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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

TOWN OF CARTHAGE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1911

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1910.

CLERK

E. R. BERRY

SELECTMEN

L. S. LIBBY

CHAS. BROWN

F. W. SMITH

TREASURER

E. C. McLAIN

COLLECTOR AND CONSTABLE

D. W. BERRY

ROAD COMMISSIONER

A. W. BURGESS

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

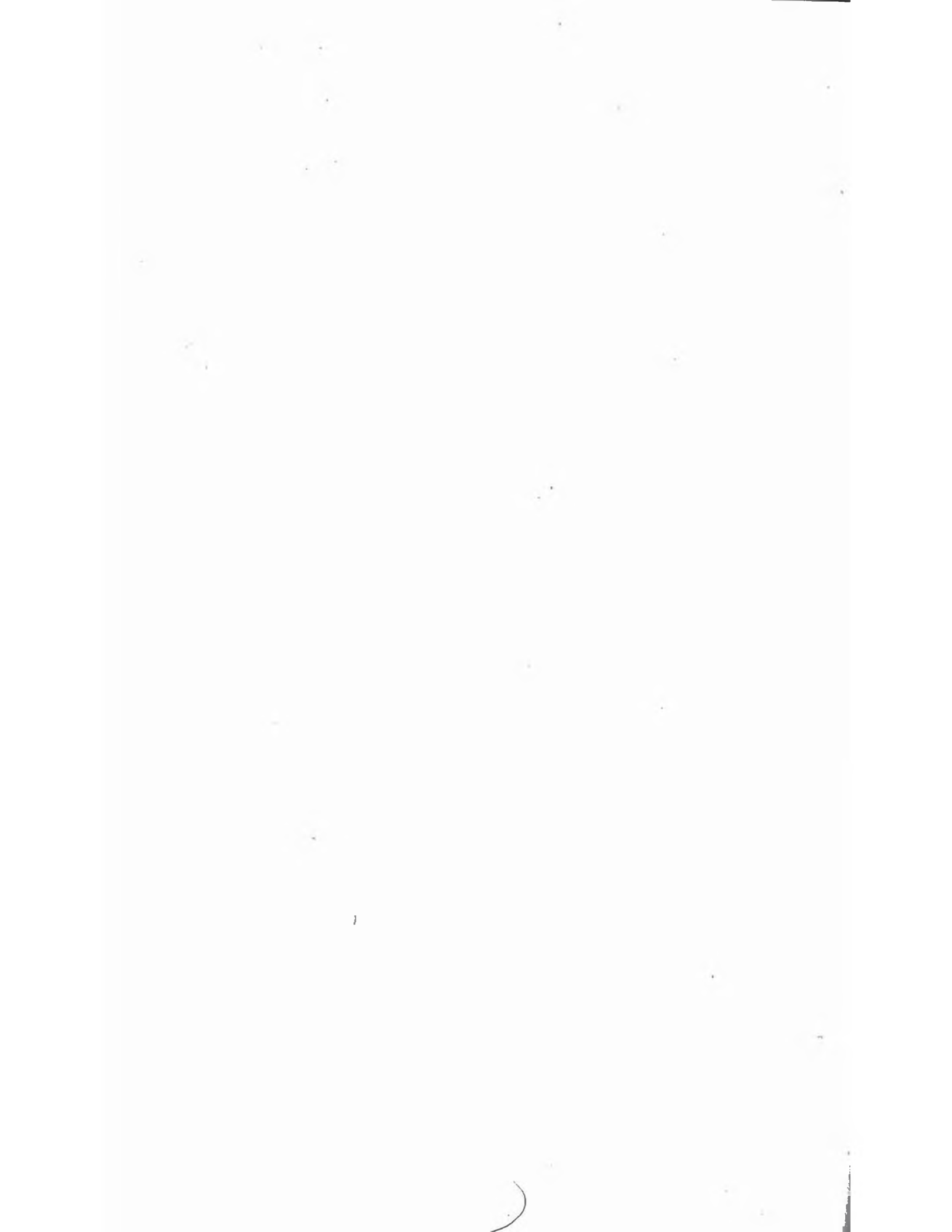
E. E. WINTER

L. S. LIBBY

E. B. MAXWELL

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

H. L. SMITH



TOWN WARRANT.

