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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Clerk, Selectmen, Treasurer,

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF CARTHAGE,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1903.

FARMINGTON, MAINE: PRESS OF KNOWLTON & McLEARY CO.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Report of the Selectmen of the Town of Carthage, for the year ending March 1, 1903.

VALUATION.

Amount of resident real estate,	\$50,090 00
Non-resident real estate,	52,955 00
Resident personal estate,	21,063 00
Supplementary non-resident real estate,	180 00
	\$124,288,00

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.

For	common schools,			\$ 268	90	
	Free high school,			75	00	
	School-books and appliances,			65	00	
	Repair of school-houses,			50	00	
	Relinquishment of town debt,			1,000	00	
	Repair of roads and bridges,		4	1,000	00	
	Current expenses and support	of poor,		800	00	
	County tax,			132	46	
-	State tax,			287	64	
	Overlay,			61	13	
	Supplementary tax,			6	71	
	Total committed,					\$3,746_84
	Number of Polls, 94					
	Rate per Poll, \$1.50				-	
Amo	ount of poll tax,			\$ 142	50	
	Rate of property tax, .029.					
Amo	ount of property tax,			3,604	34	
4.	Total,					\$3,746 84

SUPPORT OF COMMON SCH	OOLS.		
Town raised,	\$268	90	•
Undrawn last year,	281	•	–
Received from State, school fund and mill tax,	274	•	
Received for tuition,	•	50	
			\$864 84
Paid Weld, tuition for 1901,	\$25		
Paid Mrs. O. V. Hutchinson for board, 1901,	4	00	4
			\$ 29 00
Amailabia			Ø00= 0.
Available,			\$835 84
Paid teachers' wages and board,	\$451	TC	
Transportation of pupils,		00	
Janitor and fuel,		50	
Weld, tuition,	•	28	-
vicin, tartion,	-3	20	\$591 93
Undrawn,			\$243 91
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SCHOOL-HOUSE REPAIRS.			
Town raised,	\$50	00	
Expended,	31	54	
Unexpended,	\$18	46	
TEXT-BOOKS AND APPLIANCES	S.		
Town raised,			\$65 00
Expended,	\$99	75	- 3

Overdrawn,

\$34 75 8

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Town world			\$1,000	00
Town raised,	\$165	- Q	φ1,000	00
Paid orders issued in 1901, Road orders for Frank Brown, Commissioner	<i>p</i> 105	10		
for 1901,	00	38		
Road orders for E. C. Staples, Commissioner	90	30		
for 1901,	20	75		
Road orders for A. A. Smith, Road Com-	-9	13		
missioner for 1901,	66	81		
W. V. Tainter, for watering-trough for years				
1899-00-01,	9	00		
	,	,	\$361	12
Available,			\$638	88
t.	*			
Expended to February 12, 1903:				
Bills of Frank Brown, Commissioner,	\$443	16		
Bills of C. F. Eaton, Commissioner,	438			
Bills of F. J. Casey, Commissioner,	196			
Paid for maintaining watering-troughs,		00		
			\$1,083	80
Overdrawn,			\$444	92
TOWN DEBT AND INTERES	Т.			
Fown raised,			\$1,000	00
Paid Etta Hutchinson, interest,	\$ 4	00		
E. P. Goodwin, interest,		73		
E. P. Goodwin, in full on order,	500			
W. W. Goodwin, interest,	39	94		
W. W. Goodwin, in full on order,	500			
			\$1,075	67
Quandra			4	
Overdrawn,			\$75	67
Paid for sheep killed,			\$4	00
Received from state,			4	00

SUPPORT OF POOR AND CURRENT EXPENSES.

