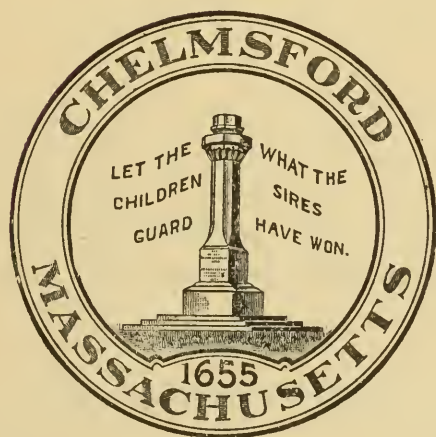


ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF CHELMSFORD



Receipts and Expenditures

TOGETHER WITH THE

School Report and Report of the
Trustees of the Adams Library

Year Ending December 31,

1917

BUCKLAND PRINTING CO.



72-74 MIDDLE ST., LOWELL, MASS

Officers of the Town of Chelmsford

Town Clerk

EDWARD J. ROBBINS

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

JUSTIN L. MOORE (term expires 1920)

A. HEADY PARK (term expires 1919)

D. FRANK SMALL (term expires 1918)

Assessors

FRED L. FLETCHER (term expires 1920)

HERBERT C. SWEETSER (term expires 1919)

JAMES P. DUNIGAN (term expires 1918)

Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes

ERVIN W. SWEETSER

Auditors

HARLAN E. KNOWLTON

ALBERT A. LUDWIG

PRESTON L. PIGGOTT

Constable

HUBERT H. RICHARDSON

School Committee

ULYSSES J. LUPIEN (term expires 1920)

STEWART MACKAY (term expires 1919)

WILLIAM H. HALL (term expires 1918)

Trustees of the Adams Library

Frances Clark

(Terms expire 1920)

Wilson Waters

Edwin R. Clark

(Terms expire 1919)

Otis P. Wheeler

Albert H. Davis

(Terms expire 1918)

A. Heady Park

Tree Warden and Superintendent of Moth Work

Minot A. Bean (Resigned)

Walter Shepard (Appointed)

Sinking Fund Commissioners

William J. Quigley (term expires 1920)

Walter Perham (term expires 1919)

William H. Shedd (term expires 1918)

Cemetery Commissioners

Bayard C. Dean (term expires 1920)

James S. Byam (term expires 1919)

Charles F. Scribner (term expires 1918)

Park Commissioners

Patrick S. Ward (term expires 1920)

Arthur M. Warren (term expires 1919)

Fred L. Fletcher (term expires 1918)

Fence Viewers

James P. Daley John H. Cogger Leonard Spaulding

Appraisers of Personal Property at Town Farm

Emile E. Paignon, Jr. John F. Parker Walter Perham

Weighers of Hay

W. J. Golthwaite	Fred Tangley	S. Waldo Parkhurst
Alvin H. Fletcher	Daniel A. Reardon	Frank E. Bickford
Myron A. Queen	John Marinell, Jr.	Melvin Walker
Francis O. Dutton	Jay B. Plummer	Geo. E. Symmes
	J. F. Knight	

Surveyors of Lumber

R. Wilson Dix	Myron A. Queen	Herbert C. Sweetser
Jay B. Plummer	Stewart Mackay	E. Hamlin Russell
Melvin Walker	Alvin H. Fletcher	Francis O. Dutton
J. F. Knight	George E. Symmes	

Field Driver

R. Wilson Dix Thomas Murphy E. Hamlin Russell

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

Weighers of Coal

Emma L. Parkhurst	Frank E. Bickford
Fred Tangley	John B. Emerson
James P. Dunigan	Geo. X. Pope

Superintendent of Burials

Walter Perham

George F. Cutler

Fred W. Edwards

Surperintendent of Burials of Indigent Soldiers and Sailors

Walter Perham

Agents of the Board of Health

Arthur G. Scoboria (Precincts 1 and 4)

Fred E. Varney (Precincts 2 and 3)