To D. W. Berry, a Constable of the Town of Carthage, 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 said town of Carthage, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Grange Hall at Berry Mills in said town, on Monday, the sixth 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 reports of town officers and to act on the same.

ARTICLE 4.

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5.

To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of summer roads and bridges for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6.

To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of winter roads for the ensuing year, and to determine how the same shall be expended.

ARTICLE 7.

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 of the public laws of 1909, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State aid for highways for the year 1911.

ARTICLE 8.

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 \$200.00, 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 of the public laws of 1909.

ARTICLE 9.

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

ARTICLE 10.

To see if the town will vote to have a Free High School or schools, and what sum of money shall be raised for the support of same.

ARTICLE 11.

To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purchase of text-books for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 12.

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

ARTICLE 13.

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

ARTICLE 14.

To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for current expenses for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 15.

To see if the town will vote to give the superintending school committee the authority to maintain schools in such districts as they consider necessary.

ARTICLE 16.

To see if the town will vote to abate the tax on the property of the Grange Hall Corporation for the year 1910.

ARTICLE 17.

To see at what time the town will vote to have the taxes assessed and committed to the collector, and when the same shall be made payable.

ARTICLE 18.

To see if the town will vote to accept the private way as laid out by the selectmen on November 26, 1910.

ARTICLE 19.

To see if the town will vote to discontinue the town road from the Drake farm in Perkins Plantation to the Hatch farm in Carthage.

ARTICLE 20.

To see if the town will vote and raise a sum of money for the following purposes: To purchase a safe in which to keep the town records, etc., and to either purchase or erect a building in which to keep said safe, and which shall be used as an office by the selectmen and town clerk.

ARTICLE 21.

To see if the town will vote to include in the future annual reports the listing with the values thereof of all parcels of resident and non-resident real estate.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Grange Hall at Berry Mills in said town, at nine o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting, for the purpose of correcting the check list.

Given under our hands at Carthage, this 18th day of February, A. D. 1911.

L. S. LIBBY,
CHARLES BROWN,
F. W. SMITH, } *Selectmen
of
Carthage.*

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

For the year ending February 18, 1911.

VALUATION.

Amount of real estate, resident	\$68,170 00
Amount of real estate, non-resident	61,275 00
Amount of personal estate, resident	17,290 75
Amount of personal estate, non-resident	122 00
Supplemental real estate, non-resident	345 00
Total valuation	\$147,202 75

For overdraw on summer roads, 1909	\$ 350 00
Summer roads	1,150 00
Winter roads	300 00
State road	200 00
Common schools	95 00
Free High school	150 00
Support of poor	200 00
Overdraw on current expenses, 1909	370 24
Current expenses	500 00
Text-books	50 00
County tax	212 50
State tax	818 35
Overlay	20 78
Supplemental tax	10 01
Total commitment	\$4,426 88

Number of polls taxed, 79.

Number of polls not taxed, 15.

Tax per poll, \$2.00.

Amount of property tax	\$4,268 88	
Amount of poll tax	158 00	
Total		\$4,426 88

STATE ROAD.

Town raised	\$200 00	
Received from State	396 65	
Available		\$596 65
Expended	\$596 65	

SUMMER ROADS.

Town raised		\$1,500 00
Overdrawn in 1909	\$344 16	
Housing road-machine, 1908-9	4 00	
		\$348 16
Available	\$1,151 84	
Expended	1,081 78	
Unexpended		\$70 06

WINTER ROADS.

Town raised		\$300 00
Overdrawn in 1909	\$ 4 26	
Bills of 1909	16 27	
		\$20 53
Available	\$279 47	
Expended	184 50	
Unexpended		\$94 97

TEXT-BOOKS.

Town raised	\$50 00	
Unexpended in 1909	16	
Available		\$50 16
Expended		74 72
Overdrawn		\$24 56

REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSES.

Unexpended from last year	\$21 68	
Expended	26 90	
Overdrawn		\$5 22

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Town raised	\$150 00	
Unexpended in 1909	31 67	
Due from State, year 1910	300 00	
Available		\$481 67
Expended		450 00
Unexpended		<u>\$31 67</u>

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Town raised	\$ 50 00	
Unexpended in 1909	409 29	
School lot fund	45 00	
Due from State school fund	265 43	
Rec'd from Weld, tuition Rounds children	18 50	
Due from State mill tax	341 16	
Available		\$1,129 38
Expended for tuition	\$ 10 00	
Teachers' wages and board	793 00	
Fuel and janitor's service	59 00	
Total expended		<u>\$862 00</u>
Unexpended		<u>\$267 38</u>

SCHOOLHOUSE INSURANCE.

