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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1912.

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*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor*

FRED R. YOUNG; J. T. WILKINS, deceased; C. E.  
MILLER, successor; D. L. NEWMAN

*Clerk*

J. EVERETT HISCOCK

*Treasurer*

J. EVERETT HISCOCK

*Road Commissioners*

S. W. WALKER, GEO. R. WIGGLESWORTH

*Superintending School Committee*

GEORGE M. GODING, W. S. BASS, A. I. YORK

*Superintendent of Schools*

I. C. PHILLIPS

*Board of Health*

A. I. YORK, M. D., Secretary, F. S. WOODCOCK  
J. T. WILKINS, deceased, ROY G. FURNEL, successor

*Collector of Taxes and Truant Officer*

JOHN MOODY



## *Report of Assessors.*

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The following in the list of property in the town of Wilton, as made and returned to the Board of State Assessors for the year ending February 15, 1913.

Number of polls taxed,	638
Number of polls not taxed,	54
Amount assessed on each poll,	\$3.00
Rate of taxation, .023.	
Value of real estate, resident,	\$772,405 00
Value of real estate, non-resident,	45,125 00
Total value of real estate,	\$817,530 00
Value of personal property, resident,	248,487 00
Value of personal property, non-resident,	6,475 00
Total value of personal property,	254,962 00
Total valuation of town,	\$1,072,492 00

### *Description of Personal Property.*

#### VALUATION OF LIVE STOCK.

	<i>No.</i>	<i>Av. Value</i>	<i>Total Value</i>
Horses	484	\$87 63	\$42,415 00
Colts, 3 to 4 years old,	17	88 24	1,500 00
Colts, 2 to 3 years old,	31	66 13	2,050 00
Colts, under 2 years old,	24	43 75	1,050 00
Cows,	834	23 28	19,416 00
Oxen,	99	71 92	7,120 00
3 years old,	142	25 80	3,663 00
2 years old,	235	23 68	5,535 00



## *Report of Overseers of Poor.*

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912		\$700 00
Paid for Mrs. A. S. Wilson and family	\$351 80	
Mrs. Charles E. Wilson	111 00	
C. C. and Delia Cushman	235 93	
Christina Mooar	130 00	
Job Corbett	136 75	
Alice Gross	78 00	
Chas. H. Burbank	66 68	
Willie Welch	4 40	
Tramps	2 82	
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		\$1,117 38

Amount overdrawn Feb. 15, 1913                   \$417 38

### SUPPORT OF NON-RESIDENT POOR.

Paid for Ivory L. Perkins	\$99 50	
Warren Dailey and family	148 45	
Mrs. Charles Copp	43 03	
Augustus Ellis and family	12 67	
Orin Grant and family	7 90	
John Partridge	6 50	
Selpina Bylewics	18 75	
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		\$336 80
Total paid for poor for year		<hr/>
		\$1,454 18

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By cash received from Turner	\$148 45
Freeman	43 03
Farmington	12 67
Charged to town of Smithfield, for support	
Ivory L. Perkins	99 50
Rome for support of Orin	
Grant and family	7 90
Poland for support John	
Partridge	6 50
State for support Slepina Bylewics	18 75

FRED R. YOUNG, } *Overseers*  
D. L. NEWMAN, } *of*  
                          } *Wilton.*

# Report of Selectmen.

## Highway Account.

*S. W. Walker and Geo. Wigglesworth, Road Commissioners,  
in account with Town of Wilton:*

Amount appropriated March 4th, 1912. \$5,000 00

Paid for snow bills expended under S. W. Walker.

Allen, Gilbert L.		Gilman, C. A.	11 60
(two bills)	\$18 60	Gould, L. H.	8 43
Averill, P. M.	4 75	Hiscock, Frank L.	
Adams, W. F.	19 80	(two bills)	11 80
Bridges, E.	67 20	Hamlin, C. P.	13 55
Butterfield, C. R.	25 74	Hill, L. E.	13 20
Brown, J. L.	6 30	Hathaway, Elmer	27 25
Babb, H. M.	24 00	Hosmer, A. A.	8 40
Brown, F. I.	6 25	Ireland, G. F.	3 00
Brown, Scott W.	11 40	Johnston, W. J.	3 50
Bonney, S. R.	13 20	Jones, George A.	4 60
Bishop, W. H.	2 77	Koch, Frank L.	22 90
Bubier, Chas.	40 40	Knowles, J. A.	22 05
Blanchard, F. N.	15 45	Knowles, Frank W.	35 00
Chase, Frank	5 22	Knowles, D. B.	22 60
Clark, M. A.	11 95	Mayo, I. C.	10 20
Chase, Alphonso	31 40	Melcher, J. F.	21 10
Chase, G. O., Est.,	15 60	Mosher, L. W.	58 80
Chaney, J. K.	7 25	McCrillis, I. A.	7 00
Daisey, F. T.	49 40	Moody, John,	1 24
Dean, G. M.	48 00	Miller, C. M.	18 80
Erskine, W. J.	2 60	McKeen, B. L.	15 20
Fletcher, J. S.	12 65	Macomber, A. C.	9 20
Foster, H. A.	16 20	Melcher, J. F.	11 80
Farnum, James	45 95	Nash, L. P.	6 40
Gammon, Fordyce	2 73	Newman, D. L.	7 75

Phinney, E. A. & A. L.	8 20	Thompson, W. D.	9 72
Pratt, S. E.	38 40	Whittemore, Chas.	10 80
Pratt Brothers,	52 80	Webster, W. A.	11 95
Robbins, T. A.	2 40	Webster, Ozro C.	5 09
Robbins, C. D.	10 83	Weeks, W. A.	6 80
Rollins, E. W.	9 40	Wilkins, Geo. C.	4 60
Rowe, Arthur M.	7 45	Walker, S. W.	3 20
Smith, Nathan	2 00	Webster, Frank	11 00
Savage, W. F.	48 45	Walker, Geo. W.	8 90
Tarbox, J. S.	4 00	Wilkins Brothers	48 54
			<u>\$1,185 06</u>

Summer work expended under S. W. Walker.

Adams, N. E. Co.	\$121 92	Knowles, Erlon	7 00
Allen, Geo. L.	2 62	Lake, E. H.	1 33
Adams, W. W.	7 40	Lidstone, John	2 25
Berger Manf'g Co.	219 50	Maine & N. H.	
Black, A. B.	9 50	Granite Co.	113 22
Bridges, E.	131 22	Maine & N. H.	
Blasel, Fred	8 62	Granite Co.	230 48
Cram, E. B.	5 00	Magrath, A. P.	6 20
Collins, Frank	13 00	McCrillis, I. A.	22 47
Cox, B. J., (two bills)	5 94	M. C. R. R., freight	7 14
Chandler, E.	1 35	McKeen, Clark	14 00
Chase, Alphonso	34 80	Peary, George	1 05
Davis, Frank	10 00	Pillsbury, W. M.	13 00
Dakin, Chas.	13 12	Quimby, Chas.	36 75
Dakin, E. J.	5 00	Russell, B. F.	1 75
Ellis, Gus	5 25	Robbins, Fred	56 58
Fassett, Geo. F.		Severy, G. A.	11 25
(two bills)	56 12	N. W. Sewall Co.	13 92
Ford, Cummings	4 86	Tufts, Albert	3 00
Gammon, Fordyce	2 68	Wilder, F. L.	3 69
Howard, P. A.	3 25	Webster, Ozro C.	65 75
Hiscock, J. E.	2 00	Wilkins Brothers,	672 75
Houghton, H. E.	11 28	W. W. Wilkins,	8 22
Houghton, H. E.	8 37	Walker, S. W.	307 85
Ireland, G. F.	15 00		
Jennings, F. B.	7 00		
			<u>\$2,304 45</u>

Paid for summer work expended under Geo. R. Wigglesworth.

