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Town Officers, 1902-3.

Town Clerk,  
EDWARD N. JENCKES.

Treasurer,  
WALTER E. JONES.

Selectmen,  
WM. H. EMERSON,  
M. M. LUTHER,  
WALTER E. JONES.

Overseers of Poor,  
EDWARD T. RAWSON,  
HENRY D. MOWRY,  
WILLIAM L. CHURCH.

Assessors,  
CHAUNCEY R. HILL,  
A. F. BROWN,  
GEORGE ABBOTT.

Trustees Town Library,  
WM. L. PENNELL,  
GEO. H. STODDARD,  
J. U. HUBBARD,  
WALTER E. HARRIS,  
M. M. LUTHER,  
WM. E. CORRELL.
Town Agent,
WILLIE MANAHAN,

School Committee,
S. F. ROOT, EDWARD N. JENCKES,
WM. H. KENDALL, C. J. BATCHELLER,
FRED A. PLACE, LOUIS B. SAXTON,
EDWARD B. KNAPP, CHAS. CASWELL,
DR. PAUL F. ELA.

Constables,
J. B. HOWARD, HERBERT W. JONES,
EBEN BABSON, WILLIE MANAHAN,
CHAS. C. LABREE, FRANK F. YOUNG.

Agent Moses Wallis Devise,
W. R. WALLIS.

Appraisers Moses Wallis Devise,
J. B. CHAPDELAINE, H. N. LOUGEE,
B. A. STOCKWELL.

Auditor,
FRANK JONES.

Tax Collector,
EDWIN P. HEATH.

Tree Warden,
HENRY ALBEE.
List of Jurors.

TO BE ACTED UPON MARCH 16, 1903.

Eben G. Babson.
Marcus M. Luther,
Loren A. Buffum,
Jessie B. Sweet,
Henry Albee,
Walter Carpenter,
Edgar C. Parker,
W. H. Wellman,
Walter B. Fairfield,
Charles Bennett,
Edward N. Jenckes,
Thos. H. Meek,
John Kelley,

A. F. Jones,
Wm. P. Wight,
Walter Parker,
C. R. Hill,
George W. Gleason,
Walter E. Jones,
Orland F. Chase,
Frank Correll,
Charles H. Barton,
James W. Wixtead,
Winfield S. Schuster,
Frank E. Jones,

MARCUS M. LUTHER,   WM. H. EMERSON,   WALTER E. JONES,
   Selectmen of                 Douglas.

Warrant for Town Meeting.

WORCESTER, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Douglas, in the County of Worcester.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

You are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Douglas, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, in East Douglas in said Douglas, on Monday, the sixteenth day of March next, at nine o'clock, in the forenoon; then and there to act on the following articles:

Art. 1.—To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2.—To choose a Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Agent, six Constables, Tax Collector, Agent and three Appraisers on Devise of Moses Wallis, three Fence and three Bridge Viewers, all for one year, also one Overseer of the Poor for three years, three School Committee for three years, two Trustees of the Public Library for three years, ten Highway Surveyors, one for each of the old School Districts (so called) also one Tree Warden for one year, one Town Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

Art. 3.—To choose all other necessary Town Officers and fill any vacancies that may appear.

Art. 4.—To vote on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors for the ensuing year?" in this town.
Art. 5.—To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and act thereon.

Art. 6.—To raise by tax and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of the poor, of schools, for repairing school houses, repairing highways and bridges, for paying debts and interest, and contingent expenses the ensuing year, also salary for Superintendent of schools.

Art. 7.—To determine the time when poll and other taxes shall be collected.

Art. 8.—To see if the town will vote to instruct the Collector of Taxes for the year 1903 to collect interest on all taxes not paid at a specified time and to fix said time and rate of interest, and see if the Town will give the Collector of taxes the same authority that a Town Treasurer has when Collector.

Art. 9.—To see if the Town will accept the list of names proposed by the Selectmen to serve as Jurors, the ensuing year or amend the same by adding thereto or taking therefrom.

Art. 10.—To see if the Town will vote to pay the members of the Fire Company, the sum of eight dollars each for their services the ensuing year; no member to receive said sum until he has served his full year ending April 1, 1904, and all fines to be deducted from said amount and covered into the treasury of the company.

Art. 11.—To see what use the Town will make of the Dog Fund so called, the ensuing year.

Art. 12.—To see what number the acting Superintending Committee of schools shall consist and what their compensation shall be.

Art. 13.—To see what compensation the town will allow their Tax Collector the ensuing year for collecting taxes.

Art. 14.—To choose one or more Auditors in accordance with Sec. 1 Chap. 221, of the Laws and Resolves of the year 1888.

Art. 15.—To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to furnish State aid to disabled soldiers and their families, and for any other purpose not included in Art. 6.
Art. 16.—To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to abate such taxes as in their judgment ought to be abated which were assessed in previous years.

Art. 17.—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars to Samuel Sibley Post, G. A. R., for charitable purposes under provisions of Chap. 189, Sec. 1, of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1885.

Art. 18.—To see what price the Town will pay for teams and labor on the highways for the ensuing year.

Art. 19.—To hear the report of all outstanding committees and act thereon.

Art. 20.—To see if the town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year and payable therefrom.

Art. 21.—To see if the Town will vote to use the license money if licenses are granted, on the Highways under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 22.—To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for constructing and repairing sidewalks and under whose supervision it shall be expended.

Art. 23.—To hear the report of the committee of the Douglas Town Cemetery and act thereon.

Art. 24.—To see if the voters will vote to rescind the action of the Town whereby they voted to elect Highway Surveyors in each of the school districts and hereafter elect a Road Commissioner or do anything in relation to the same.

Art. 25.—To see if the Town will contribute one cent on each one hundred dollars of its assessed valuation for a monument in the city of Worcester, to be surmounted by a bronze equestrian statue of Major General Charles Devens: From Commission for County Soldiers Monument and Devens Statue.

Art. 26.—To see if the Town will vote twenty-five dollars ($25.00) for repairs of town clock, so called, to be paid from contingent fund.

Art. 27.—To see if the Town will vote to observe “Old Home week” and make an appropriation therefor.

Art. 28.—To see if the town will vote to direct the Town Treasurer to sell at auction all land sold to the town for non-payment of taxes, after the town has held it three years.
Art. 29.—To see if the Town will direct the Selectmen to sell the standing wood and lumber on the Town Farm at auction, or take any action thereon.

Art. 30.—To see if the voters will vote to sell the real estate of Joseph Jenny lately deeded to the town of Douglas, or take any action thereon.

Art. 31.—To see if the Town will take any action in regard to the short piece of road between the railroad (near the Depot) and the home of John Morrill, so called.

Art. 32.—To see if the Town will instruct its Treasurer to turn over to the Overseer of the Poor all sums of money received by him from the State on account of sums paid by the Overseer of the Poor for State Paupers.

Art. 33.—To see what action the Town will take in regard to the sums due the town in years past, for the support of State Paupers, which they will not pay.

The polls may close at 3 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof, at the Post Office in East Douglas, at the Post Office in Douglas Center, and at the School House in South Douglas, ten days, at least, before the time for holding said meeting.

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

Given under our hands this twenty-eighth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and three.

WILLIAM H. EMERSON, } Selectmen
W. E. JONES, of
M. M. LUTHER, } Douglas.
Report of Selectmen.

The Selectmen of the Town of Douglas herewith respectfully submit their annual report of the expenditures of the town, for the year ending March 1, 1903.

We have drawn 235 Orders on the Town Treasurer, to the amount of $19,258.00 for the following purposes:

**Highways and Bridges.**

See Surveyor's accts., paid 10 Surveyors, $2,856.78
Appropriation, $2,500.00

**Schools, Transportation, Repairs, Janitor, Fuel, Books and Supplies.**

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<td>Superintendent of schools</td>
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$7,150.43

**Support of Poor,**

H. D. Mowry, Overseer, $1,100.00
Appropriation, $1,600.00

**Military Aid.**

Horace Belding, $36.00
Railing Highway.