Unexpended in 1909	\$6 47	
Expended	6 93	
Overdrawn		\$ 46

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Town raised	\$200 00	
Overdrawn in 1909	28 06	
Available		\$171 94
Expended		128 00
Unexpended		<u>\$43 94</u>

STATE PAUPERS.

Due from State Feb. 22, 1910, on Bowen & Holland		
cases	\$53	44
Paid for medical attendance	12	50
		\$65 94
Rec'd from State	.	65 94

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Town raised	\$870	24
Overdrawn in 1909	345	98
Available		\$524 26

Paid :

Holt Bros., printing reports, 1909-10	\$24	70
F. W. Smith, telephoning and printing, 1909-10		88
Blank books	1	30
Freight on State road tools		25
Loring, Short & Harmon, blank books	11	13
Estate of J. O. S. Skolfield, watering trough, 1909	3	00
Bars and shovels for State road	13	05
C. L. Dillingham, tools for use on State road	20	41
F. W. Smith, one plow for use on State road	6	00
F. W. Sanborn, browntail moth notices	1	50
D. W. Berry, for watering trough	3	00
D. D. Berry, services as selectman, 1909	2	00
L. S. Libby, services as clerk, 1909	9	38
H. L. Smith, services as selectman, 1909	6	00
F. W. Smith, services as selectman, 1909	6	00
F. W. Smith, services as selectman, 1910	21	00
L. S. Libby, services as selectman, 1910	26	00
F. W. Smith, services as selectman, 1910	13	00
L. S. Libby, services as selectman, 1910	12	00
Chas. Brown, services as selectman, 1910	25	00
H. W. Coburn, running Perkins plantation and Carthage line	7	50
L. S. Libby, services as selectman	6	00
Chas. Brown, services as selectman	10	00
J. G. Coburn, services as moderator, 1910	2	00
H. W. Berry, services in full as tax collector, 1905	6	82

D. W. Berry, services in full as tax collector, 1910	\$50 00
D. W. Berry, services in full as constable, 1910	5 00
H. L. Smith, services " " as supervisor, 1910	45 00
J. S. Harlow, for collecting 1904-5 tax	2 00
F. W. Smith, for postage, .80, telephone calls, .45	1 25
E. H. Staples, for collecting in full to date on 1906 tax	15 14
F. W. Smith, services as selectman in full to date	25 00
Chas. Brown, services as selectman in full to date	26 00
L. S. Libby, services as selectman in full to date	22 00
E. R. Berry, services as clerk in full to date	9 15
L. S. Libby, for postage, express and telephone	3 15
J. S. Sturdevant, for death certificate, 1910	25
E. C. McLain, services as treasurer in full, 1910	25 00
D. W. Berry, services as ballot clerk	1 50
Warren Pettengill, services as ballot clerk	1 50
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Total expended	\$469 86

Unexpended \$54 40

ABATEMENTS.

1904 commitment :

H. J. McLoughlin	\$1 50	
Chas. Mayhew	58	
		\$2 08

1905 commitment :

Joe Jenkins	\$1 50	
Sumner Josselyn	1 32	
		\$2 82

1906 commitment :

L. F. Wilbur	\$1 97	
Elmer Yorke	3 68	
		\$5 65

1908 commitment :

John Downs	\$2 50	
E. O. Blanchette	2 50	
Philip Grounder	2 50	
		\$7 50

1809 commitment :		
Webb River Grange Corporation	\$25	20
1910 commitment :		
N. G. Severy, back farm	\$ 6	24
C. R. Hall, W. W. Hall pasture	7	25
N. S. Stowell & Co., Goodwin mill	29	00
		\$42 49
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Total		\$85 74

RESOURCES.

