

GOVERNMENT
OF THE
TOWN OF DARTMOUTH,
FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1894.

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A. C. JOHNSTON.

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SUPT. OF WATER WORKS AND STREETS,..... W. L. BISHOP.

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Mayor's Report for the Year 1894.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I have the honor to submit for your information and approval, a report of the proceedings of your Council for the year ending December 31st, last. I have decided for your better information to give you the detailed reports as submitted by the Chairmen of the Public Property, Water and Finance committees these being the three principal services of the Town, not only that you may see just how your money has been expended, but also to show the large amount of work gratuitously performed by the several members of these committees on your behalf. (I here take the opportunity of expressing my thanks to the members of the Council, His Honor the Recorder, The Town Clerk and other officials of the Town for their ever ready assistance extended to me in carrying out the duties devolving on me as your chief magistrate.) I regret very much that the adverse balance is so large against the Town, but taking into consideration the large amount expended on the streets and other causes, fully explained in the financial report, I think you will agree with me that the Town is in a fairly good position.

LEGISLATION.

The only measures under this heading were the acts consolidating the Water and Ferry acts obtained from the Legislature last session.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

By the report of the Auditors submitted herewith, it will be seen that the total receipts for the year in the

ordinary account of the Town were \$22,091.36 and the expenditure \$25,586.02.

On the 31st, December the current liabilities amounted to \$5,766.09 of this amount \$3,845.43 was due the Bank and sundry accounts totalling \$1,920.66 remained unpaid. To meet these sums there are due Taxes for 1894 \$4053, and Poll and School Tax for the same \$719.88, leaving a net deficit on 31st, December last of \$1473.21, all outstanding accounts having been taken into consideration. This year committee feel is a very satisfactory state of affairs, when it is considered that by a special vote of the Council the Street Committee overdraw their account \$1500, and that there was a balance against the Town due the Bank at the commencement of the year of \$865.80.

The Bonded debt of the Town on December 31st, amounted to \$321,300 as follows :

Consolidated Debt.....	\$ 17,000
School Loan.....	21,300
Ferry Loan.....	150,000
Water Loan.....	133,000

being \$10,000 more than for the year 1893, this increase being caused by the loan of \$7,000 for schools and the issuing of \$3,000 additional for Water and Sewerage construction.

The net debt however amounts to only \$304,428 as the Ferry Commission have on hand \$9,000 as a Sinking Fund and the Sewer Sinking Fund now amounts to \$7,872.

The assessed valuation of Real and Personal Property for the year within the Town amounted to \$1,803,367 being an increase over the previous year of \$324,340. The assessed rate was \$1.20 per \$100, 55 cents of which was for the support of the Public Schools.

The large amount of Taxes owing at the end of the year was largely due to the fact that one firm owes some \$1,900. The assessment was taken into court and twice decided in favor of the Town, and your Committee hope that

it will be settled before long. A further reason is found when it is remembered that no great pressure was put on the rate payers during the year to enforce the payment of the Taxes, this in the past has always caused more or less friction, and your committee felt that as under the Lien Law the Real Estate Tax would all have to be paid in this year, it would perhaps be better to give the delinquents a further extension of time.

The year 1894 marked a new era in Town affairs, as then for the first time in its history the Lien Law for the collection of Taxes was put in force, some 12 properties were sold, which all brought more than enough to pay the taxes and costs, and today there is only the very small sum of \$9.30 owing from Real Estate for 1893.

A. C. JOHNSTON,

Chairman.

REPORT OF STREET AND PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

This, the most important branch of the Town service has received very close attention. Owing to the introduction of the Water and Sewerage, the streets were in a very bad condition, none of them being in a fit state to travel over. Your committee felt that with the limited means at their disposal, the best course to pursue would be, to permanently repair the main thoroughfares, and leave the less used side streets for the future. With this in view they macadamized Water Street from Portland to the top of Synott's Hill, Ochterloney Street from Water to Canal Street, Portland Street from Water to Pleasant Street, and Pleasant Street from Portland to the foot of the hill opposite Mott's Factory. This was all covered with broken stone and screenings from the breaker, and used up 6,878 loads or 96,292 bushels. The streets thus repaired present a smooth, hard service over which it is a pleasure to drive, and should with ordinary attention last 10 or 15 years, and will, we believe prove that macadam is the cheapest material to use, when it can be obtained as at present.

Under a resolution of the Council, your Committee purchased from the Burrill Johnston Iron Co., of Yarmouth, a Blake 11x15 Stone Breaker, which, (with a lifting gear purchased from the same firm) was placed on the lot it now occupies for the sum of \$600. A second hand Turbine Wheel cost \$115, Rubber Belt cost \$48.60, setting up the Breaker, building the Pent Stock &c., cost \$362.13, and the pattern for Toggles and Jaw Plates \$17, making a total expenditure on Capital account of \$1142.73. The breaker was purchased on the understanding, that, if any portion of it proved defective, within one month of its commencement to run, it would be made good by the makers. Shortly after starting the work, the pitman broke in two, and on this being represented to the Burrill Johnson Co., they immediately sent a new one at their own cost, and consequently the Town lost nothing by the accident. With the exception of the two weeks delay caused by this, and about 10 days shut down to accomodate the Starr Factory, the Breaker ran from June 1st., to December 1st.

It is most satisfactory to know that the cost of running the Breaker is all that can be desired. The total expense of breaking stone was, for Jaw Plates, Toggles, Waste, Oil, Babbit &c., \$189.59. For delivering 6878 loads of stone at the Breaker \$979.84. For crushing the stone, hauling on the street, and spreading it, \$804.26, making a total of \$1973.69. If to this be added \$116.62, the rent of the ground and water power for 7 months, and say \$465 for the stone on hand on January 1st., 1894 and \$100 for the proportion of the Superintendent's salary, it will be found that the cost of purchasing, crushing, and spreading the stone on the street was 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents per bushel. The reason the cost has been so low is in a great measure due to the fact of having so located and arranged the Breaker that the broken stone was allowed to fall into the carts without the expense of shoveling.

This alone saved from \$15, to \$18, per week or a total of upwards of \$300, during the summer. The cost for labor per day was only \$2.30 to run the Breaker. When it is remembered that stone broken by hand cost for breaking

alone 4 cts., per bushel, the stone and spreading being additional, and no screenings being obtained; and that shore gravel cost on the wharf $2\frac{2}{3}$ cts., per bushel, it will readily be seen what a saving to the town the present system is. To have only broken, by hand, the stone put on the street this year, would have cost more than would purchase and erect three such stone breaking plants as the Town has now. Comparing the cost of running the old Breaker with the new, it is found that the old broke an average of 35 loads a day at a cost of \$16.75, the new an average of 70 loads a day at a cost of \$11.30, so that from this view the new Breaker has a great deal more than paid for itself in the one season, and the work done last summer, would have taken two summers to complete with the old breaker.

A large amount of stone was obtained from the lot owned by the Town to the West of the Hawthorne street school, and your committee have thus turned a useless piece of ground into a fine field, and this without costing the Rate-payers one cent.

The ground where the Breaker is placed was rented, with the Water power from the Building Society at a rental of \$200 per annum; either party can cancel the agreement on giving one month's notice.

The amount voted for the Streets was \$3000, but by a special vote of the council (owing to the exceptional circumstances) a further sum of \$1,500 was granted, and we feel confident that when the Ratepayers consider the amount of work, they will approve of this action of the Council.

The total amount spent on the Streets was \$4,434.27, which includes the macadamizing, the general street repairs in the several wards and the Superintendent's salary.

STREET LIGHTING.

The estimate was \$1400, and the expenditure \$1341.88. The lights have given very good satisfaction, the great trouble being that there is not enough of them. If a few more could be placed during the present year in those por-

tions of the Town most deficient in this respect, your committee feel such a step would give general satisfaction.

STREET WATERING.

The estimate was \$150, expenditure \$174.75. The Town is still using a wooden cart purchased from the City of Halifax years ago, it is altogether too small, and not at all suitable for the work. Your committee strongly recommend, that, a new and more modern one be obtained at once, one that will do double or treble the work at the same cost.

PUBLIC PROPERTY.

The estimate was \$174, expenditure \$91.20, this being for the repairs to the Engine House Tower made in 1893, and for the introduction of the Water into the Town Hall. Under this heading it may not be out of place, if the attention of the Ratepayers is called to the room, known by courtesy as the Council Room, where the gentlemen they ask to do the business of the town without any remuneration, are compelled to sit often for hours in an atmosphere sometimes positively injurious, and in a room at all times in a filthy condition. Under the present circumstances, this cannot well be otherwise, but we think the time has now arrived, when the Town should have a Hall a credit to itself, and one in which it would be a pleasure to do business.

STREET NAMES AND NUMBERS.

The estimate was \$375 and the expenditure \$96.97, there is an unpaid amount of \$75 for the numbers, which would make the total cost of this very necessary improvement including the work in connection therewith only about \$200. The Street names were placed in position as occasion offered during the summer, but owing to delay in receiving the numbers, the work on the houses only commenced

on December 31st., this work is now proceeding and will be completed in a short time.