Expended, $9 09
Appropriated, $50 00

Sidewalks.

Expended, $61 04
Appropriated, $200 00

State Aid, Chap. 301.

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<td>Wellington Balcome</td>
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<td>Lizzie Cook</td>
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<td>Wellington Dore</td>
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<td>George Leach</td>
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<td>Mrs. W. H. Marshall</td>
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<td>Joseph Quinn</td>
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<td>Thos. H. Snow</td>
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<td>Dorris B. Young</td>
<td>44 00</td>
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<td>Mrs. Sylvester Chase</td>
<td>32 00</td>
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<td>Mrs. Leander Thompson</td>
<td>28 00 — $957 00</td>
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Fire Engine Company.

Supplies, janitor, fuel, etc., $233 41

Registrars.

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<td>Frank Correll</td>
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<td>Charles Mercier</td>
<td>15 00 — $45 00</td>
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Fire Company, as per Vote of the Town.

Palmer Converse, Treasurer, $320 00

Election Expenses.

Expenses, $67 25

Contagious Diseases.

Dr. S. P. Holbrook, vaccinations, $25 00
Dr. P. L. Couillard, vaccinations, 1 50
Joseph Bowen, repairs at pest house, 75
Dr. Geo. Clark, vaccinations, 6 00
Louis Terrier, nurses, 274 50
Frank Bowen, fumigating, 45 57
W. E. Jones, supplies, 23 55
Sundry bills for guard duty, etc. 930 70
Dr. Paul Ela, vaccinations, 5 00
Dr. S. P. Holbrook, services, 502 25
American Axe & Tool Co, rent, 17 70
Dr. S. P. Holbrook, vaccinations, 2 50
George L. Clafflin & Co., disinfectants, 12 40
W. R. Wallis, supplies, 5 01
Estate A. J. Thayer, rent, 9 75
Wm. H. Emerson, miscellaneous expenses, 82 30
C. J. Batcheller, printing blanks, 1 75
Dr. Geo. Clark, vaccinations, etc., 8 50

$1,954 73

Burial of Indigent Soldiers.

George Nichols, $35 00

Soldier's Widows Relief.

Mrs. Anna Knapp and Mrs. T. H. Barton, $75 00

Samuel Sibley Post, G. A. R.

By vote of town, $100 00

Truant Officer.

M. H. Balcome, $7 00
Cattle Inspection.

W. E. Cook, $50.50


W. E. Cook, $44.93

Fire Wardens.

Fire Wardens, $20.10

Snow Roads.

See surveyor's reports, $132.53

Printing.

C. J. Batcheller, $97.75

Engine and Crusher.

Engine and crusher, $2,300.00
Expenses on above, 182.36— $2,482.36

Salaries of Town Officers.

Selectmen,
M. M. Luther, $40.00
Wm. H. Emerson, 30.00
W. E. Jones, 30.00— $100.00

Overseers of Poor,
H. D. Mowry, $100.00
Edward T. Rawson, 25.00
Orlan Chase, 25.00— $150.00

Assessors,
C. R. Hill, $82.50
A. F. Brown, 126.50— $209.00
George Abbott’s bill as Assessor not brought in.

Assessor's Expenses,
Stationery, etc. $4.39

Town Clerk,
E. N. Jenckes, $89.90
Town Treasurer,  
W. E. Jones,  $75 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures,  
W. E. Jones,  $10 00
School Committee,  
Three Superintending Committee,  $50 00
Purchasing Agent,  
C. J. Batcheller,  $25 00
Auditor,  
Louis B. Saxon,  $5 00

Miscellaneous Expenses.

Dr. Holbrook, returning 22 births, 25c. each,  $5 50
Dr. P. L. Couillard, returning 12 births,  3 00
Dr. George Clark, returning 14 births,  3 50
J. B. Howard, serving dog warrants, 1901,  6 50
H. W. Jones, copying and posting town warrr'ts,  8 00
M. M. Luther, care of hall and selectmens room,  10 00
A. J. Thayer, insurance library building,  7 50
Dr. P. F. Ela, reporting, 12 births, 25c. each,  3 00
Thayer & Rugg, Attorneys, council in Casey case,  50 00
Dodge & Taft, council for Mrs. Casey,  65 00
Will Herendeen, setting bounds Cumming's court,  75
J. B. Howard, copying and posting warrants,  4 00
F. H. Bird, insurance,  43 38
C. J. Batcheller, stationery and notices,  5 25
Zilpha Rawson, flags, etc., (John Rawson Est.)  3 00
Labree, Young and Howard, special constables, July 3 and 4,  10 50
Joseph Bowen, setting glass, etc.,  2 35
Arthur F. Jones, hauling engine crusher, etc.  16 20
W. H. Emerson, teams, etc.  7 00
W. E. Jones, Tatro and Herendeen, labor on water trough,  3 15
W. E. Jones, paints and care hall, repairs on water trough,  63 03
Good Road Machine Co., repairs on road machine,  17 80
W. H. Emerson, spraying solution,  4 65
Henry K. Barns, extension ladder,  21 75
W. E. Jones, team and 7 men's labor on crusher, $33 33
W. E. Jones, spraying outfit and wood, 40 75
Keith & Wright, painting engine building, 2 00
W. H. Emerson, mileage, etc. 32 35
W. E. Jones, sheet iron chimneys and oil, 6 21
M. M. Luther, postage, etc., 5 84
H. W. Jones, copying and posting warrants, 5 00
Jed Howard, copying and posting warrants, 4 00
M. M. Luther, assistance to Commissioners state aid, 3 50
Walter Fairfield, school census, 10 00
Edward A Brown, survey Cumming's court, 7 00
F. Bowen, return of deaths, 8 75
Geo. Albee, care of Geo. Nichols, 10 00
J. B. Howard, dog officer, 6 50
Pluff and Martin, watching fire, (Priest's house), 4 00
A. F. Jones, fuel, etc. 8 25
M. M. Luther, team and postage, 2 47
H. N. Logee, repairing scraper, 12 15
W. E. Jones, expenses as Treasurer, 47 90
W. E. Jones, book and stationery for Selectmen, 20 11
W. E. Jones, recording and copying deed, 1 25
W. E. Jones, supplies for Selectmen's room and hall, 32 64
A. C. Taylor, painting town buildings, 35 00—$703 81

Recapitulation.

Highways and bridges, $2,856 78
Schools, transporting, Supt., etc. 7,150 43
Support of poor, 1,100 00
Military aid, 36 00
Railing highways, 9 09
Sidewalks, 61 04
State aid, 957 00
Fire engine company, 233 41
Registrars, 45 00
Fire company, (members), 320 00
Election expenses, 67 25
Contagious diseases, 1,954 73
Burial of indigent soldiers, $35 00
Soldier's widows relief, 75 00
Samuel Sibley Post, G. A. R., 100 00
Truant officer, 7 00
Cattle inspection, 50 50
Inspection of meats and provisions, 44 93
Fire wardens, 20 10
Snow roads, 182 53
Printing, 97 75
Engine and crusher, 2,300 00
Expenses on crusher, 182 36
Salaries of town officers, 619 00
Town clerk, 89 90
Assessors expenses, 4 39
Auditor, 5 00
Miscellaneous, 703 81

$19,258 00

We have examined the books and accounts of the Town Treasurer, and counted the money belonging to the Town, and find them correct.

MARCUS M. LUTHER, Selectmen
WILLIAM H. EMERSON, of
WALTER E. JONES, Douglas.

FRANK E. JONES, Auditor.
## Treasurer's Report.

