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ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

Selectmen, Treasurer,

and Other Officers

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Town of Houlton,

Municipal Year Ending March 1,

1903.

MICHAEL M. CLARK,

Assessors' Report.

Following is a statement of the inventory and valuation of taxable property and polls as found in the Town of Houlton April 1, 1902, the same being a copy of our return to the State Assessors;

Real estate, resident,	\$1,395,072 00	
Real estate, non-resident,	135,610 00	
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Total real estate,		\$1,530,682 00
Personal estate, resident,	\$757,727 00	
Personal estate, non-resident,	15,753 00	
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Total personal estate,		773,480 00
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Total valuation		\$2,304,162 00
No. of polls taxed,	1347	
No. of polls not taxed,	37	

Schedule of Personal Property.

LIVE STOCK	NO.	AV. VALUE	TOTAL VALUE.
Horses,	819	\$52 84	\$ 43,280 00
Colts, 3 to 4 years old,	28	48 57	1,360 00
Colts, 2 to 3 years old,	29	30 86	895 00
Colts, under 2 years old,	59	20 84	1,230 00
Cows,	580	20 00	11,520 00
Three years old,	104	18 23	1,896 00
Two years old,	208	13 98	2,700 00
One year old,	230	6 00	1,387 00
Sheep,	1061	3 00	3,183 00
Swine,	199	5 00	995 00
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Total value of live stock,			\$68,446 00
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	NO. SHARES	VALUE	
Railroad stock,		\$ 4,000 00	
Bank stock,	1191	146,320 00	
Trust Companies' stock,	121	13,135 00	
Insurance " "	14	1,400 00	
Water " "	1930	38,600 00	
Sewer " "	105	5,250 00	
Money at interest,		217,700 00	

Stock in trade,		193,783 00
Logs and lumber,		8,400 00
Estates, held in trust,		21,500 00
Bicycles,	129	2,259 00
Carriages,	208	10,265 00
Musical instruments,	330	23,962 00
Furniture,		9,010 00
Finished products in mills,		700 00
Materials in stock,		1,100 00
Machinery not taxed as real estate,		6,650 00
Buildings on others' land,		1,000 00
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Amount,		\$705,034 00
Amount live stock,		68,446 00
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Total value of personal property,		\$773,480 00

Assessment 1902.

On the above Polls and Estates, as per warrants from the State Treasurer and County Treasurer, and as per votes of the Town at the annual Town Meeting held March 24, 1902, the following assessment was made :

State tax,	\$6,459 02
County tax.	9,049 51
Support of the poor,	3,000 00
Discounts, abatements and commissions,	3,900 00
Interest,	2,550 00
Town officers,	1,500 00
Miscellaneous bills,	1,250 00
Schools,	5,000 00
School repairs,	900 00
School text-books,	1,100 00
Superintendent of Schools,	300 00
Free High School,	2,000 00
Insurance, school buildings,	600 00
Roads, bridges and sidewalks,	6,800 00
Painting, iron bridges,	450 00
State road,	200 00
Fire department and watchmen,	6,000 00
Street Lights,	1,375 00
Sidewalks in winter,	250 00
Public Library,	300 00
Memorial Day,	100 00
Militia,	100 00

Cemeteries,	500 00	
Whitney land,	900 00	
Town debt,	1,500 00	
Overlay,	2,105 28	
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Total assessment,		\$58,188 81
Tax rate on \$1.00—.0235		
Tax on polls, \$3 00 each,	\$ 4,041 00	
Tax on real and personal estate,	54,147 81	58,188 81
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THOMAS P. PUTNAM, } Assessors
 FRANK W. PEARCE, } of
 WALLACE A. DYKEMAN, } Houlton

Report of Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, etc.

Schools.

Abernathy, John, janitor,	\$ 10 85
Armstrong, Jas. S., janitor, &c.,	6 63
Atchison, Wm. M., janitor and wood,	34 80
Atkinson, A. T., wood,	6 38
Auber, George W., wood,	4 25
Auber, Walter, janitor,	6 00
Bachelor, A. M., janitor,	139 00
Barker, Chas., conveying scholars,	40 00
Barnes, Clara, teaching,	324 00
Belonga, Clara, cleaning,	4 00
Belonga, Magaret, cleaning,	4 00
Briggs, E., trucking coal,	51 00
Burrill, Fred W., teaching,	150 00
Callaghan, Agnes, wood,	10 00
Cassidy, Ella M., teaching,	307 00
Cogan, Cora, janitor,	3 85
Company, Houlton Sewerage, sewer,	130 00
Company, The Hinks Coal, coal,	577 11
Cosseboom, Eva A., teaching	133 00

REPORT OF ASSESSORS OF HOULTON.

Cosseboom, May E., teaching,	324 00
Donovan, Annie G., teaching,	360 00
Donovan, Jennie E., teaching,	324 00
Donovan, John T., wood,	46 00
Donovan, Joseph A., teaching,	47 00
Donovan, Winnie M., teaching,	142 50
Dobson, Grover, labor,	1 00
Dyer, L. W., supplies,	1 00
Easte, Mrs. Isabel, cleaning,	4 50
Fitzgerald, Mrs. Elizabeth, cleaning,	5 00
Fletcher, Earl M., janitor,	222 00
Fortier, Mrs. Andrew, cleaning,	5 50
Foster, Carrie, cleaning,	13 00
Foster, Mrs. Jas., cleaning,	19 00
Gilman, W. S. & Son, printing,	1 26
Hammond, Mrs. J. A., conveying scholars,	24 00
Hamilton, E. C., board of Mrs. Stetson,	2 50
Hanning, Mrs. Blanch, cleaning,	3 50
Hanning, Collingwood, janitor,	5 00
Hanson, S. H., printing,	1 00
Harris, Mabel A., teaching,	100 00
Hatheway, H. J. Co., supplies.	3 00
Hogan, Anna J., teaching,	120 00
Hogan, Albert P., wood, &c,	114 38
Hussey, Harry, janitor,	6 50
Iott, Daniel, janitor,	309 20
Iott, Mrs. Fred, cleaning,	3 50
Iott, Hattie, cleaning,	23 50
Iott, William, labor,	2 88
Jackins, Edith A., teaching	115 85
Jones, Annie R., teaching,	325 50
Jordan, Wm. H., wood, &c.,	6 00
Ketch, Minnie, cleaning,	2 50
Lawlis, Katie L., teaching,	153 00
Linton, Jennie M., teaching,	144 00
Logan, Frank A., janitor,	25 00
Logan, Fred R., janitor,	13 45
Long, Harry, conveying scholars,	66 00
Lougee, Lillian, teaching,	171 50
Mansur, Lura S., teaching,	324 50
McCluskey Bros., conveying scholars,	223 40
McIntyre, B. B., demurrage on coal,	2 00
McMonigle, Frank, wood,	26 50
Merritt, E. & Sons, wood and coal,	17 50
Merritt, E. & Sons, electric lighting,	89 16

Moore, George W., janitor,	5 00	
Mulherrin, Josephine A., teaching,	324 00	
Mulherrin, Sarah E., teaching,	324 00	
Niles, Mellen C., janitor,	26 75	
Parks, Carrie S., janitor,	9 85	
Parks, Elizabeth, janitor,	5 55	
Pearce, L. Emma, teaching,	262 50	
Pennington, Annie, teaching,	325 25	
Porter, Alice M., teaching,	324 00	
Porter, Lewis, janitor,	5 00	
Porter, Margaret A., teaching,	324 00	
Putnam, Arthur O., enumerating scholars,	35 00	
Putnam, A. T., wood,	31 76	
Putnam, H. L., stationery &c,	11 35	
Putnam, M. D., wood,	6 00	
Reed, Samuel H., teaching,	260 00	
Robbins, Georgia M., teaching,	325 60	
Savage, A. S., janitor,	5 00	
Seeley, J. M., conveying scholars,	140 40	
Sincock, S. H. Jr., edgings,	5 00	
Smith, Etta G., teaching,	219 50	
Smith, John, wood,	42 00	
Smith, Tillie M., janitor,	6 50	
Stairs, Margaret, cleaning,	12 50	
Stewart, A. A., wood,	18 75	
Terrill, Jacob W., conveying scholars,	40 00	
Titcomb, Ethel E., teaching,	324 00	
Vasseur, Joseph J., janitor,	261 00	
Wiggin, Annie I., janitor,	10.60	
Wheeler, Myron, tuning piano,	2 50	
White, Jacob, janitor,	6 00	
White, Phæbe, L., teaching,	139 50	
Balance unexpended,	397 40	\$10,118 71
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Amount appropriated,	\$5000 00	
Balance from last year,	799 01	
John Lowrey, tuitions,	11 00	
School Fund and Mill Tax,	4160 36	
Town of Hodgdon, tuitions 1901,	73 34	
Town of Hodgdon, tuitions 1902,	75 00	\$10,118 71
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School Text Books.

American Book Co., books,	\$225	02	
American Express Co., express,	19	15	
Anderson, Richard, freight and trucking,	3	80	
Anderson, Joseph. freight and trucking,		85	
Allyn & Bacon, books,	14	25	
Appleton, D. & Co., books,	7	04	
Babb, Edward E. & Co., books,	300	98	
Balch Bros. Co., books,	28	00	
Briggs, A. H., trucking,	1	50	
Briggs, E., freight and trucking,	7	80	
Ginn & Co., books,	185	58	
Heath, D. C. & Co., books,	35	90	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books,	1	53	
Humphrey, Heman, trucking,	1	50	
Jenkins, C. H., books,	2	20	
Knowlton, D. H. & Co., books,	5	00	
Lyons, C. A., printing, &c,	85	68	
Maynard, Merrill & Co., books,	69	73	
Mulherrin, Sarah E., book covers,	1	25	
Newson & Co., books,	5	44	
Roberts, J. I., freight and trucking,	1	40	
Rowles, E. W. A., books,	24	50	
Scott, Froesman & Co., books,	6	74	
Thompson, Brown & Co., books,	18	23	
Amount overdrawn last year,	252	70	\$1305 77
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Amount appropriated,	\$1100	00	
Books sold,	3	15	
Balance overdrawn,	202	62	1305 77
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Repairs School Buildings.

Anderson, Richard, trucking,	\$	50
Auber, George W., labor and materials,	15	00
Browne, J. A. supplies,	1	05
Carpenter, Leonard, labor and material,	98	65
Chadwick, J. G., labor and material,	51	61
Cox, Fred. trucking,	9	00
Davis, I. H., lumber,	124	17
Dempsey, Frank, trucking,	1	00
Fogg, A. H. & Co., supplies,	164	25
Garcelon, Eugene, trucking,	2	50
Iott, Daniel, labor,	54	00

Iott, Hattie, cleaning,	1	50	
Johnston, Wm. M., labor,	3	00	
Logan, Frank A., banking, &c,	11	60	
McPartland, James H., labor,	41	46	
Niles, Mellin C., labor,	91	85	
Putnam, Samuel W., labor,	32	00	
Ryan, M. A., supplies,	2	20	
Smith Bros., labor and supplies,	3	55	
Taber, S. W., iron ladders,	30	40	
Titcomb, F. W., lumber,	43	45	
Turney, R. L., supplies,	74	23	
Vasseur, Joseph J., labor,	50	50	
Watson, John, lime,	4	50	
Watson, John Company, supplies,	55	73	
Wilson, Matthew, lumber,	22	00	
Amount overdrawn last year,	305	72	
Balance unexpended,	37	69	\$1333 11
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Amount appropriated,	\$900	00	
Insurance, Fair St. School house,	133	11	
Sale of Lowrey school building and lot to Allen W. Gidney,	300	00	1333 11
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Schools, Insurance, Apparatus, &c.

Burrill, Fred W., apparatus,	\$125	99	
Dempsey, Frank, freight and trucking,	1	80	
Donnell, Wm. C., Insurance,	180	75	
Gentle, Geo. S., Insurance,	50	00	
Gentle & Ludwig, Insurance,	102	00	
Hamilton & Webber, supplies,	10	68	
Hathaway, H. J. Co., supplies,	3	10	
Houlton Furniture Co., supplies,	2	25	
Keaton & Betts, chairs,	8	35	
Mansur & Cumming, electric supplies,	1	65	
Smith, O. M., supplies,	9	55	
Steinert, M. & Sons Co., piano,	156	42	
Amount overdrawn last year,	172	83	\$825 37
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Amount appropriated,	\$600	00	
Balance overdrawn,	225	37	\$825 37
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The amount unexpended in the foregoing Common School accounts, to wit:—Schools, Text Books, Repairs, and Insurance accounts, taken as a whole is \$7 10.