Adams, N. E. Co. (two bills)	\$ 51 62	Huse, Willard	11 38
Allen, Gilbert L.	2 10	Howland, J. G.	3 90
Brown, B. W.	1 50	Lothrop, E. E.	2 62
Blaisdell, L. J. (four bills)	162 00	McKeen, Orin (six bills)	192 88
Byron, Archie	8 00	McLaughlin, O. (six bills)	352 25
Berger Manf'g Co.	67 60	Merchant, C. B.	72 00
Chandler, Oscar (four bills)	168 00	Mayo, I. C.	18 40
Chaney, Luraman	75	Pratt, Guy	33 00
Chandler, Guy	5 69	Remmick, Russell	56 17
Eaton, Kenneth (five bills)	222 25	Russell, A. E.	3 11
Erskine, W. J.	2 00	Sewall, N. W. Co.	10 34
Good Roads Mach. Co.	61 56	Tobin, Ezra	18 82
H. D. Harnden, (eight bills)	474 50	Weeks, W. A.	15 40
Huse, M. B.	2 00	Wigglesworth, Geo. R.	
			361 69
			<u>\$2,381 53</u>

Snow bills expended under G. W. Wigglesworth.

Adams, W. F.	\$11 80	McKeen, B. L.	\$20 00
Bishop, W. H.	4 20	Pease, Guy W.	12 20
Bubier, Chas.	6 80	Pratt, S. E.	13 60
Blanchard, F. N.	10 50	Pratt Brothers	37 80
Dolen, Clarence A.	5 00	Ranger, J. H.	12 68
Farnum, James	2 25	Thompson, W. V.	6 60
Melcher, J. F.	10 20		
			<u>\$153 55</u>

***Expense of new Sidewalk at Wilton Village  
including Walk in Front of Town Hall.***

Amount paid Clark McKeen, labor	\$ 50 00
M. C. R. R., Frt.	7 14
Archie Byron, labor	66 00
Maine & N. H. Granite Co., crushed stone	27 20
James Dunlap, labor	261 75
Mrs. S. L. Littlefield, board	48 00
Mrs. D. H. Verrill, rooms	12 00
Orin McKeen, labor	35 00
Geo. R. Wigglesworth, labor	52 50
C. E. Miller, labor	23 63
N. E. Adams Co., lumber	22 40
E. Bridges, gravel,	3 20
H. E. Houghton, supplies	7 85
Wilkins Brothers, labor	207 78
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	\$824 45
Received of R. C. Fuller, gift	25 00

***Sidewalk, East Dixfield.***

Amount paid S. W. Walker, labor	\$45 00
G. A. Severy, board	20 00
F. J. McCarthy, labor	30 00
Arthur Hiscock, "	10 75
H. M. Babb, "	9 00
Guy Webster, "	10 00
Arthur Campbell, "	1 75
N. E. Adams Co., lumber	5 10
Wilkins Brothers, labor	60 75
" " cement	55 10
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	\$238 45
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By cement sold,	4 40
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Total cost,	\$234 05

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Paid Fred R. Young, office expenses,	\$ 85
H. E. Houghton,	2 63
Maine Tel. and Tel. Co., tolls,	1 45
Loring, Short & Harmon, office supplies,	18 75
L. E. Hill, self and team with Wilkins,	4 50
Geo. C. Wilkins, J. T. Wilkins services as assessor,	67 50
Will Jackson, work on cemetery fence,	1 00
N. W. Sewall Co. wire for cemetery fence,	9 96
C. E. Miller, work on cemetery fence,	3 00
O. Stickney, " " " "	5 20
Frank Derby, mowing cemetery, 1911-12,	6 00
George Peary, work on cemetery fence,	2 20
Ozro Webster, " " " "	5 00
Maine Tel. and Tel. Co., tolls,	20
Sanford & Pease, wiring store paid by W. E. Sawyer,	40 66
B. F. Russell, mowing cemetery, Weld street,	2 50
Maine Tel. and Tel. Co., tolls,	48
Geo. S. York, damage to sheep by dogs,	44 50
W. G. Powers, " " " "	42 00
E. A. Phinney, " " " "	30 00
C. H. Whittemore, posting notices for year 1912,	7 50
G. M. Donham, Maine Register, 1912-13,	2 00
C. E. Miller, stamps,	50
C. N. Adams, ballot clerk.	6 00
W. M. Woodcock repairs on tub at E. Wilton,	41 23
A. J. Hardy, wood for office,	3 50
C. E. Miller for team and labor and money paid,	16 33
G. F. Ireland, use of tub, 1912,	3 00
N. E. Adams, posts for cemetery fence,	6 93
Sanford & Pease, wiring banquet hall,	18 31
C. D. Robbins, mowing cemetery,	2 00

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Paid Maine Tel. and Tel. Co., tolls,	\$ 42
Fred R. Young, expense on I.L.Perkins,	2 75
W. C. Calden, ballot clerk,	7 50
J. E. Hiscock, moving hydrants, etc.,	43 64
Luraman Chaney, mowing cemetery,	2 90
J. P. Holley, two snow plows,	60 00
C. E. Osgood, one sidewalk snow plow,	70 00
Wilkins Brothers, wood for office and hall,	7 63
V. O. White, M. D., reporting vital statistics,	2 50
W. J. Trefethen, M. D., reporting vital statistics,	12 75
A. I. York, M. D., reporting vital statistics,	7 75
E. C. Bump, election clerk,	7 50
L. W. Mosher, " "	7 50
Wilton Light Co., lights for lockup,	5 40
S. T. Doten, use of tub, 1912,	3 00
H. E. Latham, fee for collecting bill,	12 00
C. E. Miller, stamped envelopes,	4 40
J. W. Perkins, M. D., reporting vital statistics,	1 75
F. E. Leighton, teams,	6 50
Trustees School Fund, years interest,	94 56
Herman Sanborn, dog officer, 1911,	8 00
Herman Sanborn, collecting 1911 commit- ment on account,	200 00
H. R. Dascombe Co., antitoxine and supplies,	19 25
Fred R. Young, stamps 2.00, freight 2.64,	4 64
C. F. Blanchard, wood for hall, office and lockup,	13 50
Lorin J. Walker, use of tub,	3 00
J. E. Hiscock, services for town clerk and recording births, deaths and marriages, 1912.	35 70

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 \$1,757 57

Amount overdrawn Feb. 15, 1913,

\$257 57

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### *State Road Account.*

Amount appropriated March 4th, 1912	\$500 00
Amount of State aid,	460 00
	\$960 00
Paid Gus Ellis, Labor	\$19 25
Daniel Walker,        "	16 62
S. W. Walker,        "	93 00
Chas. Quimby,       "	8 75
Kenneth Eaton,     "	22 50
Daniel Walker,     "	8 75
Berger Mfg. Co., Culverts	66 50
Enoch Bridges, labor and Gravel	123 60
Wilkins Brothers, labor,	535 50
	\$894 47
Amount unexpended Feb, 15th, 1913,	65 53

