


ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OF DORCHESTER  
New Hampshire



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# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

**SELECTMEN AND TREASURER**

of the

# Town of Dorchester

together with the reports of the

**ROAD AGENTS AND OTHER OFFICERS**

**OF THE TOWN**

for the

**Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1931**

also

**Vital Statistics for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1930**

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## TOWN OFFICERS

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### MODERATOR

Herbert H. Ashley

### TOWN CLERK

Winona M. Fairburn

### SELECTMEN

Paul D. Smith

Herbert H. Ashley

Arthur R. Colburn

### ROAD AGENT

James Carter

### TREASURERS

Susie I. Burnham

Jennie J. Burnham

### TAX COLLECTOR

John G. Colburn

### OVERSEER OF POOR

George N. Burnham

### HEALTH OFFICER

Alfred W. Ashley

### AUDITORS

Nellie M. Ashley

Harold Walker

### SCHOOL BOARD

Jennie J. Burnham

Herbert H. Ashley

Annie Quance

### SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Annie G. Ashley

### SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Hubert Walker

Harold D. Tibbetts

Ernest J. Hauley

## TOWN WARRANT

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester, in the County of Grafton, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:  
(L. S.)

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall, in said Dorchester on Tuesday, the 10th day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same.
3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for repairing highways and bridges for the ensuing year and make appropriation for the same.
4. To see if the town will vote to accept State Aid Maintenance for highways and make appropriation for the same.
5. To see if the town will vote to accept State Aid for New Construction and make appropriation for the same.
6. To see if the town will vote to raise money to meet the state in any special appropriations for State Aid Construction that might be made, and make appropriations for the same.
7. To see if the town will vote to buy some snow fence and make appropriation for the same.
8. To see if the town will vote to repair the tractor and make appropriation for the same.
9. To see if the town will vote to purchase a new tractor, and make appropriation for the same; or vote to set aside a sum for the purchase of one later.

10. To see if the town will vote to move the tractor sheds and pump to the town hall and make a garage of a part of the horse sheds for the tractor and make appropriation for the same if necessary.

11. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to withhold a certain amount from the Town Maintenance for winter road expenses.

12. To see if the town will take any action regarding the control of White Pine Blister Rust and make appropriation if necessary.

13. To see if the town will vote to purchase a typewriter for the use of the selectmen and make appropriation for the same.

14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

15. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, or committees, heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

16. To act upon any business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 10th day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-one.

PAUL D. SMITH,  
HERBERT H. ASHLEY,  
ARTHUR R. COLBURN,

Selectmen of Dorchester.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

PAUL D. SMITH,  
HERBERT H. ASHLEY,  
ARTHUR R. COLBURN,

Selectmen of Dorchester.

## BUDGET

## Sources of Revenue

	Actual	Estimated
From State:		
Railroad tax,	\$12 10	\$12 10
Savings Bank tax,	135 47	135 47
Forestry Department,	9 55	10 00
For Highways:		
Town Classified,	675 08	675 08
State Aid Maintenance,	1,542 35	1,500 00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Auto permits,	301 40	250 00
Interest on taxes,	21 40	15 00
Receipts from Highway Department,	214 47	
From Poll Taxes:	194 00	150 00
From State for New Construction:		
State Aid Construction,	475 00	
Legislature Special,	1,333 33	
Amount Raised by Property Taxes,	7,560 86	
Total,	<u>\$12,475 01</u>	
Tax Sales partly redeemed,	854 88	
Total Revenues,	<u>\$13,329 89</u>	



## BUDGET

## Purposes of Expenditures

	Actual	Estimated
General Government:		
Town officers' salaries,	\$441 29	\$400 00
Town officers' expenses,	214 46	215 00
Election expenses,	79 00	
Town Hall expenses,	17 25	60 00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Forestry department,	19 10	30 00
Blister Rust Control,	50 00	50 00
Health:		
Vital Statistics,	1 75	3 00
Highways and Bridges:		
State Aid Maintenance:		
State's Contribution,	1,542 42	1,500 00
Town's Contribution,	771 21	750 00
Town Maintenance,	3,088 96	2,000 00
Charities:		
Town Poor,	3 00	
Cemeteries,	2 00	2 00
Interest on Temporary Loans,	125 00	100 00
State Aid Construction:		
State's Contribution,	475 00	
Town's Contribution,	475 00	
State Aid Construction, Leg. Special:		
State's Contribution,	1,333 33	
Town's Contribution,	666 67	
State Tax,	655 20	650 00
County Tax,	623 89	600 00
Payments to School District,	2,050 00	1,400 00
Total Expenditures,	<u>\$12,635 03</u>	

## SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Resident real estate,	\$50,305 00
Non-resident real estate,	215,656 00
Horses, 49,	3,070 00
Cows, 54,	3,650 00
Neat stock, 6,	295 00
Sheep, 30,	216 00
Fowls, 1810,	1,930 00
Fur bearing animals, 1,	10 00
Portable mills and gas engines, 5,	1,700 00
Wood, bark and lumber,	13,420 00
Gasoline pumps, 1,	150 00
Stock in trade,	400 00
Total,	<u>\$290,802 00</u>
Polls, 97 at \$2.00,	\$194 00
Amount committed to collector,	\$7,754 86
Added to book after assessment,	\$2 00
Average rate for all purposes,	\$2 60
Amount of soldier exemptions,	\$3,900 00

## LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, land and buildings,	\$3,525 00
Furniture and equipment,	95 00
Fire department,	65 00
Highway department equipment,	2,500 00
Total,	<u>\$6,185 00</u>

## APPROPRIATIONS

Town charges plus savings bank and railroad taxes,	\$700 00
Town Highway Maintenance,	1,927 49
State Aid Maintenance,	900 00
State Aid Construction,	475 50
State Aid Construction, Leg. Special,	666 67
Blister Rust Control,	50 00
State Tax,	655 20
County Tax,	623 89
Elementary schools,	1,017 81
Officers' salaries,	75 00
School census,	5 00
Superintendent's excess salary,	100 00
Per capita tax,	40 00
Special Appropriation:	
To balance \$3.50 tax per \$1,000,	217 77
Overlay,	300 53
	\$7,754 86
Total,	

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## ABATEMENTS

Custer Quimby, poll tax, not here April 1st,	\$2 00
Albert F. Hocking, war veteran,	1 30
John C. Crosby, misunderstanding, (camera not Stock in Trade),	10 40
	\$13 70
Total,	

## Town of Dorchester,

## Assets

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer,	\$5 47
Accounts due town:	
From State Bounties,	56 40
Land covered by deed,	92 35
Taxes bought by town, levy of 1927,	43 08
Taxes bought by town, levy of 1928,	38 86
Taxes bought by town, levy of 1929,	777 95
Taxes bought by town, levy of 1930,	1,053 32
Total assets,	<u>\$2,067 43</u>
Grand total,	\$2,067 43
Surplus, January 31, 1930,	\$11 30
Surplus, January 31, 1931,	\$602 92

## Town of Dorchester,

## Liabilities

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Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Due cemetery account,	\$23 00
Due School District, dog licenses,	64 97
Balance of Appropriation,	1,349 86
Due Rodolph Champagne, S. A. M.,	26 68
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Total liabilities,	\$1,464 51
Excess of assets over liabilities, (surplus),	602 92
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Grand total,	\$2,067 43

## Town of Dorchester,

## Receipts

From Local Taxes:	
Property taxes,	\$7,549 16
Poll taxes,	194 00
Tax sales partly redeemed,	854 88
From State:	
For state aid maintenance,	1,542 35
For state aid construction,	475 00
For state aid construction, Leg. special,	1,286 14
For class five highways,	675 08
Railroad tax,	12 10
Savings bank tax,	135 47
Forestry department,	9 55
Bounties,	40 20
From Local Sources Except Taxes:	
Dog licenses,	67 97
Chairman Old Home Day Committee,	72 87
Interest received on taxes,	21 40
James Carter, use of tractor,	31 00
Rodolph Champagne, use of tractor,	61 07
George A. Thayer, use of mixer and steel,	4 60
Francis K. Thayer, use of mixer,	1 00
Registration of motor vehicles, 1930 permits,	194 10
Registration of motor vehicles, 1931 permits,	107 30
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	3,000 00
Total receipts,	\$16,335 24
Cash on hand, February 1, 1930,	860 41
Grand total,	\$17,195 65

