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STATE OF MAINE
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ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF

CHESTER



1927--1928

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

Town of Chester

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

1927-1928

Advertiser Print, Norway, Maine

1928

Report of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Chester, for 1927-28

VALUATION OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR 1927

Real estate, resident	\$26,880 00
Real estate, non-resident	93,149 00
	220,029 00
Total real estate	\$118,029 00
Personal estate, resident	\$14,730 00
Personal estate, non-resident	1,010 00
	\$ 15,740 00
Total personal estate	\$ 15,740 00
Grand total amount	133,769 00
Value of land	\$79,946 00
Value of buildings	\$19,059 00

AMOUNT RAISED AT MARCH MEETING, 1927

Incidentals	\$ 300 00	300.
Support of schools	1,800 00	2150.
Text books	50 00	
School supplies	30 00	
Support of poor	1,000 00	500.
Roads and bridges	700 00	700
Woodville road	300 00	300
Roads in Districts 1 and 6.....	500 00	400
State Aid road	300 00	600
Dependent Mother	180 00	169.
Outstanding orders	500 00	500
Monument fund	100 00	
High school tuition	60 00	
Interest on school fund	83 00	
State tax	871 42	
County tax	200 96	
	\$6,975 38	

Overdian School	350.
Repairs on School House	462.41
Commutives	100.
Nurse	40.

Overlay	69738 245, 25
Total amount assessed	\$7,220 63
Number of polls assessed, 61, @ \$3.....	183 00
Assessed on property	\$7,037 63
Number of polls not assessed, 2.	
Number of dogs, male,	
Tax rate \$53 per \$1,000.	
Percentage for collecting, 2 3-4 per cent.	
P. W. Libby, collector.	

TOWN CHARGES

Amount raised by town	\$300 00
Unexpended 1926 and 1927	301 25
Overlay, 1927	245 25
World's War monument	100 00
Dog license refund	5 37
R. R. and Tel. tax	8 53
Received from State, bounty on porcupines....	24 00
Due from State, bounty on porcupines	40 50
Due from State, damage by bears.....	408 00
	\$1,432 90

Paid:

F. W. Sanborn, printing reports	\$ 51 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, town books	10 20
Mrs. George Whitten, monument	100 00
Georgia Flemming, int. on protested check....	1 52
Chas. H. Swan, supervisor one year.....	129 48
C. M. Conant Co., repairs glide machine.....	3 04
M. H. Haynes, sheep killed by bears	24 00
H. M. Cook, services in M. Smith case.....	87 28
Wyman Bros., sheep killed by bears.....	384 00
P. A. Libby, bounty on porcupine	75
Pearl Jordan, bounty on porcupine.....	1 00
Paul Fleming, bounty on porcupine	50
Clyde Boyington, bounty on porcupine	8 75
Leo Harmon, bounty on porcupine.....	50
Obed Ireland, bounty on porcupine	1 50
Stillman Beatham, bounty on porcupine.....	2 50

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Alice Ireland, bounty on porcupine.....	1 25	
Forest Ireland, bounty on porcupine	3 25	
Everett Harmon, bounty on porcupine.....	25	
Harry Whitney, bounty on porcupine	3 75	
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies (C. H. Swan)	1 80	
Arthur Ireland, repairs, road machine.....	8 75	
P. A. Libby, bounty on porcupine	1 00	
Eugene Jordan, bounty on porcupine	50	
Andrew Fleming, bounty on porcupine	25	
Clyde Boyington, bounty on porcupine	30 50	
Andrew Fleming, services as selectman	45 00	
John G. Fleming, services as selectman	45 00	
Edith M. Lancaster, services as selectman.....	100 00	
Georgia Fleming, services as treasurer.....	30 00	
Clyde Boyington, bounty on porcupine.....	8 00	
A. W. Clukey, bounty on porcupine	25	
P. A. Libby, abatement C. Coombs tax.....	3 00	
E. M. Lancaster, 2 carfares to Bangor	6 84	
Unexpended balance	337 49	
	<u>\$1,432 90</u>	<u>\$1,432 90</u>

