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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

Town of Island Falls

Maine

FOR THE YEAR

1917 - 1918



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Warrant

FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

State of Maine

Aroostook, ss.

To *J. H. Lurvey, Esq.*, one of the constables of the town of Island Falls.
Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby notified to warn the inhabitants of said town of Island Falls qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Pettengill's Hall in said Island Falls on Monday, the twenty-fifth day of March, A. D. 1918, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles, to wit:—

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to elect three selectmen and overseers of the poor, to act one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, the members thereafter to be elected for three year terms.
- Art. 4. To choose all
- Art. 5. To see what aise for
repairs of roads and brid
- Art. 6. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of 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. 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate 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, high-ways 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. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money and how much, to be expended on the "Hurricane" road, so called.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for snow roads.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purchase of light road machine and drag.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for building a bridge across Fish Stream; and how same shall be raised.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for support of poor.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for town expenses.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for town debt.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for payment of interest.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for abatements and discounts.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to elect a special Municipal Board of "Mothers' Aid" to consist of the overseers of the poor, ex-officio, and two women members, one to be elected for two years and one for three years, and thereafter for three year terms.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for cemetery.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for hydrant rental.

Art. 20. - To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for street lighting.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to clear the balance of cemetery lot and dispose of the lumber and wood.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for fire department.

Art. 23. To see if the town will fix a time when taxes shall be due and payable. And will vote to make any discount upon taxes paid at such time or times as it may determine, and if so, what per cent. Also fix a time and rate for interest to be added upon taxes remaining unpaid.

Art. 24. To see what sum the town will vote to raise for Memorial Day, and appoint a committee to expend the same.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars to be expended by the board of health for the suppression and prevention of tuberculosis.

Art. 26. To see if the town will require the collector of taxes to settle in full with the town and fix the date therefor and to fix his compensation.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans for the purpose of paying the debts of the town.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for common schools.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repairs of school houses.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for insurance, apparatus and supplies.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for text books.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Free High School.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for music in the schools.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$650.00 for manual training, one-third of which shall be raised by taxation.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$650.00 for domestic science, one-third of which shall be raised by taxation.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell the old pest house: Also to authorize the selectmen to sell the Wing school house.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to pay the members of the school board for time actually expended in the performance of their duties.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to ratify the doings of the selectmen whereby they abated the taxes published in town report of March, 1918.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to accept the town report as published by the selectmen, March, 1918.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to lay out a road near the B. & A. Station for benefit of Albert McNally and others; and if so to see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for said road.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session at Pettengill's Hall, in said town, on the 25th day of March, 1918, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Island Falls, the 13th day of March, A. D. 1918.

R. A. DAGGETT,	}	Selectmen
H. T. FOSS,		of
JOHN J. MARR,		Island Falls.

Report of Selectmen

Real estate, resident.....	\$296,067 00	
Real estate, non-resident.....	89,888 00	
Total value real estate.....		\$385,955 00
Personal estate, resident.....	\$106,464 00	
Personal estate, non-resident	15,175 00	
Total value personal estate.....		121,639 00
Grand total amount.....		\$507,594 00

PERSONAL PROPERTY WAS MADE UP AS FOLLOWS:

	Avg. Val.	Total
210 Horses.....	\$108 73	\$22,835 00
10 Colts, 3 to 4.....	103 50	1,035 00
5 Colts, 2 to 3.....	70 00	350 00
20 Colts, under 2 years.....	52 75	1,055 00
152 Cows.....	47 40	7,205 00
2 Oxen.....	85 00	170 00
11 Three-year olds.....	31 00	340 00
Total amount.....		\$32,990 00

EXEMPT LIVE STOCK

56 Two year olds.....	\$21 34	\$1,195 00
101 One year olds.....	11 00	1,090 00
220 Sheep.....	3 67	807 00
68 Swine.....	10 29	700 00
Total amount.....		\$3,792 00

OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

25 Shares Trust Company Stock	\$ 3,125 00	
Stock in trade	32,800 00	
11 small boats	690 00	
Logs and lumber	21,134 00	
Wood and bark	2,500 00	
6 carriages	250 00	
40 automobiles	15,650 00	
42 musical instruments	3,975 00	
Other personal property	8,525 00	
		88,649 00
Total amount of personal property		\$121,639 00

Number of polls taxed, 411.

Number of polls not taxed, 6.

Rate of taxation, .035.

Tax on polls, \$3.00.

The following amounts have been assessed upon the polls and estates of residents of Island Falls, and upon the estate of non-resident owners, real and personal.