Due from Moses Hawkins 1904 tax	\$	1	50
Ray Hawkins 1904 tax ✓		2	02
E. H. Staples, collector, 1906		33	73
D. W. Berry, collector, 1909		153	93
D. W. Berry, collector, 1910		669	31
State, damage to domestic animals		41	50
Burial of old soldier, 1909		25	00
Tuition		30	00
High school account, 1909		251	75
High school account, 1910		300	00
Dog license refund 1910 est.		30	00
Common school funds		606	59
Roadmachine and tools		250	00
Geo. Thompson, land		10	00
Lots numbered 8 in 4th and 5th ranges		200	00
Southwest quarter lot 2, range 12		500	00
Tax deeds in treasury		36	00
			\$3,141 83

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders	\$125	07
Due A. W. Tainter, watering trough, 1910	3	00
Outstanding school bills	10	60
Due Mrs. C. T. F. Smith on account Sophronia Howard, to Feb. 16, 1911	30	00
Due on State tax	784	84
Town officers' bills estimated	6	00
		\$959 51

Balance in favor of town

\$2,184 32

All of which is respectfully submitted this 18th day of February, 1911.

L. S. LIBBY, } *Selectmen*
CHAS. BROWN, } *of*
F. W. SMITH, } *Carthage.*

We obtained a loan of \$1,000.00 from the Rumford Falls Trust Co., all of which we have repaid.

Delinquent Taxpayers for 1910.

E. H. Staples, commitment of 1906 :

C. W. Hanscom	\$32 23	
C. L. Pratt	1 50	
		\$33 73

D. W. Berry, collector, commitment, 1909 :

Alfred Arsenault	\$3 00	
Joseph Arsenault	6 50	
Joseph L. Berry	9 05	
Walter Danforth	3 00	
Fred Danforth	7 90	
Chas. Fogerty	3 00	
John Fornier	3 00	
L. A. Getchell	3 00	
H. E. Holt	5 24	
C. F. Eaton	7 96	
Percy Ford	3 00	
Henry Gallant	3 00	
Moses Gallant	3 00	
F. S. Hutchinson	6 24	
C. W. Hanscom	8 94	
W. W. Holman	6 86	
Eastman Judkins	8 28	
W. G. Kannard	6 58	
Chas. Pratt	8 60	
H. J. Ranger	3 00	
E. H. Staples	38 48	
		\$147 63

NON-RESIDENT.

Frank I. Brown	\$2 80	
Mrs. G. A. Brown	3 50	
		\$6 30

D. W. Berry, collector, commitment of 1910 :

H. W. Berry	\$31 10
Isaac Barrett estate	15 11
I. H. Beals	30 30
J. L. Berry	8 47
F. W. Brown	53 97
E. L. Buck	5 63
F. W. Danforth	10 26
Walter Danforth	2 00
C. F. Eaton	5 86
Mrs. C. F. Eaton	14 50
Nathan Flagg	1 25
C. W. Getchell	4 90
L. A. Getchell	6 35
John Fornier	2 00
Willis Hammond	12 38
John S. Hammond	28 28
C. W. Hanscom, or W. I. White	23 20
W. W. Holman	17 23
H. A. Holt	10 70
Emery Hutchinson	56 11
F. S. Hutchinson	15 78
O. V. Hutchinson	10 00
Will Hutchinson	2 00
Ivus Hutchinson	2 00
Albion Judkins	2 00
Eastman Judkins	5 54
S. D. Kittredge estate	11 60
Tama Lamb	2 90
Harold Martin	2 00
L. P. Mason	16 68
I. A. Mitchell	43 88
Charles Pratt	9 43
Walter N. Pratt	2 00
Carroll Sampson	14 45
Sumner Savage	17 08
E. H. Staples	29 41

Victor Staples	\$ 2 00	
Geo. Virgin	4 81	
Webb's River Grange Corporation	20 30	
O. E. Whitney	2 73	
Warren Pettengill	25 76	
		\$581 97

NON-RESIDENT.

