

**GOVERNMENT OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH**  
(INCORPORATED 1873.)

**FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1923.**

**MAYOR—WALTER MOSHER.**

**PRESIDING COUNCILLOR—P. J. OTTO.**

**COUNCILLORS.**

Ward 1—C. A. McLean, Ellsworth L. Smith.  
Ward 2—Frank W. Walker, H. A. Young.  
Ward 3—J. J. Otto, A. C. Pettipas.

**BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.**

Councillors. McLean, (Ch.) Otto, Smith  
A. E. Hilchey and Harry Greene.

**COMMISSIONERS OF DARTMOUTH PARK.**

The Mayor, (Ch.), Councillors, Pettipas and Young.

**DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION.**

The Mayor, (Ch.) M. S. Regan, Coun. Pettipas, A. C. Johnston,  
I. W. Vidito, H. O'C. Baker, Alfred Carter.

**TOWN OFFICERS.**

Stipendiary Magistrate .....William R. Foster  
Town Solicitor .....R. H. Murray  
Town Clerk and Treasurer .....Alfred Elliot  
Deputy Town Clerk and Treas.....W. T. Smith  
Town Engineer .....H. E. R. Barnes  
Supt. of Water Works and Streets.....Eugene Nichols  
Plumbing Inspector .....W. N. Forbes  
Assessors.....H. S. Congdon, Michael Lahey, G. A. Ormon  
Auditors.....W. Simms Lee, F. C. A. George Holder, C. A.  
Revisors Electoral Lists, H. S. Congdon, C. W. Bell, E. H. Levy

## MAYORS OF THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH.

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William S. Symonds .....	1873-74
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Geo. J. Troop .....	1875-76
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Wm. H. Weeks, M. D. ....	1877-78
Wm. H. Weeks, M. D. ....	1878-79
Wm. H. Weeks, M. D. ....	1879-80
Jas. W. Turner .....	1880-81
John Y. Payzant .....	1881-82
John Y. Payzant .....	1882-83
John F. Stairs .....	1883-84
John F. Stairs .....	1884-85
John C. P. Frazee .....	1885-86
Gryon A. Weston .....	1886
Bryon A. Weston .....	1887
Jas. Simmonds .....	1888
Frederick Scarfe .....	1889
Frederick Scarfe .....	1890
Frederick Scarfe .....	1891
John C. Oland .....	1892
John C. Oland .....	1893
Wm. H. Sterns .....	1894
Wm. H. Sterns .....	1895
Wm. H. Sterns .....	1896
A. C. Johnston .....	1897
A. C. Johnston .....	1898
A. C. Johnston .....	1899
A. C. Johnston .....	1900
A. C. Johnston .....	1901
Frederick Scarfe .....	1902
Frederick Scarfe .....	1903
Frederick Scarfe .....	1904
Frederick Scarfe .....	1905
E. F. Williams .....	1906
E. F. Williams .....	1907
Thosmas Notting .....	1908-09-10-11-12
E. F. Williams .....	1913-14-15-16-17-18
H. O. Simpson, M. D. ....	1919-20
I. W. Vidito .....	1921
Walter Mosher .....	1922-23

## MAYOR'S REPORT.

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To the Ratepayers of the Town of Dartmouth.  
Ladies and Gentlemen:—

I have the honor to submit the statement of the Town's affairs for 1923.

During the winter months, rather than hand out charity direct, it was deemed advisable to give employment to a large number of unemployed, and the Council voted the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and arranged for a temporary loan from the Royal Bank of Canada. A stone shed was established on the premises of Mr. C. E. Clarke and the men were put to work there, breaking stone. This amount had to be paid back during the year. The sum of \$6,500 was provided for in the street estimates and the balance, \$3,500 was included in the Charities Committee Estimate for the year. As a result the Town's overdraft is naturally larger than at the end of the previous year.

The amount of taxes outstanding is practically the same as at the end of the last year, namely, \$63,000.

The amount of the current year's taxes collected within the year is \$94,572.97 as against \$92,044.10 the previous year, which is an improvement in the collection of taxes and considerable credit is due the Tax Collector in this respect. The rate of interest is now 7% and that also has a tendency to make tardy ratepayers pay up.

The citizens of the Town of Dartmouth have, and still are enjoying a comparatively low rate of taxation in comparison with other Towns, and while we have a large overdraft at the Bank, our outstanding taxes are practically all collectable and the good financial standing of the

Town is still maintained, but I would like to impress upon the ratepayers the importance of paying their taxes within the year for which they are due.

A steady growth is being maintained in the Sinking Funds of the Town and we now have the sum \$105,247.06 to our credit. This is an increase for the year of \$14,714.36, after paying off \$5,000.00 matured Water and Sewer Bonds.

Considerable attention has been given to the streets and the Committee have had to exceed their estimates in order to make necessary repairs and improvements, as with the heavy Motor Vehicle traffic, the upkeep runs into considerable money each year.

The large outfall sewer, Old Ferry Road, has been completed, satisfactory arrangements have been made in connection with the changing of the course of the brook supplying the factory of Messrs. J. P. Mott & Co., by the Provincial Government allowing the use of Maynard's Lake water for factory purposes. Commencement has been made with the linking up of Rodney Road sewer with the outfall sewer on Old Ferry Road, through the property of Mr. W. H. Covert.

The pleasure has been mine of opening up the Marks-Cross Arena, which was completed during the latter part of the year, and it is the last word in rink structure. The town is fortunate in having so fine a building, which will mean much in upholding the honour of the old Town in the winter sports.

The unemployment situation is perhaps somewhat improved, but the calls upon the treasury of the Town in the nature of charity, have been particularly heavy during the year.

Dartmouth, in common with other towns throughout

the Province, has not fully recovered from the commercial and industrial depression and what we especially need at the present time is a stimulus to industry.

In closing, I take the opportunity of thanking the electors for their support and the members of the Council and the officials of the Town for their hearty co-operation and services unsparingly given the Town.

Faithfully yours.

**WALTER MOSHER**, Mayor

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

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Dartmouth, Feb. 4th, 1924.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members Town Council.

I have pleasure in submitting my first report as Chairman of the Finance Committee for the year 1923.

The administration of this important Department has been intensified during the past year, by a serious shortage of funds. Essential changes to apply more business-like methods could not be introduced, due to lack of funds and there is no prospects that it will be possible to make any progress in this respect during the year 1924. The changes desired are in connection with the establishment of a general sinking fund to take care of twenty-nine bond issues, totalling \$528,800. This amount is represented in bond issues made some years ago. Unfortunately no provision was made by the creation of a sinking fund to liquidate them when they mature. The amount mentioned includes the bonded indebtedness of the ferry totalling \$266,000 on which the Dartmouth Ferry Commission pays the interest; nevertheless the Town is solely responsible for liquidating the issue when

it matures. Progress has been made during the past year in directing attention to this unbusiness-like policy, by the recognition in Council and by the Dartmouth Ferry Commission, of a resolution seeking legislation, this year for authority making it compulsory, on the part of the Ferry Commission, to pay to the town a sum not less than \$500 per annum to be set aside as a sinking fund to meet the debt when it falls due. The legislation will be drafted so as to enable the Commission to appropriate as large an amount as its financial circumstances will permit; the minimum amount to be \$500. This undoubtedly is a step in the right direction and the pity is that it was not done at the time the bonds were issued.

As repeatedly emphasized since I was entrusted with the administration of the Finance Department, the Town must go exceedingly slow in the matter of increasing its bonded indebtedness. The mayor and Council has an important duty to perform, it appears to me, in practicing the most rigid form of economy. Greater care must be exercised, and more precaution used, in future, than in the past, before recommending the Ratepayers to approve of the expenditure of money on capital account. It no doubt will surprise the majority, if not all, to learn that the grand total of the Town's bonded indebtedness amounts to One Million, Two Hundred and Seventy-One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars, (\$1,271,500). A word of explanation of this large item should, in fairness to the Ratepayers be given. The amount includes the Ferry debt of \$266,000 and \$189,000 borrowed by the Dartmouth Housing Commission, thus leaving a bonded debt of \$816,500 for which the Town Council is responsible for providing interest charges and in part sinking fund charges. The Ferry, as previously stated, and the Dartmouth Housing Commission pay interest on their respec-

tive amounts; nevertheless the Town is liable for the grand total. Bonds to the extent of \$189,000 were given as collateral to the Provincial Director of Housing.

The Town did well during the year just closed in keeping down its bonded debt, the only amount issued was for water and sewer extensions, totalling \$6,000, while an amount of \$5,000 was paid off and the bonds destroyed early in the year; thus the bonded debt was only increased \$1,000 apart from the \$14,000 borrowed from the Provincial Housing Commission.

While the current finances of the Town are not encouraging and gave much concern during the year, the credit of the Town is gilt-edged, evidence of which may be gathered from the fact that the quotations on the \$6,000 water and sewer bonds were above par.

A more intensified effort was made this year to collect taxes. Result compensated for the extra effort put forth. Had the collection of taxes been allowed to proceed as in the past a very unsatisfactory situation would have arisen.

The payment of real, personal and poll taxes during the year, considering the inability of many to meet their obligations, may be considered very good. Only a few properties were advertised for sale under the Lien Law and only two were sold; the sale of one was to enable the prospective owners to obtain a title. The town purchased the other property, 127 acres at about \$150, but it is expected that this valuable property will be redeemed within the year, if not the Town will realize a great deal more than it paid for the land and will be amply rewarded for this investment.

Taxes collected during the year from all sources, spread over the years from 1920 to 1924, (\$6 being paid on 1924 assessment) totalled \$141,919.71, but this does

not represent the total receipts, other sources swelling the amount to \$176,144.80, while expenditures for the same period totalled \$266,581.03, leaving a balance at debit amounting to \$90,436.23 which must be taken care of in the 1924 estimates. The balance at debit in 1922 stood at \$78,913.44, the increased balance at debit this year is represented in the D. A. A.A. loan of \$2,800 which the council agreed to take care of for a period of five years on terms requiring the Athletic Association to pay the annual interest charges of \$168.00.

The matter of such a heavy overdraft or balance at debit, as I pointed out in a report last year, is rather disturbing and getting to be quite serious. It simply means that the Town is in debt each year an amount which makes it impossible to finance with any degree of satisfaction.

The prospects of tax collections becoming easier are not bright. For that reason it will be necessary to introduce some new method to improve and liven them up. Considering general business conditions, last year collections were, as stated in another paragraph, quite satisfactory and, as evidence of this it might be stated that of the \$63,000 in outstanding taxes in 1922 and included as receipts in this year's budget, (1923) \$44,517.58 were collected, and of \$140,519 estimated from the 1923 assessment, \$94,572.97 was collected, in addition to \$2,307.91 from poll taxes out of an estimated revenue from this source of \$2,400. The collection of this tax was never better. The estimated receipts for 1924 will include outstanding taxes totalling 63,405 made up of a balance of \$18,102 from 1922 and a balance of \$45,302 from 1923.

The legislation obtained during the year increasing rate of interest on taxes in arrears has given results, but the real benefit of this legislation will not be felt until



1924. Of the total of \$63,405 represented in unpaid taxes, the increased interest charge of seven per cent will only apply to \$45,302 as the legislation was not retroactive, therefore it does not apply to unpaid taxes prior to the coming into effect of the increased interest charge. The object of this charge was to curtail to a minimum the general practice of large taxpayers financing at the expense of the Town. Nearly all Provincial Towns found it necessary to follow Dartmouth's lead in this connection.

