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Treasurer and Other Officers of the Town of  
Bridgewater For the Municipal Year Ending March  
13, 1919

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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER AND  
OTHER OFFICERS

OF THE

## TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

FOR THE

### MUNICIPAL YEAR

ENDING MARCH 13, 1919

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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

# Town of Bridgewater

Maine

FOR THE YEAR

1918-19



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## TOWN OFFICERS

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Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

H. G. STACKPOLE

B. C. SLIPP

E. W. FULTON

Town Clerk

R. J. KIMBALL

Town Treasurer

F. W. SNOW

Superintending School Committee

A. M. STACKPOLE, Jr.

GEORGE PARKS

E. H. JACKSON

Auditor of Accounts

HARVEY A. TOMPKINS

Inspector of Weights and Measures

F. W. SNOW

Town Agent

E. E. MILLIKEN

Collector of Taxes

GEO. A. BARRETT

Road Commissioner

M. S. RIDEOUT

Board of Health

E. O. COLLINS

E. H. JACKSON, M. D.

HARVEY A. TOMPKINS

Town Constables

GEORGE A. BARRETT

Funeral Directors

I. V. DURGIN

R. J. KIMBALL

M. A. BURTT

J. H. SLIPP

Sextons

JARVIS KILCOLLINS

HOWARD LEWIS

**REPORT OF SELECTMEN OF BRIDGEWATER  
ASSESSORS REPORT**

A statement of the inventory and valuation of the taxable property and polls, as found in the Town of Bridgewater, April 1st, 1918. It being a copy of our returns to the State Assessors.

Real estate, resident	\$381,220.00	
Real estate, non-resident	65,478.00	
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		\$446,698.00
Personal estate, resident	\$114,860.00	
Personal estate, non-resident	4,045.00	
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		\$118.905.00
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Total valuation		\$565,603.00
No. of Polls 302.		

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**SCHEDULE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Live stock	No.	Av. Val.	Total Val.
Horses	464	\$84.00	\$39,620.00
Colts, 3 to 4	17	85.00	1,445.00
Colts, 2 to 3	21	60.00	1,250.00
Colts, under 2	7	35.00	245.00
Cows	296	35.00	10,490.00
Three year olds	67	30.00	1,845.00
Two year olds	139	20.00	2,865.00
Sheep, over 35 in no.	61	10.00	610.00
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			\$58,370.00

**ALL OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Bank stock, 94 shares	\$ 9,400.00
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Carriages 44	1,330.00	
Automobiles, 78	23,915.00	
Musical instruments, 38	3,800.00	
Material in stock	500.00	
Pole line	1,800.00	
Machinery not taxed as real estate	550.00	
Total amount		\$60,535.00
Amount of live stock brought forward		58,370.00
Total amount of personal property		\$118,905.00
1 year olds 167	\$13.00	\$2,240.00
Sheep 436	12.00	5,405.00
Swine 198	16.00	3,140.00
		\$10,785.00

### REGULAR ASSESSMENT, 1918

On the above polls and estates as per warrant from the State treasurer and Country treasurer and as per vote of the Town at the annual meeting held March 25th, 1918, the following assessment was made:

State tax	\$3,134.66
County tax	767.23
Support of schools	3,500.00
Support of poor and miscellaneous accts.	2,500.00
Repairs on school buildings	800.00
School text books	600.00
Free high school	1,250.00
Roads and bridges	2,500.00
State aid road	533.00
State highway	475.00
Street lights	200.00

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Town debt and interest	500.00	
Superintendent of schools	230.50	
Morse road, so-called	300.00	
Band	100.00	
Tuberculosis	60.00	
Overlay	423.70	
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		\$17,874.09
Supplementary tax		30.00
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Total		\$17,904.09
Tax rate on \$1.00, .03.		
No. of polls, 302, at \$3.00		\$906.00
No. of polls not taxed 6		
Tax on real and personal estate, including the overlay.		

H. G. STACKPOLE,  
B. C. SLIPP,  
E. W. FULTON,  
Assessors of Bridgewater.

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**COMMON SCHOOLS**

**TEACHERS' WAGES**

Christina Ricker	\$ 60.00
Bessie Burt	\$162.50
Jessie Webster	535.00
Hittie McIntyre	600.00
Isabelle Garcelon	565.20
George Hallowell	159.00
Winifred Bradstreet	495.00
Ethel Stackpole	446.50
Edith Stackpole	432.50
Annie Lawrence	231.00
Bessie Baston	268.00
Jennie Sennett	69.00



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Forrest Bradstreet 156.80

156.80  
\$4,180.50

Stock in trade 17,940.00

Logs and Lumber 1,300.00

JANITOR

Myron Beales \$ 22.25

Ernest Mersereau 10.00

Charles Black 2.50

Jarvis Kilcollins 348.00

E. O. Collins 259.45

Charles Morse 3.75

Adolphus Kingsbury 5.00

Herman McIntyre 22.50

George Hallowell 26.50

Ethel Stackpole 14.00

Bessie Burt 11.00

Rose McDonald 2.00

G. G. Kinney 7.60

Bessie Baston 21.50

Hilda Farley 9.52

Stanley Davis 1.50

156.80  
\$767.07

FUEL

Charles Shaw \$ 6.00

R. W. Scott 3.00

A. M. Stackpole 437.60

Charles Simonson 207.00

F. W. Snow 4.00

Henry Baston 4.50

C. L. Sharp 25.50

H. G. Morse 762.25

Lester McClary 12.00

Willard Morse 151.00

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Jacob Morse	60.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,672.85