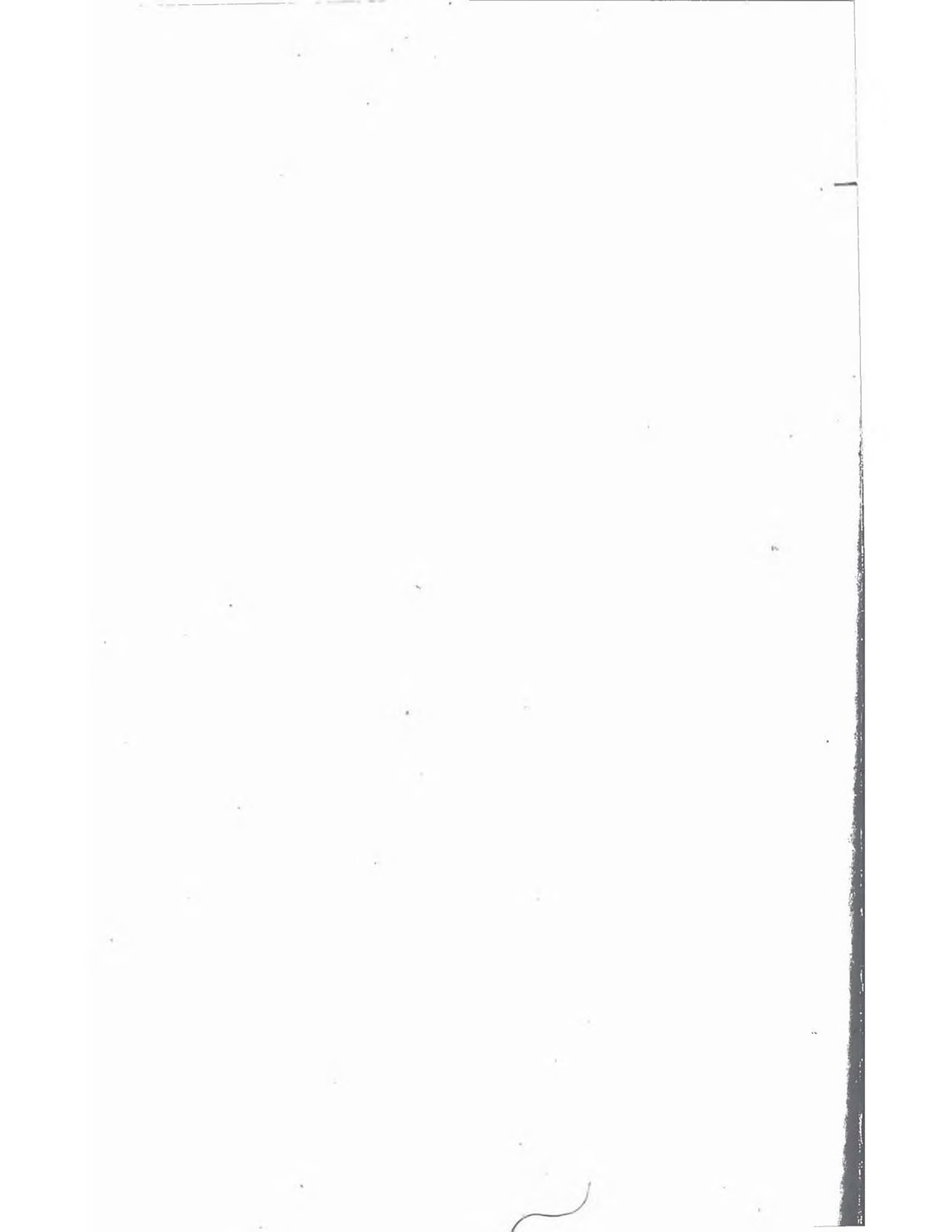
Asa Brown	\$3 48	
Frank I. Brown	2 90	
Mrs. Geo. A. Brown	3 63	
Frank Chase	1 16	
Geo. Childs	1 74	
H. W. Cook	2 90	
Will Cushman	87	
E. P. Judkins	21 75	
C. R. Hall	7 25	
Lulu Marble	2 90	
Mrs. Lucy Sampson	5 80	
Mrs. G. H. Sanders	19 90	
G. A. Severy	2 00	
H. J. Whitney	11 08	
		\$87 36

Respectfully submitted,

L. S. LIBBY, } *Selectmen*
 CHAS. BROWN, } *of*
 F. W. SMITH, } *Carthage.*

D. W. Berry has collected and has in his possession the following amounts under the 1909 commitment :

Warren Pettengill	\$25 76	
Frank W. Brown	42 50	
		\$68 26



TREASURER'S REPORT.

E. C. McLain in account with the Town of Carthage, for the year 1910.

Dr.

