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# ANNUAL REPORT



OF THE

Clerk, Selectmen, Treasurer,

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF CARTHAGE,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1903.

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# SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

*Report of the Selectmen of the Town of Carthage, for the year ending  
March 1, 1903.*

## VALUATION.

Amount of resident real estate,	\$50,090 00
Non-resident real estate,	52,955 00
Resident personal estate,	21,063 00
Supplementary non-resident real estate,	180 00
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	\$124,288 <sup>00</sup>

## APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.

For common schools,	\$ 268 90
Free high school,	75 00
School-books and appliances,	65 00
Repair of school-houses,	50 00
Relinquishment of town debt,	1,000 00
Repair of roads and bridges,	1,000 00
Current expenses and support of poor,	800 00
County tax,	132 46
State tax,	287 64
Overlay,	61 13
Supplementary tax,	6 71
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Total committed,	\$3,746 <sup>84</sup>
Number of Polls, 94	
Rate per Poll, \$1.50	
Amount of poll tax,	\$ 142 50
Rate of property tax, .029.	
Amount of property tax,	3,604 34
Total,	\$3,746 <sup>84</sup>

## SUPPORT OF COMMON SCHOOLS.

Town raised,	\$268 90	
Undrawn last year,	281 04	
Received from State, school fund and mill tax,	274 40	
Received for tuition,	40 50	
		\$864 84
Paid Weld, tuition for 1901,	\$25 00	
Paid Mrs. O. V. Hutchinson for board, 1901,	4 00	
		\$ 29 00
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Available,		\$835 84
Paid teachers' wages and board,	\$451 15	
Transportation of pupils,	90 00	
Janitor and fuel,	27 50	
Weld, tuition,	23 28	
		\$591 93
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Undrawn,		\$243 91

## SCHOOL-HOUSE REPAIRS.

Town raised,	\$50 00
Expended,	31 54
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Unexpended,	\$18 46

## TEXT-BOOKS AND APPLIANCES.

Town raised,		\$65 00
Expended,	\$99 75	
Overdrawn,		\$34 75

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Town raised,		\$1,000 00
Paid orders issued in 1901,	\$165 18	
Road orders for Frank Brown, Commissioner for 1901,	90 38	
Road orders for E. C. Staples, Commissioner for 1901,	29 75	
Road orders for A. A. Smith, Road Com- missioner for 1901,	66 81	
W. V. Tainter, for watering-trough for years 1899-00-01,	9 00	
		<u>\$361 12</u>
Available,		\$638 88

Expended to February 12, 1903 :

Bills of Frank Brown, Commissioner,	\$443 16	
Bills of C. F. Eaton, Commissioner,	438 54	
Bills of F. J. Casey, Commissioner,	196 10	
Paid for maintaining watering-troughs,	6 00	
		<u>\$1,083 80</u>
Overdrawn,		\$444 92

## TOWN DEBT AND INTEREST.

Town raised,		\$1,000 00
Paid Etta Hutchinson, interest,	\$ 4 00	
E. P. Goodwin, interest,	31 73	
E. P. Goodwin, in full on order,	500 00	
W. W. Goodwin, interest,	39 94	
W. W. Goodwin, in full on order,	500 00	
		<u>\$1,075 67</u>
Overdrawn,		\$75 67
Paid for sheep killed,		\$4 00
Received from state,		4 00

## SUPPORT OF POOR AND CURRENT EXPENSES.

Town raised,		\$800 00
Paid old pauper bills,	\$112 02	
Printing town reports, 1901,	12 00	
H. W. Berry, abatement of taxes for 1901,	4 14	
H. W. Berry, collecting, part pay for 1901,	57 28	
D. W. Berry, services as Selectman for 1901,	14 00	
L. S. Libby, services as Clerk for 1901,	6 00	
W. W. Holman, material, postage and express, 1900,	5 00	
For labor done on Newman bridge, 1900-1,	23 25	
George Maxwell, services as Selectman, 1901,	19 50	
E. H. Staples, services as Selectman and Supervisor, 1901,	13 35	
Luther Hutchinson, services as Treasurer,	18 00	
		<u>\$284 54</u>
Available,		\$515 46
Paid Loring, Short & Harmon, blank books,	\$ 6 70	
J. G. Coburn, services as Moderator, 1902,	2 00	
Sarah Plummer, cleaning school-house,	4 00	
Rena Eaton, cleaning school-house,	2 50	
Mrs. L. A. Mason, cleaning school-house,	2 00	
W. M. Pease, M. D., professional services and vaccine,	11 25	
W. W. Holman, services as Supervisor in full,	36 50	
L. S. Libby, recording and returning vital sta- tistics to State Register,	3 00	
Josie Judkins, cleaning school-house,	2 50	
E. C. McLain, services as Ballot Clerk,	1 50	
W. W. Coburn, services as Ballot Clerk,	1 50	
W. E. Hutchinson, abatement on 1902 tax,	10 00	
W. E. Hutchinson, collecting 1902 tax, part pay,	35 00	
Luther Hutchinson, services as Treasurer,	18 00	
J. S. Swett, services as Selectman,	57 30	
Charles Brown, services as Selectman,	49 75	
L. S. Libby, services as Clerk and Select- man,	57 35	

## PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Paid out on account of Sophronia Howard,	\$69 74	
Joseph Tobin,	56 62	
John W. Shepard,	18 10	
Jessie Perkins,	55 31	
Mary E. Adams,	19 97	
Mrs. Willie Cushman,	10 00	
Ruth Potter,	48 87	
		\$579 46
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Overdrawn,		\$64 00

## RESOURCES.

Due from tax deeds in treasury,	\$ 150 00
H. W. Berry, tax bills of 1901 tax,	95 14
Town of Canton or Lewiston on George Jones' account,	188 00
State for free high school, 1901,	66 00
State for free high school, 1902,	51 75
Balance due from Dixfield for tuition, 1902,	8 64
W. E. Hutchinson on 1902 tax,	2,571 84
Road-machine,	25 00
Southeast quarter of R. 12, lot 2,	200 00
Overdrawn on pauper and current expense account,	64 00
Overdrawn on text-book and appliance account,	34 75
Roads and bridge account,	444 92
Town debt account,	75 67
Cash on hand,	28 72

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## LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders bearing interest,	\$711 82	
Interest due,	55 00	
Outstanding orders not bearing interest,	374 22	
Due the free high school account, 1902,	46 50	
E. A. Roys for teaching high school, 1902,	80 00	
Luther Hutchinson for board,	23 50	
Common school fund,	243 91	
School-house repair fund,	18 46	
Road bills outstanding Feb. 12,	108 63	
Pauper bills outstanding,	90 00	
		\$1,752 04
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Balance in favor of town,		\$2,251 75

Respectfully submitted, Feb. 19, 1903.

LESTER S. LIBBY, } *Selectmen*  
 CHARLES BROWN, } *of*  
 JOHN S. SWETT, } *Carthage.*

# ROAD COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

*Report of Frank Brown as Road Commissioner, in account with the  
Town of Carthage for the Year 1902-3.*

Frank Brown, services on highway,	\$ 73 69
Frank Brown, team,	59 12
Sumner Josslyn, services,	13 55
Geo. Virgin, “	35 24
Elmer Magoon, “	10 80
D. C. Brown, “	21 68
T. R. Plummer, “	37
R. C. Hutchinson, “	1 25
Eastman Judkins, “	20 25
Elmer Holt, “	4 77
E. C. Staples, “	14 25
Emery Hutchinson, “	34 15
A. L. Coburn, “	48 09
Ernest Damon, “	22 50
W. W. Coburn, “	6 00
W. W. Holman, “	4 50
Charles Pratt, “	75
John Leach, “	9 00
Harry Rand, “	11 00
C. F. Eaton, “	2 00
M. B. Hammond, “	11 15
L. S. Libby, “	1 39
J. S. Swett, “	6 00
Fred Hutchinson, “	3 00
N. F. Magoon, “	4 75
Luther Hutchinson for spikes furnished,	40
Goodwin Bros., bridge plank,	8 29
Frank Brown, “ “	6 30
Herbert Tobin, services on highway,	8 92
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	\$443 16

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK BROWN,

*Road Commissioner of Carthage.*

*Report of F. J. Casey as Road Commissioner, in account with the  
Town of Carthage for the Year 1902-3.*

Services as Road Commissioner, including team  
and help,

		\$ 47 31
George Coffren,	labor,	1 50
H. L. Smith,	"	3 00
L. P. Mason,	"	11 05
N. G. Severy,	"	3 60
M. D. Morrison,	"	75
N. G. Severy,	"	19 35
L. P. Mason,	"	26 80
G. A. Severy,	"	3 85
L. P. Mason,	"	8 45
W. V. Tainter,	"	4 90
H. L. Smith,	"	5 85
L. P. Mason,	"	6 45
H. L. Smith,	"	7 93
John Casey,	"	3 75
George Maxwell,	"	1 75
N. G. Severy,	"	3 00
W. V. Tainter,	"	6 59
George Maxwell,	"	25 22
H. L. Smith,	"	5 00
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		\$196 10

