

GOVERNMENT
OF THE
TOWN OF DARTMOUTH,
FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1895.

Mayor.

WM. H. STERNS, (Resigned Dec. 12th '95.)

Presiding Councillor.

M. A. B. SMITH, M. D.

Councillors.

WARD 1.—J. R. GLENDINNING	JOS. W. ALLAN.
“ 2.—W. McV. SMITH.	M. A. B. SMITH, M. D.
“ 3.—G. W. C. OLAND.	FRANK HYDE.

Board of School Commissioners.

COUNCILLORS SMITH, (Ch.) HYDE AND SMITH (W. McV.)
FREEMAN ELLIOT, C. S. LANE.

Commissioners of Dartmouth Park.

THE MAYOR, COUNCILLORS HYDE AND OLAND; J. W. ALLISON
J. W. TUFTS.

Dartmouth Ferry Commission.

THE MAYOR, (Ch.) COUNCILLORS SMITH AND OLAND; B. A.
WESTON, GEO. J. TROOP, GEO. STAIRS.

Town Officers.

STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATE AND RECORDER,.....	B. RUSSELL, Q. C.
DEPUTY “ “ “	WM. R. FOSTER.
TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER,.....	ALFRED ELLIOT.
TOWN ASSESSORS,.....	J. H. AUSTEN, A. LLOY AND J. W. TUFTS.
AUDITORS,.....	GEO. FOOT, W. CREIGHTON.
REVISORS OF ELECTORAL LISTS,.....	F. SCARFE, T. MOTT.
SUPT. OF WATER WORKS AND STREETS,.....	W. L. BISHOP.

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Mayor's Report for the Year 1895.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—The Mayor of the Town having resigned his office, and your Council having in their discretion seen fit to leave the vacancy unsupplied until the next annual election it becomes my duty as Acting-Mayor to submit herewith a report upon the public services of the Town for the year ended Dec. 31st, 1895. Generally speaking it has been a year in which economy rather than extension of the different services has had to be considered. Previous to this, expenses incurred in consequence of the introduction and extension of the water system and construction of school buildings and for the street service had so increased the debts of the Town that it appeared necessary to "call a halt." Nevertheless it has been a year of quiet advancement. All the public services have been sufficiently maintained. In every department something has been done in the way of improvement which will form a solid basis for further and more extensive advances in the future. The expenditures of the different services have, as a rule, been within the estimates. The balance against the Town of years back still exists and is increased, partly on account of a debt of \$1500 incurred in advance for streets by the Council of two years ago. All will desire that this balance be cleared off, which in the present condition of the Town should not be difficult. For your more accurate information regarding the different services I will adopt the example of the report of last year, and present to you in full the annual statements of the Chairmen of Public Property, Water and Finance Committees.

LEGISLATION.

At the last session of the Legislature your Council applied for and obtained several amendments to the Consolidated Water Act, correcting many errors and clauses which were found to be objectionable and unworkable, and especially one empowering the Town to liquidate any obligations incurred before the passing of the Act or in consequence of anything done before the passing of the Act, which obligations were already incurred and absolutely unavoidable in consequence of the construction of the water system.

I would just refer to the fact that one clause in the Act was inserted after the draft Act was sent up to the Legislature, and call attention to a matter which is wrong in principle, that a clause should be placed in any Act referring to the domestic affairs of the Town at the instance of parties outside the Council while that Act is before the Legislature, without the sanction of the Council being first obtained

An amendment to the Tax Lien Law was obtained whereby the surplus proceeds of sales of land for taxes should be retained in the Town Treasury until applied for by the parties entitled thereto. This was in lieu of the provision of the original Act that these sums should be paid to the Accountant General of the Supreme Court, which entailed a difficult and expensive procedure to obtain in some cases small sums of money due parties on sales of land for taxes.

An amendment to the Consolidated Water Act whereby the water rates are hereafter to be levied on dwellings apart from the land on which they stand is now awaiting the approval of the Governor-in-Council, having passed the Legislature last year and adopted by the Town Council. A fuller account of this Act may be seen in the Water Report.

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 \$25,567,94, and the expenditure \$24,808,52.

On the 31st December the current liabilities amounted to \$6510. Of this amount \$3871 was due the bank, due ferry interest coupons not presented, \$112,50, and sundry accounts totalling \$2526 remaining unpaid.

To meet these sums there are due Taxes for 1895, \$3315, and Poll and School Tax for the same \$471.00, other debts due \$503, leaving a net deficit on 31st December last of \$2221, all outstanding accounts having been taken into consideration.

As will be seen by the foregoing, the deficit is some \$747 greater than last year. This can be accounted for principally by amounts your committee expected to receive from old Taxes and incidental revenue being considerably less than estimated; it is also to be born in mind that the sum of \$1000 is included in the balance due to the bank, being two-thirds the sum of \$1500, authorized by the Council of 1894, as an extra expenditure on streets that year.

The bonded debt of the Town on December 31st amounted to \$326,800, as follows:

Consolidated Debt.....	\$ 17,000
School Loan.....	21,300
Ferry Loan.....	150,000
Water Loan	138,500
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Total	\$326,800

being \$5,500 more than for the year 1894, this increase being caused by the issuing of \$2000. additional for water and sewerage construction, being the balance of the \$35,000

authorized by the Acts of 1893, Cap 62, and \$3,500 to meet the Humphrey claim, and others under the Acts of 1895.

The net debt however amounts to \$317,260, as the sewer sinking fund now is \$9540.

The assessed valuation of real and personal property for the year within the Town amounts to :

Real	\$1,363,365
Personal	407,475

Total	\$1,770,840

being a decrease of \$32,527 from the previous year.

The assessed rate was \$1.20 per \$100, 59 cents of which was for the support of the Public Schools.

FRANK HYDE,
Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY.

Your Committee on Streets and Public Property beg to submit their report for the year 1895 as follows: This very important branch of the Town service has had every attention, but the very limited amount of money allowed for that purpose has hampered and prevented your committee from carrying out all that was really necessary to be done. But the work done has been substantial and will last a long time.

The crusher has been working very satisfactorily, having broken 2,169 loads, or 38,042 bushels of stone and screenings, all of which has been put on the streets, also about fifty loads of ashes which were used on the sidewalk on Windmill Road.

The cost of running the crusher is very little, one new jaw only having been required, besides ordinary repairs, etc.

A large amount of stone was quarried from the common at a cost of 15 cents a ton.

The amount voted for the streets was \$3,000 and has been spent as follows:

Actual expenditure net was \$2,605,06 as under.

Labor and Stone, General.....	\$ 405	53
Ward I.	597	69
Ward II.....	401	91
Ward III.	674	06
Sundries.....	15	58
Lumber.....	42	92
Blacksmith.....	18	39
Repairs of Stone Breaker, oil, etc...	105	83
Water Power for Breaker.....	200	00
Supt. Salary.....	300	00
	—————	\$2762 91

From the above must be deducted amount received from Ferry Commission or repairs to Ferry Hill, \$153,34, and from Mr. Barss for earth removed from Tulip St. 4,51===\$157,85, leaving net expenditure \$2,604,06.

There are 174 tons of stone (not broken) on hand, stored on Johnston's lot, Pleasant St., costing 17½ cents per ton, \$30,63, charged in General Account above.

STREET LIGHTING.

The estimate for this service was \$1,380.00 and the expenditure \$1,372,94. Two additional lights have been put in during the year, making a total now of 70 lights, and the lights in general are giving good satisfaction.

STREET WATERING.

The estimate was \$175.00, expenditure \$143.99. Your Committee would strongly recommend the Town to purchase a new cart, as the old one is inadequate for the purpose.

PUBLIC PROPERTY.