Town	n raised,			\$800	00
Paid	old pauper bills,	8112	02		
	Printing town reports, 1901,	I 2	00		
	H. W. Berry, abatement of taxes for 1901,	4	14		
	H. W. Berry, collecting, part pay for 1901,	57	28		
	D. W. Berry, services as Selectman for 1901	, I4	00		
	L. S. Libby, services as Clerk for 1901,	6	00		
	W. W. Holman, material, postage and express	,			
	1900,	5	00		
	For labor done on Newman bridge, 1900-1,	23	25		
	George Maxwell, services as Selectman, 1901,	19	50		
	E. H. Staples, services as Selectman and	l			
	Supervisor, 1901,	13	35		
	Luther Hutchinson, services as Treasurer,	ı 8	00		
				\$284	54
	Available,			\$515	46
Doid	Loring, Short & Harmon, blank books, \$	6	=0		
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		70		
	J. G. Coburn, services as Moderator, 1902,		00		
	Sarah Plummer, cleaning school-house,		00		•
	Rena Eaton, cleaning school-house,		50		
	Mrs. L. A. Mason, cleaning school-house,		00		
	W. M. Pease, M. D., professional services and				
	vaccine,		25		100
	W. W. Holman, services as Supervisor in full,	_	.50		1
	L. S. Libby, recording and returning vital sta-				4
	tistics to State Register,	•	00		6
	Josie Judkins, cleaning school-house,		50		7
	E. C. McLain, services as Ballot Clerk,		50		
	W. W. Coburn, services as Ballot Clerk,		50		
	W. E. Hutchinson, abatement on 1902 tax,		00		1
	W. E. Hutchinson, collecting 1902 tax, part pay,		00		-
	Luther Hutchinson, services as Treasurer,		00	*	-1
	J. S. Swett, services as Selectman,	57			4
· ·	Charles Brown, services as Selectman,	49	_		
	L. S. Libby, services as Clerk and Select-	-	13		1
	man,	57	35		
			30		1

PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Paid out on acc	count of Sophronia Howard,	\$69	74	
	Joseph Tobin,	56	62	
	John W. Shepard,	т8	10	
	Jessie Perkins,	55	31	
	Mary E. Adams,	19	97	
	Mrs. Willie Cushman,	10	00	
	Ruth Potter,	48	87	

\$579 46

Overdrawn,

\$64 00

RESOURCES.

Due from tax deeds in treasury,	\$ 150	00
H. W. Berry, tax bills of 1901 tax,	95	14
Town of Canton or Lewiston on Geo	orge	
Jones' account,	т88	00
State for free high school, 1901,	66	00
State for free high school, 1902,	51	75
Balance due from Dixfield for tuition, 1902,	8(64
W. E. Hutchinson on 1902 tax	, 2,571	84
Road-machine,	25	00
Southeast quarter of R. 12, lot	2, 200	00
Overdrawn on pauper and current expense accour	ıt, 64	00
Overdrawn on text-book and appliance account,	34	75
Roads and bridge account,	444	92
Town debt account,	75	67
Cash on hand,	28	72

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders bearing interest,	\$711	82		
Interest due,	55	00		
Outstanding orders not bearing interest,	374	22.		1
Due the free high school account, 1902,	46	50		
E. A. Roys for teaching high school, 1902,	80	00		1
Luther Hutchinson for board,	23	50		
Common school fund,	243	91		
School-house repair fund,	18	46		
Road bills outstanding Feb. 12,	108	63		
Pauper bills outstanding,	90	00		
			\$1,752	04
Balance in favor of town,	•		\$2,251	75

Respectfully submitted, Feb. 19, 1903.

LESTER S. LIBBY, Selectmen CHARLES BROWN, Of Carthage.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

Report of Frank Brown as Road Commissioner, in account with the Town of Carthage for the Year 1902-3.

Frank Brown, service	es on highway,	*	\$ 73	69		
Frank Brown, team,			59	12		
Sumner Josslyn, s	ervices,		13	55		
Geo. Virgin,	66	4.	3000	24		
Elmer Magoon,	"		10	80		
D. C. Brown,	"		21	68	*	
T. R. Plummer,	"			37		
R. C. Hutchinson,	"		1	25		
Eastman Judkins,	"		20	25		
Elmer Holt,	***		4	77		
E. C. Staples,	"		14	25		
Emery Hutchinson,	"		34	15		
A. L. Coburn,	"		48	09		
Ernest Damon,	"		22	50		
W. W. Coburn,	"		6	00		
W. W. Holman,	"		4	50		
Charles Pratt,	46			75		
John Leach,	66		9	00		
Harry Rand,	"		II	00		
C. F. Eaton,	66		2	00		
M. B. Hammond,	46		11	15		
L. S. Libby,	**		1	39		
J. S. Swett,	"		6	00		
Fred Hutchinson,	66		3	00		
N. F. Magoon,	66		4	75		
Luther Hutchinson	for spikes furnished	d,		40		
Goodwin Bros., brid	ge plank,		8	29		
Frank Brown, "	66		6	30		
Herbert Tobin, servi	ices on highway,		. 8	92		
			_		\$443	16

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK BROWN,

Road Commissioner of Carthage.

Report of F. J. Casey as Road Commissioner, in account with the Town of Carthage for the Year 1902-3.

