health herewith submits its annual report

Number of contagious diseases reported to the Board are as follows:

Scarlet fever, three; typhoid fever, three, one death; mumps, four; measles, four; chicken-pox, seventeen; whooping cough, three.

Number of milk permits granted under Chapter 744 Acts of 1914, four.

Respectfully submitted,

D. T. BUZZELL, M.D., *Agent.*  
HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,

*Board of Health.*

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Wilmington, Mass.:

I wish at this time to submit my Report as Inspector of Animals. During the year, the annual inspection of each individual stable and animal was postponed owing to the outbreak of foot and mouth disease, which played such havoc and caused so much loss to the whole country.

At the present, no cases being known to exist, orders have been received to proceed with the annual inspection, which will be completed as soon as possible and reports made out in compliance with such orders.

While the whole number of cattle kept in town are perhaps decreased in number, the places or stables where kept have in my opinion increased. Several people have purchased a cow for home use which, of course, necessitates a detailed report of each stable or enclosure, some thirty questions being asked regarding each one. The number of cattle shipped into the town by dealers has been more than previous, which no doubt was in a way due to Brighton being closed for so long a time, certain sections about us being free.

All cases of suspicion have been carefully looked over and disposed of as deemed best.

I want all to feel at liberty to report any cases of suspicion, bearing in mind the good of our community and especially that of our food supply.

I wish to thank all who have helped make the duties as inspector less arduous, and who have complied with suggestions made for the betterment of your stock. I will try and not suggest changes of an expensive nature, but what are really essential for the betterment of stock, food supply and pocket-book.

Yours very truly

C. H. PLAYDON, M.D.V.,

*Inspector.*

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS

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Wilmington, January 31, 1916.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

*Gentlemen:* I beg leave to submit my annual report. At the beginning of the year, two licenses were given for slaughtering. During the early autumn, Sebastian Becker removed his business to Woburn which was practically all the slaughtering in town, leaving Asa W. Boutwell the only licensed butcher in town.

During the year I have examined at the licensed slaughter houses, 75 beef; 426 hogs; 387 veal, and of that number I have condemned 3 beef, 21 hogs, 14 veal, as unfit for food. These carcasses were sent to the Whitman Pratt rendering works, Woburn.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HOWARD EAMES

*Inspector.*

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I desire to submit the following report as to the work of the Sealer of Weights and Measures:

### *Receipts.*

Appropriation . . . . .	\$50 00	
Fees . . . . .	18 50	
		\$68 50

### *Expenses*

Salary . . . . .	\$50 00	
W. & L. E. Gurley, dies and seals . . . . .	1 73	
Boston Nickel-plating Co. . . . .	6 60	
A. D. Butters, boxing weights . . . . .	75	
American Express Co. . . . .	1 64	
	\$60 72	
Unexpended . . . . .	7 78	
		\$68 50

The work of the department has been as follows:

Number of platform scales, over 5,000 lbs.	. . . . .	5
Number of platform scales, under 5,000 lbs.	. . . . .	16
Number of counter scales	. . . . .	15
Number of butchers' scales	. . . . .	9
Number of weights sealed	. . . . .	75
Number of liquid measures sealed	. . . . .	40
Number of measuring pumps sealed	. . . . .	4
Number of leather measuring machines	. . . . .	1
Number of fruit dealers' scales inspected	. . . . .	1
Number of junk dealers' scales inspected	. . . . .	2

I recommend an appropriation of \$50.00 for the year 1916.

HOWARD M. NORTON,  
*Sealer.*



## REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of  
Wilmington:

During the year 1915, the street trees were less fortunate than in past years, much damage being due to high winds and storms. As in previous years much trimming has been done and dead trees removed.

Young trees were set out on Lowell Street from Perry's Corner to West Street and some were replaced on Burlington Avenue and Middlesex Avenue.

The trees have been cared for in regard to the elm leaf beetle; all the street trees and those requested by property owners were sprayed and found satisfactory, that being the only effective means.

The gypsy and brown-tail moths are handled under State supervision and seem to be suppressed effectively.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER A. McGRANE,  
*Tree Warden.*

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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Public documents received, 19 volumes.

Number of new books purchased during the year, 148 volumes.

Number of books replaced, 11 volumes.

Number of books for circulation, 5117 volumes.

Number of persons taking out books, 663.

Number of books taken out during the year, 10,214 volumes.

The following books have been presented from a Fund, established by Mary Baker Eddy: Life of Mary Baker Eddy; Science and Health, two copies, one written in both English and German; Miscellaneous Writings; Retrospection and Introspection; First Church of Christ Scientist and Miscellany. Unity of Good; No and Yes; Christian Healing and the People's Idea of God; Christian Science versus Pantheism and other messages to the Mother Church; Pulpit and Press; Rudimental Divine Science, two copies, one in paper cover printed with raised letters; also The Christian Science Journal, beginning with the August number. Frederick W. Whitridge has presented one book entitled, One American's Opinion of the European War.

The Library has been supplied during the year with the following magazines: National Sportsman, St. Nicholas, Ladies' Home Journal, Technical World, Woman's Home Companion, Suburban Life, Our Dumb Animals, National Geographic Magazine and Scientific American.

The last three were given by Mrs. Stevens.

Amount received . . . . .		\$44 54
Expended:		
Old Corner Book Store for books . . . . .	\$11 64	
Library Bureau — Accession book and parcel post . . . . .	6 60	
American Express Co. . . . .	58	
Book Cataloging for Small Libraries . . . . .	1 00	
Delivering express . . . . .	1 25	
Money Order, postage, paper, etc. . . . .	47	
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	\$21 54	
Amount passed in to Treasurer of Library Trustees		\$23 00

ANNA T. SHELDON,  
*Librarian.*

**Report of Treasurer of Library Trustees, January 1, 1916.**

	<i>Credit</i>	<i>Debit</i>
Cash on hand, January 1, 1915 . . . . .		\$33 42
Paid Heath's Magazine . . . . .	\$10 00	
Paid Library Bureau . . . . .	15 15	
Paid Express . . . . .	1 36	
Paid Heath's Magazine . . . . .	10 75	
Paid Fred A. Eames, Treasurer . . . . .	19 16	
Received of Librarian . . . . .		23 00
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	\$56 42	\$56 42

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL T. BUZZELL,  
*Treasurer.*

List of Books Purchased For The Library  
During The Year 1915

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**Fiction**

AD13L — Little Miss Grouch	Samuel H. Adams
AL55S — Sword of Youth	James L. Allen
AN25R — Rim of the Desert	Ada W. Woodruff
B157C — Contrary Mary	Temple Bailey
B158H — Heart of the Blue Ridge	W. Bailey
B234H — Heart's Content	Ralph H. Barbour
B272W — Winning of Lucia	Amelia E. Barr
B295T — Taming of Zenas Henry	Sara W. Bassett
B354H — Heart of the Sunset	Rex Beach
B412M — Misadventures of Joseph	J. J. Bell
B446A — Arundel	E. F. Benson
B448L — Loneliness?	Robert H. Benson
B485L — Love Insurance	Earl D. Biggers
B675F — Flying U's Last Stand	B. M. Bower
B725S — Splendid Chance	Mary H. Bradley
B942R — Return of Tarzan	E. R. Burroughs
C164B — Bent Twig	Dorothy Canfield
C195R — Red Geranium	William Carleton
C3525T — Through Stained Glass	G. A. Chamberlain
C354W — Who Goes There?	Robert W. Chambers
C477F — Far Country	Winston Churchill
C732RE — Red Fleece	W. L. Comfort
C817B — Blue Blood and Red	Geoffrey Corson
C895L — Law-Breakers	Ridgwell Callum
D165L — Lovable Meddler	Leona Dalrymple

D195S — Story Behind the Verdict	Frank Danby
D334L — The Landloper	Holman Day
D375R — Rags	E. B. Delano
D385W — Way of an Eagle	E. M. Dell
D774V — Valley of Fear	A. Conan Doyle
D788C — Coming Back of Laurence Averil	Maurice Drake
EA85I — Idyl of Twin Fires	Walter P. Eaton
EL51P — Pals First	F. P. Elliott
EM35T — Treasure of Hidden Valley	W. G. Emerson
ER84G — Girl of the Blue Ridge	Payne Erskine
EV15T — Then I'll Come Back to You	Larry Evans
F232BE — Beltane The Smith	Jeffery Farnol
G356Y — Yellow Dove	George Gibbs
G445S — Steve of the "Bar-G" Ranch	M. Reid-Girardot
G796L — Little Sir Galahad	Phoebe Gray
G864LO — Lone Star Ranger	Zane Grey
H124A — Allan and the Holy Flower	H. Rider Haggard
H1475P — Pepper	Holworthy Hall
H156D — Lady Aft	Richard M. Hallet
H195R — Riddle of the Night	T. W. Hanshen
H314Y — Young Man's Year	Anthony Hope Hawkins
H3142L — Little Red Doe	Chauncey F. Hawkins
H3235M — Man Who Forgot	James Hay, Jr.
H387P — The Promise	James Hendryx
H788B — Bred of the Desert	Marcus Horton
H8716P — Prudence of the Parsonage	E. Hueston
J464H — Happy Pollyooly	Edgar Jepson
J654F — Fortunes of Garin	Mary Johnston
J716T — Time O'Day	Doris E. Jones
J763M — Mary Iverson's Career	Elizabeth Jordan
K742S — Sundown Slim	Henry H. Knibbs
L512A — Aunt Jane	Jennette Lee
L636T — Thankful's Inheritance	J. C. Lincoln
L638C — C. O. D.	Natalie S. Lincoln
L638O — Official Chaperon	Natalie S. Lincoln
L665B — "Burkeses Amy"	Julie M. Lippmann
L796JA — Jaffery	William J. Locke

L844ST — Star Rover	Jack London
L974MI — Miranda	G. L. H. Lutz
L974O — Obsession of Victoria Gracen	G. L. H. Lutz
M118H — House of the Misty Star	Fannie C. Macaulay
M118L — Lady of the Decoration	Fannie C. Macaulay
M125S — Stirrup Latch	Sidney McCall
M311A — Amarilly of Clothes Line Alley	B. K. Marriates
M352W — Woman in the Car	Richard Marsh
M353G — Greatest of These	Archibald Marshall
M612D — Day Break	Elizabeth Miller
M765AI — Anne of the Island	L. M. Montgomery
M788J — The Jester	Leslie Moore
M835S — Seven Darlings	Gouverneur Morris
M926HE — Heart of Uncle Terry	Charles C. Munn
M929R — Red Poppies	M. Munsterberg
N335W — Wings of Danger	Arthur A. Nelson
N793ST — Story of Julia Page	Kathleen Norris
ON44H — His Official Fiancee	Mrs. Oliver Onions
OP54DO — Double Traitor	E. P. Oppenheim
OP54WA — Way of These Women	E. P. Oppenheim
P167T — Twisted Skein	Ralph D. Paine
P548B — Brunel's Tower	Eden Phillpotts
P787H — The Harbor	Ernest Poole
P833PO — Polyanna Grows Up	Eleanor H. Porter
P834M — Michael O'Halloran	Gene Stratton Porter
R474K — K	Mary R. Rinehart
R636Y — Yellow Claw	Sax Rohmer
R875ST — Straight Down the Crooked Lane	Bertha Runkle
SA93P — Primrose Ring	Ruth Sawyer
SH26S — Siren of the Snows	Stanley Shaw
SM55FE — Felix O'Day	S. F. Hopkinson
ST87H — Hand of Peril	Arthur Stringer
T174TU — The Turmoil	Booth Tarkington
T596DI — Diantha	J. W. Tompkins
V554P — Pierre Vinton	E. C. Venable
W217EL — Eltham House	Mrs. Humphry Ward
W396DE — Dear Enemy	Jean Webster

W462W — White Alley	Carolyn Wells
W524H — Hepsey Burke	Frank N. Westcott
W585GR — Gray Dawn	Stewart E. White
W685S — Still Jim	Honore Willis
W696R — Ruggles of Red Gap	H. L. Wilson

### Juvenile Fiction

jAM33B — Between the Lines in Belgium	F. T. Ames
jB234LE — Left Tackle Thayer	Ralph H. Barbour
jB932LO — Lost Prince	Frances H. Burnett
jD753D — Doodles	Emma C. Dowd
jH222P — Philip Kent	T. Truxton Hare
jM428C — Catcher Craig	Cristy Mathewson
jQ44BO — Boy Scouts of Black Eagle Patrol	Leslie W. Quirk
jR213R — Responsibilities of Buddie	Anna C. Ray
jR285JN — Jane Stuart at Rivercroft	Grace M. Remick
jR344RE — Real Cinderella	Nina Rhoades
jSCO84JE — Jean Cabot at Ashton	Gertrude F. Scott
jSCO84JH — Jean Cabot in the British Isles	Gertrude F. Scott
jSCO84JI — Jean Cabot at the House with the Blue Shutters	Gertrude F. Scott
jST83DK — Dave Porter and the Runaways	Edward Stratemeyer
jST83DL — Dave Porter at Bear Camp	Edward Stratemeyer
jT124BE — Beth's Old Home	Marion A. Taggart
jT423J — Just Girls	I. T. Thurston

### Miscellaneous

B-B286EP — Life of Clara Barton	Percy H. Epler
B-H325T — Life and Letters of John Hay, 2 vols.	W. R. Thayer
B-SC084T — Voyages of Capt. Scott	Charles Turley
325-AN8 — They Who Knock at Our Gates	Mary Antin
361-B63 — Under the Red Cross Flag	Mabel T. Boardman
613-W64 — Not by Bread Alone	Harvey W. Wiley

- 636-R56 — Principles and Practice of Poultry Culture  
John H. Robinson
- 641-F22 — Boston Cooking-School Cook Book  
Fannie M. Farmer
- 699-C39 — Sailing Ships  
E. K. Chatterton
- 747-P25 — Interior Decoration  
F. A. Parsons
- j796-B384 — On the Trail  
Lina Beard and Adelia Belle
- j796-V61 — Boys' Outdoor Vacation Book  
A. H. Verrill
- 832-G55 — Faust  
Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe
- 914.9-AN2 — Spell of Belgium  
Isabel Anderson
- 915.1-C78 — My Lady of the Chinese Courtyard  
Elizabeth Cooper
- 917.4-J62 — Highways and Byways of New England  
Clifton Johnson
- 917.9-K83 — Through the Grand Canyon from Wyoming to  
Mexico  
E. L. Kolb
- 917.9-M89 — Travels in Alaska  
John Muir
- 917.9-Y8 — Alaska Days with John Muir  
S. Hall Young
- 940-C84 — Heart of Europe  
Ralph A. Cram
- 940-P18 — My Year of the Great War  
Frederick Palmer
- 940-R47 — Kings, Queens and Pawns  
Mary R. Rinehart
- 940-W85 — Note-book of an Attache  
E. F. Wood
- 943-G78 — Secrets of the Hohenzollerns  
A. K. Graves
- 943-G78S — Secrets of the German War Office  
A. K. Graves
- 973-P87 — Road to Glory  
E. Alexander Powell



## TOWN WARRANT

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MIDDLESEX, SS.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington.  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in Section 2, Article 1, of the By-Laws of the Town of Wilmington, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday, the sixth day of March next, at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 6.15 a.m., and may be closed at 4 p.m., for the election of officers and to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To bring in your votes on one ballot for three Selectmen, who shall also be Overseers of the Poor and Board of Survey, one Assessor for three years, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Constable, three Fence Viewers, one School Committee for three years, two Trustees of Public Library

for three years, one member of S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for five years, one Tree Warden, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years; also to vote on the following questions, to wit: Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town? " Yes or No."

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following Articles:

Art. 3. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To hear the report of committees and act thereon.

Art. 5. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government, Protection of Life and Property, Health and Sanitation, Tree Warden, Forest Warden, Highways, Roads and Bridges, Poor, Dependent Widows and Soldiers' Relief, Schools and Maintenance, also tuition at Vocational Schools, Library, Cemetery, Interest, Notes Payable, Street Lights, State and County Tax, Printing Town Reports, Care of Town Clock, and Contingent Fund.

Art. 6. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day and to determine how the same shall be expended.

Art. 7. To see what method the Town will adopt for the collection of taxes and to provide for the compensation of the Collector.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the present financial year.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to install street lights on Marion Street or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to install street lights on Butters Row or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will accept Veranda Street as laid out by the Selectmen according to the Silver Lake Park Plan recorded at the North Middlesex Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans No. 20, Plan No. 9, or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars for the purpose of planting trees and shrubs on the High School grounds, or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 13. To see what action the Town will take in regard to fixing the salary of the School Committee.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$400 for fencing the West and Whitefield School lots, or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a code of building laws or what they will do in regard to the matter.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money necessary to convey outlying district school children to and from schools, or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000 under Chapter 525, Acts of 1910, to be

expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission, or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doing thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this twenty-fifth day of February, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.



HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*

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# WILMINGTON, MASS.

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# TOWN OFFICERS

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR, ENDING DECEMBER 31

1916



BOSTON  
C. M. BARROWS CO.  
1917

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# TOWN OFFICERS 1916

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## Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

ARTHUR W. EAMES                      FRANK W. DAYTON  
HERBERT C. BARROWS, *Chairman*

## Assessors

JAMES E. KELLEY	. . . . .	Term expires 1917
MILTON T. HOLT	. . . . .	Term expires 1918
GEORGE W. BUCK	. . . . .	Term expires 1919

## Town Clerk

JAMES E. KELLEY

## Treasurer

FRED A. EAMES

## Collector of Taxes

JOSEPH PATCHETT

## Town Accountant

HARRY R. DEMING

## Constable

WALTER A. HILL

## Chief of Police

WALTER A. HILL

**Special Police**

ALBERT D. BUTTERS	MELVIN W. BROWN
FRANK W. DAYTON	DANIEL C. NORCROSS
EDWIN L. DAY	FRANK E. PEINERT
ARTHUR W. GIROUX	JOHN F. DUNN

**Board of Survey**

SELECTMEN

**Registrars of Voters**

HENRY N. AMES	Term expires 1917
ALDICE G. EAMES	Term expires 1918
PETER F. McMAHON	Term expires 1919
JAMES E. KELLEY, <i>Clerk of Board</i>	

**Keeper of Lock-up**

WALTER A. HILL

**Fence Viewers**

ARTHUR W. EAMES	FRANK W. DAYTON
HERBERT C. BARROWS	

**Field Drivers**

MICHAEL J. McMAHON	FRANCIS NICHOLS
WALTER D. CARTER	ALBERT D. BUTTERS

**Surveyors of Lumber**

HERBERT C. BARROWS	JAMES E. KELLEY
SCHAMIEL R. McINTOSH	EDWARD N. EAMES
FRANK L. EAMES	ARTHUR W. EAMES
GEORGE S. FOOTE	THOMAS T. SIDELINKER

### Surveyors of Wood and Bark

JAMES E. KELLEY	HERBERT C. BARROWS
SCHAMIEL R. McINTOSH	EDWARD N. EAMES
FRANK L. EAMES	ARTHUR W. EAMES
GEORGE S. FOOTE	WALTER L. HALE

### Measurers of Leather

J. ARTHUR TAYLOR	ARTHUR F. BLAKE
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### Public Weighers

WARREN EAMES	ALLAN YOUNG
GEORGE L. BLAISDELL	FRED W. CARTER
J. ARTHUR TAYLOR	ARTHUR F. BLAKE
GEORGE A. HART	WALTER L. HALE
FRANK L. EAMES	JOHN A. HOWE

### Sealer of Weights and Measures

ARTHUR B. EAMES

### Janitor of Town Hall

CHARLES B. OSBON\*  
ALBERT D. BUTTERS†

### Pound Keeper

MELVIN W. BROWN

### Superintendent of Town Farm

MELVIN W. BROWN

### Superintendent of Streets

WILLIE B. McINTOSH

\*Resigned

†Appointed

**Board of Health**

SELECTMEN

DR. D. T. BUZZELL, *Agent***Inspector of Animals**

CALVERT H. PLAYDON, M. D. V.