In order to properly finance present sources of revenue must be increased and new ones provided. The principal channel of revenue is from the assessment on real and personal property. The tax rate of \$2.95 is not sufficient to net the amount required to carry on the civic administration represented in a series of departments, principal among which are the Streets and Public Property Fire, Police, Charities, Public Health, Water and Sewer, Public Schools. To increase the tax rate would be folly as those who would be affected are not in a position financially to assume further burdens in this respect. Some relief, however, must be provided. The Town must have more revenue, or else continue to struggle along in an unsatisfactory way, in the matter of current expenditures. The only relief which can, and should be provided, is that from existing fixed taxation represented in a highway tax of  $\frac{1}{10}$  of 1 per cent of the total amount of the assessment which required Dartmouth to pay in 1923, \$4,922.40; Victoria General Hospital and Nova Scotia Hospital charges, besides receiving from the Provincial Government one half of the revenue obtained by the Government from automobile licenses issued to owners of cars, residing in the Town. This is an important question and one which every administrative municipal body in the province should seriously consider. Revenue

is also received by the Provincial Government from theatres, yet the town has to provide fire, police and other protection to these places, receiving but a small portion in return compared with what the Government gets. Then again there is the Workman's Compensation Act which requires the Town to contribute some thousands each year.

It is encouraging to note that Dartmouth took a prominent part this year in directing recognition of all other municipal bodies in the province, at the Nova Scotia Municipality Convention at Amherst in bringing about the appointment of a special committee to wait upon the Provincial Government in 1924 to ask that a portion of the revenue from automobile licenses be refunded to each municipality. When it is remembered that the heaviest single item of expenditure in all towns is included in the cost of repairing streets, due largely to automobile traffic, the argument in favor of some part of revenue from this source being refunded is hardly debatable.

The Council went on record during the year favoring the principle of the Provincial Government refunding a part of this revenue. A copy of the resolution was sent to every incorporated Town in the Province, in addition to the Municipalities Convention at Amherst. Majority support was accorded to it largely through the commendable efforts of Mayor Mosher. The fact that the Government's financial statement showed a surplus of \$100,000 is but another argument why Municipalities should receive relief from taxation or more properly be allowed greater freedom of home rule in tapping sources of revenue now controlled by the Government. Another serious matter confronting Dartmouth, as in some other places, is the large amount of exempted Federal and Provincial property.

The assessed value of property in Dartmouth, included real and personal, was fixed at \$4,926,100 for 1923; \$4,264,900 in 1920; \$4,544,800 in 1921; \$4,698,450 in 1922, an increase in four years of \$661,200 which, on the basis of a \$3 rate nets \$19,836. This increased revenue has caused many to enquire, and wonder with amazement why the Town is unable to properly finance and balance its financial statement with a surplus instead of with such a large deficit. The answer is that fixed charges have more than offset the additional revenue received. Practically no new sources of revenue can be found, the latest (and it is two years old) is the vendor's premises. During the first year of its operation \$4,000 revenue net was received, while for the past year the net revenue fell to \$1,865. This is a serious matter from a financial point of view. Dartmouth has heavy fixed charges including Schools at \$57,123; county rate \$2,076; provincial highway tax, \$4,922; interest and sinking fund charges totalling some thousands; maintenance of poor at the County Home; maintenance of inmates Nova Scotia hospital and patients at the Victoria General Hospital. The sum total requires a tax rate of \$2 on the total assessment leaving but 95 cents to provide for general town services.

Considerable improvement in general financing was accomplished but a great deal yet remains to be done. In dealing with the water estimates it was found that the revenue was falling short of the requirements necessitating a slight increase in the rates last year.

By resolution of Council the plumbing inspector made a systematic inspection of the Town to determine the number of plumbing fixtures in use which were not taxed. The result was about 150 fixtures being on the exempted list. They have since been taxed and represent an increase revenue of about \$300. The Council has

before it for consideration a proposal to separate the water and sewer departments with a view of making each stand on its own merit. Ratepayers may not be aware that these are valuable utilities for which bonds were issued, from 1891 up to and including 1922, totalling \$560,800. The first cost value of the water system is placed at \$255,000 and the first cost value of the sewer system at \$305,800, these figures, as to division being open to slight correction but in the total are in agreement with the bonded indebtedness. It is in such valuable assets that makes the credit of Dartmouth giltedge and enables her to get better than par for her bonds, which she was able to do during the year.

In conclusion I again wish to impress upon the ratepayers the importance of carefully considering any proposal in future to increase its bonded indebtedness. Before deciding to agree on any expenditure each one should satisfy himself or herself that it is justifiable and that provision be made for a sinking fund to take care of it when it matures.

I wish to thank the mayor, and members of the Finance Committee, Councillors McLean and Otto, Town Clerk Elliot and officials generally, also J. W. Douglas, Manager of the Royal Bank for assistance given during the year. I wish to specially thank Councillor Otto as Chairman of the Police Committee for the assistance given, through Chief of Police Wrin and his Officers.

**ARTHUR C. PETTIPAS,**  
Chairman Finance Committee.

TABLE SHOWING THE TAX RATE LEVIED.

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Year	Town Rate	School Rate	Total
1905 .....	.79	.55	\$1.34
1906 .....	.78	.60	1.38
1907 .....	.88	.68	1.56
1908 .....	.95	.69	1.64
1909 .....	.81	.74	1.55
1910 .....	.75	.75	1.50
1911 .....	.85	.70	1.55
1912 .....	.82	.73	1.55
1913 .....	.85	.70	1.55
1914 .....	1.02	.68	1.70
1915 .....	.78	.89	1.67
1916 .....	1.03	.92	1.95
1917 .....	1.03	.92	1.95
1918 .....	.99	1.01	2.00
1919 .....	1.39	1.26	2.65
1920 .....	1.70	1.30	3.00
1921 .....	1.74	1.26	3.00
1922 .....	1.69	1.26	2.95
1923 .....	1.73	1.22	2.95

The following is a comparative statement of the assessed valuations of the real and personal property.

**REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.**

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1895	.....	\$1,770,840
1896	.....	1,773,101
1897	.....	1,750,768
1898	.....	1,829,579
1899	.....	1,880,475
1900	.....	1,905,560
1901	.....	1,910,915
1902	.....	1,931,250
1903	.....	1,943,265
1904	.....	1,987,405
1905	.....	2,033,740
1906	.....	2,029,727
1907	.....	2,086,977
1908	.....	2,185,085
1909	.....	2,201,877
1910	.....	2,278,744
1911	.....	2,327,672
1912	.....	2,368,414
1913	.....	2,512,923
1914	.....	2,580,077
1915	.....	2,644,445
1916	.....	2,823,000
1917	.....	3,045,750
1918	.....	3,150,950
1919	.....	3,367,600
1920	.....	4,264,900
1921	.....	4,544,800
1922	.....	4,698,450
1923	.....	4,926,100

## The Bonded Debt. of the Town on December 31st 1923.

Debentures	When issued	to run	Due	Int.	Amount
Consolidated debt.	Dec 2, 1914	30	1944	5%	\$17000
	May 1, 1915	20	1935	5%	1500
					<u>\$ 18500</u>
Schools	July 1, 1908	20	1928	4½%	2500
	July 1, 1908	20	1928	4½%	1700
	July 21, 1910	20	1930	4½%	5000
	Oct 1, 1910	20	1930	4½%	3500
	May 1, 1911	20	1931	4½%	1000
	July 1, 1914	30	1944	5%	90000
	May 1, 1915	20	1935	5%	4000
	July 2, 1918	25	1943	6%	100000
	July 2, 1918	10	1928	6%	25000
	July 2, 1919	30	1949	5%	12500
	Nov 1, 1921	30	1951	6%	30000
July 3, 1922	20	1942	5½%	12000	
					<u>\$287200</u>
Ferry	May 2, 1904	25	1929	4%	7000
	May 1, 1911	20	1931	4½%	71000
	May 1, 1913	30	1934	5%	25000
	July 1, 1913	30	1943	5%	7000
	July 1, 1913	30	1943	5%	3000
	May 1, 1915	20	1935	5%	153000
					<u>\$266000</u>
Water	Dec 31, 1903	20	1923	4%	3300
	Oct 1, 1906	20	1926	4%	54000
	July 1, 1908	20	1928	4½%	35500
	July 1, 1909	20	1929	4½%	8000
	July 1, 1910	20	1930	4½%	3500
	July 1, 1912	20	1932	4½%	62500
	July 1, 1913	20	1933	5%	31000
	Dec 1, 1913	20	1933	5%	5000
	Feb 1, 1915	20	1935	5%	5000
May 1, 1915	20	1935	5%	10000	

	Nov 1, 1916	20	1936	5%	5000	
	Nov 1, 1917	20	1937	5%	10000	
	July 2, 1918	20	1938	6%	5000	
	July 2, 1919	30	1949	5%	15000	
	Jan 2, 1921	20	1941	6%	100000	
	July 3, 1922	20	1942	5½%	50000	
	Aug 1, 1923	20	1943	5%	6000	
						<u>\$408800</u>
Perm't Sidewalks	July 1, 1909	20	1929	4½%	2000	
	July 2, 1910	20	1930	4½%	6000	
	May 2, 1911	20	1931	4½%	4500	
	Dec 1, 1913	20	1933	5%	4500	
	Dec 1, 1915	20	1935	5%	11000	
	Feb 1, 1916	20	1936	5%	3000	
	Nov 1, 1921	20	1941	6%	10000	
	Nov 1, 1921	5	1926	6%	6000	
						<u>\$ 47000</u>
Electric Light	May 1, 1911	20	1931	4½%	8000	
Motor Fire Eng.	July 2, 1919	20	1939	5%	15500	
Motor Lad. Truck	July 2, 1921	20	1941	6%	14000	
Roller	July 2, 1919	30	1949	5%	4000	
Windmill Road	July 2, 1919	30	1949	5%	8500	
Windmill Road	July 3, 1922	20	1942	5½%	5000	13500
						<u>\$1082500</u>
N. S. Housing Act	Aug 1, 1920	20	1940	5%	100000	
	Sep 1, 1921	20	1941	5%	89000	
						<u>\$189000</u>
						<u>\$1271500</u>

The Debentures for \$189,000 issued under the Nova Scotia Housing Act 1919 are held by the Government of Nova Scotia as security for the loan to the Housing Commission.



## ANNUAL REPORT STREETS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY.

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His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Town  
Council, Dartmouth, N. S.

Gentlemen:—

Your Committee on Streets and Public Property beg to submit the following report for the year 1923:—

Our estimated expenditure for the year was considerably reduced for economic reasons, and as the year progressed it was found impossible to keep within the estimates and carry out really necessary work with the result that an over expenditure was made.

Only necessary and essential work has been done and even yet there remains a lot that will have to be done during the coming year.

The stone sheds for relief work, while undoubtedly relieving stress during January and February have nevertheless proved very costly—the cost per ton of delivering stone from the sheds to the various localities where used has been very heavy due to the long haul and bad roads between Victoria Road and the stone pile.

Macadam Road repairs have been carried out on:—

Windmill Road.

Dawson Street.

Pelzant Street.

Pleasant Street.

Prince Albert Road.

Victoria Road.

Gaston Road.

as well as minor repairs and work on sidewalks and gutters.

Dust settlement and surface coating with Liquid Asphalt, Tarvia and Road Oil have been extensively used and the result proves the wisdom of the expenditure.

A new road has been constructed to give exit from the Public Cemetery through the Park to Stairs Street.

The usual maintenance of the Public Buildings has been looked after with very little expenditure.

Full details of the work and costs of your Committee's work are shown in the Engineers Report.