W. E. JONES, Treasurer.

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<td>E. B. Knapp, Coll. % 1901, Coll. % 1900, State Treas., % corp’n tax, on town note</td>
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<td>C. A. Reynolds, for tuition</td>
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<td>W. F. Young, auct’rs lic.</td>
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<td>W. T. Murphy, peddler’s lic.</td>
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<td>John Labelle, billiard and pool license</td>
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<td>N. Bumfield, pool license</td>
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<td>John Condon, butcher’s lic.</td>
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<td>A. A. Putnam, Justice</td>
<td>74.62</td>
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<td>E. P. Heath, Coll., No. 1,</td>
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<td>$700.00</td>
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<td>E. B. Knapp, Coll., % 1901</td>
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<td>State Treas., % inspection animals</td>
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<td>250.00</td>
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<td>E. P. Heath, Coll., No. 12</td>
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<td>Dr. Paul. F. Ela, Supt. of schools, state money</td>
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<td>Nov. 1.</td>
<td>E. P. Heath, Coll., No. 13</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; &quot; 16</td>
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<td>D. H. Foss, inholder's lic.</td>
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<td>John W. McMahon &amp; Co., butch. lic.</td>
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<td>E. P. Heath, Coll., No. 17</td>
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<td>State Treas., % corp'n tax</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; &quot; 19</td>
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<td>Feb. 7.</td>
<td>A. A. Putnam, Justice</td>
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<td>H. W. Jones, butchers lic.</td>
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Feb. 13. Rec'd from E. B. Knapp, Coll., % 1901, $50 00
State Treas., sup. state paup. 45 56
28. N. Lamontagne, peddler's lic. 8 00
C. Vaznaian, victuallers lic. 1 00
Edgar Parker, trustee old cemetery, 39 00
C. A. Reynolds, % tuition, 18 00
Interest received on deposits, 67 50
City of Cambridge, 10 90
E. P. Heath, Coll., No. 20, % 1902, 788 75
E. P. Heath, Coll., % 1898, 165 99

$33,073 08

W. E. JONES, Treasurer.

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<td>Paid E. S. Bradford, Treas., discount on note,</td>
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<td>M. M. Luther, interest on note to Mar. 29, 1902,</td>
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<td>April 2</td>
<td>Wm. Manahan, Constable,</td>
<td>11 93</td>
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<td>Orders Selectmen Nos. 1-28 inc.</td>
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<td>E. P. Heath, deputy sheriff,</td>
<td>7 96</td>
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<td>G. H. Stoddard, % library No. 136,</td>
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<td>Mrs. Wm. Abbott, interest on notes, to Apr. 16, 1902,</td>
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<td>78 00</td>
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<td>State Treasurer, one-fourth license money, 1902,</td>
<td>1,000 00</td>
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<td>June 3</td>
<td>Edwin Moore, interest on note to Mar. 29, 1902,</td>
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<td>Edwin Moore, interest on note to May 26, 1902,</td>
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<td>Edwin Moore, interest on note to June 19, 1902,</td>
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<td>Miss A. Luther, % library No. 137,</td>
<td>19 97</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>Orders of Selectmen, Nos. 57-68,</td>
<td>1,890 47</td>
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July  3.  Paid  E.  P.  Heath,  Deputy  Sheriff,  $63  16
        J.  B.  Howard,  Constable,  5  06
      5.  Orders  Selectmen,  Nos.  69-88  inc.  1,305  09
      29.  Order  of  abatement,  J.  F.  Brown,
            Estate,  58
Aug.  2.  Orders  Selectmen;  Nos.  89-107  inc.  1,140  77
Sept.  6.  Orders  Selectmen,  Nos.  108-133  inc.  3,227  01
      8.  Miss  A.  Luther,  %  library  No.  138,  18  33
      19.  E.  N.  Jenckes,  Agt.,  interest  on
            note  to  Aug.  17,  1902,  110  00
Oct.  4.  Orders  Selectmen,  Nos.  134-148  inc.  969  48
        E.  P.  Heath,  Deputy  Sheriff,  43  82
Nov.  1.  Orders  Selectmen,  Nos.  149-162  inc.
      7.  Heirs  of  Dexter  Whipple,  for  land
            as  per  vote  of  town,  50  00
      10.  Mrs.  Lovina  S.  Jones,  int.  on  note
            to  date,  30  00
      25.  E.  S.  Bradford,  State  Treas.,  note
            in  full,  5,000  00
      29.  G.  Stoddard,  %  library  No.  139,  131  56
        J.  U.  Hubbard,  %  library  No.  140,  2  97
Dec.  6.  Orders  Selectmen,  Nos.  163-183  inc.  1,710  43
      10.  Fred  A.  Jones.  note  of  L.  S.  Jones,  502  50
      20.  Miss  A.  Luther,  %  library  No.  141,
            Internat'l  Trust  Co.  town  note  No.  5,  1,000  00
            "   "   "  coupons  on  11
            notes,  440  00
        State  Treas.,  state  tax,  555  00
1903.
Jan.  3.  Orders  Selectmen,  Nos.  184-200  inc.  773  64
        Chas.  C.  Labree,  Constable,  6  34
        E.  P.  Heath,  Deputy  Sheriff,  5  06
Feb.  5.  S.  F.  Root  &  Co.,  %  lib'ry  No.  142,  1  45
      7.  Orders  Selectmen,  Nos.  201-208  inc.  1,084  49
        Joseph  D.  Jenney,  for  deed,  1  00
      28.  Edwin  Moore,  Exec.,  two  notes  and
            int.  Albert  Butler  Estate,  954  00
            Orders  Selectmen,  Nos.  209-235  inc.  1,720  09
            Miss  A.  Luther,  %  library  No.  144,  19  15
            Discount  on  taxes,  1902,  E.  P.  
            Heath,  Collector,  283  53
            Abatements  on  taxes,  1902,  E.  P.  
            Heath,  Collector,  68  60
Feb. 28. Paid Abatements on taxes, 1898, E. P. Heath, Collector, $158.21
Inhabitants of Douglas tax, 33.01
Cash balance on hand, 2,697.98

$33,073.08

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.

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<td>Cash on hand,</td>
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<td>Lockup and school property,</td>
<td>2,500.00</td>
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<td>New school house and lot,</td>
<td>18,000.00</td>
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<td>Almshouse establishment,</td>
<td>3,000.00</td>
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<td>Personal property at almshouse,</td>
<td>1,650.15</td>
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<td>Fire engine and hose,</td>
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<td>Two safes in selectmen's room,</td>
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<td>Road machines, etc.</td>
<td>300.00</td>
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<td>Engine and crusher,</td>
<td>2,500.00</td>
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<td>Books and supplies,</td>
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<td>Due from state, acct. state aids,</td>
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<td>Due from state, acct. state paupers, old account,</td>
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<td>Due from state, inspection cattle,</td>
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<td>Coal on hand at new school house,</td>
<td>142.50</td>
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<td>Engine building and lot,</td>
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<td>Hall building and lot,</td>
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<td>New vault,</td>
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<td>Due from E. B. Knapp, Coll., 1896,</td>
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<td>E. P. Heath, &quot; 1898,</td>
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$40,383.18

LIABILITIES.

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<td>Notes Edwin Moore, (4),</td>
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<td>M. M. Luther,</td>
<td>200.00</td>
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<td>Notes</td>
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<td>William Abbott Estate, E. N. Jenckes, Agent, Lura Wallis, 10 notes new school house,</td>
<td>$1,500 00 2,000 00 800 00 10,000 00</td>
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<td>Total outstanding notes,</td>
<td>$19,000 00</td>
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<td>Interest on above notes,</td>
<td>940 00</td>
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<td>$19,940 00</td>
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The town has borrowed from the state treasurer during the year, (paid Nov. 25, 1902), $5,000 00
Paid town note, Albert Butler Estate, Lovina S. Jones Estate, School house note No. 5, 900 00 500 00 1,000 00
Town debt reduced during the year, $2,400 00

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. JONES, Treas.
FRANK E. JONES, Auditor.
Annual Report of the

Overseers of the Poor,

For the Year Ending March 1, 1903.