ACCOUNT C. I. COOMBS

Received from C. I. Coombs estate.....	\$ 71 30	
Received from Mae Ranney	138 40	
Total		<u>\$209 70</u>
Paid:		
Geneva Tibbetts	\$113 00	
E. M. Carll, burial outfit	78 00	
H. E. Gordon, supplies	3 20	
F. D. Sherrard, medical attendance	10 50	
Lew Harmon, opening grave	5 00	
		<u>\$209 70</u>

POOR ACCOUNT

Amount raised by town	\$1,000 00	
Unexpended balance, 1926	103 15	
Received from state, J. Morgan	84 00	
		<u>\$1,187 15</u>

Paid:

Mrs. O. E. Stralton, milk, V. Michaud	\$ 90 85	
Ralph Boyd, supplies, V. Michaud	58 17	
H. E. Gordon, supplies, V. Michaud	11 55	
J. R. Davis, supplies V. Michaud.....	390 02	
H. L. Annis, supplies, I. Spencer	16 10	
J. O. Barton, burial exrensues, J. Morgan	84 00	
Mrs. A. F. Sawyer, care Mrs. V. Michaud.....	15 00	
City of Oldtown, supplies, Wm. Tash	65 25	
Mrs. Ida Cota, care Mrs. V. Michaud.....	3 50	
City of Augusta, board Martin Smith	188 55	
Abby Michaud, milk, V. Michaud.....	3 09	
State Treasurer, acct. Beatham children.....	101 50	
F. D. Sherrard, M. D., aid to V. Michaud.....	51 05	
Unexpended	108 61	
	\$1,187 15	\$1,187 15

MOTHERS' AID ACCOUNT

Amount raised by town	\$ 180 00	
Received from State	180 00	
Unexpended, 1926	11 00	
		\$371 00

Paid:

Virginia A. Clukey, 12 mos. @ \$30 per mo.....		\$360 00
Unexpended 1927		11 00
	\$371 00	\$371 00

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Amount raised by town	\$1,800 00	
Interest on school fund note.....	83 00	
State school fund	496 56	
		\$2,379 56
Total		\$2,379 56
High school tuition		120 00
		\$2,259 56
Available 1927		\$2,259 56

Paid:

Walter Harmon, sawing wood	\$ 4 25	
Marguerite Mehann, teaching	504 00	
Wilbur Ireland, ferriage	20 30	
Alice Harmon, transporting	15 00	
A. H. Lancaster, transporting	30 00	
Edwin Ireland, transporting	310 00	
Alice Ireland, transporting.....	75 00	
Howard Lovejoy, transporting	82 50	
F. P. Archer, transporting	271 00	
Perley Davis, transporting	50 00	
Arthur Clukey, transporting	37 50	
Lillian McKenzie, teaching	216 00	
Inez Page, teaching	162 00	
Glennys Hall, teaching	360 00	
Leroy Savage, janitor	9 00	
Alice Ireland, janitor	1 50	
Joseph Clukey, janitor	16 25	
John Libby, janitor	7 50	
Kenneth Scott, janitor	4 25	
Everett Harmon, janitor	4 25	
P. A. Scott, transporting	37 50	
A. W. Clukey, banking schoolhouse	5 00	
A. W. Clukey, wood for No. Chester schoolhouse	40 00	
H. Lovejoy, wood for So. Chester schoolhouse..	40 00	
Mrs. George Reed, boarding Fern Ireland.....	6 00	
Martha Fleming, cleaning schoolhouse.....	4 00	
Georgia Fleming, cleaning schoolhouse.....	4 00	
Virgie Clukey, cleaning schoolhouse	5 00	
Alice Ireland, cleaning schoolhouse.....	9 00	
Chas. H. Swan, telephones and postage.....	8 63	
Overdrawn		79 87
	\$2,339 43	\$2,339 43

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Amount raised by town	\$ 60 00
Received from State school fund	120 00
	\$180 00
Paid town of Winn	\$180 00

 SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND TEXTBOOKS

Amount raised by town	\$ 80 00	
Overdrawn, 1926	10 03	
		<hr/>
Available, 1927		\$ 69 97
Paid:		
Charles H. Merrill & Co.	\$ 4 13	
Longman, Green & Co.	2 25	
World Book Co.	4 46	
Ginn & Co.	12 74	
E. E. Babb & Co.	9 15	
Unexpended	37 24	
		<hr/>
	\$ 69 97	\$ 69 97

REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSES

Unexpended balance, 1926	\$ 27 77	
Paid J. L. Wyman		\$490 38
Overdraw	462 61	
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	\$490 38	\$490 38

CEMETERY ACCOUNT 1 AND 6

Unexpended balance, 1926	\$ 66 67
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DISTRICT NO. 4

Paid Lew Harmon	\$ 3 00	
Overdraw		\$ 3 00

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Amount raised by town	\$700 00	
Unexpended balance, 1926	48 54	
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Available, 1927		\$748 54
Paid:		
Lew. Harmon, labor	\$ 45 00	
W. C. Ireland, labor	22 50	
A. S. Ireland, labor	12 50	
P. A. Libby, labor	2 40	
M. L. Davis, labor	15 00	
P. A. Scott, labor	3 00	
A. S. Ireland, gravel	60	

A. H. Lancaster, gravel	2 10	
A. W. Clukey, cutting bushes	4 50	
J. Soloman, cutting bushes	2 50	
Edwin Ireland, cutting bushes	7 75	
Obed Ireland, cutting bushes	6 25	
Howard Ireland, cutting bushes	2 50	
W. L. Harmon, cutting bushes	18 00	
L. M. Harmon, cutting bushes	6 00	
Albert Lancaster, cutting bushes	3 00	
Patrol, Main and 50-50	526 10	
Snow bills, 1926-27	64 17	
Unexpended	4 67	
	\$748 54	\$748 54

ROAD ACCOUNT, DISTRICTS 1 AND 6

Amount raised by town	\$500 00	
Overdrawn, 1926	15 70	
	\$484 30	
Received from State for gravel	45 00	
	\$529 30	
Paid:		
Labor:		
Edwin Ireland	\$266 64	
Obed Ireland	104 12	
Ivory Spencer	21 25	
Leo Ireland	13 75	
Eben Ireland	48 75	
Orrin Smith	15 00	
George Runnells	3 31	
Stillman Beatham	2 85	
Edwin Ireland, Smith bridge	33 82	
Obed Ireland, Smith bridge	12 50	
H. C. Roberts, culvert plank	21 00	
Overdrawn		\$ 13 69
	\$542 99	\$542 99

 WOODVILLE ROAD ACCOUNT

Amount raised by town	\$300 00	
Unexpended, 1926	246 51	
Available 1927		\$546 51
Paid:		
A. S. Ireland, labor	\$ 65 00	
W. C. Ireland, labor	98 75	
Howard Ireland, labor	66 25	
Howard Lovejoy, labor	10 00	
Joe Solomon, labor	36 25	
Joe. Solomon, cutting bushes	2 50	
Howard Ireland, cutting bushes	5 00	
A. S. Ireland, gravel	32 50	
Ross Reed, hauling gravel	100 00	
Harry Roberts, culvert planks	30 00	
Unexpended	100 26	
	\$546 51	\$546 51

STATE AID ROAD ACCOUNT

Amount raised by town	\$ 300 00	
Received from State	1,050 00	
Unexpended, 1926	2 40	
Available 1927		\$1,352 40
Paid:		
North East Metal Culvert Co.	\$111 72	
Labor:		
Lew. Harmon	233 75	
Everett Harmon	24 00	
John Stralton	94 50	
Lewis A. Wyman	81 00	
A. W. Clukey	140 50	
Eugene Jordan	15 00	
J. G. Fleming	166 50	
Joseph Clukey	32 25	
M. B. Wyman	48 00	
Clyde Boyington	1 50	
W. L. Harmon	51 00	
O. E. Stralton	18 00	

Charles Coombs	21 00	
Fred Davis	145 50	
Merton Davis	34 50	
L. M. Harmon	27 00	
H. A. Whitney	25 50	
J. L. Wyman	46 50	
Cost of inspection	32 40	
Unexpended	1 78	
	<u>\$1,352 40</u>	<u>\$1,352 40</u>