Registrars of Voters

George H. Ripley (term expires 1920)

James F. Leahey (term expires 1919)

Patrick H. Haley (term expires 1920)

Edward J. Robbins, clerk, ex-officio

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Curtis A. Aiken

Superintendent of Town Farm

Arthur Burnham

Superintendent of Moth Work

Minot A. Bean (Resigned)

Walter Shepard (Appointed)

Highway Surveyor

David Higgins

Janitors of Public Buildings

Patrick S. Ward

Curtis A. Aiken

Weighers of Merchandise

James F. Leahey	James Long	James J. Hackett
George X. Pope	William Brown	Emma L. Parkhurst

Game Wardens

James Peck	Charles F. Morse
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Town Counsel

Frederick A. Fisher

Inspector of Animals

Arnold C. Perham

Inspector of Slaughtering and Meats

Arnold C. Perham

Engineer of Fire Department

Arnold C. Perham

Special Police Officers

George C. Moore, Jr.	Thomas Brown	William E. Belleville
Frank C. Byam	Charles O. Robbins	Thomas Jones
James Buchanan	Curtis A. Aiken	Henry Staveley
Owen Scollan	James Long	George O. Spaulding
Morton B. Wright	James R. Gookin	George Small
Fred I. Vinal	Patrick S. Ward	Edward T. Brick

EDWARD J. ROBBINS,
Town Clerk.

Annual Town Meeting

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Chelmsford qualified to vote in Town affairs held pursuant to Warrant at the Town Hall, Centre Village, Monday, February 5, 1917, at 8 o'clock in the forenoon, the following business was transacted, to wit :

The meeting was called to order and the Warrant read by the Town Clerk, Edward J. Robbins.

Under Article 1, to choose a Moderator, Walter Perham was unanimously elected, the check list being used and the oath of office administered by the Town Clerk.

Under Article 2, relating to the election of town officers by the official ballot, the following clerks and tellers previously appointed by the Selectmen was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Ballot Clerks : John H. Pratt, John P. Scoboria.

Tellers : George M. Nulty, James J. Savage, John F. Parker, James S. Byam.

The ballot box was examined and found to be empty, the register indicating zero. The ballots consisting of two packages, one containing 1000 ballots for the use of male voters, and another package containing 300 ballots for the use of female voters, were then delivered to the ballot clerks by the Town Clerk, he taking their receipt therefor.

The polls were opened at 8.15 A. M. and the balloting proceeded until 1.50 P. M., when the polls were closed. The ballots as counted were male 397, female 1. Total 398 and the check lists corresponding.

During the canvass of the ballots the following business was transacted.

Under Article 3, the following officers were chosen by nomination from the floor :

Fence Viewers : James P. Daley, John H. Cogger, Leonard Spaulding.

Appraisers of Personal Property at Town Farm : Emile E. Paignon, Jr., John F. Parker, Walter Perham.

Weighers of Hay : S. Waldo Parkhurst, Fred Tangley, Henry H. Emerson, Myron A. Queen, Frank E. Bickford, John B. Emerson, George X. Pope.

Measurers of Wood : S. Waldo Parkhurst, Fred Tangley, Alvin H. Fletcher, Daniel A. Reardon, Frank E. Bickford, Myron A. Queen, John Marinell, Jr., Melvin Walker, Francis O. Dutton, Jay B. Plummer.

Surveyors of Lumber : R. Wilson Dix, Myron A. Queen, Herbert C. Sweetser, Jay B. Plummer, Stewart Mackay, E. Hamlin Russell, Melvin Walker, Alvin H. Fletcher, Francis O. Dutton.

Field Drivers : R. Wilson Dix, Thomas Murphy, E. Hamlin Russell.

It was voted under this article to discontinue the Committee on Appropriations.

Under Article 4, to hear reports of Town Officers and Committees. The report of the Building Committee appointed to have charge of building the new High School at the Centre, was submitted and it was voted to accept the report as a report of progress. Voted to accept the report of the committee appointed to investigate the matter of obtaining land for cemetery purposes at the North Village. The balance of the Town Report as printed with the correction of a few typographical errors was accepted.