C. A. McLEAN, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF FIRE COMMITTEE FOR YEAR 1923.

The estimated expenditure was .....\$5799.00

The actual amount expended was, and is made up as follows:—

Drivers of apparatus .....	\$ 260.23
Drivers of Motor Fire Engines (2).....	2800.20
Lighting .....	211.30
Fuel .....	1050.00
Telephone .....	82.20
Stove Service & Plumbing Repairs .....	126.65
Assessories & parts for Motor Fire Engine.....	200.09
Repairs to Apparatus .....	208.65
Gasoline, oil, grease, etc. ....	539.38
Insurance .....	130.00
Rubber Boots .....	112.64
Coats .....	190.10
Hats. ....	15.75
Hose .....	564.42

Soap, Sponges, etc. ....	25.15
Wrenches, hinges, etc. ....	54.92
Expenses, Torchlight Procession, Fire Prevention Week .....	122.35
Collision Hose Reel and Nieforth's wagon .....	50.00
Sundry .....	42.21
	\$6786.24

The following amounts were received to the credit of the Fire Dept. during the year:—

Town of Woodstock, N. B., Old Ladder Wagon .....	\$525.00
Town of Windsor, N. S., Old Gear .....	20.00
John Ferguson, Old Reel .....	5.00
Town of Dartmouth, Proportion of Gas- oline for year, chargeable to Streets..	250.12 800.12
Net expenditure for year .....	\$5986.12

During the year there were forty-seven alarms for Fires, forty-three of which were in the Town and four were in the County as follows:—

- May 8. Tuft's Cove School.
- June 2. Lawrencetown Road.
- June 3. Lawrencetown Road.
- Dec. 8. Woodside.

Of the total number of alarms sent in, twenty-seven were chemical calls.

Only three of the above fires in the Town may be said to have caused considerable damage.

The three Fire Companies have their full complement of men and are fully equipped, and all the apparatus is in first class condition.

It has been found necessary to order a new set of rear tires for the Chemical Pumper. This outlay will have to be included in the estimate for 1924.

The importance of installing an up-to-date Fire Alarm System is a matter that I would recommend to the new Council.

**H. A. YOUNG, Chairman.**

## LOCATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS IN THE TOWN OF DARTMOUTH.

Where.			Location.
No.	Make,	Street.	
1	Y	Water	West side of South end of Street.
2	L	"	On Railway at South Ferry Wharf.
3	Y	"	Opposite Old Post Office.
4	L	"	On Ferry Property, near machine shop.
5	Y	"	West side, corner of Queen St.
6	Y	"	West side, corner of Ochterloney St.
7	Y	"	West side, corner of North St.
8	Mc	"	West side, corner of Stairs St.
9	L U	"	East side at Railway Station.
10	W	"	West side, at end of Geary St.
11	W	"	East side, corner of Mott St.
12	W	"	West side, at end of Best St.
13	W	"	East side, opposite Corn Mill.
14	Y	Prince	West side, corner of Bogg St.
15	Y	Edward	West side, corner of North St.
16	Y	King	West side, opposite Marine Railway.
17	Y	King	West side, between Bogg and Portland Sts.
18	W	Wentworth	West side, corner of Green St.
19	Y	"	East Side, between North and Church Sts.
20	Y	Portland	North side, opposite end of Prince St.
21	Y	"	North side, corner of King St.
22	Y	"	North side, corner of Wentworth St.
23	Y	"	North side, corner of Dundas St.
24	W	"	North side, corner of Victoria rd.
25	Y	"	North side, corner of P. A. Road.
26	Y	"	South side, corner of Maitland St.
27	Y	"	North side, corner of Hawthorne St.
28	Y	"	North side, corner of McKay St.
29	Y	"	North side, 800 ft. N. of Old Ferry Rd.
30	Y	"	North side, at head of Old Ferry Road.
31	W	Queen	North side, Corner of Edward St.
32	Y	"	North side, corner of King St.
33	Y	"	North side, corner of Dundas St.
34	Y	Ochter.	South side, on Douglass' Wharf.

35	Y	"	North side, corner of Edward St.
36	Y	"	North side, corner of King St.
37	Y	"	North side, corner of Wentworth St.
38	Y	"	North side, corner of Dundas St.
39	Y	"	North side, corner of Pine St.
40	Y	"	North side, corner of Maple st
41	Y	Church	North side, corner of King St.
42	Y	Dahlia	North side, corner of Maple St.
43	W	"	North side, corner of Beech St.
44	Y	Tulip	North side, corner of Maple St.
45	Y	"	North side, corner of Beech St.
46	Y	"	North side, corner of Oak St.
47	Y	Pine	East side, corner of Myrtle St.
48	Y	"	East side, corner of Dahlia St.
49	Y	"	East side, corner of Tulip St.
50	W	Crich Av	North side, corner of Oak St.
51	W	"	North side, at Roman's N. E. line.
52	Y	P. A. Rd.	East side, near Silver's Cooperage Mill.
53	Y	"	East side, E. end Starr Mfg. Co's. Works
54	Y	"	East side, corner of Pleasant St.
55	Y	"	East side, corner of Eaton Ave.
56	Y	"	South side, nearly opposite Nolan St.
57	Y	Pleasant	East side, corner of Erskine St.
58	Y	"	East side, corner of Portland St.
59	Y	"	East side, 300 ft. S. of Portland St.
60	Y	"	East side, near J. W. Allison's coach house
61	Y	"	East side, opposite entrance J. P. Mott & Co
62	Y	"	South side, near entr. to Parker Hospital
63	Y	"	East side, near entr. to Redmond's House
64	Y	"	near C. H. Harvey's residence.
65	Y	"	East side, near C. H. Harvey's lodge.
66	Y	"	South side, at junction of Old Ferry Rd
67	W	Albert	West side, 380 ft. from Pleasant St.
68	Y	Maitland	West side, near Dr. Hattie's Residence.
69	W	Queen	Corner of Victoria Road.
70	W	Victoria	Road Corner of Ochterloney street
71	W	Queen	Corner of Wentworth Street.
72	W	King	Corner of Bogg St.

- 73 W P. A. Road West side, 200 ft. from railroad track on property of Dartmouth Rolling Mill, marked on fence, "Hydrant."
- 74 W Hawthorne West side, corner of P. A. Road.
- 75 M Windmill Rd. Top of Synott's Hill.
- 76 M " Corner of Hare Street.
- 77 M " Corner of Mott Street.
- 78 M " Corner of Best St.
- 79 M " Corner of Lyle St.
- 80 M Fairbanks Corner of Best St.
- 81 M " Corner of Mott St.
- 82 M " Corner of Hare St.
- 83 M Maple Corner of Myrtle St.
- 84 M Thistle Corner of Maple St.
- 85 M P. A. Rd At Whiteley's.
- 86 M Hawthorne At Paterson's.
- 87 M Dawson North side, corner of Windmill Road.
- 88 M " North side, of John St.
- 89 M " North side, George St.
- 90 M Pelzant North side, corner of Windmill Road.
- 91 M " South side, corner of John St.
- 92 M " South side, corner Wyse Road.
- 93 M Windmill Rd West side, corner of Jamieson St.
- 94 M " East side, corner of Henry St.
- 95 M Hester East side, corner of Jamieson St.
- 96 M " East side, at Henry St.
- 97 M Windmill Rd. At Brewery Gate.
- 98 M Hawthorne Corner of Erskine St.
- 99 Y Erskine Corner of Thompson St.
- 100 M Thistle North side.
- 101 K Erskine West of Maynard St.
- 102 K Hester Corner of Elmwood Avenue.
- 103 K Erskine Top of McKay St.
- 104 K P. A. Rd. Opposite Ice House near limits.
- 105 K Johnstone Ave Foot of Rodney Road.
- 106 M Rose Corner of Mayflower St.
- 107 K Victoria Rd. Corner of Thistle St.
- 108 Mc Harvey Corner of Cameron St.
- 109 Mc Stairs Corner of Wentworth St.
- 110 Mc Oakdale Crescent, Corner of Crichton Ave.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF CHARITIES COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1923.

### POOR.

The amount estimated for this service was \$11,672.00 and the amount expended is \$14,205.31; of this amount the sum of \$194.00 has been recovered, making the net expenditure \$14,011.31.

Hereunder is a statement showing how the money was expended:—

Maintenance of paupers at County Home 1 year to June 30th., 1923 .....	\$ 2870.35
Maintenance of patients at Victoria General Hospital 1 year to June 30th., 1923 .....	2088.00
Maintenance at Halifax Industrial School. R. Mitchell, G. and W. Bishop. Jan. 1 22 to Dec. 31 22.....	348.74
Maintenance at Halifax Infants Home, Baby G. K. Brown, May 28th., to July 7th., 1923 .....	28.50
Maintenance at St. Patrick's Home, 3 Boys to February 1st., 1923 .....	395.50
Maintenance at Protestant Orphans Home, A. Griswold, May 1st., 1922 to Dec. 1st., 1923 .....	332.00
Maintenance Supt. Neglected Children, Earl Shrum and Mary Brown, to March 30th., 1923 .....	234.00
Maintenance of patients at Tuberculosis Hospital, March 31 22, to March 31 23 .....	1166.10
Maintenance John H. Barker, Board of Jos. Shrum. Jan. 1st. to August 1st., 1923 .....	60.00
Maintenance Mrs. Willis Walter & children at Blue Rock Board of Poor, in Town .....	1219.00
Transportation John Archer & family to Ottawa.....	57.50
Transportation Jas. Martin & family to England .....	75.00
Expenses re McDonald family at West Gore .....	20.00
Expenses Roy Dunsworth and family .....	157.40
Halifax Visiting Dispensary, Annual Grant .....	60.00
Groceries .....	1157.53
Coal .....	200.20



Buriel Expenses .....	106.00
Certifying Deaths .....	28.08
Examining Patients at Poor Farm .....	30.00
Taxi Hire .....	9.00
Sundry .....	12.40
Proportion of labour, Unemployed .....	3500.00
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	\$14205.31

At the beginning of the year there were at the County Home fourteen (14) paupers, three were admitted during the year and four (4) died, leaving at the end of the year thirteen (13) paupers, seven (7) males and six (6) females. The rate of board is \$4.50 per week.

At the beginning of the year there was at the Victoria General Hospital, chargeable to the Town of Dartmouth, one (1) patient. During the year forty-seven (47) patients were admitted, forty-three (43) were discharged and four (4) died, leaving at the close of the year one (1) patient. The maintenance cost is \$1.50 per day per patient.

At the beginning of the year there were at the Tuberculosis Hospital, chargeable to the Town of Dartmouth, two patients. One was taken out during the year, which left only one at the close of the year. The board has been \$7.50 per week, but we have been advised that it is to be \$10.00 per week per patient from Jan. 1st., 1924.

The usual assistance by paying their board to residents of the Town has been given regularly in the cases of dependent persons. The number of persons on this monthly list is nine (9), four (4) adults and five (5) children, and the board amounts to \$97.00 per month.

Temporary assistance has also been granted a large

number of families, in the nature of Coal, Provision and Clothing.

The above abstract of expenditure for the year shows an item of \$3500.00 for proportion of labor for the relief of the unemployed during the early part of the year, and this amount together with other necessary unforeseen expenditures account for the increase over the previous year.

### LUNATICS.

The amount estimated for this service was...\$1800.00

The amount expended was ..... 2371.09

Of this amount the sum of \$215.35 has been recovered making the net expenditure \$2155.74.

On January 1st., 1923, there were at the Nova Scotia Hospital, chargeable to the Town, eight (8) patients, seven (7) male and one (1) female. Three (3) males and one (1) female were admitted during the year, three (3) males and one (1) female died and one (1) male was discharged, making the total number on Dec. 31st., 1923, seven (7) patients, six (6) males and one (1) female.

The rate of board is the same as last year, namely \$32.50 per patient per month.

**F. W. WALKER, Chairman.**

## ANNUAL REPORT OF POLICE AND LICENSE COMMITTEE.

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The amount placed in the estimates for Police Service was \$7,477.00, and the amount expended was \$7,519.63.