The expenditure was \$21.75, for painting walls of Council Room, \$14.00, and \$7.75 for repairs to roof of Town Hall. No provision was made in the estimates for this service, as no repairs of any serious nature were contemplated.

Your committee also wish to bring to your notice the engine used last in in 1893 running the small crusher.

This engine is too small to run the large crusher, and is at present kept at the old engine house. This building is in a bad condition and not fit to keep an engine in any length of time, therefore we recommend that it be sold.

In conclusion we feel it our duty to bring to your notice the overdraft of \$1500 of 1894 on streets, and having to pay \$500.00 of that amount off this year, left us with very little money to do the work required, and would suggest that some other means be provided to pay the balance than to take it out of the amount allotted for that work.

Net Expenditure.....	\$2,605 06
Paid on overdraft of 1894.....	500 00
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Total	\$3,105 06

G. W. C. OLAND,
Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SEWERAGE.

The work devolving on the Water Committee for this and the past few years has exceeded that of all other committees of the town together. The department of water and sewerage is, however, in a very satisfactory state at the present time. This is the second year since the introduction of water into the Town that this branch of the service has been self-supporting. The water rate was last May made lower than ever before. No new extensions of any consequence have been made, but in many small details the appointments

have been improved, and many matters relating to individual case owners adjusted. The end of litigation about riparian rights and other claims in consequence of the bringing in of the water by the Town appears to be near, and the financial prospects for the cheap maintenance of the service are good.

An account of cases connected with the water service involving litigation may be seen in the report of the Recorder of the Town. A vigorous effort was made to have the Humphrey award of \$2600. reduced when it came before a select jury in April last, but the award was sustained, and the costs brought the whole charge upon the Town up to about \$3090, which was paid this year. Your committee would be disposed to discourage any further expropriation of land. The claim of Edmund Cross of \$500 has been paid this year. This sum was the amount decided upon by the arbitrators. A claim was, last May, made by Mr. Humphrey for a portion of land lying under Lamont's Lake and a right-of-way to the same. This should have been included in the original expropriation. The claim was referred to Mayor Sterns and the Recorder, and they settled it by the payment of \$215.

The case of the Town against the Halifax Graving Dock Co. caused a great deal of difficulty. The Town won the case against the Company, which was for water rates amounting to about \$270 up to May 1st, 1894. The Company's chief contention was that an excessive valuation had been placed on their property known as the Marine Slip. This involved what they considered had been an excessive general and water tax, and that this had existed for some years back. The view of the Council was that this claim was just, and that the valuation of the Court of Appeal of \$75,000 was too high. Your Council, after hearing the case of the Company, decided to settle the suit for such an amount as would be equivalent to refunding to the Company the difference between the tax on the valuation fixed by the Council and that fixed by the assessors for two years previous to 1894. As it was unfair that the water service should bear any

more than its own share of the reduction in the rate, the sum of \$240 was refunded from the general revenue of the Town to this service. The valuation placed on the Slip by the Council was \$55,000. Your Council also deemed it just that the Marine Slip should not pay water rates on property under water. The relative value of that portion was therefore submitted to arbitration, and it is intended that in future the regular water rates shall only be levied on as much of the property of the Halifax Graving Dock Co. as is not covered with water. His Honor the Recorder has been requested to prepare an Act to be submitted to the Legislature, giving the Council power to make this alteration in valuation of the Slip for the purposes of the water tax.

An alteration in the mode of levying the domestic and pipe rate for water has been adopted by your Council, which, when it receives the authority of the Governor-in-Council, will become law. The change is briefly this, which may be explained best by an illustration: Suppose a large property, as the Hamilton estate, valued at \$8000. This, having no dwelling house upon it would this year be charged the pipe rate of 20c. or \$16.00. Should a house be built upon it, then instead of the pipe the domestic rate would be charged. But under the old system a property with a dwelling could not be valued above \$2000. The domestic rate being 40c., the water tax on the above property with a house using the water would be \$8.00, without any house the water taxes would be \$16.00. This absurd state of affairs is done away with by the new system. Under this system a separate valuation will be placed by the assessors on land and on houses. The chief result will be that a great deal of valuable land which now escapes the pipe rate will be charged it.

A wire fence has been placed around a portion of the lakes at a cost of \$60. Instead of carrying this fence from the gateway of the Humphrey property to the property of Albert York, as originally proposed, at a cost of \$150, your committee continued it, with the approval of the Council, only to a point at which the shore of the lake leaves the main road, considering that its continuance further was not

required. A flushing valve has been placed at the foot of Quarrell St. on Water St, which was necessary on account of the sewer running south to Boggs St., being on a very flat grade and likely to become choked. This is a four inch valve which therefore discharges a heavy jet of water which has proved very effectual. The sewer which was formerly partly blocked up has been thoroughly flushed out and can now be kept in good condition.

Three additional catch-pits and two half catch-pits have been built, the locations being: 1 at Corner of Pine and Dahlia Sts., 1 at Corner of Prince and Bogg . ts., 1 on North St., 2 half catch-pits on Ochterloney St, 1 at Corner of Edward St., and 1 at Corner of Wentworth St. The total cost of building these catch-pits for labor, cement, pipe, gravel and stone was \$110.50. Only one extension of the water system has been made this year, and as the whole of the \$35,000 authorized to be issued by Cap. 92 of the Acts of 1893 have been exhausted, the cost of the pipe for this extension has been charged to maintenance account until the wishes of the ratepayers can be learned and necessary legislation obtained. It was important to make this extension, as the street was being built up. The cost was upwards of \$90, and the annual revenue even with one house only supplied amounted to 10 per cent. interest.

On Dec. 31st, 1894, the number of houses, shops, churches and schools using the water supply was 397. During the past year 33 house connections have been made. The shop of A. Isenor, has been furnished with water for the purpose of running a water motor at the special rate of \$12 a year; other connections being the office of the Starr M'fg Co., the Union Protection Company's Hall and two stables.

The contract for trenching connected with the water works was awarded to Mr. Awalt after tenders had duly been called for, his being the lowest. His prices were: rock \$2.50, earth, 27cts. per cubic yard; refilling, 4cts. per lineal foot of 5 feet deep. It was found better to give the work to

one man held under an agreement, with two sureties responsible to perform the work properly, keep the trenches lighted and protected, etc.

The total value of water works supplies, tools, etc., on Jan. 1st, 1896, is estimated at about the same as last year, or \$1400.

Application will be made to the Legislature, after the consent of the ratepayers has been duly obtained, for power to borrow \$2000 for the purpose of extending the water and sewerage along King St. from Ochterloney St. to North St., and along North St. from that point to Edward St.; also to extend the water from Wilson St. along Quarrell St. to Pine St., and along Pine St. to Ochterloney St.; also to lay a water pipe along Toney St. as far as that street is built upon.

At the close of last year (1894) the sum of \$116.16 was remaining to the credit of the construction account. During the year bonds to the value of \$5500 were sold, \$5000 at par and the last bond of \$500 brought 4 per cent. premium.

The following claims have been paid including costs:

D. Sutherland.....	\$1358, 02
Edmund Cross.....	500 00
R. Humphrey	3060 47
Ditto	215 00
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	\$5133 49

As there are no funds on capital account for further extension of the water system the consent of the ratepayers and further legislation will be required before the water is placed in any new streets.

The total amount of Sewer Frontage as determined to date is \$33,059.60, of this sum \$7,432.42 have been paid in full by property owners, and \$2,100.57 in instalments, making a total of \$9,539.99.

The \$33,059.60 being the total Sewer Frontage, as paid in is set apart as a Sinking Fund which as paid reduces the bonded debt for water purposes by that amount.

The total of the Sinking Fund is now \$9,539.99.