THIRD CLASS ROAD ACCOUNT

Appropriated by State		\$622 62
Paid:		
Joe Solomon, labor	\$ 64 50	
Howard Ireland, labor	108 00	
Alonzo Beatham, labor	30 00	
Arthur Clukey, labor	30 00	
Abram Ireland, labor	78 00	
W. C. Ireland, labor	152 75	
Matthew Jordan, labor	9 00	
H. B. Johnson, dynamite, caps and fuse	26 30	
Abram Ireland, 408 loads gravel	40 80	
A. C. Ireland, repairs on chains and plow	1 25	
Cost of inspection	12 45	
Unexpended	69 57	
	<u>\$622 62</u>	<u>\$622 62</u>

SNOW BILLS ACCOUNT, DIST. 2, 3 AND 4

WINTER 1926 AND '27

Paid:		
A. W. Clukey, snow plowing, 1-2 day, team	\$ 2 50	
P. A. Scott, snow plowing, team	20 00	
Wm. Whitney, snow plowing, team	10 00	
Pearl Jordan, snow plowing	1 67	
Melvin Ireland, snow plowing, team	15 00	
L. A. Wyman, snow plowing	10 00	
Forest Ireland, shoveling snow	5 00	
Carried to road and bridges account		\$ 64 17

 DISTRICT 1 AND 6

Edwin Ireland, snow plowing	\$ 38 32	
Obed Ireland, shoveling snow	18 12	
Preston Tash, shoveling snow	6 66	
		<u>\$ 63 10</u>

OUTSTANDING ORDERS AND INTEREST

Amount raised by town	\$500 00
Unexpended, 1926	354 08
	<u>\$854 08</u>
Available, 1927	\$854 08

Order

No.	Name	Amt.	Int.	
508	P. A. Scott	\$107 00	\$ 47 83	\$154 83
693	T. Michaud	4 00	1 08	5 08
662	H. A. Whitney	80 00	22 80	102 80
223	H. A. Whitney	10 00	5 90	15 90
694	William Whitney	7 00	1 89	8 89
556	Earl Kimball	56 00	19 51	75 51
35	H. A. Whitney	33 12	4 07	37 19
397	A. C. Ireland	20 40	82	21 22
10	W. E. Whitney	8 00	1 70	9 70
361	H. L. Haskell	9 90	2 17	12 07
247	Forest Ireland	20 00	3 48	23 48
368	William Whitney	4 38	66	5 04
36	H. A. Whitney	3 75	59	4 34
38	William Whitney	5 00	1 32	6 32
359	W. E. Whitney	6 00	1 63	7 63
341	Lew Harmon	10 00	2 78	12 78
230	W. E. Whitney	12 50	2 76	15 26
		<u>\$397 05</u>	<u>\$127 99</u>	<u>\$525 04</u>
	Interest on orders No. 439, 557 and 682.....			142 91
				<u>\$667 95</u>
	Unexpended			186 13
				<u>\$854 08</u>

 OUTSTANDING ORDERS

No.			
Order.	Name		Amount
439	C. M. Conant & Co.	\$171	10
464	Harry Ireland	37	50
557	Edna Runnells	126	00
637	Orrin Smith	1	50
598	Ora Ireland	2	50
614	W. C. Ireland	5	00
682	Mary Carr	108	00
697	H. A. Whitney	42	00
343	H. A. Whitney	28	75
344	W. E. Whitney	51	25
355	H. A. Whitney	27	50
358	W. E. Whitney	27	50
3	P. A. Scott	12	50
18	Eben Ireland	15	50
27	A. W. Clukey	12	50
45	A. C. Fleming	15	00
39	Wm. E. Whitney	11	25
56	Virginia Clukey	30	00
			\$725 35

1924

163	A. H. Lancaster	\$ 30	00
165	Virginia Clukey	30	00
184	Melvin Ireland	30	00
218	A. S. Ireland	17	40
219	A. S. Ireland	7	50
260	Forest Ireland	16	50
274	Samuel Patterson	7	50
			\$138 90

1925

483	Llewellyn Harmon	\$ 40	00
484	Thankful Ireland	25	00
491	Virginia Clukey	30	00

 DISTRICT 1 AND 6

Edwin Ireland, snow plowing	\$ 38 32	
Obed Ireland, shoveling snow	18 12	
Preston Tash, shoveling snow	6 66	
		<u>\$ 63 10</u>