Free High School.

Amount appropriated,		\$2000 00
Balance from last year,		66 95
Amount received from State,		250 00
Tuitions rec'd as follows :—		
Carpenter, Anna L.,	\$16 00	
Conlogue, Fred,	7 00	
Doherty, Fred D.,	11 50	
Orcutt, Claire T.,	3 00	
Tarbell, Herbert J.,	5 50	\$43 00
		\$2359 95
Bryson, J. Frank, orchestra,	\$22 00	
Burrill, Fred W., teaching,	961 72	
Briggs, Belle L., teaching,	350 00	
French, W. T., Opera House,	15 00	
Harris, Mabel A., teaching,	433 30	
Rockwood, Marion, teaching,	510 71	
Stetson, May Frances, instruction,	40 20	
Balance unexpended,	27 02	\$2359 95

For recommendations as to Schools and School purposes, see report of School Committee.

Street Lights.

Amount appropriated,		\$1375 00
Balance from year 1901,		28 26
		\$1403 26
Houlton Electric Co., for street lights and for Town Hall and Engine House,	\$1360 00	
E. Merritt & Sons, lights for streets, town lockup and approaches thereto,	41 40	
Balance unexpended,	1 86	\$1403 26

There is a demand for more lights in almost every section of the village. No new lights have been established anywhere this year, as the appropriation would not warrant it.

With no change in price it will require \$1401 40 to pay for our present lights one year. For any additional lights, proper appropriation should be made. We think an appropriation of \$1450 00 ample to cover new lights really necessary.

Cemeteries.

Adams, J. A., labor,	\$18	50	
Bachelor, A. M., painting,	8	00	
Boone, Chas. E., labor,	16	25	
Davis, I. H., lumber,	2	90	
Donovan, J. A., labor &c.,	77	25	
Fogg, A. H. Co., supplies,	1	50	
Harrison, Thos., labor,	25	12	
Hiscock, Elias, services,	3	50	
McCluskey Bros., breaking roads,	9	00	
Peabody, F. A. & Co., Ins. on barn,	7	50	
Peters, W. G., teams,	4	00	
Sawyer, Walter, surveying,	100	00	
Smith Bros., labor and supplies,	47	68	
Titcomb, F. W., lumber,	11	80	
Watson, John Co., supplies,	8	82	
Wiley, James W., labor and cash paid out,	213	09	
	\$554		
		91	
Manure from Fire Department,		10	00
Balance unexpended,		129	81
		\$694 72	
Amount appropriation,	\$500	00	
Balance from year 1901,	44	21	
Income—Hannah J. Bailey fund,	9	06	
W. R. Whitney, for hay,	121	45	
	\$674		
		72	
Hay to Fire Department,		20	00
		\$694 72	

All the town cemeteries have been cared for as usual. About 20 acres of the Monson farm has been surveyed and plan of new cemetery, with drives, pond, walks &c., is now in process of construction. It is hoped we can begin this year, to lay this out according to plan.

For cemeteries we recommend the same amount as last year, \$500.00.

Memorial Day.

Amount appropriated,		\$100	00
Amount paid Geo. H. Smith, Quartermaster A. P.			
Russell Post G. A. R.		100	00

We recommend the usual appropriation for Memorial Day.

Town Hall Lot, Mechanic St.

Amount appropriated,	\$900 00	
Rent from Houlton Water Co.,	50 00	
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	\$950 00	
Paid Wm. R. Whitney for deed, from Arthur P. Davis,	\$950 00	<hr/>

State Militia.

Amount appropriated,	\$100 00	
Paid to F. A. Peabody, Capt. Co. L.,	100 00	
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The Militia Company was of great benefit in guarding and protecting property after the fire of May 17th, ult. Considerable furniture, and household goods that otherwise would have been lost, stolen, or destroyed, was thus saved for its owners. We think in this one instance the money value of the property saved, exceeded all that the town has ever raised for Militia purposes. We recommend the usual appropriation.

Houlton Public Library.

Amount appropriated,	\$300 00	
Amount received from State,	30 00	\$330 00
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Paid M. M. Clark, Treasurer of Houlton Public Library,		\$330 00
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The general patronage of the Library continues good, and includes all classes of our citizens. 7252 books were taken out from January 1st. 1902, to January 1st. 1903. Quite a number of volumes have been worn out and replaced by new editions and more than usual have been rebound.

27 new books have been presented during the past year and 198 purchased by the Trustees. Besides magazines and pamphlets, the Library now contains 1632 volumes of which from one-fifth to one-fourth are out all the time.

The Library is now located, up stairs, in Frisbie's brick block, and after March 2nd will be open every day in the week, holidays excepted, from 9 A. M. to noon, and from 2 P. M. to 5 P. M., and Saturday evenings from 7 to 8 o'clock.

We recommend, at least, the usual appropriation of \$300 00.

Town Debt.

Amount appropriated,		\$1500 00
Paid on Pleasant St. School House Loan,	\$1000 00	
Paid on Cemetery Loan,	500 00	\$1500 00
		\$1500 00

During the coming year \$2500 00 of our Town Debt becomes due and an appropriation for like amount should be made to meet it. This does not include Town Water Bond of \$800 00 which matures May 1st, 1903, and will be paid from dividends on Stock of Houlton Water Company owned by the town.

State Road.

Chap. 285, Public Laws of 1901.

Amount appropriated,		\$200 00
“ received from State,		100 00
		\$300 00
Anderson. Thos., labor,	\$ 7 00	
Brewer, Wilmot, labor,	20 00	
Harper, Isaac, labor,	8 63	
Hickey. John, labor,	5 00	
Iott, Israel, labor,	3 00	
Portland Pipe Co., pipe,	88 74	
Wiley, James, labor,	8 63	
Labor of ten teams two days hauling 160 loads of gravel placed on said road, from Grist Mill to B. H. Putnam's corner and labor loading and spread- ing same,	144 00	
Also 20 loads rock and gravel in front of Woolen Mill &c ,	15 00	\$300 00
		\$300 00

A good drain of Sewer pipe 10 and 12 inches in diameter was laid from a point in Market Square opposite Buzzell's Furniture Store, thence along West side of Market Square and North side of Union Square to the River.

In addition to the above work, 103 loads of broken stone—being the last of the stone broken in the jail yard—was hauled by the town team and placed on the State Road at the Northerly end of the bridge. We recommend the same amount be raised as last year, \$200.00.

Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks.

Abernathy, Chas., labor,	\$ 22 20
Abernathy, James, labor,	40 25
Acme Road Machine Co., repairs,	35 00
Adair, James, labor,	16 40
Albright, Chas. labor,	131 33
Allen, Thomas, labor,	26 25
Armstrong, D. T., labor,	20 25
Armstrong, Wm., labor,	8 50
Atchison, Wm. M., labor,	9 63
Anderson, Alex , hauling plank,	75
Anderson, Richard, trucking,	50
Anderson, Thomas, labor,	28 50
Anderson, Jos. A., trucking,	75
Auber, John J., labor,	1 00
Bangor Gas Light Co., tar,	588 75
B. & A. R. R. Co., freight,	230 70
Barker, Allison, labor,	5 25
Belonga. Alex., labor,	14 63
Belonga, James, labor,	99 02
Benn, Lee, labor,	21 00
Benson, Thomas, labor,	26 25
Berry, C. H , use of team,	1 00
Billings & Watts, granite,	315 78
Boyd, Edward, labor,	3 00
Brewer, J. B., labor,	2 50
Brewer, Melvin labor,	3 60
Brewer, Wilmot, labor,	220 00
Bradford, A. K., labor,	15 85
Brown, Chas., labor,	56 26
Brown, Robt. N., trucking &c.,	2 90
Bruce, George, labor,	3 00
Bruce, John, labor,	1 25
Burleigh, Harry, labor,	26 25
Carson, William, labor,	12 75
Cassidy, Patrick, labor,	3 50
Chamberlain, John, labor,	3 00
Chapman & Soden, pitch,	11 90
Clark, Frank P., labor,	7 00
Clark, James. labor,	1 25
Cogan, Henry, labor,	18 00
Conant, C. M. Co., repairs,	19 70
Crawford, Frank, labor,	1 88
Crawford, Lee, labor,	4 50

Daley, James, labor,	4 13
Daigle, Wm., labor,	36 75
Deasy, James, labor,	22 50
Derrah, Sam'l., labor,	6 00
Dickey, John, labor,	50 25
Dobbins, James, labor,	15 75
Dobson, Grover, labor,	10 00
Dobson, William, labor,	32 00
Donovan, John, labor,	12 75
Donovan, Timothy, labor,	18 38
Dow, Horace, labor,	19 38
Drake, Fred, labor,	84 00
Drake, James, labor,	10 00
Duffy, James, labor,	3 00
Dunlap, Fred, labor,	4 13
Dumphy, Wintworth, labor,	9 75
Dunphy, Wm. H., labor,	61 88
Dykeman, W. A., labor,	14 00
Dyer, L. W., weighing gravel,	90
Edblud, H., labor,	70 67
Fitzgerald, James, labor,	28 00
Fitzgerald, Richard, labor,	2 50
Fogg, A. H. Co., supplies,	35 97
Fulton, Herbert, labor,	75
Fulton, James, labor,	6 50
Gallagher, Robt., labor,	120 50
Ganong, Wm., labor,	14 78
Gee, Clinton, labor,	48 38
Gidney, Wilmot, labor,	8 50
Gorman, Henry, labor,	29 75
Hacket, J. D., labor,	40 73
Hamilton & Webber, supplies,	4 15
Hammond, David, labor,	16 00
Hanning, Collingwood, labor,	3 00
Harkins, Martin, labor,	1 50
Harkins, Michael, labor and cedar,	17 00
Harkins, Neil, labor,	7 50
Harper, Isaac, labor,	26 51
Harper, Wm., labor,	1 88
Hayes, Maurice, labor,	4 50
Henderson, Robt. P., labor,	11 25
Hogan, Albert P., labor,	6 75
Houlton Foundry & Machine Co., repairs,	11 06
Hovey, Wm. E., labor,	3 00
Howard, A. H., labor,	94 12
Hussey, B. T., labor,	22 75

Ingraham, B. Frank, labor,	89 60
Ingraham, Bert. L., labor,	103 50
Innis, F. F., labor,	10 00
Iott, Israel, labor,	39 00
Iott, William, labor,	38
Jewett, G. F., lumber,	50 40
Johnston, James, labor,	6 38
Jones, Frank, labor,	75
Jordan, Henry, labor,	6 13
Keaton, David, labor,	14 25
Kinney, Frank, labor,	6 00
Kinney, Herbert, labor,	6 00
Kirlin, John H., labor,	4 75
Labell, Chas., labor,	29 63
Langan, Michael, labor,	3 00
Lawlis, Chas., labor,	15 00
Lawlis, Martin, labor,	151 25
Logan, Henry, labor,	48 50
Lowrey, Frank, labor,	30 38
Lyons, James, labor,	1 50
Madigan, A. W., labor,	17 50
Manson, D., labor,	19 13
McKenna, James, labor,	33 50
McLellan, Wesley, labor,	66 50
McMonigle, Frank, labor,	20 00
McPartland, James, labor &c.,	11 28
McTavish, Dan'l., labor,	10 50
Merithew, Henry, labor,	8 63
Minard, Douglas, labor,	3 75
Mitchell, Ewen, labor,	3 00
Moore, A. E., labor,	19 50
Moore, Geo. W., labor,	16 50
Moore, Thomas, labor,	6 00
Murphy, John, sleepers,	3 64
Niles, John F., labor,	10 75
Oldenburg, Chas. E., labor,	8 25
Oldenburg, W., labor,	1 50
Palmer, Calvin, labor,	10 50
Palmer, Elmer, labor,	7 50
Palmer, Mark, labor,	104 07
Parks Bros., labor,	12 50
Peabody, J. S., sleepers and labor,	63 95
Peabody, R. T., labor,	91 88
Pennington, Geo. A., labor,	8 50
Plummer, Bert, labor,	8 25