The interest earned by this fund is placed to the credit of the Maintenance Account, by virtue of a clause in the Act, and helps to reduce the Water Rates.

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

A number of property owners have neither paid the amount due for sewer frontage nor any instalment thereof, nor any interest. It is high time that active steps were taken to collect these rates. Your Committee recommend this matter to the consideration of the incoming Council.

Your Committee are pleased to congratulate the rate-payers on the substantial reduction that the Council has been enabled to accomplish in the water rates this year, especially in the domestic or consumption rate, which was reduced from 60c. to 40c. per \$100 as will be seen from the following table :

	Year 1894-5.	Year 1895-6.
Domestic Rate	60c. per. \$100.	40c. per 1000.
Pipe	" 30c. "	20c. "
Fire	" 20c. "	15c. "

Your Committee find that the income for the current water year up to the present time justifies the reduced rate and trust that the committee for next year will see their way clear to carry on this important service without increasing the rate.

Your committee find that since the construction of the dam and gate house at Lamont's Lake there has been a leak amounting to 76,342 gals. per day. This measurement was made in May last. Since then it has been increasing, and is now about 100,000 gals. per day. The earth at the south west corner of the gate house has been settling since early last spring, which shows that the water is passing around the

corner and finding its way down and out through the waste flumes. As this is a state of affairs liable to become serious, your committee would strongly advise that the leakage be repaired as soon in the spring as conditions are favourable for the work.

M. A. B. SMITH.

Chairman.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The estimates for this service were :—

General Expenditure	\$654 00
Insurance	81 00
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	\$735 00

The amount expended was \$809.98. The over expenditure of \$74.98 was caused by several unforeseen items not provided for in the estimate. The only unusual amount was for a wharf which has been built on the Public Dock at the foot of Mott St., adjoining Scarfe's Mill, as a place to put the Steam Fire Engine in case of fire. This has been long needed at the North End as some measure of protection to the district North of Synott's Hill. After calling for tenders the contract for the wharf was awarded to Mr. Jos. Williams at \$275, who did the work to the satisfaction of your Council. In order that the efficiency of our Fire Department may be kept up, provision should be made in the estimates for 1896 for 300 feet of new hose.

The amount placed in the estimates for pumps and wells was \$100. The expenditure amounted to \$7.35, which was for petty repairs.

POOR AND LUNATICS.

POOR.

The amount placed in the estimates was \$1000, the expenditure \$988.80. The receipts were \$44.25, leaving the

net expenditure \$944 55. The item for fuel and supplies to poor amounted to \$252.76, much larger than was expected, caused by contagious diseases among poor families and the severity of the weather last winter.

The Poor Farm account for the year 1895 amounting to \$584.12, has not yet been paid, but against this your Council have a claim against the Provincial Government amounting to \$257.08 for the maintenance of Mrs. Emino and her two children, transient paupers up to the end of the year 1895. This claim will probably be paid. The number of patients chargeable to the Town at Poor Farm at present is 8—3 males and 5 females.

LUNATICS.

The amount placed in the estimate was \$1200, and the expenditure \$1129.80. \$104 was received for the maintenance of a patient for the year 1895. The amount of \$941.75 is still due the Hospital for Insane for 9 months maintenance of patients up to Dec. 31st, 1895. This sum includes \$55.66 for interest. Number of patients 9—5 males and 4 females.

It is a matter to be strongly urged that for the future the full amount for each year be assessed and paid during the year, to save interest and the carrying over from year to year of such large balances.

LITIGATION.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR:

SIR,—

In the matter of Litigation I have to report that all litigation in which the Town has been interested is satisfactorily settled, and there is not at present a single unsettled claim outstanding in the Courts against the Town. We commence the year with a clean sheet.

B. RUSSELL,

Recorder.

POLICE.

This branch of the Town service continues to be very efficiently performed. The Chief of Police has, as in the past, shown himself to be a most efficient officer.

LIQUOR PROSECUTIONS.

There were four prosecutions under the Liquor License Act of 1895 during the year, which resulted in the conviction of the defendant in one case. The other three were acquitted.

AMALGAMATION OF THE TOWN AND FERRY OFFICES.

A vacancy having, during the past year, occurred in the position of Secretary of the Ferry Commission, your Council requested of the members of the Commission a conference on this subject by means of a joint committee, two representatives from each body. The proposal favoured by your Council was that the Town Clerk should be responsible for the work of the office of Secretary and should employ a competent assistant. They showed a saving of \$300 in the amount of \$800 now received by the Secretary, which would also augment the salary of the Town Clerk sufficiently to render it unnecessary that any addition to his salary should be required from the Town. Your Council were almost unanimous on this proposal. The Ferry Commission were, however, almost unanimous in their opposition, claiming that no saving that could be made would compensate them for the inconvenience of not being able to have the services of the Town Clerk himself at all times in the Ferry Office. So for the present at least a proposition which was contemplated in the Ferry Act and which has for some time been under consideration, was voted down, and will probably not be again considered till the erection of a new Town Hall.

RAILWAY.

A special Committee of the Council was appointed early in the year to look after the interests of the Town in the matter of railway terminal facilities, and to urge the early completion of the Dartmouth Branch. The delay on the part of the government, which resulted in the Town being left this winter without railway connection, appears to be quite unjustifiable. The loss to the Town in such an event was more than once strongly urged upon the railway department by your Council.

Application was this year made to the department by your Council for the improvement and enlargement of our terminal facilities in four particulars. These requirements were pointed out to Mr. Archibald, Government Engineer, personally. They were as follows: The need of a Y or turn-table; of increased accomodation for 100 cars; of a new freight shed, and of a siding at the Ferry for the benefit of passengers wishing to travel to or from Halifax by the Dartmouth Branch, either on the main line or points between Windsor Junction and Dartmouth.

The latter question is still in the hands of a joint committee of the Ferry and the Council. Some means would have to be provided for conveying the luggage of passengers to and from Halifax. The best solution of the difficulty would seem to be, to adapt the old ferry waiting room on the Halifax side of the ferry to the purposes of a passenger ticket office and baggage room, on the condition that the Government place in this at certain required times in the day an agent to sell tickets and check and put on the ferry boats any luggage to be forwarded by the Branch Railway. Of course as traffic increased more suitable buildings could be constructed.

When the congested state of traffic on the other side of the harbour and our natural advantages on this side are considered, there is every reason to look for the location of one of the large railways on the Dartmouth side at no very distant date.

Although the Branch to Windsor Junction connecting with Waverley was expected to be an important link in the construction of the proposed Musquodoboit Road it appears that our hopes in this direction may after all not be realized. An Act to grant powers for another Musquodoboit road which is to tap the Intercolonial, not at Waverley, but at some point between Windsor Junction and Truro is shortly to be submitted to the Legislature.

This Town, if it does not oppose, cannot assist in any move to further a road through the Musquodoboit Valley which does not have its terminus either at Waverley or Windsor Junction.

I have the honor to be,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours respectfully,

M. A. B. SMITH,

Acting Mayor.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

DARTMOUTH, N. S.,

January, 11th, 1895.

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

Gentlemen,—

Herewith we annex our final report for the year ended December 31st, 1895.

We beg to report, having 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, 1895, we find them all in order and correct.

We hand you the accompanying statements, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, showing the different services, etc. of the Town. We append herein memorandums of actual receipts and expenditure for the year January, 1st, 1895, to December 31st, 1895, taken from these statements which show :

No 1.—ORDINARY SERVICE OF THE TOWN.