CHARLES A. HERMAN, Supt. of Almshouse.

Personal property at Almshouse, as per inventory
March 1, 1902,                      $1,565  25
March 1, 1903,                      1,650  15
Increase,                              84  90

We have made the Superintendent debtor to what he has received for labor, produce, etc., and credited him with what he has paid out, as follows:

| Date | Description          | Dr.  |
|------|----------------------|------|------------------|
| May  | 3. 2 qts. milk       | 10   | 1 lb. butter,    | 30               |
|      | 5. 2 lbs. butter,    | 60   | 25. 1 lb. butter,| 30               |
|      | 6. Supt's team on    |      | 26. 3 lbs. pork, | 36               |
|      | road                 |      | 29. 1 lb. butter,| 27               |
|      |                      |      | 30. 5½ lbs. butter, | 1 55          |
| Apr. | 4. Table cloth,      | 75   | 16. Milk and pork,| 36               |
|      | Calf                 | 8 00 | Potatoes         | 1 50             |
|      | 10. Calf,            | 6 50 | 17. 2 lbs. butter,| 50               |
|      | 12. 2 qt. milk       | 10   | Milk and butter, | 12 73            |
|      | 4 yd. print.         | 25   | 12 lbs. butter,  | 3 00             |
|      | 10. 2 lbs. butter,   | 50   |                  |                  |
|      | 23. 12 qt. milk      | 60   |                  |                  |
| June | 1. 3 lbs. butter     | 75   |                  |                  |
|      | 3. Butter and eggs,  | 62   |                  |                  |
June 12. Team, 100
14. Frank Manahan, board, 20 00
29. 25 lbs. butter, 6 25
Cream and milk, 56
July 2. Butter and eggs, 7 00
Work with team, 3 00
8. Vegetables, 55
40 lbs. butter, 10 00
Aug. 4. Drawing wood, 2 25
6. Beans, 50
Peas, 10
8. Milk, 10
40 lbs. butter, 10 00
25. Butter and eggs, 5 75
Sept. 1. 40 lbs. butter, 10 00
Work with team, 2 75
5. 2 qt. vinegar, 10
Potatoes, 7.50
8. Frank Manahan, board, 35 00
Oct. 4. 35 lbs. butter, 8 75
½ bu. potatoes, 30
8. Work with horse, 50
8 ½ lbs. pork, 1 10
Nov. 1. 27 lbs. butter, 6 75
5 bu. turnips, 3 00
6. Work with team, 3 50
9. 3 qts. milk, 15
Cider barrel, 1 00
Dec. 8. Frank Manahan, board, 31 50
16. 403 lbs. pork, 36 25
7 lbs. sausages, 1.05
Team work, 5 00
34 lbs. butter, 8 75
1903.
Jan. 1. 9 lbs. butter, 2 25
30. 16 lbs. butter, 4 00
Feb. 3. 10 ½ lbs. butter, 2 63
15. 6 lbs. butter, 1 50
16. Frank Manahan, board to date, 35 00
Feb. 27. 13 lbs. butter, 3 25
Work with team, 9 25
28. Work fighting fire, 75

\$400 77

1902.
Mar. 1. Cookies, 8 25
4. Meat, 1 50
Grain, 3 35

Mar. 11. Ham, 75
12. Coffee and tea, 75
21. Meat, 1 08
25. Extracts, 50
28. Baking powder, 50

Apr. 4. 32 yds. carpeting, 22 40
5. Dr. Ela, visit to N. Leach, 1 00
Oysters, 20
7. Meat, 40
Dr. Daniels colic cure, 40
10. Zinc, 1 25
13. Whitewashing & papering, 2 50
Tile-piping, 3 30
23. 2 pigs, 6 00
26. Whitewashing, 1 50
28. Meat, 78
30. Baker’s extract, 25

May 4. Meat, 48
Fertilizer, 15 35
Labor, 4 25
24. Extracts, 37

June 1. Seed corn, 25
10. Cream tartar, 10
Strawberries, 25
Repairing harness, 50

June 10. F. Chase, tobacco and plaster, 50
July 6. Service bull, 50
Tomato plants, 25
Meat, 4 55
15. Watermelon, 45

July 16. Sundries, 65
19. Suit of clothes for F. Chase, 13 60
20. Tom Ring, labor, 1 50
21. Dr. Ela, for N. Leach, 1 00
Frank Chase, 1 50
Fish, 85

Aug. 4. Meat, 68
Filing saw, 28
7. Service bull, 50
9. Rope, 25

Sept. 1. Lemons, 25
7. Peaches, 1 00
Fish and oysters, 3 00
Meat, 3 65
12. Frank Manahan, labor, 24 97
Oct. 1. W. R. Wallis, 3 17  
    Making cider, 3 14  
    Nails, 4 5  
10. Service bull, 5 0  
    Repairing harness, 3 5  
Nov. 1. Fitting saws, 4 0  
    J. Condon, meat, 1 7 3  
    Ammonia, 3 2  
Dec. 8. Frank Manahan,  
    labor, 1 8 8 1  
    Butchering hogs, 1 0 0  
    J. Richardson, ice, 3 0 0  
    2 Shoats, 1 3 0 0  
    Repairing harness, 4 0  
    J. Condon, meat, 1 8 1 8  
    Wm. McMahon,  
    meat, 1 7 2 9  
1903.  
Jan. 15. Sleigh bells, 7 5  
    Gimlet, 3 5  
    Dr. Holbrook, calls J. Jenney, 2 5 0  
    Truss, J. Jenney, 3 1 2  
Jan. 15. S. F. Root & Co. 6 2 9 9  
19. Postage stamps, 2 5  
20. G. Balcome, 1 2  
    days work, 1 0 0  
    Joe. Ashely, labor, 8 5  
    Filing saw, 2 5  
28. Rubber buckets, 3 0  
Feb. 10. Bottle extract, 2 5  
Feb. 16. Frank Manahan,  
    labor, 3 5 0 0  
24. Sweeney, labor  
    with team, 3 0 0  
    Bottle extract, 2 5  
    Oysters, 5 0  
    Soap, 1 7 5  
    J. Condon, beef, 1 1 7 6  
   $352 4 7  
Mar. 1. Cash in hands of  
    Supt. 2 5 9 1  
   $378 3 8  

The Overseers have paid the following bills on Almshouse account:

1902.  
Apr. 5. Fred H. Parks, salary from Oct. 1 to  
    Dec. 31,  
    Fred H. Parks, salary in full,  
July 2. E. G. Babson, meat,  
5. C. A. Herman, salary,  
Sept. 6. S. P. Holbrook, M. D., medical attend-  
    ance Frank Chase,  
    Nellie Leach,  
    S. F. Root & Co.,  
    E. N. Jenckes,  
Oct. 4. C. A. Herman, salary,  
1903.  
Jan. 6. C. A. Herman, salary,  
Jan. 8. W. R. Wallis,  
Feb. 12. H. N. Lougee,  
28. S. F. Root & Co.,  
    E. N. Jenckes,  
   665 7 7
Summary.

Superintendent has paid for supplies as per this report, $352.47
Overseers have paid out as per report, 665.77

Total: $1,018.24

Supt. for labor and produce, etc. 400.77

Total: $617.47

Overseers paid Fred Parks salary for last year
Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1901, 68.75

Cost for support of poor at Almshouse for this year, $548.72
Number of weeks board of poor, 73
Cost per week, about— $7.70

Inmates at almshouse, March 1, 1903,
Ellen Leach, age 53,
Joseph Jenney, Oct. 2, 1902, age 80,

Outside Poor.