Your committee are of the opinion that the Catch Pits by taking off the surface water, save the street to a very large extent; and they have to express their regret, that all the Catch Pits which the Council ordered the Water Committee to have built were not constructed this year, as a heavy freshet in the spring may cost more than the Catch Pits themselves would amount to.

As all the money voted for streets last year had of necessity to be used on the streets proper, but little attention could be given to the Sidewalks, these are in a very bad condition, and while in some localities they can be made with screenings, in others, using this material is only a waste of money, and we feel it would be a step in the right direction if during the coming year, some headway could be made towards making proper sidewalks. Possibly Asphalt, with a wooden or concrete curbing would give good satisfaction.

During the year under your orders, your committee considered the advisability of obtaining a thorough plan of the Town, but owing to the lateness of the season no definite steps were taken. We cannot refrain from calling your attention to the very great necessity which exists for such a plan; encroachments on the streets are being made every day, and everywhere, and unless steps are taken very soon to prevent this, it will be impossible in the future to have a sidewalk which will not be obstructed every few feet by someone's door step or porch.

In conclusion we feel that we would not be doing justice to the Superintendent of streets, if we did not bear testimony to the very efficient manner in which he performs his duties. The erecting of the Stone Breaker, and the satisfactory way in which it was run are due solely to his close attention and untiring industry.

N. F. CUNNINGHAM,

Chairman.

WATER AND SEWERAGE.

The most important questions relating to water and sewerage that have come before your Council during the year have had reference to the expropriation of the water shed of the lakes; the settlement of riparian rights on Lamont lake stream; the extension of the water and sewerage systems; the supplying of the water boats of Messrs Judge and Mara with water; and the sale of the remaining portion of the Lamont property owned by the town, on the South side of the Preston road.

HUMPHREY EXPROPRIATION.

Early in February, 1894, a resolution was passed to expropriate as much of the water shed of the lakes as was owned by Mr. Robert Humphrey, lying between Lamont and Topsail lakes. Accordingly this land was expropriated in the name of the Town on February 20th. In April a communication was received from Mr. Humphrey's solicitor enclosing a valuation from City Engineer Doane, at a sum of \$5000, which price Mr. Humphrey asked for the land. Your Council then made Mr. Humphrey what it considered a very liberal offer of \$1500. This being declined your Council offered to relinquish the land. Mr. Humphrey however refused to receive it back. The question of value was then referred to arbitration, Mr. B. A. Weston acting for the Town, Mr. Judson Baker for Mr. Humphrey, Mr. C. S. Lane being subsequently appointed as the third. The award of the arbitrators was \$2600. Against this the Town appealed to the Supreme Court where the case was brought before Judge Ritchie. A large number of witnesses were called on both sides, and the evidence was so conflicting as to value that the Judge referred the case to a jury to be tried in April.

On account of the excessive valuation placed by owners of the water shed upon their lands, your Council have decided to abandon the idea of any general expropriation of land surrounding the lakes, feeling that the Town cannot

afford so large an expenditure. As to the purity of the water of the lakes in the past we have the result of the analysis of Maynard Bowman, Esq., Dominion Analyst, and his opinion in May, 1891, that "from a sanitary point of view the water is a good one, and well suited for domestic purposes."

There is also sufficient legislation to enable the Town to prevent the wilful pollution of the water of the lakes, by owners of the shores or others.

CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES.

The cost of settlement of claims on Lamont lake stream and of acquiring the water shed of the two lakes suggests again the question whether bonded rights for these properties could not have been obtained much more cheaply before the introduction of the water system had been attempted. The following claims have been either absolutely or practically settled:—

Josiah Ross.....	\$1,142
Edmund Cross.....	500

There is a claim of \$250 on the part of Mr. James Farquharson for damage to land owned by him at the head of Lamont lake in consequence of the rise in the level of the lake and overflow of said land. A similar claim for a like amount has been made by Mr. Daniel Donovan for land overflowed on the western side of the lake. No action has been taken as yet with regard to these claims.

SUTHERLAND SUIT.

Mr. Donald Sutherland's suit against the Town for the recovery of over \$7000 has been practically settled. The claim was on three accounts; 1. For extra labor in the excavation of the big cut in Hutchinson's Hill. 2. For a long list of extras. 3. For repairing leaks in consequence of leaky wooden joints in the water main between Sullivan's pond and Lamont's lake. The first account was settled

absolutely in favor of the Town, the second was also in the Town's favor substantially. In the third claim the judgment was substantially against the Town. The result of this judgment is that Town pays \$1055 besides costs amounting to \$303. In this suit arbitrators could not be agreed upon, and it was tried in the Supreme Court. The Recorder had associated with him R. L. Borden, Q. C., in the defence, and had it not been for the able presentation of the Town's case, it is probable the decision would have been seriously less favorable to the Town.

HUNT CLAIM.

Late in the fall of 1893, in consequence of the closing up of an old drain by the laying of the water and sewerage pipes and of a heavy rain, the cellar of George Hunt on Portland Street was flooded with water. Mr. Hunt claimed damages to the extent of \$400. The amount of damage was submitted to arbitration, the arbitrators being Mr. F. Scarfe for the Town, Mr. Salter Dares for Mr. Hunt, and the third Mr. Thomas Synnott. The arbitrators reduced the claim to \$100 which has been paid.

EXTENSIONS.

Water and sewerage extensions in various directions have been considered but only those extensions have been made which would yield a profitable interest, the capital for the purpose of construction being nearly exhausted.

A 4 inch water pipe has been laid on Wentworth Street from Ochterloney Street to the Church of England Rectory a distance of 207 feet at a cost of \$118.18. The sewer pipe, size 6 inches accompanying the water, was laid by the Church of England at its own expense, with the understanding that the Town has the power to connect house drains with it.

Water and sewerage have been laid from Pine Street west along Dahlia Street 199 feet, with a 9 inch sewer pipe and a 4 inch water main, the cost being \$430.85.

The water system has been carried along Albert

Street from Pleasant Street at the request of most of the house owners. A 6 inch water main was laid 380 feet at a cost of \$282.77.

Three additional catch-pits and two half-catch-pits have been built, the locations being: 1 at east side Water Street at the foot of Stairs Street, 1 at the corner of King and Ochterloney Streets, 2 half-catch-pits at the same point, and 1 catch-pit at the top of Burton's Hill. The total cost of building these catch-pits, for labor, cement, pipe, gravel and stone was \$101.35.

Nine $1\frac{1}{2}$ X 2 inch valves for flushing dead ends of Sewers were put in; cost \$65.00

WATER BOATS' SUPPLY.

Messrs. Judge & Mara, proprietors of boats which supply ships in the harbor with water having been approached with reference to their obtaining their water from the Town of Dartmouth expressed their willingness to take at least a portion of their water from this Town if a satisfactory arrangement could be arrived at. After considerable negotiations, having reference chiefly as to whether a block sum should be paid or whether the water should be purchased at a price per 1000 gallons, the latter arrangement was arrived at. While the water meter was being obtained subsequent to the last of May when they began to use the water, the boats were supplied from the hydrant on the wharf of Douglass & Co., and an accurate register kept from the guage on the tanks of these boats by Mr. Cameron who has charge of the coal scales there. Since then, however, a concrete pit has been built at the head of the wharf into which a 3 inch Siemens meter has been placed. The contract with Messrs Judge & Mara completed in August, extends over five years and requires them to pay \$40 towards the purchase of a meter, and a minimum sum of \$40 per year for the water supply whether used or not, and for all water passing into their boats through the meter they are to pay at the rate of 15 cts per thousand gallons. It is probable that the arrange-

ment will bring in between \$200 and \$300 a year towards the maintenance of the water system.

LAMONT PROPERTY SALE.

A portion of land owned by the Town being a part of the old Lamont property, lying on the southern side of the Preston Road opposite the pipe house and containing about eleven acres has been sold to Mr. Edmund Cross. It was used in part, to furnish earth for building up the shores of the lake, but this will not now be needed, as the Town has acquired land from which all necessary earth can be obtained. About $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres of this property consisted of land that had been cleared but had become run out. An offer was received from Mr. Edmund Cross of \$400, after an interview with him, which was accepted. This judicious sale afforded a much needed addition to the limited capital.

All the newly made ground about the dam and pipe-house was last spring sown with grass seed, which gives the lake embankment a clean and neat appearance.

WATER SERVICE CONNECTIONS.

At the end of 1892, 127 houses had been connected with the water mains. This number was increased to 350 on December 31st., 1893.

On Dec. 31st., 1894 the number of houses, shops, churches and schools using the Water Supply was 397, also the following institutions, factories, &c., were users of the Water.

- Dartmouth Ferry Commission,
- Acadia Sugar Refinery.
- Hospital for Insane.
- Douglass & Co. Iron Foundry.
- Electric Light Co.
- J. N. McElmon. Saw Mill.
- Dominion Paint Works.
- N. Evans & Son. Boiler Works.
- Judge & Mara. Water Boats.