Receipts	\$31,992 94
Minus :—	
Ferry Interest	6,425 00
	<u>\$25,567 94</u>
Receipts, 1895, ordinary sources	<u>\$25,567 94</u>
Expenditure	\$35,863 98
Minus :—	
Ferry Interest	\$6,792 50
Balance Dec. 31, 1894	\$3,845 43
Surplus Tax Sale '93	417 53
	4,262 96
	<u>11,055 46</u>
Expenditure for 1895, ordinary sources	<u>\$24,808 52</u>

No. 2.—WATER AND SEWERAGE MAINTENANCE.

Receipts	\$ 8,171 41
Minus:—	
Balance Dec. 1894.....	1,243 59
Receipts 1895	<u>\$ 6,927 82</u>
Expenditure.....	<u>\$ 6,981 30</u>

No. 3—WATER AND SEWERAGE CONSTRUCTION.

Receipts.....	\$ 5,689 47
Minus:—	
Balance Dec. 1894.....	116 06
Receipts 1895.....	<u>\$ 5,573 41</u>
Expenditure.....	<u>\$ 5,692 15</u>

No. 4—SINKING FUND.

Sewer Frontages.....	\$ 9,539 99
Which is invested in Co. of Pictou and Town of Lunenburg Bonds.....	\$ 5000 00
Premium.....	35 00
Deposited Union Bank Savings Dept.....	4504 99
	<u>\$ 9,539 99</u>

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

Receipts 1895.....	<u>\$13,882 84</u>
Expenditure 1895.....	<u>\$13,140 16</u>

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.

(Sgd.) GEO. FOOT,
(Sgd.) WALTER CREIGHTON, } Auditors.

**STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditures of the
Town of Dartmouth for the year ended
December 31, 1895.**

RECEIPTS.

Assessment 1873 to 1893.....	\$ 87 42	
1894	4080 24	
1895	16884 94	
1896	52	
	\$21053 12	
Poll Tax—1892-3.....	\$ 25 61	
1894	83 03	
1895	1214 40	
	1323 04	
School Tax, (Halifax)—1894	\$ 159 55	
1895.....	976 64	
	1136 19	
School Tax (outside district)—1893	\$ 8 96	
1894.....	84 83	
1895	343 18	
	436 87	
Dog Tax.....		159 00
Court Fees		449 85
Fines.....		112 55
Licenses—Hackney	\$ 27 00	
Auction	20 00	
Exhibition.....	21 00	
Traders	40 00	
Junk	4 00	
Truck.....	37 50	
	149 50	
Common Rent.....		98 71
Poundage.....		14 00
Poor—On acct. orders filiation.....		44 25
Common Lots.....		8 12
Interest from School Board.....		207 36
Cemetery—For lots sold.....		27 00
Liquor License Fund, fines and costs		52 10
Lunatics—For maintenance at Hospital for Insane		104 00
Contingent		11 76

Streets—From Ferry Com. for work on Ferry Hill.....	\$ 153 34	
For $\frac{1}{2}$ cost of removing earth from Tulp St.....	4 51	
		157 85
Water Rates.....		6 00
Ferry Interest—On Debentures 1 yr. on \$38,000 at 4 per ct. \$	1520 00	
“ “ “ \$109,000 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	4905 00	
		6425 00
Interest: Taxes 1894.....		16 67
Balance.....		3871 04
		<u>\$35863 98</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Balance Jan 1, 1895.....	\$ 3845 43	
Surplus Tax Sale 1894.....	417 53	
		\$ 4262 96
Salaries—Stipendiary Magistrate and Recorder.....	\$ 600 00	
Town Clerk and Treasurer.....	1050 00	
Assistant Clerk.....	134 50	
Messenger.....	93 87	
		1878 37
Dartmouth Park.....		250 00
Street Signs.....		90 90
Poll Taxes refunded.....		2 00
Public Reading Room.....		100 00
Watering Streets.....		143 99
Electric Lighting Streets, 12 mos. to Nov. 30, 1895.....		1372 94
Court Fees.....		37 58
School Board.....		11574 00
Cemetery—Lime washing fence.....		7 25
Lunatics—Maintenance at Hospital for Insane 12 mos. to March 31, 1895	\$ 1109 80	
Lunacy Certificates.....	20 00	
		1129 80
Public Health—Medical Officer's Salary.....	\$ 20 00	
Cleaning and Fumigating.....	6 50	
Watchin. Infectious Cases.....	82 05	
Compensation for Quarantining.....	3 00	
		111 55
Interest—On Consolidated Debt, 18 mos. to Dec 21, 1895, on \$7000.....	420 00	
12 mos. to Dec. 2, 1895 on \$10,000.....	400 00	
On Overdraft at Bank.....	166 30	
		986 30
Public Property—Painting and Cleaning.....	14 00	
Repairs roof Town Hall.....	5 25	
Lumber and Lime.....	2 50	
		21 75
Liquor License Fund—Inspector's Salary.....	\$ 60 00	
Witness Fees.....	5 50	
Counsel Fees.....	61 00	
		126 50

Police—Chief of Police, salary	\$ 549 96	
No. 2, salary	450 00	
Clothing allowance	100 00	
Fuel	28 95	
Prisoner's meals.....	13 05	
Telephone	25 00	
Electric Lights.....	15 96	
Stove Service.....	2 95	
Insurance Premium, 3 yrs., Lock-up.....	4 80	
Sundries.....	13 61	
		1204 28
Ferry Interest— On outstanding coupons 1894	\$ 480 00	
And on coupons presented due 1895.....	6312 50	
		6792 50
Fire Department—Engineer's Salary.....	\$ 150 00	
Fuel \$52.53, Waste, &c., \$3.23.....	55 53	
Electric Lighting.....	20 80	
Hose Reel	38 00	
Electric Bell	1 00	
Building Wharf at Scarfe's Mill.....	275 00	
Stove Service.....	10 75	
Hauling Engine.....	28 00	
Play Pipe.....	19 75	
Plank for Platform	8 74	
Repairs to Fire Engine.....	48 35	
Wiring for Electric Lights, Engine House	5 00	
Insurance prem 3 yrs. Engine House &c	80 40	
Tarpaulins.....	30 24	
Kerosine Oil.....	8 69	
Repairs to Hose.....	3 25	
Badges	3 75	
Watching Fire.....	2 00	
Sundries	20 73	
		809 98
Poor—Dispensary Grant	60 00	
Maintenance Paupers at County Poor Farm, 9 mos. to Dec. 31, 1894.....	480 54	
Board of A. Brown	47 70	
Cab hire, Paupers to Poor Farm	15 48	
Paid re filiation Order.....	43 00	
Board of child.....	16 20	
Medical Attendance and Medicine.....	24 12	
Burial Expenses	45 00	
Fuel and Supplies to Poor....	252 76	
Sundries.....	4 00	
		988 80
Assessment 1895—Paid Water Main. Acct. allowed Hali- fax Graving Dock Co. as per vote of Council.....		240 00
Contingent—Stationery and Printing	\$ 180 34	
Fuel, Town Hall.....	33 69	

Telephone, Town Hall	\$ 40 00	
Electric Light, Town Hall	36 48	
Revisors Mun. Lists.....	25 00	
Revisors Prov. Lists.....	40 00	
Election expenses	4 00	
Plan and Survey land for R. R. Station....	15 00	
Stove Service.....	3 96	
Chronicle and Atlantic Weekly.....	7 00	
Rent Box Merchants Bank.....	10 00	
Copies Ferry and Water Acts.....	12 00	
Post Office box rent	2 00	
Bridge Upper Canal Lock	15 65	
Appraiser, re Marine Railway.....	25 00	
Insurance prem. 3 yrs. Town Hall.....	33 60	
Sundries.....	78 55	
		562 27
Streets—Labor.....	1911 88	
Superintendent's Salary.....	300 09	
Repairs to stone breaker.....	91 61	
Stone	130 55	
Blacksmith.....	18 39	
Rent of Water Power 12 mos. to June 30, 1894.	200 00	
Lumber	40 42	
Toggles, oil, grease, jawplates, sideplates, etc...	57 18	
		2762 91
Assessor's Salaries.....	300 00	
Auditor's Salaries	100 00	
		400 00
Pumps and Wells.....		7 35
		<u>\$35,863 98</u>