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<td>Mrs. George Casey</td>
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<td>Mrs. Margaret Duprey</td>
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<td>Mrs. Francis Barcome</td>
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<td>Joseph Jenney</td>
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<td>Marcus Pease</td>
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<td>Mrs. Frank Pease</td>
<td>8.00</td>
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<td>Lizzie Landry</td>
<td>18.07</td>
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<td>William Gazette</td>
<td>14.00</td>
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<td>Frank E. Smith</td>
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Total: $283.39

Assisted Poor of Oxford.

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State Poor.

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<td>Charles Johonian</td>
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<td>Mrs. Jennie S. Vallery</td>
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<td>Andrew Lofgren</td>
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Helen Doszskouski, $1 25
Mrs. Adolph Gardner, 4 00

**Due from State.**

William Culley, $5 00
Mary Kuchanskon, 6 00

**Due from State on Old Bills.**

1894.—Joseph Derosia, 19 25
1896.—Peter Kalaud, 30 40
1896.—James R. Mills, 16 50
1896.—Joseph La Plante, 9 00
1887.—Frederick Kennier, 59 94

**Lockup Account.**

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<td>Timothy Wixtead, care of lockup</td>
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<td>1902</td>
<td>Henry L. Albee, 2 Yale locks</td>
<td>8 00</td>
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<td>6 extra keys, express, labor</td>
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<td>A. J. Thayer Estate, one-half cord wood</td>
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<td>S. F. Root &amp; Co., lockup bill</td>
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<td>Timothy Wixtead, keeping lockup to Mar. 1</td>
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<td>C. J. Batcheller, stationery</td>
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Number of tramps for the year, 152

Total: $135 09

Total: $73 19
Oct. 3. To Tewksbury, state case, $4 30
15. To Tewksbury, state case, 3 99
15. Postage stamps, and stationery, 1 25
Nov. 8. To Boston, F. Pease wife, town case, 2 00
Feb. 25. Advertised for Supt. at almshouse, 1 00

$27 79

Amount Received for Support of Poor.

1902.
Mar. 1. Cash on hand, $39 98
Apr. 5. Town treasurer, 200 00
July 5. " " 150 00
Sept. 6. " " 150 00
Oct. 4. " " 100 00
Nov. 1. " " 100 00
1903.
Jan. 3. " " 100 00
Feb. 7. Town treasurer, 300 00

$1,170 23

Recapitulation.

Paid on account of poor at almshouse, $665 77
Outside poor, 283 39
State poor, 60 85
Oxford poor, 30 25
Lockup, 73 19
Miscellaneous, 27 79

$1,141 24


$1,170 23

The Overseers have received for their services,
   H. D. Mowry, $100 00
   Orlan Chase, 25 00
   Edwin Rawson, 25 00— $150 00

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY D. MOWRY, Overseers
ORLAN F. CHASE, Poor.
EDWIN T. RAWSON,

FRANK E. JONES, Auditor.

S. P. RAWSON, District No. 6.

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Deduct work on sidewalk 9 10

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**L. A. Buffum, District No. 8.**

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**ORLAN F. CHASE, District No. 4.**

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**U. I. PETERS, District No 2.**

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G. H. DUDLEY, District No. 1.

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Total: $13 94

The Selectmen have paid for supplies and material,
District No. 3: $133 06
District No. 7: 55 80
District No. 9: 36 65

Total: $225 51

M. M. LUTHER, WM. H. EMERSON, WALTER JONES, Selectmen of Douglas.

FRANK E. JONES, Auditor.
Tax Collector's Report.

The Assessors for 1902 committed to me the Collector's book, with warrant to collect and pay over to the Treasurer the sum of $19,322 33

I have collected and paid over to the Treasurer the sum of 18,796 75

Interest as collected to Mar. 1, 1903, $525 58
Cash on hand collected since Mar. 1, 1903, 9 66
139 74

By vote of the town March, 1902, the names of all delinquent tax payers are printed in the town report:

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EDWIN P. HEATH, Collector of Taxes.
Annual Report of
Willie R. Wallis, Agent.
On the Devise of Moses Wallis,
To the Town of Douglas,
For the Year Ending March 1, 1903.

The Agent charges himself with accounts due the town March 1st., 1902, as follows:

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| Feb. 1. | Vesta H. Balcome,           | 7 50   |
| 7.      | Potter M. Bates,            | 9 00   |
| 10.     | Joel Glover,                | 12 00  |
| 14.     | Susan V. Thayer,            | 15 00  |
| 14.     | David and Amos Lunn,        | 30 00  |
| 18.     | Phebe Young,                | 30 00  |
| 19.     | S. P. Rawson,               | 560 00 |
| 24.     | A. F. Brown,                | 30 00  |
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| 24.     | Emma J. Brown,              | 9 00   |
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|        | Joseph T. Arnold,           | 12 00  |
|        | C. F. Rawson,               | 12 00  |
|        | Frank Duval,                | 13 36  |
|        | Preserved Alger,            | 2 67   |
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|        | Mary J. Willis,             | 19 50  |

$2,390 83

Notes due the Town March 1, 1903.

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1902. The Agent has paid out as follows:

Mar. 14. Paid A. F. Jones, expense on Caswell mortgage, $2 00

26. A. F. Jones, care of devise from Mar. 1, 5 00

Aug. 18. Deposited in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co. 693 50
Sept. 30.  Paid Discharging 2 mortgages, 50
Oct. 5.  Insurance Amos Yates, 4 40
Dec 16. Deposited in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., 503 42

1903.
Jan. 5. Deposited in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co. 234 98
Discharging 2 mortgages, 50
28. Deposited in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co. 762 07
Expenses on Caswell mortg. 38 46
Stamps and stationery, 1 00
Agent for care of devise, 85 00

$2,390 83

Recapitulation.

1902.
Mar. 1. Cash in hands of Agent, $520 27
Cash received on notes during the year, 1,870 56

$2,390 83

Cash paid out during the year, $136 86
Cash deposited in Trust Co., 2,253 97
Cash in hands of Agent, 000 00

$2,390 83

1903.
Mar. 1. Notes due the town, $10,880 00
Accrued interest, 1,270 31
Cash deposited in Trust Co. 14,625 28
Accrued interest on deposits, 456 50
Cash in hands of Agent, 000 00

$27,232 09

Value of devise Mar. 1, 1902, 26,185 63

Net gain for the year, $1,046 46
Cash in hands of Agent on the O. N. Thurber foreclosure, $9 23

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIE R. WALLIS, Agent.

FRANK E. JONES, Auditor.
**Town Clerk's Report.**

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70 80, 4
80 90, 3
90 100, 1— 39

Dogs Registered.

Whole number, 139
132 males at $2.00, $264 00
7 females at 5.00, 35 00— $299 00

E. N. JENCKES, Town Clerk.
Annual Report
OF
The Free Public Library.

Treasurer's Report.

1902.

March 1. Balance of bequest from estate of Royal Keith, $110 18
12. Dividend on bequest from est. of Royal Keith, 3 50
June 6. Fines and catalogues, 1 38
Sept. 8. " " " 1 82
Dec. 9. " " " 3 14
1903.
March 2. " " " 2 35
Cash from dog fund, 252 22

$374 59

1902.

April 8. By paid H. D. Noyes & Co., magazines, $29 00
June 6. Alice E. Luther, librarian, 20 00
For cleaning library room, 75
For 4 yds. mending-tissue and postage, 35
Sept. 8. Alice E. Luther, librarian, 20 00
Postage and mucilage, 15
Nov. 29. The Baker & Taylor Co., books, 131 56
J. U. Hubbard, books, 2 97
Dec. 9. Alice E. Luther, librarian, 20 00
Dec. 9. By paid Catalogueing books, $2 10
     For library paste, 40
     For lampshade, 35
     For stationery, mucilage, etc. 20

1903.
Feb. 5. S. F. Root & Co., angle lamp shades and supplies, 1 45
Mar. 4. Alice E. Luther, librarian, 20 00
     For bringing in wood, 25
     Clearing snow, 50
     Repairs on clock, 75

$250 78

Cash in town treasury, 10 13
Cash in hands of Trustees from estate of Royal Keith, 113 68

$874 59

1902.
Oct. 6. The trustees received from the estate of Mrs. Keith, 200 00
By the terms of the will, this is a fund the income of which is to be used for the purchase of books.