Roads and bridges	\$2,000 00
Support of poor	900 00
Town expenses	1,200 00
Town debt	850 00
Interest on town debt	400 00
Common schools	2,200 00
Repairs on school houses	400 00
Insurance, apparatus and supplies	600 00
Text books	450 00
Free high school	1,500 00
Cemetery	300 00
Rent of hydrants	1,650 00
Street lighting	500 00
Fire department	400 00

State road.....	533 00
Walker road, so called.....	150 00
Painting school houses.....	150 00
Memorial Day.....	25 00
Abatements.....	400 00
Suppression of tuberculosis.....	50 00
Domestic science.....	216 00
Watering trough.....	150 00
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Total.....	\$15,024 00

State tax.....	\$2,845 96
County tax.....	696 22
Overlay.....	432 41
Supplementary tax.....	176 75
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	4,151 34
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Total.....	\$19,175 34

R. A. DAGGETT, }
H. T. GOSS, } Assessors.
JOHN J. MARR, }

STATE ROAD ACCOUNT

Dr.

Amount raised by town	\$533 00	
Received from State	908 54	
Due from State	20 89	
		<hr/> \$1,462 43

Cr.

Victor Freve, labor	\$11 25
John Byers, "	11 25
Ernest Gower, "	18 75
Frank Brooks, "	47 50
C. Humphrey, "	41 25
James Gardiner, "	38 50
Otis Fogg, "	40 00
Vinton Twombly, "	7 50
A. G. Fogg, "	25 00
John Hartin, "	36 25
Fay White, "	20 00
Arthur Doohan, "	20 00
Richard Chambers, cedar posts	6 00
Frank Morrison, labor	43 75
James Howard, "	31 25
J. J. Michaud, "	75 62
A. Carstensen, "	45 62
Fred Fogg, "	58 75
John Kelley, gravel	54 00
John Kelley, labor	105 88
David Flynn, labor	42 50
Island Falls Grange Store, supplies	8 65
R. A. Daggett, labor	89 37
Mattawamkeag Lumber Co., lumber	19 20
Carl Edwards, labor	4 05
Charles Smith, labor	5 50
S. B. Perry, labor	60 50
Geo. H. Donham, Jr., labor	6 50

Northeast Metal Culvert Co., culvert.....	36 40	
Fred Sherman, labor.....	182 25	
A. C. Hussey, labor.....	130 25	
H. C. Pettengill, labor.....	101 75	
J. E. Dow, labor.....	16 50	
		\$1,441 54
Amount unexpended.....		20 89
		\$1,462 43

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Dr.

Amount raised by town.....	\$2,000 00	
Taken from State aid maintenance account....	22 08	
Rec'd from State on patrol account.....	420 92	
Refund freight on culverts.....	1 71	
Lumber sold to F. R. Berry.....	13 80	
One-third of overlay.....	144 14	
		\$2,602 65

Cr.

Amount overdrawn 1916 account.....	\$261 52	
S. B. Perry, labor.....	16 00	
W. P. Gellerson, ".....	6 00	
Mell Moore, ".....	4 00	
Oscar Garnett, ".....	7 00	
C. T. Drew, ".....	4 00	
George Dow, ".....	27 05	
C. Carson, ".....	1 70	
R. A. Kelso, ".....	1 70	
Stanley Gerow, ".....	1 50	
R. A. Daggett, ".....	117 65	
H. P. Mathers, ".....	170 25	
John Hartin, ".....	82 78	
Frank Brooks, ".....	31 25	
Victor Freve, ".....	17 50	

John Byers,	labor	13 75
E. Gower,	"	2 50
David Flynn,	"	95 25
Otis Fogg,	"	22 50
C. Humphrey,	"	13 75
A. Carstensen,	"	29 63
Fred Fogg,	"	75 78
Richard Chambers, lumber for Fish Stream Bridge		7 00
F. Morrison,	labor	28 38
James Howard,	"	7 50
J. J. Michaud,	"	89 38
C. Freve,	"	7 50
Simon Bishop,	"	12 25
Fay White,	"	1 25
John Kelley,	"	24 75
A. Boyden,	"	3 75
Island Falls Grange Store, supplies		12 01
T. W. Tracy, labor		8 95
J. E. Day, cutting bushes on Cold Brook road		38 50
F. Leavitt, labor		13 75
J. Demond, labor		34 38
Ed. Grant, labor		8 25
O. H. Grant, labor		1 50
State Highway Commission, assessment for patrol.		588 00
F. M. Sherman, gravel		40 00
F. M. Sherman, labor		95 65
Mike Carr,	"	15 63
H. C. Kelley,	"	38 50
Geo. H. Donham, Jr.,	"	26 00
Maynard Sherman,	"	20 00
A. C. Hussey,	"	66 50
H. C. Pettengill,	"	37 25
W. W. Sewall, gravel		56 25
J. H. Lurvey, order of Bert Peters, labor		3 00
Berry Bros., repairs on machinery		26 40
Mattawamkeag Lumber Co., lumber		259 10
W. Horsford, labor		1 25

