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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Municipal Officers
OF THE TOWN OF

VAN BUREN

1906-7

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1907
Assessors' Report.

Following is a statement of the inventory and valuation of taxable property and polls as found in the town of Van Buren, April 1, 1906.

Resident real estate .......... $406,975
Non-resident real estate ...... 32,500

Total real estate .......... $439,475

Resident personal estate .... $103,855
Non-resident personal estate .. 100

Total personal estate ...... $103,955

Total valuation .......... $543,430

Number of polls taxed, 483. Number of polls not taxed 37.

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>No.</th>
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<tr>
<td>Railroad property</td>
<td>$5,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Saw mills</td>
<td>4 88,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Starch factories</td>
<td>2 5,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grist mill</td>
<td>1 2,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carding mill</td>
<td>1 750</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tannery</td>
<td>1 750</td>
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<tr>
<td>Farm and all other real estate</td>
<td>337,475</td>
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Total valuation of real estate, $439,475
## SCHEDULE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

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<tr>
<td>Horses</td>
<td>334</td>
<td>$51 34</td>
<td>$17,150</td>
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<tr>
<td>Colts, three years old,</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>50 00</td>
<td>700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Colts, 2 years old,</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>35 00</td>
<td>245</td>
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<tr>
<td>Colts, under 2 years,</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>25 00</td>
<td>275</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cows</td>
<td>254</td>
<td>15 00</td>
<td>3,810</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oxen</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>25 00</td>
<td>950</td>
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<tr>
<td>Three years old,</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>15 00</td>
<td>240</td>
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<tr>
<td>Two years old,</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>10 00</td>
<td>630</td>
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<tr>
<td>One year old,</td>
<td>111</td>
<td>5 00</td>
<td>555</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sheep</td>
<td>509</td>
<td>2 00</td>
<td>1,018</td>
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<tr>
<td>Swine</td>
<td>103</td>
<td>4 00</td>
<td>652</td>
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Total value of live stock, $26,225

All other kinds of personal property,

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<tr>
<td>Bank stock</td>
<td>160</td>
<td>$8,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Money at interest</td>
<td></td>
<td>8,800</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stock in trade</td>
<td></td>
<td>48,100</td>
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<tr>
<td>Logs and lumber</td>
<td></td>
<td>3,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carriages</td>
<td>345</td>
<td>.7,380</td>
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<tr>
<td>Musical instruments</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>1,700</td>
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<tr>
<td>Machinery not taxed as real estate</td>
<td></td>
<td>750</td>
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Amount, $77,730

Amount of live stock brought forward, 26,225

Total amount of personal property, $103,955

Total valuation, $543,430

On the above polls and estates, as per warrants from the State treasurer and county treasurer, and as per votes of the town at the annual town meeting, held March 31, 1906, the following assessment was made:

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<td>612 07</td>
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<td>Fees of selectmen</td>
<td>500 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>town agent and attorney</td>
<td>100 00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>town clerk</td>
<td>10 00</td>
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<td>superintending school committee</td>
<td>30 00</td>
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Fees of collector ........................................ 350 00
  treasurer .................................................. 125 00
  policeman .................................................. 400 00
State road .................................................. 400 00
Roads and bridges ........................................ 2500 00
Schools ................................................... 2000 00
Interest on school fund .................................. 45 00
Hydrant rental ............................................ 1350 00
Hose and hose-cart ....................................... 450 00
Fire alarm bell ........................................... 100 00
Repairing school buildings .............................. 400 00
Repairing village school house .......................... 500 00
School books ................................................ 300 00
School apparatus and appliances ....................... 300 00
Poor ......................................................... 1000 00
Firemen ..................................................... 200 00
Contingent legal and other expenses .................... 250 00
Town debts .................................................. 1000 00
Overlay ...................................................... 166 22

Total assessment .................................. $13,942 99

Tax rate on $1.00, .023.
Tax on polls, $3.00 each .............................. $1449 00
Tax on real and personal estate ..................... 12,493 99
——— $13,942 99

ABRAHAM J. DUBAY, } Assessors
JOHN CASTONGUAY, } of
JOSEPH J. CYR, } Van Buren.