Porter, Ira J., labor,	5 00
Portland Pipe Co., pipe,	143 16
Pray, Edward, labor,	7 00
Pray, George R., labor,	160 25
Putnam, A. T., labor,	42 00
Putnam, W. H., labor,	262 28
Putnam, W. K., labor,	6 00
Rafford, Guy, labor,	25 50
Rafford, O., labor,	23 25
Reed, Fred, labor,	7 50
Reed, George W., labor,	47 87
Reed, Hiram, labor,	38 25
Russell, Murray, labor,	125 26
Ruth, R. N., labor,	8 75
Saunders, Benj., labor,	58 88
Savage, A. Seldon, labor,	4 00
Scott, Walter, labor,	20 25
Sedman, Wm., labor,	75
Seeley, Nehemiah E., labor,	6 25
Seeley, Howard, labor,	14 00
Seeley, John, labor,	56 00
Sincock, S. H. Jr., lumber,	119 41
Slipp, B. J., labor,	13 00
Slipp, George, labor,	4 00
Sleeper, Chas. H., labor,	5 63
Small, Geo. W., labor,	65 00
Small, Martin, labor,	12 75
Smart, H. D., labor,	49 00
Smith, Guy, labor,	83 12
Smith, Geo. B., labor,	291 87
Smith, Henry L., labor,	8 00
Smith, James, labor,	25 25
Snell, Albert, labor,	31 50
Stephenson, Robt., labor,	20 00
Taggett, John, labor,	8 75
Terrill, Jacob, labor,	43 50
Tierney, Michael, labor,	8 53
Titcomb, F. W., lumber,	145 31
Travis, Joe, labor,	30 00
Tupper, Sherman, labor,	4 50
Tupper, Timothy, labor,	9 00
Turney, R. L., supplies,	26 59
Webb, Howard, labor,	17 50
Wiley, James, labor,	14 63
Wilson, John, labor,	1 50

Wilson, Matthew, lumber,	357	24	
Whitney, W. R., labor,	329	87	
Woods, James, labor,	2	50	
Yerxa, W. R., Road Commissioner,	587	00	
Yerxa, W. R., cash paid out,	4	80	
Yerxa, W. R., man and team,	24	50	
	\$7799	36	
Labor of men and teams on State Road, hauling and spreading rock and gravel	159	00	
	\$7640	36	
Balance unexpended,	30	02	\$7670 38
Amount appropriation,	\$6850	00	
Balance from last year,	405	65	
Balance from Hovey road, 1901,	30	35	
Balance from Iron Bridge acc't	55	18	
T. P. Putnam, tar,		25	
E. E. Hamm, tar,	6	00	
H. W. Hughes, concrete,	3	25	
F. H. Lavine, rock,	2	00	
George A. Shea, concrete,	5	25	
Houlton Water Co., concrete,	1	00	
L. B. Johnson, gravel,	7	25	
Mrs. H. F. Glidden, plank,		86	
P. P. Burleigh, concrete,	12	50	
James Dempsey, concrete,	6	00	
J. R. Weed, concrete,	5	00	
F. F. Innis, plank,	3	02	
F. A. Powers, concrete,	26	17	
S. Friedman, concrete,	31	13	
C. R. Swanton, concrete,	7	00	
J. B. Madigan, concrete,	42	00	
A. S. Savage, paint,		63	
L. L. McLeod, gravel,		80	
First National Bank, concrete,	9	00	
J. Anderson, concrete,	6	00	
T. Iott, Jr, plank,	3	00	
J. M. Rice, concrete,	53	50	
E. Merritt & Sons, lumber,	6	00	
W. R. Whitney, tar,	8	00	
H. D. Foss, gravel,		75	
P. N. Burleigh, concrete,	28	87	
James Cogan, concrete,	7	50	

S. Friedman, gravel,	7	50	
Cleveland & Ludwig, breaking road,	1	50	
George McArthur, rock,	4	00	
W. G. Somerville, concrete,	9	00	
L. O. Ludwig, gravel,		80	
Walter Cary, gravel &c.,	11	20	
S. Tupper, plank,		50	
A. P. M. Taber, concrete,	8	63	
Ira J. Porter, gravel,	1	20	
F. M. Hume, plank,	2	14	\$7670 38

It has been a hard year for work on roads, owing to so much wet and rainy weather during the spring, summer and fall. The fire of May 17th, also burned and damaged our wooden sidewalks on part of Military, Kelloran, Heywood, Park, and High streets, which had to be replaced. On Military, Kelloran and High streets this was done with concrete, and the fact that the town built good, substantial sidewalks in this part of the burned district soon after the fire, we think helped and encouraged many to rebuild their residences. It was so intended.

The extra work caused by the weather, fire, and other causes, we consider amounted in the total to some \$1200 to \$1400, and we think the Road Commissioner should be commended for getting through the year without exceeding the appropriation.

All the usual work on roads has been done, besides quite a stretch of Macadam built on Main street, and many yards of new sidewalks, mostly of concrete, laid on various streets of the village, as shown by report of Road Commissioner.

We recommend for the usual work on roads, bridges and sidewalks, including pay of Road Commissioner, and for widening streets laid out and accepted by the town last summer the sum of \$7000.00 be raised. We think also that at least \$2150.00 of the damages for widening said streets should be raised by direct assessment this year, and the balance therefor by loan.

Sidewalks in Winter.

Anderson, J. A., labor,	\$ 12	60
Brewer, Melvin, labor,		75
Brown, Chas., labor,	2	25
Brown, Robt. N., labor,	50	85
Briggs, E., labor,	27	60
Daley, James, labor,	1	50
Hickey, John, labor,		75

Hunter, Geo. A., labor,	13	15	
Patton, Wm., labor,	2	25	
Sewall, Benj., labor,	3	00	
Tupper, Sherman, labor,		75	
Watson, John, repairs,	1	00	
Balance unexpended,	180	62	\$300 07
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Amount appropriation,	\$	250	00
Balance from last year,		50	07
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			\$300 07

For this appropriation we recommend \$100 00.

Repainting Iron Bridges.

Russell, F. M., painting,	\$	275	00
Smith Bros., paint,		119	82
Balance unexpended and carried to Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks acct.,		55	18
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			\$450 00
Amount Appropriation,			\$450 00

Pauper Account.

Paupers off of the Farm.

MRS. M. J. BARRY.

McCluskey Bros., wood,			\$10 00
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OWEN BRENNAN.

Tinker, F. P., Agt., ticket,	\$	50	
Willette, Geo. W., digging grave		2	00
Titcomb, F. W., supplies,		9	05
Keaton, & Betts, casket &c.,		23	00
Putnam, H. L., med. attendance,		10	00
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			\$ 44 55

MOSES BURNS.

Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, ticket, &c.,			\$ 8 50
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JOHN CHAMBERLAIN and family.

Innis, F. F., glasses to boy,	\$	4	00
Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies,		1	83
Friedman, S. & Co., shoes,		1	50
Merritt, Fred F., shoes,		1	50
Newhouse, S., supplies,		6	50
Perks Bros, medicine,		4	10
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			\$19 43

FRED DERRAH and family.

Adams, John, digging grave,	\$ 2 50	
Ward, Parker, M., med. attendance,	12 00	
McCluskey Bros., wood,	5 50	\$20 00
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DICKSON CHILD.

Hatheway, H. J., medicine,	\$ 8 05	
Lane & Pearce, supplies,	2 25	
Richards, Geo. W., supplies,	3 50	\$13 80
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MAYNARD FIELDING.

Reed, Geo. W., wood,		\$ 3 50
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JOHN FOSTER.

Lane & Pearce, supplies,		\$15 50
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MARY FOSTER.

Clark, Frank P., ticket, team and board,		\$ 5 00
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VICTOR GILLEY.

Purinton, Wm. A., Agt., tickets,	\$14 55	
Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, board,	24 20	\$38 75
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This bill has been paid by the city of Eastport.

BEECHER E. GELLERSON.

Yerxa, W. R., cash paid to Hospital,	\$ 11 00	
Putnam, Thos. P., ticket,	6 25	\$17 25
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JOHN HICKEY and family.

Fitzmaurice, T. J., med. attendance,	\$ 15 00	
White, Jacob, wood and supplies,	3 00	\$18 00
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FRANK LeSHORE.

Dobbins, Mrs. Thos., board and nursing,		\$10 00
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JOSEPH LONGLEY.

Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies,	\$17 00	
McCluskey Bros., wood,	6 00	\$23 00
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This bill to be paid by town of Caribou.

WM. L. McAFEE and family.

Williams, Chas. E., med. attendance,	\$20 15	
Gillin, E. A. & Co. supplies,	2 90	
Fitzmaurice, T. J., med attendance,	2 00	\$25 05
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DANIEL McCANN.

Putnam, H. L., med. attendance,		\$3 88
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CHAS. MICHAEL and family.

Gillin, E. A. & Co., supplies,	\$ 13 40	
Keaton & Betts, casket &c.,	24 00	
Weston & Seeley, supplies,	3 00	
Willette, George, digging grave,	2 00	\$42 40
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PAT'K MORAN.

Friedman, Simon. supplies,	\$ 3 00	
Putnam, H. L., med. attendance,	7 00	
Tinker, F. P., Agt., ticket,	3 60	\$13 60
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MRS. SPURGEON NASON.

Phillips, R. S., supplies,	\$ 26 20	
Reed, Geo. W., wood,	6 13	\$32 33
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DAVID PARSONS.

Gillin, E. A. & Co., supplies,	9 00	
Keaton & Betts, casket &c.,	6 00	
Putnam, H. L., med. attendance,	10 00	\$25 00
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MRS. ELLEN PELKEY and family.

Briggs, E., wood,	\$2 00	
Fitzmaurice, T. J., med. attendance.	6 00	
Smith, A. T., shoes,	3 85	\$11 85
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MRS. GEORGIE PERKINS.

Towle, Geo. N., med. attendance,		\$36 00
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JUDITH PIKE.

Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, board &c.,		\$197 55
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RIDEOUT ESTATE.

Buzzell, O. B., hearse &c.,		\$6 00
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MRS. ELIZABETH RIDEOUT.

McCluskey Bros., wood,	\$3 75	
Slipp, B. J., milk,	9 96	\$13 71
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MRS. GEORGIE SMITH.

McCluskey Bros., wood,	\$ 2 25	
Phillips,, R. S., supplies,	2 15	\$4 40
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WM. R. THOMPSON.

Monson, A. B., supplies,	\$ 5 00	
Anderson, J. A., wood,	2 50	\$ 7 50
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JANE WATSON.

Benson, Mary J., board and care,	\$132 50	
Browne J. A. & Co., supplies,	3 06	
Weston & Seeley, supplies,	5 71	\$141 27
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CHAS. WARD.

Hathaway, H. J., medicine,		\$2 00
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CATHERINE WAUGH.

Allan, Mrs. M. A., nursing,	\$ 4 00	
Fauls, Michael, services—attending,	2 00	
Eastern Me. Insane Hospital, board &c.,	85 65	
Mann, F. W., medical attendance,	14 00	
Seeley, J. M., services—attending,	10 00	\$115 65
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JACOB WHITE.

Fitzmaurice, T. J., medical attendance,		\$4 00
This bill has been paid by town of Hodgdon.		

MARY WRIGHT and child.

Keys, Mrs. Jane, board and nursing,		\$4 00
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Transient and Other Paupers.

Paid L. W. Dyer, for supplies,	\$ 5 12	
Paid Houlton Fur. Co. for casket,	3 00	
Breen, Mrs., ticket home,	2 70	
Burpee boy " "	1 25	
Devou, Mrs., medicine,	95	
English, Eddie, ticket home,	1 55	
Kearney, Michael, ticket home,	5 10	

McInerney, Mrs., ticket home,	3 00	
McIntyre, Frank, shoes,	1 25	
Moran, Chas., ticket home,	2 70	
Phillips, Thos , ticket home,	3 60	
Smith, Florence, ticket home,	3 35	
Wright, Walter. ticket home,	3 20	
Wilson, Robt., medicine,	1 00	
Davis, W. H., ticket, team &c.,	2 50	\$40 27
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Cost of Paupers off of the farm,		\$973 74

Town Farm.