E. E. Tozier, labor	1 25	
John Shields, labor.. ..	1 25	
A. Doohan, labor.....	7 50	
F. S. Alexander, supplies.. ..	3 23	
	<hr/>	\$2,588 92
Amount unexpended.. ..		13 73
		<hr/>
		\$2,602 65

WALKER ROAD

Dr.

Raised by town.....	\$150 00	
	<hr/>	\$150 00

Cr.

Northeast Metal Culvert Co.....	\$41 47	
A. C. Hussey, freight on culverts.....	2 42	
	<hr/>	\$ 43 89
Amount unexpended.....		106 11
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		\$150 00

TOWN EXPENSE

Dr.

Amount unexpended 1916.....	\$ 55 02	
Raised by town.....	1,200 00	
Rec'd from J. H. White, cleaning up lot.....	46 00	
" State, acct. of domestic animals		
killed by dogs.....	36 00	
for pool table licenses.....	20 00	
from State, railroad and telegraph tax...	392 11	
Two-thirds of overlay.....	288 27	
	<hr/>	\$2,037 40
S. R. Crabtree, to correct error in expense of		
vaccine.....		2 80
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		\$2,040 20

Cr.

A. R. Sanborn, printing town reports, 1916	\$ 40 00
G. C. Hight, salary superintendent of schools	240 00
S. T. Campbell, moderator 1916 and 1917	10 00
S. R. Crabtree, auditor	5 00
Loring, Short & Harmon	17 59
B. L. Smith, services in truant case	12 00
J. E. Webb, team for hauling rubbish from J. H. White place	11 00
George Armour, cleaning up rubbish at J. H. White place	23 00
George Megguire, cleaning up rubbish at J. H. White place	12 00
W. S. Hagar, envelopes	11 16
George Megguire, collecting dog tax	7 50
T. W. Tracy, repairs on town building	4 25
H. J. Chandler, surveying Fish Stream Bridge	11 35
R. A. Kelso, assisting surveyor Fish Stream bridge.	2 00
Harry Flynn, ballot clerk.	4 00
Fred Fogg, right of way for State road	15 00
Katahdin Farmers Telephone Co., telephone in Town Building	15 58
J. H. Lurvey, paid for blank books	2 00
H. T. Goss, wood for Town Building	3 50
F. F. Bigelow, recording births and deaths	18 50
G. A. Schneider, recording births and deaths.	14 00
F. F. Bigelow, services on board of health...	5 00
F. F. Bigelow and G. A. Schneider, 413 vaccinations...	309 75
S. R. Crabtree, vaccine points.	43 75
George Megguire, services board of health.	7 00
George Megguire, labor on Town Building	5 68
C. L. Pettengill, rent for hall.	5 00
L. S. Townsend, wood for Town Building	6 00
J. H. Lurvey, collecting taxes	402 50
S. T. Campbell, ballot clerk	3 00

Island Falls Grange Store, paint for Town Building.....	3 50	
F. E. Martin, painting automobile road signs..	10 25	
F. S. Alexander, supplies for Town Building.....	1 56	
S. T. Campbell, legal services.....	7 00	
G. A. Young, services school board.....	4 50	
S. C. Spratt, services school board.....	22 30	
R. A. Daggett, salary selectman.....	175 00	
R. A. Daggett, expense of meeting State Highway Commission, State Assessors and attending State Assessors' Convention.....	25 00	
H. T. Goss, salary selectman.....	150 00	
John J. Marr, salary selectman.....	125 00	
B. C. Walker, salary town treasurer.....	100 00	
George H. Donham, services as town clerk.....	20 00	
George H. Donham, recording births and deaths.....	26 75	
George H. Donham, Jr., truant officer.....	35 24	
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		\$1,973 21
Amount unexpended.....		66 99
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		\$2,040 20

TOWN DEBT

Dr.

Amount raised by town.....	\$850 00
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Cr.

Paid B. C. Walker, treasurer.....	\$850 00
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ABATEMENTS

Dr.