**Inspector of Provisions**

J. HOWARD EAMES

**Forest Fire Warden**

OLIVER A. McGRANE

**Deputy Forest Fire Wardens**

H. C. BARROWS

M. W. BROWN

W. B. McINTOSH

GEORGE S. FOOTE

A. D. BUTTERS

ERNEST W. EAMES

CHARLES L. FIENDEL

EDWARD F. FORTIS

ARTHUR W. GIROUX

HENRY H. CUTTER

**Fire Department**ALBERT D. BUTTERS, *Chief***Cemetery Committee**

SELECTMEN

ALBERT D. BUTTERS, *Superintendent***Common Committee**

JOSEPH PATCHETT . . .

Term expires 1917

JAMES E. KELLEY . . .

Term expires 1919

CHARLES B. OSBON . . .

Term expires 1918

**School Committee**

HOWARD M. HORTON . . .

Term expires 1917

PHILIP B. BUZZELL . . .

Term expires 1919

ELLEN S. PERRY . . .

Term expires 1918

**Undertaker**

EDWARD M. NICHOLS

**Burial Agent**

MILTON T. HOLT

**Trustees of Public Library**

D. FRED WAITE . . . . .	Term expires 1917
JOSEPH PATCHETT . . . . .	Term expires 1917
GUY E. NICHOLS . . . . .	Term expires 1918
DANIEL T. BUZZELL . . . . .	Term expires 1918
EDWARD N. EAMES . . . . .	Term expires 1919
HERBERT C. BARROWS . . . . .	Term expires 1919

**Trustees of Trust Funds**

DUDLEY B. PURBECK . . . . .	Term expires 1918
CALEB S. HARRIMAN . . . . .	Term expires 1919
FRED A. EAMES . . . . .	Term expires 1917

**Tree Warden**

OLIVER A. McGRANE

**Superintendent for Suppressing Moths**

OLIVER A. McGRANE

**Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Fund Committee**

DANIEL T. BUZZELL . . . . .	Term expires 1920
GUY E. NICHOLS . . . . .	Term expires 1921
EUGENE G. SHAW . . . . .	Term expires 1917
JOHN W. HATHAWAY . . . . .	Term expires 1918
JAMES E. KELLEY . . . . .	Term expires 1919

**Ballot Clerks and Tellers**

THOMAS H. McMAHON	OTIS GOWING
FRANK W. KIDDER	WARREN EAMES
J. HOWARD EAMES	EUGENE G. SHAW
JOHN E. DENEHY	OLIVER A. McGRANE

# JURY LIST, TOWN OF WILMINGTON

Revised June 26, 1916

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	Street	Occupation
Daniel R. Carter	Shawsheen Ave.	Carpenter
Harry R. Deming	Federal St.	Bookkeeper
Harold Swain	Middlesex Ave.	Laborer
Samuel F. Cole	Glen Road	Currier
Oliver McGrane	Church St.	Moth Superintendent
Harry A. Maynard	Off Burlington Ave.	Brakeman
Lawrence C. Swain	Middlesex Ave.	Retired
Joseph Patchett	West St.	Tax Collector
Walter D. Carter	Lowell St.	Farmer
George W. Buck	Church St.	Grocer
M. Herbert Foskett	Ballardvale St.	Printer
John E. Denehy	Grove St.	Insurance Agent
Irvin Eames	Woburn St.	Telegraph Operator
Thomas H. McMahon	Middlesex Ave.	Currier
Samuel F. Perry	High St.	Pattern Maker
William T. Henderson	Shawsheen Ave.	Electroplater
Clarence E. Carter	High St.	Bookkeeper
Harry E. Lake	High St.	Civil Engineer
Charles B. Osbon	Middlesex Ave.	Carpenter
John H. Addison	Burlington Ave.	Jeweler
John Allen	Burlington Ave.	Printer
Walter R. Eberts	Adams St.	Clerk
Charles C. Alden	Clark St.	Clerk
William A. Cameron	Hopkins St.	Machinist
George McKittrick	Eames St.	Clerk
Arthur B. Eames	Woburn St.	Farmer

# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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Records of Warrants and Proceedings of Town Meetings,  
Births, Marriages and Deaths, with a Statement  
of Money Paid to the County Treasurer  
on account of Dog Licenses





## TOWN WARRANT

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington.  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in Section 2, Article 1, of the By-Laws of the Town of Wilmington, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday, the sixth day of March next, at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 6.15 a.m., and may be closed at 4 p.m., for the election of officers and to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To bring in your votes on one ballot for three Selectmen, who shall also be Overseers of the Poor and Board of Survey, one Assessor for three years, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Constable, three Fence Viewers, one School Committee for three years, two Trustees of Public Library

for three years, one member of S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for five years, one Tree Warden, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years; also to vote on the following questions, to wit: Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town? "Yes or No."

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles:

Art. 3. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To hear the report of committees and act thereon.

Art. 5. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government, Protection of Life and Property, Health and Sanitation, Tree Warden, Forest Warden, Highways, Roads and Bridges, Poor, Dependent Widows and Soldiers' Relief, Schools and Maintenance, also tuition at Vocational Schools, Library, Cemetery, Interest, Notes Payable, Street Lights, State and County Tax, Printing Town Reports, Care of Town Clock, and Contingent Fund.

Art. 6. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day and to determine how the same shall be expended.

Art. 7. To see what method the Town will adopt for the collection of taxes and to provide for the compensation of the Collector.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the present financial year.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to install street lights on Marion Street or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to install street lights on Butters Row or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will accept Veranda Street as laid out by the Selectmen according to the Silver Lake Park Plan recorded at the North Middlesex Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans No. 20, Plan No. 9, or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars for the purpose of planting trees and shrubs on the High School grounds, or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 13. To see what action the Town will take in regard to fixing the salary of the School Committee.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$400 for fencing the West and Whitefield School lots, or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a code of building laws or what they will do in regard to the matter.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money necessary to convey outlying district school children to and from schools, or do anything in relation thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 under Chapter 525, Acts of 1910, to be

expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission, or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this twenty-fifth day of February, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.



HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*

## TOWN MEETING

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### Record of Proceedings of the Annual Town Meeting, March 6, 1916

In accordance with the directions of the foregoing Warrant, the voters assembled on the above date. The votes as declared by the Moderator are as follows:

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, and the Warrant read as far as Article 3. On motion it was voted to dispense reading the balance.

Article 1. Edward N. Eames was elected Moderator, the vote being taken by ballot and the check list being used.

Art. 2. The Moderator read Article 2 and then examined the ballot box, which was found empty, the register indicated 0000, the box was locked and the key delivered to the Constable. The Ballot Clerks and Tellers having been sworn, the official ballots were delivered to the Ballot Clerks, a receipt for the same being taken by the Town Clerk. The Moderator announced that the polls for the election of officers were open and that balloting might proceed. Later on it was voted that the polls for the election of officers be closed at 4 p.m. At the appointed time the Moderator declared the polls closed.

The names checked upon the male lists numbered three hundred and forty (340), and seven (7) specials for "School

Committee Only," and the ballots as counted from the ballot box numbered 340 regular and 7 specials, and the register indicated 347.

### For Selectmen, to act also as Overseers of the Poor and Board of Survey

Herbert C. Barrows (Elected) had one hundred sixty-six votes,	166
Frank W. Dayton (Elected) had one hundred fifty-nine votes,	159
Alden N. Eames had one hundred six votes,	106
Arthur W. Eames (Elected) had one hundred sixty-one votes,	161
Edward N. Eames had one hundred forty-six votes,	146
Edward M. Neilson had one hundred twenty votes,	120
Blanks, one hundred sixty-two,	162

### Assessor for Three Years

George W. Buck (Elected) had two hundred seventy-three votes,	273
Warren P. Blaisdell had one vote,	1
Blanks, sixty-six,	66

### Town Clerk

James E. Kelley (Elected) had two hundred ninety-five votes,	295
Blanks, forty-five votes,	45

### Treasurer

Fred A. Eames (Elected) had two hundred ninety-seven votes,	297
Blanks, forty-three,	43

**Collector of Taxes**

Joseph Patchett (Elected) had three hundred one votes,	301
Blanks, thirty-nine,	39

**Constable**

Walter A. Hill (Elected) had two hundred eighty-two votes,	282
Blanks, fifty-eight,	58

**Fence Viewers**

Herbert C. Barrows (Elected) had one hundred sixty-eight votes,	168
Frank W. Dayton (Elected) had one hundred thirty-eight votes,	138
Alden N. Eames had one hundred one votes,	101
Arthur W. Eames (Elected) had one hundred forty-nine votes,	149
Edward N. Eames had one hundred thirty-six votes,	136
Edward M. Neilson had one hundred nineteen votes,	119
Blanks, two hundred nine,	209

**School Committee, Three Years**

Philip B. Buzzell (Elected) had three hundred three votes,	303
Blanks, forty-four,	44

**Trustees Public Library, Three Years**

Herbert C. Barrows (Elected) had two hundred forty-eight votes,	248
Edward N. Eames (Elected) had two hundred thirty-nine votes,	239
Blanks, one hundred ninety-three,	193

### S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee, Five Years

Guy E. Nichols (Elected) had two hundred sixty-two votes,	262
Blanks, seventy-eight,	78

### Trustee of Trust Funds, Three Years

Caleb S. Harriman (Elected) had two hundred seventy-six votes,	276
Blanks, seventy-eight,	78

### Tree Warden

Oliver A. McGrane (Elected) had two hundred eighty-four votes,	284
Blanks, fifty-six,	56

### License Vote

Yes, sixty-eight,	68
No, two hundred twenty-two,	222
Blanks, fifty,	50

At 10 o'clock, the hour stated in the Warrant, Article 3 was taken up.

Art. 3. On motion it was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to bring in a list of names as nominations for the several offices to be filled under the article. Moderator appointed Herbert C. Barrows, Fred A. Lowell and Oliver A. McGrane, who submitted the following list, which on motion was accepted and adopted, and the nominees declared elected.

### Field Drivers

Walter D. Carter	Michael J. McMahan
Albert D. Butters	Francis Nichols
Melvin W. Brown	



### Surveyors of Lumber

James E. Kelley	Edward N. Eames
Arthur W. Eames	S. R. McIntosh
Frank L. Eames	Herbert C. Barrows
T. T. Sidelinker	

### Surveyors of Wood and Bark

James E. Kelley	Arthur W. Eames
Edward N. Eames	Herbert C. Barrows
S. R. McIntosh	Walter L. Hale
Frank L. Eames	

### Measurers of Leather

J. Arthur Taylor	Arthur F. Blake
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### Public Weighers

Warren Eames	J. Arthur Taylor
Fred W. Carter	Arthur F. Blake
George L. Blaisdell	Walter L. Hale
Frank L. Eames	George A. Hart

### Common Committee Three Years

James E. Kelley

Art. 4. The Committee on Automobile Fire Apparatus was called on for a report. Mr. A. D. Butters reported cost of trucks at \$4,500 and \$6,500, but had no recommendations to make. A motion was then made to accept the reports as printed in the Annual Town Report.

Voted in the affirmative.

Art. 5. Motion: That the Town raise and appropriate or appropriate the several and respective sums recommended by the Selectmen on page 126 of the printed reports and that

the motion be divided and put upon each item separately and subject to amendment. Voted in the affirmative. After some explanations in regard to slight increase in some departments over last year the following appropriations were made.

### General Government

Selectmen, salaries and general expenses . . . . .	\$ 800 00
Town Accountant, salary and general expenses . . . . .	250 00
Treasurer, salary and general expenses . . . . .	375 00
Collector, salary and general expenses . . . . .	1,000 00
Assessors, salaries and general expenses . . . . .	725 00
Town Clerk, salary and general expenses . . . . .	120 00
Election and Registration, salaries and general expenses \$350, amendment made that \$325 be the amount for Election and Registration expenses and salaries. Voted in the negative. It was then voted to raise and appropriate \$350 . . . . .	350 00
Town Hall, Janitor, light, fuel and repairs . . . . .	200 00
Town Constable . . . . .	50 00

### Protection of Life and Property

Police Department, receipts and . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Fire Department, receipts and . . . . .	1,250 00
Suppression of Moths (compulsory \$843.89 and incidentals \$156.11) and receipts . . . . .	1,000 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, receipts and . . . . .	50 00
Tree Warden, receipts and . . . . .	300 00
Forest Fires, receipts and . . . . .	500 00

### Health and Sanitation

Salary Board of Health Agent, quarantine wages, Inspection of Animals, Meats, and Provisions, Vital Statistics. . . . .	\$500 00
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### Highways, Roads and Bridges

Voted: That the sum of \$8,000 be appropriated of which \$2,842.51 be raised by taxation, and the balance \$5,157.49 to be paid from the Excise and Street Railway taxes received

Street Railway taxes received . . . . .	\$8,000 00
Electric street lights . . . . .	5,500 00

### Charities

Town Farm and Outside Poor. Voted to appropriate \$1,800, the same to be paid from the balance of receipts from sale of lumber from Town Farm

Town Farm . . . . .	\$1,800 00
Aid for Dependent Mothers, receipts and . . . . .	400 00

### Town Indebtedness

Bonds Nos. 3 and 4, account new High School . . . . .	\$1,750 00
Note No. 45 (balance due on Stone Crusher) . . . . .	1,320 00
Contingent Fund . . . . .	1,000 00

### Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid: Voted to appropriate \$360, . . . . .	\$360 00
Soldiers' Relief: Voted to raise and appropriate . . . . .	48 00

At this time it was voted to take a recess of one hour from further business, except that voting under Article 2 should continue.

At one o'clock on motion it was voted to resume business under Article 5. On motion it was voted to lay Article 5 on the table and take up Article 16.

Art. 16. Motion made to raise and appropriate \$700 to transport children one and one-half miles and beyond from the schools which they attend during the months of December,

January, February and March; after remarks by the chairman of the School Committee and several others, a vote was taken and declared in the negative by the Moderator. A motion was then made to indefinitely postpone further action. Voted in the affirmative. On motion it was then voted to take Article 5 from the table.

Art. 5. Mr. Howard M. Horton then made the following motion as an amendment to the recommendations of the Selectmen on the appropriations for schools, etc., that the Town appropriate \$19,650 for the support of schools, including salaries, books and supplies, repairs, fuel, furnishings, vocational schools, outside tuition, and outstanding indebtedness, including estimated receipts of \$2,700. The vote on the same was in the affirmative. A vote was then taken on the original motion as amended and it was voted to appropriate \$19,650, of which \$16,950 is to be raised by taxation.

The following motion was presented by Mr. Harold Fay and with the Moderator's permission was laid before the meeting. Moved: That the School Committee be instructed to prepare first data showing the number of school children living outside a limit of one and one-half, two, two and one-half and three miles from each school of grade attended; second data showing number of wagon or auto routes "supplementing present car lines" necessary to transport children living at said different distances from each school. Third data showing probable costs of transporting for four months per year, and for entire school year, of children living at said different distances by each of the different routes, and different methods of transportation. Voted in the affirmative.

### Library

Voted: To raise and appropriate . . . . \$400 00

### Unclassified

Printing Town Reports, care of Town Clock, etc.	\$500 00
Cemetery . . . . .	500 00

### Interest

On Loans for General Purposes, receipts and . . . . .	\$ 300 00
On New High School Loan . . . . .	1,496 25

Art. 6. On motion it was voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for the observance of Memorial Day and that the same be expended by a committee of three appointed by the Moderator, who named Job P. Estes, Charles B. Osbon and Oscar A. Lundgren.

Art. 7. Voted: That the Town pay the Tax Collector two per cent of his collections as his compensation during the ensuing year, and that he collect the taxes according to law.

Art. 8. Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1916, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 9. On motion it was voted in the negative.

Art. 10. On motion it was voted in the affirmative.

Art. 11. On motion it was voted to accept Veranda Street as laid out by the Selectmen according to the Silver Lake Park Plan.

Art. 12. Motion made to raise and appropriate \$100. Voted in the negative.

Art. 13. On motion it was voted to fix the salary of the School Committee at \$200 to be taken from the appropriation for Schools.

Art. 14. On motion it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.

Art. 15. On motion it was voted that a committee of three appointed by the Moderator look into the matter and report at a future meeting. The Moderator appointed as said Committee Herbert C. Barrows, Charles B. Osbon and Philip B. Buzzell.

Art. 16. Action taken previously at this meeting. On motion it was here voted to close the polls at 4 o'clock.

Art. 17. Moved by Mr. Herbert C. Barrows, that the Town appropriate \$2,000 under Chapter 525, Acts of 1910, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission, \$1,000 to be raised by taxation and \$1,000 to be taken from the Street Railway and Excise Tax. Voted in the affirmative.

After a declaration of the vote under Article 2 and the administration of the oath of office by the Moderator in open meeting to the following named persons: James E. Kelley as Town Clerk, Surveyor of Wood, Bark, Lumber and Common Committee; Arthur W. Eames as Selectman, Overseer of the Poor, Fence Viewer, Board of Survey, Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber; Herbert C. Barrows as Selectman, Overseer of the Poor, Fence Viewer, Board of Survey, Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber; Frank W. Dayton as Selectman, Overseer of Poor, Board of Survey, Fence Viewer; Walter L. Hale as Measurer of Wood and Bark and Public Weigher; Frank L. Eames as Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber and Public Weigher; the ballots were sealed, countersigned and with check lists used turned over to the Town Clerk; the meeting then adjourned *sine die*.

Attest:

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
Town Clerk.

## TOWN WARRANT

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Special Town Meeting, November 14, 1916

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington,  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in accordance with the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Tuesday the fourteenth day of November current, at 8 p.m., to act upon the following articles, namely:

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

Art. 2. To see what action the Town will take in regard to draining the new High School lot, and in regard to raising and appropriating a sum sufficient to pay for such drainage.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will authorize its School Committee to obtain legal advice as to the validity of and as to other matters in connection with the bonds now in the posses-

sion of the Town and covering the new High School building and to employ counsel to enforce the rights of the Town thereunder, if any, and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sufficient sum to defray expenses incurred by said Committee in carrying out either or both of the aforesaid purposes.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this sixth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

[SEAL]

HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
FRANK W. DAYTON,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*



## TOWN MEETING

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### Record of Proceedings Special Town Meeting November 14, 1916

Meeting was called to order at 8 p.m., by the Town Clerk, the Warrant was read and Article 1 acted upon.

Article 1. Edward N. Eames was elected Moderator by ballot, the check list being used.

Art. 2. Remarks by Philip B. Buzzell in relation to raising and appropriating money under the article; and in explanation of the calling of the meeting; also read a report by Clarence E. Carter, C. E., on several routes by which the lot could be drained; after which he made the following motion. Moved: That the Town adopt Plan C and B submitted by C. E. Carter, Engineer, for the purpose of draining the High School lot into the Church Street sewer, and that it authorize the construction of such a drain as is specified in said plan; such part of the construction as will be upon the lot or grounds connected with the High School to be under the supervision and control of the School Committee, and the rest of such construction to be under the supervision and control of the Board of Selectmen and that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized, empowered and instructed to borrow upon the credit of the Town such sum, not to exceed two thousand dollars, as may be necessary to complete such construction and to issue the note or notes of the Town therefor, to be signed by the Town Treasurer and countersigned by at least a majority

of the Selectmen; such note or notes to be for a term of not more than thirty years, and to comply in every respect with Chapter 719 of the Acts of 1913, and all other requirements of law relating to municipal indebtedness in this Commonwealth, which on being put to a yea and nay vote, the check list being used, resulted as follows; yes, nine (9), no, twenty-one (21), and the motion was declared not carried. A motion was then made by Mr. H. C. Barrows. Moved: That the Moderator appoint a committee to investigate the feasibility and probable expense of waterproofing the basement of the High School, and to report thereon to a meeting of the Town to be called for the purpose of taking action in relation thereto. Motion was adopted. The Moderator appointed the Selectmen and School Committee as said Special Committee.