The amount estimated for revenue from Licenses was \$800.00 and the amount received was \$505.50. The decrease in estimated revenue for Licenses is accounted for by fewer Hackney Licenses being taken out this year.

The personal of the Force is the same as at the beginning of the year, viz:—Chief of Police, John A. Wrin; Deputy Chief, A. S. Johnston; Officers J. T. Clarke; J. J. Lawlor, and D. J. O'Connell.

Much credit is due the Chief and his officers for the prompt manner in which offenders were brought to justice and for the general carrying out of the law and order within the Town, which is in itself a performance of good duty.

It is also very gratifying, and I think pleasing to the ratepayers, to see the Police well uniformed and neat in their appearance.

I wish to thank His Worship the Mayor and the other members of the Committee, also Council and Police officers for their co-operation during the year.

Annexed is report of the Chief of Police showing statistics of Dartmouth Municipal Court and Police Court for current year.

P. J. OTTO, Chairman.

Office of Chief of Police,  
Town Hall, Dartmouth, N. S.

January 2nd., 1924.

The Chairman and Members of the  
Police and License Committee of the  
Town Council of Dartmouth, N. S.

Gentlemen:—

The following is a brief of the work coming under  
the direction of the Police Dept. for the year ended  
December 31st., 1923.

Number of Civil Summons' issued and served.....	416
“ “ Executions issued .....	84
“ “ Civil Summons' served by City Police....	157
“ “ Civil Summons' served by County Police..	35

The following is a list of the various cases tried  
before the Police Court:—

Nature	No.
Arson .....	1
Assault .....	9
Breaking and entering .....	11
Disturbances .....	9
Dog Ordinance .....	12
Drunkenness ....	23
Forgery .....	1
Loitering on Street .....	16
Motor Vehicle .....	13
Neglect to provide .....	2
N. S. Temperance Act .....	7
Pointing Fire Arms .....	1
Resisting Police .....	1
Street Ordinance .....	8
Theft .....	4
Various .....	7

Resulting from the above cases \$436.50 was received in fines and in the Municipal Court \$903.81 was received.

Your obedient servant,

**JOHN A. WRIN**, Chief of Police.

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### LEGAL VENDOR'S ACCOUNT:

Dec. 31st., 1923.

#### RECEIPTS.

From sale of liquor .....\$17612.71

#### EXPENDITURE

Purchase price of liquor .....	\$13908.50
Salary .....	1371.20
Rent .....	216.00
Truckage .....	52.15
Coal .....	33.50
Insurance .....	19.60
Lighting .....	11.35
Paper bags, Corks and Bottles .....	47.23
Safe .....	75.00
Premium on Bond .....	5.00
Sundry .....	8.35
Balance at Credit .....	1864.83
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	\$17612.71

### HACKNEY LICENSES—1923.

John Myers .....	\$25.00
John Boyle .....	25.00
Calvin Naugle .....	25.00
Edward R. Fraser .....	25.00
James A. Boyle .....	25.00
James McDonald .....	25.00
H. B. Conrod .....	25.00
Angus Fraser.....	25.00
Michael Gillam .....	25.00
Burton Turple, Bus .....	50.00
L. M. Bell, Bus (2).....	65.00
Darmouth Garage and Bus Co., J. A. Gillis, Jr., (2)	65.00
	—————\$ 405.00

### TRUCK LICENSES.

Albert Yetter .....	\$ 2.50
Jas. I. Moir .....	2.50
Lewis Weeks .....	2.50
Dartmouth Coal & Supply Co., Ltd. ....	2.50
Dartmouth Coal & Supply Co., Ltd. ....	1.00
Dartmouth Coal & Supply Co., Ltd. ....	1.00
Michael Slaney .....	2.50
Chas. Miller .....	2.50
Edward Brown .....	2.50
John W. Lahey .....	2.50
Chas. Borden .....	2.50
Phillip DeBay .....	2.50
Maurice Forrest .....	2.50
Albert Hutchinson .....	2.50
George Brown .....	2.50
William Meadon .....	2.50
Wetmore Warner .....	3.50
	—————\$ 40.50

**PLUMBERS LICENSES.**

S. H. Crimp .....	\$ 1.00
Young and Dunn .....	1.00
S. T. Baker .....	1.00
John Cox .....	1.00
Ralph Innis .....	1.00
D. J. O'Hearn .....	1.00
Chas. Faulkner .....	1.00
	—————\$ 7.00

**JUNK DEALERS.**

J. B. Jacobson, 1 team .....	\$ 5.00
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**AUSTIONEERS LICENSE.**

A. E. Hyde .....	\$10.00
W. S. Rogers and H. H. Rogers .....	10.00
Clarke, Hook & Co. ....	10.00
	—————\$ 30.00

**TRADERS LICENSE.**

James Munro .....	\$ 5.00
John Morris .....	3.00
	—————\$ 8.00

**CHIMNEY SWEEP LICENSE.**

Joseph Joyce, Halifax .....	\$ 5.00
D. Morgan, Halifax .....	5.00
	—————\$ 10.00

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**SEWER AND WATER COMMITTEE**

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the Council of the  
Town of Dartmouth, N. S.

Gentlemen:—

Your Sewer and Water Committee beg to report as  
under, for the year 1923:—

**Capital Expenditure.**

**Johnston Avenue:**—The sewer and water extension  
from Cameron Street Northerly constructed in 1922 was  
completed, some portion of the back filling being left over  
until the spring.

**Old Ferry Road:**—During the year past the sewer  
between Portland Street and Pleasant has been com-  
pleted, arrangements having been made with the Provin-  
cial Government to allow use of Maynard Lake water for  
the Factory of J. P. Mott & Co., in place of the stream  
formerly used for years; the Maynard Lake water system  
has been linked up in such a way to enable its use in the  
Factory at a comparatively small cost.

Late in the year arrangements were made with Mr.  
W. H. Covert, K. C. to construct a sewer through private  
property to connect the sewer on Rodney Road with the  
Old Ferry Road sewer—this work is well in hand and  
should be completed early in the coming spring.

**Marks-Cross Arena:**—The Town can now boast of  
having the finest rink East of Montreal, certain con-  
cessions given by the Town enabled the construction of  
this Rink possible, among them was the extension of water  
service, which has been done as economically as possible  
by taking the supply from that serving the Park School.

**Brightwood Golf and Country Club:**—Application



was made during the summer for Town water, this could only be done by extending the main on Thistle Street, the minimum annual charge for water being fixed at 8% of the cost of the work.

Compared with recent years the amount of work done during the year 1923 was small, only \$5000.00 being raised.

20 new house connections were made and 7 changed services.

1 new catch-pit was constructed at the corner of Prince Albert Road and Elliot Street.

### **Maintenance.**

It was found necessary to make a further increase in the water rates in order to meet the increased cost of maintenance brought about by the increased amount of debentures issued the previous year or two.

A report with recommendations has been submitted by the Engineer which it is hoped will be dealt with during the coming year this report suggests drastic changes in the matter of raising revenue and no doubt some change from the present system is desirable.

Owing to the very poor service given last winter to certain consumers on the higher levels of the low service, occasioned chiefly by the constant running of water to prevent freezing, a proposal was submitted to the rate-payers for the procuring of another source with high level and laying of a new main therefrom—this proposal was not approved of and while conditions so far this winter are not as bad, there is still some waste and also a heavy drag on the service at times caused by supplying the Acadia Sugar Refinery, negotiations are now being made with the Acadia Co., with the hope that some improvement may result to the Town consumers affected.

Several leaks were located and repaired, and defective services repaired.

An investigation as to the condition of the old 20" main has been made and its condition is very good, a full report on the mains and all other details of the Water and Sewer System is being made by the Engineer.

**E. L. SMITH**, Chairman.

**F. W. WALKER**.

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### **REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER.**

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Mayor Mosher.

Your Worship:—For the year just closed I am pleased to report it to have been one of the healthiest years in the town's history. No epidemic occurred and only one house was placarded for an infectious disease. This in face of a large amount of poverty and unemployment is very gratifying.

A number of cases of turning off the water on account of non-payment of rent was brought to my notice. This is thoroughly wrong from a sanitary point of view and should not happen as a supply of water and thorough working of toilet facilities are absolutely essential to the good health of the community.

The exodus of population has relieved a congestion of population a menace of previous years so that at present there are ample means of housing our people and some of the tenements that gave trouble in previous winters are now empty.

The different sanitary officers and plumbing inspector have faithfully carried out their work and a great im-

provement in cleanliness of premises is to be noted. This should be continued in the coming year as continued good health is one of the economics in an civic administration to be aimed at.

**H. A. PAYZANT**, Health Officer.

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### AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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His Worship the Mayor and Town Council,  
Town of Dartmouth, N. S.

Gentlemen:—

We have audited the books and accounts of the Town Clerk and Treasurer of the Town of Dartmouth and also the accounts of the Board of School Commissioners of Dartmouth for year ending December 31st, 1923, and find same correct.

We enclose abstract of the Receipts and Expenditures on the following accounts, namely:—Town General Account, Board of School Commissioners, Current Account, Board of School Commissioners Capital Account, Permanent Sidewalks, Widening Windmill Road, Ferry Interest Account, Firemen's Fund, Tax Sale Fund, Water and Sewer Construction Account and Water Maintenance Account.

Statement of the bonded indebtedness of the Town and also statement of Sinking Fund Investments as on December 31st, 1923, are also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

**LEE and HOLDER**, Chartered Accountants  
Auditors.

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 31st. 1923.**

**RECEIPTS.**

Estimates.			
\$ 63,000	Overdue Taxes:—		
	Assessment .....	1920	\$ 60.71
	“ .....	1921	17136.10
	“ .....	1922	27074.47
	Poll Tax .....	1920	4.00
	“ .....	1921	38.61
	“ .....	1922	203.69
			\$ 44517.58
140,519	Assessment .....	1923	\$ 94572.97
2,400	Poll Tax .....	1923	2307.91
	Assessment .....	1924	6.00
400	Dog Tax .....		515.25
800	Licenses:—		
	Hackney .....		\$ 405.00
	Truck .....		40.50
	Traders .....		8.00
	Auction .....		30.00
	Junk .....		5.00
	Plumbers .....		7.00
	Sweeps .....		10.00
			\$ 505.50
500	Fines .....		436.50
500	Court Fees .....		903.81
1,800	Interest .....		2880.17
260	“ on Consolidated Debt..		260.00
Net 4,000	Legal Vendor .....		17612.71
7,500	Municipal School Fund .....		7769.03
120	Walker Property .....		120.00
	Streets .....		1149.58
	Town Horses .....		626.28
	Equipment .....		76.42
	Fire Dept. ....		800.12
	Lighting .....		32.99
	Lunatics .....		215.35

Poor .....	194.00
Contingent .....	307.64
D. A. A. A. ....	168.00
Common Lots .....	22.50
Dartmouth Printing & Publishing Co. ....	134.49
Water Rates .....	10.00
Balance at Debit .....	90436.23
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	\$266581.03

## EXPENDITURES.

Estimates.