Raised by town.	\$400 00	
Amount overdrawn.,	11 55	
	<hr/>	\$411 55

Cr.

Amount overdrawn	\$ 7 55	
J. H. Lurvey, abatements for 1916.	54 00	
Island Falls Water Co.	350 00	
	<hr/>	\$411 55

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dr.

Amount unexpended 1916.	\$ 38 17	
Raised by town.	400 00	
	<hr/>	\$438 17

Cr.

David Flynn, labor	\$ 7 00	
Amos Brassley, labor.	3 00	
F. J. Schneider, freight and trucking	1 20	
Union Iron Works, hose.	225 00	
George Megguire, material for hydrant house and labor.	3 40	
Lloyd Wilkins, labor.	1 00	
Island Lighting Co., supplies for fire alarm.	35 30	
Lemuel Porter, labor.	3 75	
John E. Webb, fire chief	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$329 65
Amount unexpended.		108 52
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		\$438 17

MEMORIAL DAY

Dr.

Amount unexpended, 1916.....	\$ 2 50	
Raised by town.....	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$27 50

Cr.

S. R. Crabtree.....	\$25 00	
Amount unexpended.....	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$27 50

HYDRANT RENTAL

Dr.

Raised by town.....	\$1,650 00
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Cr.

Island Falls Water Co.....	\$825 00	
Island Falls Water Co.....	825 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,650 00

TUBERCULOSIS

Dr.

Raised by town.....	\$50 00
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Cr.

Aroostook Tuberculosis Association.....	\$50 00
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STREET LIGHTING

Dr.

Raised by town	\$500 00	
Delmont Emerson, rebate on lights	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$600 00

Cr.

Island Lighting Co.	\$500 00	
Amount unexpended	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$600 00

CEMETERIES

Town Cemetery

Dr.

Raised by town	\$250 00	
Amount unexpended 1916	4 06	
	<hr/>	\$254 06

Cr.

Island Falls Grange Store, supplies.....	\$ 2 00	
M. F. Bubar, labor	204 00	
F. S. Alexander, supplies	8 25	
	<hr/>	\$214 25
Amount unexpended		39 81
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		\$254 06

Catholic Cemetery

Dr.

Raised by town	\$50 00
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Cr.

Amount unexpended.....	\$50 00
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FUND FOR SOLDIERS' DEPENDENT FAMILIES

Dr.

Amount raised by town, none

Amount due from State.	\$116 50	
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Cr.

Mrs. David Emery.....	\$56 00	
Mrs. John I. Rigby.....	60 50	
	<hr/>	\$116 50

WATERING TROUGH

Dr.

Raised by town.....		\$150 00
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Cr.

T. W. Tracy, labor and material.....	\$65 38	
J. J. Marr, paid for material.....	50	
Berry Bros., iron band on trough.....	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$80 88
Amount unexpended.....		69 12
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		\$150 00

PAUPER ACCOUNT

Dr.

Amount unexpended 1916 account	\$ 17 31	
Raised by town	900 00	
Due from State on account of Robert Brann family	7 63	
Due from town of Van Buren on account of Henry Dugas	4 15	
	<hr/>	\$929 09

*Cr.**George Armour and Family*

Mell Moore, board	\$18 00	
J. C. & B. C. Walker, rent.	44 00	
R. A. Daggett, wood.	7 00	
Burleigh Garnett, wood	7 00	
John McCue, wood	10 50	
H. T. Goss, wood.	3 00	
Island Falls Clothing Co., supplies	6 10	
Island Falls Grange Store, supplies	54 45	
J. E. Webb, team hire in 1916	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$162 05

Robert Brann Family

Island Falls Grange Store, supplies	\$2 78	
Island Falls Clothing Co., supplies	4 85	
	<hr/>	7 63

Mrs. Meda Gerow

Rent paid J. H. White		30 00
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Mrs. Nellie Gray

Island Falls Clothing Co., supplies.....	7 00
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Henry Dugas

Island Falls Clothing Co., supplies.....	4 15
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Mrs. Charles Vincent

Town of Woodland, medical and burial expense of child.....	47 00
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Thomas Pelky

Town of Caribou, hospital bills.....	13 00
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Benjamin Klein, Jr.