TRENCHING.

The contract for extensions and house service trenched was awarded to Mr. Archibald Awalt, after tenders has been duly called for, his being the lowest. His prices were: rock, \$2.50; earth, 27 cts., per cubic yard; refilling, 4 cts., per lineal foot of 5 ft. deep. It was found better to give this work to one man held under an agreement responsible to perform the work promptly, keep the trenches lighted and protected etc.

New wire has been placed in all the screens at the pipe house, twelve in number. Six new screens have also been made to supply defective ones, when required, the value of these latter being about \$30.

The total value of Water Works supplies, tools, etc., on hand Jan. 1st, 1895 is estimated at \$1429.69.

It would be unjust not to mention in this report the efficiency of the superintendant of the water system, Mr. W. L. Bishop which leaves nothing to be desired.

FINANCES.

At the close of last year (1893) the sum of \$5000 was remaining, of the \$35000 authorized to be issued by cap. 92 of the Acts of 1893. During the year bonds to the value of \$3000 were sold, the Ferry Commission taking them at par. Since the close of the financial year, bonds to the amount of \$2000 which remained unsold have been issued.

At the commencement of 1894 the balance of cash on hand and bonds unsold amounting to \$6489 remained to the credit of the construction account. The sale of land to Mr. Edmund Cross added \$400 to this amount. This fund is fast becoming exhausted by the payment of old claims. The following are now decided, including costs:—

Donald Sutherland	\$1358.02
Josiah Ross	1145.30
George Hunt	122.00
Edmund Cross	575.00
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	\$3200.32

After the payment of these claims there will remain about \$600 of the construction account towards the settlement of the Humphrey land expropriation case.

Another important draft upon the \$6489 was the sum of \$1350 paid out of the capital account under sec. 48 of the Water Act for maintainance. This was necessary in order that water and pipe rates might not exceed the rates of the previous year.

In the two previous years \$1900 had been taken from capital account to pay interest on bonds. This interest should be considered a part of the cost of maintainance. Notwithstanding that addition to revenue for maintainance, there was a deficiency in the maintainance account for the water year ending May 1894 of \$1366, which had to be made up this year.

The water account, this year, received no help from the general assessment towards the payment of interest on sewer bonds, whereas during the previous year the sum of \$750 was added to the general assessment for water maintainance. Relief has been afforded to property owners not fronting on a pipe line by a reduction of the Fire Rate from 30c. to 20c. There is no probability of a reduced water rate next year as no more funds from the capital account will be available, and the increased interest from the sinking fund will only partly make up for the absence of this receipt. It has therefore been necessary to study economy in the matter of water and sewerage.

The total amount of the Sewer Frontage as determined to date is.....	\$33,181
of this sum.....	\$6622
has been paid in by 93 property owners, and.....	1250 in
instalments making a total of..	7872
Leaving a balance unpaid of...	25,309

The \$33,181 being the total Sewer Frontages represents the Sinking Fund which as paid in reduces the bonded debt for water purposes by that amount. The total of the Sinking Fund is now \$7872.34. The interest earned by this fund

is placed to the credit of the Maintenance Acct., and helps to reduce the Water Rates.

Details of the above accounts will be found in the financial statements of the Auditors.

There is a considerable sum of the Sewer Rates due up to August 1894, together with over \$300 interest remaining unpaid by persons who have undertaken to pay in instalments. Your Committee recommend that energetic steps be taken to collect these sums during the present year.

M. A. B. SMITH,

Chairman.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

This service has had the usual amount of attention from your Council. It has been kept up to its present state of efficiency at a very small outlay, this no doubt is largely owing to the small amount of work fortunately required of the apparatus and also to the prompt and efficient manner in which the Department answers and attends to any call of duty. For the better protection of the Southern and Eastern sections of the Town your Council have had placed two hose reels, one at Mott's barn on Pleasant Street, and the other at or near Mr. Albert Hutchinson's on Canal Street. The Northern section is still under consideration and will have to be dealt with in some practical way by the incoming council.

POOR AND LUNATICS.

The amount placed in the estimate for this year for Poor was \$1000, the amount expended was \$1058.42. \$193.55 was received leaving the net expenditure \$864.87.

The amount placed in the estimates for Lunatics was \$1096. The Hospital for Insane acct. to March 31st 1894, \$876.63, was paid. \$130.50 was received for the maintenance of a patient there not chargeable to the Town, being the full amount due up to December 31st, 1894.

The number of patients at the County Poor Farm chargeable to the Town at the close of the year was 9, and at the Hospital for Insane 7.

A detailed statement of Receipts and Expenditures for these services will be found appended to this report.

POLICE.

This service still continues in a very satisfactory condition, our two officers performing their duties in a most creditable manner as the records fully exemplify.

LIQUOR PROSECUTIONS.

There have been three prosecutions by the Inspector during the year for violations of the Act, two of which were successful, in the third the defendant absconded before the writ could be served.

LITIGATION.

During the past year a number of important cases have been brought to a settlement. The claim of Mr. Ross which was pending on appeal from the award of the arbitrators has been finally settled, the Chief Justice having heard the case without a jury and doubled the amount awarded by the arbitrators, giving the claimant \$1000 on which the additional amount of \$142 was paid for costs.

The claim of Mr. Edmund Cross was heard before Arbitrators and an award made for \$500 from which no appeal has been asserted. The Consumers' Cordage Company applied for a certiorari to review the assessment on their property which was refused by the Chief Justice and his decision was affirmed on appeal to the Supreme Court in banco.

An application was made to me as a member of the Assessment Appeal Court to extend the time for appealing from the decision of the Assessment Appeal Court so as to enable the Company to appeal directly from the Assessment

Appeal Court to the Supreme Court of Canada under a peculiar provision of the Supreme Court Act allowing such an appeal. I have refused to extend the time and I am not aware that there is any possibility of the Company asserting such an appeal without the order of the Assessment Appeal Court extending the time, for which I think no reason can be shown.

The claim of Donald Sutherland against the Town has been at length settled substantially in favor of the Town. The Plaintiff's claim consisted, speaking in general terms, of three principal items :

1st—A sum of about \$1700 for money retained by the Town to pay for the repairs of joints found to be leaking after the completion of the work.

2nd—A considerable amount between \$1000 and \$2000 for a variety of extras.

3rd—A large sum, upwards of \$6000 for extra cost of excavating and refilling the "big cut" so called on the ground that the depth was not indicated in the Plans and Specifications.

The last item was disallowed *in toto*. The second was substantially disallowed, only fifty or sixty dollars of the amount being awarded to the Plaintiff. On the first of the above mentioned terms the Plaintiff succeeded. His success carried the general costs of the action, no tender having been made before action. The costs are necessarily large, the trial having extended over several days, a large sum amounting to nearly \$90 being incurred for the payment of a shorthand reporter ordered by the Judge, whose services resulted in materially shortening the trial and saving a considerable amount for costs. The Plaintiff's costs would have been much greater but for the fact that he was not allowed the costs incurred on the issues on which he failed, and the costs of the issues on which the Town succeeded were allowed to the Defendant's Solicitor. I have to acknowledge the great assistance afforded by Mr. Borden, Q. C., who, with my full concurrence was retained with me on behalf of the Town. The total amount of the

judgment in this case was for \$1055.02 debt, and \$303.00 costs, in all \$1358.02.

A claim of upwards of \$100 was made by Dr. W. F. Smith against the overseers of Poor a number of years ago for attendance on a diphtheria case. A proposal was made to settle the case for \$75, which was declined by the Claimant and an action was brought. The cause stood over from term to term for one cause and another until at length it came before Mr. Justice Townshend in January of this year when the Plaintiff's case was dismissed with costs.

The case against the Halifax Graving Dock Co. for water taxes is still pending, but will probably be determined before this report is in print.

B. RUSSELL,
Recorder.

AMALGAMATION OF THE TOWN AND FERRY OFFICE.

This matter is still in the hands of a committee, the only practical solution of the difficulty appears to be the erection of a Town Hall at or in close proximity to the ferry, and there is no doubt the large saving that could be made in salaries would go a long way in paying the interest upon a sum sufficient for the construction of a building which would be a credit to the Town and fill a long felt want, as the rate payers cannot expect the gentlemen whom they elect to transact their public affairs to continue to do so much longer in that disreputable building called by courtesy The Town Hall.

RAILWAY.

During the past year the Branch has been carefully surveyed, tenders called for, and the contracts for its construction awarded. The plans and profiles show that the road will be first class in every respect. At no point is the grade heavier than 1 foot in 100 feet. The curves are not excessive, although at two or three points they are rather too

pronounced. It is possible some improvements will be made in this respect during construction. The structural parts will be thoroughly built. The road will tap Waverley, and a siding will be put in at Portobello. The traffic which will accrue to Dartmouth from the former point will be considerable. The contract is let in two sections. Messrs Cook and McGregor, who are the contractors, announce their intention of pushing the work as rapidly as possible. Their agreement calls for its completion by the 31st of August next.

