Annual Report of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Abbot for the Year 1915-16

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Town Officers

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
ANDREW L. BATES WILLIAM O. THOMAS
ARTHUR C. DUTTON
Clerk
D. H. BUXTON
Collector
WALTER S. BENNETT
Treasurer
WILLIAM WEYMOUTH
Road Commissioner
S. M. CARR
Truant Officer and Fire Warden
CHARLES L. ADAMS
Constables
W. S. BENNETT  A. C. DUTTON  G. M. PERKINS
Superintendent of Schools
HORACE M. PULLEN
Auditor
A. B. LORD
Surveyors of Wood, Lumber and Bark
JAMES B. GREENLEAF  S. G. WEYMOUTH
WALTER PHILBRICK
Sealer
M. F. ELLIS
Sextons

N. J. PAGE,    A. B. LORD
Board of Health
A. B. LORD  E. E. HESCOCK GEORGE HUTCHINS
School Committee
A. B. LORD  A. L. BATES  A. C. DUTTON
Town Warrant

Piscataquis, ss.

To Walter S. Bennett, a Constable in the town of Abbot in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Abbot, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at Abbot Grange hall in said town on the thirteenth (13) day of March, A. D. 1876, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk.
Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of the town officers.
Art. 4. To choose Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, School Committee, Town Agent, Fire Warden, and Auditor.
Art. 5. To choose a Collector.
Art. 6. To choose a Treasurer.
Art. 7. To choose one or more Constables.
Art. 8. To choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year.
Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to give the Superintending School committee power to unite with other towns in the employment of a Superintendent of schools.
Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise for support of poor. $0.00
Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise for repairs of roads and bridges. $1,000.00

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising the money necessary to entitle the town to State aid as provided in Section 20 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 13. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of $300.00 for the improvement of the section of State aid road as outlined in the report of the State highway commission in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges, the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the proviso of Section 19 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 14. To see what sum the town will raise for the support of common schools. $1,200.00

Art. 15. To see what sum the town will raise for High school.

Art. 16. To see what sum the town will raise for repairs on school buildings. $100

Art. 17. To see what sum the town will raise to purchase textbooks. $50.00

Art. 18. To see what sum the town will raise for supplies and appliances. $50.00

Art. 19. To see what sum the town will raise to pay the Superintendent of Schools.

Art. 20. To see what sum the town will raise for Memorial Day and to whom it shall be paid. $25.00

Art. 21. To see what sum the town will raise to light covered bridges. $25.00

Art. 22. To see what sum the town will raise to pay interest on orders and school fund.

Art. 23. To see what sum the town will raise to pay town officers. $300.00

Art. 24. To see what sum the town will raise to pay miscellaneous bills. $200.00
Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to pay obligations of the town and give town orders for the same.

Art. 26. To see whether the town will vote to raise money and what sum for the maintenance of State highways during the ensuing year, within the limits of the town under the provisions of Secton 9 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 27. To see if the town will provide a place to keep tramps and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote in favor of an abatement to be made to those who voluntarily pay their taxes to the collector or treasurer at certain periods and the times within which they are so entitled, not to exceed ten per cent. of the amount of the tax.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Superintending School committee to sustain any school in town with an attendance of less than eight scholars if they think it advisable.

Art. 30. To transact all other business which may properly come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at Abbot this twenty-eighth day of February A. D., 1916.

ANDREW L. BATES,
W. O. THOMAS,
A. C. DUTTON.

Selectmen of Abbot.
### Assessor's Report

#### Appropriations 1915

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<td>Repair North Guilford road</td>
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**Rate per cent.** 0.028

**Paid for collecting.** 0.02
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Selectmen's Report

VALUATION APRIL 1, 1915

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ITEMS OF PERSONAL ESTATE

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<td>193 horses</td>
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OTHER PERSONAL ESTATE

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<td>Logs and lumber</td>
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Musical instruments, 1,875 00
Finished products in mills, 800 00
Machinery, 2,485 00