### *Town Charges Including Town Officers.*

Amount appropriated March 4th, 1912,	\$1500 00
Paid Perly Foss, fixing fence on Bubier place,	\$ 1 00
A. H. Jones, stamps and envelopes,	1 65
W. A. Weeks, services as selectman 1911	140 00
J. T. Wilkins,        "        "        "	150 00
Fred R. Young,       "        "        "	165 00
G. F. Ireland, use of watering tub 1911	3 00
J. W. Nelson, balance for printing town reports and notices,	23 50
J. W. Nelson, printing town reports,	40 00
J. E. Hiscock, services as town clerk and recording births, deaths and marriages,	26 95
J. E. Hiscock services as treasurer 1911,	75 00
Sanford and Pease, wiring town hall and office,	90 00
J. W. Nelson, printing enrolling blanks,	2 25

### *Report of Common Schools.*

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,		\$1,700 00
of school and mill fund		1,975 21
of common school fund		1,761 75
unexpended Feb. 17, 1912		19 10
interest on school fund		94 56
interest on ministerial fund		34 36
due from Dixfield tuition		273 31
received from Jay tuition,		22 50
due from State tuition		23 00
due from Mrs. Chas. Holman		7 50
		\$5,911 29
Amount available,		
Paid out for teachers	\$1,434 20	
janitors	490 20	
transportation,	785 50	
fuel	199 22	
tuition to Jay	51 00	
		\$5,960 12
Amount overdrawn Feb. 15, 1913		\$48 83

### *Repairs on School Buildings, Books and Appliances.*

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912		\$800 00
Paid N. J. Phillips for repairs,	\$ 6 05	
I. C. Phillips " "	287 81	
Albert Masterman " "	3 50	
A. H. Butterfield " "	13 15	
Mark E. Allen " "	20 15	
F. J. McCarthy " "	5 00	
Geo. R. Wigglesworth repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	11 25	
C. B. Merchant repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	7 50	
Orin McKeen repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	7 50	

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Paid A. O. Byron repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	\$ 22 00	
Clark McKeen repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	18 00	
D. L. Newman repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	22 50	
A. R. Spinney repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	1 50	
A. F. Butterfield repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	9 00	
Roy Hosmer repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	1 00	
Luraman Chaney repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	2 25	
L. P. Nash repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	4 50	
Orleine McLaughlin repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	40 50	
Record Machine Co. repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	5 50	
Berger Manf'g Co. repairs on E. Wilton school grounds	67 20	
		<b>\$555 86</b>
A. H. Butterfield for appliances	7 10	
I. C. Phillips " "	173 43	
B. J. Cox for clock	10 25	
N. W. Sewall Co. for appliances	4 90	
Geo. S. York " "	2 00	
		<b>\$197 68</b>
I. C. Phillips for books	125 99	<b>\$125 99</b>
Total paid out		<b>\$879 53</b>
Amount overdrawn Feb. 15, 1913		279 53

***School Superintendency,***

Amount appropriated March 6, 1912,		\$350 00
Paid I. C. Phillips for services, (12 payments)		350 00

***Music Account.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912		\$325 00
Paid Mrs. M. T. Wade teacher	\$200 00	
C. O. Jones transportation	96 75	
Mrs. A. L. Fletcher transportation	8 00	
I. C. Phillips for music books	17 45	
Total paid out	\$322 20	\$322 20
Unexpended Feb. 15, 1913		2 80

***Free High School Account, 1912-13.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912		\$1,700 00
unexpended Feb. 17, 1912		\$750 00
of State aid		500 00
Amount available		\$2,950 00
Paid Trustees Wilton Academy (five payments)	2,250 00	
Amount unexpended Feb. 15, 1913	700 00	
		\$2,950 00

***Wilton Free Public Library Association.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,		\$300 00
State aid,		30 00
		330 00
Paid Trustees (H. R. Dascombe, treasurer)		
(three payments,)	\$330 00	

***G. A. R. Memorial Day.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,		\$50 00
Paid C. N. Adams, Qr. Master E. W. Woodman		
Post, G. A. R.	\$50 00	

***Hydrant Service Account***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,		\$1,020 00
Paid Wilton Water Co. [N.W.Sewall, treasurer,]	\$1,020 00	

***New Schoolhouse Account.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1911,	\$500 00
Paid Mary I. Legroo Adams for lot 193 sq. rods,	\$400 00
Amount unexpended Feb 15, 1913,	100 00

***For New School Building at Dryden.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,	\$3,000 00
Paid H. D. Harnden, contractor,	\$1,200 00
Amount unexpended Feb.15,1913,	1,800 00

***Street Light Account.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,	\$675 00
Paid Wilton Light Company,	\$648 17
Amount unexpended Feb. 15, 1913,	26 83
	\$675 00

***Soldiers' Monument Account.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,	\$800 00
Paid C. N. Adams, treasurer monumental fund,	\$800 00

***Tomb Account.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,	\$500 00
Amount unexpended Feb. 15, 1913,	500 00

***Standards of Weights and Measures Accounts.***

Amount appropriated March 4, 1912,	\$250 00
Amount unexpended Feb. 15, 1913,	250 00

***Brown Tail Moth Appropriation.***

Amount appropriated March 4th 1912,	\$100 00
Paid M. E. Fellows, for labor,	42 00
Amount unexpended Feb. 15th, 1913,	\$58 00

### *Town Hall Account.*

In account with Fred R. Young, hall agent:	
Total receipts of hall for year ending Feb. 15, 1913,	\$247 50
Paid out to F. R. Young 20 % of receipts,	\$49 50
for fuel,	12 00
F. A. Russell for gas,	9 75
Wilton Light Co. for 152 K. W. at 12½ c.	19 00
H. R. Dascombe Co. dustvoid,	4 66
for repairs on lamps,	4 50
N. W. Sewall Co., glass, putty and points,	1 35
W. E. Sawyer, oil,	1 10
charged for setting glass,	1 25
“    sawing and storing wood,	1 00
E. P. Parlin, wax,	50
	104 61
Paid out.	104 61
Paid town of Wilton,	142 89
	\$247 50
Collected for piano,	\$63 00

### *List of Town Property.*

Town hall and lot, with furniture.	\$6,000 00
Road machine,	150 00
Holly snow plows with sleds,	250 00
Osgood Patent Sidewalk snow plow,	70 00
Old schoolhouse and lot,	1,800 00
	\$8,270 00

### INCOME OF TOWN PROPERTY.

Rent of store,	\$150 00
Income of town hall,	142 89
Rent of I. O. R. M. hall, due,	50 00
Rent of printer shop,	60 00
	\$402 89



*Resources.*

Due from State, tuition of Plantation pupils,	\$173 50
damage to domestic animals,	6 25
dog licenses estimated,	100 00
from city of Hallowell pauper supplies,	31 77
town of Turner           "       "	28 35
town of Poland,       "       "	6 50
town of Smithfield,   "       "	99 50
State,                   "       "	18 75
Dixfield tuition,	273 31
Mrs. Chas. Holman, tuition,	7 50
I. O. R. M. hall,	50 00
rent of printing shop,	60 00
H. Sanborn balance on 1909,	40 89
"       "       "       " 1910,	115 31
"       "       "       " 1911,	270 82
State on State pensions,	528 50
accrued interest on same	45 99
tax deed,	60 25
from John Moody, on 1912,	504 73
overdrawn school money,	48 83
Cash in treasury,	5,503 55
	<u>\$7,973 80</u>
Liabilities above resources	\$1,105 69

*Delinquent Taxes.*

	1909		
Hildreth O. H.	\$51 60		
	1910		
Chase, Herbert E.	\$27 70	Reed, Will	\$ 3 00
Dakin, W. C.	4 28	Elwell Mary E.	6 02
Hildreth, O. H.	42 90	Hamlin, Mrs. C. P.	25 67
Knowles, Oliver,	5 38	Millett, Irwin,	4 24
Lake, E. H.	3 57	Thompson, W. V.	8 52
Reed, Lewis P.	4 43		
			<u>\$135 71</u>

*Delinquent Taxes,—Con.*

1911.