TERMINAL FACILITIES.

The question of terminal facilities is a matter for the serious consideration of the incoming Council. So far the accommodation has been very inadequate to the requirements of the large business of the road. Shippers by water are completely handicapped as everything has to be trucked to the railway station, which would be obviated by utilizing the water front at the disposal of the government. No business other than that of a purely local character can be accomplished until this is done. Proper terminal facilities would undoubtedly attract a large volume of traffic in due course. The advantages of this road when completed, have been fully dealt with in previous reports.

DOMINION ATLANTIC R. R. CO.

Realizing the fact that this enterprising road is seeking better terminal facilities, your council hastened to lay the advantages and claims of Dartmouth before their representatives. The better to accomplish this, your council deemed it wise to send a delegation to interview them in person. Mayor Sterns and Councillor Johnston were appointed. They proceeded to Kentville and laid the facts which they had gathered before the resident manager. The delegates were advised to transmit their information in full to the Head Office in London, G. B. This has been done, but sufficient time has not elapsed to receive a reply. The delegates, it may be stated, were well received, and felt that

their statements had made a good impression. This matter is of too much importance to the town of Dartmouth to be lightly passed over. Every effort should be made to induce the Dominion Atlantic to locate on this side of the harbor.

THE MUSQUODOBOIT ROAD.

The construction of the Branch to Windsor Junction, connecting with Waverley, will be an important link in the construction of the Musquodoboit Road, and makes that project so much the easier of accomplishment. The time appears opportune for the joint committee, which was appointed at the public meeting held early last spring in Middle Musquodoboit, to present the information they have gathered to the government and press the matter to an issue.

This town stands ready to heartily assist any practical move which this committee decides upon in furtherance of the undertaking.

In closing my report I again thank you Ladies and Gentlemen for the honor you have conferred on me by electing me your Chief Magistrate.

I remain, your obedient servant,

WM. H. STERNS,

Mayor.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH :

Gentlemen,—

Herewith we beg to hand you our twelfth and final report for the year ended December 31, 1894.

We have audited all the books, vouchers, and accounts of the Town Clerk and Treasurer, including the books, vouchers and accounts of the Board of School Commissioners of Dartmouth, for the year ended December 31st, 1894, we find them all in order and correct.

The accompanying statements Nos. 1. 2. 3. 4 and 5., for the different services of the Town show :

No. 1.—ORDINARY SERVICES OF THE TOWN.

Receipts.....		\$28,933.89
Minus:—		
Ferry Interest.....	6425 00	
Sale of Properties for Taxes.....	417 53	6,842 53
Receipts 1894 ordinary sources.....		<u>\$22,091 36</u>
Expenditure.....	32,779 32	
Minus:—		
Ferry Interest.....	6327 50	
Balance 1893.....	865 80	7193 30
Expenditure for 1894, ordinary services.....		<u>\$25,586 02</u>

No. 2.—WATER AND SEWERAGE MAINTENANCE.

The Receipts as Specified in Statement, amount to.....		\$8,607 97
This amount includes \$1,350 00 proportion of \$2,000 Bond sold as deailed in Receipts, Statement No. 3. to meet Int. on \$30,000 00		
Expenditure.....	7364 38	
Minus:—		
Balance, Dec. 1893.....	698 83	
Expenditure 1894.....		<u>\$6,665 55</u>

No. 3.—WATER AND SEWERAGE CONSTRUCTION.

Receipts.....	3932 08	
Minus:—		
Balance, Dec. 1893.....	1489 90	
Receipts—1894.....		<u>\$2,442 18</u>
Expenditure—1894.....		<u>\$3,816 02</u>

No. 4.—SINKING FUND—shows amount received for Sewer Frontage.

Paid in full.....		6,622 29
" on acct. Instalments.....		1,254 05
Which is invested in Co., of Lunenburg and Town of Pictou, Bonds.....	5000 00	
Premium.....	35 00	
Deposited Union Bank Savings Department.....	2837 34	
		<u>\$7,872 34</u>

No. 5.—STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS, shows

Receipts	\$12,621 88
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Expenditure	13802 57
Minus:—	
Balance, Dec. 1893.....	1636 72

Expenditure—1894..... \$12,165 85

Annexed is a list of the current liabilities of the Town and a Statement of the Consolidated and Bonded debts as shown by the Ledger accounts and sundry documents placed in our hands for inspection.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. FOOT, }
W. CREIGHTON, } *Auditors.*

Water and Sewerage Construction Account
From Jan. 1st, to Dec. 31st, 1894.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1st, 1894.....		1489 90
Water and Sewerage Connections.....		339 26
Londonderry Iron Co., for broken pipe.....		6 25
Interest on Deposit Receipts.....		26 22
E. Cross for Lamont Property.....		400 00
For Bonds sold.....		1000 00
Accrued Interest on Bond.....		20 45
Bond sold	2000 00	
Less—Paid Maintenance acct. for Int. on \$30,000.....	1350 00	650 00
		<u>\$3932 08</u>

EXPENDITURE.

-Halifax Land Improvement Co., for privilege laying pipe in Canal Pond.....	140 99 ✓
-Fees, Supreme Court Humphrey case.....	28 81 ✓
-Arbitrators.....	150 00 ✓
-Award to G. A. Hunt \$100, Jos. Ross \$1000, costs \$145 30.....	1245 30 ✓
-Purchase of land (Topsail Lake).....	74 00 ✓
-McElmon fees re. Ross Case	6 00 ✓
-Interest on overdraft.....	4 51 ✓
-Material and Labor.....	942 01
-Wentworth Street extension 207 ft. 4 in., Water Main.....	118 18
-Dablia Street extension 199 ft., 9 in. Sewer and 4 in. Water Mains	439 85
-Albert Street extension 380 ft., 6 in. Water Main.....	282 77
-Catch-pits, Labor, Cement Pipe, Gravel and Stone.....	101 35

9 Valves 1½ x 2 in. for flushing dead ends of Sewers, total cost.....	65 00	
-Wharfage and Truckage.....	11 25	
-Stationery.....	4 30 ✓	
-Cab hire.....	18 50 ✓	
-Water meter.....	82 00 +	
-Lighterage.....	91 60	
-Sundries.....	18 60 ✓	
Balance.....	116 06	
		<u>\$3932 08</u>

Examined and found correct.

GEO. FOOT. }
W. CREIGHTON. } *Auditors.*

Sewer Sinking Fund Account,
to Dec. 31st, 1894.

RECEIPTS.

Sewer Frontages received to Dec. 31st, 1893		3384 50
to Dec. 31st, 1894		<u>4487 84</u>
Of this amount there were		
Frontages paid in full (93).....	6622 29	
" " on account (Instalments)...	1250 05	
		<u>\$7872 34</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Invested in County of Lunenburg and Town of Pictou, Bonds.....	5000 00	
Premium thereon.....	35 00	
Balance—Cash in Union Bank, Savings Dept.....	2837 34	
		<u>\$7872 34</u>

Examined and found correct.

GEO. FOOT. }
W. CREIGHTON. } *Auditors.*

**Water Maintenance Account,
From Jan. 1st, to Dec. 31st, 1894.**

RECEIPTS.

Water Rates.....	6771 57
Interest on Sinking Fund.....	236 07
" " Sewer Frontage.....	198 61
Grass sold from Humphrey Property.....	31 50
Proportion proceeds \$2000 Bond sold to meet interest on \$30000	1359 00
Accrued Interest on Bond.....	20 22
	<u>\$8607 97</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Balance Jan. 1st, 1894.....	698 83
Salary Superintendent.....	474 96
Labor &c.....	320 87
Interest on Bonded Debt 1 year on \$130000 to July 1st, 1894, @ 4½ per cent.....	5850 00
Water Rates re'unded.....	67
Accrued Interest on Bond.....	19 05
Balance.....	1243 59
	<u>\$8607 97</u>

Examined and found correct.

GEO. FOOT, }
W. CREIGHTON, } *Auditors.*

NOTE.—The financial year of the Water Department does not end until May, 1895. The balance of \$1243.59 on hand as stated above will be required to meet interest due on Water Bond, in Jan. 1895.



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3932.06
116.06
3816.02

8607.97
1243.59
7364.38

**STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure of the
Town of Dartmouth, for the year ended
December 31st, 1894.**

RECEIPTS.