Under Article 5, the Committee on Annual Appropriations reported the sums necessary in their judgment which as amended it was voted to raise and appropriate as follows :

Teaching	\$21,700 00
Janitor Service.....	3,800 00
Fuel.. ..	3,250 00

Transportation.....	\$ 3,100 00
Text Books and Supplies.....	1,800 00
Superintendent.....	1,700 00
Upkeep.....	1,500 00
Medical Inspection	250 00
Miscellaneous	800 00
Highways	6,500 00
Support of Poor—Receipts of Town Farm.....	3,500 00
Moth Department	1,832 45
Street Lighting	7,000 00
Indigent Soldiers and Sailors	400 00
Military Aid	48 00
Industrial School (Lowell)	1,000 00
Repairs of Public Buildings	500 00
Tree Warden	250 00
Officers and Committees.....	5,000 00
Care and Improvement of Cemeteries.....	800 00
Memorial Day.....	125 00
Insurance Fund	200 00
Adams Library.....	1,200 00
North Chelmsford Library Association, provided the books are for the free use of all inhabitants of the Town.....	800 00
Miscellaneous	3,000 00
Village Clock	30 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures.....	100 00
Meat Inspection	600 00
Cattle Inspection.....	150 00
For Transportation of Children in 1916 as voted at the Special Town Meeting September 25, 1916	700 00
Public Parks	400 00

Under Article 6, voted that the Town authorize the Selectmen to act as its agent in any suit or suits which may arise during the current year; also in such other matters which may arise requiring in their judgment the action of such agent and to employ counsel therefor.

Under Article 7, voted that the Town Treasurer, with the

approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1917, and to issue a note or notes, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Under Article 8, relating to raising and appropriating money to be paid the North Chelmsford Fire District for hydrant service, the article was dismissed.

Under Article 9, voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) to be paid the Chelmsford Water District for hydrant service for the current year.

Under Article 10, voted that the Town raise and appropriate six hundred dollars (\$600) with which to provide suitable fire escape to be placed on the rear of the Old School House at Chelmsford Centre.

Under Article 11, relating to raising and appropriating money with which to provide suitable sanitary conveniences at the Old School House at Chelmsford Centre, the article was dismissed.

Under Article 12, voted the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) with which to pay land damages under an order of the County Commissioners dated July 1, 1916, without any contribution thereto by the County or Commonwealth, for the alteration and repair of the Boston Road, so called, such settlement to be made by the Selectmen who are to have full power to deal in the premises with the land owners.

Under Article 13, relative to indemnifying the Commonwealth against land damage caused by alteration of the Boston Road, so called, the article was dismissed.

Under Article 14, relative to authorizing the Selectmen to enter into a contract for alteration of the Boston Road, so called, the article was dismissed.

Under Article 15, voted that Dr. F. E. Varney, Capt. John J. Monahan and C. George Armstrong be a committee to investigate the matter of furnishing transportation for school children of the town, and report their conclusions and recommendations at the next Special Town Meeting to be held, if practicable, not later than June first of the current year.

Under Article 16, relative to appropriating a sum of money to build a garage for housing trucks in case of purchase under the preceding article, the article was dismissed.

Under Article 17, relating to appropriating a sum of money for driving and maintaining trucks owned by the Town, the article was dismissed.

Under Article 18, relative to the purchase of Wayne School Car, the article was dismissed.

Under Article 19, voted that commencing with the current year, the Town choose annually a Finance Committee of five members with the powers, duties, authority and obligations provided for in Article 19. The committee chosen was as follows: John J. Monahan, William E. Belleville, William H. Shedd, James P. Dunigan, Herbert E. Ellis. It was voted to discontinue the Committee on Appropriations and a rising vote of thanks was extended to the retiring committee.

Under Article 20, voted that the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) be taken from money already in the treasury for the construction of a new walk in front of the Centre Town Hall.