Adams, Horace	\$ 2 40	Lord, Levi E.	\$26 38
Allen, Harney	4 87	Millett, Irwin	3 00
Barker, Elmer	1 13	Millett, Gordon	3 00
Colburn, Frank G.	3 00	Nash, L. P.	40 82
Carey, John M.	3 00	North, Clarence E.	3 00
Dakin, W. C.	3 00	Rowe, S. S.	10 81
Hathaway, Arthur G,	5 10	Reed, Lewis P.	3 00
Hamlin, Mrs. C. P.	42 00	Reed, Will E.	3 00
Harris, Norman	3 00	Reed, Alanson	3 00
Harris, Ernest V,	3 00	Rackliff, Eugene	3 00
Hildreth, O. H.	10 50	Thompson, W. V.	12 23
Knowles, Oliver	4 58	Tobin, Herbert L.	6 50
Knowles, Leander	13 61	Walker, Ned R.	7 35
Kellock, Derwood	5 94	Walker, Geo. W,	24 15
Lake, J. C.	5 00	Witham, Clyde	3 00
Lake, E. H.	4 26		
			<u>\$266 44</u>

1912.

Resident.		Libby, Wilfred	3 00
Butler, Ralph	\$29 80	Millett, Frank H.	3 00
Chase, Herbert	5 88	Mooar, Fred	3 00
Carey, John M.	3 00	Murch, E. C.	6 45
Crush, Chas.	6 45	Marston, Frank H.	6 22
Crockett, S. W.	3 00	Nash, Levans P.	7 00
Davenport, E. B.	5 65	Pratt, Leo	3 00
Fish, Lester M.	3 00	Ranger, John H.	40
Howland, Howard	5 30	Robbins, Chas. D,	18 60
Hellen, W. F.	4 98	Rodzer, Paul	3 00
Hamlin, Chester	11 25	Smith, John	3 00
Hamlin, Mrs. Chester P.	21 00	Searles, Willis L.	3 00
Harvey, Wm.	3 00	Sawtelle, L. M.	5 76
Jones, O. Frank	11 32	Thompson, W. V.	17 16
Knowles, Oliver	5 52	Trefethen, Fred E.	9 40
Littlefield, S. L.	7 30	Trefethen, Addie M.	2 30
Lord, Levi E.	32 58	Trefethen, Leon	3 00

Tidaback, Chas. L.	3 00	Non-Resident.	
Walker, Geo. W.	16 10	Dolan, David P.	5 25
Walker, Sylvanus Est.	13 50	Jacobs, M. B. Est.	58
Wood, John T.	3 00		
White, Harry	3 00		\$301 02
	\$294 92		

### Abatements.

Abatements make to H. Sanborn, on 1911 committment,			
Clifford, Alexander	\$3 00	Richardson, Geo.	
Carlton Angie		got away	\$3 00
paid in Weld	3 00	Sweet, Gerry not of age	3 00
Farnum, Leon		Larrabee, G.W. error	15 75
paid in Auburn	3 00	Rowell, C. E. error	15 75
Kenney Wm. not found	3 00	Swett, S. C.	2 10
Lake, Chaney not good	3 84	Interest	4 68
Farmer, Dell, unknown	3.00		\$63 12

Abatements made to John Moody on 1912 committment.

Bennett, Wm. not here	\$3 00	Smith, Wilber not of age	\$3 00
Clifford, Alexander	3 00	Smith, Frank	3 00
Carter, Benj.	3 00	Towle, Frank	3 00
Fowler Valenty,	3 00	Dakin Roland	3 00
Kenney, Wm.,	3 00	Goldsmith C.M.	3 00
Matros, Peter	3 00	Howard Gerald	3 00
Dennison, A. L.	3 00	Ellis Gus. inability	3 00
Farnum, LeonN.	3 00	Dailey, Warren	3 00
Ranger, Elmer A.	3 00	Perkins, Ivory L.	3 00
Reed, Lewis P.	3 00	N. Hardy paid	
Reynolds James,	3 00	under another name	3 00
Welch, David	3 00	Cob, Corbett inability	4 60
Reed Alanson		Dustin, Alver, paid in	
not out around	3 00	Farmington	3 00
Wilber, C. H. not taxed	3 00	Jackson, H. C. paid in	
Chase, Frank inability	3 00	Avon	3 00
Foote, Mrs. Chas.	2 30	Millett, Albert dead	3 00
Gross, Horriett,	2 30	North Clarence paid	
Hatch, Geo.	5 75	in Bangor	3 00
Hanger, Horace L., est.	26 45		
Mason, Levi P., error	4 60		135 30

**Abatement Account.**

Amount appropriated March 4th, 1912	\$700 00
Paid H. Sanborn on 1910 & 11 committment	\$192 07
Aulin Russell, error in assessment	34 27
American Enamel Co., vote of the town,	126 54
Wilton Woolen Co., " " "	199 40
G. H. Bass & Co., " " "	249 24
Mrs. Geo. Holbrook, error	4 60
Chas. Newall, taxed in Plantation	7 60
B. F. Russell, error in 1911 assessment	6 30
S. S. Wood, over assessed,	9 20
John Moody as printed above,	135 30
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	\$964 52
Amount overdrawn, Feb 15, 1912	261 52

**ESTIMATES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.**

By the School board:

For support of common schools,	\$2,500 00
music,	325 00
repairs, supplies and books,	800 00

By Selectmen:

For repairs of highways and bridges,	5,000 00
town charges, including town officers,	2,000 00
abatements,	800 00
Free High School,	1,700 00
Memorial Day,	50 00
hydrants,	1,020 00
lights,	1,275 00
State road,	500 00
town debt and interest,	500 00
support of poor,	1,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

FRED R. YOUNG,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
C. E. MILLER,		<i>of</i>
D. L. NEWMAN,		<i>Wilton.</i>

## *Treasurer's Report.*

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CR.

By Cash in treasury Feb. 18. 1912.	\$5,606	11
State Treasurer, schooling Plantation scholars	26	00
Damage to domestic animals	143	50
Dog licenses refunded,	104	11
Free Public Library,	30	00
State roads,	391	47
Free High School for year ending July 1, 1912,	500	00
State pension, reimbursement,	24	00
Common School fund,	1,761	75
School and mill fund	1,975	21
Railroad and telegraph tax,		03
Town of Poland, support of John Pa tridge, \$3.25 and \$2.09,	5	34
Town of Jay, tuition, \$34.00 and \$22.50	56	50
City of Waterville, acct. Edward Gero,	196	40
Town of Oakland, support of Alfred Billedeau,	133	53
Town of Turner, support of Warren Dailey acct.	148	45
Town of Freeman, support of Mrs. Chas.Copp	43	03
Town of Rome, support of Orin Grant and family	7	98
Town of Farmington, support of Ellis family	12	67
Lucy A. Holman, lot No. 63, E. Dixfield cemetery,		10 00
Frank G. Miller, lot No. 171, Lake View cemetery	5	00
Henry A. Bryant " 268, " " "	5	00
Ida Scribner, " K, " " "	5	00
Gilman Buck, " 160, " " "	10	00
Fred Wilkins, " O, " " "	5	00
J. W. Nelson, rent of printing office,	40	00
Robinson Brothers, license to exhibit	2	00