OUTSTANDING ORDERS AND INTEREST

Amount raised by town	\$500 00
Unexpended, 1926	354 08
	<u>\$854 08</u>

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662	H. A. Whitney	80 00	22 80	102 80
223	H. A. Whitney	10 00	5 90	15 90
694	William Whitney	7 00	1 89	8 89
556	Earl Kimball	56 00	19 51	75 51
35	H. A. Whitney	33 12	4 07	37 19
397	A. C. Ireland	20 40	82	21 22
10	W. E. Whitney	8 00	1 70	9 70
361	H. L. Haskell	9 90	2 17	12 07
247	Forest Ireland	20 00	3 48	23 48
368	William Whitney	4 38	66	5 04
36	H. A. Whitney	3 75	59	4 34
38	William Whitney	5 00	1 32	6 32
359	W. E. Whitney	6 00	1 63	7 63
341	Lew Harmon	10 00	2 78	12 78
230	W. E. Whitney	12 50	2 76	15 26
		<u>\$397 05</u>	<u>\$127 99</u>	<u>\$525 04</u>
	Interest on orders No. 439, 557 and 682.....			142 91
				<u>\$667 95</u>
	Unexpended			186 13
				<u>\$854 08</u>

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637	Orrin Smith	1	50
598	Ora Ireland	2	50
614	W. C. Ireland	5	00
682	Mary Carr	108	00
697	H. A. Whitney	42	00
343	H. A. Whitney	28	75
344	W. E. Whitney	51	25
355	H. A. Whitney	27	50
358	W. E. Whitney	27	50
3	P. A. Scott	12	50
18	Eben Ireland	15	50
27	A. W. Clukey	12	50
45	A. C. Fleming	15	00
39	Wm. E. Whitney	11	25
56	Virginia Clukey	30	00
			\$725 35

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165	Virginia Clukey	30	00
184	Melvin Ireland	30	00
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219	A. S. Ireland	7	50
260	Forest Ireland	16	50
274	Samuel Patterson	7	50
			\$138 90

1925

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484	Thankful Ireland	25	00
491	Virginia Clukey	30	00

496	W. L. Harmon	30 00
39	Charles Coombs	3 00
81	Murray Wyman	7 50

\$135 50

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223	Doris Dexter	\$ 72 00
256	Perley Davis	10 00
302	Elmer Archer	15 00
304	Perley Davis	14 00
315	Leo Ireland	12 50
316	Leo Ireland	7 50
318	Loren Ireland	10 00
319	Loren Ireland	2 50
322	Edwin Ireland	130 00
330	A. S. Ireland	6 50
364	Walter H. Keene	33 35
365	Walter H. Keene	7 15
369	Harry Whitney	1 88
370	W. E. Whitney	7 50
371	Harry Whitney	3 75
372	Harry Nichols	21 66
373	Ross Reed	75 37
376	Alton Libby	6 00
380	Eben Ireland	90 00
381	Eben Ireland	58 90
382	Leo Ireland	21 50
383	Edwin Ireland	64 33
384	Melvin Ireland	10 00
385	Forest Ireland	5 00
386	Harry Nichols	7 50
387	Melvin Ireland	88 33
389	Harry Nichols	3 00
390	Forest Ireland	3 00
391	Melvin Ireland	6 00
393	Abram Ireland	112 33
395	Ernest Lee	10 00
409	Mrs. Ernest Tolman	15 00

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411	Dora Dowe	100 00
412	Ernest Lee	15 00
431	Wm. E. Whitney	30 00
432	Harry Whitney	28 50
492	A. C. Ireland	75 00
500	M. H. Haynes	6 00
501	M. H. Haynes	5 00
502	M. H. Haynes	12 00
1	M. H. Haynes	3 00

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42	W. E. Whitney	\$ 10 00
48	Mrs. Alice Ireland	75 00
65	Eben Ireland	37 50
84	James R. Davis	152 78
89	Lew Harmon	35 00
96	L. A. Wyman	45 00
97	Lewis A. Wyman	10 00
100	Virginia Clukey	30 00
103	John Stralton	48 00
104	L. A. Wyman	36 00
106	Llewellyn Harmon	15 00
111	Geneva Tibbetts	14 00
114	A. W. Clukey	25 00
115	J. A. Clukey	24 75
118	E. F. Harmon	12 00
125	Virginia Clukey	30 00
126	James R. Davis	67 62
127	Geneva R. Tibbetts	45 00
129	A. W. Clukey	29 50
131	Howard Ireland	16 25
133	W. L. Harmon	10 00
134	Virginia Clukey	30 00
136	A. W. Clukey	36 00
139	W. L. Harmon	5 00
140	John Stralton	13 50
159	Alonzo Beatham	18 00