Art. 3. After some explanatory remarks by Mr. Philip B. Buzzell the following motion was submitted by him. Moved: That the School Committee be and it hereby is authorized, empowered and directed, upon the credit and at the expense of the Town, to obtain legal advice as to the validity of and as to other matters in connection with the bonds now in possession of the Town and covering the new High School Building, and if it shall then appear that the Town has any rights in connection therewith, said Committee is hereby vested with full authority in its discretion to institute legal proceedings for the enforcement of such rights, upon the credit and at the expense of the Town as aforesaid. After some extended remarks it was voted in the negative. On motion then it was voted to adjourn.

Attest:

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*



BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON FOR THE YEAR 1916

NO.	DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAMES OF PARENTS
1	January 2	Mary Louise Reddy	Hugh Reddy, Addie Kernon
2	January 7	Mildred Harriet Buck	Charles H. Buck, Harriet S. Nichols
3	January 26	Margaret Nellson	Edward M. Nellson, Mildred E. Buck
4	February 4	Maynard Arnold Rice	Harlie E. Rice, Blanche E. Taylor
5	February 12	Agnes Lillian Beals	Enoch H. Beals, Sarah K. Allen
6	February 16	Ruth Mary Kidder	Arthur G. Kidder, Nettie M. Boynton
7	February 18	Mary Genevieve Flagg } Twins	Paul F. Flagg, Viola May Besse
8	February 18	Valerie May Flagg }	Paul F. Flagg, Viola May Besse
9	February 24	Charles Andrew Ackerman	Henry Francis Ackerman, Ida Matilda Lawson
10	February 29	Lydia Marion Lavoie } Twins	Joseph E. Lavoie, Alphonsine M. Marion
11	February 29	Lucy Marion Lavoie }	Joseph E. Lavoie, Alphonsine M. Marion
12	March 1	Elliott Hersey Hathaway	Herman H. Hathaway, Mary J. Corcoran
13	March 1	Leonardo Edgar Buck	William E. Buck, Carrie E. Chaney
14	March 5	John Taldavsky	Demitri Taldavsky, Domeka Taransky
15	March 15	—Fiske	Albion W. Fiske, Gertrude Jordan
16	March 15	Stillborn	John A. Hubbard, Selina Amero
17	March 28	Mary Julia Hubbard	John A. Hubbard, Selina Amero
18	March 31	Anastina Brabant	Alphonse Brabant, Ernestine Fuette
19	April 18	—Caron	Joseph A. Caron, Jane E. Doherty
20	May 4	Gladys Elice Hale	Walter L. Hale, Adah F. Carter
21	May 10	Albert Mansourian	Toros K. Mansourian, Anna Hagopian
22	May 15	Stillborn	Ethan D. Gilson, Jessie F. Gowing
23	May 17	Mildred Jessie Gilson	Emil Rohweder, Johanna Leyes
24	May 19	Cora Anna Rohweder	Charles W. Thompson, Eva May O'Connor
25	May 21	Charles Wilson Thompson, Jr	Charles W. Thompson, Eva May O'Connor
26	May 24	—Meliaskewsky	Victor Meliaskewsky, Mary Zakliska
27	June 3	Arthur Merrill Southmayd	Leon F. Southmayd, Ethel Maud Parker
28	June 4	Stillborn	Walter E. Colgate, Charlotte F. M. Snelling
29	June 5	John Henry Colgate	Walter E. Colgate, Charlotte F. M. Snelling
30	June 17	Arthur Jarvis Fairweather, Jr	Arthur J. Fairweather, Katherine H. Miller

31	July	4	Helen Frances Miller	Charles Edgar Miller, Helen Frances Robinson
32	July	28	June Priscilla Eberts	Walter R. Eberts, Irene P. McLeod
33	July	31	Arthur Giddings Mullarky	Henry G. Mullarky, Merle L. Taylor
34	August	1	Robert Everett De Korte	Coleman E. DeKorte, Violetta J. Young
35	August	4	Ruth Elizabeth Woods	Thomas J. Woods, Grace M. Hawn
36	August	8	Marguerite Casaletto	Joseph A. Casaletto, Maria Michela Pafundo
38	August	19	Joseph Walter Koper	Arthur H. Koper, Minnie R. Babine
39	August	22	—Folan	Patrick H. Folan, Enid H. Buntan
40	August	24	Rel Henry Crispo	Joseph F. Crispo, Antonia Blanchette
41	August	28	Frances Louise McQuesten	Frank E. McQuesten, Mary Louise Downing
42	October	10	Louise Veronica Babine	Charles S. Babine, Oberlin Muse
43	October	13	Mabel Edith White	James White, Margaret Jacquard
44	October	14	Giovannina Giordano	Savino Giordano, Saveria Palermo
45	October	15	Francesco Guisuppe Danca	Gaetano Danca, Concettina Abadessa
46	October	16	Alfred Horace Brabant	Aristide Frabant, Amanda Brunelle
47	October	19	Leona Pearl Sudsbury	Everett C. Sudsbury, Mildred E. Harris
48	October	25	Walter Irving Hinxman	Roland C. Hinxman, Avis Manwaring
49	November	6	Jack Arthur Babine	John Arthur Babine, Sarah L. Blaisdell
50	November	10	Adam Thomas Galka	Anthony Galka, Julia Palkowska
51	November	12	Pauline Leona Neumyer	John C. Neumyer, Mary Ouellette
53	December	7	Wharner Abouhayation	Frank Sitrak Abouhayation, Mary C. Chiumento
54	December	16	—Mnoholitna	Demetri Mnoholitna, Mary Dorofy
55	December	16	Evangeline Elizabeth Smith	Harold Dyer Smith, Flora Julia Babine
56	December	23	Wilhemina Sousa	Anthony Sousa, Margaret O'Brien
57	December	24	Daniel J. White	James D. White, Annie J. Surrette
58	December	24	—Sadoski } Twins	Steve Sadoski, Frances Junateska
59	December	24	—Sadoski }	Steve Sadoski, Frances Junateska
60	December	26	Mary Elizabeth Cosgrove	James J. Cosgrove, Mary E. Robinson
61	December	30	Dorothy M. Burris	William F. Burris, Mildred Esther Baker

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON FOR THE YEAR 1916

No.	Date	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth	Names of Parents
1	Mar. 8	John Sumner Huber Esmeralda P. Biathrow	Wilmington Wilmington	22 19	R. R. Brakeman At home	Woburn Malden	William H. Huber, Clara Mable Jones Herbert G. Biathrow, Addie E. Williams
2	Mar. 14	Frank Elmer McQuesten Mary Louise Downing	Wilmington Wilmington	22 20	Photo Engraver At home	West Medford Malden	Frank McQuesten, Mary Kirkpatrick Paul G. Downing, Elma Cross
3	Apr. 23	George Tobey Macone Anna Frances Lavey	Wilmington Cambridge	33 27	Chaufeur Tel. Operator	Gaeta, Italy E. Cambridge	Thomas Frank Macone, Marie D. Valente John Lavey, Mary Scott
4	May 3	Fred Stewart King Alice May Young	Everett Wilmington	24 19	Meter Man Machine Oper.	Chelsea Everett	Richard A. King, Jessie E. Weeks Leonard William Young, M. Dorothy Sweezy
5	May 6	Arthur Lawler Elizabeth Wylie	Brookline Brookline	30 26	Butler Housemaid	Scotland Scotland	John Lawler, Jane Ramage Adam John Wylie, Hannah Orr
6	May 25	Arthur John Babine Sarah Lamont Blaisdell	Wilmington Wilmington	21 18	Steam Fitter At home	Wilmington Wilmington	Ramie J. Babine, Evangeline Surette Charles V. Blaisdell, Arabella K. Closson
7	June 3	Daniel Robert Carter Dorothea Neilson	Wilmington Wilmington	30 28	Carpenter At home	Wilmington Woburn	William H. Carter, 2d., Clara A. Gowing Christian Neilson, Annie C. Madson
8	June 4	Frank H. White Mary E. Castine	Wilmington Woburn	19 21	Carrier At home	Wilmington Woburn	James White, Margaret Jacquard Maurice A. Castine, Mary Charlotte Dulong
9	June 7	Harold Eber Melzar Edna Frances McKusick	Wilmington Somerville	27 24	Clerk Clerk	Boston Boston	Eber P. Melzar, Georgianna E. Greene Edward P. McKusick, Delia F. Milliken
10	June 19	William Warner Musa A. Mason	Wilmington Boston	28 30	Painter Shirt Maker	Nova Scotia Gorham, N. H.	Jesse K. Warner, Lillie B. Handspiker Wallace Mason, Eveina Young
11	June 28	Ernest R. Carrier Jessie Maud Carter	Wilmington Wilmington	22 24	Market Gard'nr School Teacher	Middleton Wilmington	Edwin E. Carrier, Mary A. Snow William H. Carter, 2d., Clara A. Gowing
12	June 28	Harry Gowing Bedell Florence Thilda Koford	Wilmington Carlisle	23 26	Telegrapher School Teacher	Wilmington Carlisle	Walter E. Bedell, Sarah P. Gowing William C. Koford, Thilda Jacobsen
13	July 3	Wallace E. Barrows Annie M. Hughes	Wilmington Wilmington	25 23	Carpenter Nurse	Medford West Medford	William E. Barrows, Bessie Robinson George Hughes, Annie Read

14 July	6 James Burns Adams Mildred L. Caldon	Lowell Lowell	23 20	Chauffeur At home	Scotland Rumney, N. H.	John Adams, Janet Burns Frank C. Caldon, Minnie F. Gillette
15 July	8 Vincent Martignetti Helen E. Jameson	Wilmington East Boston	22 19	Woodcarver Candy Packer	Italy Boston	Antonio Martignetti, Clementina Pretilli Robert J. Jameson, Annie L. O'Toole
16 July	12 Alfred M. Castine Frances E. White	Woburn Wilmington	23 20	Janitor At home	Woburn Wilmington	Maurice A. Castine, Mary C. Dulong James White, Margaret Jacquard
17 July	16 James Marinus Berg Lillian May Carroll	Wilmington Wilmington	27 20	Janitor At home	Laso, Denmark Reading	Jacob M. Berg, Gertrude M. Nielson Silas Henry Carroll, Mary Milliken
18 July	29 Frank D. Butters L. Harriett Hemeon	Wilmington Wilmington	20 19	Grocery Clerk At home	Boston Somerville	John Buckley, Annie Patterson Lamont S. Hemeon, Annie P. Coombs
19 Aug.	12 William J. Schnering Delia "Defarges" Giroux	Wilmington Wilmington	47 54	Carpenter At home	Germany Canada	Charles Schnering, Minnie Krum John B. Defarges, Adeline Riendeault
20 Aug.	12 William J. Peppett Florence P. Sanders	Boston Boston	26 30	Advertising Bookkeeper	Nova Scotia Nova Scotia	David S. Peppett, Sarah Whitman John N. Sanders, Margaret Winters
21 Sept.	3 Herbert M. Forbes Pearl A. Hemeon	Wilmington Wilmington	27 18	Operator At home	Somerville Somerville	Edward B. Forbes, Louise A. Jordrey Lamont S. Hemeon, Pearl A. Coombs
22 Sept.	7 William Spencer Hale Margaret Bell Hill	Wilmington Wilmington	27 21	Fireman At home	Melrose Wells, Me.	James Warren Hale, Laura L. Spencer William G. Hill, Sarah E. Coffin
23 Sept.	12 Leslie James Gordon Amy Walsh	Laconia, N. H. Laconia, N. H.	29 29	Carpenter Teacher	Woodsville, N. H. Nova Scotia	James Gordon, Jennie Hancock Andrew Walsh, Margaret Hancock
24 Sept.	20 Patrick H. Cronin, Jr. Annie E. Kenney	Boston Wilmington	31 31	Shipping Clerk Bookkeeper	Boston Wilmington	Patrick H. Cronin, Sarah J. Reilly John Kenney, Mary Duffy
25 Oct.	7 Eben W. Roberts Erminnie Frances Day	Wilmington Wilmington	23 22	Candy Maker Bookkeeper	Milford Boston	Herbert F. Roberts, Katy Broster Frank E. Day, Maude Coleman
26 Oct.	8 John C. Bardall C. A. "Ducherneau" Ryan	Wilmington Boston	77 43	Blue Hog Br'der At home	No Man's Land New York	John Bardall, Rachel Hass Henry Ducherneau, Alice Circaden
27 Oct.	15 Wilbur G. Shaughnessy Lillian M. Blaisdell	Melrose Wilmington	16 21	Blacker At home	Melrose Wilmington	John J. Shaughnessy, Margaret McDonald George L. Blaisdell, Elva A. Parker
28 Oct.	16 Percy Sherman Hinckley Ora Holt	Wakefield Wilmington	29 25	Clerk Stenographer	Wakefield Wilmington	Eugene S. Hinckley, Lizzie Sherman Martin F. Holt, Ella L. Carter

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON FOR 1916—Continued

No.	Date	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth	Names of Parents
29	Oct. 17	Raymond W. Howe Clara P. Neilson	Wilmington Wilmington	24 20	Salesman Secretary	Dorchester Wilmington	Ralph G. Howe, Fannie E. Bullen Christian Neilson, Annie C. Madsen
30	Oct. 25	George Ray Patterson Mabel Lizzie Connor	Woburn Wilmington	26 25	Electrician Stenographer	Woburn Nashua, N. H.	George A. Patterson, Isabel Ray James G. Connor, Ida Whipple
31	Nov. 9	Elmer H. Chase M.L. "Boynton" Sanderson	Wilmington Wilmington	48 37	Painter Housekeeper	Bangor, Me. Wilmington	Zenas B. Chase, Addie S. Badger Dan W. Boynton, Laura J. Butters
32	Nov. 22	Carl Frederick Connor Marion Carter Cole	Wilmington Wilmington	27 25	Electrician At home	Nashua, N. H. Wilmington	James G. Connor, Ida Whipple Samuel F. Cole, Mary E. Carter
33	Nov. 27	Albert H. Eaton Eva Roxann Smith	Wilmington Greenfield, N. H.	22 19	Carpenter Teacher	North Reading Hudson, N. H.	Irven C. Eaton, Julia C. Keefe Perley B. Smith, Elizabeth J. Robbins
34	Nov. 30	Gaetano Laudato Annie Terragrossa	Boston Wilmington	24 18	Tailor Clerk	Italy Boston	Gaetano Laudato, Rosina Cersosimo Grispino Terragrossa, Marie Gangi
35	Dec. 31	George Arthur De Lisle Wilhemina R. Correia	Everett Wilmington	21 20	Chauffeur Tel. Operator	Cambridge Cambridge	Theophilus DeLisle, Mary A. Porquette Joachim Correia, Anna Folger





DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON FOR THE YEAR 1916

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Sex	Age Y.M.D.	Disease or Cause of Death	Residence	Place of Birth	Names of Parents
1 Jan.	John G. May	M	63 9 5	Nephritis	Wilmington	Italy	Richard May, Mary Panetty
2 Jan.	Fannie N. (Webster) Fiske	M	45 1 21	Cancer	Wilmington	Chelsea	James Webster, Ella Nott
3 Jan.	Patrick J. Nee	F	44 10 26	Lobar Pneumonia	Wilmington	Ireland	Christopher Nee, Bridget Nee
4 Feb.	Charles Blake	M	81 7 23	Broncho Pneumonia	Wilmington	Ryegate, Vt.	Not known, not known
5 Feb.	Annie (Needham) Grady	F	40 10 14	Broncho Pneumonia	Wilmington	Ireland	Austin Needham, Mary McNeely
6 Feb.	Nellie E. (Edwards) Dodge	F	51 7 12	Percarditis	Wilmington	Maine	Joseph W. Edwards, Eliza Denton
7 Feb.	Alma Nellie (Mullett) Miller	F	22 9 7	La Grippe	Wilmington	St. Johns, N. B.	Edward Mullett, Alma Victoria
8 Mar.	Annie Walsh	F	61 0 0	Dilatation of Heart	Wilmington	Ireland	Andrew Walsh, Elizabeth Holmes
9 Mar.	Stillborn	F	17 hrs.	Malformation Heart	Wilmington	Wilmington	Albion W. Fiske, Gertrude Jordan
10 Mar.	Stillborn	F	31 8 24	Anemia	Wilmington	Wilmington	Frank M. Boynton, Diantha H. Murray
11 Apr.	Nettie M. (Boynton) Kidder	F	30 min.	Patent Foramen Ovale	Wilmington	Wilmington	Joseph A. Caron, Jane E. Doherty
12 Apr.	Stillborn	F	7 4 6	Pertinitis	Wilmington	Cambridge	Jacob Saleskowsky, Roney Wrowsky
13 May	Blanche Saleskowsky	F	21 0 15	Tuberculosis of Lungs	Wilmington	Roxbury	Arthur H. Hutchinson, Ella Ross
14 May	Stillborn	F	52 4 28	Torticollis	Wilmington	Scotland	John Cameron, Margaret Campbell
15 June	Stillborn	F	27 4 25	Tuberculosis of Throat	Wilmington	Everett	Ira L. Roberts, Mary Gilman
16 June	Mildred I. (Hutchinson) White	F	85 5 25	Acute Gastritis	Wilmington	Billerica	James Boutwell, Mary R. Kendall
17 July	John Cameron	M	88 4 22	Anemia	Wilmington	Goffstown, N. H.	James Johannott, Eunice Kemp
18 July	Charles I. Roberts	M	29 11 22	Tuberculosis of Lungs	Wilmington	Charlestown	William H. Simpson, Hattie L. Barron
19 July	Mary E. (Boutwell) Philbrick	F	75 3 21	Cancer	Wilmington	Madison, N. H.	Asa Head, Deborah Jackson
20 July	Margaret B. (Johannott) Cutler	F	30 0 0	Appendix Abscess	Wilmington	Sweden	Carl Werner, Anna L. Nilson
21 Aug.	Iona E. (Simpson) White	F	80 0 0	Arterio Sclerosis	Wilmington	Carada	Samuel Jenne, Ruth D. Cleavland
22 Aug.	Aurelio B. (Head) Bedell	F	57 0 21	Cerebral Hemorrhage	Wilmington	Worcester	Abraham Flagg, Nancy Witham
23 Aug.	Lena Werner	F	71 0 0	Chronic Nephritis	Wilmington	Ireland	Patrick Keefe, Mary Burns
24 Aug.	William M. Jenne	M	0 9 23	Cholera Infantum	Wilmington	Cedar Falls, N. Y.	Clinton Lincoln, Annie Gray
25 Sept.	Frank H. Flagg	M					
26 Sept.	John F. Keefe	M					
27 Sept.	Hilda Lincoln	F					

28 Oct.	9	Walter E. Atton	M	S	0	9	17	Broncho Pneumonia	Wilmington	Wilmington	Arthur B. Atton, Harriett L. Formeister
29 Oct.	10	Forrest H. Buck	M	M	28	0	21	Bullet wound of head, Hemorrhage	Wilmington	Wilmington	Herbert N. Buck, Emma E. Hamlin
30 Oct.	11	Charles Feindel	M	S	4	7	26	Accident, kicked by horse	Wilmington	Wilmington	Charles L. Feindel, Annie Arbogast
31 Oct.	22	Alexander Brabant	M	M	63	5	0	Acute Pancreatitis	Wilmington	Canada	Michael Brabant, unknown
32 Oct.	31	Francis J. Skillen	M	M	63	5	14	Carcinoma Pacc	Wilmington	Brookline	John Skillen, Martha Jones
33 Nov.	18	Bertha (Brabant) Richards	F	M	30	3	0	Mitral Stenosis and Regurgitation	Wilmington	Billerica	Alexander Brabant, Mary Beaulien
34 Nov.	28	Richard Thomas Kingston	M	W	93	5	7	Arterio Sclerosis	Wilmington	Clifton, N. B	James Kingston, Elizabeth Dailey
35 Dec.	5	Jesse Cutler	M	W	98	1	13	Senile Decay	Wilmington	Burlington	Jesse Cutler, Nancy Richardson
36 Dec.	31	Adelaide M. (Fuller) Perkins	F	M	61	11	1	Cancer	Wilmington	Lowell	Darius S. Fuller, Abigail M. Morse

The following named persons were buried in Wilmington, but died elsewhere, during the year 1916.