Total, 59,678 00
Real estate, 160,340 00

Total valuation, 220,018 00

SUPPORT OF POOR, RESIDENT
Unexpended, last year, 426 13

Expended
Account of Ed. Gore, 22 98
Erander G. Holmes, 88 25
Melvin Totman, 36 47
tramps, 30 00
Unexpended, 248 43

426 13

SUPPORT OF POOR NONRESIDENT
Ella Brugh, received from State, 260 70
Ernest Dow, received from Machias, 23 80

284 50

ROADS AND BRIDGES
Appropriated, 1,400 00
Unexpended last year, 82 02

1,482 02

Expended.
Summer work, 1,353 08
Winter work, 124 39
Unexpended, 4 55

1,482 02

STATE AID ROAD
Orders drawn, 52 62
Received from State, 36 65

15 97

Overdrawn,
REPAIR OF STATE ROAD

Appropriated, $50 00
Received from State, 131 72
Orders drawn, $181 72

NORTH GUILFORD ROAD

Appropriated, $300 00
Received from State, 280 25
Orders drawn, $582 19

INTEREST ACCOUNT

Appropriated, $300 00
Overdrawn last year, 79 24
Overdrawn this year, 25 10 $245 76
Paid on Order No. 3239
3856 32 00
2700 2 00
2957 2 00
1473 4 00
1227 40 00
2728 20 00
914 20 00
2956 4 00
Guilford Trust Co., 56 26
School fund, 59 00

$245 86

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriated, $25 00
Paid Leeman Post, 25 00

LIGHTING BRIDGE

Appropriated, $4 00
Unexpended last year, 16 67

Unexpended, $20 67

BUSHES ACCOUNT
Appropriated, $100 00
Unexpended last year, 7 68

Expended, $13 25

Unexpended, 94 43

--- $107 68

CEMETERY FENCE
Appropriated, $50 00
Expended, $15 00
Overdrawn, last year, 8 92

Unexpended, 26 08

--- $50 00

COMMON SCHOOLS
Appropriated, $1,100 00
Received from State, 1,266 33
Tuition received from Guilford, 16 00
Tuition received from Monson, 64 20
Tuition due from Kingsbury, 22 00
Interest on school fund, 59 60

--- $2,528 13

Expended
Teacher's wages, $1,723 70
Paid for conveyance, 365 90
Paid for fuel, 97 62
Paid for janitor, 220 35
Overdrawn, last year, 49 04

Unexpended, 71 52

--- $2,528 13

HIGH SCHOOL
Appropriated, $580 00
Received from State, 500 00
Unexpended last year, 425 47
\[ \text{Expended} \]
Paid for teaching, $1,102 44
Unexpended, 403 03
\[ \text{Expended} \]
\[ \text{TEXTBOOKS} \]
Appropriated, $200 00
Unexpended last year, 11 51
\[ \text{Expended} \]
Orders drawn, $159 11
Unexpended, 52 40
\[ \text{Expended} \]
\[ \text{SUPPLIES} \]
Raised by town, $150 00
Orders drawn, $143 59
Overdrawn last year, 2 71
Unexpended, 3 70
\[ \text{Expended} \]
\[ \text{REPAIRS} \]
Raised by town, $100 00
Unexpended last year, 91 47
\[ \text{Expended} \]
Orders drawn, $108 78
Unexpended, 82 69
\[ \text{Expended} \]
\[ \text{REPAIRS OF BATES SCHOOLHOUSE} \]
Raised by town, $300 00
Orders drawn, 298 88
Unexpended, \$ 1 12
HEATING APPARATUS
Raised by town, $100 00
Expended, 92 04

Unexpended, $ 7 96

ABATEMENTS
Overlay, $67 72
Unexpended last year, .441 32

$509 04

TAX ABATED IN BILLS OF 1915
A. B. Johnson, 3 00
Sam Scott, 3 00
Lawrence Rogers, 3 00
H. J. Tate, 3 00
Arthur Shaw, 3 00