Mrs. Charles Tidd, board and care.....	77 50
B. C. Walker, mileage for Mrs. Charles Tidd to Millinocket.....	2 52

Transients

William St. John, meals to three transients	1 20
G. F. Paul, meals and lodging to six transients	5 95
Paid Dr. G. A. Schneider, medical attendance to poor.....	100 00

\$458 00

Amount unexpended.....	471 09
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\$929 09

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL
LANDS

By amount of school fund.. .. .		\$2,400 00
To town bond	\$1,700 00	
Note of J. C. & B. C. Walker and D. Emerson	700 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,400 00

Trustees,
Selectmen,
Treasurer and
Town Clerk.

LIST OF TAXES RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN TO BE
ABATED

Michael Barron, duplicated.....	\$ 3 00
Yance Carstensen, duplicated.....	3 00
George Cain, duplicated.....	3 00
Edgar Carson, under age.....	3 00
Peter Doubine, residence unknown.....	3 00
Chesley Duplissea, duplicated.....	3 00
John Fisher.....	3 00
Burleigh Garnett, not a resident.....	3 00
James Gardiner, paid in B. Plantation.....	3 00
Ray James, not a resident.....	3 00
Claude Kelley, paid in Portland.....	3 00
C. E. Milliken, paid in Augusta.....	3 00
Cone Piper, residence unknown.....	3 00
George Sawyer, Jr., not a resident.....	3 00
M. F. Sprague, paid in Millinocket.....	3 00
Herbert Williams, residence unknown.....	3 00
Cyrus Young, not a resident.....	3 00
Elmer Hersey.....	1 23
Adams Zinka, unknown.....	3 00
Katahdin Farmers Telephone Co.....	23 19
	\$78 42

Report of Tax Collector

J. H. Lurvey, Collector

Dr.

Amount committed 1917.	\$18,998 59	
Supplementary report		176 75	
		—————	\$19,175 34

Cr.

Receipts from B. C. Walker, treasurer		\$18,787 20	
By Island Falls Water Co., tax		350 00	
By tax deeds		38 14	
		—————	\$19,175 34

INTEREST ACCOUNT

Dr.

Raised by town		\$400 00	
Interest rec'd on school fund note of J. C. & B. C. Walker & D. Emerson		42 00	
Amount overdrawn		24 78	
		—————	\$466 78

Cr.

Amount overdrawn 1916		\$ 6 95	
Paid interest on town bonds		282 50	
interest on school fund.		144 00	
interest on temporary loan of First Nat'l Bank of Houlton		33 33	
		—————	\$466 78

Respectfully submitted,

RAY A. DAGGETT,	}	Selectmen
H. T. GOSS,		of
JOHN J. MARR,		Island Falls.

Treasurer's Report

B. C. Walker, Treasurer,

In account with Town of Island Falls.

Dr.

Cash on hand March 1917.....	\$1,943 50
Received for tuitions.....	454 50
Pool table licenses.....	20 00
J. H. Lurvey, collector.....	18,787 20
J. H. Lurvey, tax deeds.....	38 14
Dog licenses refunded.....	21 35
Dog tax.....	49 00
Equalization fund.....	375 00
State, common school fund.....	1,189 47
State, school and mill fund.....	1,869 62
State, railroad and telegraph tax.....	392 11
State on account of free high school.....	500 00
State, improvement of State roads.....	420 92
State, highway department.....	908 54
State, domestic science account.....	433 33
State, bounty on bears.....	5 00
Freight, Northeast Metal Culvert Co.....	1 71
Town of Crystal, supplies.....	26 59
Town of Crystal, conveyance.....	27 00
Town of Sherman, supplies.....	7 12
Delmont Emerson, refund on street lighting....	100 00
Tax deeds, F. L. Leavitt.....	72 67
State, damage to domestic animals.....	36 00
First Nat'l Bank of Houlton on town note	2,000 00
J. H. White.....	46 00
S. R. Crabtree, refund on vaccine.....	2 80
Interest on school fund note.....	42 00
Fred R. Berry, lumber.....	13 80
	\$31,816 70

Cr.

Paid dog tax	\$ 49 00
County tax	696 22
State tax	2,845 96
Dog license deficiency	3 00
First Nat'l Bank of Houlton, note and int...	2,033 33
Town bond	850 00
Bounty on bear	5 00
Tax deeds	38 14
Interest on town bonds	282 50
Town orders	22,570 26
Cash balance on hand	2,443 29
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	\$31,816 70

LIABILITIES

School house bonds.....	\$2,550 00	
Town building bond.....	2,000 00	
School fund bond.....	1,700 00	
1913 town orders.....	7 00	
1915 town orders.....	74 59	
1916 town orders.....	6 00	
1917 town orders.....	347 16	
	<hr/>	\$6,684 75

ASSETS

Cash on hand.....	\$2,443 29	
1915 tax deeds Clyde A. Drew.....	38 40	
1915 " H. E. Peters.....	14 77	
1915 " R. G. Noyes.....	15 89	
1915 " Wilbur Grant.....	10 27	
1916 " J. H. Howard.....	29 20	
1916 " D. A. Carr.....	7 95	
1917 " D. A. Carr.....	9 45	
1917 " Clyde A. Drew.....	20 47	
1917 " Lillian R. Drew.....	17 67	
	<hr/>	\$2,607 36
Debt of town.....		4,077 39
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		\$6,684 75

I have examined the books and accounts of the several town officers, and find same properly kept and balanced, and orders drawn for all money expended.