\$ 79,737	Overdraft .. .. .	\$ 78913.44
57,123	Schools .. .. .	57123.00
6,500	Streets (Relief) .. .. .	6500.00
	(Streets .. .. .	18720.02
	(Town Horses .. .. .	6450.88
10,360	)Equipment .. .. .	1774.67
	(Lighting .. .. .	6294.45
	(Public Property .. .. .	460.29
9,406	Salaries .. .. .	9733.92
5,799	Fire Dept. .. .. .	6786.24
7,477	Police .. .. .	7519.63
6,531	Municipal School Fund .. .. .	6531.20
	Interest on:—	
825	Con. Debt. .. .. .	\$ 925.00
2,447	Sidewalks .. .. .	2372.50
675	Wid. WM. Rd. .. .. .	700.00
1,615	Fire Engine .. .. .	1615.00
200	Roller .. .. .	200.00
2,800	(Overdraft & Stamp Tax .. .. .	4319.41
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		\$ 10131.91
	Legal Vendor .. .. .	15747.88
	Walker Property .. .. .	3.81
1,800	Lunatics .. .. .	2371.09
11,672	Poor .. .. .	14205.31
300	Public Health .. .. .	201.80
2,500	Contingent .. .. .	2952.04
250	Victorian Order of Nurses.....	250.00
100	Salvation Army .. .. .	100.00

225	Dart. Fire Dept. Carnival Com....	225.00
250	Banook Canoe Club .....	200.00
4,926	Provincial Highway Tax .....	4922.40
100	Registration Births & Deaths.....	176.00
	Taxes Refunded .....	232.47
2,076	County Rates .....	2076.58
	<b>Sinking Funds:—</b>	
224	Schools No. 1, .....	224.00
940	“ No. 2, .....	940.00
1,500	“ No. 3, .....	1500.00
840	“ No. 4, .....	840.00
520	Sidewalks No. 1, .....	520.00
320	“ No. 2, .....	320.00
160	Electric Light .....	160.00
15	Consolidated Debt .....	15.00
280	Motor Ladder Truck .....	280.00
620	“ Fire Engine .....	620.00
80	Steam Road Roller .....	80.00
130	Wid. WM. Rd. .....	85.00
		\$ 5584.00
	Expenses Tax Sales .....	106.00
200	Welfare Bureau .....	287.00
		\$266581.03

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**PERMANENT SIDEWALKS.**

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**RECEIPTS.**

1923 Refund error in Pay List .....\$ 8.40

**EXPENDITURE.**

1922

Dec. 31 Balance at Debit .....\$ .60

1923 Balance at Credit ..... 7.80

—————\$ 8.40

### WIDENING WINDMILL ROAD.

#### RECEIPTS.

1922.		
Dec. 31	Balance at Credit .....	\$ 1390.89
1923	Interest on Credit Balance .....	56.44
		\$ 1447.33

#### EXPENDITURE.

Proportion Street Labour 1923 .....	\$ 939.16
" Town Horses Account 1923 ....	257.84
Balance at Credit .....	250.33
	\$ 1447.33

### WATER & SEWER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

December 31st, 1923.

#### RECEIPTS

1922.		
Dec. 31.	Balance at Credit. ....	\$ 2372.46
1923	Proceeds 6000 Debentures sold @ 96.37%	5782.20
	Water and Sewer Connections .....	919.00
	Interest on Credit Balance .....	52.84
	"    "    Debentures .....	4.93
		\$ 9131.43

#### EXPENDITURES

- Labor .....	\$ 4561.45
- Lead, Drain and Water Pipe .....	1084.30
- Workmen's Compensation Act 1922....	924.81
-    "    "    "    1923....	90.00
- Blacksmith's Work and Castings .....	372.55
- Supplies .....	182.93
- Cement, Gravel and Brick .....	46.19
- Advertising and Printing .....	34.15
- Deposits Refunded .....	8.00
- Hydrants .....	246.09
- Valves .....	183.08
- Parts for Air Compressor .....	41.16

~ Meter .....	77.97	
~ Installing W.C. at Chas. Gray's House.	75.00	✓
~ Interest .....	9.00	✓
- Proportion Town Horses Acc't. 1923...	285.23	✓ ?
~ Sundry .....	20.55	✓
Balance at Credit .....	888.97	
		—————\$ 9131.43

### WATER MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

December 31st, 1923.

#### RECEIPTS

1922

Dec. 31. Balance at Credit .....	\$ 895.70
Water Rates, General .....	23530.77
"    "    Meter .....	3180.56
Sewer Interest .....	711.49
Interest on Sinking Funds ....	651.37
Balance at Debit .....	5490.48
	—————\$ 34460.37

#### EXPENDITURES.

~ Interest on Bonds .....	\$20380.75
~ "    and Stamp Tax on Overdraft...	641.68
~ Labor .....	2745.17
~ Salaries:—	
A. Elliot .....	\$1000.00
W. T. Smith .....	740.00
H. E. R. Barnes .....	1700.00
E. Nichols ....	1213.33
W. N. Forbes .....	800.00
	—————\$ 5453.33 ✓
— Material and Supplies .....	\$ 353.92
~ Stationery, Printing & Advertising....	194.28
Water Rates Refunded .....	34.96
~ Sundry .....	6.28
~ Eastern Trust Co. Sinking Fund..	\$1650
"    "    "    "    "    " ..	2000
"    "    "    "    "    " ..	1000
	—————\$ 4650.00
	—————\$ 34460.37



### FERRY INTEREST ACCOUNT.

#### RECEIPTS

1922.		
Dec. 31	Balance at Credit .....	\$ 243.27
1923	Received from Dart. Ferry Commission	12875.00
	Balance at Debit .....	82.68
		<u>\$ 13200.95</u>

#### EXPENDITURE

1923	Paid Interest on Debentures .....	\$13200.00
	Paid Interest on Overdraft .....	.95
		<u>\$ 13200.95</u>

### TAX SALE FUND.

1922.		
Dec. 31	Balance at Credit .....	\$ 574.22
1923	By Interest .....	23.18
		<u>\$ 597.40</u>

### FIREMEN'S FUND.

#### RECEIPTS.

1922.		
Dec. 31.	Balance at Credit .....	\$3533.41
1923.	Interest on Credit Balance at Bank..	7.33
	"    "    shares in N. S. Savings.,	
	Loan and Building Society .....	186.70
		<u>\$ 3727.44</u>

#### EXPENDITURE.

	Paid Mrs. Reuben Gray. Balance of Grant...	\$ 225.00
	Balance at Credit .....	3502.44
		<u>\$ 3727.44</u>

## SINKING FUNDS.

**T. 25—W. & S. Bonds, No. 1.**

Cash in Royal Bank of Canada .....	\$ 1098.26
Municipal & War Bonds, Eastern Trust Co .....	20396.43
Victory Bonds, Montreal Trust Co. ....	2616.48
	\$ 24111.17

**T. 64—W. & S. Bonds, No. 2.**

Cash in the Royal Bank of Canada.....	\$ 540.58
Municipal & War Bonds, Eastern Trust Co. ....	17414.97
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	875.33
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	1650.00
Victory Bonds, Montreal Trust Co. ....	1387.52
	\$ 21868.40

**Water and Sewer Bonds No. 3.**

Municipal Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 4100.81
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	2000.00
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	206.09
	\$ 6306.90

**Water and Sewer Bonds, No. 4.**

Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 1000.00
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**T. 77—Electric Light Bonds.**

Cash in Royal Bank of Canada .....	\$ 62.74
Municipal and War Bonds, E. T. Co.....	1899.02
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	95.45
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	160.00
Victory Bonds, Montreal Trust Co. ....	158.56
	\$ 2375.77

**T. 26—Permanent Sidewalks, No. 1**

Cash in Royal Bank of Canada .....	\$ 2031.48
Municipal and War Bonds, E. T. Co.....	15916.96
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	787.73
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	520.00
Victory Bonds, Montreal Trust Co. ....	1595.63
	\$ 20851.80

**Permanent Sidewalks, No. 2.**

Municipal Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 200.00	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	10.05	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	320.00	
		\$ 530.05

**T. 41.—School Bonds, 1908-11, (1).**

Cash in Royal Bank of Canada .....	\$ 88.74	
Municipal and War Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	3184.91	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	160.06	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	224.00	
Victory Bonds, Montreal Trust Co. ....	237.86	
		\$ 3895.57

**T. 95.—School Bonds, 1914-15 (2).**

Cash in Royal Bank of Canada .....	\$ 364.57	
Municipal and War Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	7650.38	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	384.52	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	940.00	
Victory Bonds, Montreal Trust Co. ....	941.51	
		\$ 10280.98

**School Bonds, (3).**

Municipal and War Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 6318.34	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	317.56	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	1500.00	
		\$ 8135.90

**School Bonds, (4).**

Municipal and War Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 600.00	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	30.14	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	840.00	
		\$ 1470.14

**T. 94.—Consolidated Debt.**

Cash in Royal Bank of Canada .....	\$ 18.92	
Municipal and War Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	122.03	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	6.13	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	15.00	
		\$ 162.08

**Motor Fire Engine.**

Municipal Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 1956.51	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	98.33	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	620.00	
		\$ 2674.84

**Motor Ladder Truck.**

Municipal Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 574.11	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	28.85	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	280.00	
		\$ 882.96

**Steam Roller.**

Municipal Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 252.44	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	12.68	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	80.00	
		\$ 345.12

**Widening Windmill Road.**

Municipal Bonds, E. T. Co. ....	\$ 257.44	
Income transferred, E. T. Co. ....	12.94	
Cash assessed for 1923, E. T. Co. ....	85.00	
		\$ 355.38

Total of all Sinking Funds .....\$105247.06

**MEMO:—**

Invested with Eastern Trust Co. ....	\$ 94104.21
Invested with Montreal Trust Co. ....	6937.56
Cash in Royal Bank of Canada .....	4205.29
	<u>\$105247.06</u>

## BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for year ended Dec. 31|23

## RECEIPTS.

Estimates. 1922.

2,082	Dec. 31. Credit Balance .....	\$ 2082.41
57,123	Town of Dartmouth, Estimates .....	57123.00
4,100	Government Grant, Teachers .....	4490.55
300	"    "    Domestic Science....	150.00
	Tuition Fees .....	189.00
120	Rent. Bungalow, near old Park School. ....	90.00
100	"    Old Park School .....	100.00
	"    Assembly Hall, Greenvale .....	70.00
	Domestic Science Dept. ....	2.55
	Manual Training Dept. (For Benches, Tools sold) .....	87.30
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		\$ 64384.81

## EXPENDITURES

Estimates.

## Salaries:—

34,870	Teachers .....	\$34337.85
400	Substitutes .....	539.00
3,770	Janitors .....	3803.41
400	Truant Officer .....	366.67
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		\$ 39046.93
470	Domestic Science Dept:—	
	Teachers Salary .....	507.50
	Supplies .....	33.18
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		\$ 540.68
16,026	Interest on Bonds .....	15916.50
400	Interest on Overdraft .....	674.86
260	Interest on cost Old Park School.	260.00
3,000	Fuel. ....	3200.37
700	Stationery, Printing & Advertising	1224.11
700	Heating and Plumbing .....	692.61
110	Water Rates .....	110.00
400	Painting Park School .....	327.00

200	Burlap, Greenvale & Hawthorne Schools .....		89.00
200	Ordinary Repairs:—		
	Carpenter .....	203.13	
	Electrical .....	10.75	
	Masonry .....	1.53	
			\$ 215.41
	<b>Medical Attendance and Inspection:—</b>		
200	Doctor .....	\$ 200.00	
250	V. O. N. ....	250.00	
50	Supplies .....	.50	
			\$ 450.50
250	Halifax Evening Technical School.		272.00
144	Telephones. ....		144.00
1,000	<b>Contingent:—</b>		
	Flag Pole .....	\$ 16.23	
	Light and Power .....	117.95	
	Chemical Supplies .....	290.80	
	Brooms, Brushes, Soap, .....	142.46	
	Boots .....	55.75	
	Preparing Assembly Hall. ....	26.00	
	Trees, and planting same .....	53.85	
	Hardware Supplies .....	39.60	
	Floor Oil .....	92.52	
	Coro Noleum and Creoline .....	26.35	
	Mats .....	14.50	
	Lawn Mower .....	13.50	
	Sundry .....	84.23	
			\$ 973.74
	<b>New Water Connections, Park</b>		
	Bungalow .....		83.49
	Inside Painting at Victoria School		25.00
Proportion	Town Horses Account .....		39.89
	Balance at Credit .....		98.72
			\$ 64384.81

**BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.**  
**CAPITAL ACCOUNT.**

**Hawthorne School Addition.**

**RECEIPTS.**

1922.		
Dec. 31 Balance at Credit	.....	\$ 1589.99

**EXPENDITURES.**

1923	L. Sterns & Son. Window Shades	....\$ 72.00
	J. F. Lahey. Storm Sashes,	..... 223.00
	Balance at Credit	..... 1294.99
		—————\$ 1589.99

**STATEMENT OF CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.**  
**TOWN OF DARTMOUTH.**  
**DECEMBER 31st., 1923.**

**ASSETS.**

Taxes in arrears	1920	.....	\$ 289.25
" " "	1921	.....	1228.03
" " "	1922	.....	16585.28
" " "	1923	.....	45302.86
			—————\$ 63405.42

**Sinking Funds:—**

Water and Sewerage	.....	\$ 53286.47
Electric Light	.....	2375.77
Schools	.....	23782.59
Consolidated Debt.	.....	162.08
Motor Fire Engine	.....	2674.84
" Ladder Truck	.....	882.96
Road Roller	.....	345.12
Sidewalks	.....	21381.85
Widening Windmill Road	.....	355.38
		—————\$105247.06

All other Investments and Deposits .....	\$ 628.40
Town's Water and Sewerage System .....	470000.00
"    Electric Light Plant .....	8000.00
"    Other Real Property .....	514000.00
"    Other Personal Property .....	75000.00
Miscellaneous .....	2000.00
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	\$1238280.88

## LIABILITIES.

## Bonded Debt:—

Consolidated Debt .....	\$ 18500.00
Schools .....	287200.00
Permanent Sidewalks .....	47000.00
Electric Light .....	8000.00
Motor Fire Engine .....	15500.00
"    Ladder Truck .....	14000.00
Road Roller .....	4000.00
Widening Windmill Road .....	13500.00
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	\$407700.00
Water and Sewer Bonds .....	408800.00
Gross Floating Debt. including Overdraft at Bank....	93385.90
Assets over Liabilities .....	328394.98
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	\$1238280.88



## DOG LICENSES 1923.

Arnold, J. S. ....	\$2.00	Clarke, C. E. ....	2.00
Allen, C. J. ....	2.00	Caldwell, J. W. ....	2.00
Allison, J. W. ....	2.00	Clarke, Lester ....	2.00
Borrett, W. C. ....	2.00	Carter, Robert ....	2.00
Baxter, J. M. ....	2.00	Congdon, John H. ....	2.00
Beck, C. A. ....	2.00	Charlton, W. F. ....	2.00
Baker, S. T. ....	2.00	Curl, Milton ....	2.00
Bowser, Angus ....	2.00	Dares, Carl ....	2.00
Bryan, Sgt. Henry ....	2.00	Drury, Mrs. Agnes ....	2.00
Bryant, W. R. ....	2.00	Dunn, Colin ....	2.00
Boyce, Mrs. George ....	2.00	DeBay, Phillip ...	2.00
Butcher, E. J. ....	2.00	Dickson, H. A. ....	2.00
Bell, L. M. ....	2.00	Dean, J. E. ....	2.00
Bishop, Geo. C. ....	2.00	Douglas, J. R. ....	2.00
Brown, David ....	2.00	Downey, S. ....	2.00
Bateman, T. M. ....	2.00	Elliot, R. K. ....	2.00
Brown, Edw. ....	2.00	Earle, A. C. ....	2.00
Brigley, Mrs. ....	2.00	Edwards, Joseph ....	2.00
Benjamin, Stairs ....	2.00	Faulkner, Wm. ....	2.00
Creighton, H. D. ....	2.00	Foston, Geo. ....	2.00
Creed, H. D. ....	2.00	Fraser, Mrs. Ellen ....	2.00
Cooper, Allan R. ....	2.00	Fredericks, Paul ....	2.00
Coombs, Miss L. E. ....	2.00	Frizzell, G. W. ....	2.00
Crooks, John E. ....	2.00	Fielding, Ralph ....	2.00
Coates, E. E. ....	2.00	Gully, John ....	2.00
Creighton, G. E. ....	3.00	Gammon, P. N. ....	2.00
Creighton, H. S. ....	5.00	Gentles, Miss Norma ....	2.00
Crook, J. A. ....	2.00	Gaudet, Gregory ....	2.00
Cann, Frank ....	2.00	Griffin, G. ....	2.00
Colter, A. D. ....	2.00	Gardner, John ....	2.00
Cooper, Percy ....	2.00	Garde, Miss Nora ....	2.00
Creighton, James ....	2.00	Griffin, J. L. ....	2.00
Cleveland, J. H. ....	2.00	Graham, R. L. ....	2.00
Covert, W. H. ....	2.00	Gray, Chas. E. ....	2.00
Crane, W. H. ....	2.00		
Chapman, C. T. ....	2.00		

Graham, James .....	2.00	Landry, M. W. ....	2.00
Gentles, Mrs. Stewart ...	2.00	Lahey, Michael, .....	2.00
Higgins, B. L. ....	2.00	Lynch, Duncan .....	2.00
Higginson, H. W. ....	3.00	Lovett, Frank O. ....	2.00
Hiltz, F. D. ....	2.00	Lovett, James ....	2.00
Huxtable, A. W. ....	2.00	Lynch, H. J. ....	2.00
Horobin, Fred. ....	2.00	Lovett, Arthur .....	2.00
Hutt, S. W. ....	2.00	Lahey, Thomas ....	2.00
Hutchinson, Albert .....	2.00	Lucas, Chas. ....	1.00
Hunter, Norvell .....	2.00	Landry, Cecil A. ....	3.00
Haley, Ivan L. ....	2.00	Leadley, Wm. ....	2.00
Hetherington, F. W. ....	2.00	Lucas, Benj. ....	1.00
Henry, Henri, ....	2.00	Moseley, W. P. ....	2.00
Hammond, Hilda Mrs. ..	2.00	Marshall, A. E. ....	2.00
Hebb, Dr. A. M. ....	2.00	Muriden, James .....	2.00
Harvey, C. H. ....	2.00	Milne, John .....	2.00
Haugen, Louis ....	2.00	Monovan, W. H. ....	2.00
Horne, A. J. ....	2.00	Murdoch, J. D. ....	2.00
Hearn, R. A. ....	2.00	Miller, Mrs. Gordon ....	2.00
Inglis, Arthur .....	2.00	Merson, Murray .....	2.00
Jones, William .....	3.00	Morash, Lewis ....	2.00
Jones, H. P. ....	2.00	Matthews, Wm. ....	2.00
Jackson, Clarence ....	2.00	May, Arthur ....	2.00
Jackson, Mrs. A. W. ....	2.00	Murray, R. H. ....	2.00
Keddy, Donald C. ....	2.00	Moore, S. G. ....	2.00
Kervin, John .....	2.00	Moir, Gordon .....	2.00
Keddy, Brydon .....	2.00	Marvin, Norman G. ....	2.00
Kilroy, John .....	2.00	Mortimer, J. M. ....	2.00
Keeler, Miss Myrle ....	2.00	Moir, Harry .....	2.00
Lahey, James F. ....	2.00	Munro, Fred .....	2.00
Lahey, John W. ....	2.00	Manuel, Chas ....	2.00
Lahey, Frank ....	2.00	Martin, John ....	2.00
Lloy, W. B. ....	2.00	Myra, Mrs. Mary .....	2.00
Lunn, Grant .....	2.00	Morash, Sidney .....	2.00
Lahey, John A. ....	2.00	McDonald, John ....	2.00
Lovett, W. ....	2.00	McCulloch, D. D. ....	2.00
		McPherson, Mrs. A. ....	2.00
		McQuarrie, H. S. ....	2.00
		McAdams, Arthur ....	2.00

McKenzie, Wm. ....	2.00	Rumley, P. H. ....	2.00
McColl, R. H. ....	2.00	Regan, Mrs. Johanna ...	2.00
McDonnell, Ronald ...	2.00	Richards, Guy ....	2.00
McElmon, E. H. ....	2.00	Roose, Mrs. Wm. ....	2.00
McKerrow, A. W. ....	2.00	Sullivan, G. F. ....	2.00
McDow, Alex ....	2.00	Sullivan, Wm. ....	2.00
McIvor, Chas. ....	2.00	Stanford, Robert ....	2.00
McLean, Grant ....	2.00	Sterns, Lawrence ....	2.00
McElmon, Roy ....	2.00	Silver, H. R. ....	4.00
Nicholson, W. A. ....	2.00	Sheen, Thos. ....	2.00
Naismith, Gavin ...	2.00	Skidmore, Mrs. Geo. ...	6.00
Otto, P. J. ....	2.00	Smith, Harold ....	2.00
O'Brien, H. ....	2.00	Slaney, Michael ....	2.00
O'Toole, J. J. ....	2.00	Stevenson, Selsby ....	2.00
O'Hearn, John ....	2.00	Spiers, Wilbert ....	2.00
Power, Wm. G. ....	2.00	Stuart, A. E. ....	2.00
Patterson, John ....	2.00	Stuthard, Wm. ....	2.00
Philpott, Walter, ...	2.00	Swaffer, Wm. ....	2.00
Pippy, Ezekiel ....	2.00	Sievert, W. E. Jr. ....	2.00
Pring, Wm. ....	2.00	Sawlor, Owen ....	2.00
Power, Frank ....	2.00	Simpson, Fred ....	2.00
Pittman, John ....	2.00	Smith, H. H. ....	2.00
Parker, Mrs. W. B. ....	2.00	Swan, L. K. ....	2.00
Preeper, Clifford ..	2.00	Sisters of Charity ....	2.00
Power, Mrs. Mary ....	2.00	Sinclair, P. J. ....	2.00
Prescott, Clifford ...	2.00	Smith, Levi ....	2.00
Rockwell, Mrs. Emma ...	2.00	Smith, L. ....	2.00
Rosenburg, Mrs. E. ....	2.00	Staples, Geo. ..	6.00
Rainnie, J. G. ....	4.00	Slimmings, Mrs. Mary ..	2.00
Roome, R. E. G. ....	2.00	Shrum, Geo. E. ....	2.00
Richards, Walter ....	2.00	Topple, Walter ....	2.00
Roome, C. G. ....	2.00	Tully, J. W. ....	2.00
Robinson, Robert ....	2.00	Taylor, Joseph ....	2.00
Richards, Mrs. Annie ...	2.00	Tolson, Dr. H. S. ....	2.00
Ross, Chas. ....	2.00	Thornton, Wm. ....	2.00
Ruscoe, George ....	2.00	Teasdale, Clyde ....	2.00
		Thomas, John ....	2.00
		Tynes, Arthur ....	2.00

Urquhart, Norman	..... 2.00	Wilks, F.	..... 2.00
Verge, Harry	..... 2.00	Woodward, W.	..... 2.00
Vincent, Harry,	..... 2.00	Wilson, G.	..... 2.00
VanBuskirk, Geo. E.	..... 3.00	Woodward, William	..... 2.00
Warner, Mrs. J. S.	..... 2.00	Walker, C. G.	..... 2.50
Woods, Arthur	..... 2.00	Wilson, J. G.	..... 2.00
Wiseman, Wm.	..... 2.00	Wegener, W. F.	..... 2.00
Ward, Fred J.	..... 2.00	Walker, Frank	..... 2.00
Walker, E. M.	..... 2.00	Walsh, J.	..... 2.00
Weeks, Moses,	..... 2.00	Walsh, Harry	..... 2.00
Walker, Norman	..... 2.00	Young, R. T.	..... 2.00
Warner, Robert, J.	..... 2.00	Young, F. A.	..... 2.00
Warner, Wallace	..... 2.00	Young, Mrs. Frank	..... 2.00
Watson, W. H.	..... 2.00	Young, A. C.	..... 2.00
Wiseman, Wilfred	..... 2.00	Zwicker, Hiram	..... 2.00

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

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To the Ratepayers of the Town of Dartmouth.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

I beg to submit my report of the Board of School Commissioners for the year 1923.