168	Fred Davis	78 00
174	Alonzo Beatham	12 00
176	Howard Ireland	57 00
177	W. L. Harmon	36 00
179	John Stralton	6 00
186	L. M. Harmon	27 00
193	Edwin Ireland	7 75
195	Obed Ireland	48 75
196	Obed Ireland	13 00
197	Edwin Ireland	27 00
200	Joe Solomon	9 00
201	H. A. Whitney	25 50
204	Joe Solomon	2 50
213	James R. Davis	74 61
218	W. L. Harmon	10 00
224	Llewellyn Harmon	5 00
229	Albert Lancaster	3 00
233	Ross Reed	100 00
241	J. L. Wyman	490 38
246	Abram Ireland	12 50
248	Wyman Bros.	384 00
249	Edwin Ireland	100 00
252	Edwin Ireland	19 94
287	Arthur Ireland	8 75
309	F. D. Sherrard, M. D.	51 05
310	Kenneth Scott	1 25
311	P. A. Scott	3 00
312	Lew Harmon	3 00

58
 98
 236
 148
 24

\$2,486 85

DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS, 1924

William Crocker estate.....	\$ 10 20
Perley Ireland	6 38
Morris Pond	5 55
Verna Savage	6 83
Reuben Savage	56 09
Milton Savage	6 83
Gustin Tash	3 00

\$ 94 88

NON-RESIDENT

Myrtle Gray	\$16 94	
George Savage	15 30	
		<u>\$ 32 24</u>
		<u>\$127 12</u>

1925

Charles A. Beatham	\$ 2 70	
Wm. Crocker, estate	12 00	
Hiram Crocker	3 00	
Vaughn Davis	3 00	
Loren Ireland	16 75	
Eugene Jordan	6 00	
Reuben Savage	63 96	
J. L. Wyman	91 25	
Milton Savage	2 50	
		<u>\$201 16</u>

NON-RESIDENT

M. H. Boyce	\$42 00	
Ora A. Fleming	2 88	
		<u>\$ 44 88</u>
		<u>\$246 04</u>

1927

E. E. Archer	\$24 67
C. Beatham	2 39
S. Beatham	3 00
P. Davis	8 30
Loren Ireland	3 00
Pearl Ireland	5 30
Forest Ireland	5 39
Maurice Jordan	4 59
Phil Leavitt	35 22

Morris Pond	4 59
O. E. Stralton	17 83
Reuben Savage	60 56
Preston Tash	3 00
Mrs. Preston Tash	65 25
Ralph Wyman, estate	10 34

\$253 43

NON-RESIDENT

John G. Fleming	\$476 90
Ida Fleming	159 53
Mertie Gray	21 47
M. H. Boyce	37 10
N. M. Jones	13 25
Emma Savage	2 65
E. A. Weatherbee & Co., and W. A. Brown Co. ..	57 59
Ora A. Fleming	45 05

\$ 813 54

\$1,066 97

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF TOWN

Liabilities

Outstanding orders	\$4,580 15	
Due J. L. Wyman, collector, 1924	114 75	
Due M. H. Haynes, collector, 1925	65 30	
P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	193 44	
		<u>\$4,953 54</u>
		6

Assets

Cash in treasury	\$ 36 60	
Due from J. L. Wyman, 1924 taxes	127 12	
M. H. Haynes, 1925 taxes	246 04	
P. A. Libby, 1927 taxes	1,066 97	+ / 35,51
State, account bears.....	408 10	
State, bounty on porcupine	40 50	
		<u>\$1,925 23</u>
		3
Balance against town	\$3,028 31	

We have examined the books of Georgia Fleming, treasurer, with the following results:

She has received from all sources	\$8,968 94
She has correct vouchers for	8,932 34

Leaving balance in treasury of\$ 36 60

EDITH M. LANCASTER,
ANDREW C. FLEMING,

Selectmen of Chester.