Berry, A. H. & Son, supplies,	\$ 23 72
Berry, Chas. H., hearse & teams,	14 00
Berry, H. O., repairs,	10 75
Browne, J. A., supplies,	2 88
Calvin, Chas. E., teams,	7 50
Clough & Taggett. supplies,	6 00
Cogan, James. repairs,	6 63
Cornelison, E. B., services.	25
Deasy, James, planting potatoes,	5 00
Drake, N. S., hay,	14 00
Dyer, L. W., supplies,	20 48
Fogg, A. H. Co., supplies,	11 73
Fox Bros., supplies,	8 50
Friel, John, labor,	2 45
Gellerson & Berry, supplies,	22 85
Gentle, George S., insurance,	63 00
Gillin, E. A. & Co.. supplies,	24 34
Hall, G. A., manure,	95 00
Hamilton & Webber, supplies,	16 75
Hatheway, H. J. Co.. supplies,	50
Heywood, A. P. Est , wagon,	40 00
Houlton Foundry & Mach. Co., repairs,	7 00
Johnson, Wm., labor,	8 75
Keaton & Betts. supplie ., casket & ser.,	70 42
Lane & Pearce, supplies,	16 34
Lovering, Chas. E., ice,	1 50
McLoon. W. H., supplies.	3 48
McNair, George, labor.	38 50
Madigan & Madigan, corn and bran,	8 65
Merritt, E. & Sons, corn, bran and flour,	35 24
Millar, J. A., supplies.	13 54
Michaud, Geo., labor,	13 75
Monahan, Albert, labor,	13 75

Monahan, Fred, horseshoeing,	24	24	
Nason, John, labor,	22	50	
Newhouse, O., supplies,	7	50	
Obey, J. H., hog,	7	00	
Peabody, R. T., 2 pigs,	10	00	
Perks Bros., supplies,	2	80	
Phillips, R. S., supplies,	61	80	
Pntnam, H. L., med. services,	78	50	
Putnam, S. W., labor,	18	75	
Richards, G. W., supplies,	2	03	
Riley, John, fish,	22	01	
Sheehan, Dennis, supplies,	10	30	
Skillin, Warren, supplies,	25	85	
Sleeper, Chas., labor,	2	45	
Smith, E. M., services &c.,	4	00	
Smith Bros., supplies,	15	78	
Smith & Porter, corn and bran,	39	85	
Somerville, S. L., supplies,	38	76	
Starkey, A. M., supplies,	18	87	
Taber, S. W., fire escapes,	40	00	
Taggett, David, overseer,	37	25	
Taggett, David, services and cash paid out,	34	25	
Titcomb, F. W., lumber,	27	12	
Turney, R. L., supplies,	41	47	
Watson, John, supplies,	16	20	
Watson, John Co., supplies,	25	82	
White, H. M., supplies,	1	10	
Whitney, Ralph H., repairs,		75	
Wilson, C. H., supplies,	35	32	
Wilson, Matthew, lumber,	49	07	
Woodbury, E. & Co., supplies,	24	60	\$1714 19

Town Farm Account.

Appraisal March 1, 1902, as per last town report,	\$891 00
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	\$2605 19

Appraisal Feb. 28th, 1903.

4 cows,	\$ 88 00
1 yearling,	10 00
1 horse,	40 00
1 horse,	110 00
14 tons hay,	126 00
3 tons straw,	9 00

185 bushels oats,		90 00	
80 barrels potatoes,		120 00	
40 lbs. butter,		10 00	
1½ barrels pork,		25 00	
Kerosene, Flour and provisions,		25 00	
Tools, Wagons, Furniture &c.,		150 00	
			<u>\$803 00</u>
Produce &c., sold off the Farm.			
Potatoes,	\$197 20		
Butter,	15 40		
2 cows and 2 calves,	57 00		
	<u>\$269 60</u>		
Potatoes for town team,	4 50		
Bought to Town Hall,	2 00	276 10	1079 10
			<u>\$1526 09</u>
Manure from Fire Department,			15 00
			<u>\$1541 09</u>
Net expense of Farm,			
Amount appropriated,		\$3000 00	
Town of Hodgdon—acct.			
Jacob White—1901 & 1902,		13 75	
City of Eastport for expenses			
of Victor Gilley,		38 75	
Supplies paid for,		5 12	\$3057 62
Pauper expense off the Farm,	\$ 973 74		
Expenses of Farm,	1541 09		
Amount overdrawn last year,	470 42		
Balance unexpended,	72 37	\$3057 62	

Paupers now on the Farm.

	Age		Age
Louise Bowlby,	77	John Smith,	52
Mary Wilson,	48	John McCarron,	69
Jonathan Stockford,	74	Albert Pelkey,	76
Naomi Stockford,	67	Daniel McCann,	61
Henry B. Cressey,	84	Moses Burns,	54
		Worth baby,	10 mos.

George Calvin and Melvin McNalley died at the farm, and other paupers who have been kept at the farm, during the past

year and discharged, are :—Theodore Wright, Patrick Moran, and Hattie Crockett, besides those quarantined there.

The expenses of keeping those in quarantine at the farm last summer, caused considerable extra work and expense for the farm account; but, notwithstanding this, there has been more produce sold off the farm than usual.

The cost of paupers off the farm, has not been so large as last year, due largely to the fact that at present we have only one insane pauper to support.

For support of the poor, including pauper insane, and town farm, we recommend the sum of \$2750 00.

Fire Department, Police, &c.

American Express Co., express,	\$ 5 40
Anderson, Richard. trucking,	2 00
Barry, Michael, washing hose,	65
Berry, C. H., hauling hose cart,	1 00
Berry, H. O., repairs,	1 60
Belonga, James, labor,	15 00
Boston Belting Co., hose &c.,	49 00
Brewer, Wilmot, services,	96 00
Briggs, E., trucking,	4 25
Buzzell, O. B., team,	1 00
Calvin, Chas., labor at fire,	2 00
Campbell, J. A., hay,	13 65
Carson, W. J., wood,	49 50
Cates, H. M., repairs,	17 95
Chamberlain, Alphonse, services,	394 96
Dempsey, James, hauling ladder cart,	2 00
Donnell, Wm. C., Insurance,	27 00
Donovan, B. A., services,	5 00
Drolette, J. S., hauling coal,	1 00
Eastman, Sam'l. Co., fire apparatus,	224 00
Fogg, A. H. Co., hose,	1228 14
Fogg, A. H. Co., coal,	126 00
Fogg, A. H. Co., supplies,	5 88
Fowler, H. M., Police,	41 13
Guiou, Wm. H., Police and Watchman,	630 19
Hamilton, Ernest, trucking	2 50
Hamilton & Webber, supplies,	10 92
Hatheway, H. J., supplies,	4 10
Hatheway, H. J. Co., supplies,	1 35
Houlton Foundry & Mach. Co., repairs,	4 80
Houlton Water Co., hydrants,	2260 42
Hovey, Wm. E., hay,	12 03
Humphrey, Heman, trucking,	1 50
Hunter, Geo. A., moving hose,	2 00

About \$1800.00 of fire apparatus, including that injured and destroyed belonging to assisting fire companies from Presque Isle, Caribou, Fort Fairfield and Woodstock, was destroyed in the May 17th conflagration. About \$1500.00 has been spent for hose and apparatus replaced and this accounts for the overdraw in this department. We still need and must have ladders, ladder truck and some other apparatus, to put the department in good condition. We also respectfully call your attention to the urgent need of a good fire alarm system. This can be started with five or six boxes at an expense of about \$750.00, and we think it ought to be had at once. Our firemen live and work in different sections of the village, and when an alarm is given, should know at once the location of the fire. As it is now, they are often misled and do not get to fires as soon as they should, and when they do are sometimes pretty well exhausted from going in wrong directions and running back again.

Mr. Alexander Wilson, building inspector, reports to us, that 49 dwelling houses, 2 churches, and 6 other wooden buildings, besides 2 brick blocks have been erected in Houlton this year. We think fully as many buildings will be built next year, and they should have all the fire protection we can afford to give them.

For Fire Department, Police, Rent of Hydrants, and beginning a Fire alarm system, and to make good the overdraw of this year we recommend \$7750.00 be appropriated for the coming year.

Miscellaneous Bills.

American Express Co., express,	\$	50
Anderson, Joseph, trucking,		8 50
Atherton, A. S., services,		3 25
Attridge, Margaret E., clerical work,		273 00
Bachelor, J. E., services,		8 50
Bamford, E. A., teams,		1 25
B. & A. R. R. Co., freight,		7 20
Berry, C. H., hack and teams,		50 00
Berry, C. H., moving patients,		30 00
Blake, W. S., hard wood,		25 00
Brewer, Wilmot, services,		144 00
Browne, J. A., ballot and election clerk,		5 00
Browne, J. A., supplies,		9 32
Boudereau, Joseph, ser. as nurse,		134 00
Bumpus, George W., services,		5 00
Burleigh, P. N., surveying,		40 10

Buzzell, O. B., board of firemen &c.,	28 00
Calvin, Chas. E., teams,	80
Cassidy, P. O., services,	72 90
Cameron, Henry, services,	1 50
Campbell, Roland, trucking,	1 00
Carroll, Chas., election clerk,	5 00
Clark, J. E., disinfecting,	26 20
Clark, M. M., recording births, deaths, marriages &c.,	48 50
Clough, L. T., services,	13 75
Clough & Taggett, supplies,	15 87
Cogan, James, supplies,	2 50
Cosseboom, J. H., services,	6 12
County of Aroostook, rent of lockup,	25 00
Daggett, C. F., costs in Pauper suit, Houlton vs. Mars Hill,	280 53
Davis, I. H., lumber,	1 86
Dempsey, Jas., teams & ser.,	10 75
Dickison, T. S., vaccination,	344 50
Dickison, T. S., services,	20 00
Dickison, T. S., birth and death certs.,	8 50
Dobson, William, services,	1 75
Drake, Geo. W., use of team,	4 00
Dyer, L. W., supplies,	79 32
Fairweather, Geo., services,	1 75
Faulkner, N. P., services,	1 75
Fitzmaurice, T. J., vaccinations,	119 50
Fogg, A. H. Co., supplies,	38 57
Foss, W. E., teams,	5 00
Fowler, H. M., services,	7 00
Fowler, Mrs. R. J., meals,	10 75
French, W. T., opera house,	20 00
Friedman, S., supplies,	5 75
Frye, George C., supplies,	9 65
Gellerson, F. A., cash paid for postage,	5 00
Gellerson & Berry, supplies,	23 19
Gidney, A. W., running ferry,	12 00
Gilman, W. S. & Son, printing,	41 79
Gould, Vernon K., R. R. fares,	5 10
Gray, David, services,	50
Guiou, Wm. H., cash paid out,	11 25
Hackett, J. D., services,	5 00
Hamilton & Webber, supplies,	8 00
Hanson, S. H., printing,	130 75
Harrison, Thos., labor,	1 50

Hatheway, H. J., supplies,	52 65
Hatheway, H. J. Co., supplies,	134 62
Hayes, Maurice, services,	1 75
Helms, H. R., teams,	2 70
Hersey, Ira G., election clerk,	5 00
Howard, A. H., services,	5 25
Houlton Furniture Co., supplies,	63 80
Hume, F. M., postage &c.,	10 60
Hutchinson, A. A., laundry work,	1 00
Ingraham, B. L., use of farm and house,	275 00
Ingraham Clothing Co., supplies,	25 25
Keaton & Betts, supplies,	31 25
Ketch, John, wood, .	2 00
Keys, Mrs. Jane, labor and services nursing,	35 00
Kidder, J. H., recording deed,	50
Lane & Pearce, supplies,	18 56
Lawlis, John, services,	1 75
Lawlis, Martin, services,	6 50
Lawlis, Martin, costs in tax deeds,	12 46
Loring, Short & Harinon, val. books &c.,	43 05
Lowrey, Frank, sheep killed,	5 00
Lyons, C. A., printing,	162 15
Madigan & Madigan, services,	65 00
Mann, F. W., vaccinations,	158 00
McCluskey Bros., wood,	11 50
McLeod & Whitcomb, supplies,	11 85
McNalley, R. P., services,	23 00
Merritt, F. F., supplies,	65
Millar, J. A., supplies,	67 21
Monson, A. B., supplies,	14 27
Mooers, Sterling, services,	42 00
Moores, S. S., services,	19 20
Nevers, F, A., services and tent,	1607 50
Niles, C. H., teams,	1 70
Orchard, H. H., services,	2 00
Osgood, J. K., services,	268 80
Palmer, J. W., labor,	9 00
Peabody, R. T., services,	6 50
Perks Bros., supplies,	70
Plummer, Jas. W., services,	6 00
Pneumatic Hand Stamp Co., stamps,	8 76
Putnam, Thos. P., rent, office and vault,	52 00
Powers, D. A. H., services,	85 00
Putnam, H. L., vaccinations,	331 00
Putnam, H. L., birth and death certs.,	23 25