To cash in treasury, Feb. 23, 1910	\$516 01
Apr. 1, rec'd of D. W. Berry, Jos. Fornier tax deed	13 20
Apr. 15, rec'd dog license refund on State tax	33 51
May 19, rec'd of E. R. Berry on dog license	15 00
June 2, " " " " "	21 00
June 8, rec'd of L. S. Libby on dog license	4 00
June 22, rec'd of L. S. Libby, dynamite, caps and fuse	48
Sept. 13, rec'd of town of Weld, tuition on Rounds children	9 00
Oct. 17, rec'd of State, on account of State paupers	67 94
Nov. 16, rec'd of L. S. Libby, for one crowbar	1 00
Dec. 21, rec'd of State, damage to domestic animals, 1909	60 00
1911.	
Jan. 5, rec'd of State, State road account	396 65
Feb. 14, rec'd of town of Weld, tuition on Rounds children	9 50
Feb. 17, rec'd of Thurston Jones, tax deed	3 39
Feb. 17, rec'd of Chas. Brown, for cement	60
Feb. 18, rec'd of I. T. Hutchinson, balance due	2 00
Rec'd loan from Rumford Falls Trust Co.	1,000 00
W. E. Hutchinson, collector, 1904	45 92
H. W. Berry, " 1905	48 35
E. H. Staples " 1906	112 92
D. W. Berry " 1908	99 04
D. W. Berry " 1909	372 36
D. W. Berry " 1910	3,736 79
	\$6,568 66

Cr.

By paid county tax	\$ 212 50
On dog license	40 00
State tax	33 31
Orders drawn by Selectmen	5,041 34
Cash in treasury Feb. 18, 1911	1,241 31
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	\$6,568 66

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONER.

For the municipal year ending February 18, 1911.

ORDERS DRAWN ON SELECTMEN.

Luther Hutchinson, for spikes	\$ 1 02
G. W. Kneeland, for spikes	70
C. L. Dillingham, for wire	2 40
E. E. Adams, for gravel and lumber	1 00
H. G. Thayer, for plank	13 44
A. H. Barnett, for lumber	7 00
E. E. Winter, for plank	57 15
L. S. Libby, for blacksmith work	2 24
Steel culvert and cement	21 33

SUMMER LABOR.

Geo. Eastman	\$ 12 00
E. E. Holt	2 00
Sumner Savage	1 00
Chas. Brown	50
Warren Pettengill	2 35
Eben Burgess	3 00
Geo. Burgess	51 00
A. W. Burgess	297 00
Will Howard	25 50
W. O. Burgess	39 87
G. F. Libby	9 00
Alvah Virgin	29 25
L. E. Judkins	11 87
Ezra Hutchinson	11 82
Herbert Cole	10 50
R. C. Swett	97 00
G. A. Virgin	13 50
H. J. McLoughlin	24 50
Ivus Hutchinson	41 30
O. V. Hutchinson	3 80

I. T. Hutchinson	\$ 6 00
W. W. Holman	73 45
A. E. Burgess	95 43
C. E. White .	3 50
E. C. McLain	35 62
Fred Hammond	9 93
John Hammond	7 32
Henry Welch	7 32
C. P. Sampson	36 00
L. P. Mason	1 25
V. M. Staples	9 55
S. F. Hammond	3 37
	\$1,081 78

BREAKING ROADS IN WINTER 1910-11.

O. V. Hutchinson	\$15 55
H. L. Smith	6 70
Emery Hutchinson	8 55
Geo. Maxwell	10 95
E. E. Winter	15 55
Fred Hammond	1 50
Warren Pettengill	4 80
C. P. Sampson	7 65
John Hammond	8 80
Will Cushman	3 00
A. W. Hammond	3 00
J. L. Berry	38
A. W. Burgess	28 00
I. T. Hutchinson	15 00
Wallace Coburn	2 00
E. C. McLain	17 58
A. E. Burgess	5 25
E. C. Judkins	2 00
A. W. Tainter	13 44
R. C. Swett	14 80
	\$184 50

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. BURGESS, *Road Commissioner.*

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Carthage:

The following returns of births, marriages and deaths, for the year 1910-11, in the town of Carthage, have been made to this office.

BIRTHS.

- 1910.
- May 12 To the wife of F. H. McLain, a daughter, 3d child.
July 19 To the wife of H. L. Rand, a son, 6th child.
Aug. 8 To Winnie Hutchinson, a son, 1st child.
Aug. 17 To the wife of W. N. Pratt, a son, 3d child.
Sept. 27 To the wife of E. R. Berry, a son, 1st child.
- 1911.
- Jan. 24 To the wife of E. B. Maxwell, a son, 2d child.

MARRIAGES.