CONVEYANCE

Eva McPherson	\$350.00	
G. W. Parks	90.00	
	<hr/>	\$440.00

Total expenditures, 1918		\$7060.42
March 13, 1918, overdraft		2,962.93

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\$10,023.35

March 25, 1918, appropriation	\$3,500.00	
School mill fund	1,195.33	
Common school fund	1,015.70	
Railroad and telegraph tax	16.75	
Equalization fund	180.00	
Interest on school fund	121.58	

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\$6,029.36

March 13, 1919, overdraft	3,993.99	
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\$10,023.35

**REPAIRS ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS**

Emerson Pryor	\$5.00
L. Percy Waddington	4.00
E. O. Collins	3.75
Frank Bradstreet	33.48
Ralph Everett	.75
Samuel Craig	55.00
T. A. DeCosta	7.00
Della Chase	19.00

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Margaret Kilcollins	20.00	
Mrs. Hattie Burns	4.00	
Jarvis Kilcollins	36.00	
Howard Lewis	6.00	
J. D. Barrett	17.00	
Alonzo Tompkins	3.00	
Alonzo Tompkins	5.00	
George Jameson	10.00	
E. O. Collins	1.50	
Howard Lewis	3.00	
Frank Stackpole	3.00	
W. T. VanWart	.35	
Times Publishing Co.	4.25	
E. M. Smith	14.40	
George Parks	11.00	
F. W. Snow	2.25	
F. W. Snow	9.96	
York & Fenderson	11.09	
Forrest Bradstreet	8.05	
W. T. VanWart	2.50	
R. J. Kimball	34.98	
A. M. Stackpole	38.97	
T. A. DeCosta	8.00	
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		\$1,068.48
Unexpended, March 13, 1919	686.20	
Appropriation, March 25, 1918	800	
Equalization fund	160.00	
Unexpended, March 13, 1918	108.48	
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		\$1,068.48

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

T. A. DeCosta	\$ 5.50
T. A. DeCosta	25.00
T. A. DeCosta	38.00

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T. A. DeCosta	19.00
T. A. DeCosta	19.00
T. A. DeCosta	38.00
T. A. DeCosta	38.00
T. A. DeCosta	10.00
T. A. DeCosta	1.00

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\$193.50

Unexpended bal., March 13, 1918 8.53

Overdraft, March 13, 1918 28.47

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\$230.50

Appropriation, March 25, 1918

\$230.50

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**TEXT BOOKS**

Overdraft, March 13, 1918	\$191.63
C. M. Rice Paper Co.	8.75
Donald Smith, express	.65
Little, Brown & Co.	21.60
Stackpole & Good	5.75
Allyn & Bacon	6.80
Milton, Bradley Co.	20.19
D. C. Heath Co.	30.88
Rand McNally Co.	3.11
D. Appleton Co.	10.12
Silver Burdett Co.	19.87
Benjamin Sanborn	20.60
A. M. Palmer	12.00
T. A. DeCosta	4.10
D. H. Knowlton	3.00
World Book Co.	20.73
Ginn & Co.	98.07
J. L. Hammett & Co.	37.67

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Total

\$515.52

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Unexpended balance Mar. 13, 1919	84.48	
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		\$600.00
Appropriation, March 25, 1918		\$600.00

**FREE HIGH SCHOOL**

Treasurer, B. C. Academy	\$1,000.00	
Unexpended, March 13, 1919	2,849.88	
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		\$3,849.88
Appropriation, March 25, 1918	\$1,250.00	
Unexpended, March 13, 1918	2,099.88	
State fund	500.00	
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		\$3,849.88

**BRIDGEWATER BAND**

Appropriation, March 25, 1918	\$100.00	
Bridgewater band		\$100.00

**STATE ROAD**

March 13, 1918, overdraft	\$238.15	
Beecher McNinch	15.00	
Glenn McKinnon	15.00	
Jarvis Kilcollins	13.50	
Henry Barker	15.00	
Mathais McDonald	22.50	
Wesley McNinch	15.00	
Emerson Nickerson	15.00	
Robert Warke	30.00	
Lynwood Black	10.00	

Lynwood Black	9.00	
William Black	12.00	
Robert Warke	30.00	
Mathais McDonald	6.00	
Jarvis Kilcollins	7.50	
Adelbert Fletcher	48.00	
M. S. Rideout	35.00	
Emerson Nickerson	13.50	
Perley Jameson	9.00	
Arthur Collins	76.50	
J. W. Fulton	45.30	
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		\$1,566.95
Appropriation, March 25, 1918	\$533.00	
Overdraft, March 13, 1919	326.98	
From State	706.97	
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		\$1,566.95

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**ROADS & BRIDGES**

Ernest Harvey	\$12.75
John H. Nelson	13.40
A. M. Stackpole	22.50
Bert Ackerson	27.00
John Greer	6.25
Scholey Kingsbury	7.50
Guy Kingsbury	8.75
Harry McIntyre	8.23
Clarence Farley	6.75
G. K. Davidson	17.25
Max Packard	22.50
Den Barrett	46.00
Guy Kingsbury	7.50
Theodore Parks	1.50
Palmer Stiles	4.50