GEO. H. STODDARD, Treasurer.

Report of Librarian.

Whole number of books in library, 4,184
Number added during year, 159
Number of magazines subscribed for, 11
Number of books issued during the year, 9,358
Number of magazines issued during the year, 757—10,115
Excess of issue of last year, 1,731
Average number issued on Wednesday, 98
Average number issued on Saturday evening, 97
Amount of fines for the year, $9.36
Balance of fines March 1, 1902, 26.48—$35 84
Amount collected for fines, $8.69
Catalogues sold, 30

Paid to treasurer $8 99
Amount collected for fines, 8 69

Balance due March 1, 1903, $27 15
As will be seen from above statistics an appreciable advance has been made in circulation during the past year, owing in part to the fact that in the previous year our Library was closed several weeks because of an epidemic, but the advance has also been due largely to an increase in patronage which has been marked.

Our reading table supplied with magazines, has been much appreciated by every one, and the only regret has been that there was not room for more persons at the same time, who would like to avail themselves of its privileges. The public schools have made quite an extensive use of our Library in the past year, a schedule of reading for each grade and term, having been prepared by the Supt. of schools, and placed in the hands of the Librarian, from which students are supplied with books for home reading upon application.

ALICE E. LUTHER, Librarian.
BY-LAWS

OF THE

Town of Douglas.

ARTICLE I.

TOWN MEETINGS.

Section 1. Every warrant for a Town Meeting shall be served by posting attested copies of the same at least ten days before the time of the meeting to be held under it in three public places, as follows: At the Post-Offices at East Douglas and Douglas Centre, and one on the schoolhouse in South Douglas.

Section 2. In town meetings, all persons present shall, on request of the moderator, as far as practicable, be seated.

Section 3. No motion shall be entertained at an adjourned meeting, for the reconsideration of any vote passed
at the original meeting, or at any adjournment of the same, unless notice of such motion shall have been given at such original meeting, or at any adjournment of the same; but this by-law may be suspended in any particular case by a vote of three-fourths of those present and voting.

Section 4. When any one addresses the Chair, he shall rise and stand uncovered.

Section 5. The duties of the presiding officer not specially provided for by law, shall be determined by rules of parliamentary law contained in Cushing's "Manual," so far as they are adapted to town meetings.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. The annual Town Meeting shall be held on the third Monday of March in each year.

Section 2. The fiscal year, so far as the accounts of the several town officers are concerned, shall close on the first day of March; and all accounts shall be made up to that time.

Section 3. Selectmen The Selectmen shall have the general care and custody, direction and management of all the property of the Town, in all matters not otherwise provided for. They shall count the cash belonging to the Town, in the Town Treasurer's possession, and examine and fully verify his bank deposit standing in the name of the Town, on the first day of March each year, and certify to the Town, in their annual report, that they have done so; and if everything connected therewith is found correct, they shall declare that the amounts agree with
the Treasurer's report regarding the same, or otherwise, as they shall find it.

They shall, in ample time before policies expire, see to the renewal of all fire insurance on the Town's properties, and shall keep such property properly insured.

They shall print the by-laws of the town in full in each annual report of the Town Officers.

Section 4. Treasurer. The Town Treasurer shall not use any money or funds belonging to the Town, in the payment of any of his own or any other person's private bills or obligations, nor for any other purpose, except for paying Town notes, interest on Town notes, and the State and County taxes, except on orders signed by at least a majority of the Board of Selectmen.

He shall give no Town notes, except the same are approved and countersigned by at least a majority of the Board of Selectmen. He shall prepare and deliver to the Board of Selectmen, on or before the fifth day of March of each year, a full statement, in detail, of all receipts and payments of money by him as Town Treasurer, showing the balance of his account on the first day of March, with a statement of the property of the Town in his possession, and all notes or other obligations given by him or by his predecessors, and outstanding against the Town on the first day of March of each year, stating to whom each note is payable, when due, and the rate of interest said note or other obligation is drawing. He shall keep all Town notes that have been paid and cancelled, and all cancelled bank checks, and all orders drawn by the Selectmen, and other valuable documents or papers belonging to the Town, or relating to the affairs of the Town in his department, which shall be always subject to the inspection and
examination of the Selectmen; he shall give his bond within five days after his election, to the Town Clerk for his custody and safe-keeping, which shall first be subject to the approval of the Selectmen endorsed thereon in writing.

Section 5. Money belonging to the Town, if deposited by the Treasurer or the agent, on the devise of Moses Wallis, shall be deposited in some bank or Trust Company, allowing interest on daily balances, and the interest on said deposits credited to the town.

ARTICLE III.

CONCERNING TRUANT CHILDREN AND ABSENTEES FROM SCHOOL.

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the School Committee of the Town to appoint two suitable persons to be designated as "Truant Officers," who shall, under the direction of said Committee, inquire into all cases coming under this article, and shall alone be authorized, in case of violation thereof, to make complaint and carry into execution the judgment thereof.

Truant officers so appointed shall at all times be subject to removal by the School Committee, and their compensation shall be fixed by the School Committee, and shall be paid from the Treasury of the Town.

Section 2. The Worcester County Truant School at West Boylston, Mass., is hereby assigned as the place of confinement, discipline and instruction of persons convicted under the provisions of this article.
Section 3. Any child between the ages of seven and fifteen years, who is an habitual truant, or is found wandering about the streets or public places of the town, having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school, or growing up in ignorance, shall, upon conviction thereof, be committed to the Worcester County Truant School at West Boylston, Mass., for such term as the Justice or Court having jurisdiction may determine.

Section 4. Truant officers appointed as herein provided, are authorized and empowered to take into custody any such child, and place him in the school to which he shall have been assigned by the School Committee of the town.

ARTICLE IV.

PENAL LAW.

Section 1. No person shall play at any game of ball or football, or throw ball, or stones, or snow-balls in the streets within the limits of the East Douglas fire district.

Nor shall any person deposit within any street or public places any ashes, cinders, fish or any waste-matter whatever, except by the consent of the Selectmen; nor set or plant any trees within the limits of the streets or highways of said town, without the consent of the person having the care of said streets and highways.

Section 2. No person shall course, coast or slide upon the streets or sidewalks of the town upon any hand-sled, board, jumper, or otherwise, except at such places and under such restrictions and regulations as the Selectmen shall designate and require.
Section 3. No person shall wheel, drive, or draw any coach, cart, hand-barrow, sled, bicycle, or other carriage of burden or pleasure (except children’s hand-carriages, drawn by hand), or drive, or permit any horse, neat cattle, or sheep under his care to go or stand upon any sidewalk, or stand upon any street-crossing, so as to obstruct public travel.

Section 4. No person shall behave himself in a rude and disorderly manner; or use any indecent, profane or insulting language in any street, highway, or other public place in the town, or near any dwelling-house or other building not his own, therein, or be or remain upon any sidewalk or fence contiguous to a highway or street, or upon any doorstep, portico, or other projection from any such house or other building, nor in any church, meeting-house, railroad depot or platform, public hall or entrance thereto, to the annoyance or disturbance of any person; nor shall any person, at, near, or upon any such dwelling-house, building, sidewalk, doorstep, portico, fence or projection, or any such meeting-house, public hall, railroad depot or platform, or entrance thereto, commit any nuisance, or by any noise, gesture, or other means, wantonly or designedly drive or frighten any horse in any street, highway or public place in the town.

Section 5. Penalties. Any person violating any of the provisions of the preceding by-laws, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars ($10) for each offence, to be forfeited and paid to the Town, unless when different provision is made by the laws of the Commonwealth.