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B. J. Cox, license to sell fire-works,	1 00
E. P. Parlin, " " "	1 00
B.F.Stanley, " " " 1911-1912	2 00
R. L. Rutler, " " "	1 00
A. L. Welch, " " "	1 00
Murdock Bros., license for tent show,	5 00
E. P. Parlin for slaughter house and lot,	162 50
I. O. R. M. rent 6 mos. to Feb. 18, 1912,	25 00
J. E. Hiscock, town clerk, dog license,	74 00
R. C. Fuller, donation to apply to sidewalk	25 00
I. C. Phillips, damage paid by pupils	1 96
half of garden receipts	2 26
apples	1 00
to correct error, June 14th acct.	8 75
W. E. Sawyer, rent of store	150 00
N. W. Sewall, treas., trustees of school fund,	94 56
T. D. Strout, license for pool room to May	
1, 1913	10 00
W.E.Sawyer, refund wiring and lamps for store,	40 06
Geo. E. Clark, refund for sidewalk,	50 00
Wilton Congl. society, for sidewalk	113 75
S. W. Walker, lumber sold H. G. Staples	6 00
S. W. Walker, cement	4 40
H.Sanborn,coll.,refund tax abated, J.F.Catlins	3 08
" " " " " Wm.Carlander	3 08
" .. " " " N. Harby	3 08
For interest on deposit	14 58
H. Sanborn on 1909 tax	81 11
" " " 1910 "	165 04
" " " 1911 "	1,353 37
John Moody, coll. 1912 tax	26,170 78
Fred R. Young, refund on town charges	16 50
net income town hall	142 89
	<u>\$39,984 83</u>

## DR.

To Cash, interest	\$ 221 92
Pensions	552 00
State tax	4,352 44
County tax	2,173 07
Dog licenses	74 00
Town orders,	27,104 85
Cash on hand	5,503 55
	<b>\$39,984 83</b>

***Treasurer's Statement of Debt.***

Outstanding Note.	From	Rate	Interest paid to	
	March 28, 1905,	.04	March 28, 1911,	\$ 900 00
	May 9, 1905,	.04	Nov. 9, 1912,	1,500 00
Town order	Dec. 10, 1903,	.04	Dec. 10, 1911,	1,000 00
	Dec. 10, 1903,	.04	Dec. 10, 1912,	400 00
	Dec. 12, 1903,	.04	Dec. 12, 1911,	200 00
	Feb. 23, 1904,	.04	Feb. 23, 1912,	200 47
	May 2, 1904,	.04	May 2, 1912,	206 14
	May 2, 1904,	.04	May 2, 1912,	100 00
	Feb. 20, 1905,	.04	Feb. 20, 1912,	165 46
	Mar. 20, 1905,	.04	Mar. 20, 1912,	780 00
	Apr. 18, 1905,	.04	Apr. 18, 1912,	305 00
	Sept. 18, 1908,	.04½	Sept. 18, 1911,	1,000 00
	July 22, 1910,	.04	July 22, 1911,	470 00
Interest due	Feb. 15, 1913.			296 73
				<b>\$7,523 80</b>

***Collector's Account.***

*Herman Sanborn collector in account with J. E. Hiscock,  
Treasurer.*

## Dr.

To due on 1909 committment,	\$111 01
1910	265 52
1911	1,560 20

To due on 1909 committment uncollected		\$10 99
1910	" "	14 83
1911	" "	63 99
1909	" " accrued	8 18
1910	" " "	16 14
1911	" " "	21 67
		<u>\$2,072 53</u>

Cr.

By Cash 1909 committment		70 12
1910	" "	150 21
1911	" "	1,289 38
1909	" int. collected	10 99
1910	" " "	14 83
1911	" " "	63 99
1909	" " accrued	8 18
1910	" " accrued	16 14
1911	" " accrued	21 67
due on 1909 committment,		40 89
" 1910	" "	115 31
" 1911	" "	270 82
		<u>\$2,072 53</u>

*John Moody, collector, in account with J. E. Hiscock,  
Treasurer.*

DR,

To due on 1912 committment	\$26,581 85
1912 supplementary	93 66
	<u>\$26,675 51</u>

CR.

By cash 1912 commitment	\$26,170 78
Due on 1912 commitment,	504 73
	<u>\$26,675 51</u>

Respectfully submitted

J. E. HISCOCK, *Treasurer.*

### ***Dascombe Cemetery Fund.***

Credit to Feb. 16, 1909,		\$383 22	
Interest to July 1912,		65 78	
			\$449 00
Expended on lot as per last report,	\$ 9 00		
1912 cleaning granite	1 00		
toward water supply	20 00		
on lot 1912	3 00	33 00	
			\$416 00

J. E. HISCOCK, *Trustee.*

### ***O. L. Walker Cemetery Fund.***

Deposit in Maine Savings Bank	50 00
Interest since April 7, 1907.	

J. E. HISCOCK, *Treasurer. Trustee.*

### ***John and Marcena Robbins Cemetery Fund.***

Credit July 1911		\$205 52
Expended on lot 1911	\$1 00	
cleaning granite, 1912	2 50	

J. E. HISCOCK, *Treasurer. Trustee.*

### ***Miranda Woodward Cemetery Fund.***

Deposit in Livermore Falls Trust and Banking Co.	
Feb. 17, 1912	\$100 00

J. E. HISCOCK, *Treasurer. Trustee.*

### ***A. R. Savage Cemetery Fund.***

Deposit in Wilton Trust and Banking Co.	Feb. 1,	
1913		\$100 00

J. E. HISCOCK, *Treasurer. Trustee.*

**Wilton Free Public Library.**

*H. R. Dascombe. in account with Wilton Free Public Library Association.*

1912			Dr.
Feb. 19	To Bal. For'd from Old Acc't,	\$611 98	
	One Year's Int. on fund	20 48	
June 22	Town Order	65 00	
	Fines and Dues of Miss Bass	34 96	
	"    "    "    "    "	27 67	
1913			
Jan. 18	Received of Town	200 00	
Feb. 17	"    "    and State	65 00	
		<u>        </u>	
			\$1,025 09

1912		Cr.	
	By Fund	\$511 93	
Mar. 30	By Paid C.Fenderson or Bearer,	20 00	
June 20	M. A. Bass, salary	37 50	
21	Dodd, Mead & Co.	4 05	
	F. A. Russell & Co.	1 50	
	Wilkins Bros.	54	
	H. R. Hunting Co.	59 10	
22	Wilton Electric Light,		
	Gas and Power Co.	1 95	
July 17	J. W. Nelson	2 00	
Aug. 8	A. F. Hinkley, ins.	30	
Sept. 2	J.A.Sanford, elec. wiring	14 00	
13	M. A. Bass, salary quar-		
	ter ending Aug. 31, '12	18 75	
	A. L. A. Pub. Board,	1 20	
Nov. 20.	Sanford & Pease	1 95	
Dec. 21	M. A. Bass, salary	18 75	
	L. E. Bass	70	
1913			
Jan. 1	L. F. Adams, oil etc.	60	
Feb. 10	H. R. Hunting Co.	36 17	
	H.R. Dascombe Co. books	78 07	

Feb. 14	F. J. McCarthy, work	\$ 5 00
18	M. A. Bass, work, etc.	3 17
	H. W. Wilson, reader guide	6 00
	A. L. A. Pub. Board, book list	1 00
19	Bal. Forward to new account,	<u>171 16</u>
		\$1,025 09

### *Wilton Academy.*

#### REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

The trustees of Wilton Academy submit the following financial statement for the school year ending June 1912.