Fred White	27.50
Bert Tidd	4.50
George Packard	15.00
E. D. Packard	3.00
Archie Finnemore	6.00
Edgar Brown	11.96
Herman McIntyre	2.50
Bert Ackerson	9.90
John W. Fulton	11.50
Henry Holmes	10.65
Henry Holmes	10.00
H. W. Baston	47.00
Frank Bradbury	3.00
Waldo Brown	1.50
Fred Morse	11.25
Earl McKinnon	17.00
Eric Stiles	2.50
Herman McIntyre	24.50
Ernest Harvey	21.65
M. S. Rideout	12.50
I. V. Durgin	98.20
S. J. Hartley	7.00
Joseph Welch	10.00
Harold Beales	2.50
Fred Kimball	5.25
G. G. Kinney	12.00
George Holmes	10.00
Sumner Harvey	3.37
George A. Barrett	3.40
Edgar Brown	3.75
Herman McIntyre	12.50
Bert Ackerson	6.00
Charles Murphy	0.00
Walter Good	6.00
Halden Ketchum	33.50
Arthur Morse	25.50
J. F. Bradstreet	51.87

Bert McDonald	8.00
W. E. Brewer	9.00
Lester McClary	10.00
O. A. Pryor	18.00
Ellie Packard	33.50
Bert Slipp	10.00
Bert Slipp	6.00
Henry Holmes	57.00
L. O. Parks	18.00
Henry Baston	59.00
O. A. Pryor	10.50
Forrest Bradstreet	38.13
Bert Ackerson	13.50
M. S. Rideout	15.00
B. J. Nelson	35.00
George Packard	37.35
Edgar Brown	6.00
E. C. Barrett	15.00
Charles Shaw	35.00
Stanley DeLong	15.00
Sam Murphy	7.50
A. W. Packard	64.50
E. D. Packard	9.00
Wesley McNinch	25.00
G. G. Kinney	32.00
Fred Nickerson	15.50
Joshua Morse	15.00
Whit Hallett	4.50
Ernest Harvey	18.00
Emerson Pryor	37.39
Ernest McKinnon	15.00
Winnie Sargent	8.50
John DeLong	15.00
J. S. Welch	13.50
S. J. Hartley	48.50
Clifford Burns	16.00
Tom Bridges	10.50



Fred Rideout	63.00
Harold Beales	3.50
Harold Beales	10.00
Robert Warke	32.00
Glen McKinnon	16.50
Beecher McNinch	15.00
Henry Barker	18.00
Wesley McNinch	18.00
Mathais McDonald	18.00
Lynwood Black	15.50
Henry Welch	30.00
Beecher McNinch	6.00
Glenn McKinnon	6.00
Jarvis Kilcollins	21.00
Mathais McDonald	6.00
J. W. Fulton	25.00
M. S. Rideout	25.00
E. C. Barrett	112.00
Mathais McDonald	18.00
James Wright	45.00
Jarvis Kilcollins	15.00
Fred Rideout	57.00
Glenn McKinnon	16.50
Beecher McNinch	18.00
J. W. Fulton	65.00
Henry Welch	12.00
Emerson Nickerson	48.00
Robert Warke	16.50
Henry Barker	3.00
M. S. Rideout	62.50
William Black	54.50
Edward Edmunds, Sr.	36.50
Jarvis Kilcollins	8.00
James Wright	18.00
Glenn McKinnon	18.00
Roy McNinch	16.50
Mathais McDonald	18.00

Isaiah Kinney	20.20
Fred Rideout	3.00
C. H. Shaw	39.50
Glenwood Bridges	4.50
B. F. Hartley	37.50
Alfred Trecarton	4.50
Abner McNinch	7.50
Willard Morse	17.50
Joshua Morse	10.50
Geoffrey Delong	17.50
John Delong	10.50
Jacob Morse	2.50
Guy Kingsbury	7.50
A. Kingsbury	9.00
B. J. Nelson	18.00
Joshua Morse	5.50
Harrison McNinch	6.00
Charles Hallett	6.00
Carl Shaw	22.00
Abner McNinch	6.00
Henry Hartley	10.00
F. C. Burns	24.00
Charles Hallett	6.00
C. H. Shaw	24.00
Gilbert Kinney	12.00
Charles Hallett	7.50
Charles Shaw	18.50
Carl Shaw	5.00
Gilbert Kinney	32.50
Charles Shaw	32.50
Barney Carmichael	33.00
Henry Hartley	22.50
J. A. Pryor	27.00
Edward Nichols	84.00
C. E. Farley	20.00
Whit Hallett	6.00
E. E. Milliken	8.05

Henry Welch	7.00
J. I. Welch	10.00
M. J. Raymond	38.00
Fred Cook	30.00
M. A. Burt	20.00
J. W. Nichols	21.65
Norman Brown	13.50
Willard Morse	10.00
Burton McDonald	5.00
Isaiah Kinney	4.60
John Hallett	10.50
Tom Bridges	9.00
Earl McDonald	7.50
J. H. DeLong	27.50
Joshua Morse	3.00
Geoffrey DeLong	22.50
F. W. Snow	21.60
Fred White	46.00
George Carmichael	5.50
W. T. Van Wart	23.75
Fred Morse	9.00
H. G. Morse	10.50
H. G. Morse	30.00
H. G. Morse	10.50
H. G. Morse	6.00
G. W. Hartley	13.75
William Black	6.50
G. W. Parks	7.50
Charles F. Whited	44.75
G. K. Davidson	31.25
Bert Ackerson	24.25
George Packard	12.50
F. A. Burns	9.00
I. V. Durgin	101.75
Lynwood Black	5.00
S. J. Hartley	40.00