Assessment—1888.....	2 65	
1889.....	2 70	
1890.....	2 90	
1891.....	8 01	
1892.....	238 36	
1893.....	1436 53	
1894.....	16164 46	
	<hr/>	17855 61
Poll Tax—1892.....	2 25	
1893.....	52 15	
1894.....	1296 40	
	<hr/>	1350 80
School Tax, (Halifax)—1893.....	73 41	
1894.....	950 78	
	<hr/>	1024 19
School Tax, (outside district)—1893.....	17 79	
1894.....	246 13	
	<hr/>	263 92
Dog Tax.....		165 00
Court Fees.....		464 00
Fines.....		188 32
Licenses—Hackney.....	20 50	
Auction.....	20 00	
Exhibition.....	5 00	
Traders.....	40 00	
Junk.....	4 00	
Truck.....	61 00	
	<hr/>	150 50
Common Rent.....		4 00
Poundage.....		14 75
Poor—On acct. orders filiation.....	131 70	
From Overseers Poor, Shelburne.....	43 95	
" " " Bridgewater.....	3 90	
" " " Lawerentown.....	2 00	
For board inmates Poor Farm.....	12 00	
	<hr/>	193 55

Fire Department—For Oil casks.....		1 50
Streets—For gravel.....		2 50
Cemetery—For Lots sold.....		6 00
Contingent.....		5 95
Ferry Int.—On Debentures, 1 year on \$38,000 @ 4 p. c.	1520 00	
" " " " 109,000 @ 4½ p. c.	4905 00	
		6425 00
Lunatics—For Maintenance at Hospital for Insane.....		130 50
Pumps & Wells—For Rubber Buckets.....		1 00
Interest—From School Board.....		207 36
Liquor License Fund—For Fines &c.....		56 00
Surplus 1893 Tax Sale.....		417 53
Interest 1893 Tax Sale.....		5 91
Balance.....		3845 43
		<u>\$32779 32</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Balance Jan. 1st, 1894.....		865 80
Salaries—Stipendiary Magistrate and Recorder.....	600 00	
Town Clerk and Treasurer.....	1050 00	
Assistant Clerk.....	101 00	
Messenger.....	120 73	
		1871 73
Police—Chief of Police, salary.....	549 96	
No. 2, salary.....	450 00	
Clothing allowance.....	100 00	
Fuel.....	39 62	
Prisoners' Meals.....	17 85	
Telephone.....	25 00	
Electric Lighting.....	15 96	
Handcuffs and Batons.....	12 48	
Sundries.....	14 25	
		1225 12
Poor—Dispensary Grant.....	60 00	
Maintenance Paupers at County Poor Farm, 12 months, to March 31, 1894.....	670 48	
Board of A. Brown.....	63 60	
Special Constable services.....	16 00	
Fare &c. poor family to Shelburne.....	19 90	
Attendance & board pauper re. filiation order.....	94 30	
Fuel and Supplies to Poor.....	133 31	
Burial Expenses.....	8 00	
Medical attendance.....	10 00	
Cab hire, paupers to Poor Farm.....	8 94	
Sundries.....	3 89	
		1058 42
Cemetery—Whitewashing Fences.....	9 00	
Lumber.....	1 25	
		10 25

Pumps & Wells—Repairs.....	148 34	
Lumber.....	17 83	
Labor.....	4 50	
Sundries.....	1 55	
		172 22
Fire Department—Engineers' Salary.....	150 00	
Fuel.....	58 07	
Waste &c.....	3 49	
New Hose.....	336 70	
Hauling Engine.....	14 25	
Electric Lighting.....	19 95	
Torches and Repairs.....	3 50	
Kerosine Oil.....	42 50	
Electric Battery.....	1 92	
Repairs to Fire Engine.....	24 02	
Hose Reels.....	90 00	
Die for Threading Couplings.....	9 00	
Testing Fire Engine Boiler.....	20 49	
Sundries.....	16 87	
		790 76
Assessors Salaries.....	300 00	
Auditors ".....	100 00	
		400 00
Contingent—Stationary and Printing.....	191 28	
Fuel Town Hall.....	33 83	
Telephone do.....	40 00	
Electric Lighting Town Hall.....	36 48	
Advertising.....	10 00	
Revisors Prov. Lists.....	40 00	
Election Expenses.....	8 00	
Hire Reform Club Hall.....	10 00	
Assistant Clerk.....	43 75	
Floor Cloth, office.....	12 38	
Council Fee re: Keeler.....	50 00	
Morning Chronicle 2 yrs.....	12 00	
Atlantic Weekly.....	1 00	
Rent Box Merchants Bank Safe.....	10 00	
Sundries.....	110 34	
		609 06
Electric Lighting Streets, (12 months to Nov. 30th, 1894)		1341 88
Lunatics—Maintenance at Hospital for Insane, 9 mos. to March 31st, 1894.....		876 63
Public Health.....		2 35
Watering Streets.....		174 75
Public Property—Repairs to Engine House Tower.....	74 00	
Soil Pipe &c. for Water Supply, Town Hall.....	17 20	
		91 20
Liquor License Fund—Inspector's Salary.....	60 00	
Counsel Fee.....	36 00	
Witness Fee.....	5 00	
		101 00

Interest—On Consolidated Debt—		
12 mos. on \$10000 to Dec. 2nd 1894.....	460 00	
6 " " 7000 " June 2nd 1894.....	140 00	
On Overdrafts at Bank.....	238 75	
		<hr/> 778 75
Ferry Interest on outstanding Coupons 1893—		
And on Coupons presented, due 1894.....	6327 50	
County Rates.....	697 37	
Dartmouth Park.....	250 00	
Streets Signs.....	96 97	
Pool Taxes Refunded.....	3 00	
Drinking Fountain.....	49 40	
Public Reading Room.....	100 00	
School Board.....	10317 00	
Court Fees.....	20 79	
Lower Canal Bridge.....	113 10	
Streets—Cost of Stone Breaker at Canal Bridge.....		600 00
Water Wheel.....	115 00	
Setting up Breaker building, Flume, etc.....	362 13	
Rubber Belt.....	48 60	
Jawplates, Toggles, Gillplates, Oil, Waste, Grease		
Babbit, Box, Metal &c.....	206 59	
6878 leads of Stone at Breaker.....	979 84	
Breaking Stone, hauling to Streets and spreading..	804 26	
Labor.....	1017 85	
Superintendent's Salary.....	300 00	
		<hr/> 4432 27
		<hr/> <hr/> 32,779 32

Examined and found correct.

W. CREIGHTON. }
GEO. FOOT, } *Auditors.*

Dartmouth, Jan. 12th, 1895.

List of Licenses Granted 1894.

AUCTION.

J. Duggan & Sons.....	\$10 00
Francis Bros.....	10 00
Total.....	\$20 00

HACKNEY.

Hunt, John.....	4 00	DeYoung Lewis.....	2 50
Richards, Thos.....	2 50	Richards, Geo.....	2 50
Conrod, Jabez.....	2 50	Wambolt, Richard.....	4 00
Myers John.....	2 50	Total.....	\$20 50

TRUCK.

Keeler Bros.....	2 50	Evans, Isaac.....	2 50
Jones, John.....	2 50	Warner, Edward.....	4 50
Behan, Thomas.....	2 50	Glendenning, John R.....	3 50
Lee, Daniel.....	3 50	Strum, Geo.....	2 50
Debay, John.....	2 50	Weeks, Geo.....	2 50
Keddy, Joseph.....	2 50	Craig, Jas.....	2 50
Hunt, John.....	4 50	Williams, W. H.....	2 50
Green, W. H.....	7 50	Graham, Thos.....	2 50
Bowden, John.....	2 50	Tufts, John.....	2 50
Ryan, Chas.....	2 50	Total.....	\$61 00
Williams, Stephen.....	2 50		

TRADERS.

Miller, M.....	10 00	Hancock, J. A.....	10 00
Ackerman, F. H.....	10 00	Total.....	\$40 00
Brownsell, R. & G.....	10 00		

JUNK DEALER.

John Bowden.....	\$ 4 00
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DOG TAX Paid for Year ended Dec. 31st, 1894.