S. R. CRABTREE, Auditor.

Report of Superintendent of Schools and School Committee

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Unexpended 1917..	\$ 218 62
Town appropriation	2,200 00
State, common school fund	1,189 47
State, school and mill fund	1,869 62
State, equalization fund	375 00
Interest on school fund.	144 00
Tuition, Dyer Brook	27 00
Tuition and conveyance, Crystal.	72 00
Overdrawn 1918.	215 09
	\$6,311 22

Teachers

Paid Ethel Boynton, 36 weeks	\$576 00
Julia Hewes, 36 "	540 00
Geneva Little, 36 "	504 00
Eoline Porter, 36 "	468 00
Bertha Gooding, 36 "	456 00
Hazel Anne, 36 "	504 00
Damaris Merriman, 36 "	436 00
Nina Robinson, 12 "	84 00
Goldie Willis, 12 "	132 00
Hope Clifford, 24 "	168 00
Alice Hopkins, 24 "	368 75
	\$4,236 75

Janitors

Paid George Tozier.....	\$ 20 00	
J. H. Lurvey.....	92 57	
Gilbert Thurston.....	7 50	
F. W. Sprague.....	298 00	
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Conveyance

Mell Moore.....	\$ 9 60	
C. R. Brown.....	165 00	
Andrew Carstensen.....	437 50	
F. B. Downs.....	50 00	
C. C. Freive.....	237 50	
O. H. Grant.....	142 50	
	<hr/>	1,042 10

Fuel

B. F. Downs.....	\$222 50	
George Tucker.....	75 60	
Oscar Garnett.....	105 20	
George Whitehead.....	16 00	
Jack McCue.....	192 00	
	<hr/>	611 30

Total expenditure.....	<hr/>	\$6,311 22
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REPAIRS ACCOUNT

Appropriation 1917.....	\$400 00	
Unexpended 1917.....	31 90	
	<hr/>	\$431 90

Paid Charles Wilkins, labor on sewer.....	\$ 12 00
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, school desks....	92 70
F. E. Martin, labor on old school building	43 50

Paid George Armour, labor on Barker Ridge building... ..	4 00	
Charles Smith, labor on sewer	8 00	
Mrs. Gertrude Carstenson, cleaning schoolroom	4 00	
M. F. Bubar, labor on sewer	13 75	
John Hartin, labor on sewer.	10 50	
Island Falls Grange Store, cement.	2 65	
Fred White, labor	1 50	
Delmont Armour, labor	3 00	
F. S. Alexander, material	27 44	
S. R. Crabtree, material	12 77	
Unexpended 1918	196 09	
	<hr/>	\$431 90

PAINTING ACCOUNT

Appropriation 1917	\$150 00	
Unexpended 1915	32 64	
	<hr/>	\$182 64

No expenditure was made from this account.

SUPPLIES ACCOUNT

Appropriation 1917	\$600 00	
Received from Crystal	26 59	
Rec'd from Sherman.	7 12	
Unexpended 1917.	1 33	
Overdrawn 1918	2 35	
	<hr/>	\$637 39

Paid A. S. Drew, milk, domestic science	\$ 9 60
J. L. Brown, tuning piano	2 50
L. E. Knott & Co., laboratory supplies	34 01
F. J. Schneider, trucking and freight	16 42