The Board regrets the resignation of four members of the teaching staff during the year. These were Misses Eileen DeVan, Mabel Moseley, Nora Smith and Nina Faulkner. However, worthy successors were found in Mrs. Dora M. Smith, Miss Flora McDonald, Miss Margaret Auld and Miss Erna Marshall. The appointment of Mrs. Smith and Miss Marshall was only for the present school year. The other appointments were permanent.

Urged by a request for the curtailment of expenses, the Board thought it wise to dispense with the services of a Domestic Science teacher for the present. Therefore that department was closed at the end of the school year in June. The class room has been used since the opening of schools in August to house one of the common school grades.

It has still been found necessary to use the Assembly Hall as a class room. If this is continued more radiation will be necessary for sufficient heat to make it comfortable. This is a matter the new Board will have to consider.

Another matter for the new Board's consideration will be the procuring of seats for the smaller children who are sure to arrive for the first time about April. These may be accommodated in half the Assembly Hall.

In expenditures the board has kept quite within its estimates. The amount received during the year was \$63,304.81, made up as follows:—

Balance from 1922 .....	\$ 2082.41
Amount received from Council .....	57123.00
Government grant to teachers .....	4490.55
Grant to Domestic Science ....	150.00
Tuition Fees .....	189.00
Rent .....	262.55
Sale of Manual Training Tables .....	87.30
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Total.....	\$64304.81
Total expenditure .....	\$64206.09
Balance.....	98.72

As the total enrollment is 1758, it will be seen from the above that the cost to the town of educating each pupil is about \$33.00 per year.

In closing I wish to thank the supervisor, teaching staff, fellow Commissioners and any others associated with me in school affairs for their co-operation during the past year.

Yours Faithfully,

C. A. McLEAN, Chairman School Board.

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### SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

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C. A. McLean, Esq.,  
Chairman School Board.

Sir:—

I herein submit my report of the condition of the Schools for the year ended July 1923.

The statistics of enrollment attendance etc., for the different schools are given below.

## PARK SCHOOL.

Teachers	License	Grade Taught	Enroll	Ave	%Atnd.
Ethel Hiltz,	B	I	57	30.0	52.6
Adelaide Hiltz,	B	I	41	27.4	66.8
Bessie Hume	C	II	55	43.4	79.0
Margaret Christie	B	III	55	40.4	73.4
Florence Corkum	B	IV	61	43.8	71.8
Lena Gates	B	V	54	38.6	71.5
Elizabeth Laidlaw	C	VI	52	39.1	75.2
Dorothy Sterns	A	VII	54	42.7	79.0
Gertrude Noonan	B	VIII	37	30.0	81.1
Sadie Findlay	C	H. S.	32	26.1	81.6
Grover C. Beazley, B.A.,	A	"	29	24.8	85.5
Wm. C. Stapleton,	Acad.	"	49	40.8	83.3
			576	427.1	75.1

## HAWTHORNE SCHOOL.

Teachers	License	Grade Taught	Enroll	Ave	%Atnd.
Maud Bonang,	C	I	78	46.1	59.1
Tina McCarthy	C	I	67	50.1	74.8
Bertha Murray	C	II	56	51.6	92.1
Eva Siteman	C	III	60	49.8	83.8
Ruth Elliot	C	IV	48	34.5	71.9
Effie Silver	B	IV	49	40.8	83.3
Abbie Beazley	A	V	55	44.2	80.4
Nora E. Smith	C	VI	38	31.8	83.7
Hattie Acker	B	VI	33	25.3	76.7
Nano DeVan	B	VII	51	43.0	84.3
Isabella C. MacKay	C	VIII	43	38.8	90.2
James P. Scott	B	IX	36	28.7	79.7
			614	484.7	80.0

## GREENVALE SCHOOL.

Teachers	License	Grade		Enroll	Ave	%Atnd.
		Taught				
Beatrice McLeod	C	I		71	43.3	61.0
Christina Foster	B	I		56	40.3	70.2
Eileen DeVan	C	II		60	47.8	79.7
Margaret Sutherland	B	II & III		44	31.4	71.3
Marion Forsyth, B.A.,	A	III		54	46.3	85.7
Dora M. Smith	B	IV		56	42.9	76.5
Bessie Thomas	C	V		54	41.8	77.4
				385	283.8	74.6

## VICTORIA SCHOOL.

Teachers	License	Grade		Enroll	Ave	%Atnd.
		Taught				
Helen Wilks	B	I		51	29.2	57.3
Annie D. Bligh	B	I		33	25.9	78.5
Sadie E. Cameron	B	II		42	33.6	80.0
Nina M. Faulkner	C	III		47	37.3	79.3
				173	126.0	72.3

## Number of Pupils Enrolled in the Different Grades.

I	223	231	454
II	108	121	229
III	121	123	244
IV	108	106	214
V	67	96	163
VI	64	59	123
VII	53	52	105
VIII	36	44	80
IX	29	39	68
X	28	21	49
XI	13	16	29



## Attendance of Pupils.

No.	Attended less than 20 days.....	61
"	" from 20 to 39 days.....	78
"	" " 40 to 59 days.....	74
"	" " 60 to 79 days.....	60
"	" " 80 to 99 days.....	71
"	" " 100 to 119 days.....	99
"	" " 120 to 139 days.....	136
"	" " 140 to 159 days.....	223
"	" " 160 to 179 days.....	397
"	" " 180 to 199 days.....	559

## Age of Pupils.

	Age	Number
Under	5 years.....	1
	5 years.....	47
	6 years.....	137
	7 years.....	160
	8 years.....	165
	9 years.....	181
	10 years.....	179
	11 years.....	165
	12 years.....	168
	13 years.....	163
	14 years.....	145
	15 years.....	122
	16 years.....	85
	17 years.....	26
	18 years.....	9
	19 years.....	4
	21 years.....	1
	Total enrollment.....	1758

Average Attendance.....1331.6

Percentage daily attendance.... 75.6

The closing of the Domestic Science department gave an extra class-room, which takes care of one of the grades formerly taught in the Assembly Hall. A regular class-room is much more convenient, as well as more suitable for the ordinary work of the grade than the assembly hall. The heating, lighting and ventilation are also better.

The resignations at the end of the year, consequently led to a re-arrangement of the teaching staff. Miss Marion Forsyth, B.A., from grade III Greenvale was given grade VI Hawthorne, made vacant by the resignation of Miss Dora E. Smith. Miss Margaret Auld and Miss Flora McDonald were each given positions at Greenvale. While the vacancy created at Victoria School by the resignation of Miss Nina Faulkner was filled by Miss Erna Marshall.

A further re-arrangement of grades was also found necessary. At Hawthorne last year, there were all the grades from I to IX inclusive, with two classes each of grades I and IV. This year there are the same grades but with the change of two classes of grade V and a class of grade II and III combined. At Greenvale are classes from I to IV. Last year there were in that building two classes each of grades II and III. This year there are two classes each of grades I and IV. At Victoria it was also found necessary to combine grades III and IV into one department.

The classes in Book-keeping are making progress. So far the work has been confined to grades VII and VIII. Later it may be found advisable to extend this subject to grade IX. It is also probable that additional work of a business nature may be undertaken.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

**W. C. STAPLETON**, Supervisor.

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF MEDICAL ATTENTION  
AT SCHOOLS.**

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No. of Schools Visited .....	4
No. of Visits to Schools .....	18
Hours Spent in the Schools .....	35
No. of Children Examined .....	1212
New Defects found .....	723
Old defects found improved .....	
Old defects not improved .....	
Children excluded .....	
Referred to Health Officer .....	
Referred to own Physician .....	
Referred to Treatment Centres .....	40
Assist School Doctor .....	
No. of Home School Visits .....	
Miscellaneous Visits .....	
Schools talks given .....	
Demonstrations .....	
Vaccinations .....	28
Assisted Doctor in examination of school children...	

**DARTMOUTH HOUSING COMMISSION.**

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His Worship the Mayor and Members of the  
Town Council, Dartmouth, N. S.

Gentlemen:—

I beg to report that during the year 1923 the Commission has completed 8 dwellings at a total cost of \$26,200.00 all of which are occupied and which makes 54 houses in all built by the Commission in Dartmouth.

With very few exceptions the instalments are being paid fairly regularly and I feel that nearly all the borrowers are doing their best, in spite of labor conditions, to pay up and hold on to their property.

The Commission has been obliged to take over two houses whose owners have left town and both are vacant at present, but we are trying to either sell or rent them.

For further information see the Secretary's statement attached.

**FRED W. STEVENS.**

Chairman, Housing Commission.

STATEMENT TO DECEMBER 31st., 1923.  
DARTMOUTH HOUSING COMMISSION.

Name	Instal.	date paid up to	Amount of loan	Total Amt. pd.
W. C. Borrett	36	Nov 4 23	\$3336.00	\$ 872.00
A. B. Smith	32	June 16 23	3500.00	814.76
C. R. Mosher	37	Nov 19 23	3825.00	1031.26
Mrs. Emily Wyle	35	Sept 16 23	3740.00	646.20
Stairs Benjamin	37	Dec 4 23	3287.00	887.07
J. S. Baxter	29	May 18 23	3293.00	703.46
Henri Stroud	27	Mar 18 23	3570.00	691.63
H. P. Greenough	23	Nov 18 22	3570.00	611.89
F. Cole	34	Oct 30 23	2125.00	471.09
C. G. Roome	31	Oct 17 23	3825.00	850.02
Jas. T. Clarke	34	Oct 18 23	3604.00	592.05
Mrs. Mildred Smith	19	Dec 3 22	3500.00	476.52
Geoffrey Stevens	34	Nov 30 23	3800.00	933.31
Mrs. Laura Dillman	35	Dec 20 23	3643.00	929.42
Ross Peers	31	July 1 23	3600.00	809.34
Gerald Foot	35	Nov 1 23	3600.00	902.50
John A. Graham	32	Sept 8 23	3825.00	888.29
Martin T. Murphy	35	Dec 8 23	3825.00	970.97
W. F. Charlton	36	Jan 8 24	3000.00	786.37
Mrs. Mary Dumaresq	34	Dec 3 23	3500.00	863.41
Timothy Graham	15	Mar 31 23	3608.00	387.75
Jas. Roby	17	May 18 22	3840.00	454.24
J. A. Harris	30	Oct 4 23	4500.00	967.50
H. C. Wambolt	30	Aug 3 23	3500.00	752.68
Gregory O'Hearn	35	Dec 30 23	4000.00	1017.77
W. J. Meredith	34	Jan 4 24	4000.00	974.44
G. W. Thompson	32	Nov 17 23	3000.00	688.00
J. T. Brooking	33	Nov 3 23	4000.00	946.11
Chas. Scrymageour	15	Nov 30 23	3325.00	357.45
Wm. Rogers	14	Nov 15 23	3750.00	376.18
W. N. Brown	15	Dec 30 23	3490.00	365.40
W. C. McPherson	10	June 30 23	3000.00	215.00
D. C. Keddy	15	Nov 30 23	3750.00	405.05

Name	Instal.	date paid up to	Amount of loan	Total Amt. pd.
Wm. Chisholm	7	June 15 23	4000.00	200.69
J. P. Whebby	13	Nov 30 23	4000.00	372.71
Reg. Gray	12	Sept 30 23	3825.00	328.92
W. O. Ainsley	15	Nov 30 23	4000.00	430.05
E. S. Tufts	15	Nov 4 23	3400.00	365.60
A. E. Lavallie	15	Nov 30 23	3500.00	376.35
E. F. Whebby	10	Aug 16 23	2800.00	220.77
J. C. Ritchie	15	Dec 15 23	3000.00	322.50
H. J. Lynch	14	Dec 16 23	3000.00	301.00
H. H. Harris	1	Nov 16 22	3000.00	21.50
F. G. Pearce	8	Sept 15 23	3700.00	212.16
C. A. Roberts	12	Nov 30 23	3350.00	288.00
H. Goobie	10	Sept 30 23	3000.00	215.00
R. Rodway	12	Nov 30 23	2700.00	232.20
R. J. Strupat	7	Aug 15 23	3000.00	150.50
F. E. Cann	7	Nov 30 23	3800.00	163.44
Clyde Teasdale	3	Nov 1 23	3700.00	79.56
Alonzo Smith	1	Jan 1 24	3000.00	21.50
Joseph Smith	1	Jan 1 24	3000.00	21.50
George Wilson	1	Jan 1 24	3000.00	21.50
E. A. Butler	2	Jan 15 24	3000.00	43.00
Total			\$187416.00	\$28028.25

**FERRY REPORT 1923.**

To the Ratepayers of the Town of Darmouth.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

I have much pleasure in submitting my report for the year 1923, especially in view of a continued improvement in the condition of the ferry, and in consideration of the fact that the year 1923 has been one generally recognized as bringing difficulties and obstacles to the successful operation of this undertaking.