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. CASEY,

*Road Commissioner of Carthage.*

*Report of C. F. Eaton as Road Commissioner, in account with the  
Town of Carthage for the Year 1902-3.*

Charles A. Strout, labor,	\$ 11 85
L. A. Getchell, "	3 00
Goodwin Bros. for posts and spikes,	1 65
I. A. Mitchell, labor,	36 70
C. F. Eaton, "	149 29
John Dupell, "	2 80
Gorham Murch for plank,	3 72
L. S. Libby for labor and iron,	3 10
Frank Brown, labor,	13 10
Fred McLain, "	3 45
E. B. Maxwell, "	18 30
Walter Getchell, "	2 55
John Sanders, "	1 50
W. E. Hutchinson, "	98 63
Emery Hutchinson, "	10 50
A. L. Coburn, "	4 00
John Leach, "	3 00
Dana Brown, "	1 50
Ernest Damon, "	1 50
Wm. Holman, "	3 00
T. R. Plummer, "	5 05
Wm. Chandler, "	17 25
Charles Brown, "	2 38
Charles Williams, "	2 70
V. C. Mitchell, "	3 00
Charles Cushman, "	9 77
R. O. Dunning, "	6 00
J. H. Beals, "	4 05
Herbert Whitney, "	3 10
E. E. Winter, "	6 85
Warren Pettengill, "	5 25
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Total expended,	\$438 54

Respectfully,

C. F. EATON, *Road Commissioner.*

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Luther Hutchinson, Treasurer, in account with the town of Carthage  
for the year ending Feb. 17, 1902.*

## DR.

To balance in treasury as per report,	\$ 362 99	
Received of State treasurer, dog licenses refunded,	22 52	
Town of Wilton, tuition,	16 50	
Town of Dixfield, tuition,	17 50	
Jesse Cushman, tuition,	9 00	
Tyler Hutchinson, tuition,	6 50	
On Frank Jones's tax deed,	18 12	
On S. D. Kittredge's tax deed,	9 00	
Lester Libby, dog licenses, 1902,	32 00	
State treasurer, damage done by dogs,	4 00	
State treasurer, school fund and mill tax,	274 40	
Fred Blanchard, for timber land,	325 00	
H. W. Berry, collector, 1901,	1,900 00	
W. E. Hutchinson, collector, 1902,	1,175 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$4,172 53

## CR.

By paid to Carleton P. Merrill, County tax,	\$ 132 46	
State treasurer, dog licenses, 1902,	32 00	
State treasurer, State tax,	287 64	
H. W. Berry, on tax deeds,	37 90	
Town orders issued by Selectmen,	3,653 81	
	<u>          </u>	\$4,143 81
Balance in treasury Feb. 17, 1903,	28 72	
	<u>          </u>	\$4,172 53

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER HUTCHINSON, *Treasurer.*

# TOWN OF CARTHAGE.

## Births, Deaths and Marriages for the Year 1902.

### BIRTHS.

March 3,	1902,	To the wife of E. E. McLaughlin,	A son.
March 29,	"	C. N. Damon,	A daughter.
May 1,	"	E. E. Magoon,	A son.
June 6,	"	F. H. McLain,	A daughter.
July 1,	"	H. L. Rand,	A son.
August 17,	"	Orin Hatch,	A daughter.
September 15,	"	L. S. Libby,	"
September 30,	"	Charles H. Cushman,	A son.
October 23,	"	Laroy F. Wilbur,	"
November 14,	"	John Leach,	A daughter.

### DEATHS.

			Y.	M.	D.
January 5,	1902,	Mary Ann Murch.	71	8	12
January 16,	"	Lelia F. Staples,	36	1	10
March 4,	"	infant son of E. E. McLaughlin,			1
June 5,	"	John Casey,	64	6	21
June 19,	"	Irene Howard,	48	10	2
September 12,	"	Mary Hutchinson,	66	5	1
September 18,	"	Alfred Lamb,	77	11	8
September 25,	"	Elmira Swett,	83	11	24
November 26,	"	Charles Hutchinson,	69	0	6
December 11,	"	John M. Getchell,	68	10	18

### MARRIAGES.

East Dixfield, March 2, 1902, by Rev. Hannah Powell, Mr. Archibald L. Coburn of Carthage to Miss Della I. Hildreth of Dixfield.