TOWN OFFICERS
Appropriated, $400 00
Unexpended last year, 39 35

$439 35

Expended and to whom paid.
A. B. Lord, Auditor, $ 2 00
A. B. Lord, school committee, 2 00
A. L. Bates, school committee, 2 00
A. C. Dutton, school committee, 3 00
A. B. Lord, board of health, 2 00
E. E. Hescock, board of health, 2 00
George Hutchins, board of health, 2 00
Wm. Weymouth, treasurer, 25 00
W. O. Thomas, 2nd. selectman, 26 00
A. C. Dutton, 3rd. selectman, 24 00
A. L. Bates, 1st. selectman, 89 50
W. S. Bennett, collector, 127 13
C. L. Adams, moderator, 2 00
C. L. Adams, truant officer, 5 00
C. L. Adams, fire inspector, 8 00
Unexpended,  
117 72

SUPERINTENDANCE

Appropriated,  $125 00
Overdrawn,  19 27

Expended

Paid H. M. Pullen,  $114 59
Overdrawn last year,  29 98

DELINQUENT TAXES

Abbot Breeders Association,  $ 7 00
Willis Buzzelli,  11 09
Frank Brasier Est.,  2 10
Atwood Briggs,  14 00
Fred Chandler,  45 78
Leo Curtis,  13 82
George Fogg,  3 98
Guy French,  3 00
Frank Goodrich,  3 00
Roy Goodrich,  3 00
Reginald Harmon,  29 20
Walter Johnson,  3 00
Maurice Johnson,  3 00
David Keene,  3 00
Roy Leeman,  16 30
Mrs. Isabel Littlefield,  1 48
Guy Livingstone,  3 00
Charles Larrabee,  3 00
W. F. Mitchell,  3 00
N. J. Page,  7 20
H. G. Page,  39 22
Scott Pierce,  3 00
J. L. Perkins,  3 00
M. C. Rollins,  3 00

$439 35

$144 57

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Harry Sabins,  3 00
Howard Trafton,  10 00
H. J. Tate,  7 70
John Watson,  14 80
Harry Warren,  4 12
Ed. Packard,  2 10
Arthur Works,  1 40
William Duffee,  3 00
B. W. Curtis,  18 73

$295 02

INTEREST BEARING ORDERS

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Due on School fund, 59 60

$3,200 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Appropriated,  $225 00

Received from Wm. Weymouth, pasturing Ed. Gore's horse,  2 50

Expended

Paid for town books,  $9 24
for town reports,  22 50
Harry Pooler, acct. of fire,  2 50
J. O. Buzzell, acct. of fire,  5 00
A. M. McKusick, for guide boards,  12 50
M. F. Ellis, testing weights,  4 81
Roy Goodrich, acct. fire,  1 50

$187 60
Frank Goodrich, acct. fire, 1 50
E. H. Smith, watering tub, 3 00
Moth notices, 1 00
R. H. Marsh, by order of board of health, 5 00
Abbot Grange for hall, 30 00
Hudson & Hudson, 3 00
Dr. Fred L. Varney, vital statistics, 25
Dr. J. L. Potter, vital statistics, 2 75
S. M. Carr, housing road machine, 2 00
D. H. Buxton, record book, 2 75
D. H. Buxton, vital statistics, 6 45
Wm. Weymouth, postage, 3 00
A. L. Bates, postage, 3 00
For veteran markers, 22 50
Unexpended, 82 25

$ 227 50

LIABILITIES MARCH 1, 1916

Interest-bearing orders, $3,200 00

ASSETS MARCH 1, 1916

Uncollected tax, George Perkins’ bills, $143 03
Uncollected tax of 1915, 292 02
Due from Kingsbury, tuition, 22 00
Cash in treasury, 1,888 88

Total assets, $1,645 93
Liabilities above assets, $1,554 07

Respectfully submitted,
A. L. BATES,
W. O. THOMAS,
A. C. DUTTON.
Selectmen of Abbot.
Road Commissioners' Report