## Town of Dorchester,

## Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:	
Town officers' salaries,	\$441 29
Town officers' expenses,	214 41
Election and registration expenses,	79 00
Expenses of town hall,	17 25
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Forestry department,	19 10
Blister rust appropriation,	50 00
Founties,	56 40
Damage by dogs,	3 00
Health:	
Vital statistics,	1 75
Highways and Bridges:	
State aid maintenance,	2,250 00
Town maintenance,	2,992 26
Charities:	
Town poor,	3 00
Public Service Enterprises:	
Cemeteries,	2 00
Unclassified:	
Taxes bought by the town,	1,051 94
Interest:	
Paid on temporary loans,	125 00
New Construction:	
State aid and Special appropriation,	2,554 69
Indebtedness:	
Paid temporary loans,	4,000 00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
Taxes paid to state,	655 20
Taxes paid to county,	623 89
Payments to school district,	2,050 00
Total payments,	\$17,190 18
Cash on hand, January 31, 1931,	5 47
Grand total,	\$17,195 65

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### General Government

#### Salaries of the Principal Town Officers:

Arthur R. Colburn, auditor,	\$4 00
Nellie M. Ashley, auditor,	5 50
Harold Walker, auditor,	1 50
George N. Burnham, balance, selectman 1929,	20 00
Paul D. Smith, selectman,	78 00
Herbert H. Ashley, selectman,	52 50
Arthur R. Colburn, selectman,	50 00
Jennie J. Burnham, treasurer,	25 00
Winona M. Fairburn, town clerk,	25 00
Winona M. Fairburn, auto permits,	20 50
Herbert H. Ashley, moderator,	4 00
John G. Colburn, tax collector,	155 29
	\$441 29
Total,	

#### Officers' Expenses:

Towne & Robie, town reports,	\$67 64
Fred W. Brown, officers' bonds,	31 83
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies,	16 78
W. J. Randolph, transfers and fees,	5 44
A. W. Rowell, Assessors' dues,	4 00
Walter M. Flint, legal advice,	2 00
Robert A. Porter, timber cruising,	3 50
Edward H. Quimby, adding machine and paper,	61 50
Winona M. Fairburn, postage,	80
Jennie J. Burnham, postage,	2 20
George N. Burnham, postage,	86
John G. Colburn, supplies,	60
Paul D. Smith, postage and expense,	10 76
Herbert H. Ashley, expense,	2 00
Arthur R. Colburn, expense,	4 50
	\$214 41
Total,	



## Election and Registration Expenses:

Hubert Walker, supervisor and checklists,	\$21 00
Harold D. Tibbetts, supervisor,	12 00
Ernest J. Hanley, supervisor,	14 00
Margaret S. Walker, ballot clerk,	6 00
Annie G. Ashley, ballot clerk,	6 00
Scott D. Burley, ballot clerk,	3 00
Fred G. Waldron, ballot clerk,	3 00
Lester J. Goss, constable,	6 00
Herbert H. Ashley, moderator,	8 00
Total,	<hr/> \$79 00

## Expenses Town Hall:

Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, paint,	\$12 50
Edward E. Babb & Co., chemical,	3 50
Sears, Roebuck & Co., lock,	1 25
Total,	<hr/> \$17 25

## Protection of Persons and Property:

Bounties on hedgehogs,	\$56 40
Blister Rust control,	50 00
Robert A. Porter, sheep killed by dogs,	3 00
Alfred W. Ashley, forest fire warden,	19 10
Total,	<hr/> \$128 50

## Health:

Winona M. Fairburn, recording vital statistics,	\$1 75
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Respectfully submitted,

PAUL D. SMITH,  
HERBERT H. ASHLEY,  
ARTHUR R. COLBURN,

Selectmen of Dorchester.