George Pryor	36.00
Howard McPherson	26.00
W. E. Black	20.00
Warren Parks	6.25
J. M. Lyons	3.00
J. F. Bradstreet	33.00
Bert Ackerson	22.00
Adolphus Kingsbury	8.75
H. W. Baston	7.00
E. O. Harvey	30.00
E. E. Pryor	52.00
H. G. Morse	15.00
J. C. Burt	3.75
John Fulton	14.00
R. J. Kimball	1.62
A. M. Stackpole	4.85
Joshua Morse	22.50
E. W. Fulton	11.00
Robert Warke	20.00

Unexpended March 13, 1918	\$326.91
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\$3330.61

Appropriated March 25, 1918	2500.00
Received from State	100.50

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 \$2927.41

Overdraft March 13, 1919	403.20
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 \$3330.61

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**MAINTENANCE OF HIGHWAYS**

Overdraft March 13, 1918	\$114.00
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Treasurer of State	524.00
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 \$638.00

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Appropriated March 25, 1918	\$475.00
Overdraft March 12, 1919	163.00
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	\$638.00

**SNOW PLOW**

Unexpended March 14, 1918	\$65.00	....
Expended	50.00	
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Unexpended balance, March 12, 1919		\$15.00

**PAUPER ACCOUNT  
JANE MERSEREAU**

Fred Hotham	\$8.00	
H. G. Morse	24.00	
F. W. Snow	11.85	
Stackpole & Good	52.05	
J. H. Farley	61.35	
Warren Parks	12.00	
H. G. Morse	40.50	
G. W. Parks	8.00	
E. H. Jackson	12.50	
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		\$230.25

**CHARLES LONDON**

Charles London	\$196.00	\$196.00
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**JOHN DAY**

Stackpole & Good	\$156.89	
J. H. Farley	12.75	
Joe Weithers	30.00	
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		\$199.64

## CLARENCE HARRINGTON

E. H. Jackson	\$85.00	\$85.00
MRS, ELIZA SMITH		
J. H. Farley	\$3.75	
W. B. Crowell	5.00	
F. W. Snow	31.00\	
Howard Lewis	6.00	
E. H. Jackson	6.00	\$51.75
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To miscellaneous account		\$762.64

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**MISCELLANEOUS**

Total pauper accounts to miscellaneous account	762.64
A. M. Stackpole, expense and postage	10.10
Doherty & Tompkins, services to town	5.30
F. W. Snow, supplies, weights and measures	3.25
George S. Gentle & Co., insurance	73.80
H. A. Tompkins, moderator at town meeting	3.00
H. A. Tompkins, services as auditor, 1918	10.00
Times Pub. Co., printing town reports	50.00
Loring, Short & Harmon, town supplies	23.98
Frank Bradstreet, repairs on town hall	1.23
Jarvis Kilcollins, work on graveyard	10.00
L. Percy Waddington, printing stationery and books	5.50
Alonzo Tompkins, trucking for town hall	1.50
A. A. McPhetres, duty on brick	8.45
Martin Wheeler, labor on town hall chimney	10.00

Berry Estabrooks, brick for town hall chimney	45.00
Joseph Bradbury, labor on town hall chimney	42.00
Martin Wheeler, labor on chimney	14.00
William Green, labor on town hall chimney	6.00
George S. Gentle, insurance	89.00
J. A. Pryor, hauling brick and sand	30.00
T. A. DeCosta, telephone	7.00
Treasurer of State, dog tax	50.00
Barry Estabrooks, brick for town	37.00
C. L. Sharp, lumber	3.50
Loring, Short & Harmon, town supplies	9.50
Hovey & Porter, insurance	55.20
John Sargent, trip to Houlton	8.00
John Sargent, boarding masons	7.00
Howard Sargent, sheep killed by dogs	25.00
E. W. Fulton, services as selectman, 1918	50.00
B. C. Slipp, services as selectman, 1918	50.00
R. J. Kimball, expense and postage	1.15
R. J. Kimball, services as clerk	30.00
E. H. Jackson, recording births and deaths	8.75
A. M. Stackpole, town chimney supplies	18.94
F. W. Snow, services as treasurer	50.00
F. W. Snow, expense and postage	10.00
E. W. Fulton, Ami Miller to Bangor	37.80
G. A. Barrett, trip to Houlton	16.00
Doherty & Tompkins, Ami Millar acc.	20.00
H. G. Stackpole, services as selectman 1918	200.00
G. A. Barrett, services as collector of	

taxes, 1917	200.00	
A. M. Stackpole, Sr., services as Treasurer, 1917.	50.00	
S. J. Hartley, services, 1917	30.00	
W. L. Milliken, services, 1917	30.00	
E. W. Fulton, services, 1917	20.00	
M. S. Rideout, services, 1917	20.00	
G. A. Barrett, posting warrant	9.00	
G. A. Barrett, per centage on 1917 tax	71.32	
G. A. Barrett, balance of percentage on 1917 tax	256.00	
John Nelson	6.50	
Interest on school fund	121.58	
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		\$2,713.99
March 13, 1918, overdraft		193.44
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		\$2,907.43
March 25, 1918, appropriation	\$2,500.00	
March 13, 1919, overdraft	407.43	
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		\$2,907.43

**STATE AID FOR DEPENDENT FAMILIES OF  
SOLDIERS AND SAILORS**

Mrs. Edgar Dobson	\$88.00
Mrs. Elwood Esty	16.00
Mrs. Edgar Dobson	32.00
Mrs. Elwood Esty	16.00
Mrs. John W. Shaw	16.00
Mrs. Edgar Dobson	16.00
Mrs. John W. Shaw	48.00
Mrs. Edgar Dobson	32.00