Owing to a number of causes there has been a considerably decreased travel on the ferry which resulted in no less than \$13,244.67 decreased revenue.

In spite of this, however, the ferry was able to show \$3097.59 to the credit of its profit and loss account in addition to \$17,439.66 written off against depreciation, or over \$20,000, in excess of the necessary direct operating expenses.

This showing has been largely made possible by reduced operating expenses which were \$6325.30 below those of 1922. \$21,716.12 below 1921 and would be no less than \$38,608.61 below 1920 had the same depreciation been added to the expenses of that year as has been added every year since then.

Of the \$20,000. earnings mentioned above, about half have been used in purchasing securities, and the other half spent in rebuilding and repairing the boats and wharves, so that considerable necessary work has been done to improve the condition of the ferry property.

It might be of interest to point specially that these expenditures have come out of earnings and while the improvements substantially add to the actual value of the ferry

no corresponding increase in the book values have been made, the policy being to make the properties worth more than the amount at which they are valued.

In addition to this over \$2000. more was put into improvements which were capitalized, and over \$10,000. in repairs which were charged directly as part of the operating expenses.

That we were able to make all these improvements in 1923, and in addition invest over \$13,000. in Dominion Bonds cannot but show that the ferry is being gradually put on its feet financially, although it should still be borne in mind that the ferry has been financially starved for a great many years and it will take some time yet to put it where it ought to be. And while this year we have increased our security investments from \$27,834.91 to \$41,467.03 with book reserves of over \$69,000., these amounts should be two or three times larger before we should feel the ferry is where it ought to be.

These figures show substantial improvements in the financial condition of the ferry, and it should be further borne in mind that a large part of the ferry's operating expenses are the interest and taxes amounting to nearly \$20,000., which is paid over to the Town each year, and goes toward reducing the charges which tax payers would otherwise be called upon to pay.

Taking the falling off in traffic, the extra expenses from ice damage this year and everything else into consideration, I believe the general performance of the ferry for 1923 has been extremely gratifying, and I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the work done by Ferry Commissioners and Employees in doing their part to make this good report possible.



It is with regret that I have to speak of the loss of the two valued ferry employees, Capt. Martin Murphy and Mate Freeman Crowell who have died quite recently. These men were good and highly respected citizens and employees, and their loss will be much felt by all with whom they came in contact.

For further information see the auditor's report attached. I have the honor to be,

**WALTER MOSHER,** Chairman.

## DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION.

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

year ending December 31st, 1923.

By	Ferriages and Commutations .....	\$153523.25
"	Excursions .....	1530.54
"	Rentals, Advertising Space, Buildings, etc .....	8152.57
"	Sundries .....	46.30
To	Interest .....	\$ 12079.50
"	Workmen's Compensation .....	709.87
"	Employers' Liability Insurance .....	857.37
"	Operating expenses .....	118291.56
"	Insurance .....	2637.56
"	Reserves for depreciation .....	17439.96
"	Rentals of Halifax Property .....	1320.00
"	Taxes and Water Rates .....	6157.11
"	Grant to Natal Day Committee .....	300.00
"	Miscellaneous Expenses .....	87.83
"	Claims .....	36.20
"	Inspection .....	285.00
"	Superannuation Mr. P. Johnston .....	416.04
"	Advertising .....	158.79
"	Net Profit for year .....	2475.87

\$163252.66 \$163252.66

**GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT 1923.**

1922	
Dec. 31	Amount at Credit .....\$ 2689.37
1923	
April 16	Interest from C.N.R. on expropriation claim 320.16
" 30	Refund Workmen's Compensation Board... 361.56
Dec. 31	By net profit 1923, from Profit & Loss Acct.. 2475.87
	<u>5846.96</u>
1923	
Jan. 10	To Amount transferred to Reserve ..\$2689.37
Dec. 31	" Uncollectable accounts written off..... 60.00
	<u>2749.37</u>
1923	
Dec. 31	Amount at Credit .....\$ 3097.59

**BALANCE SHEET, DARTMOUTH FERRY COMMISSION.****ASSETS.**

Real Estate, Docks, Wharves, Boats .....	\$284476.21
Less reserve for depreciation .....	47859.77
	<u>\$236616.44</u>
Coal on hand .....	\$ 4562.49
Supplies, Machinery, etc .....	10019.45
Office Furniture and Fixtures .....	1563.95
	<u>\$ 16145.89</u>
Cash on hand and in bank.. .....	\$ 3887.74
Accounts Receivable .....	1298.54
Investments in War Loan Bonds .....	19907.50
Deferred charges,—Unexpired Insurance ....	2001.65
	<u>\$ 27095.43</u>
Reserve Fund Investments:—	
Victory Bonds .....	\$ 13075.00
Shares in N. S. Savings L. & B. Society..	7556.85
Savings Bank .....	927.68
	<u>\$ 21559.53</u>
	<u>\$301417.29</u>

LIABILITIES.

Town of Dartmouth .....	\$266000.00
Accounts Payable, Sundry Creditors .....	\$ 4902.09
"    "    Employees' Pay Roll .....	3058.75
Accrued Interest, Town of Dartmouth .....	2323.08
	—————
	\$ 10238.92
Commutations paid in advance .....	\$ 476.25
Reserve .....	21559.53
Profit and Loss Account .....	3097.59
	—————
	\$301417 20

RESERVE ACCOUNT.

1922		
Dec. 31	By Amount at Credit .....	\$ 17752.41
1923		
Jan. 10	By Amount transferred from Profit & Loss Account .....	2689.37
Dec. 31	By Interest for 1923 credited .....	1117.75
		—————
Dec. 31	By Amount at Credit .....	\$ 21559.53

RESERVE FOR DEPRECIATION

1922		
Dec. 31	By Amount at Credit .....	\$ 40576.04
1923		
Dec. 31	By Provision for Depreciation during 1923...	17439.96
		—————
		\$ 58016.00
	To Extraordinary repairs during 1923 .....	10156.23
		—————
1923		
Dec. 31	Balance at Credit .....	\$ 47859.77

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and in our opinion same correctly shows the position of the Commission as on December 31st., 1923, as shown by the books of the Dartmouth Ferry Commission. The coal and supplies on hand have been verified by the manager.

(Sgd.)—**LEE & HOLDER,**

Chartered Accountants, Auditors.



## Return to Commissioner of Municipal Sinking Funds Respecting Debentures and Sinking Funds to 31st December 1923, of the Town of Dartmouth.

PURPOSE OF LOAN	STATUTORY AUTHORITY			DEBENTURES ISSUED				PARTICULARS OF SINKING FUND							How invested and rate of interest.			
	STATUTE		Maximum amount authorized by Statute.	Maximum period authorized by Statute—Years.	Minimum rate or payment per annum prescribed for Sinking Fund.	Total amount issued.	Date of Debentures	Date of Maturity	INTEREST		Rate or amount per annum payable payable into Sinking Fund.	Date of 1st payment into Sinking Fund	Total amount of payments into Sinking Fund to date (not including interest.)	Total amt. of Sinking Fund to 31st Dec, previous year, including interest.		Amt. paid into Sinking Fund (or paid off) during the year (not including interest.)	Interest credited to Sinking Fund during the year.	Total amount of Sinking Fund to date including interest.
	Chapter	Year							Rate	Dates Payable								
Water and Sewerage	56	1902	3300	20	2%	3300	Dec. 31/23	Dec. 31/23	4	June & Dec.	Sewer	Frontage						
" "	75	1906	67000	20		5400	Oct. 1/06	Oct. 1/26	4	April & Oct.	"	"						
" "	75	1907	30000	20		35500	July 1/08	July 1/28	4½	Jan. & July	"	"						
" "	78	1908	9000	20														
" "	56	1902	5000	20		8000	" 1/09	" 1/29	4½	" "	"	"			4901 38		24111 17	
" "	75	1909	5000	20		3500	" 1/10	" 1/30	4½	" "	"	"			5000 00	Mat. Bde.	Paid off	
" R. 77000	103	1912	70000	20		62500	" 1/12	" 1/32	4½	" "	2%	Dec. /14	12,500	19,249 62	24,499 62	875 33	21868 40	
" R. 35000	86	1913	35000	20		31000	" 1/13	" 1/33	5	" "	No Funds			\$43,749 24	1250 00*			
" "	56	1902	5000	20		5000	Dec. 1/13	Dec. 1/33	5	June & Dec.	Sewer	Frontage						
" "	56	1902	5000	20		5000	Feb. 1/15	Feb. 1/35	5	Jan. & July	"	"						
" "	52	1915	5000	20		10000	May 1/15	May 1/35	5	Nov. & May	1% 5000	Dec. /15	500	Sewer Frontage		50 00*		
" "	56	1902	5000	20														
" "	56	1902	5000	20		5000	Nov. 1/16	Nov. 1/36	5	May & Nov.	1% Sewer	Dec /17	350		50 00*			
" "	56	1902	10000	20		10000	Nov. 1/17	Nov. 1/37	5	" "	Sewer	Frontage						
" "	77	1918	25000	20		5000	July 2/18	July 2/38	6	Jan. & July	"	"		Sewer Frontage				
" "	94 & 95	1919	to rel. 5000	30		15000	" 2/19	" 2/49	5	" "	2%	Dec. /19	1500		800 00*			
" "	106	1920	100000	20		100000	Jan. 2/21	Jan 2/41	6	July & Jan.	2%	" /21	6000	4100 81	2000 00	206 09	6306 90	
" "	93	1921	50000	20		50000	July 3/22	July 3/43	5½	Jan. & July	2%	" /23	1000		1000 00		1000 00	

Town's Consolidated Act, Ch. 56 Acts 1902, Sec. 67 provides that the Frontage Tax (Sewer Rates) shall be held to form a Sinking Fund for the redemption of Water and Sewer Debentures.

Bonds paid off.  
 Maturing 1911 to 1923 .....\$61,200.00  
 Total amount of Sewer Frontage Paid into Sinking Fund, years 1902 to 1923.....\$70,085.31

Municipal and War Bonds

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