- 1910.
- At Carthage, March 6, by Rev. Stephen Taylor, Geo. W. Brown, of Dixfield, age 21, and Marguerite Staples of Peru, age 17.
At Ridlonville, April 2, by Rev. J. H. Fisher, Hiram Swain Virgin, age 42, and Bertha Lillian Bowen, age 27, both of Carthage.
At Carthage, April 17, by D. W. Berry, J. P., John Hammond of Carthage, age 27, and Lydia Louise Young of Allen, Mich., age 21.
At Upper Frenchville, May 31, by Rev. Thos. Bergeron, Ivus Hutchinson of Carthage, age 33, and Elise Lausier of Upper Frenchville, age 34.
At Carthage, June 30, by Rev. E. W. Webber, Arthur N. Stowell of Dixfield, age 26, and Lila G. Rand of Carthage, age 20.
At Weld, July 20, by Rev. David T. Burgh, Hiram Willis Berry of Carthage, age 46, and Etta Dorey Hirtle of Weld, age 23.
At Wilton, November 1, by Rev. L. S. Williams, Will Evander Ranger, age 25, and Matilda Jane Phinney, both of Carthage.

DEATHS.

1910.

April 5, Lila Berry, age 42 years, 2 m., 2 d. Cause of death, exophthalmic goitre, heart failure at child birth.

August 12, Baby Hutchinson, age 3 days. Cause of death, premature birth.

October 1, Charlotte C. Robertson, age 89 years, 8 m., 9 d. Cause of death, pneumonia following fracture neck of fumer.

October 17, Wyman Vose Tainter, age 88 years, 9 m., 17 d. Cause of death, gastric carcinom.

November 19, Florence Winnifred Beals, age 4 years, 9 m., 7 d. Cause of death, accidentally thrown from wagon, injuring the lungs.

December 22, Jacob G. Murch, age 85 years, 5 m., 21 d. Cause of death arteriosclerosis and gangrene of the foot.

1901.

January 24, Mary Tainter, age 76 years, 4 m., 4 d. Cause of death, cerebral hemorrhage.

January 19, Winnifred Pratt, age 30 years, 28 d. Cause of death, asthma, with acute dilation of heart, renewal and cardiac complication.

E. R. BERRY, *Town Clerk.*

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Board of Carthage:

In compliance with the laws of our State I submit the following report.

STATISTICS, 1910-11.

	SCHOOL	TEACHER	No. Weeks	Wages and Board	No. Pupils	Average
Spring Term:	Stickney Corner,	Harriette Berry	9	\$7 00	10	8
	Potter,	Elva Maxwell	9	6 00	12	10.3
	Berry Mills,	Cora White	9	8 00	21	16.6
	Newman,	Angenette Cox	9	7 00	10	9.2
Fall Term:	Stickney Corner,	Gertrude Berry	10	7 00	5	4.4
	Potter,	Grace Brown	10	7 00	10	6.6
	Berry Mills,	Cora White	10	8 00	20	18.1
	Newman,	Ida Snowman	10	6 00	6	5.7
Winter Term:	Stickney Corner,	Lizzie Howland	9	6 00	4	3.5
	Potter,	Grace Dunning	9	7 50	8	7.4
	Berry Mills,	Cora White	9	8 00	17	15.5
	Newman,	Gladys Wright	9	7 50		

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

			Per. Mo.		
Spring Term:	Geo. Ashworth	10	60 00	28	24
Fall Term:	Geo. Ashworth	10	60 00	27	23.5
Winter Term:	Geo. Ashworth	10	60 00	27	20

The pupils in all of the schools have made good progress in their studies and I believe have done thorough work.

I would recommend a much larger appropriation for the repair of schoolhouses, as the buildings at Stickney Corner, Storer Hill, and Newman schools need considerable repairs inside; and I think it would be wise to equip them with modern desks if we are to continue to use them as schools. All of the schoolrooms need window shades, and there will be some minor repairs.

The schools have been furnished with new grammars and a large number of other text-books; but there will have to be some purchases made, especially of geographies, during the coming year.

I wish to urge the parents to give more thought to our schools, to *visit* them frequently, and by this means, not only encourage the teachers and scholars, but keep in closer touch with the schools. I believe that this will do more to improve our schools than any other one thing which we can do.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. SMITH, *Superintendent.*

Carthage, Maine, Feb. 18, 1911.