## STATE AID MAINTENANCE

## Patrolman's Report

## Receipts

Cash on hand, January 31, 1930,	\$36 88
Received from Selectmen,	2,250 00
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Total,	\$2,286 88

## Payments

Rodolph Champagne,	\$1,669 93
James E. Hill, labor,	88 66
Harold D. Tibbetts, labor,	64 16
Henry Delsart, labor,	54 05
Adolph Delsart, labor,	54 05
Paul D. Smith, labor,	50 94
Lester J. Goss, labor,	50 16
John Quimby, labor,	33 44
Harry Quance, labor,	30 34
Harold Walker, labor,	19 55
William E. Moses, labor,	15 94
Elwin M. Moses, labor,	15 94
Sylvanus W. Moses, labor,	11 66
Herbert J. Eastman, labor,	10 50
Herbert J. Eastman, gravel,	23 00
Zachary G. Taylor, gravel,	4 50
Prescott C. Allen, gravel,	3 00
William E. Moses, lumber,	1 12
James Carter, Road Agent, use of tractor,	51 55
Town Treasurer, gas and oil,	61 07
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Total payments,	\$2,313 56
Due Patrolman's Account,	\$26 68

Respectfully submitted,

RODOLPH CHAMPAGNE, Patrolman.

## ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

## Receipts

Cash on hand February 1, 1930,	\$ 55
Appropriation,	2,602 57
Rodolph Champagne, S. A. M.,	51 55
Paul D. Smith, S. A. C.,	47 39
Paul D. Smith, S. A. C. Leg. Spec.,	53 13
Town of Groton, snow bill,	24 00
Langdell Lumber Co., snow bill,	22 00
William E. Moses, use of tractor,	9 00
John H. Fairburn, snow bill,	1 00
Paul White, snow bill,	1 00
From gas sold,	5 40
Total receipts,	<hr/> \$2,817 59

## Payments

James Carter, truck and labor,	\$967 55
Harold Walker, labor,	344 28
Ernest Carter, labor,	168 19
Walter L. Clogston, truck and labor,	132 51
Henry Delsart, labor,	94 11
Harold D. Tibbetts, labor,	86 39
William E. Moses, truck and labor,	85 17
Ernest J. Hanley, truck,	65 41
Harry Quance, labor,	62 23
Adolph Delsart, labor,	54 05
Robert A. Porter, team and labor,	46 68
Fred A. Churchill, labor,	30 72
Kirk N. Burnham, truck and labor,	29 00
Charles A. Krahenbuhl, labor,	28 00
Elwin M. Moses, labor,	27 23
John Quimby, labor,	24 89
Edgar Willey, labor,	23 72
Fred Goss, labor,	21 00
George N. Burnham, team,	17 11
Sylvanus W. Moses, labor,	16 34
Hubert Walker, labor,	15 94
George W. Rowen, labor,	12 06
James E. Hill, labor,	7 00

Carl M. Bowles, team,	7 00
John G. Colburn, labor,	5 00
Herbert Crosby, labor,	3 50
Orrin O. Clough, labor,	3 50
George L. Churchill, labor,	2 50
Russell C. Noyes, labor,	2 33
Guy E. Camp, labor,	1 17
Martin Christensen, moving tractor,	8 00
Charles A. Krahenbuhl, use of car,	3 50
George N. Burnham, drag nose,	4 50
Carl M. Bowles, wood for tractor house,	4 25
Harold D. Tibbetts, express,	56
James E. Hill, blacksmith work,	50
Ben B. Foster, blacksmith work,	16 35
Standard Oil Co., gas and oil,	176 70
Pynn's Garage, tractor parts,	92 21
New England Implement Co., tractor parts,	84 53
Herbert H. Ashley, telephone, tractor parts,	7 42
Hanley's Garage, merchandise,	6 05
Evans' Garage, fan belts,	4 00
John Taylor, tools, etc.,	14 91
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts,	63 74
Town of Rumney, dynamite,	15 00
H. L. Fletcher, fuse,	2 25
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	1 39
D. Brown, slabs,	1 50
Spaulding and Yeaton, bridge plank,	50 82
Arthur R. Colburn, bridge plank,	43 12
Harold Walker, merchandise and bridge plank,	19 29
George Hanna, railing and bridge plank,	27 29
Zachary G. Taylor, gravel,	22 50
Margaret S. Walker, gravel,	18 70
Reuben S. Hoyt, gravel,	12 90
Herbert J. Eastman, gravel,	2 40
Total payments,	\$3,088 96
Receipts,	2,817 59
Overdraft above appropriation and receipts,	\$271 37
Paid Harold Walker by Selectmen, land rent for tractor sheds and gas tank,	\$5 00

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES CARTER, Road Agent.

## STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

## Receipts

From the Selectmen,	\$950 50
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## Payments

Paul D. Smith,	\$54 51
Elwin M. Moses,	32 27
Fred A. Churchill,	32 27
James E. Hill,	31 88
John Quimby,	30 71
James Carter,	28 44
Harold Walker,	27 55
Sylvanus W. Moses,	26 83
Ernest Carter,	24 88
Adolph Delsart,	21 38
Harold D. Tibbetts,	18 27
Henry Delsart,	18 27
Fred Goss,	18 27
Harry Quance,	17 88
John Flint,	11 27
Walter L. Clogston,	4 67
Morris F. Churchill,	2 15
Walter L. Clogston, truck,	146 67
Arthur R. Colburn, truck,	97 34
Ernest J. Hanley, truck,	91 66
William E. Moses, truck,	61 34
Kirk N. Burnham, truck,	50 00
Reuben S. Hoyt, gravel,	54 60
James Carter, Road Agent, use of tractor,	34 00
James Carter, Road Agent, balance on half the cost of opening gravel bank,	13 39
Total,	<hr/> \$950 50

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL D. SMITH, Foreman.

## STATE AID CONSTRUCTION, SPECIAL

## Receipts

From Selectmen,	\$1,604 19
From Cement sold,	1 50
Total,	<hr/> \$1,605 69

## Payments

Paul D. Smith,	\$84 36
Ernest Carter,	71 95
Harold Walker,	70 17
Harry Quance,	66 50
Harry E. Laplant,	63 00
James Carter,	60 67
Deane C. Carr,	56 00
Sylvanus W. Moses,	52 50
Harold D. Tibbetts,	50 55
Lester J. Goss,	50 94
Elwin M. Moses,	47 06
George E. Aiken,	41 22
Adolph Delsart,	35 00
Edgar Willey,	30 33
Fred A. Churchill,	28 00
Walter L. Clogston,	25 67
George N. Burnham,	24 00
James E. Hill,	21 00
Charles A. Krahenbuhl,	15 16
Arthur R. Colburn,	9 72
Arthur R. Colburn, truck,	112 44
Walter L. Clogston, truck,	95 33
John H. Fairburn, truck,	88 00
Ernest J. Hanley, truck,	68 44
Harold D. Tibbetts, truck,	13 44
James Carter, truck,	3 67
Charles A. Krahenbuhl, team,	101 88
Margaret S. Walker, gravel,	55 00
Charles A. Krahenbuhl,	27 30
Mrs. M. Stewart, sand,	60
James Carter, Road Agent, tractor,	42 00
James Carter, Road Agent, tools,	11 13

H. L. Webster & Sons, cement,	33 75
H. L. Fletcher, dynamite,	20 00
Mica Crystal Co., crushed rock,	15 00
George Hanna, lumber,	8 51
Ben B. Foster, Blacksmith work,	4 90
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	50
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Total payments,	\$1,605 69
Appropriation,	\$2,000 00
Expended 1929,	348 62
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Available for 1930,	\$1,651 38
Credit for cement sold,	1 50
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	\$1,652 88
Payments by State,	47 19
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Total,	\$1,605 69

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL D. SMITH, Foreman.

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## REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR

### Receipts

From Selectmen,	\$3 00
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### Payments

C. A. Krahenbuhl, for exhausted man,	\$1 00
G. N. Burnham, for exhausted man,	2 00
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	\$3 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE N. BURNHAM,

Overseer of Poor.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

## Receipts from Automobile Permits

For 1930, 54 permits,	\$194 10
For 1931, 28 permits.	107 30
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Total, paid to treasurer,	\$301 40
Receipts from Dog Licenses:	
2 Kennels,	\$24 00
22 Males,	44 00
2 Females,	10 00
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Total,	\$78 00
Clerk's fees,	\$5 20
Supplies and postage,	4 83
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	\$10 03
Paid to treasurer,	\$67 97

Respectfully submitted,

WINONA M. FAIRBURN, Town Clerk.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Assessment, 1930,	\$7,754 86
Added to book after assessment,	2 00
Interest collected,	21 40
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	\$7,778 26
Abatements,	13 70
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Total collected and paid Treasurer,	\$7,764 56

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. COLBURN, Collector.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Receipts

Cash on hand, February 1, 1930,	\$860 41
Tax sales partly redeemed,	854 88
From Tax Collector, 1930 taxes,	7,764 56
From Town Clerk, auto permits,	301 40
From Town Clerk, dog licenses,	67 97
From Selectmen,	7,346 43
	\$17,195 65
Total,	

### Payments

By order of Selectmen,	\$17,190 18
Cash on hand, January 31, 1931,	5 47
	\$17,195 65
Total,	

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE J. BURNHAM, Treasurer.