Putnam, M. D., use of team,	4	00	
Putnam, Thos. P., cash paid out,	10	74	
Putnam, W. H., services,	6	75	
Reese, Chas. D., badges,	4	50	
Richards, G. W., supplies,	8	82	
Robinson, F. C., disinfection,	5	50	
Rose, J. C., supplies,	3	00	
Royal, J. J., supplies,	1	35	
Ryan, Jos. A., teams,	1	35	
Sheehan, Dennis, elec. clerk,	5	00	
Slipp, Fred A., services,	1	75	
Smart, A. B., services,	5	00	
Smart, Chas. H., teams,	4	30	
Smith Bros., supplies.	41	29	
Smith, Guy, services,	1	50	
Smith, James, services,	7	50	
Smith, O. M., supplies,	4	25	
State of Maine, two tent flies,	5	00	
Taggett, D. W., services,	3	00	
Taylor, J. W., milk,	8	64	
Tierney, M. F., sheep killed,	10	00	
Titcomb, F. W., lumber,	11	50	
Titcomb, F. W., rent,	30	00	
Tobie, Walter E., Ex Dip. Bacilli,	5	00	
Towle, George N., birth and death certs.,	5	50	
Towle, George N., vaccinations,	79	00	
Towle, George N., Prof. services,	5	50	
Turney, R. L., supplies	33	00	
Ward, Parker M., vaccinations,	162	00	
Ward, Parker M., birth and death certs.,	5	00	
Watson, John Co., supplies,	45	48	
Wetmore, J., telegrams,	2	48	
Williams, C. E., vaccinations &c .	19	25	
Wilson, C. H., supplies,	47	14	
Wilson, M., lumber,	24	00	
White, Chas. P., care of town clock,	24	00	
White Mountain Tel. Co., message,		40	
White, W. W., labor,	3	00	
Whitney, M. D., services.	4	00	
Whitney, W. R., sheep damage,	8	00	
Yerxa, W. R., sheep damage,	13	50	
Amount overdrawn last year,	404	93	\$6993 42
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Amount appropriation,	\$	1250	00
R. R. & Telegraph tax from State,		63	35
Rent of Armory from State,		100	00

Dog licenses 1901—refunded by State,	106	76	
Licenses,	159	75	
Supplementary taxes 1902,	19	12	
Overlay—1902 assessment in part,	226	33	
J. K. Osgood, for grass,	140	00	
Estate of Frank Oeschgar,	187	50	
C. H. Wilson—refunded,	15	74	
Sheep damages—refunded by State,	36	50	
Houlton Water Co.—Part injunction costs,	25	00	
L. B. Johnson—on temporary loan—as per vote last summer,	1000	00	
Balance—overdrawn	3663	37	\$6993 42

The Small Pox cases including quarantine expenses, medical bills, free vaccinations, and other expenses, make a total of \$4770.90 cost to the town last summer. To which should also be added some \$317.24 additional expense on the Town Farm during the time exposed persons were detained there in quarantine. To offset this, \$187.50 was received from Dr. Towle as administrator of estate of Frank Oeschgar, who died from the disease and \$140.00 received from Mr. James K. Osgood for the grass on the Ingraham Farm, making the net cost to the town \$4760.64.

While this expense was large, we should be thankful the disease was stamped out and did not spread throughout the town, and due credit for same should be given to the Board of Health and others who had the matter in charge.

Of the \$3000.00 which the town authorized the Selectmen to hire last summer, only \$1000.00 has been procured, it being thought best to allow part of the County tax to remain unpaid for a short time, rather than pay interest on a town loan.

Next year for Miscellaneous Bills and to cover the overdraw of this year, we think \$4650.00 should be appropriated.

Discounts, Commissions and Abatements.

Amount appropriated,	\$3900	00	
Balance from last year,	33	20	\$3933 20

Discounts.

Five per cent. allowed on taxes paid to Town Treasurer before Nov. 1st.,	\$2365	52	
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Commissions.

M. Lawlis in full to March 1, 1902,	\$177	10	
M. Lawlis, part payment on taxes col- lected this year,	109	43	

Abatements.

M. Lawlis on 1900 taxes,	\$42	25	
“ “ “ 1901 “	141	14	
“ “ “ 1902 “	23	61	
“ “ “ 1899 “	12	00	
“ “ “ 1898 “	171	56	
“ “ “ 1897 “	541	96	
All other abatements,	336	90	
Balance unexpended,	11	73	\$3933 20

For this appropriation we recommend \$4000.00 be raised.

Interest Account.

Amount appropriation,	\$2550	00	
Balance from year 1901,	24	76	
Houlton Savings Bank, Interest on Bailey fund,	9	06	
Interest in Tax Deeds, 1901,	7	10	
Dividend on Stock of Houlton Water Co.,	960	00	
Interest on taxes, collected and paid to Town Treas. by Tax Collector,	375	06	\$3925 98

By paid interest as follows :

J. K. Plummer on Cemetery loan,	\$ 40	00	
L. Powers on Pleasant St. school house loan,	70	00	
Wm. Dobson, temporary loan,	22	67	
J. K. Plummer, temporary loan,	14	34	
Houlton Savings Bank, temporary loan,	271	77	

Coupons paid on Town Bonds, not including Water Bonds,	2495	00	
Amount to Cemetery account,	9	06	
Amount to Houlton Water Co. acct.,	960	00	
Balance unexpended,	43	14	\$3925 98

It will take \$2585.00 to pay interest on the present town debt next year, exclusive of Water debt. As stated elsewhere, interest on Water debt will be paid by dividends on stock of Houlton Water Company. To pay the above \$2585.00 and interest on temporary loans, in addition to the interest collected on taxes, we think \$2600.00 should be raised.

Town Officers.

Putnam, Thos. P.,	{	Selectmen, Overseers of Poor	\$600 00
Pearce, Frank, W.,	{	Assessors Highway Surveyors &c.,	250 00
Dykeman, W. A.,	}		175 00
Gellerson, F. A., Treasurer,			200 00
Gorham, Geo. A., Auditor,			50 00
Clark, M. M., Town Clerk,			50 00
Hersey, Ira G, Town Agent,			157 00
Wilson, Alex., Building Inspector,			52 00
Putnam, H. L., Superintendent,			300 00
Dempsey, James, Truant Officer,			50 00
Williams, Chas. E., Health Officer,			30 00
Dickison, T. S., Health Officer,			45 00
Smart, A. B., Health Officer,			50 00
Archibald, James, Health Officer,			50 00
			\$2059 00
Amount appropriation,	\$1500 00		
For Superintendent,	300 00		
Balance from last year,	33 53		
Amount overdrawn,	225 47		\$2059 00

For this appropriation we recommend \$1750.00

Houlton Water Company.

Amount received, sale of Town Water Bonds,		\$45,000 00	
Premium and accrued interest on same,		1,121 05	
Amount from overlay in assessment,		1,878 95	
Dividend received on stock,		960 00	
			\$48,960 00
1920 shares Capital Stock,	\$48,000 00		
Interest paid on Town Water Bonds,	787 50		
Balance unexpended,	172 50		\$48,960 00

It was deemed best to purchase stock of the Houlton Water Company, rather than its charter rights, property, and franchise. By purchasing the greater part of the Stock, the Town thus controls the Water Company, and avoids any direct liability for damages or other losses that might occur.

There are 2000 shares of Capital Stock of the par value of \$25.00 each. The town has purchased and now owns 1920 shares, or twenty-four twenty-fifths of the whole. The five

directors hold one share each and 75 shares are still owned by private parties.

Under its Charter and By-laws five Directors are required. At request of the Selectmen Mr. C. H. Pierce and Mr. J. A. Browne, President and Treasurer, respectively of the Company, retained one share of stock each and act as directors of the Company with the Selectmen, who have each purchased one share of stock, in their own right.

The outstanding debt of the Water Company is \$30,000.00, which with the \$50,000.00 capital stock make up the appraised value of the plant, franchise, &c., at the time of the transfer. If the town so votes, it is proposed to issue bonds of the Company for said debt and for extension of the system this year; an act having been granted by legislature for this purpose. The first proposed extension being another large pipe from the Pumping station, thence along Riverside street and across the river and through the Titcomb farm, to Grove street, Florence Avenue, Alice Avenue, B. & A. depot and grounds, down Military street to the Foundry; also on Fair street, Weeks street, and on High street as far as may be practicable this year towards the proposed Reservoir on Pearce Hill. The income from services on such extensions being estimated to more than pay fair interest on the cost of same.

The town acquired control of the Water Plant, July 1st, 1902; and Mr. B. B. McIntyre was appointed Superintendent. Since then 24 new services have been put in and there are applications for more as soon as the spring opens. Water is now supplied to 365 families, 45 stores, 30 offices, 2 machine shops, 6 livery stables, 6 hotels, 8 boarding houses, 6 public schools, 4 barber shops, 3 banks, 3 lodges, 5 Sewer Flush tanks, 2 laundries, 1 public and 1 private fountain, 1 water crane, 47 fire hydrants, besides Court House, Jail, Town Hall, Post office and Custom House. The above does not include services of unfinished houses or the Fogg and Sincock brick blocks. The number of paying services July 1st, 1902 was 296. The number of paying services March 2d, 1903 is 339.

The rates received 1st quarter were	\$1,417 58
" " 2d " "	1,522 84
" " for 2 months of 3d quarter were	1,605 12
Balance due on rates to end of 3d quarter,	218 20

\$4,763 66

The rates for a year, from services, on basis of the July quarter would be \$5600.00. The rates for a year on basis of present quarter would be more than \$6600.00. The number of

services cut off by May 17th fire was 53; and 38 of them still remain shut off.

The loss from services caused by the May 17th conflagration was at the rate of \$735.00 per year.

Below is given a statement of the receipts and expenditures from July 1st, 1902 to February 28th, 1903.

Receipts.

Water rates,	\$4,545	54	
Houlton Electric Co.,	2,250	00	
Hydrants,	1,135	42	
New service connections,	617	68	
Wood and Pipe sold,	21	00	
Hydrant and Tee sold,	31	05	
Old iron sold,	1	60	\$8,602 29

Expenditures.

Fuel—coal and wood,	\$ 3,490	95	
Office supplies,	41	75	
Tools,	73	08	
Rebates paid,	3	34	
New hydrants and repairs of old,	202	81	
Repairs—boilers and furnaces,	313	65	
Repairs of pumps,	312	41	
Repair of stone wall,	14	35	
Ordinary repairs,	136	97	
New services put in,	624	75	
General expense and supplies,	112	94	
Dividends paid,	980	00	
Interest paid,	181	67	
State Franchise tax,	5	00	
Town of Houlton - rent,	50	00	
Office rent,	37	50	
Geo. Ingraham, engineer,	600	00	
Geo. A. Ingraham, asst. eng'r.,	320	00	
B. B. McIntyre, Supt.,	533	33	
Firemen and help,	273	47	
Balance—cash on hand,	294	32	\$8602 29

In addition to the above cash on hand, there is \$177.97 still due on new services put in and \$218.20 due on water rates as aforesaid.

We are glad to say, that from the present outlook, the income from services, rent of hydrants, Electric Light Co. and all sources for the year ending July 1st, 1903, will be sufficient to

pay for all running expenses, fuel, repairs—ordinary and extraordinary—and interest on the full \$80,000.00, besides paying the first Town Water Bond of \$800.00 and leave a balance in the treasury; and this notwithstanding the loss of service caused by the fire of May 17th, ult.

Martin Lawlis Collector of Taxes.

In account with the town of Houlton, Dr.

1902.

Mar. 1.	To balance 1897 taxes	\$ 401 34	
	“ “ 1898 taxes,	608 99	
	“ “ 1899 taxes,	1,644 24	
	“ “ 1900 taxes,	3,178 75	
	“ “ 1901 taxes,	8,325 52	
			\$14,158 84
	“ Interest on taxes,	375 06	
	“ “ and costs 1901 tax deeds,	19 56	
	“ 1902 taxes,	10,878 74	\$25,431 93

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By 1897 taxes in full,	\$401 34
“ 1888 “ “ part,	171 56
“ 1899 “ “ “	586 73
“ Interest on 1899 taxes,	46 26
“ “ on 1900 “	88 28
“ “ on 1901 “	240 52
“ 1900 taxes in part,	1,712 00
“ 1901 “ in “	5,244 09
“ 1902 “ in “	3,026 53
“ 1901 tax deeds,	121 31

\$11,638 62

“ Bal. taxes as follows:—

1898 taxes	\$ 437 43		
1899 “	1,057 51		
1900 “	1,466 75		
1901 “	2,979 68		
1902 “	7,851 94	\$13,793 31	\$25,431 93

This year as heretofore the interest collected on taxes has paid about two-thirds of the expense of collection.

Mr. Lawlis has settled with the Town in full for taxes of the years 1895, 1896 and 1897. He has not fully collected all the taxes for those years, but it is understood that he is yet to collect the unpaid part thereof to reimburse himself.