Jan. 12 Mary C. Walker at Lowell, aged 58 yrs.  
 Feb. 12 Rebecca L. White at Andover, aged 81 yrs. 7 mos. 8 dys.  
 Feb. 20 Isabella Holt at North Reading, aged 77 yrs. 8 mos. 20 dys.  
 Apr. 20 Angelina Davis at Wakefield, aged 65 yrs. 2 mos. 22 dys.  
 May 28 Orietta B. Mudgett at Lynn, aged 54 yrs. 7 mos. 1 dy.  
 June 1 Frederick E. Orcutt at Boston, aged 28 yrs. 3 mos. 8 dys.  
 Sept. 9 Adelaide M. Closson at Detroit, Mich., aged 48 yrs. 5 mos. 3 dys.  
 Oct. 14 Fred Bertelson at Boston, aged 80 yrs. 11 mos. 4 dys.  
 Oct. 24 Clara M. Day at Woburn, aged 85 yrs. 4 mos. 12 dys.  
 Nov. 16 Susan M. H. Cutler at Everett, aged 59 yrs. 3 mos. 29 dys.  
 Nov. 21 Otis Harnden at Amesbury, aged 77 yrs. 2 mos. 14 days.  
 Dec. 4 Georgianna, White at Beverly, aged 76 yrs. 10 mos. 19 dys.

## RECAPITULATION

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Births registered in 1916 . . . . .	61
Males . . . . .	27
Females . . . . .	34
Marriages registered in 1916 . . . . .	35
Deaths in 1916 . . . . .	36
Males . . . . .	15
Females . . . . .	21
Dog License Account:	
Number of Licenses issued . . . . .	188
By cash paid County Treasurer . . . . .	\$428.40
Account of printed Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths:	
Number on hand January 1, 1916 . . . . .	214
Sold during the year . . . . .	2
Number on hand January 1, 1917 . . . . .	212

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*

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The Town Clerk will furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives, applying therefor, blanks for returns of births as required by law.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Together with the Reports of the  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL  
SUPERVISORS OF MANUAL ARTS  
SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

For the year ending December 31, 1916

### **School Committee**

Howard M. Horton . . . . .	Term expires 1917
Ellen S. Perry . . . . .	Term expires 1918
Philip B. Buzzell . . . . .	Term expires 1919

### **Superintendent of Schools**

Charles L. Randall, 97 Eighteenth Street, Lowell, Tel. 4746  
resigned September 1.

James A. MacDougall, North Wilmington, Tel. 3-3. Elected.

### **Attendance Officer**

Samuel R. Rice

### **School Physician**

Daniel T. Buzzell, M.D.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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To the Citizens of the Town of Wilmington:

The year 1916, destined to go down into history as one of the most noted of the Christian Era, has brought more than the usual number of changes in the administration of the public schools of our town.

At the beginning of the year, Miss Agnes Hayward of Pepperell was elected as teacher of English in the High School to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss R. M. Giles. Miss Hayward has given good satisfaction in her position and we trust we may retain her services in the future.

At the annual meeting of the Joint-Committee of the Superintendency District, a proposal for the dissolution of the District was brought forward by the towns of Dracut and Tewksbury. There was a feeling on the part of those towns that the district was too large and that they were not getting the attention necessary. While we were perfectly satisfied with conditions as they were, we did not desire to remain in a district in which we were not wanted. The district was therefore dissolved by an unanimous vote.

During the month of June an attempt was made by your committee to form a new district consisting of the towns of Topsfield, Middleton and Wilmington. This idea was abandoned as it was deemed unwise to take the two towns, Topsfield and Middleton, from the same district.

Late in August, a district was formed consisting of Boxford, Middleton and Wilmington. This district having received the approval of the State Board of Education, the Committees of the several towns met at Middleton to apportion the expense and elect a Superintendent.

It was voted that Wilmington should pay five-tenths, Boxford three-tenths, and Middleton two-tenths of the expense.

Mr. James A. MacDougall of Taunton was selected from a number of applicants to serve as Superintendent at a salary of nineteen hundred dollars per year. Mr. MacDougall comes to us with years of experience as a school principal and superintendent and we feel confident that he will maintain the same high degree of success as was obtained by our former officials.

In regard to the financial aspect of the change, we will say that the net expense to the Town will be somewhat less than the former district. At the close of the school year in June a number of resignations were received.

Miss Batchelder who had been at the head of the Commercial Department of the High School for the past four years accepted a position in the Reading High School.

Miss Everett, the instructor in the Domestic Science Department, received an appointment at Belmont at a largely increased salary.

Miss Alice Rigby of Melrose was elected to the Commercial Department and Miss Alva Chisolm of Malden to the Domestic Science Department.

Some weeks after school closed, Mr. Bates, principal of the High School, resigned. Mr. Bates was elected at Maynard with a larger school and increased salary.



From a list of forty applicants, Mr. W. F. Allen of Goldsboro, N. C., was elected to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Allen comes to us highly recommended and judging from the success obtained up to the present time, we feel assured that the selection will prove a wise one.

Among the teachers of the Grade Schools, there were fewer changes. Miss Florence Koford of the Whitefield and Miss Jessie Carter of the West School severed their connection as teachers in our schools. These young ladies, successful teachers for the past three years, have retired from the profession to accept positions as home makers and we wish them every success in their new walks of life.

The vacancy at the West School was filled by the election of Miss May Lund, Salem '16, and at the Whitefield by the election of Miss Helen Gibbs, Salem '16.

Various complaints having been made by the parents in regard to the heating of the District Schools, we have prepared an article in relation to same, which will come before you at the March meeting. The system we have in mind is the same as has been in use at the South School for the past eighteen years.

Plans and estimates of the probable cost will be submitted at the Town Meeting.

With this exception the graded school buildings are in good condition and will require only minor repairs.

The roof of the High School is leaking and the plastering is becoming badly discolored. Your Committee have tried to have it remedied, but the contractors seemed unwilling or unable to remedy the defects.

While two different bonds were given to insure a satisfactory job, there was a question as to the rights of the Town under

	Grades	Aggregate Attendance	Number of Days School in Session	Aggregate Membership	Average Membership	Average Daily Attendance	Per cent of Attendance	Previously enrolled elsewhere in State
High School.....		18,536	187	121	104.48	99.12	94.87	
Center School:								
Eva L. Hersey.....	VIII	5,824	180	41	35.73	32.43	90.7	
Carolyn M. Swain.....	VII	6,415.5	177½	42	39.54	36.14	91	2
M. Ethel Chapman.....	I-IV	4,334.5	177	28	26.27	24.45	93	5
Walker School:								
Ida L. Shaw.....	VI	6,855.	179	50	42.14	38.28	90.	9
Henrietta A. Swain.....	V	5,824.5	178	43	36.60	32.84	90.	3
H. Mildred Eames.....	III-IV	6,133.5	179	42	38.70	34.26	88.5	1
Gertrude M. Eames.....	I-II	6,175	178½	45	40.16	34.84	87	2
Whitefield School:								
Florence Koford.....	V-VII	4,143.5	176	29	25.16	23.54	93.6	1
Nettie M. Haley.....	I-IV	4,099	177	29	25.75	22.54	87.53	1
South School:								
Marion Perry.....	I-III	2,670.5	180	22	16.63	14.83	89.2	1
East School:								
E. Lillian Sutherland.....	I-IV	1,840	170	21	11.87	10.80	91.15	10
West School:								
Jessie M. Carter.....	I-IV	5,407	177	40	35.4	31.1	87.67	2
North School:								
Genenia M. Kimball.....	I-IV	2,986	178½	24	18.8	16.7	83.5	6
Totals.....		81,244		577	497.23	452.17	90.9	43

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NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PUPILS ENROLLED DURING  
THE SCHOOL YEAR

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	Under 5 Years of Age.	5 Years or Over and Under 7.	7 Years or Over and Under 14.	14 Years or Over and Under 16.	Over 16	Totals (5 Preceding Columns.)
Boys,	3	40	164	32	23	262
Girls,	1	40	174	42	22	279
Totals,	4	80	338	74	45	541

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those bonds. We were unable to enforce them legally without good counsel. This being denied us, by a vote of the Town at a Special Meeting, the matter was dropped.

The matter should receive immediate attention if the interior of the building is to be preserved.

Conditions in the basement are also very unsatisfactory. Last spring we had from ten inches to a foot of water in the boiler room and gymnasium. In order to keep up the fires we were obliged to have a pump working night and day.

After consultation with the Board of Selectmen, we engaged an engineer to prepare plans for a series of drains which we felt would take care of the water. These plans, submitted to the voters of the Town, were rejected and a proposition of waterproofing was brought forward.

At the present time and with such information as we have at hand, we cannot recommend the expenditure of a thousand dollars with no surety of success.

Our experience with the roof has rendered us skeptical as to the value of a guarantee for a tight job of waterproofing.

We would call also your attention to the fire well near the High School. This reservoir is covered with a plank platform which is getting weak from exposure to weather and we recommend that a concrete curb with an iron manhole be placed about it. We trust that the amount asked for will be granted so that this portion of the grounds may be made to correspond with the remainder. In accordance with a vote passed in March, 1916, a report will be submitted by the Committee in regard to the transportation of pupils.

As the transportation of pupils upon the lines indicated in this vote will require considerable expense, we trust that the citizens will consider the matter carefully before taking action.

In making up our budget for 1917, we were obliged to increase the amount for fuel and books and supplies.

The advance in price of all kinds of paper stock and the scarcity of coal rendered this imperative.

The routine work of the various schools will be more fully explained by the reports of the several principals and supervisors to which we would call your attention and ask a careful examination of the same.

The grading of the High School lot has been completed and the final payment made.

We desire to thank the citizens and organizations who aided us in the improvement of the grounds by the planting of trees and shrubs.

We trust that the example thus set will induce others to assist in future years, so that the building and grounds will become an ornament and credit to the Town.

The fencing of the Whitefield and West Schools has been completed in accordance with the vote of the Town and a detailed financial report will be found of same.

In closing we desire to thank the citizens for their loyal support in the last year and solicit a continuance of the same in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed,

HOWARD M. HORTON,  
ELLEN S. PERRY,  
PHILIP B. BUZZELL.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### Recapitulation

Appropriation for 1916 . . . . .	\$19,650 00
Expenditures:	
Salaries of Teachers . . . . .	\$11,875 92
Salaries of Janitors . . . . .	1,695 00
Salaries of Committee . . . . .	200 00
Salaries of Superintendents . . . . .	892 64
Salary of Physician . . . . .	75 00
Salary of Director Savings Fund . . . . .	25 00
Salary of Attendance Officer . . . . .	1 00
Industrial education . . . . .	282 00
Transportation . . . . .	20 00
Fuel . . . . .	1,212 44
Insurance . . . . .	166 50
Repairs . . . . .	445 14
Books and supplies . . . . .	1,750 67
Furniture . . . . .	446 63
Miscellaneous . . . . .	554 01
	\$19,641 95
Balance unexpended . . . . .	\$ 8 05

### Miscellaneous

L. E. Kincaid (repairing clock) . . . . .	\$ 1 00
S. C. Harriman (toilet paper) . . . . .	3 00
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. (telephone service) . . . . .	48 04

S. R. McIntosh (brushes) . . . . .	\$ 1 25
A. & E. Burton (brushes) . . . . .	30 50
J. W. Van Buskirk (rubbish burner) . . . . .	1 98
Butterfield Printing Co. (printing) . . . . .	8 79
S. R. Rice (cleaning) . . . . .	36 00
Charles D. Blake & Co. (account of piano) . . . . .	75 00
Hickox Refining Co. (gasoline) . . . . .	27 54
H. M. Horton (car fares) . . . . .	1 90
J. C. Addison (cleaning clocks) . . . . .	3 00
J. Frank Muse (pumping water) . . . . .	7 50
Carrol Horton (pumping water) . . . . .	6 00
Chester Horton (pumping water) . . . . .	6 50
Clinton Horton (pumping water) . . . . .	2 00
Boston Lead Co. (valve for pump) . . . . .	1 75
Hamlet & Hayes Co. (toilet paper) . . . . .	10 00
C. S. Harriman (teaming) . . . . .	3 00
Wright & Potter Co. (printing) . . . . .	1 85
Thompson Hardware Co. (lawn mower) . . . . .	6 30
Grace A. Jenkins (sundries) . . . . .	7 93
Albert D. Mack (diplomas) . . . . .	4 00
Carrol A. Horton (automobile hire) . . . . .	12 00
Ellen S. Perry (ribbon for diplomas) . . . . .	2 75
Christian Neilson (teaming) . . . . .	8 50
Moth Department (testing roof of High School) . . . . .	1 93
Oliver McGrane (testing roof of High School) . . . . .	1 25
H. R. Pratt (testing roof of High School) . . . . .	70
F. A. Guyette (floor oil) . . . . .	8 00
Thompson Hardware Co. (floor oil) . . . . .	3 00
E. E. Smith & Co. . . . .	6 64
Charles V. Blaisdell (cleaning vaults) . . . . .	25 00
Charles V. Blaisdell (cleaning cesspool) . . . . .	17 00
Gould Buckle (cleaning) . . . . .	4 00
L. H. Kincaid (cleaning) . . . . .	5 00

Maybelle L. Counce (sundries) . . . . .	\$ 1 44	
Singer Machine Co. (needles) . . . . .	1 20	
Clarence E. Carter (surveying) . . . . .	11 50	
Ellen S. Perry (telephone and postage) . . . . .	2 00	
Massachusetts District Police (inspection of boilers) . . . . .	6 00	
Municipal Light Board (electric lights) . . . . .	44 24	
Mrs. J. E. Surette (cleaning) . . . . .	5 00	
Boston & Maine R.R. (freight) . . . . .	4 68	
American Express Co. (express) . . . . .	2 42	
H. M. Horton (sundries) . . . . .	7 85	
W. F. Allen (express and postage) . . . . .	3 28	
A. A. Smith & Co. (repairs on typewriter) . . . . .	7 99	
Buck Bros., North Wilmington (sundries) . . . . .	3 72	
C. L. Randall (office expenses) . . . . .	47 09	
F. A. Lowell (programs) . . . . .	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$554 01

### Furniture

Kenny Bros. & Wolkins (seats and desks) . . . . .	\$363 20	
Edward Caldwell (furniture) . . . . .	59 63	
Edward Caldwell (shades) . . . . .	23 80	
	<hr/>	\$446 63

### Repairs

E. A. Hamlin (labor) . . . . .	\$ 7 45
W. & B. Douglas (pump and motor) . . . . .	136 35
F. H. Jones (electrical repairs) . . . . .	4 70
A. E. Robinson (labor) . . . . .	50 24
G. W. Blanchard & Co. (lumber) . . . . .	42 90
Boston Plumbing & Heating Co. (soil pipe) . . . . .	15 90
Everett Avery (labor) . . . . .	7 50
Chester T. Horton (labor) . . . . .	9 00



H. N. Clark Co. (grates) . . . . .	\$ 4 60	
H. M. Horton (labor) . . . . .	62 77	
R. P. Burgess (labor) . . . . .	5 25	
C. S. Harriman & Co. (valve packing) . . . . .	50	
E. E. Carter (lumber and hardware) . . . . .	37 76	
Atlantic Clock Co. (repairs on clock) . . . . .	11 98	
S. R. McIntosh (lumber and hardware) . . . . .	42 17	
Dodge, Haley Co. (iron beams) . . . . .	6 07	
Total . . . . .	<u>          </u>	\$445 14

### Fuel

Frank L. Eames (coal) . . . . .	\$842 94	
Walter L. Hale (coal) . . . . .	160 00	
H. C. Barrows (measuring wood) . . . . .	1 50	
C. S. Harriman (wood) . . . . .	143 00	
Walter L. Hale (wood) . . . . .	16 00	
W. B. McIntosh (wood) . . . . .	11 00	
J. C. Horton (sawing wood) . . . . .	38 00	
Total . . . . .	<u>          </u>	\$1,212 44

### Insurance

Fred A. Eames . . . . .	\$166 50	
	<u>          </u>	\$166 50

### Transportation

Bay State Street Railway Co. . . . .	\$20 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$20 00

### Industrial Tuition

Town of Reading . . . . .	\$192 00	
Lowell Vocational School . . . . .	90 00	
Total . . . . .	<u>          </u>	\$282 00

**Books and Supplies**

Ginn & Co. (books) . . . . .	\$ 62 37
F. H. Roberts (cocoa) . . . . .	2 70
C. F. Perry (milk) . . . . .	91 38
Buck Bros. (groceries) . . . . .	115 95
A. C. Buck (meat) . . . . .	1 34
Cora Strong (doll) . . . . .	1 75
Educational Associates . . . . .	10 00
Oliver Typewriter Co. . . . .	64 00
Henry Holt & Co. (books) . . . . .	20 00
Houghton, Mifflin & Co. (books) . . . . .	23 41
Macmillan Co. (books) . . . . .	45 93
Atkinson, Mentzer & Co. (books) . . . . .	4 32
Milton Bradley Co. (supplies) . . . . .	24 69
E. E. Babb Co. (books) . . . . .	220 14
American Book Co. (books) . . . . .	33 10
D. C. Heath Co. (books) . . . . .	71 46
J. L. Hammet & Co. (supplies) . . . . .	667 22
Oliver Ditson Co. (music) . . . . .	12 67
A. G. Pollard Co. (dry goods) . . . . .	83 02
Wilmington Town Farm (eggs) . . . . .	11 97
Silver, Burdett Co. (music) . . . . .	3 97
Allyn & Bacon (books) . . . . .	20 20
L. E. Knott Co. (chemicals) . . . . .	24 60
Three Millers Co. (extracts) . . . . .	4 55
W. L. Hale (ice) . . . . .	2 27
Teachers' Exchange (books) . . . . .	8 44
E. E. Carter (lumber, glass, etc) . . . . .	109 22
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	\$1,750 67

**SALARIES****School Committee**

Howard M. Horton . . . . .	\$75 00
Ellen S. Perry . . . . .	75 00
Philip B. Buzzell . . . . .	50 00
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	\$200 00

**Superintendent of Schools**

Charles L. Randall . . . . .	\$576 00	
James A. MacDougall . . . . .	316 64	
	<u>          </u>	\$892 64

**School Physician**

Daniel T. Buzzell, M.D. . . . .	\$75 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$75 00

**Director of School Savings Fund**

Helen H. Buck . . . . .	\$25 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$25 00

**Attendance Officer**

Samuel R. Rice . . . . .	\$1 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$1 00

### Construction of Fence at Whitefield and West Schools

Appropriation . . . . .	\$400 00
Expenditures:	
E. E. Carter (wire and lumber) . . . . .	\$179 52
Boston Lumber Co. (posts) . . . . .	40 30
H. M. Horton (labor) . . . . .	99 20
A. E. Robinson (labor) . . . . .	42 25
New England Paint Co. (paint) . . . . .	5 10
American Express Co. (express) . . . . .	44
W. B. McIntosh (teaming posts) . . . . .	6 00
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	\$372 81
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Balance unexpended . . . . .	\$27 19

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Committee of Wilmington.

*Dear Madam and Sirs* I herewith present my first annual report, it being the twenty-first in the series of superintendents' reports.