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Mrs. Elwood Esty	48.00
Mrs. Edgar Dobson	10.03
Mrs. John W. Shaw	4.66
Mrs. Elwood Esty	6.28
Mrs. Edgar Dobson	16.00
Mrs. John Shaw	1.05
Mrs. Elwood Esty	1.14

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\$351.16

Due the State 13.96

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Received from State

\$365.12

\$365.12

### STREET LIGHTS

Bridgewater Electric Co.	\$269.60
March 13, 1919, unexpended	28.84

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\$298.44

March 13, 1918, unexpended	\$98.44
Appropriation, March 25, 1918	200.00

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\$298.44

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated, March 14, 1916	\$500.00
Unexpended, March 13, 1919	

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\$500.00

### CAGE, LOCKUP

Appropriated, March 17, 1916	\$75.00
Unexpended, March 13, 1919	

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\$75.00

**MORSE ROAD, SO-CALLED**

Appropriated, March 25, 1918	\$300.00	
Unexpended, March 13, 1919		\$300.00

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**TANNERY STREET, SO-CALLED**

Appropriated, March 26, 1917	\$1,000	
Unexpended, March 13, 1919		\$986.65

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**TUBERCULOSIS**

Appropriation, March 25, 1918	\$60.00	
Unexpended, March 13, 1919		\$60.00

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**STATE ROAD REPAIRS**

William Green	\$226.50	
Forrest Bradstreet	\$39.00	
J. F. Bradstreet	127.80	
Jerry Lyons	90.00	
James Williams	51.00	
Walter Good	27.00	
		\$561.30
Received from State	\$552.12	
Due from State	9.18	
		\$561.30

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**TOWN INTEREST**

Franklin Bradstreet	\$ 50.00	
E. E. Milliken	255.00	
Unexpended, March 13, 1919	195.00	
		\$500.00

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Appropriated, March 25, 1918

\$500.00

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**LIABILITIES**

Outstanding town orders

\$7,160.12

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**ASSETS**

Cash on hand in treasury \$7, 142.30

Amount due on 1918 tax 494.08

Due from State on dog tax 50.00

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\$7,686.38

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**OTHER TOWN PROPERTY**

Town Hall \$ 4,000.00

High School building 10,000.00

New school house 5,000.00

Six school buildings 3,500.00

Books on hand 1,000.00

Engine house 500.00

Lockup 600.00

Fire engine and house 100.00

Road machine and scrapers 400.00

Snow plows, two 100.00

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\$25,200

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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

To balance, 1918 \$ 5,157.57

Gorge A. Barrett, 1917 tax 898.68

George A. Barrett, 1918 tax 17,476.01

Dog tax 50.00

School and Mill fund 1,195.33

Common school fund 1,015.70

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Railroad and telegraph tax	16.75	
State pensions	141.00	
Free high school	500.00	
State road maintenance	100.50	
State aid road repairs	552.12	
Improvement of State roads	706.97	
Cash loan	1,000	
State equalization fund	340.00	
Theatre Company, rent of town hall	193.34	
Aid for dependent families of soldiers and sailors	365.12	
George A. Barrett, for brick	6.30	
Interest on school fund	121.58	
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		\$29,836.97

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CREDITS

County tax	\$ 767.23	
State tax	3,134.66	
Dog license deficiency for 1917	57.00	
State pensions	141.00	
Town orders	18,594.78	
Amount due town	7,142.30	
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		\$29,836.97

FRED W. SNOW,  
Treasurer.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

	Raised last yr.	Recommended
State tax	\$3,134.66	
County tax	767.23	
Pauper account and misc. bills	2,500.00	2,500.00
Common schools	3,500.00	3,500.00

Repairs on schools buildings	800.00	
Text books	600.00	600.00
Free high school	1,250.00	
Supt. of schools	230.50	230.50
Roads, bridges and sidewalks	2,500.00	2,500.00
Recommend that we raise \$1,000.00 for sidewalks in village.		
Street lights	200.00	200.00
State aid for highways	533.00	533.00
Band	100.00	100.00
Maintenance of roads	475.00	500.00
Town debt and interest	500.00	500.00

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### AUDITOR'S REPORT

I certify that I have carefully examined the books of the town officials of the town of Bridgewater and find them correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HARVEY A. TOMPKINS,

Auditor.

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### UNPAID TAXES ON 1918 TAX

Arbo, Mrs. Herbert	\$ 7.80
Britton, D. F.	3.00
Burns, Charles	19.20
Bernstein, Jacob	3.00
Bridges, Thomas	3.00
Clark, Elvin	3.00
DeLong, John H.	135.60
Farley, Clarence	31.80
Green, William	3.00
Hallet, Whitfield	4.80
Hartley, Emerson	3.75
Hartley, Alonzo, minor	3.00

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Hartley, Lee	3.00
Ketchum, Halden, minor	3.00
Lewis, Charles E.	55.65
Lyons, Jerry	17.80
Lewis Gordon, minor	3.00
Lewis, Watson	3.00
MacDonald, John	7.65
MacNinch, Charles, paid in Dyer Brook	5.25
Parks, Henry	7.73
Perrigo, Warren L.	5.60
Perrigo, R. L.	39.60
Robinson, Almond	48.15
Raymond, Adelbert	6.00
Shaw, E. E.	20.45
Smith, E. R., paid in Dyer Brook	3.00
Tompkins, Henry	5.40
Wheeler, Martin	3.00
Wright, James	24.15
Shaw, Leonard	7.20
Dickerson, Norman	4.50