Water Maintenance Account, from Jan. 1, to Dec. 31, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1.....	\$1243 59
Interest on Sinking Fund.....	212 91
Water Rates to December 31, 1895.....	5835 94
Interest on Sewer Frontage.....	698 97
Grass sold	30 00
From Town of Dartmouth amount allowed Halifax Graving Dock Co. in settlement of suit as a reduction in General Assesment.....	240 60
	<u>\$8171 41</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Interest on bonded Debt.....	\$ 6097 50
Superintendent's Salary.....	474 96
Labor and Sundries.....	253 42
Interest on overdraft at bank	62 09

569715
 268.
 568947

Water Pipe for Quarrell St. extension.....	\$	72	48
Printing		20	85
Balance.....		1190	11
			<u>\$8171 41</u>

Water and Sewerage Construction Account. from Jan 1 to December 31, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1895.....	\$	116	06
For 2 \$1000 Bonds 4½ per cent. @ par.....		2000	00
Accrued Interest on Bonds.....		10	26
For 3 \$1000 Bonds, 4½ per cent. @ par		3000	00
For 1 \$500 Bond, 4½ per cent.....		500	00
Prem. on same, (sold @ 1.04).....		20	00
Water and Sewerage Connections Acct. 1893, 1894, 1895 ..		38	15
Sale of barn, Lamont Property.....		5	00
Balance.....		2	68
			<u>\$5692 15</u>

EXPENDITURE.

- Amt. of suit of Sutherland vs. Town and costs	\$	1358	02
- One Hydrant and Union to connect Engine Hose to Hydrant		43	00
- Witness fees Humphrey case.....		19	55
- E. Cross, amount of award.....		500	00
- Cab hire		12	50
- Trenches for house services per contract.....		291	72
- Labor and material		107	14
- Posts for fence, Humphrey land.....		20	00
- Humphrey award.....	\$	2600	00
- Interest and costs.....		432	92
			3032 92
- Humphrey et al claim.....		215	00
- Awallt vs. Town, legal expenses.....		26	43
- Hx. Land Improvement Co. bal. due them for priv. putting Water Main across Sullivan's Pond		59	01
- Interest on Overdraft.....		6	86
			<u>\$5692 15</u>

Sinking Fund Dec. 31, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

Sewer Frontage—Received to Dec. 31, 1894.....	\$	7872	34
“ “ Dec. 31, 1895.....		1667	65
			<u>\$9539 99</u>

Of this amount there were:
 Frontages paid in full by 103 owners.....\$7425 42
 “ “ on acct. (instalments)..... 2114 57

817141
 119011
 698130

List of Licenses Granted 1895.

AUCTION.

Shand, Jas.....	\$10 00
Naylor, John.....	10 00
	<hr/> \$20 00

HACKNEY.

Hunt, John.....	\$ 4 00
Richards, Thos.....	2 50
Conrod, Jabez.....	2 50
Myers, Mrs. L.....	2 50
Greene, W. H.....	4 00
Deyoung, Lewis.....	2 50
Richards, Geo.....	2 50
Wambolt, Richd.....	4 00
Dartmouth Coal and Supply Co.....	2 50
	<hr/> \$27 00

Dartmouth Coal and Supply Co.....	\$ 3 50
Jones, John.....	2 50
Behan, Thos.....	2 50
Greene, W. H.....	3 50
Lee, Danl.....	3 50
Keddy, Jos.....	2 50
Ryan, Chas.....	2 50
Warner, Edwd.....	4 50
Tufts, Geo.....	2 50
Teasdale Chris.....	2 50
Craig, Jas.....	2 50
Graham, Wm.....	2 50
Williams, Stephen.....	2 50
	<hr/> \$37 50

TRADERS.

Hancock, J. A.....	\$10 00
Miller, M.....	10 00
Isnor, Edwd.....	10 00
Bumenthal, C.....	10 00
	<hr/> \$40 00

JUNK.

Bowden, John.....	4 00
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DOG TAXES Paid for year ended Dec. 31, 1895.

Name of Owner.	Tax.	Name of Owner.	Tax.
1894.		Crathorne, Geo., jr.....	1 00
Allen, J. W.....	\$1 00	Dymond, W. A.....	1 00
Hyde, Ralph.....	1 00	Downey, Mrs. M.....	1 00
Lawlor, Mrs. I.....	2 00	Drysdale, Chas.....	1 00
Vossnack, O. F.....	1 00	DeYoung, Lewis.....	1 00
Tynes, Thos.....	1 00	Dillman, John.....	1 00
		Dunbrack, P.....	1 00
		Durney, Hy.....	1 00
	\$6 00	Dillman, Thos.....	1 00
1895.		Douglas, Peear.....	1 00
Adams, Mrs. Geo.....	1 00	Douglas, Jas. R.....	1 00
Austen, H. E.....	1 00	Drake, H. H.....	1 00
Angwin, Frank.....	1 00	Davis, K. R.....	1 00
Atkinson, Geo.....	1 00	Evans, Isaac.....	1 00
Allison, J. W.....	1 00	Edgar, M. F.....	2 00
Anderson, John L.....	1 00	Elliot Reuben.....	1 00
Austen, J. H.....	1 00	Elliot, Edw.....	1 00
Andrews, J. K.....	1 00	Ellis, A. E.....	1 00
Aker, Miss.....	1 00	Forrester, Hy.....	1 00
Baylis, Hy.....	1 00	Foston, Jas.....	1 00
Black, S. H.....	1 00	Frazee, J. C. P.....	1 00
Brown, Alex.....	1 00	Findlay, Geo.....	1 00
Bishop, W. L.....	1 00	Greene, John.....	1 00
Braudis, Wm.....	1 00	Greene, W. H.....	1 00
Bowden, John.....	1 00	Graham, Walter.....	1 00
Bowes, Stanley.....	1 00	Gates, Lamont.....	1 00
Baker, Arthur.....	1 00	Grant, H. H.....	2 00
Bayne, Geo.....	1 00	Gray, Jerh.....	1 00
Bassett, A. D.....	1 00	Glendinning, Hy.....	1 00
Bentley, F. J.....	1 00	Gow, Robt.....	1 00
Brown, J. E.....	1 00	Groves, Jos.....	1 00
Barss, W. L.....	1 00	Gray, Robt.....	1 00
Campbell, John.....	1 00	Hiltz, Jas.....	1 00
Coleman, J. B.....	1 00	Hoagson, Alex.....	1 00
Colbert, Jas.....	1 00	Hutchinson, Albert.....	1 00
Chapman, Geo.....	2 00	Helsby, E. H.....	1 00
Carter, Robt.....	1 00	Hetherington, F. W.....	2 00
Creightod H. D.....	1 00	Hamm, Jas.....	1 00
Coombs, W. G.....	1 00	Keddy, N.....	1 00
Coates, Wm.....	1 00	Keefe, John.....	1 00
Creighton, A. S.....	1 00	Kane, Howard.....	1 00
Chittick, J.....	1 00	Keddy, David.....	1 00
Cameron, S. H. H.....	2 00	Keary, Tom.....	1 00
Cameron, Robt.....	1 00	Jones, John.....	1 00
Casey, C.....	1 00	Landsburg, G. H.....	1 00
Conrod, Jabez.....	1 00	Leahy, Patrick.....	1 00