Name of Owner.	Tax.	Name of Owner.	Tax.
Adams, Mrs. Geo.....	1 00	Edgecombe, Richard	1 00
Austen, H. E.....	1 00	Elliot, Edward.....	1 00
Angwin, Frank.....	1 00	Ellis, A. E.....	1 00
Atkinson, Geo.....	1 00	Forrester, Henry.....	1 00
Allison, J. W.....	1 00	Poston, Jas.....	1 00
Anderson, John.....	1 00	Fisher, Edward.....	1 00
Austen, J. H.....	1 00	Findlay, John.....	1 00
Baylis, Harry.....	1 00	Farrell, Paul.....	1 00
Black, S. H.....	1 00	Frazer, J. C. P.....	1 00
Brown, Alex.....	1 00	Greene, John.....	1 00
Bishop, W. L.....	1 00	Greene, W. H.....	2 00
Bowser, Thos.....	1 00	Graham, Walter.....	1 00
Braudis, Wm.....	1 00	Gentles, James.....	1 00
Bowden, John.....	1 00	Graham, Tim.....	1 00
Baker, Arthur.....	1 00	Gates, Lamont.....	1 00
Bayne, Geo.....	1 00	Gentles, C.....	1 00
Campbell, John.....	1 00	Grant, H. H.....	1 00
Crook, John.....	1 00	Gray, Jer'h.....	1 00
Cox, John, Jr.....	1 00	Glendinning, Henry.....	1 00
Coleman, J. B.....	1 00	Gow, Robt.....	1 00
Coibert, Jas.....	1 00	Hiltz, Jas.....	1 00
Chapman, Geo.....	2 00	Hall, Jas. H.....	1 00
Campbell, Colin.....	1 00	Hodgson, Alex.....	1 00
Creighton, H. D.....	1 00	Hunt, John.....	1 00
Cribby, John.....	1 00	Hutchinson, Albert.....	1 00
Cocmbs, W. G.....	1 00	Helsby, E. H.....	1 00
Coates, Wm.....	1 00	Hemson, D. B.....	1 00
Creighton, A. L.....	1 00	Heatherrington, F. W.....	1 00
Crowell, C. M.....	1 00	Keddy, N.....	1 00
Cunningham, Allan.....	1 00	Keddy, John.....	1 00
Chittick, Johnston.....	1 00	Keddy, Jas.....	1 00
Cameron, S. H. H.....	2 00	Kane, Howard.....	1 00
Cameron, Robt.....	1 00	Jones, J. J.....	1 00
Casey, C.....	1 00	Iunes, Geo.....	1 00
Carter, Job.....	1 00	Loomer, E. J.....	1 00
Dymond, W. A.....	1 00	Landsburg, G. H.....	1 00
Downey, Mrs. M.....	1 00	Lynch, Alex.....	1 00
DeYoung, Lewis.....	1 00	Lynch, Charlie.....	1 00
Dillman, John.....	1 00	Leahy, Patk.....	1 00
Debt, John.....	1 00	Leahy, Jas.....	1 00
Durney, Harry.....	1 00	Leedhan, H.....	1 00
Dillman, Thos.....	1 00	Lane, C. S.....	1 00
Evans, Isaac.....	1 00	Logan, Wm.....	1 00
Eazar, M. F.....	2 00	Leahy, John.....	1 00
Erb, Eph.....	1 00	Madley, Johnston.....	1 00
Emot, Reuben.....	1 00	Mitchell, Mrs K.....	1 00

Monaghan, Geo.....	1 00	Strum, John.....	1 00
Meriott, W. J.....	1 00	Strum, Jas.....	1 00
Myers, John.....	1 00	Settle, J. T.....	1 00
Murphy, Daniel.....	1 00	Steven's, John S.....	1 00
Morrison, M.....	1 00	Sutherland, D.....	1 00
McKenzi, G. A.....	1 00	Smith, Geo. W.....	1 00
McDonald Mrs. W.....	1 00	Steven's, Leander.....	1 00
McLaughlin, Jos.....	1 00	Strachan, Timothy.....	1 00
McLeave, Benj.....	1 00	Sellers, Jas. A.....	1 00
McQuarrie, Geo.....	1 00	Tobin, Jas.....	1 00
McKenzie, Wm.....	1 00	Turnbull, Geo.....	1 00
McKay, Mrs. J.....	1 00	Tynes, Geo.....	1 00
McAdam, M. A.....	1 00	Trider, Jas.....	1 00
McLennan, E.....	1 00	Troop, Geo. J.....	1 00
McDonald, A.....	1 00	Taylor, Edward.....	1 00
McDonald, G. E.....	1 00	VanBuskirk, G. E.....	2 00
McNab, Wm. G.....	1 00	Walker, J. T.....	2 00
McKenzie, Hugh.....	1 00	Walker, W. H.....	1 00
Newman, W. H.....	1 00	Whelby, W. E.....	1 00
Prescott, C. B.....	1 00	Warner, Edward.....	1 00
Parker, Wm.....	1 00	Whelby, Miss. E.....	1 00
Prescott, Reg.....	1 00	Watt, Harry.....	2 00
Oland, G. W. C.....	1 00	Wentzell, Wm.....	1 00
Oland, J. C.....	1 00	Weston, B. A.....	1 00
Patterson, Robt.....	1 00	Wambolt, Richard.....	1 00
Power, Patk.....	1 00	Wilson, Frank.....	1 00
Ring, Frank.....	1 00	Weeks, Otto.....	1 00
Robson, Mrs.....	1 00	Weeks, Geo.....	1 00
Richards, Alex.....	1 00	Young, F. A.....	1 00
Richards, Geo.....	1 00	Young, Wm.....	1 00
Russell, Benj.....	2 00	Patterson, Wm. (1893).....	1 00
Richards, Thos.....	1 00		
Romo, Frank.....	1 00		
Smith, C.....	1 00		
		Total.....	\$165 00

DARTMOUTH MUNICIPAL COURT.

Business for year ended December 31st, 1894.

No. of writs issued, and served by the Town Police Constables in Dartmouth, and in Dartmouth School Section:

Summonses	}	
Capias	}	445
Summonses and capias served by City (26)		
by County (28) Constables on Defendants		
residing in City and County of Halifax...		54
Total No. of writs issued.....		499

No. of Executions issued, and served:—

By Town Police Constables.....	133
“ City (17) and County (15) Constables	32
Total	165

PARK COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—In submitting the annexed statement of the year's Receipts and Expenditures, I would call your attention to the now very limited sum at the disposal of the Commissioners which will prevent them undertaking anything more than the merely keeping in order of what has already been accomplished in this now beautiful spot The Dartmouth Park.

The principal work accomplished by the Commission during the past season, was the making of several paths through the shrubberies providing enjoyable walks largely patronised by the public.

As a means of raising funds Your Commission decided to hold an open air Band Concert on the grounds which netted \$21.82, but for various reasons it was not deemed advisable to repeat it.

I am pleased to note the very small amount of damage received by the trees and shrubs from children who are almost continuously congregating in the Park in large numbers.

Will not the Ladies who now take such a deep interest in the beautifying of our Town devise some scheme to assist the Commission to raise the necessary funds towards the further adornment of our Park.

DARTMOUTH PARK.

1894.

Receipts.		Expenditure.	
Cash on hand	\$242 61	Trees.....	\$ 8 00
Town Grant.....	250 00	Whitewashing....	9 00
Interest &c.....	7 03	Manure	8 15
Park Concert.....	21 82	Labor.....	292 88
	<hr/>	Balance on hand	203 43
	\$521 46		<hr/>
			\$521 46

I remain,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

WM. H. STERNS,

Chairman Park Commission.

FERRY COMMISSION.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—The year just closed has proved a very satisfactory and profitable one as the annexed balance sheet will fully show. The Commission has been enabled to not only wipe off the debit balance of \$5895.30 carried forward from 1893 but also to leave a credit balance of upwards of eighteen hundred dollars to carry forward to next year making an actual profit for the years operations of nearly eight thousand dollars, this no doubt is due in a great measure to the Commission not having to make any extenslve repairs to the plant or property during the year as well as the increased traffic which has to a certain extent been largely augmented by teaming through the fact of their being no railway communication.

BOATS.

Except when off for ordinary repairs the two large boats "Dartmouth" and "Halifax" have been kept continuously on the ferry, and are both in first class condition.

The "Sir C. Ogle" has been sold, which leaves the Commission with the "Mic-Mac" the only boat left of the old service. This boat owing to the now stringent government inspection would require a very large expenditure of money to allow of her continuing to be run as a ferry boat, the Commission have therefore decided and I think very wisely that it would be a misuse of the public money to expend a large sum for repairs to a boat which is now inadequate for the service.

A new boat now being an immediate necessity, the Commission is gathering data which it hopes will enable it

to have built a boat suitable to the requirements of our ferry and you will be called upon at an early date to ratify the issue of short time debentures for that purpose.

WHARVES AND APPROACHES.

The wharves will require some considerable repairs during the coming season, also a new bridge and float will be required for the Dartmouth side.

In closing my report I am very thankful to say that the Commission has been entirely free of litigation of any kind during the year which also has been a factor towards the good financial showing.

Appended are the Auditors' Report, Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement.

I remain,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

WM. H. STERNS,

Chairman Dartmouth Ferry Commission.

DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION.

Profit and Loss Account for 12 months ended 31st Dec., 1894.

1893.	Dr.	
Dec. 31, To Balance.....		5895 30
1894.		
Dec. 31, Interest.....	6372 34	
Coal.....	7017 78	
Dartmouth Taxes.....	1360 71	
Wages.....	16684 13	
Insurance.....	432 94	
Dock, City of Halifax.....	800 00	
Repairs and Expense.....	4136 84	
Town of Dartmouth Water.....	550 00	
	37354 76	
Dec. 31, To Balance.....		1825 11
		\$45075 15
		1825 11
1894.	Cr.	
Dec. 31, By Ferriage.....		34510 75
Commutation.....		9362 68
Rent.....		1318 37
Discount.....		1 69
Wharfage.....		21 20
Parcel Repository.....		47 40
Junk.....		113 06
		\$45075 15
Dec. 31, By Balance.....		\$ 1825 11

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December 31st, 1894.

G. E. VANBESKIRK.

Secretary.

I certify the above statement of Profit and Loss to be correct, and as shown by the books of the Commission on December 31st, 1894.

W. C. BISHOP,

Dartmouth, N. S., January 25th, 1895.

Auditor.

BALANCE SHEET.