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\$494.08

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**ABATEMENTS ON 1917 TAX**

Arbo estate	\$8.06
Brewer, Roy, minor	3.00
Backon, Arthur, not here	3.00
Brown, E. M., in army service	3.00
Brewer, Elwood, minor	3.00
Bully, Beecher, in army service	3.00
Brooker, Rankin, not here	3.00
Clark, Clarence, not here	3.00
Galloupe, William, deceased	3.00
Hartley, Theodore, paid in home town	3.00

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Peterson, George, deceased	3.00
Lincount, Alfred, not here	3.00
Shaw, Roy, in army service	3.00
Hearn, James O., not here	3.00

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\$47.06

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### REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Selectmen of the Town of Bridgewater:

The Board of Health of the town of Bridgewater respectfully submits its annual report for the year ending March 15th, 1919.

The first half of the past year was very free from contagious diseases, but about the first of October the Spanish influenza appeared in town and for about ten weeks we had our work all cut out for us, but by closing the schools and all places of public gathering we held it down to about three hundred cases and only two deaths, which we think is a lower percentage of fatal cases than any other town can show. There have been, all winter, and are yet, some few cases and some quite bad ones but it is slowly dying out.

In October we had an outbreak of diptheria but by strict quarantine and fumigation it was confined to one house.

We don't feel that we can close this report until we have again called the attention of all good citizens to the necessity of cleaning up around their buildings as soon as the snow is gone, burn all that will burn and bury the rest; clean all out-houses at least twice each year and be ready for inspection before hot weather.

H. A. TOMPKINS,

E. H. JACKSON, M. D.

E. O. COLLINS,

Board of Health.

**MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS FOR THE YEAR  
1918**

R. J. KIMBALL, TOWN CLERK

**MARRIAGES**

1918

- Feb. 23 Guard W. Weeks and Nettie P. Pryor.  
Mar. 2 Marion A. Friend to Violet A. Currier  
March 13 Ralph Murphy and Rhoda Hartley.  
May. 1 Alden Ketchum and Alice English.  
May. 13 Elmer A. Green and Nettie Tompkins.  
June 26 Julius H. Corey and Velma Morse.  
Aug. 14 John L. Clark and Myrtie Lewis.  
Oct. 7 Harry H. Joslyn and Sophia Delong.

**BIRTHS**

1918

- Jan. 12 Mrs. D. E. Barrett, a son.  
July 1 Mrs. Beecher McNinch, a daughter.  
July 22 Mrs. Byron Carmichel, a son.  
Aug. 4 Mrs. Fred J. Jameson, a son.  
Aug. 11 Mrs. L. O Parks, a son.  
Sept. 4 Mrs. Glenn Sharp, a daughter.  
Sept. 25 Mrs. Geo. R. Bradbury, a son.  
Oct. 7 Mrs. L. E. Trafford, a daughter.  
Oct. 9 Mrs. Warren Parks, a son.  
Oct. 20 Mrs. Henry Holmes, a daughter.  
Oct. 22 Mrs. J. W. Nichols, a son.  
Nov. 7 Mrs. Fred Rideout, a daughter.  
Dec. 2 Mrs. Blake Saunders, a daughter.

**DEATHS**

1918

- Jan. 15 Annie S. Raymond, age one year and 1 mo.  
Mar. 17 Ralph J. Pryor, 8 yrs, 11 mo.  
April 12 Katherine Baston, age 9 days.  
April 30 Esther McDonald, age 88 years.



- June 19 Ada A. Perkins, age 64 years and 9 mos.  
July 2 Mary A. Hallett, age 88 years and 8 mos.  
July 20 Eliza E. Smith, age 65 years.  
Aug. 5 Lillian A. Webber, age 62 years  
Sep. 2 A. M. Stackpole, age 80 years and 9 mos.  
Sept. 17 Harold Esty, age 4 mo.  
Oct. 16 Minta E. Hagger, age 40 years, 8 mos.  
Nov. 10 Ruth A. McKinnon, age 13 years, 5 mos.  
Nov. 13 Letitia Cronkite, age 78 years and 2 mos.  
Dec. 7 Abbie M. Lyons, age 39 years, 11 mos.  
Dec. 13 Matilda Carr, age 70 years.

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### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

To the Trustees, Superintendent of Schools and the citizens of the Town of Bridgewater.

I submit to you for your consideration the annual report of the Principal of Bridgewater Classical Academy.

The fall term opened October 14th with an enrollment of forty-eight students which is a marked increase over previous years. Owing to the prevalence of the influenza epidemic school was in session only three and one-half days, it being closed until December 30th, consequently there was a loss of the entire fall term. At the beginning of the winter term Miss Cary, the assistant, resigned and Mr. Libby was secured to fill the vacancy. During the term two students left school but a little later two new students registered thereby holding the enrollment at forty-eight.

The students are divided into the following classes:

Seniors—Boys, 2; Girls, 7.

Juniors—Boys, 2; Girls 5.

Sophomores—Boys, 6; Girls, 11.

Freshmen—Boys, 6; Girls, 9.

There are two courses of instruction given in the

school, the College Preparatory Course and the English Course. There are thirty students registered for the English Course and eighteen for the College Preparatory Course.