SUMMER WORK ON ROADS 1915

S. M. Carr, $364.87
A. J. Moore, 60.75
Leo Curtis, 6.40
Willis Buzzell, 4.37
Clyde Knowles, 4.40
Geo. Crabtree, 92.34
N. A. Damon, 3.50
Lewis Gilman, 36.37
G. A. Briggs, 18.55
Geo. Spencer, 25.75
Millard Works, 166.60
Royal Spencer, 24.75
Elisco Harrington, 103.00
Alfred Damon, 10.25
Guy French, 59.00
D. C. Wilson, 50.80
Fred Roberts, 42.00
C. M. Conant, 70.00
Baxter Curtis, 12.68
A. C. Dutton, 89.24
Milton Bragdon, 17.25
James Maxfield, 5.25
S. H. Nickerson, 4.37
George Brown, 5.68
Charles Race, 6.00
Harry Crabtree, 15.31
S. D. Rice, 24.42
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Treasurer’s Report

Debit

Town of Abbot in account with Wm. Weymouth, Treas. 1915

To paid acct. State pensions, $36 00
    paid State dog licenses, 58 00
    paid State tax, 999 20
    paid County tax, 173 58
    Abatements, 1915, 15 00
    Abatements, 1914, 47 25
    paid selectmen’s orders, 10,388 59
    balance in treasury, 1,188 88

$12,906 50

Credit

1915

By cash in treasury, $1,093 56
    cash from Monson, tuition, 1914, 50 50
    cash from Guilford, tuition, 1914, 33 60
    cash from Kingsbury, tuition, 1914, 18 00
    cash from State refund dog license, 37 85
    cash from State acct. paupers, 260 70
    cash from E. Machias, acct., paupers, 23 80
    cash from G. M. Perkins, tax 1914, 117 54
    cash hired for use of town, 2,500 00
    cash from D. H. Buxton, dog license, 58 00
    cash hired State, acct. State road, 36 65
cash from State school mill fund, 566 55
cash from State common school fund, 399 78
cash from State equalization fund, 300 00
cash from State, balance school fund, 4 98
cash from State acct. highway, 131 72
cash from State, North Guilford road, 280 25
cash from State, High school, 500 00
cash from State, pensions, 36 00
cash from Dick Huff, lot in cemetery, 25 00
cash from Guilford Trust Co., interest, 7 84
cash from Guilford, tuition, 1915, 16 00
cash from Monson, tuition 1915, 64 20
cash from W. Weymouth, acct. N. Gore horse, 2 50
cash from W. S. Bennett, tax 1915, 6,341 48

$12,906 50


AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have this day examined and audited the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer of the town of Abbot for the year ending Feb. 20, and find the same correct.

ALVAH B. LORD,
Auditor.
Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Abbot:

I am pleased to submit to you my second annual school report. In general I believe that the schools have enjoyed another prosperous year under the direction of faithful and earnest teachers. One condition which hinders us in making our school more efficient is the difficulty we have in retaining our teachers after they have had a little experience, due to the fact that they are able to secure larger wages elsewhere than we are able to pay.

This is rather a difficult problem to solve for I realize that the school tax is high already with the present appropriations. If we are unable to raise the wages of our teachers thereby making it possible to retain them after they have had some experience, let us be ready to cooperate and help as far as possible in order that the work of our schools may be marked by a higher degree of efficiency. The majority of teachers always welcome suggestions and friendly criticism.

HIGH SCHOOL—The fall term opened with Mr. Leonard as principal and Miss Britton as assistant. In general the school has accomplished very satisfactory work, thus far, during the year. Mr. Leonard has proven himself well prepared by training and experience for the position to which he has been elected. A good
school spirit seems to manifest itself among the pupils. I am very sorry that it has been necessary to make a change at the middle of the term in the assistant's position but I hope that it will prove for the best interests of the school and all concerned. Considerable apparatus has been bought for the laboratory and the school is well supplied with textbooks.

COMMON SCHOOLS:—During the summer vacation several new teachers were elected to the vacancies caused by the resignations of those teachers who taught during the spring term. In the village schools very satisfactory work has been accomplished under the direction of Miss Grindle and Mrs. Hayden.

The same number of rural schools have been maintained as last year. Miss Howard, Miss Pullen and Miss Keene were re-elected at Upper Abbot, Bates and Moosehorn schools, and a very good standard of work has been maintained. Miss Adams and Miss Reay were elected as teachers at Northwest Abbot and the Cole schools. Although this has been their first experience in teaching, good results have been obtained.