It was after the opening of schools in September that I took over the duties of the office and accordingly the work of getting started had been done by Mr. Randall. The teachers had been chosen and were in their places; text-books and supplies had been purchased and distributed. It was for me merely to see that the machinery was kept running. My report therefore will be brief.

Permit me to compliment you, and to congratulate the Town, upon the excellent general condition in which I found the schools. The new principal of the High School had already got a good knowledge of the conditions in the school and was studying with earnestness and energy the best methods of solving the various problems as they arose. He appeared to be getting the co-operation of his assistants, and good will and a good degree of effort from the pupils. His chief difficulty at this time grew out of the fact that the laboratory equipment and the text-books in some departments were inadequate and the appropriation for text-books and supplies was practically spent. These problems are being gradually solved.

The general aim is to put the work of the school on such a standard as to merit the approval of the College Entrance Certificate Board. Although approval by this board of the

colleges does not necessarily mean a superior school, or lack of approval an inferior one, it does mean a decided advantage, because most New England colleges without examinations admit graduates of approved schools. Approval is based principally upon thoroughness of work, and the continued study of a subject for such a period as to insure a fairly intensive knowledge of it. Continued approval is contingent upon the satisfactory work in the colleges of the graduates of the school.

The quality of the work done in the grades is, in general, highly commendable. The attitude of the teachers, almost without exception, indicates a devotion to their work and a loyal interest in the progress and growth of their pupils. This spirit on the part of the teachers has become the spirit of the schools, and there is apparent an atmosphere of self-reliance combined with co-operation — an ambition to do good work and to help others to do well. Even when there has been a spirit of dogmatic authority it has generally been so tempered by one of justice and kindness that pupils interpreted it rightly as one of interest in their well-being.

The end and aim of all school work, to be of value to the community, is, and must be, a preparation for citizenship, and the essentials of good citizenship are loyalty to constituted authority and the ability for independent application to duty, combined with a spirit of interest in the welfare of the community. Any educational system, however efficient it may be in mental training, is a failure if any of these aims are lost sight of or neglected. The college graduate, however brilliant, is a failure if he does not have the ability to work, and if he does not have an interest in the welfare of the town and of the state in which he lives.

It is often difficult to get pupils and even parents to realize that school work should be *work*. Giving up a subject because it is hard and substituting something easier is one of the steps

in training for failure. Success in any line is the result of persistent, continued effort along a chosen line. A father once said to me, "I had to work like a dog to get anywhere and I am going to give my children an education so that they won't have to work." I trust that the schools were able to counteract the ill effects of the father's attitude.

The aim of the work of the first three grades is to give the children the mechanics of reading, number, writing, and give some training of the nervous system for the purpose of co-ordinating the activities of hand and voice with those of eye and ear. During the first year especial emphasis is laid upon reading and story-telling, and upon giving the child concrete work in number. During the second and third years this aim continues but broadens so that by the time he enters the fourth grade the child should be able to read readily and fluently and should have the ability to work out the pronunciation of unfamiliar words. He should have the ability to do addition and subtraction without counting, and should also know readily the multiplication combinations to ten times ten or possibly to twelve times twelve, and simple division. In writing he should have the letter forms and he should be able to spell the common words of his own vocabulary.

In the fourth year he is taught to use these "tools" for practical purposes. He begins to read history for information; he uses the number facts in the solution of easy problems, and he writes the stories that he has been giving orally. In addition he is drilled in reading for vocabulary, pronunciation, fluency, and articulation; in number combinations for readiness and accuracy. His writing and spelling will go on for training in ability to use these in expressing his thoughts on paper. His work in singing, drawing, and nature study has been laying a foundation for later work.

From the beginning of the fifth year the aims of the teachers should be to give the child as great a fund of knowledge of

history, geography, literature, etc., as possible, and by means of the teaching of these to give him the power to acquire information for himself and to apply what he has acquired to such problems as may come into his life. Furthermore the method should be such that his interest in these subjects will continue after he leaves school. He should carry away not merely the knowledge gained but a compelling desire and ambition to acquire more. Life is made up largely of habits. When a pupil leaves school he should, therefore, have well established habits of industry, of thoughtfulness, of fairmindedness, of honesty of thinking. Failures in life, whether they consist in definite violations of law or whether they consist in a lack of sufficient force of will to act positively, are almost invariably due to inability to think straight — to correctly estimate values. How much of this crookedness of thinking is due to shirking in school and trumping up excuses for failure or having them trumped up, rather than accepting honest failure!

The school work in Wilmington is being done in an honest and wholesome way. Children are getting to a good degree a training for the establishing of right habits of thought and action.

I desire to thank citizens, school committee and teachers for the cordial friendliness and co-operation that have been accorded us.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MACDOUGALL,  
*Superintendent of Schools.*



## REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

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Wilmington, Mass., January 8, 1917.

*Superintendent MacDougall and School Board:*

I hereby submit my third annual report as attendance officer of Wilmington Schools. I have had but two calls. One boy was discharged from school and has gone to work. The other case was necessary detention.

Yours respectfully,

SAMUEL R. RICE.

## THE REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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To the Superintendent and School Committee:

I am submitting to you a brief report of the Wilmington High School during the time that I have had the honor of being principal. This report must of necessity be brief and will deal more with present and future conditions than with the past.

Our High School is composed of two distinct classes of pupils. In the first place there is a class of students who lack knowledge of their own ability and who have not yet found out their own desires. Since they have an abundance of time and means at their command, their education has been extended beyond the compulsory school age. It is not necessary for them to determine at this time what they will do in the future — keep on with their studies in school or choose some vocation. They are of the opinion, and they have a right to be, that the High School will be of assistance to them in discovering themselves.

This class of students has been subdivided into four sections, the fourth and third-year boys constituting section one, the fourth and third year girls making up section two, and the second and first year pupils forming sections three and four respectively. To each of these, a teacher has been assigned whose duty it is to consult and confer with all individuals in her respective section so that, if possible, the powers and permanent interests of all pupils may be discovered — in other words — to assist the pupils to self-discovery.

There is a second class of students who have some definite aim and purpose in life. They are eager to succeed and to achieve their ambitions, and what is more natural than that they should expect their High School course to assist them in some specific training and teaching so that their aims and purposes may be accomplished? The students of this class are subdivided into four groups. In the first place, there are those who, for divers reasons, contemplate only a short course in the High School. They desire a brief but broad education adapted to their several interests, or a certain proficiency which may be helpful to them in their future vocations. There are many and varied reasons which mould their aims, chief among which are limited means, indifference, failure to appreciate an extended education, mental or physical weakness, and sometimes a weakness of moral fiber. It is right that this student should receive as quickly as possible what he is justly entitled to so that he may leave school; or his ambition should be so aroused by frequent consultations with his adviser that his course of procedure will be changed.

A second group consists of those students who spend the customary four years in the High School and who expect the school to train them well for citizenship and make them efficient in their future vocations. These pupils expect a course of study fruitful in training, with some vocational instruction.

A third group is made up of students who will be homemakers of the future. Their means and resources are such that it is not necessary for them to engage in wage-earning occupations. They expect the High School to give them a broad, general culture as well as an opportunity to become proficient in planning, supervising, and conducting a home.

There is a fourth group of students who look upon the High School as a preparatory school for the colleges and universities. Rightly do these students insist that the program of studies shall be so arranged that it will contain those subjects required

for admission by the colleges. Not only must these subjects be taught, but as much emphasis should be given to them as to the other branches. During the present year every effort will be expended toward making the school more proficient so that the certificate privilege may be secured from the New England College Entrance Certificate Board. To this end more stress is being placed upon the College Course although the other courses are receiving the attention which they justly deserve. Many pupils have been encouraged to change their courses so they may continue their education after finishing here. This does not necessarily mean that they are being encouraged to become professional men but to perfect themselves in their future vocation by a more prolonged schooling.

Wilmington has a most excellent High School building and one that has been exceedingly well planned for the departmental instruction of the modern High School. The building is exceptionally well equipped for a small school for the household arts, the sciences, and the commercial branches. Under these conditions there is no reason why the school cannot be made one of the best small High Schools in the State.

In a High School with but one session daily, it is absolutely necessary that a large amount of the preparation for the daily recitations be done at home. With the co-operation of the parents there is no reason why a pupil by regular attendance and daily effort cannot graduate here as well prepared for life as in some of the larger High Schools.

In conclusion I desire to express my appreciation to the untiring efforts of the teachers who have been associated and have co-operated with me as well as to the school officials and superintendent for so heartily aiding me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. ALLEN,  
*Principal.*

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MANUAL ARTS

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Mr. MacDougall,  
Superintendent of Schools, Wilmington, Mass.

*Dear Sir:* I herewith submit my report of the year's work in drawing and the manual arts.

The work this year has followed quite closely the plan that was laid out last year; in fact during the three years that I have been teaching here I have followed quite closely the outline that is prescribed and published by the Massachusetts Normal Art School.

During the fall, nature drawing in pencil and color was taken up in all the grades and in the High School; in November and December object drawing, color study and construction, with appropriate Thanksgiving and Christmas lessons.

In the primary grades much time during the winter months is given to illustrative drawing and paper cutting. The children like to illustrate their games, winter sports and nursery rhymes both with crayons and scissors. Construction work and sand-table projects will be taken up in February and March.

The intermediate and grammar grades study design and perspective during the winter months. Construction work also has a place on the outline and some very good history

notebook covers, stationery cases, brush broom holders, etc., were made this year. Most of the pupils are especially interested in this manual work and many, who have not a talent for drawing and find it hard, excel in the manual work and have something useful to show for their efforts. The outline for the spring months includes design, color study and nature drawing.

The High School drawing is divided into two sections, the mechanical, and the freehand classes. All the freshmen boys and several from the other classes take this drawing. The course laid out includes, view drawing, printing, working drawings, perspective, orthographic projection, intersection of solids, shadows, architecture and machine drawing. The freehand class includes girls from all the classes. Nature drawing and painting, still-life groups rendered in charcoal, drawing from casts in charcoal, applied design, pencil technique, interior decoration and stenciling have been studied.

Last June an exhibition of drawing, sewing, writing and woodwork was held in the High School building. It gave the townspeople an opportunity to see what was being done along these lines. Several sand-table projects and doll houses done by the primary grades and outside schools attracted much attention. The pupils of the grammar grades of the Whitefield made the buildings of the tannery out of paper.

I thank the teachers and the Superintendent for their hearty co-operation in contributing to the success of the year's work.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE A. JENKINS.

## REPORT OF INSTRUCTOR OF MANUAL TRAINING

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

I have the honor to submit to you my third annual report of the Manual Training School.

The work in this department is continuing much the same as in the previous school year. While the number of pupils is not quite as large as last year, the attendance is better and we are making some advancement over last year's work. The advancement is not, however, as much as I would like.

While I agree that anything in the wood-working line can be made by hand, with the tools we have at present it would be quite a proposition for a boy to make any round or circular article. Practically all work consists of flat or square surfaces.

What I would advocate at the present time is a foot power lathe with a jig saw attachment. I am sure it would create considerable interest in the older boys and cause a larger number of boys to attend this department.

As I understand the matter at the present time, it is not the lack of interest in the work that causes a smaller number of

High School boys to attend the wood-working classes. A number of boys have spoken to me about taking one period in wood-working, but the periods being forty minutes, the question arises whether it would be worth while. I think not, as they would no more than get started on their projects when it would be time to go back to their rooms.

The attendance from the seventh and eighth grades is about the same and the work is along similar lines to last year.

The work that the High School boys are doing and what we expect to accomplish before the end of the school term will make a good showing at the exhibition.

Respectfully yours,

WILLIAM F. BERESFORD.

Cambridge, Mass., January 25, 1917.



## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

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Mr. J. A. MacDougall,  
Superintendent of Schools, Wilmington, Mass.

*Dear Sir:* I herewith submit a report of music for the year 1916.

The past year has been a pleasant one in many ways. With the untiring efforts of the grade teachers we have been able to perfect the sight-reading, knowledge of the various technical principles and the ability to apply them, and we now have a graded music system that is getting results although it has required close application of both teachers and pupils.

Some of the schools need more books to replace old ones, while in others the increase of membership has made it necessary for two pupils to share one book. In order to keep this music system in good working order the pupils must not be obliged to leave a book until it has been thoroughly mastered. In one building two rooms are using the same books. This is extremely inconvenient and confusing and often wastes time and increases the wear upon the book.

In May, pupils of the Center School presented an operetta, also some folk dances with the Victor, and enough money was secured to purchase more records. The Victor was purchased

the preceding year with funds from a similar entertainment. This year pupils from the Walker building are planning an operetta and hope to purchase a school Victor.

The High School has grown in numbers and in spirit. To encourage the latter the chorus has sung music that would make a direct appeal to the average American boy and girl of today. We have made an attempt at male chorus singing and hope to develop something further in that line in the future. Last year the girls' chorus did creditable work.

With the three buildings containing upper grammar grades which are visited once in two weeks, I find it impossible to visit the out-schools as often as I would like. An extra half day per week would solve this very easily and I hope this matter will receive your consideration.

I desire to thank the school officials who are concerned for the welfare of the music department of our schools. It means much to many boys and girls who receive their only musical instruction in the public schools.

Yours sincerely,

MABELLE PROCTOR COUNCE,  
*Supervisor of Music.*

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN ACCOUNTANT  
FOR THE  
Financial Year, Ending December 31, 1916  
SHOWING  
APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT  
AND BALANCE SHEET.

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Herewith you will find my report as Town Accountant for year ending December 31, 1916, showing appropriations, receipts, payments, statement of Town Debt and balance sheet.

Examination of Town Valuation book and comparison with commitment book were made before delivery of latter to the Collector.

Accounts and books of Trustees of Trust Funds, Tax Collector, Treasurer of S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee and Town Clerk's Dog Tax Records have been examined and found correct.

The Treasurer's books and accounts have been audited and cash balance as rendered by him, \$6,816.62, is correct.

Respectfully,

HARRY R. DEMING,  
*Town Accountant.*

## SCHEDULE I

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### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### Selectmen

Appropriation . . . . .	\$800 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	15 88

#### *Payments*

Salaries . . . . .	\$675 00	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	57 13	
Legal services . . . . .	70 00	
Plans . . . . .	11 50	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	2 25	
	\$815 88	\$815 88

#### Town Accountant

Appropriation . . . . .	\$250 00
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#### *Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$200 00	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	37 60	
	\$237 60	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	12 40	
	\$250 00	\$250 00

**Treasurer**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$375 00
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*Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$250 00	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	62 73	
Premium on Surety Bond . . . . .	50 00	
Telephone . . . . .	2 65	
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	\$365 38	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	9 62	
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	\$375 00	\$375 00

**Tax Collector**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,000 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .		41 65

*Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$981 53	
Printing, postage, stationery . . . . .	46 28	
Telephone . . . . .	13 84	
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	\$1,041 65	\$1,041 65

**Assessors**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$725 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .		9 40

*Payments*

Salaries . . . . .	\$675 00	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	27 90	
Record of Property transfers . . . . .	31 50	
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	\$734 40	\$734 40

**Town Clerk**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$120 00
Received for printed records . . . . .	50

*Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$100 00	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	17 62	
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	\$117 62	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	2 88	
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	\$120 50	\$120 50

**Election and Registration**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$350 00
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*Payments*

Election, salaries . . . . .	\$110 00	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	17 50	
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	\$127 50	
Registration, salaries . . . . .	\$125 00	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	19 00	
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	144 00	
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	\$271 50	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	78 50	
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	\$350 00	\$350 00

**Town Hall**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$200 00
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*Payments*

Salary, janitor . . . . .	\$75 00
Telephone . . . . .	17 71
Fuel . . . . .	65 23
Light . . . . .	13 29
Repairs . . . . .	15 95
Miscellaneous . . . . .	3 75

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\$190 93

Unexpended, transferred to 1916

Balance Account . . . . .	9 07
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\$200 00

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\$200 00

**Constable**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$50 00
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*Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$50 00
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**Protection of Persons and Property****Police Department**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Received for police duty . . . . .	184 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	32 76

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$1,117 50
Telephone . . . . .	18 97
Auto hire . . . . .	39 50



Travelling expenses . . . . .	\$ 9 19	
Premium on Bond . . . . .	5 00	
Uniforms and badges . . . . .	12 00	
Printing . . . . .	4 75	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	9 85	
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	\$1,216 76	\$1,216 76

### Fire Department

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,250 00
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#### *Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$772 51	
Telephone . . . . .	15 69	
Repairs . . . . .	9 95	
Horse hire . . . . .	30 00	
Whistle repairs and supplies . . . . .	142 61	
Hardware and supplies . . . . .	8 60	
Freight and expressage . . . . .	2 06	
Stable rent . . . . .	36 00	
New equipment . . . . .	42 35	
Fuel . . . . .	52 37	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	2 00	
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	\$1,114 14	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916		
Balance Account . . . . .	135 86	
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	\$1,250 00	\$1,250 00

### Sealer of Weights and Measures

Appropriation . . . . .		\$50 00
Received sealing fees . . . . .		18 52
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .		16 42

*Payments*

Salary . . . . .	\$50 00	
Expressage and freight . . . . .	1 05	
Repairs to weights and measures . . . . .	8 98	
New equipment . . . . .	11 91	
Team hire . . . . .	11 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	2 00	
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	\$84 94	\$84 94

**Suppression of Moths**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Received from State . . . . .	724 04
Received for private work . . . . .	534 82
Received return insurance premium . . . . .	20 26
Charged property owners on tax bills . . . . .	791 55

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$2,249 48	
Team hire . . . . .	378 50	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	43 05	
Expressage and freight . . . . .	4 90	
Premium liability insurance . . . . .	97 92	
Telephone . . . . .	22 81	
Repairs . . . . .	9 60	
Gasoline and hardware . . . . .	68 43	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	6 38	
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	\$2,881 07	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916		
Balance Account . . . . .	189 60	
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	\$3,070 67	\$3,070 67

### Tree Warden

Appropriation . . . . .	\$300 00
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#### *Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$135 82	
Team hire . . . . .	31 50	
Trees . . . . .	77 42	
Fertilizer . . . . .	4 00	
Labor and material account elm leaf beetle . . . . .	31 50	
Legal services . . . . .	10 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	2 18	
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	\$292 42	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	7 58	
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	\$300 00	\$300 00

### Forest Fires

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00
Received from B. & M. R.R. . . . .	351 86

#### *Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$205 55
Team hire . . . . .	40 75
Supplies . . . . .	33 12
Freight . . . . .	1 47
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	16 60
Repairs . . . . .	25 30

New equipment . . . . .	\$18 00	
Telephone . . . . .	8 24	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	2 28	
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	\$351 31	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	500 55	
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	\$851 86	\$851 86

### Health and Sanitation

Appropriation . . . . .		\$500 00
Received from State, account Inspector of Animals . . . . .		75 00
Received fees, Slaughter House In- spector . . . . .		27 00

### *Payments*

Salary, Agent Board of Health . . . . .	\$ 15 00	
Salary, Inspector of Animals . . . . .	150 00	
Salary, Inspector, Meats and Provisions . . . . .	54 00	
Vital statistics, fees for returning births, deaths and marriages . . . . .	55 65	
Postage, printing, stationery . . . . .	4 11	
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	\$278 76	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	323 24	
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	\$602 00	\$602 00

## Highways, Roads and Bridges

Appropriation . . . . .	\$8,000 00
Received for plowing snow, posts, etc.	14 00
Received for use of road machine . . . . .	45 00
Received from B. & M. R.R. bridge repairs . . . . .	162 60

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$2,506 25
Team hire . . . . .	2,162 47
Removing snow . . . . .	988 58
Premium Liability Insurance . . . . .	119 81
Surveys . . . . .	16 15
Posts . . . . .	65 26
Hardware and supplies . . . . .	117 63
Signs . . . . .	3 00
Gravel . . . . .	177 70
Legal services . . . . .	25 00
Repairs to Town pumps . . . . .	21 15
Hire of steam roller . . . . .	15 00
Blacksmithing . . . . .	24 56
Culverts . . . . .	122 36
Tar . . . . .	93 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	7 72
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	\$6,465 64

Transferred to New Highway Account	\$1,000 00	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	755 96	
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	\$8,221 60	\$8,221 60

### New State Highway

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Transferred from Highway Account . . . . .	1,000 00
Received from State . . . . .	2,000 00
Received from County . . . . .	2,084 55
Received for dynamite and stone . . . . .	9 50
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	166 56

#### *Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$2,670 35	
Team hire . . . . .	1,355 26	
Hardware, cement, etc. . . . .	128 23	
Stone . . . . .	522 39	
Dynamite . . . . .	164 60	
Oils . . . . .	32 01	
Fuel . . . . .	156 56	
Tar . . . . .	1,001 00	
Boiler inspection . . . . .	5 00	
Rent of land . . . . .	25 00	
Repairs . . . . .	13 82	
Hire of steam roller . . . . .	185 26	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1 13	
	\$6,260 61	\$6,260 61

### Stone Crusher

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,320 00
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#### *Payments*

Balance due on crusher . . . . .	\$1,320 00
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(This appropriation made under Town Indebtedness to pay Note No. 45, for balance on crusher.)