Paid J. L. Hammett & Co., paper.....	164 47	
M. D. Estes, supplies.....	4 20	
Independent Reporter, printing.....	6 08	
Leslie E. Jones, typewriter ribbons.....	6 00	
E. E. Babb & Co, supplies.....	7 94	
Howard & Brown, high school diplomas..	13 50	
H. L. Palmer, paper.....	6 88	
Walker Emerson, supplies	6 00	
Harry Higgins, batteries, etc.....	1 75	
Walker Emerson, domestic science	25 37	
J. H. Lurvey, milk, domestic science	3 34	
M. D. Estes, curtains and supplies	13 50	
S. R. Crabtree, insurance of school build- ings.....	179 19	
Katahdin Tel. Co., tolls and phone rental	26 43	
G. C. Hight, cash paid.....	10 18	
Loring, Short & Harmon, order books ..	3 60	
Mrs. W. W. Sewall, milk, domestic science	1 72	
H. M. Weigel, high school report cards....	1 80	
Boston Paper Board Co., paper.....	36 00	
H. T. Goss, ribbons for diplomas.....	1 91	
Island Lighting Co., lights.....	33 50	
F. W. Hunt & Co., domestic science.....	3 58	
S. R. Crabtree, laboratory supplies.....	15 93	
M. D. Estes, domestic science.....	1 99	
		<hr/> \$637 39

BOOK ACCOUNT

Appropriation.....	\$450 00	
Unexpended 1917.....	13	
		<hr/> \$450 13

Paid Ginn & Co.	\$92 28	
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	20 39	
American Book Co.	61 12	
D. C. Heath & Co.	32 87	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	4 80	
D. Appleton & Co.	15 84	
Charles E. Merrill & Co.	42 66	
Educational Pub. Co.	12 28	
World Book Co.	14 96	
D. H. Knowlton Co.	2 00	
E. E. Babb & Co.	19 44	
Universal Text Book Co.	4 85	
Allyn & Bacon	3 98	
The MacMillan Co.	11 12	
Charles F. Partridge.	1 25	
Atkinson, Menthyer Co.	10 99	
S. C. Spratt, cash paid	34 00	
Unexpended 1918	65 30	
	<hr/>	\$450 13

DOMESTIC SCIENCE ACCOUNT

Appropriation 1917	\$216 66	
Rec'd from State	433 33	
Overdrawn 1918.	217 65	
	<hr/>	\$867 64
Paid overdraft 1917.	\$217 66	
Mary Flint.	216 66	
Doris Lake	433 32	
	<hr/>	\$867 64

The overdraft in this account will be paid by the State.

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Unexpended 1917.....	\$ 279 00
Appropriation.....	1,500 00
State.....	500 00

Tuition:

Charles Bryant.....	\$ 18 00
Mary Lawler.....	3 00
Town of Troy.....	27 00
Town of Hersey.....	54 00
Town of Dyer Brook.....	99 00
Town of Crystal.....	181 50

 382 50

Overdrawn 1918.....	272 28
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 \$2,933 78

Paid Instructors:

Cleveland Thurston.....	\$1,166 63
M. L. Stoddard.....	77 77
Emma Williams.....	199 98
Charles E. Kenney.....	46 70
Clara Haskell.....	100 00
Waldo Caverly.....	533 28
Clara Pomeroy.....	366 67

 \$2,491 03

Paid for fuel and janitor:

B. F. Downs.....	\$159 00
George Tucker.....	60 75
Fred Sprague.....	131 00
J. H. Lurvey.....	92 00

 442 75

Total expenditure.....	\$2,933 78
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GENERAL STATEMENT

Whole number of scholars in town, April 1, 1917	585
Number registered in common schools for the year ending July 1, 1917	413
Number registered in Village Schools	382
Number registered in Rural Schools	31
Number registered in High School	79
Average number in High School	66.7
Number enrolled, Spring term 1917 by grades:	
Sub-primary and first, 97; second, 49; third, 23; fourth, 37; fifth, 48; sixth, 39; seventh, 38; eighth, 33.	
Number of teaching positions in common schools.....	9
Number of experienced teachers.....	8
Number of scholars with defective vision.....	42
Number of scholars with defective hearing.....	19
Number of resident students in High School, school year 1917-18.....	67
Number of non-resident students.....	13
Number of students registered in High School 1917-18	80
Average number of students in High School, fall term	77.5

Teachers	Wages per week			Number registered			Average number		Grades
	S	F	W	S	F	W	S	F	
Ethel Boynton	\$16 00	\$16 00		24	33	30	23.2	27.8	8
Julia Hewes	15 00	15 00		38	34	35	35	31	7
Geneva Little	14 00	14 00		37	41	41	32.83	32	6
Eoline Porter	13 00	13 00		45	57	56	41.36	49	4-5
Bertha Gooding	12 00	13 00		54	46	49	51	41.43	3-4
Hazel Anne	14 00	14 00		44	51	51	39.62	43	2
Damaris Merriman	12 00	12 00		93	97	77	76	70	1-Sub.
Goldie Willis	11 00			31					Rural
Nina Robinson	7 00								Assistant
Alice Hopkins		15 00			26	22		23.4	Rural
Hope Clifford		7 00							Assistant
Doris Lake					99	92		94	Domestic Science