Section 6. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or annulled at any meeting called for the purpose, by a vote of two-thirds of those present and voting thereon.
Section 7. If these by-laws be adopted by the town and approved by the Court, all by-laws heretofore adopted by the Town and now in force, inconsistent with these by-laws, shall become null and void.

These by-laws shall be in force when approved by the Court.

A. F. Brown, 
William Abbott, 
John M. Rawson, 
Committee.

Douglas, Mass.

Adopted April 26, 1897. 

C. H. Bacheler, 
Town Clerk of Douglas.

By a vote at the same time and place Mr. William Abbott was authorized to present these by-laws to the Court for approval.

C. H. Bacheler, 
Town Clerk.
Annual Reports

OF THE

School Committee

OF THE

Town of Douglas,

FOR YEAR ENDING

March 1, 1903.

PRESS OF
CHARLES J. BATELLER,
EAST DOUGLAS, MASS.
1903.
School Committee.

S. F. Root, Term expires March 1, 1905
Fred A. Place, 1905
Wm. H. Kendall, 1905
E. N. Jenckes, 1905
C. J. Batcheller, 1904
Edward B. Knapp, 1904
Louis B. Saxton, 1903
Chas. S. Caswell, 1903
Paul F. Ela, 1903

Organization.

Chairman, E. N. Jenckes.
Clerk, Louis B. Saxton.

\{ Dr. Paul F. Ela,
Superintending Committee, C. J. Batcheller,
\{ Fred A. Place.

Purchasing Agent, C. J. Batcheller.
Truant Officers, \{ F. F. Young.
\{ M. H. Balcome.

Supt. of Schools, Francis S. Brick, Uxbridge.
Office hours at Douglas schools, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 4.30.
Appropriations and Receipts.

Appropriation for public schools, and for transportation of pupils, $5,000 00
Books and supplies, 500 00
Repairs, 100 00
Superintendent, 300 00
State school fund, 344 47
State, for Superintendent, 500 00
Town School Fund, (interest), 56 48
Books and supplies sold, 4 95
New books and supplies on hand, 219 29
Received for tuition of out-of-town pupils, 36 00
Balance unexpended, 538 15

$7,599 34

Expenditures.

Teachers, $3,815 20
Superintendent, 600 78
Janitors, 522 00
Transporting pupils, 685 25
Truant officers, 22 00
School committee, 50 00
Purchasing agent, 25 00
Books and supplies, $564 34
Increase in supplies on hand 39 50
Books and supplies sold, 4 95—44 45—
Total cost of books and supplies, 519 89
Fuel, 673 95
Coal on hand, 142 50—531 45
School census, 10 00
General school expenses, 132 17
Repairs,

$6,913 74
Balance unexpended, $685 60
Report of the
Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Committee of Douglas,

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit my second annual report of the schools of Douglas, for the year ending March 1, 1903, with the exception of the statistical report which is for the academic year ending July 1.

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS.

TEACHING FORCE.

The following changes have occurred in the teaching force during the past year. Miss Sparks of the Grammar school resigned in June and Miss Susan B. Merrill, of Brownville, Me. was engaged to fill the position. Miss Jennie Lawlor, of the South Douglas school resigned to take a course of study at the Worcester Normal School and was succeeded by Miss Mary U. Harbort, of Webster, Mass. Miss Gertrude Smith at Douglas Center resigned and was succeeded by Miss E. M. Gould, of Goffstown, N. H. A new room was opened in the East Douglas building and Miss G. M. Demon, of Hyde Park, Mass. was engaged to fill the position. All new teachers are normal trained.

TEXT BOOKS.

As was stated in my last report the entire list of text books
was in poor condition and an effort has been made to remedy this by renovation and addition of new books. Eggleston's Elementary History of U. S. was introduced in Grade V. Powell's History for Beginner's was placed in Grade VI. Scudder's U. S. History and Montgomery's U. S. History were placed in Grades VII and VIII. The most important changes however, were those in Arithmetic and the introduction of an extended supplementary reading course, the old Greenleaf's Arithmetic being exchanged for the new Franklin. The introduction of the study of Geography in the earlier grades necessitated the purchasing of an additional number of Geographies. Owing to limited funds it was deemed unadvisable to attempt a change in spelling books and Physiologies this year. It is recommended that changes in these text books be made during the coming year; also to complete the list of supplementary reading recommended to your Committee in Sept.

All of the foregoing changes have resulted in better work throughout the schools. I believe our schools are stronger than a year ago. The grades have been lifted, work specified and a healthy tone generally pervades the system. Much of this is due to the earnestness and good work of the teachers.

TEACHERS MEETINGS.

The teachers have organized themselves for the purpose of systematic study, both in methods and culture. A system of meetings have been carried on since September with excellent results, viz: First,—A series of general meetings held monthly which the teachers of different grades attend. These meetings are held on Thursday afternoon from 3.30 to 5. The principle purpose of these meetings is instruction in methods in teaching in various subjects. Second,—A series of individual meetings have been held monthly with each teacher; primary, intermediate and grammar. The object of these meetings is to discuss applied methods, outline of work, ways of reaching specified results, short teaching lessons, and to
discuss the daily work of various grades at close range. Third.—Your teachers have also attended a series of pedagogical meetings held monthly at Uxbridge, in conjunction with the teachers of Uxbridge. These meetings are for the purpose of general instruction in methods of teaching and addressed by men of large personality and experience from other places in New England. The subjects cover the entire school curriculum.

I have in the foregoing briefly outlined to you the work done by the teachers for your school and for the children. The possibilities of the schools of Douglas are great. In order to realize to any extent these possibilities, some hard work was necessary. I have put an extra burden upon your teachers for the good of posterity and they have carried them well. The burden of planning and preparation, of study and effort, of aiding the especially dull, planning for them, of striving and working for others. I have called them burdens though they have long ceased to be such. The heaviness of burdens have been forgotten in the blessing of work and results.

I am grateful to the teachers for their belief in me and my plans, but for their effort and results, their endeavor to grow, and their manifest desire to uplift our school system, I especially commend them to you.

SUBJECTS TAUGHT.

Reading:—A decided change was made in the primary reading last fall in extending and specifying in detail how Reading should be taught. The scheme of the Rational Method begun the year before, in a small way, was put into operation in the lower schools. The salient points in this method in Grade I are these:

First.—Three weeks drill in conversation, with and about objects at hand, conversation to be in full sentences and as simple as possible. Also, as much of it to be written on the board as time will permit.

Second.—The learning of an initial group of eighty-two
words. These are learned, not as isolated words, but in sentences written upon the board, so that the pupil gets the thought rather than the form alone.

Third.—A system of phonetic sounds and blending of these words that take the place of letters in learning new words. These phonetic forms are drilled upon up to Grade III.

Fourth.—Rapid reading of several books in each grade. Results of this plan show in lower grade that first grade pupils will read an ordinary primer in about four weeks. Reading is quick, bright, full of thought and intelligence.

Fifth.—The discovery of new words by individual effort. I have seen pupils meet such words as "handsome," "corner," "stand," for the first time and after a minute silent sounding pronounce them correctly. The principles of this method, so far as is possible, have been introduced into the upper grades, and we are already getting the fruits of our efforts along this line. Children who entered in September are now reading rapidly in the first primer. The same excellent results are reached in the other grades.

NEW SUPPLEMENTARY READING COURSE.

Much of the good results in the grades above Grade III is due to the supplementary list which was put in last fall. When this list was put into circulation a strong interest was manifested in all reading matter.

HISTORY AND LITERATURE.

One of the most important departures in this year's work was the introduction of History and Literature in connection with reading, English and Geography. The supplementary Reading list was based largely on this outline and the English—Composition work—was made a medium of expression for the material absorbed.
GEOGRAPHY.

The study of Geography is continued from Grade I. In the primary grades it takes the form of race teaching, weather forms—Nature—myth stories of stars, snowflakes, etc. History and Literature, and forms of land and water. Beginning with Grade V technical Geography is taught and continued to Grade IX. A detailed course was placed in the hands of the teachers and excellent work has been done.