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## AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, having examined the account of the selectmen, road agent, patrolman, treasurer, tax collector, town clerk and State Aid Construction accounts, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

NELLIE M. ASHLEY,  
HAROLD WALKER,

Auditors.

**DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT**  
for 1929-1930.

**Directory**

School Board—Mrs. Jennie J. Burnham, chairman; Herbert H. Ashley, Mrs. Annie Quance.  
 Clerk—Mrs. Elsie Walker.  
 Treasurer—Mrs. Annie G. Ashley.  
 Moderator—Herbert H. Ashley.  
 Auditors—Miss Nellie M. Ashley, Harold Walker.  
 Truant Officer—Paul D. Smith.  
 School Nurse—Miss L. M. B. Underhill.  
 Superintendent—Allan M. McCurdy.

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**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT  
OF SCHOOLS**

January 29, 1931

To the School Board and Citizens of Dorchester:

I am pleased to present my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

The statistics for the district appear at the end of this report.

**Instruction**

In order to definitely determine the educational achievement of the school the Stanford Achievement Test of 762 responses covering the range of fundamental subjects has been given to all grades above the third grade. It is gratifying and complimentary to children and the teacher to know that the majority of the children are up to standard and in some cases a year in excess of the standards of their grade the country over. This is a splendid testimonial of the instruction given at the school, not only at present but for a number of years past. Intelligence tests have been given throughout the school. While by no means conclusive in determining ability, they are nevertheless of

value with other considerations in determining the limitations and possibilities of children.

The work of the Cheever School has been carefully inspected and adjustments made from time to time. The system of marking has been changed somewhat this year. Public schools are operated to develop good citizenship. Scholarship is desirable, but does not of itself constitute good citizenship. Consequently in determining marks, initiative, dependability, ability to work with group, attendance, etc., are taken into consideration. Where this system has been installed elsewhere, it has stimulated good students to do real superior work and encouraged others to do passing work thereby decreasing non-promotion.

### Health

The district is fortunate in having a school nurse. Miss Underhill takes an active interest in the children and reports five home visits as well as five school visits. It is lamentable that so little attention is apparently paid to her recommendations. Her report shows 23 instances of underweight, defective vision, hearing and teeth, diseased tonsils, defective breathing and enlarged glands. Only four of these show any correction. This is a correction of considerably less than 20 percent. Children cannot do their best work when suffering physical discomfort and losing valuable school time from sickness. Furthermore, it is hardly just to the teacher and pupil to expect good results under circumstances of physical handicap. Finally, neglect of such symptoms often leads to serious disease in adult life.

### Operation

The present enrollment of the Cheever School is twelve. This is now the only school in operation in the district. Of these 12 there are six from the Groton School District and six from the Dorchester School District. By arrangement with the former through the State Board of Education a tuition charge is made on the basis of actual per pupil cost exclusive of overhead and transportation. This seems to be very fair all around. Groton children are receiving superior education for a rural school, and Groton is relieved of the responsibility of operating a school. On the other hand, the Groton children increase the size of the

school, making possible larger classes, more competition, and opportunities for group work.

### Recommendations

It is my recommendation that as finances permit the Cheever School be painted inside and out and the kaustine tank at the other school be installed at Cheever. The district is required by law to raise \$3.50 per \$1,000 taxable inventory. In the event this is not all expended in any year, the unexpended balance reverts to the state. It would seem that with this situation and the Groton tuition money the Cheever School could be put in first class condition in the next year or two.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLAN M. McCURDY.

Superintendent of Schools.

## Dorchester School District Statistics, 1929-1930

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
1	4	1	5
2	1	0	1
3	2	1	3
4	1	0	1
5	1	2	3
6	2	0	2
7	0	0	0
8	3	3	6
Total	14	7	21

School—Cheever.

Teacher, Nellie M. Ashley.