**Electric Street Lights**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$5,500 00
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*Payments*

Paid for lights, per contract . . . . .	\$5,475 52	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	24 48	
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	\$5,500 00	\$5,500 00

**CHARITIES****Poor**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,800 00
Received from State, account Outside Poor	639 55
Received for team hire and labor . . . . .	1,423 04
Received for milk . . . . .	1,029 30
Received for poultry and eggs . . . . .	318 17
Received for vegetables and fruit . . . . .	506 97
Received for live stock . . . . .	303 00
Received freight on grain . . . . .	7 71
Received for wood . . . . .	86 50
Received for miscellaneous . . . . .	1 50
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	598 25
Transferred from 1916 Balance Account	457 73

*Payments*

## Account Town Farm:

Superintendent's salary . . . . .	\$ 499 92
Groceries and provisions . . . . .	634 88
Labor . . . . .	1,590 62
Hardware and repairs . . . . .	276 83
Hay, grain and feed . . . . .	1,554 22
Live stock . . . . .	524 00

Poultry and eggs . . . . .	\$ 145 05	
Seeds and fertilizer . . . . .	71 95	
Blacksmithing . . . . .	97 04	
Clothing and shoes . . . . .	13 47	
Stable supplies . . . . .	2 95	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	27 04	
Household furnishings, etc. . . . .	67 83	
Medicines and medical services . . . . .	16 20	
Veterinary . . . . .	24 00	
New equipment . . . . .	35 05	
Telephone . . . . .	24 33	
Insurance . . . . .	62 30	
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Total account Town Farm . . . . .	\$5,667 68	
Account Outside Poor:		
Groceries and provisions . . . . .	\$560 78	
Fuel . . . . .	84 05	
Clothing and shoes . . . . .	13 00	
Cash . . . . .	592 00	
Nursing . . . . .	21 40	
Transportation . . . . .	30 00	
Medicines and medical services . . . . .	105 45	
Hospital treatment . . . . .	97 36	
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	\$1,504 04	
Total payments account Town Farm and Outside Poor . . . . .	\$7,171 72	
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	\$7,171 72	\$7,171 72

#### Aid to Dependent Mothers

Appropriation . . . . .	\$400 00
Received from State . . . . .	22 00



*Payments*

Paid under provisions of Chapter 763, Acts 1913 . . . . .	\$260 00	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	162 00	
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	\$422 00	\$422 00

**State Aid**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$360 00
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	26 00

*Payments*

Paid as per State returns . . . . .	\$386 00	
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	\$386 00	\$386 00

**Soldiers' Relief**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$48 00
Payments . . . . .	\$48 00

**Schools**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$19,650 00
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*Payments*

Salaries . . . . .	\$14,764 56
Industrial tuition . . . . .	282 00
Transportation . . . . .	20 00
Fuel . . . . .	1,212 44
Insurance . . . . .	166 50
Repairs . . . . .	445 14
Books and supplies . . . . .	1,750 67

Miscellaneous . . . . .	\$554 01	
Furniture . . . . .	446 63	
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	\$19,641 95	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916		
Balance Account . . . . .	8 05	
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	\$19,650 00	\$19,650 00

### Fencing Whitefield and West School Lots

Appropriation . . . . .		\$400 00
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#### *Payments*

Wire fencing and posts . . . . .	\$219 82	
Paint . . . . .	5 54	
Teaming . . . . .	6 00	
Labor . . . . .	141 45	
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	\$372 81	
Unexpended . . . . .	27 19	
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	\$400 00	\$400 00
Balance . . . . .		\$27 19

### Grading New High School Grounds

Balance from 1915 account . . . . .		\$41 62
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#### *Payments*

Paid balance grading contract . . . . .	\$25 00	
Unexpended . . . . .	16 62	
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	\$41 62	\$41 62
Balance . . . . .		\$16 62

**Public Library**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$400 00
Received for fines and damage to books . . . . .	46 17
Received from Trustees of Trust Funds . . . . .	120 80

*Payments*

Salary, Librarian . . . . .	\$150 00	
Printing and stationery . . . . .	6 15	
Labor and repairs . . . . .	42 16	
Light . . . . .	12 93	
Binding . . . . .	82 64	
Books and magazines . . . . .	216 99	
Cataloging . . . . .	13 00	
New equipment . . . . .	42 90	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	20	
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	\$566 97	\$566 97

**Unclassified**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00
Received for tax deed releases . . . . .	18 29
Transferred from Contingent Fund . . . . .	93 08

*Payments*

Bound posts . . . . .	\$15 00
Certifying Town Notes . . . . .	8 00
Printing Town Reports . . . . .	249 60
Delivering Town Reports . . . . .	16 00
Tax sales . . . . .	120 82
Repairs to Town clock . . . . .	4 00
Rent safe deposit box . . . . .	10 00

Vocational tuition . . . . .	\$ 81 50	
Injuries to Town employee . . . . .	26 50	
Miscellaneous stationery . . . . .	16 64	
Tax on Town property . . . . .	7 60	
Care Town flag and repairs . . . . .	5 71	
Care Town clock . . . . .	45 00	
Ringing Town bell . . . . .	5 00	
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	\$611 37	\$611 37

### Memorial Day

Appropriation . . . . .	\$200 00
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### *Payments*

Music . . . . .	\$94 56	
Flags . . . . .	5 76	
Refreshments . . . . .	32 00	
Plants . . . . .	8 12	
Printing . . . . .	3 25	
Memorial address . . . . .	10 00	
Special car . . . . .	6 00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	5 96	
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	\$165 65	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	34 35	
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	\$200 00	\$200 00

### Cemetery

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00
Received one-half from sale of lots . . . . .	62 50

*Payments*

Salaries and wages . . . . .	\$533 85	
Paints and hardware . . . . .	6 75	
Tools . . . . .	8 10	
Team hire . . . . .	3 00	
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	\$551 70	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	10 80	
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	\$562 50	\$562 50

**Trust Funds**

Received for perpetual care fund, cemetery lot, Henry Blanchard . . . . .		\$ 50 00
Received from Trustees, income, S. D. J. Carter Free Lecture Fund . . . . .		240 00
Received from Trustees, income account cemetery and common funds . . . . .		77 60

*Payments*

S. D. J. Carter Free Lecture Committee, income . . . . .	\$240 00	
Care Cemetery Lots:		
Isaac Cazneau . . . . .	\$ 1 00	
Susan Carlton . . . . .	1 25	
George W. and Minnie A. Sidelinker . . . . .	3 75	
Sabra Carter (Jaques Lot) . . . . .	6 00	
William H. Carter . . . . .	2 00	
Thomas P. Eames . . . . .	1 40	
James Frazer . . . . .	16 20	
Martha Temple . . . . .	3 00	
S. D. J. Carter . . . . .	1 50	
Abner C. Childs . . . . .	2 75	

Rufus C. Eames . . . . .	\$ 3 00	
Sarah G. Sheldon . . . . .	12 00	
Richard Carter . . . . .	50	
Laura Parker . . . . .	1 75	
Dolly Harnden . . . . .	25	
Gilman Harnden . . . . .	2 75	
Charles H. Hopkins . . . . .	2 75	
Sabra Carter . . . . .	1 25	
John Sheldon Sargent . . . . .	1 50	
Charlotte C. Smith . . . . .	1 00	
Account Sabra Carter Common Fund, trees and mowing . . . . .	12 00	
Trustees of Trust Funds, perpetual care fund account, lot Henry Blan- chard . . . . .	50 00	
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	\$367 60	\$367 60

### Interest

Appropriation:		
General loans . . . . .		\$ 300 00
High School bonds . . . . .		1,496 25
Received interest on taxes . . . . .		973 02
Received interest on deposits . . . . .		96 71

### Payments

On temporary loans . . . . .	\$1,334 62	
On High School bonds . . . . .	1,496 26	
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	\$2,830 88	
Unexpended, transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	35 10	
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	\$2,865 98	\$2,865 98

**Town Indebtedness**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,750 00
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*Payments*

Paid High School bonds, Nos. 3 and 4	\$1,750 00	
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**Town Farm Lumber Account**

Balance from 1915 . . . . .		\$ 79 75
Received for lumber sold . . . . .		1,395 39
Received return insurance premium . . . . .		7 59
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		\$1,482 73
Transferred to estimated receipts . . . . .	\$1,482 73	
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	\$1,482 73	\$1,482 73

**Reserve Account**

Balance from 1915 . . . . .		\$79 13
Balance from Abatement 1914 Taxes . . . . .		52 84
Balance . . . . .	\$131 97	
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	\$131 97	\$131 97
Balance . . . . .		\$131 97

**Abatement 1914 Taxes**

Balance from 1915 . . . . .		\$154 58
Abated 1914 Taxes . . . . .	\$101 74	
Balance to Reserve Account . . . . .	52 84	
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	\$154 58	\$154 58

**Abatement 1915 Taxes**

Balance from 1915 . . . . .		\$218 78
Abated 1915 Taxes . . . . .	\$ 57 63	
Balance . . . . .	161 15	
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	\$218 78	\$218 78
Balance . . . . .		\$161 15

**Abatement 1916 Taxes**

Overlay . . . . .		\$334 56
Abated 1916 Taxes . . . . .	\$213 53	
Balance . . . . .	121 03	
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	\$334 56	\$334 56
Balance . . . . .		\$121 03





**SCHEDULE 2**

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**1916 Balance Account***Dr.*

Overdraft Poor Account . . . . .	\$ 457 73
Excess of unexpended balances and estimated receipts over deficits, transferred to excess and deficiency account (see Balance Sheet) . . . . .	4,803 56
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	\$5,261 29

## SCHEDULE 2

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### 1916 Balance Account

*Cr.*

Unexpended Balances:

Town Accountant	\$	12 40
Treasurer		9 62
Town Clerk		2 88
Election and Registration		78 50
Town Hall		9 07
Fire Department		135 86
Moth Account		189 60
Tree Warden		7 58
Forest Fires		500 55
Health and Sanitation		323 24
Highway		755 96
Electric Street Lights		24 48
Dependent Mothers' Aid		162 00
Schools		8 05
Memorial Day		34 35
Cemetery		10 80
Interest		35 10
		\$2,300 04
Balance from Estimated Receipts		2,904 26
Balance from Revenue Account		56 99
		\$5,261 29

## SCHEDULE 3

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### Revenue Account

*Dr.*

Appropriations . . . . .	\$53,094 25
Balance transferred to 1916 Balance Account . . . . .	56 99
	\$53,151 24

### Estimated Receipts

*Dr.*

Estimated:

Street Railway Excise Tax . . . . .	\$2,484 07
Street Railway Franchise Tax . . . . .	2,673 42
Town Farm Lumber Account . . . . .	1,800 00
State Aid . . . . .	360 00
Schools . . . . .	2,700 00
Corporation tax, public service . . . . .	171 66
Corporation tax, business . . . . .	13 53
National Bank tax . . . . .	58 44
Reimbursement, loss of taxes . . . . .	1 86
Cemetery . . . . .	62 50
Licenses . . . . .	142 00
Bridge repairs . . . . .	400 28

\$10,867 76

Excess of estimated over actual receipts, transferred to 1916 Balance Account	2,904 26
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## SCHEDULE 3

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### Revenue Account

*Cr.*

Estimated Receipts . . . . .	\$10,867 76
Tax committed to collector . . . . .	42,283 48
	\$53,151 24

### Estimated Receipts

*Cr.*

Amounts Actually Received:

Street Railway Excise tax . . . . .	\$2,698 38
Street Railway Franchise tax . . . . .	1,878 31
Town Farm lumber account . . . . .	1,482 73
State Aid . . . . .	546 00
Schools . . . . .	2,662 22
Corporation tax, public service . . . . .	348 19
Corporation tax, business . . . . .	3,287 70
National Bank tax . . . . .	58 73
Reimbursement, loss of taxes . . . . .	1 91
Cemetery . . . . .	62 50
Licenses . . . . .	194 00
Bridge repairs . . . . .	400 28
Highways . . . . .	6 00
Court fines . . . . .	88 34
Soldiers' exemptions . . . . .	56 73

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## SCHEDULE 4

### Statement of Town Debt

#### Temporary Loans

(Anticipation of Revenue)

Outstanding January 1, 1916:

Note No. 44 . . . . .	\$10,000 00	
Note No. 46 . . . . .	7,000 00	
Note No. 47 . . . . .	6,000 00	
	\$23,000 00	

Borrowed during 1916:

Note No. 48 . . . . .	\$ 3,900 00	
Note No. 49 . . . . .	10,000 00	
Note No. 50 . . . . .	16,000 00	
Note No. 51 . . . . .	6,000 00	
	35,900 00	
	\$58,900 00	

Paid during 1916:

Note No. 44 . . . . .	\$10,000 00	
Note No. 46 . . . . .	7,000 00	
Note No. 47 . . . . .	6,000 00	
Note No. 48 . . . . .	3,900 00	
Note No. 49 . . . . .	10,000 00	
	36,900 00	

Outstanding December 31, 1916 . . . . .		\$22,000 00
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## New High School Bonds

(Issue 1914)

Outstanding January 1, 1916 . . . . .	\$33,250 00
Paid during 1916 . . . . .	1,750 00
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	\$31,500 00
Total Town Indebtedness, December 31, 1916 . . . . .	\$53,500 00

## SCHEDULE 5

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Balance Sheet, December 31, 1916

*Dr.*

Cash in Treasury . . . . .		\$ 6,816 62
Joseph Patchett, Collector:		
Due on 1915 taxes . . . . .	\$ 7,965 14	
Due on 1916 taxes . . . . .	18,908 67	
	26,874 41	
Funded debt (Balancing Account) . . . . .		31,500 00
		\$65,191 03



## SCHEDULE 5

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Balance Sheet, December 31, 1916

*Cr.*

Temporary loans . . . . .		\$22,000 00
Reserve Account . . . . .		131 97
Tax Abatements 1915 . . . . .		161 15
Tax Abatements 1916 . . . . .		121 03
Cemetery lots, Reserve Account . . . . .		88 00
Grading High School grounds . . . . .		16 62
Fencing Whitefield and West School house lots . . . . .		27 19
High School bonds . . . . .		31,500 00
Excess and Deficiency Account, bal- ance January 1, 1916 . . . . .	\$6,341 51	
Net credit from 1916		
Balance Account . . . . .	4,803 56	11,145 07
		\$65,191 03

## SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATIONS

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### General Government:

Selectmen, salaries and expenses . . . . .	\$ 850 00
Town Accountant, salary and expenses . . . . .	300 00
Treasurer, salary and expenses . . . . .	375 00
Collector, salary and expenses . . . . .	1,000 00
Assessors, salary and expenses . . . . .	850 00
Town Clerk, salary and expenses . . . . .	120 00
Election and Registration, salaries and expenses . . . . .	300 00
Town Hall, janitor, light, fuel and repairs . . . . .	200 00
Town Constable . . . . .	50 00

### Protection of Life and Property:

Police Department, receipts, etc., and . . . . .	1,000 00
Fire Department, receipts, etc., and . . . . .	1,250 00
Suppression of moths (compulsory \$875.87), in- cidental, telephone, insurance, etc. . . . .	1,200 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, receipts, etc. . . . .	75 00
Tree Warden, receipts, etc., and . . . . .	300 00
Forest Fires, receipts, etc., and . . . . .	500 00

### Health and Sanitation:

Board of Health Agent's salary, quarantine wages, Inspector of Animals, Inspector of Meats and Provisions, Vital Statistics . . . . .	300 00
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### Highways:

Highways, Roads and Bridges (including Street Railway and Franchise Tax) . . . . .	8,000 00
Electric Street Lights . . . . .	5,600 00

## Charities:

Town Farm and Outside Poor, receipts and . . . . .	\$1,500 00
Aid for Dependent Mothers, receipts and . . . . .	275 00

## Town Indebtedness:

Bonds Nos. 5 and 6 account New High School . . . . .	1,750 00
Contingent Fund . . . . .	1,000 00

## Soldiers' Benefits:

State Aid . . . . .	360 00
Soldiers' Relief . . . . .	48 00

## Education:

Schools, including salaries, books and supplies, repairs, fuel, furnishings, tuition at vocational schools, outside tuition, transportation (including estimated receipts of \$2,825) . . . . .	20,000 00
Library . . . . .	400 00
Memorial Day . . . . .	200 00
Cemetery . . . . .	600 00

## Unclassified:

Printing Town Reports, care of Town Clock, etc. . . . .	500 00
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## Interest:

On loans for general purposes, receipts and . . . . .	282 50
On New High School Loan . . . . .	1,417 50
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	1,700 00

Abatements . . . . .	100 00
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## REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

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Number of inmates in the Almshouse . . . . . 1

Melvin W. Brown, *Superintendent.*

### Inventory of Personal Property at Almshouse, January 1, 1916

Live stock . . . . .	\$1,381	00
Farming tools and vehicles . . . . .	877	15
Hay, grain, wood, manure, etc. . . . .	727	80
Household furniture . . . . .	370	50
Groceries, provisions, etc. . . . .	233	55
		\$3,590 00

### Inventory of Personal Property at Almshouse, January 1, 1917

Live stock . . . . .	\$1,476	00
Farming tools and vehicles . . . . .	1,014	60
Hay, grain, manure, etc. . . . .	711	00
Household furniture . . . . .	391	00
Groceries, provisions, etc. . . . .	351	48
		\$3,944 08
Increase in Personal Property . . . . .		\$354 08

**Memorandum of Expenses at Town Farm paid on  
Town Orders**

Salary, Superintendent . . . . .	\$ 499 92
Groceries and provisions . . . . .	348 30
Labor . . . . .	90 33
Hardware and repairs . . . . .	120 16
Hay and grain . . . . .	1,447 35
New equipment . . . . .	35 05
Veterinary . . . . .	24 00
Telephone . . . . .	24 33
Household furnishings . . . . .	59 93
Blacksmithing . . . . .	86 74
Live stock . . . . .	125 00
Seeds and fertilizer . . . . .	66 54
Insurance . . . . .	62 30
Tools . . . . .	14 97
Medical services . . . . .	14 50
	\$3,019 42

**Receipts at Almshouse**

Team hire and labor . . . . .	\$1,423 04
Milk . . . . .	1,029 30
Poultry and eggs . . . . .	318 17
Vegetables and fruit . . . . .	506 97
Live stock . . . . .	303 00
Wood . . . . .	86 50
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1 50
	\$3,668 48

**Payments at Almshouse**

Groceries and provisions . . . . .	\$ 286 58
Poultry and eggs . . . . .	145 05
Clothing and shoes . . . . .	13 47