Carthage, April 24, 1902, by D. W. Berry, Esq., Mr. Wallace Clarence Dakin to Beulah May Wilson, both of Carthage.

Erroll, N. H., June 28, 1902, by L. C. Bragg, Esq., Mr. Clyde Josselyn to Bertha P. Rand, both of Carthage.

Weld, June 29, 1902, by Rev. H. W. Small, Edwin Clyde Sampson to Lucy Ellen Soper, both of Carthage.

Carthage, August 16, 1902, by Rev. G. A. Chapman, Leland Frederick Sawyer of Auburn to Miss Annie E. Coburn of Carthage.

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER S. LIBBY, *Town Clerk.*



# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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*Fellow Citizens :*

In accordance with the laws of our State and the usual custom, it becomes necessary for me to submit the following report :

There were enrolled April 1st, 1902, 98 pupils.

Whether or not the standard of our schools has been raised, the interest on the part of pupils awakened, you, as intelligent citizens, are able to decide, and no words of mine are necessary to explain the condition of our schools at the present time. We have had the past year twenty-two weeks of school in each school in town, two weeks more in each school than ever before under the present system, and with but few exceptions, under the instruction of first-class, experienced teachers. All bills are paid and \$243.91 undrawn of the school money, and the coming year, under judicious management, twenty-four weeks can be had. We think with the meagre appropriation for schools it should be so managed as to do the most possible good for our pupils. After all that has been done by our State, by our educational societies and journals, there are still a few who do not put an adequate value on education. It should be remembered that the future destiny of our country depends on the boys and girls who fill the benches in our schoolrooms to-day.

There are yet difficulties in the way that retard the progress of our schools. One of the most frequent causes of trouble is want of co-operation between parents and teachers. They



seem to have forgotten that the world moves on, and that the style of teaching in vogue during their childhood has given place to new and improved methods. Education has kept pace with other things. New methods, new appliances, in fact, the whole paraphernalia of the schoolroom is, or should be, different from that of sixty or one hundred years ago.

There seems to be a disposition on the part of some to find fault with all teachers. The children are not slow to catch the same spirit, watch for some imperfection which they feel encouraged to report at home as soon as they see or imagine they see it. Thus it is that the faults and not the excellences make the first impression both at school and at home, and the teachers to make a success under such circumstances must be very fortunate.

Thanking you for the interest you have manifested in our schools during the years I have served you as Superintendent, I beg a continuance of the same be extended to my successor, feeling confident that with your assistance the standard of our schools can yet be raised.

#### SCHOOL STATISTICS.

No. of school.	Name of teacher.	Length of term.	No. reg.	Average attendance.	Wages of teacher.	Price of board.	Term.
1.	Nettie Maxwell.	10 wks.	7	$6\frac{1}{6}\frac{2}{6}$	\$ 5.00*		S.†
3.	May Child.	9 "	14	$12\frac{1}{2}\frac{7}{1}$	3.75	\$1.75	S.
4.	Marilla M. Houle.	10 "	18	15	4.50	1.50	S.
5.	Ona M. Knapp.	$7\frac{2}{6}$ "	16	10	3.75	1.75	S.
5.	Della H. Coburn.	$2\frac{2}{6}$ "	12	$10\frac{5}{100}\frac{4}{100}$	6.00*		S.
3.	Linnie E. Brown.	13 "	15	$13\frac{4}{10}$	6.75*		F.†
4.	Marilla M. Houle.	12 "	19	16	6.25*		F.
5.	Marcia L. Coburn.	12 "	11	$9\frac{6}{100}\frac{1}{100}$	6.00		F.
6.	Weld schools.	22 "	4		63.28‡		

\* Wages included board.

† S. indicates spring term. F. indicates fall term.

‡ Indicates cost of school tuition and transportation.

## FREE HIGH SCHOOL, BERRY MILLS.

A term of Free High School is now in session at Berry Mills, under the instruction of Mr. E. A. Roys, Bates, '04. He is a competent and able instructor and a good term's work is assured. As the school is not yet closed, am unable to report the attendance, etc. The expense of same will be found in the financial statement.

Respectfully submitted,

WILL W. HOLMAN, *Supt. of Schools,*  
Carthage, Maine.