Services as Road	Commissioner, including team				
and help,		\$ 47	31		
George Coffren,	labor,		50		
H. L. Smith,	"	3	00		
L. P. Mason,	46	11	05		
N. G. Severy,	66	3	60		
M. D. Morrison,	66		75		
N. G. Severy,	66	19	35		
L. P. Mason,	66	26	80		
G. A. Severy,	66	3	85		
L. P. Mason,	66	8	45		
W. V. Tainter,	66		90		
H. L. Smith,	66	5	85		
L. P. Mason,	66	6	45		
H. L. Smith,	66		93		
John Casey,	66		75		
George Maxwell,	66	I	75		
N. G. Severy,	66		00		
W. V. Tainter,	4.6	6	59		
George Maxwell,	66		22		
H. L. Smith,	66	5	00		
				\$106	10

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. CASEY,

Road Commissioner of Carthage.

Report of C. F. Eaton as Road Commissioner, in account with the Town of Carthage for the Year 1902-3.

Charles A. Strout,	labor,		\$ 11	85
L. A. Getchell,	"		3	00
Goodwin Bros. for	posts and spikes,	,	1	65
I. A. Mitchell,	labor,		36	70
C. F. Eaton,	66		149	29
John Dupell,	66		2	80
Gorham Murch for	plank,		. 3	72
L. S. Libby for labo	r and iron,		3	10
Frank Brown,	labor,		13	10
Fred McLain,	44		3	45
E. B. Maxwell,	"		18	30
Walter Getchell,	"		2	55
John Sanders,	"		r	50
W. E. Hutchinson,	"		98	63
Emery Hutchinson,	"		10	50
A. L. Coburn,	"		4	00
John Leach,	· · ·		3	00
Dana Brown,	"		1	50
Ernest Damon,	"		1	50
Wm. Holman,	"		3	00
T. R. Plummer,	"		5	05
Wm. Chandler,	"		17	
Charles Brown,	"			38
Charles Williams,	"			70
V. C. Mitchell,	"			00
Charles Cushman,	"			77
R. O. Dunning,				00
J. H. Beals,	"			05
Herbert Whitney,	"			10
E. E. Winter,	"		-	85
Warren Pettengill,	"			25
,	4		3	- 3

Total expended,

\$438 54

Respectfully,

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Luther Hutchinson, Treasurer, in account with the town of Carthage for the year ending Feb. 17, 1902.

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To ba	lance in treasury as per report,	\$ 302	99		
Receiv	ved of State treasurer, dog licenses refunded	1, 22	52		-
	Town of Wilton, tuition,	16	50		1
	Town of Dixfield, tuition,	17	50		1
	Jesse Cushman, tuition,	9	00		
	Tyler Hutchinson, tuition,	6	50		
	On Frank Jones's tax deed,	18	12		
	On S. D. Kittredge's tax deed,	9	00		
	Lester Libby, dog licenses, 1902,	32	00		
	State treasurer, damage done by dog	s, 4	00		
	State treasurer, school fund and mi	11			
	tax,	274	40		-
	Fred Blanchard, for timber land,	325	00		
	H. W. Berry, collector, 1901,	1,900	00		
	W. E. Hutchinson, collector, 1902,	1,175	00		
				\$4,172	53
	CR.				
By pai	d to Carleton P. Merrill, County tax,	\$ 132	46		
	State treasurer, dog licenses, 1902,	32	00		
	State treasurer, State tax,	287	64		
	H. W. Berry, on tax deeds,	37	90		
	Town orders issued by Selectmen,	3,653	18		-
		\$4,143	81		
Balanc	ce in treasury Feb. 17, 1903,		72		
			_	\$4,172	53
					199

LUTHER HUTCHINSON, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF CARTHAGE.

Births, Deaths and Marriages for the Year 1902.

BIRTHS.

March 3,	1902,	To the wife of E. E. McLaughlin,		A son.		
March 29,	6 6		C. N. Damon,		A daug	hter.
May I,	4.6		E. E. Magoon,		A son.	
June 6,	6.6		F. H. McLain,		A daug	hter.
July 1,	6.6		H. L. Rand,		A son.	
August 17, "Orin Hatch		Orin Hatch,		A daug	hter.	
September 15,	4.6	L. S. Libby,		4 4		
September 30,	6.6		Charles H. Cushr	nan,	A son.	
October 23,	6 6		Laroy F. Wilbur,		6.6	
November 14,	66		John Leach,		A daug	hter.
		DEATH	s.			
				Υ.	м.	D.
January 5,	1902,	Mary Ann Mu	rch.	7 I	8	12
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January 16,	6.6	Lelia F. Staples,	36	I	10
March 4,	6 6	infant son of E. E. McLau	ghlin,		· I
June 5,	6 6	John Casey,	64	6	2 I
June 19,	4.6	Irene Howard,	48	10	2
September 12,	4.6	Mary Hutchinson,	66	5	I
September 18,	6 6	Alfred Lamb,	77	II	8
September 25,	6 6	Elmira Swett,	83	11	24
November 26,	6.6	Charles Hutchinson,	69	0	6

MARRIAGES.