##### RECEIPTS.

Rec'd from State Free High School	\$ 500 00
State aid	750 00
Wilton tuition of pupils	1,700 00
Town's " " "	420 00
Individual pupils tuition	260 00
Due from " "	60 00
towns " "	<u>20 00</u>
	\$3,710 00

##### EXPENDITURES.

Cash paid Drew T. Harthorn	\$1,250 00
T. F. Dudley	233 00
Mary E. Eaton	526 00
Susan H. Weston	476 00
Ethel H. Weston	132 00
Adelaide L. Klein	134 00
janitor	248 71
supplies	117 38
fuel	221 57
printing	17 75
repairs	9 20
due D. T. Harthorn	146 26
Balance to go to general account for insurance, etc.	<u>198 13</u>
	\$3,710 00

N. W. SEWALL, *Treasurer.*

J. E. HISCOCK,	}	<i>Executive</i>
C. N. BLANCHARD,		
JOHN R. BASS.	}	<i>Committee.</i>

# *Report of Superintendent of Schools.*

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*To the Wilton School Board.*

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor of presenting herewith my sixth annual report of your schools. This report is also the sixth in order since the formation of the superintendency district of Farmington and Wilton.

## THE SCHOOLS.

I feel that the work of the schools in the district for the year about to close is well up to the average and at some places there has been an advance. We are always in danger of losing our best teacher to towns or cities paying higher salaries. The loss of Miss Edith Merrill, for five years principal of the Wilton Grammar School, was one not easily made good. There is one place in our system however, which might easily be improved. I refer to the lower paid teachers among the rural schools. An increase in appropriation of \$200 in Wilton and \$400 in Farmington would insure for every school, except for one or two of the smallest in each town, a salary of \$10 per week. This salary will now secure good teachers of experience, and I believe the interests at stake advise the employment of trained or experienced teachers only. "Beginners," so-called, may do well considering their want of preparation, but, at best, they are experiments. While they are getting experience and acquiring fitness for their work, somebody's children are losing what is due them—competent training and instruction. Allow me to respectfully urge upon your earnest attention the adoption of a minimum wage of \$10 per week, except possibly in one or two of the smallest schools. And in this connection let me *press home the fact that the education of your children is the most important work being done in the community.*

This will help our rural schools and I feel that you can abundantly afford the best—in short can afford only the best. It would also aid to even up the advantages now certainly on the side of the village schools. The State now equips its teachers, through the Normal schools, for teaching agriculture, manual training and domestic science. This is the settled policy of the State under either political party, as evidenced in recent years. Given teachers thus equipped and consecrated to their work and the rural schools, now presenting the most discouraging phase of our educational system, will receive an impulse that will aid more greatly than any other factor in the advancement and up lift of rural communities—an accomplishment most vital to the interests of the nation at large.

A gratifying feature of the year has been the continuance and extension of what we may call "improvement work" in different districts. In this connection the Russell Mills and the village districts in Farmington and Blanchard in Wilton are worthy of special mention. Only the present week came information looking toward a liberal undertaking of this sort in one of our largest districts. To save repetition on this important matter let me refer to what was said on this topic in last year's report and express the earnest hope that the movement, fraught as I believe it is with so much good to the schools, if carried to its legitimate conclusions, may be made one of permanent interest and continuance, whenever it is once started in the different districts. A large majority of districts in the two towns have instituted such work within the last four years.

Late in March or early in April hot beds five by ten feet were prepared and planted at the Farmington village and Wilton village schools. Keen interest and good results on part of the pupils attended this work. The hot bed experiment proved a success and from one to two thousand plants were distributed among the pupils and taken to their home gardens. A school demonstration plot was maintained at each of the two schools and in some respects very gratifying

results attended the undertaking. Prompted by the experience and results of the past year we are looking forward to expectation of still better things for the year to come. Six schools, a slightly increased number over preceeding years, made garden exhibits at the county fair held in Farmington in October. Prizes were accorded the rooms of the Misses Grounder and Howard at Farmington and to the grammar school of Mrs. Webster at East Wilton.

### THE NEW EDUCATION.

The most notable facts affecting educational interests today is the very general conversion of educators, legislators and the press to an approval of industrial education. By "industrial" as used here I mean to include agricultural instruction, manual training and the domestic arts. The last named may be better understood by the terms "sewing" and "cooking" and the various phases of domestic activities that center around these two arts. The whole movement may, it seems to me, be summed up in an education of the hand and intellect that shall produce better and so more successful and happier home-makers and home-keepers.

A word about State encouragement of manual training and domestic science in elementary schools—the common schools below high school grade. The principal cost of such instruction lies in the provision of a teacher competent to direct work. And here the State steps in with the payment of two thirds of the salaries of any or all the teachers employed for the special purposes in question. Marked down  $66\frac{2}{3}$  per cent is the bargain counter on which the State of Maine offers its approved educational wares to its most precious asset—the present school generation. The question presented is plain: Shall this district consisting of Farmington and Wilton, provide its children such instruction at one third cost or pass the opportunity by, while it helps to pay its part of the two thirds expense in all other towns or cities sagacious enough to embrace the offer?

Conditions here are favorable to the introduction of the courses suggested. Farmington already has the instruction

for the grammar grades of the village schools, including the west side. Through use of the Normal School equipment and teachers from the same source instruction is secured for both sexes at an annual cost of \$150. Wilton may, by a small appropriation secure the same in connection with the manual training room already offered at the Academy and the domestic science department now being equipped and to be offered for use next fall. Both towns are fortunate in having the outfits established at no cost to themselves. And further, I believe it is entirely practical to extend these opportunities to pupils of the rural districts. But one lesson, generally requiring from an hour and a half to two hours according to grade, is given in these branches each week. It seems to me that with a regular program provided, the grammar grade pupils of our rural districts should find no trouble in obtaining one or two teams, as necessary, each week, for their conveyance to the central village of each town where the instruction could be given.

In connection with such education as is here given brief mention it should be noted that not only is our State giving its hearty endorsement and financial support, but that the Federal Government also seems likely to take active measures for its extension in the near future. A bill, the Page bill, is now before Congress, providing for the appropriation of ten million dollars annually to further education in agriculture, home economics, the trades and industries in the secondary schools of the different states. The bill further provides for the appropriation of some added millions annually for the support of extension departments in the State colleges of agriculture and the mechanic arts for the better preparation of teachers and for other agencies requisite to the successful administration of this new work.

This bill has just passed the senate and it is easy to see that the trend of sentiment among our national legislators is about to introduce a new era in this country's promotion of Industrial Education.

#### MUSIC.

Among the subjects not formally given attention, but now generally taught in school, is singing. Instruction in

this branch is provided throughout the district, except in rural Farmington. In both towns it is under the direction of Mrs. M. T. Wade as supervisor of Music. Tho' from conditions, instruction in any branch requiring a special teacher must be more expensive in the rurals, there would hardly seem to be good reason for withholding it from these districts. Consolidation of small schools help here, since it reduces the expense of special instruction.

The wisdom of singing in the schools, with attendant expenses has been questioned. Not all can sing, then "Why provide education for those who can?" It helps a large majority to cultivate a natural gift bestowed on them in greater or less degree. It promotes pleasure outside the school by the creation of an atmosphere absent in the home or social circle unknown to song. But aside from the manifold benefits of singing to the individual, the home or the community, singing probably pays well, if considered only within the school itself. Singing with its direct results, forms one great point of difference between the old school and the new; the old school with its rod and the not infrequent conflicts between the large boys and the school master, and the new with its greater feminine force which appeals to the best there is in forward youth by the lessons of song and the golden rule. The singing of school children affords them a pleasure and a restful diversion helpful to their successful work.