SCHOOLS.

Expended for teaching in 1905 :—
Mabel A. M. Craig ........................................ $ 17 50
Laura Violette ............................................ 12 50
Alphonseine A. Pelletier ............................... 15 00
Alma Bolduc ................................................. 15 00
Henrietta Mylett .......................................... 15 00
Josephine Lacaillade .................................... 15 00
Amanda Potvin ............................................. 15 00
Alma E. Cormier ........................................... 12 50
Josephine Martin ................................................. 12 50
John B. Capesius .................................................. 20 00

$150 00

Balance due for janitor’s service, 1905 .................. 5 68

Total ................................................................. $ 155 68

Expended for teaching in 1906: —

John B. Capesius .................................................. $110 00
Mabel A. M. Craig ............................................... 236 25
Alma E. Cormier .................................................. 68 75
Alphonsine A. Pelletier ......................................... 228 75
Lottie Farrell ....................................................... 25 00
Annie Dionne ......................................................... 46 87
Henrietta Dionne .................................................. 118 75
Josephine Martin .................................................. 68 75
Genevieve Paradis ............................................... 190 62
Celima Castonguay ............................................... 187 50
Laura Violette ...................................................... 37 50
Monica Michaud .................................................... 81 25
Rose M. Dionne ..................................................... 182 50
Anna Violette ....................................................... 156 25
Alma F. Cyr .......................................................... 156 00
Mamie Poirier ....................................................... 165 62
Sophie Cyr ............................................................ 190 62
Agnes Martin ......................................................... 168 75
Julia Sirois .......................................................... 225 00
Winnifred Levasseur .............................................. 144 00
Henrietta Mylett .................................................. 300 00
Amanda Potvin ...................................................... 300 00
Josephine Lacaillade ............................................. 90 00
Alma Bolduc .......................................................... 300 00
Georgie Peters ..................................................... 210 00
Ricker Classical Institute ..................................... 20 50

$4009 23

Total ................................................................. $4320 33

Amount expended for 1905 brought forward:

$155 68

Unexpended, March 19, 1907 ....................................

$4476 01

102 70

$4578 71
School fund and mill tax received from the state $2492.55
Amount voted by town for schools, 1906 $2000.00
Interest on ministerial and school fund 45.00
Madawaska school fund 41.16

$4578.71

SCHOOLS.

Apparatus and Appliances.
Amount appropriated $300.00
Amount expended $151.19
Unexpended $148.81

SCHOOLS.

Books.
Amount appropriated $300.00
Amount expended $281.78
Unexpended $18.22

NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.
Cost of new school building which the selectmen were authorized to build by vote at the last annual meeting $3341.51

VILLAGE SCHOOL.
Amount expended for repairs on village school, including $200.00 paid for school lot $1459.80
Amount appropriated $500.00
Overdrawn $959.80

$1459.80

OTHER SCHOOL BUILDINGS.
Amount appropriated $400.00
Expended for repairs and rent $251.78
Unexpended $148.22

$400.00
PAUPERS.

Amount expended for:—

Francis Vaillancourt ............................................ $ 86 35
Levite St. Pierre........................................  4 00
Julien Roi and wife........................................ 113 00
Come Cyr and family........................................ 202 52
Doucette boy ........................................   27 49
Sylvain Roi and family......................................... 4 50
Eusebe Tardif and family..................................... 21 50
Laurent Banville.................................................. 73 20
Theodore Marquis and wife.................................... 175 00
Mrs. Felix Levesque and family........................... 219 59
Mrs. Fred D. Cyr and family................................ 44 00
Mrs. Louis St. Jean.............................................. 50 00
Louis Cantin........................................................... 3 00
Florent Morin and family.................................... 4 00
Florent Cormier and family................................ 12 70
Henry Dumais.................................................... 30 25
Patrick Thibodeau ............................................. 2 00
Strange poor cripple............................................. 9 00

Amount paid H. H. Hammond, M. D., as town physician ....... 100 00
Poor house expenses ........................................... 185 11
Alfred Cormier....................................................... 127 98

Amount appropriated ................................ $1000 00
Overdrawn ................................................. 495 19

$1495 19

ROADS, BRIDGES AND SIDEWALKS.