Under Article 21, voted that the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) be taken from money already in the treasury for the building of a new sidewalk and curbing the same in front of the New High School at the Centre Village.

Under Article 22, relative to the purchase of motor fire apparatus and equipment, it was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator and to report at the next Town Meeting. The Moderator appointed to serve on this committee: Arnold C. Perham, Patrick S. Ward and Wilbur E. Lapham.

Under Article 23, voted to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) to complete the work of printing and publishing the History of Chelmsford now being prepared by Rev. Wilson Waters at the request of the Town, and that all matters relating thereto be continued in the hands of the Trustees of the Adams Library as voted by the Town in 1915.

Under Article 24, voted to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred sixty-seven dollars (\$167) to be paid to Herman P. Grantz for loss of time caused by injury while in performance of duty as Police Officer.

Under Article 25, voted that the Town hereby accepts and allows the laying out of Shaw Road, situated at the North Village as described in the report of the Selectmen duly filed with the Town Clerk on January 16, 1917, and as shown on the plan therein referred to.

Under Article 26, voted that the Town hereby accepts and allows the laying out of Grosvenor Street, situated at the North Village as described in the report of the Selectmen duly filed with the Town Clerk on January 16, 1917, and as shown on the plan therein referred to.

Under Article 27, voted that the Town hereby accepts and allows the laying out of Carlton Avenue, situated at the East Village as described in the report of the Selectmen duly filed with the Town Clerk on January 16, 1917, and as shown on the plan therein referred to.

Under Article 28, voted that the Town hereby accepts and allows the laying out of Sprague Avenue, situated at the East Village as described in the report of the Selectmen duly filed with the Town Clerk on January 16, 1917, and as shown on the plan therein referred to.

Under Article 29, relative to what action the Town would take to provide for the lighting of the public streets, it was voted that Ulysses J. Lupien, John J. Monahan and Willian B. Northrop constitute a committee to make investigations and report at the next Special Town Meeting.

Under Article 30, voted that the Town accept the provisions of Chapter 423 of the Acts of 1909, entitled, An Act Relative to the Sale of Ice Cream, Confectionery, Soda Water and Fruit on the Lord's Day, as amended by Chapter 451 of the Acts of 1913.

Under Article 31, relative to raising and appropriating money for the purchase of a lot of land at North Chelmsford for cemetery purposes, it was voted to lay the article upon the table until the next Town Meeting and that the name of James W. Steeves be substituted for that of Fred B. Edwards upon the committee already appointed.

Under Article 32, voted that the Town authorize the use of the Lower Town Hall at North Chelmsford until further action of the Town, by the Boy Scouts for purposes of their organization, free of charge, subject to the supervision and control of the Selectmen.

Under Article 33, relative to raising and appropriating money to be paid the Lowell Electric Light Corp., for street lamps at West Chelmsford Park, the article was laid upon the table until the next Town Meeting.

Following the transaction of the foregoing business the result of the official ballot for town officers under Article 2 of this warrant was declared as follows:

FOR SELECTMEN FOR THREE YEARS

Justin L. Moore	233
Karl M. Perham.....	157

FOR OVERSEER OF THE POOR FOR THREE YEARS

Justin L. Moore	224
Karl M. Perham.....	151

FOR TOWN TREASURER AND COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Ervin W. Sweetser.....	349
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FOR ASSESSOR FOR THREE YEARS

Fred L. Fletcher.....	317
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FOR THREE AUDITORS

Harlan E. Knowlton.....	295
Albert A. Ludwig.....	293
Preston L. Piggott.....	284

FOR ONE CONSTABLE

Hubert H. Richardson	321
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FOR ONE MEMBER OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Ulysses J. Lupien.....	328
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FOR TWO TRUSTEES OF ADAMS LIBRARY FOR THREE YEARS

Francis Clark.....	301
Wilson Waters.....	297

FOR TREE WARDEN

Minot A. Bean.....	315
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FOR SINKING FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

William J. Quigley.....	307
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FOR CEMETERY COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

Bayard C. Dean.....	296
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FOR PARK COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

Patrick S. Ward	299
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VOTE ON QUESTION OF LICENSING THE SALE OF LIQUORS

Yes.....	48
No.....	321

After a rising vote of thanks had been extended to the Moderator for his able conduct of the meeting, it was voted to dissolve the meeting at 5.18 P. M.