Financial Standing &c.

Liabilities.

Town Bonds, Nos. 41 to 70, \$1000 each—4 per cent.,	\$ 30,000 00
Town Bonds, Nos. 71 to 107, \$1000 each—3½ per cent.,	37,000 00
Town Water Bonds—3½ per cent.,	45,000 00
Accrued interest on bonds,	1,294 80
Pleasant St. School House Loan—Due Nov. 1st, 1903,	1,000 00
Accrued interest on same,	3 33
Cemetery loan, due March 27, 1903,	500 00
Accrued interest on same,	18 50
Bailey cemetery fund,	300 00
Temporary loan—due Oct. 1, 1903,	1,000 00
Accrued interest on same,	20 84
Balance due on county tax, 1902,	4,000 00
Outstanding claims—estimated,	500 00
	\$120,637 47

Assets.

Cash on hand,	\$ 219 80
Bailey Fund in Houlton Savings Bank, 1920 shares of stock of Houlton Water Company—par value,	300 00
Uncollected taxes,	48,000 00
Tax Deeds,	13,793 31
Outstanding claims—estimated,	230 23
	600 00
	\$63,143 34

Other Town Property

Farm and wood lot,	\$ 3,750 00
Personal property on farm,	803 00
Town hall and lot—Water St. and Mechanic St.,	5,700 00
Highway tools, all kinds,	2,620 00
Town gravel lots,	600 00
Lumber, coal, wood and tar,	140 00
Fire department property,	7,325 00
Engine house and lot—near C. P. Ry.,	150 00
Monson farm—bought for cemetery,	1,950 00
School houses and school property,	42,700 00
	\$65,738 00

Recommendations.

As appears under the separate heads, we have recommended the following appropriations, for the ensuing year:—

Support of poor, pauper insane, and town farm,	\$2,750 00
Discounts, abatements and commissions,	4,000 00
Interest,	2,600 00
Town officers,	1,750 00
Superintendent of schools,	300 00
Miscellaneous bills,	4,650 00
Roads, bridges, sidewalks and road com'r.,	7,000 00
State road,	200 00
Damages on streets widened,	2,150 00
Public library,	300 00
Memorial day,	100 00
Militia,	100 00
Schools,	5,000 00
Free High School,	2,000 00
Repairs on school buildings,	900 00
School text books,	1,000 00
Insurance on school houses, apparatus &c.,	600 00
Sidewalks in winter,	100 00
Street lights,	1,450 00
Fire department, police and hydrants,	7,750 00
Cemeteries,	500 00
Town debt,	2,500 00

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS P. PUTNAM,	}	Selectmen Overseers of Poor &c
FRANK W. PEARCE,		
WALLACE A. DYKEMAN,		

Houlton, Me., March 2d, 1903.

Treasurer's Report.

FRANK A. GELLERSON, Treasurer,

In acct. with the Town of Houlton.

Mar. 1, 1902		
To balance cash in Treasury,	\$ 122 37	
Unpaid taxes 1897-8-9 and 1900,	5833 32	
" " 1901,	8325 52	
Tax deeds 1896-7-8-9 and 1900,	209 73	\$14,490 94
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Rec'd from sale of plank, gravel and rock,		65 90
" " " potatoes from farm,		197 20
" " " butter " "		15 40
" " " cattle " "		57 00
" " " old hose		1 34
" " " grass		140 00
" " " hay		121 45
" " " school books		3 15
" for school tuitions		202 34
" " breaking roads		1 50
" " license fees		159 75
" " dog license 1902		132 00
" " town of Eastport for Victor Gilley		38 75
" " " Hodgdon " Jacob White		13 75
" from C. H. Wilson—supplies refunded		15 74
" " L. W. Dyer—supplies refunded		5 12
" " Dr. G. N. Towle, adm'r estate of Frank Oeschgar		187 50
" from State, dog license 1901, refunded		106 76
" pensions		360 00
" sheep killed by dogs		36 50
" Armory, rent of		100 00
" Improvement of road		100 00
" Public library		30 00
" Railroad & telegraph tax		63 35
" Free High school		250 00
" School fund and mill tax		4160 36
Rec'd from Insurance on Fair St. school house		133 11
" sale of Lowrey school house		300 00

" Houlton Water Co., rent of store house	50 00
" " " " pt. injunction costs	25 00
" " " " dividend	960 00
" sale of Water bonds	45,000 00
" premiums and int. on bonds	1,121 05
" Int on Hannah J. Bailey fund	9 06
" private parties, concreting and grading	261 80
" temporary loans	21,500 00
" Int. and costs in 1901 tax deeds	19 56
" Int. on taxes by collector	375 06
" Supplementary tax 1902	19 12
" Cash tax assessed for 1902	58,188 81
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	\$149,018 37

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By paid dog license to State.	\$	132 00
" State pensions		360 06
" State tax in full		6459 02
" County tax in part		5049 51
" Coupons on bonds		3282 50
" Town order No. 995 of 1899		1000 00
" " " " 15 of 1901		500 00
" " " " of 1902		117,992 00
Bal. as follows:		
Unpaid taxes 1898, 1899, 1900 and		
1901,	\$	5941 37
" " 1902		7851 94
Tax deeds		230 23
Cash in Treasury		219 80
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		\$149, 18 37

FRANK A. GELLERSON, Town Treasurer.

Houlton, Me, March 2d, 1903.

Auditor's Report.

I have examined the books and accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer for the past year, and find them kept in a correct and business like manner, and agreeing with their statements, as published elsewhere in this report. Have also audited the books of the Houlton Water Co. since its control by the town.

The uncollected taxes are as follows :

Balance taxes 1898	\$437	43	
“ “ 1899	1057	51	
“ “ 1900	1466	75	
“ “ 1901	2979	68	
“ “ 1902	7851	94	\$13,793.31

Tax deeds as follows :

Frank A. Herrick, tax 1896,	\$20	85	
Richard Dilling, tax 1898,	20	93	
J. K. Champion, tax 1899,	16	21	
Mary M. Oldenburg, tax 1899,	4	83	
Theo. Laskey, tax 1900,	5	35	
Mary Miller, tax 1900,	17	40	
“ “ “ “	5	37	
“ “ “ “	4	16	
“ “ “ “	12	49	
“ “ “ “	21	03	
	\$128	62	

Tax deeds acquired in 1902 :

Mrs. Louisa Smith, heirs of, tax 1901	\$11	56	
T. J. Furse, “ “	26	13	
“ “ “ “	18	94	
Theo. Laskey, “ “	5	15	
James D. Mooers, “ “	16	22	
Patrick O. Cassidy, “ “	23	61	\$230 23

\$14,023 54

GEO. A. GORHAM, Auditor.

Houlton, Feb. 28th., 1903.

Report of S. S. Committee.

The annual census taken in April, showed that there were 1501 children belonging to the town, between the ages of 4 and 21 years. This is a gain of 53 during the year, and an increase of 268 since 1890, when the total number was 1233. We have received from the State this year, the sum of \$4160.36, based upon this registration of 1501. A complete, detailed account of the receipts and expenditures of this department will be found in the report of the Selectmen.

The common schools have been in session 34 weeks; High School 36 weeks. The schools were interrupted in June by the outbreak of smallpox in our town. Fortunately there were no deaths among the children. The work of the fall and winter terms has been seriously interfered with, by the prevalence of measles, mumps and whooping cough, especially among the smaller scholars, while two different outbreaks of diphtheria have made much trouble. Several deaths have occurred in the schools, due to this dreaded disease. Sickness has been accountable for much of the irregularity in attendance during the year, but not for all absences.

Schools will accomplish much more when parents fully realize the importance of constant attendance on the part of their children. We still suffer at the hands of the parents who fondly think that his child should get on as well as the best, even though allowed to remain away from school for two or three sessions a week. Neither pupils nor parents have any moral right to lessen the working value of any school by chronic tardiness.

Extensive repairs were made during the summer vacation upon the Niles and Hussey schoolhouses; while some repair work was done upon nearly all the school buildings throughout the town. The woodwork of Fair St. building was cleaned and revarnished. The ceilings and walls of the entire house were tinted with muresco and the building painted. These repairs were made necessary by the damage from water and smoke in the fire in May. The cost of same was covered by insurance. Considerable repairs must be made upon the Smith school house the coming summer. As a result of the May fire the Burtt lot on High street can be secured at a reasonable figure. This piece of land, located between the Fair St. school grounds and High St., is needed to connect the school with High St., and to furnish ample play room for the four schools in this building. We recommend that the town purchase this lot.

The sanitary conditions of all the school buildings in the town are good excepting that of North street. The Committee have long recognized the fact that the conditions of this building are deplorable, and reflect no credit on the town. We

have never, however, been able to devise any plan that would improve matters, until adequate and proper sewerage is provided for that section.

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

A catalogue of the Houlton High School, including the Grammar grades, was published in May, 1902. The voters of the town are referred to this publication for full and accurate information on all matters pertaining to our High School.

The second annual graduation occurred in the Opera House, June, 1902. The exercises reflected much credit upon the individual members of the class and the teachers alike.

The names of the graduating class, who performed their parts so creditably at that time are:—

Burnham, Margaret L.	Putnam, Arthur O.
Burrill, George W.	Shaw, Dora D.
Cosseboom, Eva A.	Sincock, May E.
Degrasse, Ruth S.	Watson, Pansy
Ingraham, Gertrude M.	Woods, Isa R.
Putnam, Alice W.	

Examinations for certificates of admission to Free High School were held June 24th and Sept. 5th, 1902.

The following were successful:—

Abernethy, James	Holyoke, Willie
Atchinson, Annie M.	Hughes, Sadie
Attridge, Arthur	Larrabee, Fred
Barker, Emerald	McLeod, Don
Bull, Nellie P.	McElwee, Minnie
Callaghan, Nellie	Palmer, John
Cook, Ethel	Ross, Maude
Cassidy, Ernest	Stairs, Daisy M.
Chadwick, Harold	Riley, William
Conlogue, Lillian	Somerville, Fern
Densmore, Mamie G.	Smith, Goldie M.
Drake, Pearl	Taggett, Camilla
Dobbins, Rose L.	Woodworth, Queenie
Hogan, Joseph E.	

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing school year:—

Schools.	\$5000 00
Text books, including Free High School,	1000 00
Repairs.	900 00
Insurance, apparatus and appliances,	600 00
Free High School.	2000 00

JOHN B. MADIGAN,	} S. S. Com.
WILLIAM C. DONNELL	
RANSFORD W. SHAW,	
H. L. PUTNAM, Supt.	

Report of the Board of Health.

The Board of Health of the Town of Houlton respectfully submit their annual report for the municipal year ending Feb. 28th, 1903, as follows:—The records of contagious diseases reported to the Board for the year show smallpox three (3) cases with one death; diphtheria sixteen (16) cases, five (5) deaths; scarlet fever five (5) cases, no deaths; measles ten (10) cases, one (1) death.

It is presumed that there were a large number of unreported cases of measles and chicken pox where no physician was called and the public is again reminded of the law in regard to reporting all cases of contagious diseases. But the Board wishes to thank the physicians generally for their generous support and cordial cooperation especially during the smallpox scare.

The outbreak of diphtheria near the old C. P. R. station was caused by the immigration there of a family from North Lake, N. B., who had the disease in a very mild form and it was not reported to the Board until they had spread it among the neighbors. It is also a notable fact that all cases in other parts of the town occurred in houses that had no sewerage connection.

The first case of smallpox was discovered at the Snell House in the person of a man from Boston. A pest house was established on the Ingraham farm and the patient was removed there for treatment and a competent physician was engaged to attend him. The Snell House was quarantined and all the inmates were vaccinated with the exception of one man who escaped and refused to be vaccinated. It is worthy of note that although this man had been very slightly exposed he took the disease and died while of all those who remained in the house and were vaccinated not one took the disease. Tents were established at the Poor Farm and all those who were exposed by the second patient were held there until they were successfully vaccinated and their clothes fumigated. Free vaccination was offered to the town's people and a large majority of the population took advantage of it.

Several patients who had contracted typhoid fever in other places were brought here for treatment. But of the cases contracted in town not one, as far as we know, occurred among those who drank the town water exclusively. This is a strong point against the village wells which has repeatedly been brought to the attention of the public. A number of nuisances were reported to the Board but no serious difficulty was encountered in having these removed when attention was called to them.

The Board would respectfully recommend that some plan be formed to make it compulsory for property owners to connect their houses with the public sewer whenever it is possible. Filthy surroundings are a constant source of danger even to those who have their own houses well drained.