There seems to be a new movement in school music—a drift toward more rote work with less drill on the technique of the branch. The "new pedagogy" says, "Music should be learned by imitation." Its rules and forms must follow afterwards. According to this "new pedagogy the real purposes of teaching music are two. "First, simplify to increase the children's capacity for enjoyment, to enable them to get more fun out of life; and second, to improve their moral state." In our first grade, children are taught the songs by rote. The staff and notes come later. The new system, completely displaces the old in some places as at Pittsburg for example, extends the first grade method more largely into the upper classes on the ground that greater spontaneity and naturalness are given to musical expression and progress. It seems to me probable that greater success with less expenditure may be secured especially in our rurals by modification in the direction indicated.

## THE ACADEMY.

Last summer Principal D. T. Harthorn was elected to the principalship of Coburn Classical Institute. He resigned to accept the promotion thus offered to one of the most prominent school positions in the State. Mr. Harthorn has been at the head of our Academy for the past eighteen years, except a break of two years when he served as principal of Rumford High School. This is the longest term served by any one principal and the school has had a marked growth in the period. It has been a period of material growth, largely due to Mr. Harthorn's efforts, as well as one of improved efficiency in academic work.

After a thorough canvas of the candidate field, the choice of Trustees and School Board fell on W. G. Colby, a graduate of Dartmouth, 1907, and last principal of Groveland, Mass., High School. Mr. Colby comes well equipped and well recommended for the position. A man of experience and of unusual energy and enthusiasm, he has made an excellent beginning. His educational ideas are progressive and closely in touch with the advancing thought of the time. A responsive public sentiment and support, encouraging the retention of Mr. Colby's services for a good term of years should give the Academy an uplift and advancement never before experienced in its history.

Not the least gratifying feature of recent improvement at the Academy and one promising to contribute largely to the advance looked for, lies in the recent provision of a domestic science equipment. This department, provided with a first class outfit for its successful administration will be opened the coming fall and must prove a strong addition to the School's attractions. And so again, following closely upon the gift of an excellent manual training department, this School is indebted to the private benefaction of a big hearted and public spirited individual. Query: Will Wilton in appreciation of the \$18,000 given and pledged within the last seven years, respond in liberal measure in a generous support of the Institution that means so much to its highest interests?

Mention should be made of the manual training department opened at the Academy in September of this school year. Mr. Geo. M. Varney, a graduate of the University of Maine, was secured for this work and with boys and girls are taking it up with equal activity and enthusiasm. It is to be hoped that the town will promptly extend the advantages offered in this course to pupils of the grades.

#### FINANCES.

I feel that at some places more repairs should have been made the past year than our appropriation has allowed.

We raised \$800 for text books, repairs and school appliances, the last including insurance. Farmington raises \$1,700 under these same items, besides \$800 as a contingent fund, any part or all of which may be transferred to these appropriations. The management has made what seemed the best use of the small sum raised and necessarily some needed repairs have been postponed.

It has been the plan to do well what is undertaken. To this end more than the usual amount was expended at East Wilton and some other district or districts should be put right the coming year, if appropriations allow. It should be said that appropriations have not allowed the painting of a single schoolhouse for the past six years. The finish at the village school forms a partial exception.

Some portions of the town have felt that Dryden needed no new schoolhouse. In this connection let me cite the statement of facts presented at the last town meeting when a lot for the building was selected. The fall term registers of 1904, the first at the new schoolhouse in the village, showed 102 pupils as the full registration for the term. The fall registers of the term in session at time of this meeting showed 101 pupils in attendance in the two rooms of the first floor. If four rooms were needed for 102 pupils in 1904, plainly enough two rooms with 101 needed some relief, saying nothing of the convenience to Dryden children of primary grades who could be schooled near their homes, by the erection of a building at their end of the village.

In closing allow me to express my appreciation of your earnest cooperation and efforts for the advancement of the interests of this department.

Respectfully submitted,

I. C. PHILLIPS, Superintendent.

### ***Report of Academy Principal.***

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

At your request I am submitting a brief report of the condition, work and future of Wilton Academy. If the Academy lives up to the standards set by its last principal, Mr. Drew T. Harthorn, it will be due in no small measure to his continuing influence.

Much of what I might wish to say is to be found in the catalogue just issued. The aim of our education should be to continue the high standing of the Academy as a preparatory school while preparing the great majority of our students to meet successfully the peculiar demands of life in this county. The very best opportunity for success in life is offered by these farms all about us. The wealth of the county is in its agriculture, as the last census plainly shows. It certainly is a mistake to give our boys and girls such education as renders them dissatisfied with farm life. For the few who have an ambition to go to college let us do all in our power, but for the great majority let us teach and preach "Back to the farm."

Latin, French, Algebra, Geometry, and History won't do anybody any harm. They most certainly will help to fill in the pleasure hours of life, but if they are to occupy the leisure time of life they ought also to occupy the leisure time of education. When a girl has learned to cook, sew, keep a house clean, and rear children, she can well be taught to appreciate the artistic and ornamental. When the boy has learned to earn his bread and butter, to provide a home for a family, and to do his duty to his neighbors, his state and his Creator, he can devote some time to learning Greek his-

tory as a pastime. This I consider to be the gist of the newer education. In its spirit we shall direct the future growth of the Academy.

Our course of study is appended to this report, I would like to call attention to the four courses in woodwork, and the two in domestic science. Manual training has demonstrated its right to a place in any school. A man with an idea in his head which he cannot express is a non-competent. The man with an idea which he can express by mouth is a prophet. But a man with an idea he can express with his hands is a laborer worthy his hire. The man who can do something is educated. The man who can only dream is an ignoramus. Manual training teaches a boy to do. When coupled with an interest, the interest the boy has in learning to use tools used by every householder, manual training becomes the very best of educative processes.

Domestic Science speaks for itself. Where is there a girl who does not need to know how to cook, to sew and to keep house? Where is there a mother who has the time or the ability to teach these things? Many mothers have the knowledge without the ability to impart it to others.

Wilton Academy has an excellent manual training equipment which has not cost the town a cent. Likewise it will have a domestic science equipment ready for the students who appear at the school next fall. When we have the facilities for teaching practical farming, our equipment will be complete, and the Academy will be in position to do its full duty by the youth of this county.

A very practical problem confronts us. Franklin county has something like 19,000 inhabitants. A population of this size is not capable of supporting more than two good secondary schools. In fact it is a choice between two good ones and a dozen poor ones. Wilton Academy with its excellent equipment is entitled to be one of these two. For efficiency we must consolidate, if necessary by county supervision and State legislation. It costs as much to run a high school of thirty pupils as one of two hundred. For economy if for no other reason, the small high schools must go.

Finally, the town of Wilton ought to be a little more liberal in supporting the Academy. At least the town should pay the regular tuition fee of \$30 per pupil, where at present it pays only a little over \$25. A good High School cannot be maintained for less than \$45 per pupil, and the majority cost from \$50 to \$90. I could name several towns that are paying as high as \$95 per pupil per year. It is worth something to have the school in town, thus saving the cost of transportation and board. Why should not the town pay more than \$30 per pupil?