In order to equalize the school privileges it has been necessary to decrease the number of weeks in the village schools to 32 and increase them in the rural schools to this number. Due to the epidemic of grip it was deemed advisable to close the village schools two weeks earlier this winter than we had intended, but that time will be added to the spring term.

BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, EQUIPMENT, ETC:—The ceiling and walls of the grammar room were painted; new gutters put on the building; the stoves hooded; a cold air shaft from the basement window connected with the hoods, and a foul air ventilator built up thru the building connecting with each room. This has greatly improved the conditions of heating and ventilating these rooms. This method could and should be
placed in the rural schools. During the summer some new floors should be laid in the village school buildings and the grounds near the buildings graded.

Extensive repairs were made on the Bates schoolhouse for which a special appropriation was made. The Moosehorn building was painted. Next summer a new out building is absolutely necessary for this district. The foundation of the Northwest Abbot house needs to be overhauled and repaired, and also some repairs made on the out buildings. The insurance policies will expire during the coming year. Nearly all the schools are in great need of maps, globes, etc.

You will note that there is a small unexpended balance in the common school account. If the wood had been paid for at the village buildings and the village schools had continued in session for the regular time this winter, probably there would have been a small overdraft instead of an unexpended balance.

**FINANCIAL FACTS**

The weekly cost for Common Schools is approximately as follows:

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<td>Fuel</td>
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**Total** $74.00

The amount received from State this year was $1,266.33; from tuition, $102.20; and from interest on school fund, $59.60, making a total of $1,428.13. The tuition and amount received from State varies somewhat. Multiply $74 by the number of weeks you think that the schools should be maintained, from this deduct the amount received from the State and you can readily determine the appropriation you should make. I recommend that the following appro-
Appropriations be made for school purposes for the coming year:

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Expenditures

Teacher's wages:

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TEXTBOOK ACCOUNT

Receipts

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Expenditures

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Total: $211.51

SUPPLY ACCOUNT

Receipts

| Appropriated by town | $150.00 |

Expenditures

| Paid for supplies and apparatus | $143.59 |
| Overdraft, Feb. 20, 1915 | 2.71 |
| Unexpended Feb. 21, 1916 | 3.70 |

Total: $150.00
REPAIR ACCOUNT
Receipts
Appropriated by town, $100 00
Unexpended Feb. 20, 1915, 91 47

$191 47

Expenditures
Paid for labor and material $108 78
Unexpended Feb. 21, 1916, 82 69

$191 47

FINANCIAL REPORT
Common Schools
Receipts
Appropriated by town, $1,100 00
State mill fund, 566 55
State common school fund 399 78
State equalization fund, 300 00
Interest on school fund, 59 60
Received from tuition:
Guilford, 16 00
Monson, 64 20
Due from Kingsbury, 22 00

$2,528 13

Expenditures
Teacher's wages:

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Teachers' wages, $1,723.70
Conveyance, $365.90
Janitors, $220.35
Fuel, $97.62
Overdraft March 1, 1915, $49.04
Unexpended Feb. 21, 1916, $71.52

$2,528.13

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT
Receipts
Appropriated by town, $580.00
Received from State, 500.00
Unexpended March 1, 1915, 425.47

$1,505.47

SPECIAL HEATING AND VENTILATING ACCOUNT
Receipts
Unexpended Feb. 20, 1915, $100.00

Expenditures
Paid for labor and material, $92.04
Unexpended Feb. 21, 1916, 7.96
$100.00

BATES' SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIR ACCOUNT
Receipts
Appropriated by town, $300.00

Expenditures
Paid for labor and material, 298.88
Unexpended Feb. 21, 1916, 1 12

$300 00

SUPERINTENDENT ACCOUNT

Receipts

Appropriated by town, $150 00

Expenditures

Paid H. M. Pullen, $114 59
Overdraft Feb. 21, 1915, 29 99
Unexpended Feb. 21, 1916, 5 42

$150 00

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. PULLEN,
Superintendent of Schools.