	Dr.	Cr.
4 Cash		560 17
26 Profit and Loss		1825 11
30 Debentures		147,000 00
50 Coal, (stock on hand)	400 00	
52 Real and Personal Property	140059 43	
135 Repairs and Expense, (stock on hand)	807 10	
140 Union Bank Special Deposit	5000 00	
186 Jabez Conrod	18 75	
188 J. R. Graham	30 00	
189 Wm. Devan	20 00	
190 Reading Room	50 00	
224 Investment Bonds	3000 00	
	<u>\$149,385 28</u>	<u>\$149,385 28</u>

December 31st, 1894.

Dartmouth Ferry Commission.

G. E. VANBUSKIRK.

Secretary.

I certify the above Balance Sheet to be correct, and as shown by the Books of the Commission on December 31st, 1894.

W. C. BISHOP,

Auditor.

Dartmouth, N. S., January 25th, 1895.

DETAILED STATEMENT, REPAIRS AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Repairs to Wharves.....	510 34
Repairs to Hulls and Machinery of Steamers.....	487 85
Gov't Inspectors fees 87 92, Tickets 273 25,	361 17
Auditor's Salary 100. Solicitor's Salary 150.	250 00
Supt. Expenses to New York.....	91 00
Office Stationery, etc.....	71 79
Electric Lighting, Boats and Premises.....	388 22
Telephone, 65 00, Uniforms for crew 320 55	385 55
Austen Bros., for lubricants, etc.....	230 10
Jas. P. Duan, Sundry repairs, etc.....	64 24
E. M. Walker, Kerosine oil, Soap & Brooms	181 15
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow, Iron rope, etc	520 53
J. Simmonds & Co., Sundries.....	25 85
Knight & Munroe, Leather hose & repairs.	32 00
Water rates for tenements, and fire pro- tection rates.....	150 30
Imperial Oil Co., Grease.....	37 63
Gutta Percha & Rubber Mfg. Co., valves..	26 78
E. Warner, for hard coal.....	119 85
Sundry expenses, incidental.....	202 49
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	\$4136 84

I certify as correct the above detailed statement of Repairs and Expense Account to be as shown by the Ledger (page 135) of the Dartmouth Ferry Commission on December 31st, 1894.

W. C. BISHOP,
Auditor.

Dartmouth, N. S., January 25th, 1895.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan'y 25th, 1895.

To the Dartmouth Ferry Commission :

GENTLEMEN,—I hereby certify that I have made a careful and thorough examination of the books of accounts kept by your Commission up to December 31st, 1894, and have to report as follows :—

The books and accounts for the past year have been correctly kept by your Secretary.

I have carefully compared the vouchers and time books in connection with the expenditure, and the receipts from commutation and transient tickets and other sources of income with the cash book and ledger, and find them all in perfect accord.

I have verified the trial balances since the issue of your last report, also the bank book and cheque books all of which are correct.

There is now on special deposit in the Union Bank at the credit of your Commission the sum of five thousand dollars, and a further sum of three thousand dollars has been invested in Dartmouth Water Bonds, bearing interest at the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per annum.

Herewith I submit a regular balance sheet and a statement of the Profit and Loss account which shows a Net Gain to December 31st, 1894, of one thousand eight hundred and twenty five dollars and eleven cents.

W. C. BISHOP,
Auditor.

TO THE RATE-PAYERS
OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH.

Ladies and Gentlemen;

I have the honor, as Chairman of the Board of School Commissioners, to present to you a report of the work of the Board, and of the condition of the Dartmouth Public Schools, for the financial year ended Dec. 31st, last.

BUILDINGS.

By a unanimous vote of the ratepayers on January 29th, last, an expenditure of the sum of \$7000 was authorized for enlarging the accomodation of the Greenvale school, and for the erection of a school building on the Asylum Road on the site purchased for that purpose in 1890.

It has been estimated that there is an increase each year over the previous one of about 50 children, or enough to fill one department, requiring instruction in our schools. At the beginning of the year just ended the Board was renting the Elliot school house, "small, poorly ventilated & badly situated," to meet the increasing demand for accommodation. To do away with the need of this School house, and further to provide increased accommodation, Greenvale school had to be enlarged. To obviate the extravagance of continual extensions it was best to make one work of extension and provide for a number of years to come.

The building used as a school house at Woodside contained an over-large, dingy, unfinished, comfortless room,

quite unfit for a school room. A new school was therefore needed here.

Different plans were submitted to the Board by the architect employed, Edward Elliot, Esq. for the enlargement of Greenvale school. There were three methods particularly considered:—1. To raise the building from its foundation and put a new story between. 2. To extend the sloping roof so that the building while not higher, should have a flat roof, 3. To lift up the roof from the eaves and insert a new story between. It was decided that the latter was the cheapest way of enlarging the building besides greatly improving its appearance. It was also decided to build a new entrance platform and outside stairway on the east side of the structure, to afford an additional means of exit, also to put in a new system of ventilation with other minor improvements. Tenders for carrying on the work were called for and the lowest, from Mr. John N. McElmon for \$4375, accepted. The alterations in the building were carried on and completed during the summer holidays, and there was very little delay in the regular fall opening of the school. The work of the contractor has been very satisfactory and we have now a school building that is a credit to the town. Four new, bright and cheerful rooms, by the means I have stated, have been added to the accommodation of the Dartmouth Schools. The new rooms are a very great improvement upon what has been styled the *dark hole* at the Central school.

In the matter of the new school on the Asylum Road the chief question was whether a one-room or two-room building should be constructed. A plan of a one-room school to cost \$1200 was already before the board. It was considered, however, that the South-end department was already full, that that district was increasing in population and that it would be false economy to build only for present needs, without looking to the future. Accordingly it was determined to build a two-room school after the plan of that at the North-end, with some modifications, the interior of the second room however to be left unfinished for the present.

It was decided to light the rooms principally from the north and south, with two windows in the back, to receive all the sunlight possible. As in the other case tenders were called for, for the work. That of Mr. John T. Walker for the sum of \$2135 was the lowest received. This amount being somewhat in excess of the funds at the disposal of the Board a compromise was arrived at with Mr. Walker, some features of the proposed new building which were unnecessary being omitted. He was then given the contract for the sum of \$2087. Mr. Herbert Gates was employed as architect and very satisfactorily made the alterations in the plan of the North end school indicated by the Board. The new building was completed promptly according to contract on Aug. 31st. There is hardly a fault to be found with it as far as the work of building has extended. It is probable the second room will require very soon to be completed as there are now 60 children attending the school in the one department.

All the other school buildings are in good repair.

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE.

The past year was the second in which the compulsory attendance act was in force in the Dartmouth School Section. It was the first year in the history of the town in which parents have been prosecuted for the non-attendance of their children. A fine was imposed upon seven heads of families for neglecting to send their children the required number of days. About twenty-seven were summoned before the Board to account for neglect in this respect.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The High school was opened in Dartmouth in Nov. 1892. The registration was then 30. That number has increased to 55 pupils at the present time. It will probably reach 80, or nearly so, judging from present indications, after next grading. The present number of 55 pupils represents those remaining after grading several to Halifax

Academy, and after certain others had left school for good. About 54 per cent. of Dartmouth High school pupils passed the provincial examination in July last.

Principal Miller has proved himself to be not only a very successful teacher, but especially thorough and judicious in the performance of his duties as supervisor. While he takes a kindly personal interest in the teachers under him, he has always in view the efficiency of the schools. He has the entire confidence of the Board.

Writing of the Deputy Principal, Miss S. Findlay Mr. Miller says: "I cannot speak too highly of Miss Findlay, teacher of junior mathematics, English and drawing in the High School. She is invaluable in the position she occupies which in every other town, requires a man, and a good one, and she receives about half his salary. She is an executive officer of great ability and as a teacher, second to none that I have met:—firm—gentle—and always ladylike."

Both teachers and pupils appreciate very highly the new rooms which are so bright and cheerful.

One new department requiring the employment of an additional teacher, has been opened in one of the rooms at Greenvale school. This new grade 7 became absolutely necessary when children were applying for seats in grade 7 which could not be furnished either there or in the next higher grade.

KINDERGARTEN.

The number of pupils on the register of the Kindergarten school at Greenvale is 59.

The number graded to the different Primaries during the year was 56

This department has been giving more attention this year to voice culture, drawing and writing, than formerly.

The pupils now in the Kindergarten are doing well, as was fully shown by their work of sewing—weaving—paper folding—drawing—writing etc. exhibited and given out at Xmas.

Miss Kennedy of Mahone Bay after studying at home one year under Miss Hamilton's direction, and spending one year in the training class, was granted a Kindergarten certificate in July. After six months further study at home the Diploma was sent to her in December. Miss Jessie Nicholson of N. B. is training at present with a view to become a Kindergartener.

The certificate of Honorable Mention from the Board of Lady Managers of the "World's Columbian Exhibition" for skill in the collection and preparation of the display of work from the Dartmouth Kindergarten ranks our little institution among the Kindergartens of the world and is no small honor to Miss Hamilton.