John M. Getchell,

December 11,

- East Dixfield, March 2, 1902, by Rev. Hannah Powell, Mr. Archibald L. Coburn of Carthage to Miss Della I. Hildreth of Dixfield.
- Carthage, April 24, 1902, by D. W. Berry, Esq., Mr. Wallace Clarence Dakin to Beulah May Wilson, both of Carthage.
- Erroll, N. H., June 28, 1902, by L. C. Bragg, Esq., Mr. Clyde Josselyn to Bertha P. Rand, both of Carthage.
- Weld, June 29, 1902, by Rev. H. W. Small, Edwin Clyde Sampson to Lucy Ellen Soper, both of Carthage.
- Carthage, August 16, 1902, by Rev. G. A. Chapman, Leland Frederick Sawyer of Auburn to Miss Annie E. Coburn of Carthage.

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER S. LIBBY, Town Clerk.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Fellow Citizens:

In accordance with the laws of our State and the usual custom, it becomes necessary for me to submit the following report:

There were enrolled April 1st, 1902, 98 pupils.

Whether or not the standard of our schools has been raised, the interest on the part of pupils awakened, you, as intelligent citizens, are able to decide, and no words of mine are necessary to explain the condition of our schools at the present time. have had the past year twenty-two weeks of school in each school in town, two weeks more in each school than ever before under the present system, and with but few exceptions, under the instruction of first-class, experienced teachers. All bills are paid and \$243.91 undrawn of the school money, and the coming year, under judicious management, twenty-four weeks can be had. We think with the meagre appropriation for schools it should be so managed as to do the most possible good for our pupils. After all that has been done by our State, by our educational societies and journals, there are still a few who do not put an adequate value on education. It should be remembered that the future destiny of our country depends on the boys and girls who fill the benches in our schoolrooms today.

There are yet difficulties in the way that retard the progress of our schools. One of the most frequent causes of trouble is want of co-operation between parents and teachers. They

seem to have forgotten that the world moves on, and that the style of teaching in vogue during their childhood has given place to new and improved methods. Education has kept pace with other things. New methods, new appliances, in fact, the whole paraphernalia of the schoolroom is, or should be, different from that of sixty or one hundred years ago.

There seems to be a disposition on the part of some to find fault with all teachers. The children are not slow to catch the same spirit, watch for some imperfection which they feel encouraged to report at home as soon as they see or imagine they see it. Thus it is that the faults and not the excellences make the first impression both at school and at home, and the teachers to make a success under such circumstances must be very fortunate.

Thanking you for the interest you have manifested in our schools during the years I have served you as Superintendent, I beg a continuance of the same be extended to my successor, feeling confident that with your assistance the standard of our schools can yet be raised.

SCHOOL STATISTICS. -

No. of school.	Name of teacher.	Len te	gth of	No. reg.	Average attendance.	Wages of teacher.	Price of board.	Term.
I.	Nettie Maxwell.	10	wks.	7	612	\$ 5.00*		S.†
3.	May Child.	9	6.6	14	$12\frac{1}{2}\frac{7}{1}$	3.75	\$1.75	S.
4.	Marilla M. Houle.	IO	6.6	ī8	15	4.50	1.50	S.
5.	Ona M. Knapp.	7울	6 6	16	IO	3.75	1.75	S.
5.	Della H. Coburn.	$2\frac{2}{5}$	÷ 6	12	$10\frac{5.4}{100}$	6.00*		S.
3.	Linnie E. Brown.	13	6 6	15	1310	6.75*		F.†
4.	Marilla M. Houle.	12	6.6	19	16	6.25*		F.
5.	Marcia L. Coburn.	12	6.6	II	$9\frac{61}{100}$	6.00		F.
6.	Weld schools.	22	6 6	4		63.28‡		

^{*} Wages included board.

[†] S. indicates spring term. F. indicates fall term.

[‡] Indicates cost of school tuition and transportation.

FREE HIGH SCHOOL, BERRY MILLS.

A term of Free High School is now in session at Berry Mills, under the instruction of Mr. E. A. Roys, Bates, '04. He is a competent and able instructor and a good term's work is assured. As the school is not yet closed, am unable to report the attendance, etc. The expense of same will be found in the financial statement.

Respectfully submitted,

WILL W. HOLMAN, Supt. of Schools,
Carthage, Maine.