Labor . . . . .	\$1,500 29	
Live stock . . . . .	399 00	
Stable supplies . . . . .	2 95	
Medicines . . . . .	1 70	
Hardware and repairs . . . . .	141 70	
Hay, grain and feed . . . . .	106 87	
Household goods . . . . .	7 90	
Fertilizer and seeds . . . . .	5 41	
Blacksmithing . . . . .	10 30	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	27 04	
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	\$2,648 26	
Paid Town Treasurer . . . . .	1,020 22	
	<hr/>	\$3,668 48

#### Aid rendered Outside Poor

Nursing . . . . .	\$ 21 40	
Transportation . . . . .	30 00	
Medicines and medical services . . . . .	105 45	
Fuel . . . . .	84 05	
Groceries and provisions . . . . .	560 78	
Clothing . . . . .	13 00	
Hospital Treatment . . . . .	97 36	
Cash . . . . .	592 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,504 04

#### Recapitulation 1916 Poor Account

##### *Resources*

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,800 00	
Received account Outside Poor . . . . .	639 55	
Received freight on grain . . . . .	7 71	
Receipts at Almshouse . . . . .	3,668 48	
	<hr/>	\$6,115 74

*Charges*

Payments on Town Orders . . . . .	\$3,019 42	
Payments at Almshouse . . . . .	2,648 26	
Payments account Outside Poor . . . . .	1,504 04	
	<hr/>	\$7,171 72
Cash overdraft . . . . .		<hr/> \$1,065 98
Due from State Account Outside Poor	\$588 00	
Increase in Personal Property . . . . .	354 08	
Teaming done by Town Farm on lumber	84 46	
	<hr/>	\$1,026 54
Net deficit . . . . .		<hr/> \$ 39 44

ARTHUR W. EAMES, *Chairman*,  
 HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
 FRANK W. DAYTON,

*Overseers of the Poor.*

## ASSESSORS' VALUATION, 1916

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Real Estate . . . . .	\$1,814,695 00
Personal property . . . . .	373,015 00
Amount of tax assessed . . . . .	48,899 36
State tax assessed . . . . .	3,600 00
State Highway tax assessed . . . . .	415 08
County tax assessed . . . . .	2,323 23
Amount assessed on polls . . . . .	1,424 00
Rate of taxation per \$1000 . . . . .	21 70

### Schedule of Town Property

Schoolhouses and lots . . . . .	\$65,000 00
Town Farm . . . . .	4,000 00
Personal property at Town Farm . . . . .	3,944 08
Town Hall, lot, and Fire Alarm equipment . . . . .	3,800 00
Cemetery land and lots . . . . .	1,200 00
Public Library and lot . . . . .	1,000 00
Contents of Public Library . . . . .	2,400 00
Hearse house . . . . .	100 00
Highway tools and machinery . . . . .	2,300 00
Town hearse . . . . .	100 00
Town scales . . . . .	150 00
Cemetery tool house and tools . . . . .	100 00
Furniture in Selectmen's Office . . . . .	100 00
Seven safes . . . . .	900 00
Two fire engines . . . . .	1,000 00



Two hose wagons . . . . .	\$ 250 00
Two fire engine houses and lots . . . . .	1,600 00
Hose, ladders, horses, harness, etc. . . . .	500 00
Police equipment . . . . .	35 00
Land account tax sales . . . . .	350 00
Moth building and lot . . . . .	600 00
Sprayers and fixtures . . . . .	800 00
Sealers of Weights and Measures outfit . . . . .	175 00
Forest Fire outfit . . . . .	200 00
Common and Flag Staff . . . . .	1,200 00
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	\$91,804 08

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
 GEORGE W. BUCK,  
 MILTON T. HOLT,

*Assessors of Wilmington.*

## COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT

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### Account of 1914 Tax

Uncollected, January 1, 1916 . . . . .		\$6,101 06
Taxes collected . . . . .	\$5,999 32	
Taxes abated . . . . .	101 74	
		\$6,101 06
Interest collected \$572 76.		

### Account of 1915 Tax

Uncollected, January 1, 1916 . . . . .		\$17,776 93
Taxes collected . . . . .	\$9,753 56	
Taxes abated . . . . .	57 63	
		\$9,811 19
Uncollected, January 1, 1917 . . . . .		
		\$7,965 74
Interest collected \$384 37.		

### Account of 1916 Tax

Commitment (with additions) . . . . .	\$49,705 02	
December Commitment . . . . .	42 88	
		\$49,747 90
Taxes collected . . . . .	\$30,625 70	
Taxes abated . . . . .	213 53	
		\$30,839 23
Uncollected, January 1, 1917 . . . . .		
		\$18,908 67
Interest collected \$15 89.		
Excise tax collected		\$2,698 38

JOSEPH PATCHETT,  
*Collector.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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### Receipts

Cash in Treasury . . . . .	\$6,125 38
Cash received on account of:	
Corporation Tax, Public Service . . . . .	348 19
Corporation Tax, Business . . . . .	3,287 70
National Bank Tax . . . . .	58 73
State Aid . . . . .	546 00
Street Railway Tax . . . . .	1,878 31
High School Tuition . . . . .	500 00
Income Mass. School Fund . . . . .	828 28
Reimbursement for loss of taxes on land used for Public Institutions . . . . .	1 91
Suppression of moths . . . . .	1,279 12
Inspector of Animals . . . . .	75 00
New State Highway . . . . .	4,094 05
Return of dog licenses . . . . .	390 42
Superintendent of Schools . . . . .	400 00
Aiding mothers with dependent children . . . . .	22 00
Income from S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund . . . . .	240 00
Slaughter house inspection . . . . .	27 00
Income from Cemetery, Common and Library Trust Funds . . . . .	198 40
Soldiers' Exemptions . . . . .	56 73
Temporary aid . . . . .	639 55
Tuition of children . . . . .	270 00
Industrial Schools . . . . .	50 00
Forest fires . . . . .	351 86
Police . . . . .	272 34
Library . . . . .	46 17
Schools . . . . .	223 52
Sealer's Fees . . . . .	18 52

Tax releases . . . . .	\$ 18 29	
Licenses . . . . .	194 00	
Cemetery lots . . . . .	125 00	
Highway . . . . .	627 88	
Poor . . . . .	2,423 32	
Printed records . . . . .	50	
Fire Insurance Dividend . . . . .	7 59	
Perpetual care of cemetery lot . . . . .	50 00	
Revenue loans . . . . .	35,900 00	
Interest on deposits . . . . .	96 71	
Taxes . . . . .	49,076 96	
Interest on taxes . . . . .	973 02	
	<hr/>	\$111,722 45

### Payments

Paid Selectmen's orders . . . . .	\$55,766 64	
State tax . . . . .	3,600 00	
Repairs State Highway . . . . .	415 08	
County Tax . . . . .	2,323 23	
Note No. 45 . . . . .	1,320 00	
Revenue Loans . . . . .	36,900 00	
High School Bonds Nos. 3 and 4 . . . . .	1,750 00	
Interest . . . . .	2,830 88	
Cash in Treasury . . . . .	6,816 62	
	<hr/>	\$111,722 45

FRED A. EAMES,  
*Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

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The Selectmen have this day examined the Treasurer's books in accordance with the Town By-Laws and have found them to correspond with Town Orders as signed by the Board.

HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
FRANK W. DAYTON,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*

February 5, 1917.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS OF TOWN OF WILMINGTON 1916

	Amount	Accumulated Interest	Withdrawn	Balance on Deposit
<b>Library Funds:</b>				
Burnap, No. 8512 Andover . . . . .	\$200 00	\$ 76 06		\$276 06
Benjamin Buck, No. 18341 Andover . . . . .	500 00	247 05	\$120 80	626 25
Charlotte C. Smith, No. 4215 Mechanics . . . . .	500 00	121 62		621 62
Sabra Carter Common Fund, No. 18349 Andover . . . . .	200 00	62 86	12 00	250 86
<b>Cemetery Funds:</b>				
Isaac Cazneau, No. 18985 Andover . . . . .	100 00	20 15	1 00	119 15
Susan Carlton, No. 18345 Andover . . . . .	75 00	16 15	1 25	89 90
G. W. & Minnie A. Sidlinker, No. 22450 Andover . . . . .	200 00	46 21	3 75	242 46
Sabra Carter, Jaques Lot, No. 18347 Andover . . . . .	200 00	46 28	6 00	240 28
William H. Carter, No. 24631 Andover . . . . .	100 00	13 68	2 00	111 68
Dolly Harnden, No. 18342 Andover . . . . .	100 00	10 97	25	110 72
Thomas P. Eames, No. 18346 Andover . . . . .	100 00	15 65	1 40	114 25
Sabra Carter, No. 18348 Andover . . . . .	100 00	25 08	1 25	123 83
Richard Carter, No. 22451 Andover . . . . .	100 00	14 87	50	114 37
James Frazer, No. 18343 Andover . . . . .	200 00	49 95	16 20	233 75
Martha Temple, No. 18344 Andover . . . . .	100 00	29 10	3 00	126 10
S. D. J. Carter, No. 22579 Andover . . . . .	200 00	52 51	1 50	251 01
Charlotte C. Smith, No. 4214 Mechanics . . . . .	50 00	8 62	1 00	57 62
Charles H. Hopkins, No. 4248 Blackstone . . . . .	200 00	21 44	2 75	218 69
Abner C. Childs, No. 33384 Woburn . . . . .	100 00	15 93	2 75	113 18
Gilman Harnden, No. 32614 Woburn . . . . .	100 00	13 98	2 75	111 23
Laura Parker, No. 32615 Woburn . . . . .	50 00	4 78	1 75	53 03
Sarah G. Sheldon, No. 33814 Woburn . . . . .	200 00	21 21	12 00	209 21
Rufus C. Eames, No. 4642 Blackstone . . . . .	100 00	7 16	3 00	104 16
John Sheldon Sargent, No. 4859 Blackstone . . . . .	100 00	5 60	1 50	104 10
Isabelle Holt, No. 5169 Blackstone . . . . .	75 00	3 02		78 02
Henry Blanchard, No. 5604 Blackstone . . . . .	50 00	50		50 50
	\$4,000 00	\$950 43	\$198 40	\$4,752 03

S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund:	
American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Col. 4% Bonds, Nos. 17546, 19667, 3986, 3991, 3992, 3993	\$5,541 50
Blackstone Savings Bank, No. 1879	578 50
Bond Interest for 1916	240 00
Savings Bank Interest	72 92
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	\$6,432 92
Paid F. A. Eames	240 00
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	\$6,192 92

DUDLEY B. PURBECK,  
CALEB S. HARRIMAN,  
FRED A. EAMES,  
*Trustees.*

## REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

*Gentlemen:* I submit the following report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1916.

Number of arrests . . . . .	19
Males . . . . .	17
Females . . . . .	2
Residents . . . . .	10
Non-residents . . . . .	9

### Causes of Arrest

Larceny . . . . .	1
Delinquent Child . . . . .	1
Bastardy . . . . .	2
Assault and battery . . . . .	1
Non-support . . . . .	2
Insane . . . . .	3
Drunkenness . . . . .	5
Cruelty to dumb animals . . . . .	1
Carrying a loaded revolver without a license . . . . .	1
Disturbing the peace . . . . .	1
Collecting junk without a license . . . . .	1
Cutting down shade trees on the highway . . . . .	1
Illegal transportation of intoxicating liquor . . . . .	1



## Disposition of Cases

Suspended sentence to the House of Correction . . . . .	2
Sentenced to the Concord Reformatory . . . . .	1
Danvers Insane Asylum . . . . .	3
Discharged . . . . .	3
Placed on file . . . . .	3
Placed on probation . . . . .	2
Turned over to the Somerville Police . . . . .	1
Turned over to the Boston Police . . . . .	1
Number of fines imposed . . . . .	4
Amount of fines imposed . . . . .	\$90
Appealed cases . . . . .	1
Dogs killed . . . . .	10

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. HILL,

*Chief of Police.*

## REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

*Gentlemen:* The annual report of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1916, is submitted as follows:

A record of fires, and alarms, value of buildings lost and damaged by fire, and insurance on same, and a roll call of the Department.

Number of buildings destroyed by fire . . . . .	5
Number of buildings damaged by fire . . . . .	2
Number of chimney fires . . . . .	6
Number of fires caused by oil stoves . . . . .	1

There were seven alarms given in the past year: six were for building fires, and one for a chimney fire. Five telephone calls for chimney fires were answered on still alarms.

One of the buildings damaged by fire was owned by the Merrimac Chemical Company. There was no alarm given here, they pulled in their box number at the works, which called the Woburn Department.

January 29, 1916 — Still alarm. House owned by H. C. Barrows on Woburn Street, chimney fire.

January 30, 1916 — Box 37. House owned by Vincent Ginzia on Birch Street. Burnt. Value, \$2500. Insured, \$1500. Contents, \$2000. Insured, \$2000. Cause, defective chimney.

February 17, 1916 — Box 41. House owned by Mary Maloney on Burnap Street. Burnt. Value, \$900. Insured, \$900. Contents, \$200. Insured, \$300. Cause, not known.

April 7, 1916 — Still alarm. House owned by Frank X. Mula, off Lowell Street. Chimney fire.

April 16, 1916 — Box 43. House owned by F. D. Marshall on Grove Avenue. Caught fire. Value, \$600. Insured, \$600. Damage, \$200. Cause, grass fire.

April 24, 1916 — Still alarm. Chimney fire. House owned by Rose M. Miller on Washington Avenue.

April 29, 1916 — Not reported. House owned by Merrimac Chemical Company on Webster Street. Value, \$4500. Damage, \$2500. Insured. Contents, \$1200. Damage, \$900. Not insured. Cause, defective chimney.

June 24, 1916 — Box 64. Bungalow owned by Thomas Dancy off Shawmut Avenue. Burnt. Value, \$700. Insured. Cause, not known. Victim.

June 30, 1916 — Box 62. House owned by Nathan Goldberg off Thurston Avenue. Burnt. Value named, \$300. Insured, \$1000. Cause, oil stove exploded.

December 9, 1916 — Box 18. Chimney fire in house owned by Owen Devine off Myrtle Avenue.

December 14, 1916 — Still alarm. Chimney fire in house owned by George B. Richardson on Chestnut Street.

December 26, 1916 — Still alarm. Chimney fire in house owned by Paul Brahan on Lowell Street.

December 31, 1916 — Box 21. House owned by Annie Downie on Concord Street. Burnt. Value, \$800. Not insured. Cause, child set bed afire.

Value of buildings lost by fire . . . . .	\$5,200
Insurance upon same . . . . .	3,800
Value of contents lost by fire . . . . .	2,450
Insurance upon same . . . . .	2,300
Value of other buildings damaged by fire . . . . .	5,100
Insurance upon same . . . . .	4,800
Damage done to same . . . . .	2,700

### Roll of Department

#### *Chief*

Albert D. Butters

#### *Engine and Hose Company No. 1*

Edwin L. Day	Chester Horton	Rudolph Porter
Frank Muse	Carroll Horton	R. Elmer Carter
Howard P. Pratt	James D. White	Frank White
Daniel W. Boynton	Frank D. Butters	Frank Harris
Elmer E. Simonds	Harry Miller	Albert Spaulding

#### *Engine and Hose Company No. 2*

Ernest W. Eames	Arthur Babine	Joseph McMahon
Harry H. Cutter	Jeffrey Babine	Raymond White
Robert White	Adrion Durkee	Clarence Wells
William H. Doucette	Amos Durkee	Edgar S. Wells
Joseph Babine	Clarence Doucette	A. F. Motchman

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. BUTTERS,

*Chief.*

## REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

*Gentlemen:* I herewith submit the following report of the Forest Warden for the year ending December 31, 1916.

Number of applications for permits to build a fire in the open, 256; permits granted, 247.

The number of fires this department was called to was nineteen, eleven of which were caused by locomotive sparks and the bills for the same sent to the railroad for settlement.

We desire to call the attention of the public to the provisions of Chapter 101, Sections 1, 2 and 3, Acts of 1914, regarding disposal of brush and slash resulting from cutting of wood or timber, which provides that every owner who cuts or permits to be cut timber or wood on land owned or controlled by him must clear a strip not exceeding forty feet from the woodland of another person, highway or railroad location as the local Warden shall determine and within such time and manner as he shall determine .

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER A. McGRANE,  
*Forest Warden of Wilmington.*

January 31, 1917.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

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I hereby submit the following report as Superintendent of Streets for the year 1916:

Removing snow . . . . .	\$958 63
Scraping roads . . . . .	772 73
Andover Street . . . . .	389 50
Burlington Avenue . . . . .	153 25
Beacon Street . . . . .	271 20
Chestnut Street . . . . .	21 80
Concord Street . . . . .	79 20
Church Street . . . . .	68 65
Clark Street . . . . .	22 17
Federal Street . . . . .	425 33
Lake Street . . . . .	99 75
Lowell Street . . . . .	285 23
Main Street . . . . .	24 63
Middlesex Avenue . . . . .	593 38
Salem Street . . . . .	630 05
Shawsheen Avenue . . . . .	128 30
Glen Road . . . . .	58 60
Temple Street . . . . .	3 60
West Street . . . . .	45 60
Woburn Street . . . . .	211 84
Gravel . . . . .	158 10
B. & M. Railroad . . . . .	162 50
Liability Insurance . . . . .	119 81
Tools and Supplies . . . . .	668 80

**State, Town and County**

Lowell Street, 2,167 feet asphalt macadam. Total cost, \$6,260.61.

Owing to the advanced price in labor, material and roller hire, 2,167 feet of asphalt macadam was completed out of 25,000 feet as laid out by the Highway Engineers.

It would be a good investment for the Town to buy a steam roller the coming year, as we have now 3,315 feet more to complete, the macadam to the Reading Town line, and also another piece to build on Salem Street according to a decree from the County Commissioners.

We have built guard rails on Clark Street, Shawsheen Avenue, Lowell Street and Woburn Street.

We have placed two new catch basins and drains on Salem Street, one on Middlesex Avenue, and one on Chestnut Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. McINTOSH,

*Superintendent of Streets.*

## REPORT OF THE SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE

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To the Citizens of Wilmington:

The following programme for the 1916-1917 Course was arranged and announcements of the same mailed to the citizens of Wilmington, stating the dates, and that the entertainments would be held in the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, Wilmington: Friday, December 22, 1916, The Royal Male Quartette, Concert; Friday, January 19, 1917, Hon. Milton W. Shreve, Lecture on "Pan American Ideals"; Friday, February 9, 1917, Old Kentucky Jubilee Quartette, Concert.

DR. DANIEL T. BUZZELL, *Chairman*,  
JAMES E. KELLEY, *Treasurer*,  
JOHN W. HATHAWAY, *Secretary*,  
GUY E. NICHOLS,  
EUGENE G. SHAW,

*Carter Lecture Committee.*

### Treasurer's Report

Balance on deposit January 1, 1916	.	.	\$ 25 14
January 3, Received from Fred A. Eames, Trustee	.	.	120 00
December 6, Received from Fred A. Eames, Trustee	.	.	120 00
December 31, Received from Fred A. Eames, Trustee	.	.	120 00
			\$385 14



## Expense Account for 1916

January 7, Paid Eastern-Empire Lyceum Bureau . . . . .	\$ 50 00
February 17, Paid Grange Hall Corporation, Rent of Hall . . . . .	30 00
February 18, Paid Eastern-Empire Lyceum Bureau . . . . .	35 00
December 16, Paid John W. Hathaway, postage stamps . . . . .	5 50
December 22, Paid Eastern-Empire Lyceum Bureau . . . . .	65 00
December 22, Paid Fred A. Bonin, tuning piano . . . . .	3 12
December 31, Paid W. E. & J. F. Twombly, printing . . . . .	4 64
December 31, Paid Grange Hall Corporation, hall rent . . . . .	6 00
December 31, Cash to balance . . . . .	185 88
	\$385 14

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. KELLEY,  
*Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

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To the Citizens of Wilmington:

*Gentlemen:* The Board of Health herewith submits its annual report.