Treasurer's Report

Receipts

1927			
Mar. 8.	Balance in treasury	.....\$	327 34
Apr. 21.	Rec'd from State, dependent mothers	.....	45 00
May 13,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	323 78
20,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	70 61
June 2,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	432 50
27,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	524 70
July 28,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	662 02
28,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	52 08
Aug. 1,	State, dependent mothers	.....	45 00
Sept. 15,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	256 55
24,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	330 20
Oct. 4,	State, improvement State roads	....	45 00
Oct. 18,	M. H. Haynes, licenses on dogs	....	20 00
28,	State, dependent mothers	.....	45 00
29,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	340 31
Nov. 10,	The Fraternities of Charles Coombs for expenses	.....	71 30
11,	State, Highway Dept.	.....	534 10
11,	State, improvement State roads	....	1,016 49
12,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	377 36
Dec. 1,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	1,084 50
12,	State, burial exp. of Jas. Morgan		84 00
13,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	65 48
19,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	291 00
Jan. 9,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	117 84
Jan. 16,	Mae C. Ranney, burial expenses of Mr. Coombs	.....	138 40
28,	State, dependent mothers	.....	45 00
Feb. 2,	State, dog license refund	.....	5 37
2,	State, school fund	.....	496 56
2,	State, R. R., and Tel. tax	.....	8 53
11,	State, bounty on porcupines	.....	24 00
27,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	.....	577 91
Mar. 1,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	204 65
2,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	87 93
5,	P. A. Libby, collector, 1927	218 43

\$8,968 94

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DISBURSEMENTS

State tax, 1927	\$ 871 42
County tax, 1927	200 96
License on dogs, 1927	22 00
Town orders	7,837 96
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Total	\$8,932 34
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March 6, 1928, balance	\$ 36 60

GEORGIA FLEMING, Treasurer.

School Report

To the School Committee and citizens of Chester:

I submit for your approval my seventh annual report as Superintendent of your schools.

During the past year a new out building and shed has been built in North Chester. This was done upon the approval of the Selectmen's office as there was no appropriation made at the last annual meeting. Your buildings now comply with the State law whereby each school must be equipped with a connected out building. It will be necessary for you to make an appropriation to cover the expense of this building at this meeting.

We are facing a serious problem in the matter of transportation. This matter is giving the School Committee serious concern. I am of the belief that children who live within one and one-half miles of the school should walk. When a child is educated without transportation charges he is an asset to the town, but when he is transported he becomes a liability. I am sure that no voter in Chester wishes his children to become liabilities. Of course there are some children, who by accident of circumstances, will have to be transported. It is unreasonable to expect a child to walk more than two miles in all kinds of weather. These cases will have to be taken care of, either by furnishing transportation, or paying the board.

The School in South Chester has been maintained with profit to the town. Miss Mehann, the teacher, has been earnest in her endeavors to teach in a creditable manner and has accomplished creditable results. She is a hard working teacher and has always had the welfare of the children in mind in all of her work in and out of school. Owing to the trouble in the North Chester school, I do not feel that I am able to say the same about it. So many reports have come to me regarding the school, that I wish to state that any action that I have recommended in the matter has not been animated by any personal feelings against the teacher. My recommendations have always been given after taking the children's welfare into consideration. If the action of the members of the committee has been intended against me, I am afraid that the children have suffered in my stead. I am sure that parents and citizens who have visited the school understand the situation.

For the past few years we have maintained a school year of thirty-six weeks, and I trust that you will appropriate sufficient funds at this meeting to continue the custom. We were obliged to close our winter term on account of lack of funds. I am offering the following budget with this in view.

I offer the following recommendations for the coming year:

Teachers' salaries	\$1,296 00
Fuel	100 00
Transportation	1,000 00
Janitors	100 00
Books	75 00
Supplies	75 00
	Total
	\$2,646 00

Receipts

State funds (estimated)	\$ 496 00
	Necessary appropriation
	\$2,150 00

The amount required for repairs I would estimate for the coming year as at least fifty dollars more than the amount raised for paying for the new shed and outbuilding in North Chester.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. SWAN,

Superintendent of Schools.