We would also recommend that a by-law be passed to prohibit the housing of hogs within certain specified village limits.

JAMES ARCHIBALD,	} Board of Health.
A. B. SMART,	
T. S. DICKISON,	

Report of Road Commissioner.

To the Citizens of Houlton, Me.

I herewith respectfully submit to you my report, for the past year as Road Commissioner.

Roads.

The year has been very unfavorable for road making as it was a very wet season, but the winter has been quite favorable.

The streets and country roads were put in as good condition as could be done considering the season. We had to go over all the roads two and three times with road machines and some of them five times. This of course cost the town a great deal of extra expense.

Bridges.

The bridge on Franklin street was put in new except abutments which were repaired. The "McKever bridge" was burned; we put in a water passage and filled in with gravel. It cannot be burnt again. The bridge on the Woodstock road at Cook's brook was put in new, and minor repairs were made on others. Next season a new bridge will have to be built across the stream at Hammond's mill. The bridge on the Hovey road was repaired and have lumber on ground to build a new one this year. The bridges on Bangor street across Cressy brook and on Mechanic street leading to Highlands are in need of many repairs. The Innis bridge should be raised up about four feet.

Culverts.

We have put in 16 new culverts this season as follows :

Franklin Avenue	1	Hammond mill road	1
Pleasant street	2	Park street	1
Foxcroft road	1	Letter B road	1
Main street	1	Hovey road	1
Military street	1	Riverside street	1
High street	1		

Most of these have been put in with culvert pipe and the rest cedar. We bought a carload of culvert pipe for drains and culverts and think it is the cheapest of anything we can use for that purpose.

Drains.

We have put in two drains as follows: One from Savings Bank to Iron Bridge, also one across Military street east of the Catholic church lot. We put these drains in with culvert pipe. Would say more drains and grates are needed to allow the water to escape from our streets during the rainy season.

Sidewalks

Concrete has been laid on the following streets:—

Charles street	573 yds.
Prospect	“ 360 “
Kelleran	“ 132 “
High	“ 459 “
Burleigh	“ 450 “
Military	“ 264 “
Lawn	“ 138 “
North	“ 141 “
Main	“ 252 “

2769 yds., besides considerable work for private parties.

Plank has been laid on the following streets:—Heywood, Elm, Main and Garrison Hill.

Part of the wooden sidewalks on Kelleran, Park, Military, Main and Heywood streets were destroyed by the fire of May 17th, all of which have been replaced by concrete or plank. The old plank sidewalks are in very bad condition and a great deal of new sidewalk will have to be built this year.

Granite has been laid on the following crossings :

Court street	96 feet.
Water	“ 192 “
Market square	214 “
Snell House	234 “

Rock Crusher

We have built 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ rods of Macadamized road, 22 feet wide and put in on an average about 14 inches of cerfill, at a cost of about \$800. We think that Macadamized road would be fully as cheap and much better than gravel.

We think the Rock Crusher could be run much cheaper if the Crusher was set up back of the Foundry or some other central place, and have the rocks hauled during the winter as it is very expensive to dig rock out of the ground and break them ready for the machine. I hope to see many macadamized roads built in the future.

Tools

All the tools which belong to the town of Houlton are in good condition except one road machine. I think it would be cheaper to buy a new machine than to have the old one repaired.

I respectfully refer you to the report of Selectmen where you will find an accurate account of all money expended by me the past year. All bills contracted in this department the past year are paid up to and including February 25, 1903, in full.

Respectfully yours,

W. R. YERXA, Road Commissioner.

Chief Engineer's Report.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Houlton :

I herewith respectfully submit my report as Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the past year.

The Department stands in very good condition, with the exception of a Hook and Ladder Truck to replace the one lost in the fire of May 17th. The apparatus now consists of steamer hose wagon, four hose reels, one hose sled, two hand chemicals and two horses. There are 3,500 feet good hose and 700 feet second class.

The alarms have been as follows :

March 6, 1902—Alarm at 11.10 P. M. Chimney at Dr. Nevers' residence Court St. No damage.

March 22, 1902—Alarm at 10.50 A. M. Chimney at Mrs. Fowler's boarding house. No damage.

April 6, 1902—Alarm 7.40 P. M. Chimney at Chamberlain house off Military St. No damage.

May 17, 1902—Alarm at 12.30 P. M., for what proved to be the largest fire Houlton ever witnessed in the history of the

town. The Department responded promptly and in a few minutes had two streams playing on the fire, but owing to the very poor water pressure could do nothing to save the block in which it started and turned their attention to the adjoining blocks. A terrific wind was blowing and the cinders were carried to adjoining blocks and dwellings until the fire was beyond control; all that could be done was to work on the sides and narrow up the path of the fire as much as possible which was done with the valuable aid of the outside companies, that had in the meantime been sent for, and at about 8 p. m. the fire was out, after burning over a stretch about 3-4 of a mile in a southeasterly direction. There were some 90 odd buildings burned with a loss of between \$500,000 and \$800,000.

July 26, 1902—Alarm at 10 P. M. Ingraham Clothing Co.'s store, caused by oil stove. Slight damage.

Aug. 17, 1902—Alarm 9.45 A. M. Fire in Titcomb's saw mill on Military St. The mill was practically gone before an alarm was given; owing to the fact of parties having to run to engine house to give the alarm. (Here is where an alarm system would have saved the boarding house and lots of lumber.) When Dept. arrived boarding house and lumber were all ablaze. There was a very high wind blowing directly on the Titcomb store and the large plant of the Houlton Foundry and Machine Company. So the efforts of the Dept. were turned to these and by hard fighting and fairly good water pressure these were kept from catching and the town saved from a repetition of May 17th which would surely have happened had the water pressure been the same as on that day.

Aug 20, 1902—Alarm at 5.30 P. M. at Snell House. Slight damage.

Aug. 30th. 1902—Company responded to a call from New Limerick. Fire in large Tannery plant of Willis I. Shaw. In eighteen minutes from time message was received the steamer, two hose reels and 12 firemen with a score or more outsiders were loaded on two flat cars ready for the start. The run out was made in about eight minutes. On account of the tan bark in the stream plugging the steamer suction we failed to save any of plant but succeeded in saving the hotel and all their dwellings also several thousand dollars worth of hides that were in the vats.

Nov. 8, 1902—Alarm at 10 P. M., chimney in house on Military St. occupied by Mrs. Rideout. Extinguishers used. No damage.

Nov. 29, 1902—Alarm, 11 P. M. Fire in J. D. Walker's shop Frisbie's brick block. This proved to be quite a fire but was

extinguished with small loss.

Dec. 10, 1902—Alarm, 3 P. M. Chimney in Clark's hotel. No damage.

Dec. 20, 1902—Alarm, 7.45 A. M. Chimney in W. C. Donnell's insurance office. No damage.

Feb'y 20, 1903—Alarm 12.30 A. M. Fire at B. & A. round house. Dept. responded quickly but could do nothing as there is no available water supply.

Also three still alarms: One at Don A. H. Powers' residence, chimney; no damage. One at Baptist parsonage, chimney; extinguisher used; no damage. One at F. A. Gellerson's residence on Court St.; no damage.

I would recommend that the town raise between \$700.00 and \$1000.00 for the purpose of starting a good fire alarm system. It is very much needed as people living any distance from the square have to run to engine house to give the alarm, which takes time that is most valuable in saving property.

Thanking all for any assistance rendered, I remain

S. C. WEBBER, Chief Engineer.

Houlton, March 2, 1903.

Marriages in 1902.

1902	Recorded by Town Clerk.
Jan. 15	Wellington Yerxa and Hattie A. Ricker
29	William J. MacCloskey and Effie Jewett
Feb. 28	Charles H. Carey and Maggie Tapley
Mar. 5	Guy C. Porter and Winnie J. Mooers
8	Orin A. Hodgins and Elisa W. Blanchard
18	James E. Maynard and Annie Martin
19	Ethan A. Small and Lucy G. Small
24	Lemuel Ingraham and Elenor Lyons
29	Wm. R. Scott and Amelia R. York
Apr. 2	John W. McGeorge and Maud Wheaton
9	George E. Young and Jean M. Stultz
9	Allen Tupper Smith and Lillian Mina Hill
10	John Saulnier and Amanda Stackhouse
16	William Emerson and Ethel S. Whitney
30	John A. Riley and Jennie G. M. Martin
3	Oscar Wm. Robinson and Effie J. Sullivan
30	R. B. Dickinson and Minnie Colson
May 12	Leander D. Sherman and Isabel T. Tompkins
June 2	Albert White and Ida J. Hanson
25	Wallace W. Gerow and Lavonia York
26	Spurgeon Yerxa and Gertrude Murray
July 2	Adam R. Starkey and Lottie C. Adams
22	Daniel McFarland and Millie Noyes
23	Kenneth Grant McKay and Lillian Mae Hanson
28	Frank Flemming and Georgia Bairsley
Aug. 6	Bernard L. Hughes and Carrie Vandine
17	Richard Dow and Julia Tidd
27	George Nash Towle and Ethel Lombard Conant
Sept. 8	Thomas Frederick and Jane Dickinson Keys
14	Walter H. Bedel and Adelaide M. Davis
17	Walter E. Elder and Catherine Young
17	Ernest Reud Mooers and Ellen Rebecca Carr
29	Gregory Reardon and Mary Baker
Oct. 1	Percy L. Lideout and Beatrice Browne
8	George Albert Gorham, Jr., and Isabella Gertrude Pearce
15	Frederic G. Laungell and Elizabeth J. Clark
27	Johnson Shaw and Maggie M. Foster
28	Thomas H. McGillicuddy and Anna Josephine Hogan
Nov. 5	Alexander J. McNeal and Ola May Andrews
5	George S. Osborne and Alice Louise Gerow
5	Murray Clark and Minnie Smart
10	James Wise and Alma Georgianna Stevenson
12	George A. McKay and Winnitred L. Holmes
12	Burt L. Ingraham and Lottie Whitney
18	John Ernest Donnelly and Margaret Elizabeth Gill
18	Ferdinand Neally and Eva G. Nickerson
19	J. Norman Tompkins and Jennie Harris
24	Frederick C. Wallace and Mrs. Bertha M. Demers
4	John Hayes and Jessie Mabel Maines
5	Fred Foster Merritt and Edna Alice Tinling
26	John A. Haskell and Grace Palmer
27	James I. McKenney and Carrie S. Parks
Dec. 8	Leslie Cordroy and Georgianna Fairweather

- 17 Charles M. Murray and Elizabeth E. Leonard
 21 James Briggs and Laura Elizabeth Simmons
 22 Frank Hillard White and Etta E. Holmes
 24 Moses Burt and Margaret E. Stevenson

Births in 1902.