The number of contagious diseases reported to the Board of Health are as follows:

Anterior poliomyelitis, one; cerebro-spinal meningitis, one; measles, nineteen; scarlet fever, five; ophthalmia neonatorum, two; varicella, ten; whooping cough, seven.

Number of milk permits granted under Chapter 744 Acts of 1914, three.

Your Board have investigated all complaints of any conditions detrimental to the public health and have given such orders and made such suggestions as seemed advisable in each circumstance.

Reports of any existing nuisance should be promptly made to the Board and will receive prompt attention.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT C. BARROWS, *Chairman*,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
FRANK W. DAYTON,  
D. T. BUZZELL, M.D., *Agent*.

*Board of Health of Wilmington.*

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

*Gentlemen:* I herewith submit my annual report as Inspector of Animals for the year ending December 31, 1916.

According to instructions I have visited, inspected and reported all premises where neat cattle, sheep or swine were kept upon the date of inspection.

Several places where stock was previously kept were found to have discontinued and others where none were kept have been added to the list.

Any cases of a suspicious nature were carefully watched and examined and, if investigation warranted, were destroyed and premises cleaned up and disinfected.

It is ordered by the Commissioner of Animal Industry to pay particular attention this year to swine, as very gratifying results have been obtained from the work of vaccination against hog cholera which is one, if not the worst, disease to which the pork industry of any State is liable; once this disease becomes established in a herd there is little or no help for them, for practically all will succumb or be of little value if saved. Prophylactic measures are to be taken, and hogs treated when small will mature faster and better at less cost.

Most owners will admit the fact when they have pneumonia, measles, swill poison, or anything else, but will hold up their

hands and fight if cholera is suggested; now why not admit one thing as well as another; they die either way and oftener than not cholera does it.

Some of the most important factors in treating any disease are proper light and ventilation and cleanliness; any and all are inexpensive.

Your inspector has made suggestions regarding improvements along these lines which should be received in the light they are given; namely, for the better protection of life and property.

A little time spent on such improvements will certainly be appreciated by your animals and inspector if no one else.

I appreciate the spirit of co-operation shown by stock owners and wish to state that I am simply doing my duty; that questions asked must be answered, as conditions are found, and that filthy or unclean premises are reported as such. There is no necessity for any place to be unclean or stock dirty, for animals will keep clean if given a chance and a little time spent in the proper direction will be appreciated by all.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. PLAYDON, M.D.V.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

*Gentlemen:* I beg to offer the following report: At the beginning of the year 1916 there was only one licensed slaughter house in town, the one operated by A. W. Boutwell of Chestnut Street. During the latter part of April Mr. Boutwell closed up the business.

During that time I inspected forty-two hogs and two veals and found them perfectly healthy and they were stamped.

Respectfully,

J. HOWARD EAMES,

*Inspector.*

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

*Gentlemen:* I herewith submit report as to work of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Work of the department as follows:

Number of scales proved and sealed:

Number of platform scales, over 5000 lbs. . . . .	4
Number of platform scales, under 5000 lbs. . . . .	17
Number of butchers' scales . . . . .	8
Number of spring balance scales . . . . .	9
Number of counter scales . . . . .	11
Number of balance scales . . . . .	6
Number of weights sealed . . . . .	97
Number of dry measures sealed . . . . .	4
Number of liquid measures sealed . . . . .	34
Number of yard sticks sealed . . . . .	2
Number of apothecary balances sealed . . . . .	1
Number of apothecary weights sealed . . . . .	19
Number of measuring pumps sealed . . . . .	6
Number of junk dealers' scales inspected . . . . .	1
Number of loads coal reweighed . . . . .	2
Number of platform scales condemned, over 5000 lbs. . . . .	1
Number of platform scales condemned, under 5000 lbs. . . . .	1

ARTHUR B. EAMES,

*Sealer.*

## REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We have set out on the town highways some over a hundred shade trees and filled in trees where vacancies occurred, also planted trees around the small park at the corner of High Street and Middlesex Avenue.

Trees have been trimmed where branches obstruct the highways and the customary spraying has been done for the Elm Leaf Beetle; this pest seems to show in less number than in previous years.

The work on gypsy and brown tail moths is supervised by State authorities and this work has been done under their direction.

The frequent rains in the spring while spraying was being done interfered very much with the work, as much had to be done a second time to be effective, and as much of it could be gone over only once, as a result we have a great many nests to destroy.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER A. McGRANE,

*Tree Warden.*

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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Public documents received, 25 volumes.

Number of new books purchased during the year, 162 volumes.

Number of books replaced, 12 volumes.

Number of books for circulation, 5,306 volumes.

Number of persons taking out books, 612.

Number of books taken out during the year, 9,018 volumes.

The following books have been presented: The Scout Law in Practise, by Arthur A. Carey; Messages and Papers of the Presidents, 11 volumes, by George T. Eames, and An Ethical Problem.

The Library has been supplied during the year with the Woman's Journal and Suffrage News, and The Temperance Cause; also the following magazines: National Sportsman, St. Nicholas, The Countryside, Ladies' Home Journal, McClures, Illustrated World, American, Woman's Home Companion, Our Dumb Animals, Christian Science Journal, World's Work, Scientific American and National Geographic.

The last three were given by Mrs. Stevens.

ANNA T. SHELDON,

*Librarian.*



Received for fines from July 6, to December 31, 1916 . . . . .	\$21 51
Received for book lost . . . . .	32
Received for books spoiled for Library use . . . . .	1 22
Received for damages to books . . . . .	79
	————— \$23 84

Amount passed in to Town Treasurer, January 8, 1917 . . . . .	\$23 84
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ANNA T. SHELDON,  
*Librarian.*

## List of New Books Purchased For The Library During The Year 1916

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### Fiction

AL56C — Cap't Gardiner of the International Police	Robert Allen
AN256W — Windy McPherson's Son	S. Anderson
AU550 — Olga Bardel	Stacy Aunonier
B282WA — Wall Street Girl	F. O. Bartlett
B354R — Rainbow's End	Rex Beach
B514J — Johnstone of the Border	H. Bindloss
B517H — Heart of Thunder Mountain	E. A. Bingham
B654P — People Like That	Kate L. Boshier
B675H — Heritage of the Sioux	B. M. Bower
B675P — Phantom Herd	B. M. Bower
B812PR — Prisoner	Alice Brown
B934IN — Instead of the Thorn	Clara L. Burnham
B942B — Beasts of Tarzan	Edgar R. Burroughs
C245S — Souls Resurgent	M. H. Carter
C633O — Old Judge Priest	Irvin S. Cobb
C645R — Rod of the Long Patrol	H. A. Cody
C734V — Vindication	H. T. Comstock
C895G — Golden Woman	Ridgwell Cullum
C895M — Men Who Wrought	Ridgwell Cullum
C947G — Grizzly King	James O. Curwood
C947H — Hunted Woman	James O. Curwood
D334B — Blow the Man Down	Holman Day
D385B — Bars of Iron	Ethel M. Dell

- D564H — House of Luck  
 D643D — Desmond's Daughter  
 D663S — Skinner's Dress Suit  
 D665B — Bonnie May  
 D955W — Wishing Moon  
 EN35A — Alibi  
 EN35P — Pod, Bender & Co.  
 F554P — Petey Simmons at Siwash  
 F921M — Maelstrom  
 G184T — They of the High Trails  
 G356P — Paradise Garden  
 G464L — Life and Gabriella  
 G733C — Cap'n Gid  
 G768 — Grasp of the Sultan  
 G862S — Short Cut  
 G864B — Border Legion  
 G886M — My Lady of the Island  
 H124I — Ivory Child  
 H156T — Trial by Fire  
 H235B — Behold the Woman  
 H241C — Circuit Riders' Widow  
 H667P — Pincus Hood  
 H812M — Magnificent Adventure  
 H835LE — Leatherwood God  
 H8716PR — Prudence Says So  
 IN67T — Tragedy of an Indiscretion  
 J763L — Lover's Knots  
 K285H — Hidden Spring  
 K295K — Kildares of Storm  
 K335R — Romance of the Martin Connor  
 K995C — Cappy Rick  
 L464C — Chloe Malone  
 L636MA — Mary-'Gusta  
 L638S — Spy  
 L796W — Wonderful Year  
 L974F — Finding of Jasper Holt
- Harris Dickson  
 Maud Diver  
 H. I. Dodge  
 Louis Dodge  
 Louise Dutton  
 George A. England  
 George A. England  
 George Fitch  
 Frank Froest  
 Hamlin Garland  
 George Gibbs  
 Ellen Glasgow  
 E. L. Gould  
  
 Jackson Gregory  
 Zane Grey  
 Beatrice Grimshaw  
 H. Rider Haggard  
 R. M. Hallet  
 T. Everett Harre  
 Corra Harris  
 Arthur Hodges  
 E. Hough  
 W. D. Howells  
 Ethel Hueston  
 J. W. Brodie-Innes  
 Elizabeth Jordan  
 C. B. Kelland  
 E. M. Kelly  
 Oswald Kendall  
 Peter B. Kyne  
 F. H. Lea  
 Joseph C. Lincoln  
 N. S. Lincoln  
 William J. Locke  
 Grace L. H. Lutz

- L974V — Voice in the Wilderness — Grace L. H. Lutz  
 L992A — After the Manner of Men — Francis Lynde  
 M136F — From the Housetops — G. B. McCutcheon  
 M136L — Light that Lies — G. B. McCutcheon  
 M165H — Held to Answer — P. C. Macfarlone  
 M183B — Blind Man's Eyes — W. MacHarg and E. Balmer  
 M276S — Shepherd of the North — R. A. Maher  
 M292D — Damaris — Lucas Malet  
 M341C — Cruise of the Jasper B — Don Maquir  
 M387GO — Golden Hope — G. S. Mason  
 M611C — Come Out of the Kitchen — A. D. Miller  
 N516PR — Proof of the Pudding — Meredith Nicholson  
 N824U — Unknown Mr. Kent — Roy Norton  
 OP54AM — Amiable Charlatan — E. P. Oppenheim  
 OP54K — Kingdom of the Blind — E. P. Oppenheim  
 OR14LE — Leatherface — Baroness Orczy  
 P184OL — Old Blood — Frederick Palmer  
 P224WO — World for Sale — Gilbert Parker  
 P246C — Contraband — Randall Parrish  
 P275S — Shadow Riders — Isabel Paterson  
 P945F — Fifth Wheel — Olive H. Prouty  
 R415U — Under the Country Sky — Grace S. Richmond  
 R445RN — Romance of a Christmas Card — Kate D. W. Riggs  
 R634C — Chief Legatee — Anna K. G. Rohlfs  
 R634T — To the Minute — Anna K. G. Rohlfs  
 R794F — Filling His Own Shoes — H. C. Rowland  
 SA93S — Seven Miles to Arden — Ruth Sawyer  
 SC0865P — Partners of the Night — Leroy Scott  
 SE47R — Range Boss — Charles A. Seltzer  
 SI63B — Big Timber — B. W. Sinclair  
 SM55E — Enoch Crane — F. Hopkinson Smith  
 SP34N — Nan of Music Mountain — F. H. Spearman  
 ST356D — Dr. Nick — L. M. Steele  
 ST87D — Door of Dread — Arthur Stringer  
 T174S — Seventeen — Booth Tarkington  
 T596S — Seed of the Righteous — J. W. Tompkins

T674H — His Unknown Wife	Louis Tracy
T847H — Handle with Care	Margaret Turnbull
T865V — Van Haavens	C. Hilton-Turvey
V365G — Girl at Big Loon Post	George Van Schaick
W152C — Clue of the Twisted Candle	Edgar Wallace
W163D — Dark Forest	Hugh Walpole
W167C — Cam Clarke	John H. Walsh
W217LD — Lady Connie	Mrs. Humphry Ward
W3345H — Hampstead Mystery	J. R. Watson and A. J. Rees
W394RE — Real Adventure	Henry K. Webster
W462C — Curved Blades	Carolyn Wells
W464M — Mr. Britling Sees It Through	H. G. Wells
W583E — El Supremo	E. L. White
W585L — Leopard Woman	S. E. White
W673W — Whirligig of Time	W. W. Williams
W674LI — Lightning Conductor Discovers America	C. N. and A. M. Williamson
W814S — Something New	P. G. Wodehouse
W814U — Uneasy Money	P. G. Wodehouse
W931WH — When a Man's a Man	Harold B. Wright

### Juvenile Fiction

jAD13P — Pioneer Boys of the Columbia	Harrison Adams
jAL74HU — Hunters of the Hills	J. A. Altsheler
jAL74SH — Shades of the Wilderness	J. A. Altsheler
jAL74K — Keepers of the Trail	J. A. Altsheler
jB234P — Purple Pennant	R. H. Barbour
jB642O — On the Battlefield of Engineering	A. Russell Bond
jB8152Q — Quest of the Golden Valley	B. Browne
jC375G — Girl from the Big Horn Country	M. E. Chase
jD375J — June	Edith B. Delano
jH7856G — Girls of Morning-Glory Camp fire	Isabel Hornibrook

jJ644G — Georgina of the Rainbows	Annie F. Johnston
jL914OU — Our Davie Pepper	H. M. Lothrop
jL963P — Peter and Polly in Spring	Rose Lucia
jL963PE — Peter and Polly in Summer	Rose Lucia
jL963PT — Peter and Polly in Winter	Rose Lucia
jM296N — Nobody's Boy	Hector Malot
jM362EM — Emmy Lou's Road to Grace	G. M. Martin
jP167C — Cadet of the Black Star Line	R. D. Paine
jP167W — Wrecking Master	R. D. Paine
jP833J — Just David	Eleanor H. Porter
jR344I — Independence of Man	Nina Rhoades
jSA93T — This Way to Christmas	Ruth Sawyer
jST435M — Mary Rose of Mifflin	F. R. Sterrett
jSTS3F — Fort in the Wilderness	Edward Stratemeyer
jT124H — Hollyhock House	Marion A. Taggart
jT174PE — Penrod and Sam	Booth Tarkington
jT594SC — Scouting with Kit Carson	E. T. Tomlinson
jT594TR — Trail of the Mohawk Chief	E. T. Tomlinson
jV283G — Gibby of Clamshell Alley	J. S. Van Dresser
jW562BO — Boy with the U. S. Mail	F. R. Wheeler

### Miscellaneous

jB-C594P — Boys Life of Mark Twain	A. B. Paine
jB-R324M — Paul Revere	Belle Moses
131-M33 — Miracle of Right Thought	O. S. Marden
170-M33 — Pushing to the Front	O. S. Marden
300-M12 — One More Chance	L. E. Mac Brayne and J. P. Ramsay
530-DS7 — Text-book of Physics	A. W. Duff
614.3-W64 — Foods and their Adulteration	H. W. Wiley
639-V61 — Real Story of the Whaler	A. H. Verrill
jS00-B19 — Fifty Famous Stories Retold	J. Baldwin
807-B84 — How to tell Stories to Children	S. A. Bryant

- j810-EG35 — Stories of American Life and Adventure  
Edward Eggleston
- 916-P87 — Last Frontier  
E. Alexander Powell
- j917-C22 — North America  
Frank G. Carpenter
- 917.2-F84 — Tramping through Mexico, Guatemala and Hon-  
duras  
H. A. Franck
- j917.4-W67 — Young People's Story of Massachusetts  
Herschel Williams
- 917.9-P87 — End of the Trail  
E. Alexander Powell
- 949.3-P87 — Fighting in Flanders  
E. Alexander Powell
- 970-P87 — Gentlemen Rovers  
E. Alexander Powell

## TOWN WARRANT

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington.  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in Section 2, Article 1, of the By-Laws of the Town of Wilmington, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday, the fifth day of March next, at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 6 o'clock a.m. and may be closed at 4 p.m. for the election of town officers and to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in your votes on one ballot for three Selectmen, who shall also be Overseers of the Poor and Board of Survey, one Assessor for three years, Town Clerk, Treasurer,



Collector of Taxes, Constable, three Fence Viewers, one School Committee for three years, two Trustees of the Public Library for three years, one member of S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for five years, one Tree Warden, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years; also to vote on the following questions, to wit: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town? "Yes" or "No"; and shall the provisions of Chap. 293, Acts of 1916, entitled "An Act to authorize the licensing by cities and towns of motor vehicles carrying passengers for hire," be accepted? "Yes" or "No"; and shall the provisions of Chap. 59, Acts of 1916, amending Chap. 284 of the General Acts of 1915, being an "Act relative to the holding of annual town meetings" be accepted? "Yes" or "No"; and shall the provisions of Chap. 153, Acts of 1916, being "An Act relative to the license fee for slaughter houses in towns having less than ten thousand inhabitants," be accepted? "Yes" or "No"; and shall the provisions of Chap. 240, Acts of 1916, being an "Act relative to the hours of labor of public employees and persons employed on public works," be accepted? "Yes" or "No."

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles:

Art. 3. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To hear the report of Committees and act thereon.

Art. 5. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government, Protection of Life and Property, Health and Sanitation, Tree Warden, Forest Warden, Highways, Roads and Bridges, Support of Poor, Dependent Widows and Soldiers' Relief, Schools and Maintenance, including Tuition at Vocational Schools; Library, Cemetery, Interest, Notes Payable, Street Lights, State and County Tax, Printing Town Reports, Care of Town Clock, and Contingent Fund, and Tax Abatements.

Art. 6. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day, and to determine how the same shall be expended.

Art. 7. To see what method the Town will adopt for the collection of taxes and to determine the compensation of the collector.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the present financial year.

Art. 9. To see what action the Town will take in relation to increasing the salaries of the Assessors.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will accept the sum of \$100 from Nathan B. Eames, the income of said sum to be expended annually for care of his lot in the cemetery.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase a safe or other suitable fireproof receptacle for the storage of Town Records or what they will do in regard to the matter.

Art. 12. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate to waterproof the basement of the New High School, or what they will do in relation thereto.

\*Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to install street lights on Thurston Avenue, or do anything in relation thereto.

\*Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to install street lights on Parker Street, or do anything in relation thereto.

\*Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to install street lights on Boutwell Street, or what they will do in relation thereto.

\*Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to contract for street lights on Main Street from the Woburn line to the present lights.

\*Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to contract for electric lighting of the streets daily between 5.30 o'clock a.m. and daylight during any part of the year, or what they will do in relation thereto.

\*Art. 18. To see if the Town will petition the Director of the Bureau of Statistics for an audit of the accounts of the Town for the years 1912 to 1916, both inclusive, or do anything in relation thereto.

\*Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to sell the Town Farm and the personal property connected therewith, or lease the same or do anything in relation to the subject.

\*Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the so-called blanket form of policy of insurance of public buildings, or take any action or give any instruction to the Selectmen relating to the insurance of the buildings owned by the Town or any of said buildings.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 for the improvement of the fire-well near the High School, or do anything in regard to the same.

Art. 22. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the installation of heating and ventilating systems in the North, East, and West schools.

Art. 23. To hear the report of the School Board in regard to the transportation of scholars and act thereon.

\*Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on Clark Street from its junction with Main Street to Middlesex Avenue, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 25. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the purchase of a steam roller, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 26. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the erection of some suitable buildings for storage of Highway Department property, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 27. To see what action the Town will take to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125 for the George Washington Memorial Building at Washington, D. C.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 under Chap. 525, Acts of 1910, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission in the completion of the macadam on Lowell Street to the Reading Town line, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 under Chap. 525, Acts of 1910, to be expended under State and County Supervision on Salem Street from the North Reading Town line westerly, or what they will do in relation thereto.

Art. 30. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the amendment or revision of certain By-Laws of the Town.

\* Articles inserted on petition.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of said Town this nineteenth day of February, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.



HERBERT C. BARROWS,  
ARTHUR W. EAMES,  
FRANK W. DAYTON,

*Selectmen of Wilmington.*



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