Amount voted at last town meeting, $2500 00
Amount expended on roads, bridges and sidewalks, 1676 15
Unexpended, 823 85

$2500 00

STATE ROAD.

Amount expended, $622 92
Amount voted, $400 00
Overdrawn, 222 92

$622 92
FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Amount paid for firemen's services, $200 00
Hose and hose cart, 501 50
Freight, 13 87
Hose shed, 32 80
Drying hose, 3 87
Building of hose house, 642 86
Wood for house, 3 00
Barrels, 2 25
Hydrant rental, 1386 66

$2786 81

Amount voted for firemen,
hydrant rental, 1350 00
hose and hose cart, 450 00
fire alarm bell, 100 00

Overdrawn, 686 81

$2786 81

FEES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen, assessors and overseers of poor, $ 500 00
Town agent and attorney, 100 00
Superintending school committee, 30 00
Superintendent of schools, 48 50
Truant officer, 5 00
John B. Pelletier, collector at 3 per cent, 399 00
Omer C. Keegan, collector for 1905, 34 06
Treasurer, at 50 cents per $100, 110 24
Policeman, 400 00

$1623 20

Amount appropriated, $1515 00

Overdrawn, 108 20

$1623 20
MISCELLANEOUS.

Loring, Short & Harmon, town books, 11 65
Loring, Short & Harmon, tax notices, 3 00
Joseph St. Pierre, keeping watch, 1 25
George St. Pierre, keeping watch, 1 25
Henry A. Gagnon, police supplies, 28 75
Theriault & Cyr, team hire, 7 25
H. O. Perry & Son, insurance, 130 00
Abraham J. Dubay, recording births, marriages and deaths, 36 50
H. H. Hammond, M. D., certificates of births and deaths, 19 75
Louis Albert, M. D., certificates of births and deaths, 17 25
Mrs. Vital Morin, certificates of births, 1 50
Mitchell Neddo, state pension, 24 00
Thomas Thibodeau, ballot clerk, 24 00
Thomas Violette, ballot clerk, 24 00
Guy S. Cyr, hall rent, 8 00
John B. Pelletier, postage, 68
Peter C. Keegan, ballot clerk, 2 00
Henry K. Bradbury, ballot clerk, 2 00
Henry A. Gagnon, ballot clerk, 2 00
Fred J. Parent, ballot clerk, 2 00
Van Buren Trust Co., interest, 117 50

Amount appropriated, including overlay, $416 22
Overdrawn, 63 11

STATE TAX.

Amount assessed for State tax, $854 70
Tax paid, 854 70

COUNTY TAX.

Amount assessed for County tax, $612 07
Tax paid, 612 07
Treasurer's Report.

SIMEON CYR, Treasurer,
In account with the TOWN OF VAN BUREN.

March 19, 1907.