Upon investigation of the physics laboratory it was learned that there was a great deficiency in apparatus and equipment necessary for a complete course in that science. An order for enough apparatus to meet the minimum requirements for the first term's work was immediately placed but still there is not sufficient supply to allow individual experiments. The laboratory is large enough for the present needs insofar as room is concerned but the part most essential to satisfactory results is lacking—equipment. Although handicapped in this way the classes have completed nearly one-half of the laboratory work required in the full year's work.

The chemical laboratory is in worse condition than the physics laboratory there being no room, besides the deficiency in supplies.

The heating system is very satisfactory. It furnishes plenty of heat and at the same time gives good ventilation. This adds materially to the comforts of a schoolroom which should be equally as comfortable and pleasant as the home. Electric lights are very badly needed in the building owing to the fact that during the last hour of the day in the short days of winter the light hasn't the intensity necessary to insure a continued healthful condition of the eyes, in which a defect might mean absolute failure. This matter is of intrinsic value as a proper lighting system together with a proper system of heating and ventilating makes an ideal schoolroom.

The seats are in bad condition and perhaps it is sufficient to say that if they are given immediate attention they can be repaired at a very slight cost. Students cannot sit in them comfortably unless they are repaired. Being uncomfortable causes them to become restless and consequently they neglect their studies.

The conditions which now exist in the basement menace the health of every male student in the building. This should be cleaned and repaired as soon as possible, as the physical status serves as a foundation for the intellectual development. Satisfactory results cannot be obtained under a continued existence of such conditions. It also lends an unpleasant odor to the building.

The socials have been very well attended by the parents this year, but permit me to say that it does not afford an opportunity for the parents to get correct information concerning the accomplishmentss in the schoolroom nor does it enable them to cooperate with the teachers to the best advantage. However, it gives evidence of interest in the school and I assure you that it is greatly appreciated. I feel confident that an occasional visit by the parents would be beneficial in every respect. It would also arouse a better school spirit.

Whereas it is possible to have only twenty-eight weeks of school and is utterly impossible to do a full year's work in that time I believe that by eliminating the non-essentials and concentrating our energy on the more important elements of each subject the year's work will be deficient only in the details,

Finally, I wish to present another matter of vital importance, attendance. Even at the high school age the student does not realize the value of each day's attainments in school, therefore, the responsibility bears upon the parents. Should each of them insist upon regular attendance, I believe one of the difficult problems of your school would be eliminated.

Respectfully submitted,  
EVERETT S. HIGGINS

## **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

To the Superintending School Committee of the Town of  
Bridgewater:

Gentlemen:

It gives me pleasure to present to you my fourth Annual Report of the condition, progress and needs of the schools of Bridgewater. The work in every department of the school system has this year been greatly handicapped and the length of the school year will necessarily be shortened because of the closing ban that was placed on us by the Board of Health. The harm that it has done to our schools, has not only been in time lost, as our work done in the weeks that we will have had, will not be as much as would have been possible if we had had the school continued in uninterrupted session for the same length of time.

### **TEACHERS**

We were fortunate in being able to retain nearly our entire corps of teachers. Miss Garcelon and Miss Bradstreet returned as principal and teacher in the Grammar School and Miss Webster and Miss McIntyre in the Primary School. Miss Ethel Stackpole returned to her position at the Corner and Miss Edith Stackpole to her position at Bunker Hill.

We have unfortunately been unable to have but very little school in the West Bridgewater District. This was closed early in the year by the order of the Board of Health and after being opened it was again found necessary to close because of non-attendance. At the present time Miss Janice Sennet, the teacher, is ill and it has been impossible to secure a substitute to fill her position. In order to do a year's work in this district it will be necessary to have a summer term and I would recommend that such a plan be carried out.

The quality of instruction during the past year has, I believe been good and an improvement over that of the year

before. The teaching force as a whole has worked faithfully, unselfishly and well. Definite aims have been made and marks attained. Although we have not had a complete course of study to follow but are still using a condensed copy of the proposed State Course, the teachers seem to have a clear understanding of the work required in their particular positions.

The other rural positions have been filled as follows: Boundry, Forrest Bradstreet; Snow Settlement, Miss Christina Ricker and West Bridgewater, Miss Janice Senet.

### CONVEYANCE

Because of the small attendance in the school at the Boston District it was voted by the Committee to convey these pupils to the Bunker Hill School. Mr. George Parks was hired to furnish conveyance. The transportation furnished is of the best, a covered sled heated during the cold weather by an oil stove. It seems that this solution of the problem of a small rural school is giving excellent satisfaction.

This year unless the Town at its annual meeting votes to continue the school at the Corner, a team will have to be provided to carry these pupils to the Center.

The more that we can centralize our school system, the better results we will obtain from the work done. In the rural school the teacher has all grades and can devote on the average only one-sixth of her time to each. In the village school the teacher has only two grades and therefore has half of her time to devote to each. It can be easily seen that the instruction will be better.

If a suitable "rig" can be provided and a competent man hired to drive and care for it, and if the school at the Corner still remains small in numbers, I am sure that carrying them to the school at the Center would be the best solution of this problem.

## REPAIRS

It was voted this year to employ the janitor, Mr. Jarvis Kilcollins during the summer months and he was to work on the repairs and cleaning of the school buildings. This plan has worked very satisfactorily and has I believe been the means of putting our school buildings in better condition than ever before. Every building was scrubbed and cleaned the floors were oiled, the outbuilding cleaned and all repairs of a minor nature were made.