Percent of attendance,	90.12
Enrollment,	21
Visits by Superintendent,	25
Visits by School Nurse,	5
Visits by the Public,	12
Visits by School Board,	0

#### School Census, September, 1930

Number of children (5-16) found by enumerator,	17
Number of those found not to be in school,	6
Number of children found in school, in and out of district,	11
Enrollment, January 5, 1931,	12

#### Graduates Grade VIII, Class of 1930

Mildred C. Camp  
Alice L. Moses

Samuel C. Cate  
Mary J. Walker

## RECEIPTS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1930

### Income from Local Taxation:

For support of elementary schools,	\$925 48	
High school tuition,	100 00	
Salaries of district officers,	90 00	
Per capita tax,	34 00	
Total,		\$1,149 48

### From Sources Other Than Taxation:

Shingles sold,	\$28 05	
Balance of appropriation, 1928-1929,	1,050 52	
Total,		\$1,078 57
Total receipts from all sources,		\$2,228 05
Cash on hand, July 1, 1929,		65 11
Grand total,		\$2,293 16

## PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1930

### Administration:

Salaries of district officers,	\$60 00
Superintendent's excess salary,	100 00
Truant officers and school census,	5 50
Expenses of administration,	7 99

### Instruction:

Teachers' salaries,	1,000 00
Text books,	29 80
Scholars' supplies,	31 83
Other expenses of instruction,	4 15

### Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:

Janitor service,	30 00
Fuel,	27 17
Water, light, janitor's supplies,	14 56
Minor repairs and expenses,	72 15

## Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:

Medical inspection, health supervision,	24 00
Transportation of pupils,	677 50
High school tuition,	103 01
Elementary school tuition,	46 00
Other special activities,	4 00

## Fixed Charges:

Tax for state wide supervision (\$2.00 per capita),	34 00
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## Outlay for Construction and Equipment:

New equipment,	2 60
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Total payments for all purposes,	\$2,274 26
Cash on hand, June 30, 1930,	18 90
Grand total,	\$2,293 16

**BALANCE SHEET****Assets June 30, 1930**

Cash on hand,	\$18 90
Due from Town,	1,175 65
Due from Groton School District,	218 00
Total assets,	\$1,412 55

**Liabilities, June 30, 1930**

Due State of N. H., equalization fund (unex- pended),	\$325 80
Total liabilities,	\$325 80
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus),	1,086 75
Grand total,	\$1,412 55

### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1929-1930

Cash on hand June 30, 1929 (treasurer's bank balance).		\$65 11
Received from selectmen, appropriations for current year.	\$1,149 48	
Balance of previous appropriations,	1,050 52	
Received from other sources.	28 05	
	<hr/>	\$2,228 05
Total amount available for fiscal year (Balance and Receipts).		\$2,293 16
Less School Board orders paid,		2,174 26
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1930 (Treasurer's bank balance),		\$18 90

ANNIE G. ASHLEY,

District Treasurer.

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### AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Dorchester; of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1930, and find them correct in all respects.

NELLIE M. ASHLEY,  
HAROLD WALKER,

Auditors.

June 30, 1930.



## DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

1929.

July 1, Cash balance on hand,	\$65 11
Aug. 27, Selectmen, appropriation,	100 00
Sept. 26, Selectmen, appropriation,	200 00
Oct. 24, Selectmen, appropriation,	200 00
Nov. 12, Nellie M. Ashley, shingles sold,	28 05
Nov. 20, Selectmen, appropriation,	100 00
Nov. 27, Selectmen, appropriation,	50 00
Dec. 20, Selectmen, appropriation,	400 00

1930.

Jan 31, Selectmen, appropriation,	300 00
Mar. 8, Selectmen, appropriation,	100 00
Apr. 1, Selectmen, appropriation,	200 00
May 3, Selectmen, appropriation,	200 00
May 31, Selectmen, appropriation,	200 00
June 20, Selectmen, appropriation,	50 00
June 27, Selectmen, appropriation,	100 00
Total,	
	\$2,293 16

## SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET FOR 1931-1932

### School District of Dorchester

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1931.