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<td>Balance in treasury, March 21, 1906</td>
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<tr>
<td>Town of Madawaska for paupers</td>
<td>22.15</td>
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<td>St. Agatha for paupers</td>
<td>69.37</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grand Isle for paupers</td>
<td>62.32</td>
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<td>State of Maine, state road 1905</td>
<td>8.18</td>
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<tr>
<td>&quot; &quot; &quot; dog licenses refunded</td>
<td>40.75</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; &quot; school fund and mill tax</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; &quot; State pensions</td>
<td>72.00</td>
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<td>Proceeds of town notes</td>
<td>4500.00</td>
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<td>Camille Cormier, for reins</td>
<td>2.00</td>
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<td>Van Buren Lumber Co., for repairs</td>
<td>8.10</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; &quot; &quot; for team hire</td>
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<td>John Castonguay, for cement</td>
<td>2.65</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; for sheathing</td>
<td>9.58</td>
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<td>John B. Pelletier, for blank book</td>
<td>90.00</td>
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<td>Remi Michaud, for clapboards</td>
<td>2.00</td>
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<td>Philias Madore, for cement</td>
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<td>Van Buren Water District, team hire</td>
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<td>51.30</td>
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<td>&quot; &quot; &quot; &quot; for gravel</td>
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<td>Ambrose Violette, for oats</td>
<td>3.00</td>
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<td>Licenses for pool rooms, &amp;c</td>
<td>65.00</td>
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<td>Town clerk, dog tax</td>
<td>59.00</td>
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<td>C. L. Richards, rent</td>
<td>20.00</td>
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<td>Money advanced on account of paupers</td>
<td>88.00</td>
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<td>Omer C. Keegan, Collector, taxes of 1905</td>
<td>1112.09</td>
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<td>John B. Pelletier, Collector, taxes of 1906</td>
<td>13,224.56</td>
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Total: $22,173.93
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<td>Town orders paid and cancelled</td>
<td>20,646 27</td>
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<td>Cash in treasury</td>
<td>1 89</td>
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Total: $22,173 93

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Collectors' Report.

OMER C. KEEGAN, Collector for 1905,
In account with the TOWN OF VAN BUREN.
March 18, 1907.
To balance uncollected March 17, 1906, on
  taxes 1905 .................................. $1682 00

Cr.

By amount paid treasurer since that date ...... $1112 09
  amount abated by assessors ................. 256 89
Leaving balance uncollected on tax 1905...... 313 02

Total: $1682 00

JOHN B. PELLETIER, Collector for 1906,
In account with the TOWN OF VAN BUREN.
March 19, 1907.
To amount of tax lists, 1906.................. $13,942 99
  supplementary assessment, 1906 ........... 30 65

Cr.

By amount paid treasurer on tax, 1906...... $13,324 56
  amount abated by assessors ............... 61 50
Leaving balance uncollected on tax, 1906... 587 58

Total: $13,973 64
LIABILITIES.

Transactions with the bank, as follows:
Amount due Van Buren Trust Co., March 17, 1906, $ 8,200 00
Interest on same to March 1, 1907, 491 00
Note discounted on acct. new school building, 2,000 00
Interest for eight months, 80 00
Temporary loan, 2,500 00
Interest on same to March 1, 1907, 37 50

$ 13,308 50

Town note paid, $ 2,000 00
Interest paid, 117 50

$ 2,117 50

Interest on same to June 1, 1907, 170 42

Amount due Van Buren Trust Co., payable June 1, '07, $ 11,361 42
To town order No. 1, outstanding, 3 00

$ 11,364 42

ASSETS.

Balance of taxes, 1906, $ 587 58
" " 1905, 313 02
" " 1904, 290 64
" " 1903, 173 69
" " 1902, 85 46
" " 1901, 69 37

Due by Grand Isle, for paupers, 12 70

Acquisitions and improvement made in 1906, viz:
New schoolhouse and lot, 3,341 51
Village school lot, 200 00
Tardif schoolhouse lot, 40 00
Hose shed and hose house, 675 66
Hose and hose-cart, 501 50

$6,291 43

Excess of liabilities over assets, 5,069 99

$ 11,364 42
MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS, REPORTED TO TOWN CLERK, 1906.

Marriages ....................................................... 31
Births ................................................................................................ 114
Deaths .................................................................................................. 99

ABRAHAM J. DUBAY, \ Selectmen
JOHN CASTONGUAY, \ of
JOSEPH J. CYR, \ Van Buren.