At the Boundry School it was necessary to provide new seats as the old ones were nearly all broken, or worn out. Some new seats were purchased and others were taken from the Corner Buildig. This school room was badly used during the summer vacation. Some vandals entered the building, breaking seats, windows, clock and scattering everything that could be moved about the room. It seems unfortunate that we have people in our community with no greater regard for public property than to destroy it in this manner. It has been impossible by investigation to definitely prove the guilt of the offenders but an attempe was made, and it is the public duty of any citizen who has knowledge of such an offence being committed to inform the town officials as to the identity of the vandals.

The Bunker Hill Building was shingled, both main building and out building. The chimney was repaired.

The seats in the buildings at the Snow Settlement, West Bridgewater and Corner were varnished. New blackboards were placed in the Corner School.

As I have said before our rural buildings are in as good condition as repairs of a temporary nature can make them. Off course some of them could be remodeled to give better sanitary arrangement and better light, but in view of the fact that repairs of rather an expensive nature are needed in the Academy Building it does not seem wise to recommend that any large amount of money be

spent on our rural school houses during the coming year.

The toilets at the Academy are in very bad condition and a new system will have to be provided during the summer. While they are needed at this time still it will be impossible to install them until school is closed and they are not in use. The cisterns need some slight repairing as they now leak.

A gasolene engine has been purchased and installed to pump water from the river to the reservoirs. This was an economical investment as it has not been necessary to carry water and at no time have the closets been without a supply sufficient to carry away the sewerage.

It is well known that repairs of any nature made during the last year have cost more and the prospects are that they will cost little less during the coming year. With this in mind I would recommend a substantial increase in our appropriation for repairs to make up for the deficiencies of last year and to provide for the impertive needs of next.

#### TEXTBOOKS

All of the schools are well provided with textbooks. The Academy purchased a number to supply the increased enrollment in some of its classes. The grades have been supplied with no new text, but new books have been purchased to fill in where classes have increased in numbers and where books have worn out. New supplementary readers have been purchased for some of the grades.

I do not anticipate for the coming year any great needs in this department and with an equal appropriation I am sure that we will be able to supply all of wants.

#### IN GENERAL

The work of this school year cannot be work that will give full satisfaction. The enforced vacations while of course necessary, as a measure to safeguard the health of the community have greatly harmed our schools not

only in time lost but interruptions of this kind coming so soon after the opening of school has made the first two weeks of little value as in that time the instruction had not reached the "sticking point" and must necessarily be gone over again.

The poor attendance has been a great and in some cases an unnecessary waste. I am sure that if parents could fully realize the harm that they are doing by keeping their children from school not only to their own children but to the school system as a whole, that we would have a better average attendance at the end of the school year.

The teachers are attempting by conscientious effort and hard work to overcome the handicaps of their fall term and it seems that they should expect the co-operation of the parents in helping them to carry out their work.

Our schools at the present time have a greater responsibility than ever before. The lack of an education that is fitting our boys and girls for a future life of usefulness has been clearly shown but the demands for citizens of this type that has been made during the past year have not been supplied. During the war we as citizens patriotically invested our men and our money and now it is just as patriotic a duty to invest our money in our schools as it was during the war to invest it in Liberty Bonds.

In closing, I want to thank all who have by suggestion, constructive criticism and work helped to make our school a success.

Respectfully Submitted,  
T. A. DeCOSTA.



## Warrant

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To George A. Barrett, a Constable of the Town of Bridgewater. Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the said Town of Bridgewater, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall in the said Town of Bridgewater, on Monday the 24th day of March, 1919 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to act at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for support of poor and other necessary expenses of the town for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for schools.
- Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repairs on schoolhouses.
- Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for purchase of text books.
- Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for free High School.
- Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for support of school superintendent for the ensuing year.
- Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repair of building of roads, bridges and sidewalks.
- Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for lighting of streets in village.

- Art. 12. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question or appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State aid, as provided in section 19 of Chapter 25, of the Revised Statutes of 1916.
- Art. 13. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$533.00 for the improvement of the section of State aid road as outlined in the report of the State highway commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges; the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Section 18, Chapter 25, of the Revised Statutes of 1916.
- Art. 14. To see whether the town will vote to raise money, and what sum for the maintenance of the State Highway during the ensuing year within the limits of the town under the provisions of Section 9 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for town debt and interest.
- Art. 16. To see if the town will fix a time when taxes shall be due and payable and make any discount on taxes at such time or times as may be determined, and if so, at what per cent. of discount, also to fix a time and rate of interest to be added on taxes remaining unpaid.
- Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for fire apparatus for the town.
- Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to make a temporary loan to pay orders during the period when no taxes are being collected, same not to exceed \$2,000.00.
- Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to ratify the doings of the Selectmen whereby they have abated the taxes published in the town report, March 13, 1919.
- Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money equal to five cents per capita of the inhabitants,

to be expended by the Board of Health for the suppression and prevention of tuberculosis.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Superintending School Committee to make arrangements with the Trustees of Bridgewater Classical Academy for the tuition of high school pupils.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to pay the Superintending School Committee for services rendered during the ensuing year or take any action thereon.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$100. for Bridgewater band.

Art. 24. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for cemeteries.

Art. 25. To see what the town will vote to do regarding renting town hall.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to issue pool table licenses for the ensuing year.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for sidewalks and how is shall be expended.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to accept the town report as published by the Selectmen, March 13, 1919.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the town hall in said town on the twenty-fourth day of March, 1919, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands this thirteenth day of March, 1919.

H. G. STACKPOLE,

B. C. SLIPP,

E. W. FULTON,

Selectmen of Bridgewater.