Leahy, Jas.....	1 00	Publicover, Arthur.....	1 00
Logan, Wm.....	1 00	Ring, Frank.....	1 00
Lynch, Chas.....	1 00	Russeli, Benj.....	2 00
Lawlor, John.....	1 00	Richards, Thos.....	1 00
Landsburg, Angus.....	1 00	Regan, John.....	1 00
Laidlaw, Geo.....	1 00	Riley, Miss G.....	1 00
Lynch, Mrs.....	1 00	Richards, Clarence.....	1 00
Lawlor, A. E.....	1 00	Sterns, Geo. A.....	1 00
Mitnell, J. G.....	1 00	Strum, Jas. E.....	1 00
Madlev, Mrs. Johnston.....	1 00	Settle, J. T.....	1 00
Mitchell, Stanley.....	1 00	Smith, G. W.....	1 00
Monaghan, Geo.....	1 00	Sellars, Jas. A.....	1 00
Mereith, W. J.....	1 00	Sellars, O.....	1 00
Murray, Denis.....	1 00	Sterns, W. H.....	1 00
McKenzie, Wm.....	1 00	Shupe, Hy.....	1 00
Murphy, D.....	1 00	Turnbull, Geo.....	1 00
Munro, Miss A.....	1 00	Trider, Jas.....	1 00
McKenzie, G. A.....	1 00	Taylor, Mrs. Edw.....	1 00
McLaughlin, Jos.....	1 00	Vanbuskirk, G. E.....	1 00
McCleave, Benj.....	1 00	Veck, Geo.....	1 00
McQuarie, Geo.....	1 00	Walker, J. T.....	1 00
McKay, Mrs. J.....	2 00	Walker, W. H.....	1 00
McAdam, M. A.....	1 00	Wheby, W. E.....	1 00
McNab, Wm. G.....	1 00	Warner, Edwd.....	1 00
McLennan, E.....	1 00	Wentzell, Wm.....	1 00
McKenzie, Hugh.....	1 00	Weston, B. A.....	1 00
McKay, Alex.....	1 00	Wilson, Frank.....	1 00
Newman, C. L.....	1 00	Watt, Miss Belle.....	1 00
Pre-cott, C. B.....	1 00	Wallace, Wm.....	1 00
Pevenil, Chas.....	1 00	Walker, Jas.....	1 00
Parker, Wm.....	1 00	Young, Wm.....	1 00
Pre-cott, R.....	1 00		
Power, Patrick.....	1 00		
			\$159 00

DARTMOUTH MUNICIPAL COURT.

Business for year ended December 31st, 1895.

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

Summonses	}	
Capias	}	346
Summonses and capias served by City (25)		
by County (45) Constables on Defendants		
residing in City and County of Halifax.....		
		70
No. of writs issued (not served)		20
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Total No. of writs issued.....		436
No. of executions issued, and served :—		
By Town Constables.....		145
“ City (17) and County (14) Constables ..		31
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Total.....		176

REPORT

OF

Board of School Commissioners.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I have the honor for the second time to present to you the following report of the work of the Board, to which is annexed a statement of the receipts and expenditures for the financial year ended Dec. 31, 1895. Annexed are tables showing the staff of teachers, attendance, salaries, &c., as at the close of the last school year and on Dec. 31st, last.

FINANCES.

It will be seen by the annexed statement that the balance against the Board on Dec. 31, 1894, \$1180.69, has been reduced to \$438.01 at the close of last year. This is a fairly satisfactory showing, considering that the usual services have been efficiently kept up.

The total amount estimated for last year

was.....\$13,829 00

Amount expended..... 13,140 00

The difference\$ 689 00

Unexpended was caused mainly by the saving effected in not opening an additional room, thought at the first of the year as likely to be required.

I would recommend in future that the full amount required for each service be provided for in the annual estimate submitted to the Town Council, which if paid over promptly by the Council would keep down the interest charge on over drafts paid the bank. This charge has been growing the past few years and last year amounted to \$103.67.

ATTENDANCE.

It will be seen by a comparison with last year's report that the attendance is less than 1894. This falling off is accounted for by the fact that the Town was visited by two epidemics during the year—scarlet fever and measles, which reduced the attendance in many departments to one half.

On account of the state of things mentioned above, no parents were cited before the Board because of failure to make their children attend the number of days required by law. It was felt that under the circumstances to do so would have been unjust and oppressive.

TRUANT SCHOOL.

For some years the need of a school for truants has been making itself felt. The compulsory law is good as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough.

The punishment for truants upon conviction before a Magistrate is *imprisonment for one month*. In it is particular the law has not yet been enforced in Dartmouth. The state owes the boy an education, but to put him in jail is scarcely the proper method of discharging the debt. A truant is not necessarily a bad boy; frequently he is a good boy spoiled by indulgence at home. To make a criminal of a truant is a very poor way out of the difficulty. The compulsory law is, therefore incomplete. It requires, as its complement, to render it operative, a Provincial School for Truants, a home where they will be taught, trained and cared for, in short, where a truant will be given a chance to develop into a good, intelligent citizen without having the marks of the prison bars either upon his memory or his soul.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The High School numbered 57, of whom over 80 per cent. attended during the year. Of these 30 were transferred to Halifax Academy at the beginning of the present school year. At the Provincial Examination for High School Certificates, over 50 per cent. of the pupils sent up were successful. Compared with the general results of the Province, this is a good showing, considerably above the average.

KINDERGARTEN.

No. on Register this year.....	73
No. graded in July.....	48

Work done during year has been good, special attention being given to drawing, which last year led on to writing.

Miss Jessie J. Nicholson, of Charlo, N. B., received a Diploma in July, which was presented by the Superintendent of Education.

Miss M. H. Ball, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., and Miss Bertha Angwin, of Dartmouth, are studying the Kindergarten System with Miss Hamilton this year.

More of our young ladies should take advantage of the benefits to be derived from a course in the training class.

SCHOOL BANK.

Statement of Cash deposited and withdrawn for year ended Dec. 31st, 1895.

1895.		
Jan. 1. Balance on hand.....	\$341	14
Deposited.....	695	43
	-----	\$1036 57
Withdrawn.....	\$106	90
Transferred to P. O. Savings Bank.....	622	00
Dec. 31 :—Balance		
Special deposit,.....	300	00
Cash on hand.....	7	67
	-----	307 67
		1036 57

The amt. deposited the past year was considerably smaller than the previous year, owing to the causes referred to in the section of this report on attendance. I would recommend that the attention of our teaching staff be called to Sec. 33 of the School Regulations on "Teachers," which prescribes that the teachers shall spend at least ten minutes each week in teaching the principles of thrift and economy, and in explaining the advantages of the School Banks.

TEACHERS.

Besides Supervisor-Principal Miller there are now on the staff 22 teachers against 23 the previous year. The changes in the staff the past year were as follows:—

Miss Hopkins, Grade VII., Central, resigned to study.

Miss O. Allen, Grade I., Hawthorne, resigned to marry.

Miss N. Fultz, Stairs St., resigned to study for a higher license.

Miss McKenzie took Miss Allen's place and Miss Bruce took Miss Fultz's place.

Miss A. M. Downey, promoted to Grade VII., fills Miss Hopkin's place.

Miss B. McKay, promoted to Grade VI., takes Miss Downey's place.

The two fifth grades having fewer pupils than last year were united, which obviated the necessity of engaging another teacher, I would urge that as the graded school system requires more rooms and seating capacity and involves more empty seats for the average attendance, more pupils than at present might be admitted to the different rooms, and so the need of increasing the large staff of teachers be sometimes avoided.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

Last December a night school was opened in response to a demand from a number of young men, who had to leave school to earn their living before they had received

all the education they wished. The Local Government pays the salary of the teacher, Miss K. Major. The Board granted the free use of a room in the Central School, besides paying for janitor, fuel, and light. The school opened with 77 pupils on the list, the average attendance has been 17 and is doing good work.