To the Citizens of Island Falls:

Since our last annual town meeting our nation has been called upon to bear its part in the struggle of the greatest world war in all history. The call has come to every citizen of Island Falls and to every boy and girl in the schools to help and the spirit of good citizenship and loyalty has been splendid in all of the schools and especially in the grades. The scholars have responded to the call of the government in the work of the Junior Red Cross and the purchase of Thrift and War Stamps. They have at least made a splendid beginning but we earnestly urge that the work be continued unceasingly for the remainder of the year. The aid given by a part of the teachers in this work is especially commendable.

It has been a year of unforeseen difficulties and increased expenditure of money. Material, supplies, wood, everything we needed has been bought on a high market. Owing to the unprecedented cold weather our wood supply for the year was nearly exhausted by the first of February. Our janitor who has served us faithfully on half time for so many years tendered his resignation near the opening of the fall term and we were obliged to hire another on full time, thus making an increased expenditure. We also paid slightly higher wages for teachers.

We have met these conditions, kept our schools in session, maintained the usual number of weeks, employed an exceptionally strong teaching force, had a good school attendance, furnished all necessary supplies and equipment, and kept up the standard of the schools and we are glad to report that they are going unusually smooth and satisfactory with a splendid spirit of study and close application to work.

The outlook for the coming year is not altogether promising. All school expenditures must be materially increased. Teachers wages will be higher owing largely to the scarcity of teachers as so many young ladies are going into government work or in offices, and in many other desirable positions opened to them. The State Department reports a shortage of from five to six hundred in the State for the coming year. Glen W. Starkey, former State Superintendent of Schools, says, that towns should not question the appropriations asked

for this year by the committees, which shows that the conditions confronting us are the same as in other places. Every effort is being made to increase the teaching force in the State.

In these strenuous times and under abnormal conditions we believe the citizens of Island Falls will be willing to meet the situation and make whatever sacrifices necessary to keep up the present high standard of our schools and give the boys and girls the one thing of greatest value to them, an educational training.

We wish to express our thanks for the many kindnesses shown the schools during the past year and especially to those who have given their money freely to help in the various activities and associations of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

S. C. SPRATT,	}	S. S. Committee of Island Falls.
G. A. YOUNG,		
MRS. S. T. CAMPBELL,		

G. C. HIGHT, Superintendent.

County Commissioners' Office, Houlton, Maine

August 25, 1917 10:20 A. M.

Meeting of joint board for consideration of petition of municipal officers of Island Falls for State and County aid in the re-construction of Fish Stream Bridge.

APPEARANCES

State Highway Commission: P. J. Deering, Chairman; Frank A. Peabody, W. M. Ayer, Commissioners; Paul D. Sargent, Chief Engineer; L. B. Jones, Bridge Engineer.

Aroostook County: Fred A. Thurlough, Chairman; John F. Stephenson, Commissioner.

Town of Island Falls: Ray Daggett, Chairman; John J. Marr, Selectman.

Frank A. Peabody read the petition, notice of hearing and stated that the appearances were a sufficient guarantee of the receipt of notice.

On motion of Mr. Deering, seconded by Mr. Thurlough, Frank A. Peabody was unanimously elected Chairman of the Joint Board.

On motion of Mr. Ayer, seconded by Mr. Deering, Paul D. Sargent was unanimously elected Secretary of the Joint Board.

It was unanimously voted that this bridge is on a main thoroughfare.

It was unanimously voted that public necessity and convenience require the rebuilding of this bridge.

The type of bridge was next discussed. Engineer Jones reported that an eighty-five foot span with twenty-foot roadway, concrete

floor, steel truss on two concrete abutments, with pile foundations, would cost thirteen thousand three hundred and forty-one dollars and the two concrete spans forty-two feet six inches each, with a twenty-foot roadway, on concrete abutments and piers on pile foundation, would cost thirteen thousand five hundred thirty-one dollars.

The selectmen were not prepared at this time to enter into definite arrangements for the construction of either one of these structures. It appears to be advisable to let this matter rest until the selectmen can put the question before the town at the next annual town meeting.

On motion of Mr. Ayer, seconded by Mr. Thurlough, it was voted to adjourn subject to the call of the State Highway Commission.

Adjourned at ten forty-five A. M.

Attest:

PAUL D. SARGENT,

Secretary to the Joint Board.