Respectfully submitted,

W. G. COLBY, Prin.

### *Courses of Study.*

<b>Required:</b>	<b>Required:</b>	<b>Required:</b>
English, I	English I	English, I
Algebra	Algebra	Algebra
Latin I	Latin, I	Com'ercial Arithmetic
General Science )	General Science)	Com'ercial Geography
Manual Training )	Manual Training)	General Science )
		Manual Training )
	SECOND YEAR	
<b>Required:</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>Required:</b>
English II	English, II	English, II
Plane Geometry	Plane Geometry	<b>Elect Three:</b>
Latin, II	Latin, II	Plane Geometry
<b>Elect One:</b>	<b>Elect One:</b>	Ancient History
Ancient History	Ancient History	Biology
Biology	Biology	Book-keeping )
	Woodworking	Commercial Law )
		Woodworking
		Domestic Science
	THIRD YEAR	
<b>Required:</b>	<b>Required:</b>	<b>Required:</b>
English III	English III	English, III
Latin III	French, I	<b>Elect Three:</b>
<b>Elect Two:</b>	<b>Elect Two</b>	French, I
French I	Physics	Physics
Physics	Latin III	Mediaeval History)
Mediaeval History )	Mediaeval Hist. )	Modern History )
Modern History )	Modern History )	Shop-work
	Shop-work	Domestic Science

## FOURTH YEAR

<b>Required:</b>	<b>Required:</b>	<b>Required:</b>
English, IV	English, IV	English IV
Latin, IV	French, II	
Algebra and Solid Geometry	Algebra and Solid Geometry	<b>Elect Three:</b>
<b>Elect One:</b>	<b>Elect One:</b>	French, II
French, II	Latin, IV	Algebra and Solid Geometry
Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry
American History and Civics	American History and Civics	American History and Civics
	Shop Work	Shop-work

**Note.**—There are five recitations per week in all subjects except Domestic Science. Subjects inclosed in brackets are given together or one-half year each.

## Tabular View of School Work, 1912

School	Name of Teacher	Salary	Winter Term			Spring Term			Fall Term		
			Length of Term	Pupils Reg. free	Average Attendance	Length of Term	Pup. Registered	Average Attendance	Length of Term	Pupils Registered	Average Attendance
Academy	Prin. W. G. Colby										
	Mary E. Eaton										
	Susan H. Weston										
	Geo. N. Varney										
	Adalaide L. Klein								12	84	75.4
Upper Gram.	Edith A. Merrill	\$17	8	40	32.5	11	39	35			
"	Mary E. Johnson	14							12	34	30.1
Lower "	Alma M. Robinson	10	8	35	29.4	11	32	29	13	34	30.5
Upper Primary	Rubie Ireland	11	8	43	36.5	11	43	38	12	50	43
Lower "	Josephine M. King	11	8	45	38.39	11	52	46	12	51	44
E. Wilton Gram.	Aaron Marden	10	8	24	20.48						
E. " "	Mrs. Lillian Webster	10				11	24	21.8			
E. " Prim.	A. Blanche Calligan	10	8	28	22	11	27	24	12	18	16.9
E. " "	Bertha C. Hunt	11							12	31	26.7
Blanchard	Lena E. Noyes	8	8	7	5.48	11	10	8	12	12	11
"	Esther Badger	8									
Brown	Rachel Stowe	7 50				11	7	6	12	14	12.9
"	Elsie Smith	8									
Intervale	Theda Holman	9	8	16	14.7	11	20	18	12	17	15
"	Maude Bridges	9 50									
Searles	Elsie A. Smith	8, \$9	8	18	15.6	11	20	16.4			
"	Mildred Dyer	10							12	20	18
Hathaway	Ida Snowman	5									
"	Mrs. B. G. Dudley	6				11	5	5			
E. Dixfield Gram.	Addie E. Melcher	10 50	8	18	16.6	11	19	17.6	12	6	6
E. " "	Theda M. Holman								12	21	17
E. " Primary	Alice M. Rollins	7	8	19	16	11	23	20.4			
E. " "	Amy Noyes	7 50							12	19	17.33
McCrillis	Gertrude L. Yeaton	7 50	8	16	13	11	16	14			
"	Edith Greene	7 50							12	16	14



# *Town Warrant.*

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*To C. H. Whittemore, a Constable of the Town of Wilton in the County of Franklin.*

**GREETING:**

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Wilton, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the town hall in said town on Monday, the third day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

**ARTICLE 1.**

To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

**ARTICLE 2.**

To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 3.**

To hear the report of the municipal officers and act upon the same.

**ARTICLE 4.**

To see if the town will vote to elect a road commissioner or commissioners for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 5.**

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year, including road commissioner and hall agent.

**ARTICLE 6.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 7.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 8.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the defraying of town charges for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 9.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to repair highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 10.**

To see what instruction the town will give in regard to expending the money raised for the repairs of highways and bridges.

**ARTICLE 11.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise toward paying the town debt or interest on the same.

**ARTICLE 12.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for free high school, to be expended at Wilton Academy, in accordance with Section 78 of the School Laws of Maine.

**ARTICLE 13.**

To see if the town will vote to raise \$50.00 for the observance of Memorial Day.

**ARTICLE 14.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purchase of school books, supplies and repairs of school houses for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 15.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Wilton Free Public Library Association.

**ARTICLE 16.**

To see how the taxes shall be collected and when made payable for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 17.**

To see if the town will vote to unite with another town or towns for hiring jointly a superintendent of schools.

**ARTICLE 18.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the superintendency of our public schools for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 19.**

To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine, for the year 1907, as amended by Chapter 69, Public Laws of Maine, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State aid for highways for the year 1913.

**ARTICLE 20.**

To see if the town will raise and appropriate, in addition to the amounts regularly raised and appropriated for the care of ways, highways and bridges the sum of \$500.00, being the maximum amount which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Chapter 112, of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, as amended by Chapter 69, Public Laws of 1909.

**ARTICLE 21.**

To see if the town will vote to raise \$1,020.00 for hydrant service for the year 1913.

**ARTICLE 22.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for abatements for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 23.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise or the instruction of music in our common schools for the ensuing year.

#### ARTICLE 24.

To see if the town will vote to build a balcony, repair and paint the town hall inside, and procure extra settees, and what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the same.

#### ARTICLE 25.

To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the Wilton Cornet Band and also give them free use of town hall for all entertainment purposes, said band to pay for heat and lights and also give open air concerts during the summer.

#### ARTICLE 26.

To see if the town will vote to build a new schoolhouse at East Dixfield in the town of Wilton.

#### ARTICLE 27.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to build the same.

#### ARTICLE 28.

To see if the town will vote to instruct the light committee to locate eight additional lights at East Wilton out of the last thirty as voted by the town.

#### ARTICLE 29.

To see if the town will vote to contract with the Livermore Falls Light and Power Co. for four additional lights to be placed in the village of East Dixfield in the town of Wilton.

#### ARTICLE 30.

To see if the town will vote to unite with the town of Jay in maintaining a school on Walker Hill, so called, the same to run as a union school.

#### ARTICLE 31.

To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$100.00 more or less, to be expended at Wilton Academy for the purpose of securing instruction in manual training for pupils in the grammar grades of the town schools, during the school year beginning July 1st, 1913.

**ARTICLE 32.**

To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$100.00, more or less, for instruction in domestic science and household arts, to be expended in same manner as money raised for instruction in manual training.

**ARTICLE 33.**

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purpose of lighting the streets of Wilton, Dryden, East Wilton and East Dixfield.

**ARTICLE 34.**

To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) given by the late Oscar Wilkins, the principal to be placed at interest and the income to be expended upon his lot.

**ARTICLE 35.**

To see if the town will vote to maintain a school in the Knowles District and Hathaway District, or either, for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 36.**

To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of correcting the list of voters in said town, and hearing and deciding upon the application of persons claiming the right of having their names entered upon said lists, at the selectmen's office in said Wilton at 2 o'clock in the afternoon the first day of March and at nine o'clock in the forenoon the third day of March next A. D. 1913.

Given under our hand this 22nd day of February, A. D. 1913.

FRED R. YOUNG, } *Selectmen*  
C. E. MILLER, } *of*  
D. L. NEWMAN, } *Wilton.*