COLORED SCHOOL.

This department registered 45 pupils, 69 per cent of whom attended regularly during the year. Before the introduction of the Compulsory Law, it was impossible to obtain an attendance of more than 25 per cent. of the enrolment.

The increase would have been greater, but for the epidemics before referred to. Good results are being obtained from this school, better than ever before.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

M. A. B. SMITH,

Chairman.

BOARD of SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS, DARTMOUTH.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended December 31st, 1895.

Estimate.	RECEIPTS.	
\$11547	Town of Dartmouth—Amount of Estimate for the year...	\$ 11574 00
2270	Government Grant to Teachers—	
	To February 1st, 1895.....	1134 66
	To July 31st, 1895.....	1162 18
		\$2296 84
12	Interest on School Bank Fund.....	12 00
	Balance.....	438 01
		\$13829
		\$14320 85

Estimate.	EXPENDITURE.	
	Balance.....	\$1180 69
\$9410	Salaries—Teachers.....	\$8936 02
100	Substitutes.....	71 00
708	Janitrices.....	709 35
150	Truant Officers.....	149 88
		\$9866 25
270	Stationery, Maps, and other supplies.....	232 34
200	Repairs—General.....	193 78
350	Fuel.....	379 25
170	Stove Service.....	170 83
126	Desks—Teachers.....	\$ 20 75
	Pupils.....	99 44
		126 19
60	Cleaning—Indoor work.....	114 50
	Outdoor work.....	39 40
		153 90
80	Interest on Overdraft.....	103 67
1134	" " Debentures '94, \$200.....	1127 00
	" " " '95, \$927.....	207 36
	" " Const'd debt.....	207 36
		\$1438 03
60	Treasurer School Bank—Salary.....	60 00
135	Insurance.....	168 00

STAFF OF TEACHERS,

For School Year Ended July 31st, 1895.

Teachers.	Grade.	Class	No. reg.	Per cent.	Salary.
G. J. Miller, (Prin.)	} H. S.	A	57	79.2	\$1160
Miss S. Findlay, (Dep. Prin.)		C			450
" E. Ellis	8	B	45	74.9	400
" S. Hopkins	7	B	44	77	420
" J. Shute	7	C	25	62.2	340
" A. Downey	6	C	57	74.9	420
" M. Downey	6	C	57	80	420
" B. McKay	5	C	37	86.3	320
" A. Mitchell	5	D	50	72.8	240
" B. Thomas	5	C	35	68.5	240
" M. Jackson	4	C	62	71.6	340
" M. Scarfe	4	C	40	79.7	320
" J. Findlay	3	C	60	75.9	320
" M. Harris	3 and 4	C	46	71.2	300
" M. Currie	3 and 4	C	43	63.7	300
" B. Hume	2	C	59	76.3	380
" A. Pender	2 and 1 3	C	59	73.3	260
" O. Allen	1 and 2	B	62	72.6	300
" L. Allen	1 and 2	C	71	63.8	300
" E. Hume	1	C	79	66	420
" E. Hennigar	1	C	65	72.6	320
" M. Hamilton		K G	82	35	440
" M. Murray	1 to 5	C	62	79.9	340
" N. Fultz	1 to 5	D	45	68.8	320

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Total No. registered pupils	1,242
Average daily attendance	808.06
Grand total days attendance	166,488

STAFF OF TEACHERS,

December 31st, 1895.

	Class.	Grade.	Salary.
Greenvale School :—			
G. J. Miller, (Prin. & Supv.)	A	} H. S.	\$1200
Miss S. Findlay, (sub Prin.)	C		450
“ M. Jackson,	C	4	360
“ E. Hume, (V. P.)	C	1	420
“ B. Hume,	C	2	400
“ J. Findlay,	C	3	340
“ M. A. Hamilton,	C	K G	450
“ A. Mitchell,	D	5	240
Central School :—			
Miss A. Downey, (V. P.)	C	7 A.	42
“ E. Ellis,	B	8 *	420
“ B. McKay,	C	6	340
“ J. Shute,	C	7 B.	360
“ B. Thomas.	C	5	260
Park School :—			
Miss M. N. Downey, (V. P.)	C	6	420
“ M. Scarfe,	C	4	340
“ A. Pender,	C	2 to 3	280
“ E. Hennigar.	C	1	340
Hawthorne School :—			
Miss M. Harris, (V. P.)	C	3 to 4	320
“ M. McKenzie	C	1 to 2	260
North School :—			
Miss M. Currie, (V. P.)	C	3 4 5 6	320
“ L. Allen,	C	1 2 3	320
Woodside School :—			
Miss M. Murray.	C	1 to 5	360
Colored School :—			
Miss C. Bruce.	D	1 to 5	280

FERRY COMMISSION.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—The Commission have to report a favorable year's business. Notwithstanding the outlay for repairs expenses amounted to \$9010.00 against \$4136.84 expended in the previous year, there stands to credit at the end of the year \$7010.00.

The change made in issuing monthly commutation tickets instead of quarterly, made it necessary to notify the public that all commutation tickets must be taken out, on or before the first day of the month. This increased the receipts in December to \$1170.49 which properly belongs to 1896 business. Deducting this, the receipts for the past year, on the commutation business, show an increase of \$51.94 and on the general business \$344.57 over that of 1894.

The Commission is making some small repairs on the steamer "Mic-Mac," necessary in order to obtain a further extension of her certificate.

NEW STEAMER.

Plans and specifications are being prepared by the Lockwood Manufacturing Company, East Boston, and as soon as they are completed they will be submitted, with the estimate of cost, to a meeting of the ratepayers of the Town of Dartmouth, for their information and approval.

In connection with this business, the Commission during the past year, deemed it advisable to send delegations to the United States to examine the Ferries and Steamers at some of the ports in that country. The delegates on their return, made a report to the Commission, which is herewith annexed for the information of all interested.

DOCKS IN DARTMOUTH.

During the past year large improvements have been made on the Dartmouth side. A new bridge and scow have been built and put in position at the principal landing, the dock fitted to the size of the steamers, making it much more convenient in docking and while adding to the safety of the steamers, it must prove a great convenience to those who use the ferry.

The construction of a Station House on the north side of the present landing through which foot passengers can pass going to and coming from the steamers, thus avoiding the danger of coming in contact with horses and vehicles as they do at the present time, is a necessity. The same improvements will have to be made on the Halifax side, and as this ferry is of great importance to the trade of Halifax, the Commission having already made large improvements and contemplating getting a third steamer, and making Station Houses on both sides of the harbor, what they should be, thus establishing a first class ferry, they think it is not unreasonable to ask the Mayor and Council of the sister city to give them the dock free of rent, and grant further room to enlarge the station.

In addition to the improvements before referred to, made on the Dartmouth side this year, the wharf to the north of the main ferry has been extended, refitted and replanked throughout, and is now fitted to store from five to six hundred tons of coal, thus enabling the Commission to have all the coal stored within the enclosed grounds, and to let the whole of the wharf to the south of the main dock.

When the railroad is completed and the station for passengers and freight built by the government, your Commission will make all necessary arrangements for the convenience of the travelling public to and from their ferry.

Alderman Dr. Cunningham and Mr. Arthur C. Johnston as representatives of the Town Council retired from the board last February, and their places were filled by Alderman Dr. Smith and Mr. George Oland.

The Mayor having resigned created a vacancy in the chairmanship of the Commission, to which Mr. G. J. Troop was appointed on the 16th, November. Subsequently the Mayor was elected and took his place at the board on the 9th, December. The Mayor having again resigned, the chairmanship became vacant and Mr. G. J. Troop was again elected to that office on 13th, December.