#### Detailed Statement of Expenditures

*Support of Schools.	Elementary Schools.
Teachers' salaries,	\$1,000 00
Text books,	30 00
Scholars' supplies,	35 00
Other expenses of instruction,	10 00
Janitor service,	30 00
Fuel,	35 00
Water, light, janitors' supplies,	15 00
Minor repairs and expenses,	75 00
Health supervision (medical inspection),	25 00
Transportation of pupils,	700 00
Payment of elementary tuitions,	36 00
Other special activities,	5 00
	\$1,996 00
Other Statutory Requirements:	
Salaries of district officers (fixed by district),	\$60 00
Payment of tuitions in high schools and academies (estimated by Board),	400 00
Superintendent's excess salary, (fixed by Supervisory Union),	25 00
Per capita tax (reported by State Treasurer),	22 00
	\$507 00
Total amount required to meet school board's budget,	\$2,503 00

## Estimated Income of District

Balance June 30, 1931 (estimate),	\$500 00
Dog tax (estimate),	60 00
Elementary school tuition receipts (estimate),	600 00
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Deduct total estimated income (not raised by taxation),	\$1,160 00
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Assessment required to balance school board's budget,	\$1,343 00

JENNIE J. BURNHAM,  
H. H. ASHLEY,  
ANNIE QUANCE,

School Board.

Dorchester, N. H., February 5, 1931.

\*\$3.50 per \$1000 of taxable inventory is minimum required by law.

# VITAL STATISTICS

TO THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF DORCHESTER: In compliance with an Act of the Legislature, passed June Session, 1887, requiring, "clerks of towns and cities, to furnish a transcript of the records of births, marriages and deaths to the town officers for publication in the annual report," I hereby submit the following:

## BIRTHS

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of the Child (if any)	Sex and Condition			Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color of Parents	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
			Male	Female	Laying or Stillborn							
Mar. 31	Dorchester	Frances Ann Burubam	..	..	Laying	1	White	Kirk N. Burubam	Susie I. Chase	White	Dorchester	Wentworth
Aug. 6	Dorchester	Laforest Moses	..	..	Laying	8	White	William E. Moses	Lillian E. Moses	White	Dorchester Malone, N. Y.	Dorchester

**MARRIAGES**

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in Years	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Condition, No.	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married
June 25	Dorchester	Reginald M. Cayes Katie Laura Walker	Plymouth Dorchester	24 19		Carpenter At home	Plymouth Dorchester	Edmund E. Cayes Harriet E. Dexter Isaac D. Walker Margaret S. Fairburn	Plymouth Lowell, Mass. Vermont, Eng. Dorset, Vt.	Carpenter Housewife Farmer Housewife Laborer	1 1	1 Rev. H. I. Kemp Rumney
Aug. 30	"	Walter Hazelton Frances E. Willey	Dorchester "	23 20	White	Laborer Housekeeper	Dorset, Vt. Mercedith	Ralza Place Joseph Willey Eda M. Sumborn	Cenatchef, R. I. Hebron Cambridge, Ms.	Housewife Teamster Farmer	1 1	1 Rev. C. E. Savage Canaan
Oct. 21	Rumney	Deane C. Carr Murial L. Ray	Dorchester Rumney	21 18		Laborer At home	Sugar Hill Dorchester, Ms.	Frank J. Carr Stella Aldrich Edward E. Ray Sadie E. Stock	N. Brunswick Easton West Rumney Foston, Mass.	Housewife Farmer Housewife Farmer Housewife	1 1	1 Rev. H. I. Kemp Rumney

## DEATHS

Date of Death	Place of Birth	Name and Surname of the Deceased			Age		Place of Birth		Sex, Condition			Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Years	Months	Days	Years	Months	Days	Male	Female	Color	Single		Married	Widowed		
Jan. 1	Dorchester	Thomas W. Roberts	72		6		Dorchester					Farmer	Wentworth	Orford	Walter E. Chase	Mary B. Smith
Apr. 4		Susie L. Burnham	28	2	27		Wentworth	..	..	White	2	Housewife	Highgate, Vt.	Bethlehem	Ephraim Crafts	Charlotte Allen
Sept. 23		Sam Crafts	68	11			Campton	..	..	..	2	Mail carrier			Daniel Sanborn	Henrietta Eaton
Dec. 29		Eda May Willey	53	23				..	..	..	2	Housewife				

Condition; 2—Married.

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

WINONA M. FAIRBURN, Town Clerk.