Miss Hamilton has called my attention to the gift of four large wall pictures representing the swan, the fox, the hare and the flying squirrel, presented through Mrs. Hinkle Congdon by the firm of Messrs Philip & Son, London. These she considered very valuable to the school.

The leading idea of the Kindergarten appears to be to induce a child to use its senses to perceive, and its mind to understand at first the simplest things around it; and this habit being formed makes an impression on its future life. Its principles are being applied by the Primary teachers as well as in the Kindergarten. Just how children graded from this department compare in their work in the Primaries with those who have not had this training does not appear to be quite determined here as yet. It will be made a subject of experiment during the present year.

THE COLORED SCHOOL.

The compulsory attendance Act still continues to affect very favorably the colored school. In 1890 for example 30 children were enrolled and the average daily attendance was 11. Last year (1894) 48 children were enrolled and the average daily attendance was 29.

SCHOOL BANKS.

The amount deposited is less than that of the previous year by about \$162.

Statement of Cash deposited and withdrawn for year ended Dec. 31st, 1894:—

1894		
Jan. 1	Balance on hand.....	\$ 364.18
Dec. 31	Deposited.....	1019.47
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		\$1383.65
	Withdrawn.....	\$ 134.51
	Transferred to P. O. Savings Bank.....	908.00
	Balance:	
	Special deposit.....	300.00
	Cash on hand.....	41.14
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		\$341.14
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		\$1383.65

ATTENDANCE.

The schools were open 208 days during the year.

The total number of pupils registered was 1259.

The total days attendance for the year was 182,052.

The average daily attendance was 880.79.

These numbers are for year ended July 31st., 1894.

Previous reports were made up to Oct. 31st., of each year. The change in the school year renders this necessary for future reports. The schools were open two days less than last year.

TEACHERS.

Two years ago a staff of twenty teachers were employed; the number is now twenty-four.

Miss Stenhouse of grade 8 has resigned and gone. While here she gave perfect satisfaction.

Miss Murray has retired permanently from the arduous work of teaching to be, as the Board hopes, "happy ever after."

Miss M. McKay has also retired.

The new appointments have been Miss Ellis to Central; Miss Currie to the North end school; Miss Libbie Allen also to the North end; and Miss Mitchell to Greenvale, where she takes the place of Miss Shute.

Miss Shute who was teaching grade 5 at Greenvale has opened the new grade 7 at Central.

Miss Sarah Findlay has been appointed Deputy Principal of the Dartmouth schools, Miss E. Hume Vice Principal of Greenvale and Miss Alice Downey Vice Principal at Central.

EXPENDITURE.

The cost per head of educating pupils in the City of Halifax for 1893 exclusive of the Academy was \$12.41. In Dartmouth in 1894 it was \$9.66 per capita.

The balance to the credit of capital account for construction on Dec. 31st., was \$199.51.

The debit balance of the current account was \$1180.69, but this is a reduction of the debit balance handed over from last year, of \$456.03.

On another page will be found the financial statement showing the amount expended on the different branches of the service.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

M. A. B. SMITH,

Chairman Board of School Commissioners.

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS, DARTMOUTH.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended December 31st, 1894.

Estimate.	RECEIPTS.	
	Balance Capital Account	\$ 199 51
10317	Town of Dartmouth—Amount of Estimate for the year.....	10317 00
2130	Government Grant to Teachers—	
	To February 1st.....	955 12
	To July 31st.....	1091 23
		2046 35
12	Interest on School Bank Fund (\$300.00).....	12 03
	Interest Accrued on Bonds Sold.....	34 76
	Interest on special deposit.....	6 68
	For books Miss Hamilton.....	2 60
	For Picture frame, Miss Hume.....	45
	Rent of Elliot School	2 50
	Balance.....	
	Due Bank per pass book.....	1155 71
	Cheques not cashed.....	24 98
		1180 69
		\$13892 57

1245

Estimate	EXPENDITURE.	
	Balance	1636 72
8645	Salaries—Teachers.....	8531 94
100	Substitutes.....	126 00
650	Janitrices.....	656 00
150	Tenant Officers.....	149 88
		9463 82
310	Stationery, Maps, and other supplies.....	265 28
	Chemicals, &c., High School.....	15 30
25	Advertising and Printing.....	19 90
150	Repairs—General to buildings, desks, &c.....	206 38
350	Fuel.....	341 54
130	Stove Service.....	145 70
90	Desks—Teachers.....	19 50
	Pupils.....	340 70
		360 20
60	Cleaning.....	61 50
40	Rent—Elliot School.....	50 00
	Woodside School.....	10 00
		60 00

	Water Supply—G. V. School Tre ching.....		37 12
819	Interest on Debentures.....	412 00	
	" " (Park School).....	207 36	
		<hr/>	619 36
71	" on Overdraft.....		110 02
100	Insurance prems.....		130 00
69	Treasurer School Bank—Salary.....		60 00
126	Contingent—Hire of Piano.....	36 00	
	Sundries.....	64 95	
	Brooms, buckets, &c.....	19 60	
	Blinds.....	25 85	
	Blackboards.....	27 78	
		<hr/>	174 18
10	Water Rates to May 1st, 1895.....		21 50
	Plumbing Central School.....		74 00
579	Last year's deficiency.....		
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	<u>12459</u>		<u>\$13802 57</u>

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

1894.	Cr.		
Dec. 31,	For Town bonds sold, \$7000 @ par.....		<u>\$7000 00</u>
	Dr.		
	Greenvale School Addition—		
	Amount of Contract.....	4375 00	
	Architect's fee.....	221 12	
	Extra Insurance.....	12 50	
		<hr/>	4608 62
	Woodside School—		
	Amount Contract.....	2087 40	
	Architect's fee.....	50 00	
	Clearing land.....	46 97	
		<hr/>	2184 37
	Printing bonds.....		7 50
	Balance (to cr of Capital Account).....		199 51
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			<u>\$7000 00</u>

ALFRED ELLIOT,

Treasurer.

Examined and found correct,

GEO. FOOT,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
W. CREIGHTON,	

STAFF OF TEACHERS,

FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDED JULY 31ST, 1894.

Teachers.	Grade.	Class.	No. reg.	Percent.	Salary.
G. J. Miller, (Prin.)	H. S.	A	52	85.	\$1100
Miss S. Findlay, (Dea. Prin.)		C			440
" A. Stenhouse,	8	B	51	78.1	320
" S. Hopkins,	7	B	45	77.7	400
" A. Downey,	6	C	49	82.5	320
" M. N. Downey,	5 and 6	C	58	82.4	410
" J. Shute,	5	C	75	79.3	320
" M. Jackson,	4	C	68	83.68	320
" M. Scarfe,	4	C	51	83.9	300
" M. Harris,	3 and 4	C	57	81.4	300
" B. Thomas,	5	C	40	80.5	240
" A. Pender,	2 and 3	C	59	87.2	260
" B. Hume,	2	C	52	87.1	360
" F. Murray,	1 and 2	C	58	73.9	320
" E. Hume,	1	C	76	68.12	410
" E. Hennigir,	1	C	68	81.2	300
" O. Allen,	1	B	57	74.4	300
" M. A. Hamilton,	K G	C	71	69	420
" M. Murray,	1 to 5	C	57	71.72	320
" B. McKay,	3 to 6	C	44	83.2	300
" M. McKay,	1 and 2	C	71	71.1	320
" J. Findlay,	1 to 3	C	46	78.7	300
" N. Fultz,	1 to 5	D	48	67	300

Total No. registered pupils.....1,259
 Average daily attendance..... 830,79
 Grand total days attendance..... 182,052

STAFF OF TEACHERS.

DECEMBER 31ST, 1894.

	Class.	Grade.	Salary.
Greenvale School:—			
G. J. Miller, (Prin. & Supv.),	A	} H. S.	\$1100
Miss S. Findlay, (Sub Prin.),	C		450
" M. Jackson,	C	4	340
" E. Hume,	C	1	420
" B. Hume,	C	2	380
" J. Findlay,	C	3	320
" M. A. Hamilton,	C	K G	440
" A. Mitchell,	D	5	240
Central School:—			
Miss A. Downey, (V. P.),	C	6	420
" S. Hopkins,	B	7	420
" E. Ellis,	B	8	400
" B. McKay,	C	5	320
" J. Shute,	C	7	340
Park School:—			
Miss M. N. Downey, (V. P.),	C	6	420
" M. Scarfe,	C	4	320
" B. Thomas,	C	5	240
" A. Pender,	C	2 to 3	260
" E. Hennigar,	C	1	320
Hawthorne School:—			
Miss M. Harris, (V. P.),	C	3 to 4	300
" O. Allen,	B	1 to 2	300
North School:—			
Miss M. Currie, (V. P.),	C	3 4 5 6	300
" L. Allen,	C	1 2 3	300
Woodside School:—			
Miss M. Murray,	C	1 to 5	340
Colored School:—			
Miss N. Fultz,	D	1 to 5	320