The Commission have to report that the past year has been free from litigation and that no outstanding liabilities exist other than shown in accounts.

ACCOUNTS.

Appended are the Auditors report, balance sheet, and profit and loss statement.

GEO. J. TROOP,
Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW BOAT.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION :

Gentlemen,—The committee appointed under resolution of the Commission passed on twelfth August last have the honor to report as follows :

That in accordance with the terms of the resolution they proceeded to New York and Boston, and there obtained from interviews with those managing and operating ferries and others, and from personal inspection of boats, the best information that they could in relation to the better type of wooden ferry boats and the relative cost of operating and efficiency of propellers as compared with paddle boats.

Your committee found that the number of propeller boats in use has greatly increased and those managing and operating the lines where this type of boat is employed unhesitatingly recommend it in preference to paddle boats and this on the grounds of economy, convenience, and accommodation to the travelling public and ease and safety in operation.

A lengthy inspection of the "East Boston," the wooden propeller running from Boston to East Boston was made, and now that errors of construction have been remedied the boat gives good satisfaction, and runs smoothly and well, with a small consumption of coal. From information obtained, and observation, your committee recommend the adoption of the propeller type of boat and herewith is sub-

mitted a draft outline plan, obtained from the Lockwood Company, of a boat of the dimensions required showing approximately the cabin accommodation to be obtained from a propeller boat.

Your committee made enquiries for boats that were for sale, and examined a number of them, but were unable to find any boat suitable in condition or price.

From enquiries made, it appears that at this time the relative cost of construction of iron and wooden hulls is nearer equal than has been anticipated and in order to prevent possible mistake in this direction your committee would recommend that unless the cost be too great plans and specifications of iron and wooden hulls be prepared and tenders be asked on both, and the Commission will then be able to arrive at a conclusion in the matter.

G. J. TROOP.

B. A. WESTON.

DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31st, 1895.

	Dr.	Cr.
Cash.....	\$	570 47
Profit and Loss.....		7010 14
Debentures.....		147000 00
MacDonald & Co.....		212 24
Brookfield Bros.....		59 88
Halifax Illuminating & Motor Co.....		61 25
Coal, (stock on hand).....	\$	400 00
Real and Personal Property.....	140059	43
Repairs and Expense (stock on hand).....		731 71
Union Bank (special deposit).....	8500	00
Investment Bonds.....	5000	00
Wm. Greene—Rent.....		50 00
Jabez Conrad—Rent.....		12 50
John R. Graham—Rent.....		50 00
Reading Room Committee—Rent.....		25 00
Dartmouth Coal & Supply Co.,—Rent.....		34 00
Geo. May.....		7 00
Jock McCallum.....		7 00
Wm. Devan.....		37 34
	\$154913 98	\$154913 98

Dartmouth, December 31st, 1895.

JOHN W. JAGO,
Secretary.

I certify the above Balance Sheet to be correct, and as shown by the Books of the Commission on December 31st, 1895.

W. C. BISHOP,
Auditor.

Dartmouth, N. S., January 10th, 1896.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31ST, 1895.

1895	Dr.	
Dec. 31st, To interest.....		\$ 6000 28
“ Coal		6606 28
“ Dartmouth Taxes.....		1376 40
“ Wages		16771 52
“ Insurance.....		423 50
“ City of Halifax (Dock Rent).....		800 00
“ Repairs and Expenses.....		9010 71
“ Town of Dartmouth (Water).....		550 00
		<hr/> 41538 69
Dec. 31st To Balance		7010 14
		<hr/> <u>\$48548 83</u>

1894.	Cr.	
Dec. 31st, By Balance.....		\$ 1825 11
1895		
Dec. 31st, “ Ferriage.....		\$34864 87
“ Commutation		10585 41
“ Rent		1233 60
“ Parcel Repository		26 42
“ Junk.....		11 00
“ Discount		12 42
		<hr/> \$46723 72
		<hr/> <u>\$48548 83</u>

1895.		
Dec. 31st, By Balance.....		\$ 7010 14
Dartmouth, December 31st, 1895.		

JOHN W. JAGO,
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, 1895.

W. C. BISHOP,
Auditor.

Dartmouth, N. S., January 10th, 1896.

DETAILED STATEMENT, REPAIRS AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Repairs to Wharves, Bridges and Approaches.....	\$4013	56
Repairs to Hulls and Machinery.....	1525	89
Lubricants, Oils, Waste, &c.....	587	33
Travelling Expenses.....	332	65
Uniform for Crews.....	270	14
Printing Tickets.....	231	24
Kerosene Oil, Brooms, Brushes, &c.....	221	50
Iron, Cordage &c.....	184	41
Electric Lighting, Boats and Premises } Repairs to Dynamos, Armatures &c. }	510	53
Repairing Ferry Hill.....	153	54
Water Rates including tenements.....	108	80
Government Inspectors Fees.....	87	92
Salaries—Solicitor, \$150, Auditor \$100.....	250	00
Office Stationery.....	48	75
Telephones (rent).....	65	00
Hard Coal for Stations.....	96	37
Incidental expenses.....	323	28
	<u>\$9010</u>	<u>71</u>

Dartmouth, December 31st, 1895.

JOHN W. JAGO,
Secretary.

I hereby certify that the above statement of Repairs and Expense is correct and agrees with account in the Ledger.

W. C. BISHOP,
Auditor.

Dartmouth, N. S., January 11th, 1896.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 10th, 1896,

TO THE DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION :

Gentlemen,—I hereby certify that I have made a thorough examination of the books of accounts kept by your Commission up to December 31st. 1895, and have to report as follows :

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

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 found them all in perfect accord.

I have verified the trial balances monthly 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 at the Union Bank at the credit of your Commission the sum of eight thousand five hundred dollars ; this sum added to five thousand dollars invested in bonds makes a total of \$13500.00 immediately available.

Herewith I submit a regular Balance sheet and a statement of the Profit and Loss account which shows a net gain to December 31st, 1895 of \$7010.14.

W. C. BISHOP,

Auditor.

REPORT OF
DARTMOUTH PARK COMMISSION.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Owing to want of funds no extensive work was attempted during the past year, but sufficient only was done to put the existing roads and paths in thorough order, and one man was kept employed most of the season, as a caretaker of the trees, paths, fences, &c., and to keep out the cattle which are still too often allowed to roam at large.

The nursery of young trees planted in the spring of 1894 has made satisfactory progress, and many of them will be fit to transplant in various parts of the Park during 1896. The beds of Scotch Heather and climbing vines at the foot of Fairy Rock are becoming well rooted so that ere long these will make a decided change in the aspect of that section. The increasing interest manifested by the public in the welfare of the Park, is gratifying to the Commissioners, who have every reason to believe that before many years this will be one of the most attractive spots in the vicinity of Halifax Harbor.

J. WALTER ALLISON,

Secretary

DARTMOUTH PARK COMMISSION.

In Account with J. WALTER ALLISON, Treasurer.

1895.

Dec. 31, To Paid Labor, etc., during the year.....	\$135 0
“ “ “ Balance on hand	
Special deposit, Halifax Banking Co.,.....	\$300 00
Cash on Deposit, Hlfx. Banking Co.,.....	20 51
	320 51
	\$445 52

CREDIT.

1895.

Jan. 1, By Cash in Bank	\$ 3 43
May 4, “ Special Deposit withdrawn from Hlfx. Banking Co.	200 00
“ 4, “ Interest account on do	2 09
Sept. 3, “ Grant from Town of Dartmouth,.....	250 00
	\$455 52

1896.

Jan. 1, Balance brought down, on Deposit in Bank	\$320 51
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