HISTORY.

History follows the line of History, and Literature being one part of it, Eggleston's Elementary History, Powell's, Montgomery's Beginners and the various advanced books for technical study of History in the Grammar grades together with the various books in supplementary reading on this subject, are but a part of the more extended course in History and Literature already mentioned.

SPELLING.

Spelling has undergone but little change beyond establishing fixed principles upon which to work. In the primary grades children are taught the alphabet as soon as possible.

ENGLISH.

As has been intimated under the head of text books a change was made in the English text books by substituting Metcalf's two book system for Hyde's three book system. We think the change is proving itself an excellent one. The work in English is good. The teachers are putting a great deal of hard work into this subject through supplementing stories, outlines, drills, pictures, etc. It would be strange indeed, if good results did not follow.
WRITING.

At the suggestion of your Supt., a change was made in the writing last year from the vertical to the medial slant, believing that this would remedy certain defects that were found in the vertical. But the theory has not proved itself in fact; the experiment has not met with success. We have increased the speed a little but at the cost of legibility. I therefore recommend a return to the former vertical system.

ARITHMETIC.

A very important change was made when the New Franklin Arithmetic was introduced and no subject has received more attention and improvement than Arithmetic. Arithmetic is fast becoming recognized as a practical study and one that has to do with the bread and butter question directly. That it has developing power and mental training there is no doubt, but these are of minor consideration as compared with the practical purposes of Arithmetic. The right of Arithmetic in the school curriculum depends wholly upon what concrete knowledge of rules it gives the children, and its value as taught in our schools is judged wholly by what a boy or girl takes out into life with them. I am gratified with the trend that this subject is taking in the school system of to-day, and I am pleased with the improvement we have made in our schools during the past year.

PROMOTION.

There is no question more discussed to-day by Supt., teachers, and Committee than that of promotion. To promote a pupil when he is unfitted for promotion is often an injustice to the pupil and is usually attended with serious results. On the other hand, to hold a pupil back produces discouragement and disappointment and often results in pupils leaving school if they are old enough.
Last spring it was decided to make an effort along the line of good preparation for promotion. In June we held back a number of pupils; and sent a personal letter to the parent requesting an interview. The result of this policy was a general toning up of the work in various grades. An attempt in September, was made to enter each pupil in the grade to which he belonged, free from condition. The results, on the whole, were satisfactory and a definite policy has been outlined for the present year.

TRUANCY.

The question of truancy is the same in Douglas as elsewhere. It is a difficult subject to handle without some aggressive action. In many cases parents shield their children offering excuses even when they know that the children have stayed out after having been sent to school. Too often the slightest indisposition of the pupil is sufficient to warrant their staying away but not from playing out of doors. No aggressive policy has been used thus far believing that it is largely a matter of education. Still I think the time has arrived for some aggressive movement. There are about a dozen cases all told, too many for a town of this size. In most of these cases the parents are to blame.

COURSE OF STUDY.

In the past year an effort has been made to lay the foundation for a course of study. Something more than an outline. With this in view, detailed outlines have been developed at the teacher's meetings by months in nearly all studies. The application of a course of study whether in outline or detail is not a matter of snap judgment, but of careful development and experiment and we believe we have studied the situation sufficiently to warrant the issuing of a detailed course of study in all its branches for use in the schools next year.
ABSENCE AND TARDINESS.

Two of the greatest difficulties we have to contend with in our schools at the present time are tardiness and absence. Teachers have tried in all rational ways to eradicate this evil. The fact is, that parents regard an occasional day out as mere nothing, and tardiness as a trivial matter. The pupil at all times should be taught, both by parent and teacher, that it is a misdemeanor not to be present at the opening of each session. It is not the tardy one alone who is injured, it is the teacher, the class, the whole school.

In the matter of absence it is of the highest importance to the children that parents make every effort to have them attend each session. Of course there are times when absence is necessary. A community can have just such schools as it demands and no better, and these points I have mentioned are straws of public sentiment. The unanimous co-operation of parent and teacher in this and everything else will go far toward elevating the schools of Douglas to their proper level.

Respectfully yours,

FRANCIS S. BRICK, Supt. of Schools.

Report of Superintending Committee.

To the Citizens of Douglas:—

The School Committee presents its annual report. Since the formation of the joint district with Uxbridge and the employment of a Superintendent, the Superintending Committee has been much less closely in touch with the actual work of the schools than in former years. You are therefore referred to the Superintendent's report, herewith presented, for details regarding the various problems presenting themselves in the school system of the town.

In general the committee is gratified to report a satisfactory condition in all parts of the system. We congratulate the citizens upon the progress which is bringing our schools to a higher grade of efficiency at all points.
In the administration of the schools during the past year the committee has been confronted with one condition which requires an explanation on account of the false impression which has been prevalent, amounting to a gross misrepresentation of the acts and motives of the committee. This affair is the matter of requiring evidence of vaccination before admission to the schools. The law requires vaccination previous to entering school absolutely, giving the committee no discretion whatever, and the law does not specify how the committee shall ascertain the facts.

To go back a little: Two years ago the committee put in operation this provision of the law which had been neglected until the condition of the schools was really full of peril because of the general prevalence of small-pox in neighboring towns and cities. Many put off being vaccinated until the last minute, waiting for the Board of Health to take action providing free vaccination. Consequently vaccination was hurried and often imperfect, and certificates were given, out of good nature, by physicians before the result could be ascertained or when repeated vaccinations had been made without result. In addition the certificates of scholars attending at Douglas were somehow lost before the opening of the present year.

During the fall term small-pox became epidemic in Dudley and Webster—the cases numbering thirty or forty in the two towns. The committee first called for new certificates but owing to the great inconvenience which this caused to people generally directed a physician to inspect the scholars at the schools. A considerable number of unvaccinated children had certificates of vaccination.

Owing to the misrepresentations which were set afloat regarding the motives of the committee, the alleged illegality of their action, and the distorted reports of legal opinions in support of these misrepresentations, your committee directed Mr. Superintendent Brick to obtain an opinion on the following statement of facts: The committee has information that many
pupils in school received certificates last year who had never been vaccinated. Acting on this information the committee ordered a physician to examine the pupils at school. Certain pupils refuse to submit to examination or to submit certificates from their family physicians showing that their vaccinations were successful. The committee excludes these pupils until they present certificates or submit to examination from the committee’s physician.

The following opinion was rendered:

MR. BRICK, Supt. of Schools, Douglas and Uxbridge,

My Dear Sir:—In reply to the inquiry made of me by you regarding vaccination of pupils attending the schools of Douglas, I am of the opinion that the School Committee will be justified in taking all necessary steps to satisfy themselves beyond reasonable doubt that such pupils have been duly vaccinated, and in the event of any refusing to submit to the required test, they would be liable to exclusion from the schools.

December 18, 1902.                A. A. PUTNAM.

The more sensible citizens complied cheerfully and at once with the request of the committee. Others were misled into allowing their children to remain out of school to their damage or to become subjects of discipline for refusing to comply.

Steps have been taken to prevent such a state of things in the future. All pupils now in school will be registered with reference to vaccination and if the newly entering scholars are required to obey the law no further confusion need result.

In view of the little epidemic of small-pox in this town a year ago, when several recently vaccinated school children were repeatedly exposed to contagion, your committee has never regretted the enforcement of the law by which those children were protected and the town saved a far more serious and more expensive outbreak of the disease. Not one of the school children took the disease.
APPROPRIATIONS.

The committee recommends the following appropriations:

For the support of schools and transportation of pupils, $5,000 00
Books and supplies, 300 00
Superintendent's salary, 300 00
Repairs, 100 00

PAUL F. ELA, 
C. J. BATCHELLER, 
FRED A. PLACE. 

Superintending Committee.