1902	Recorded by Town Clerk.
Jan. 1	Mrs. Fred Delano, a daughter
6	“ George McIntyre, a daughter
10	“ William H. Dumphy, a son
1	“ James A. Ross, a daughter
8	“ Wm. H. Billing, a daughter
24	“ Nevill P. Faulkner, a son
Feb. 2	“ William L. McAfee, a son
11	“ Joseph Coffee, a daughter
11	“ Charles Golding a son
Jan. 4	“ William Lewis, a daughter
15	“ Percy Logan, a daughter
25	“ John Briggs, a son
30	“ George Shields, a son
Feb. 14	“ Nelson E. Latino, a daughter
22	“ Charles Frederick Bull, a son
22	“ J. Merville Seeley, a son
25	“ Handy W. Hamilton, a son
25	“ Albert Fahey, ———
28	“ Winfield S. Blake, a son
Mar. 5	“ John S. Weiler, a son
5	“ Wm. J. Butler, a daughter
10	“ William H. Lindsay, a son
14	“ William W. White, a son
15	“ Patrick McQuaid, a daughter
19	“ Thomas W. Gilmore, a daughter
24	“ Elias B. Worth, a daughter
Feb. 12	“ Parker P. Burleigh, a daughter
12	“ Parker P. Burleigh, a daughter
21	“ Elijah M. Harris, a daughter
Mar. 23	“ Burnham Bell, a daughter
26	“ Florence E. Sewell, a daughter
28	“ William Barker, a daughter
30	“ Leonard W. Higgins, a son
Apr. 7	“ Frank W. Mazrall, a daughter
8	“ John Tebo, a son
Feb. 3	“ Benj. S. Greene, a son
Apr. 8	“ Elbridge H. Kidder, a daughter
15	“ John W. Hogan, a daughter
16	“ Arthur D. Fairly, a daughter
16	“ Charles H. Thurston, a daughter
19	“ Thomas Thibodeau, a son
20	“ William G. Good, a daughter
20	“ William H. McLoon, a daughter
23	“ Charles E. Cyr, a son
26	“ Woodworth Nason, a daughter
29	“ Lorne L. McLeod, a son
29	“ Alfred Adams, a daughter
May 11	“ Bert L. Dumphy, a son

	19	“	Willis R. Dresser, a son
	12	“	Addison E. Reed, a daughter
Apr.	11	“	Freeman Haughan, a son
	15	“	Joseph Palmer, a daughter
	27	“	Olie T. Olsen, a son
June	14	“	Thomas Lambert, a daughter
	22	“	John Hickey, a son
	24	“	George Thomas, a son
July	1	“	James Belongae, a son
	3	“	Hugh Colton, a daughter
Feb.	18	“	Sidney Todd, a daughter
	26	“	Arthur Staples, a daughter
Mar.	18	“	Melvin D. Whitney, a son
	20	“	Perley Hayden, a son
	26	“	E. E. Churchill, a son
Apr.	14	“	Lewis B. Stewart, a son
	22	“	Harry Fowler, a son
	22	“	Walter Parker, a son
May	6	“	James McIsaac, a daughter
	24	“	Murray Pearson, a daughter
	30	“	Arthur Flinton, a daughter
June	8	“	Claude Carpenter, a son
June	11	“	Harry Taggett, a daughter
	20	“	Isaac Atherton, a daughter
July	7	“	Benjamin Slipp, a son
	16	“	Lewis Dalton, a son
	20	“	Wm. R. Yerxa, a daughter
	27	“	Daniel F. Thompson, a daughter
June	12	“	Geo. W. Van Tassel, a daughter
	19	“	Willard A. Kitchen, a son
	27	“	Frank Dumas, a son
July	1	“	Owen Finnigan, a son
June	7	“	Geo. Ogilvie, a daughter
Aug.	8	“	Collingwood Hanning, a daughter
	14	“	Albert White, a son
	21	“	Henry Towser, a daughter
	21	“	George W. Taber, a daughter
July	5	“	Sherman Grant, a son
Sept.	7	“	John Smith, a daughter
	25	“	George W. Reed, a daughter
Oct.	5	“	Frank Blethen, a son
	6	“	James M. Harbison, a daughter
Nov.	3	“	Ernest E. Alexander, a son
	4	“	Lewis A. McLaughlin, a son
	7	“	Edward C. McLaughlin, a son
	7	“	Frank L. Stone, a son
	13	“	Patrick F. Gillen, a son
	15	“	John A. Steadman, a daughter
	21	“	Charles H. Brown, a son
	22	“	Robert B. Dickinson, a son
	27	“	Solaom Corey, a son
Dec.	5	“	George E. Wilkins, a daughter
	16	“	Clarence A. Dow, a son
	17	“	John D. Hackett, a son
	23	“	Fred W. Burrill, a son
	23	“	Charles H. Fortier, a daughter
	28	“	C. Ralph Bryant, a daughter
	29	“	Patrick W. Paul, a son
July	16	“	Robert Brown, a daughter

Sept. 8	“	Emmerson Stone, a daughter
19	“	William H. Donnelly, a daughter
30	“	George Conlogue, a son
Oct. 2	“	George F. Sleeper, a son
Nov. 11	“	George Johnston, a son
30	“	Ward E. Pickles, a son

Deaths in 1902.

1902	Recorded by Town Clerk.	
Jan 16	Frank Curtis, aged 30 yrs.	
17	Rebecca Niles, aged 80 yrs.	
16	Ellen Pike, aged 78 yrs.	
13	Isaac Smith, aged 62 yrs.	
Feb. 8	Frank Law, aged 23 yrs.	
Mar. 23	George Calvin, aged 81 yrs.	
23	Hazen McIntyre, aged 6 mos.	
Apr. 3	Sara A. Edgecomb, 14 yrs.	
Feb. 23	Harold C. Smith, 14 mos.	
Apr. 7	John Fitzgerald, 56 yrs.	
17	Catherine J. Thurston, aged 19 yrs., 9 mos.	
19	John K. Dickey, aged 66 yrs.	
20	Jasper D. Astle, aged 23 yrs.	
30	Marion B. Clough, aged 7 yrs., 9 mos. and 14 days.	
28	Charles P. Tenney, aged 67 yrs.	
May 28	Emerson J. Bryanton, aged 27 yrs.	
29	Theodore Cary, aged 67 yrs.	
June 1	Frank E. Lesure, aged 40 yrs.	
27	Margaret J. Henderson, aged 63 yrs. 1 mo. and 26 days.	
July 4	Chas. Michael, aged 40 yrs.	
May 10	John E. Perks, aged 66 yrs.	
July 2	Sperry H. Gentle, 18 yrs., 9 mos. and 22 days.	
26	Melvin McNelley, aged 64 yrs.	
Aug. 5	Eliza J. Jackins, aged 49 yrs.	
May 5	James Johnston, aged 71 yrs., 8 mos. and 1 day	
June 27	Margaret J. Henderson, aged 63 yrs., 1 mo. and 27 days.	
July 19	(Infant) Dumas, aged 20 days.	
Aug. 16	(Infant) White, aged 1 day.	
18	Essie Thompson, 15 yrs.	
19	Andrew Bull, aged 6 yrs., 1 mo and 7 days	
Sept. 6	Owen Brown, aged 50 yrs.	
12	Mrs. Barbara Bell, aged 76 yrs.	
16	(Infant) Stone, aged 8 mos.	
23	Lizzie Iott, aged 11 mos.	
23	Joseph W. Elliott, aged 10 mos.	
24	E. May Keith, aged 15 yrs.	
Oct. 13	Sidney C. Hubble, aged 6 mos.	
14	Beatrice Adams, aged 6 mos.	
Nov. 2	Peter McGlynn, aged 84 yrs.	
4	Martha Boyd, aged 22 yrs.	
6	Leon Yetton, aged 1 mo., 4 days.	
8	Frederick C. Derrah, aged 42 yrs.	
Oct. 16	Newton A. Hoak, aged 57 yrs.	
Nov. 20	Frank J. Miller, aged 23 yrs.	
Dec. 10	Aubrey Grant, aged 40 yrs.	
22	Bridget Dinning, aged 64 yrs.	
Sept 6	Miles E. Dickinson, aged 11 mos. 23 days.	

WARRANT.

To WILLIAM H. GUIOU, one of the Constables of the Town of
Houlton, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Houlton, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs; to assemble at Heywood's Opera House in said town, on Monday, the twenty-third day of March, 1903, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles; to wit:—

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

ART. 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will vote to elect one or more Road Commissioners, and what sum of money will be raised for services of said commissioner.

ART. 4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of the poor, and other necessary expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

ART. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of schools.

ART. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for repairs upon school houses and how the same shall be expended.

ART. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the purchase of school text-books.

ART. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the services of the Superintendent of Schools.

ART. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.

ART. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote for School apparatus and appliances and Insurance on School Buildings.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to buy the "Burt Lot" so-called on West side of High Street for school yard for Fair Street school house and what sum of money the Town will raise for the same.

ART. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the repairing and building of roads, bridges and sidewalks.

ART. 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to be expended on the "State Road" under Chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1901.

ART. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of the Fire Department, Policemen, rent of hydrants, and for a Fire Alarm System.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for lighting the streets of the village, town hall, engine house and town lock-up.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote to keep the sidewalks in the village open during the winter of 1903-1904 and if so, to instruct the Selectmen what ones to keep open and what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for said purpose.

ART. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Houlton (Free) Public Library.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for observing Memorial Day.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for

Minor purposes.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a loan or loans for the purpose of paying the debts of the town.

ART. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for cemeteries.

ART. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise toward paying off the town debt.

ART. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will raise by assessment this year towards damages for streets accepted by the town last summer.

ART. 24. To see if the Town, as owner of 1,920 shares of stock in the Houlton Water Company, will instruct the Selectmen at any legal meeting of said Houlton Water Company to vote said stock for and in behalf of the town in favor of the following propositions:—

FIRST. To elect Directors of said Houlton Water Company.

SECOND. To construct new works and extend, repair and improve the present works of said Company to such an extent and amount as to said Directors may seem wise and prudent.

THIRD. To pay the existing debts of said Houlton Water Company.

FOURTH. To purchase the whole or any part of the stock of the Houlton Sewerage Company.

FIFTH. To issue bonds of said Houlton Water Company to an amount not exceeding One Hundred Thousand dollars, to aid in said construction, extensions, improvements and repairs of said works, the payment of said debts and the purchase of said stock of the Houlton Sewerage Company, and to fix the date, amount, denomination, rate of interest, and maturity of such bonds, and to authorize the Directors of said Water Company to execute, negotiate, and issue said bonds.

ART. 25. To see if the Town, in the event of the purchase by the Houlton Water Company of the whole or any part of the stock of the Houlton Sewerage Company, will authorize the Selectmen for and in behalf of the town to vote such stock of said Houlton Sewerage Company as may be owned and controlled by the town, by virtue of its ownership in said Houlton Water Company in favor of the following propositions:—

FIRST. To elect Directors of said Houlton Sewerage Company.

SECOND. To construct new work, repair, extend and improve the present works, to such an extent and amount as to the Directors of said Sewerage Company may seem wise and prudent.

THIRD. To issue bonds of said Houlton Sewerage Company to an amount not exceeding Fifty Thousand dollars to aid in said construction, repairs, extensions, improvements, and to fix the date, amount, denomination, rate of interest and maturity of such bonds, and to authorize the Directors of said Sewerage Company, to execute, issue, and negotiate said bonds.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen, treasurer, and town clerk.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will accept the offer of Hon. Andrew Carnegie to give Ten Thousand Dollars for the purpose of erecting a Public Library Building in Houlton, on condition that the Town furnishes a suitable site therefor and guarantees the maintenance of a Free Public Library in Houlton at a cost of not less than One Thousand Dollars a year.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will elect a committee of citizens, for and in behalf of the Town, to purchase a suitable lot for a Public Library Build

ing, and how much money the Town will raise therefor and how the same shall be raised; also to see if the Town will authorize said committee select and adopt suitable plans for said building and to erect said building and to do, in behalf of the Town, any and all things necessary under M. Carnegie's offer, for the completion of the same.

ART. 29. To see, if Hon. Andrew Carnegie pays to the Town of Houlton the sum of \$10,000.00 for a Public Library Building on said lot, the Town will use said money for said purpose and guarantee that a Free Public Library shall be maintained in Houlton at an annual expense of not less than One Thousand Dollars.

ART. 30. To see, if the Town will vote to accept a way laid out by the Selectmen Sept. 1st, 1902 on petition of Claud Carpenter and eleven others described as follows:—Beginning on the farm of said Carpenter about 2 rods Southerly from the dwelling house of said Carpenter and about two rods from the shore of the Letter "B" stream, thence Southerly and Southwesterly across said stream to the centre of the Robinson Road, so-called, and what sum of money the Town will raise to build the same.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept that part of Florence Avenue, so-called, leading from Military street to the Passenger depot of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad, as dedicated to the Town by said Railroad Company, that lies between said Military street and the western line of Grove street, so-called, as shown on plan of Preston N. Burleigh made in 1896, and now on file in Aroostook Registry of Deeds.

ART. 32. To see if the Town will fix a time when taxes shall be due and payable; and will vote to make any discount upon taxes paid at such time or times as it may determine, and if so, what per cent.; also to fix time and rate for interest to be added upon taxes remaining unpaid.

ART. 33. To see if the Town will vote to ratify the doings of the Selectmen, whereby they have abated the taxes published in the Town Report, March 2nd, 1903.

ART. 34. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer for and in behalf of the Town, to execute release deeds to the owners of land sold to the Town for taxes, on payment of the amounts due therefor.

ART. 35. To see if the Town will authorize and direct the Selectmen to sell and convey to Mrs. Eliza Johnston all the right, title, and interest in and to the homestead lot and house of the late James Johnston, situated on the East side of Elm St., in Houlton Village, which was devised by said James Johnston to the Inhabitants of the Town of Houlton, and if so, at what price.

ART. 36. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Report as published by the Selectmen, March 2nd, 1903.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Selectmen's office in said Town on the 19th, 20th, and 21st days of March, 1903 at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Houlton, this second day of March, A. D. 1903

THOMAS P. PUTNAM, } Selectmen
FRANK W. PEARCE, } of
W. A. DYKEMAN, } Houlton.

A True Copy.

Attest: WILLIAM H. GUIOU, Constable of Houlton.