EDWARD J. ROBBINS,
Town Clerk.

WALTER PERHAM,
Moderator.

Constitutional Convention

ELECTION, MAY 1, 1917

At a legal meeting of the qualified votes of the Town of Chelmsford held at the four precincts May 1, 1917 in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 98, General Acts of 1916, the following candidates for election as delegates to the Constitutional Convention received the number of votes set against their respective names.

DELEGATES AT LARGE

Charles Francis Adams.....	246
George N. Anderson.....	102
Albert S. Apsey.....	175
Charles J. Burton.....	210
John L. Bates.....	228
William H. Brooks.....	198
Walter A. Buie.....	69
Charles F. Choate, Jr.....	207
Charles W. Clifford.....	188
George W. Coleman.....	115
Louis A. Coolidge.....	211
John W. Cummings.....	247
Edwin U. Curtis.....	215
Daniel R. Donovan.....	82
Frank E. Dunbar.....	236
Samuel J. Elder.....	219
Wilmot R. Evans, Jr.....	179
Eugene N. Foss.....	85
Matthew Hale.....	121
Arthur D. Hill.....	116

Patrick H. Jennings.....	81
Abbott Lawrence Lowell.....	226
Nathan Matthews.....	200
James P. Moriarty	75
Joseph C. Pelletier	89
Josiah Quincy.....	103
Moorfield Storey.....	179
Charles B. Strecker	65
Joseph Walker.....	98
David I. Walsh.....	109
Sherman L. Whipple.....	103
George H. Wrenn.....	84

FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Chester W. Clark of Wilmington.....	105
John N. Daley of Lowell.....	92
Edward Fisher of Westfield.....	266
Hamlet S. Greenwood of Lowell	213
James Wilson Grimes of Reading	174
H. Harding Hale of Hudson.....	212
William Odlin of Andover	80

ELEVENTH MIDDLESEX REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

Edward J. Robbins of Chelmsford	264
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Special Town Meeting

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Chelmsford qualified to vote in Town affairs held pursuant to Warrant at the Town Hall, Centre Village, Thursday, May 31, 1917, at eight o'clock in the evening, the following business was transacted to wit:

The meeting was called to order and the Warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Under Article 1, to choose a Moderator, Walter Perham, was unanimously elected, the check list being used and the oath of office administered by the Town Clerk.

Under Article 2, voted to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for a flag pole to be located on the common at the North Village.

Under Article 3, voted that the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars (\$220) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying the Town Treasurer's Bond.

Under Article 4, the special committee chosen at the last annual meeting relative to transportation of school children made their report and the same was laid upon the table pending action on Article 5 of the Warrant.

Under article 5, the Moderator appointed Arthur M. Warren and James P. Dunigan to serve as Tellers and they were sworn by the Town Clerk. It was then voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of eleven hundred and forty six dollars (\$1,146) being the total of twenty-five cents per \$1,000 of the preceding year's valuation, and borrow the balance of the sum of seventy-six hundred dollars (\$7,600), amounting to six thousand four hundred and fifty-four dollars upon the

promissory note or notes of the Town, which sum of \$6,454 the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow with the approval of the Selectmen and to issue the note or notes of the Town therefor payable in four annual installments of sixteen hundred thirteen dollars and fifty cents (\$1,613.50) each of which the first shall be payable in one year, the second in two years, the third in three years and the fourth in four years from the date thereof, with interest payable semi-annually at a rate not exceeding five percent per annum, said total sum of seventy-six hundred dollars (\$7,600) to be expended by a committee consisting of John J. Monahan, C. George Armstrong and William E. Belleville, in the purchase of two automobile trucks for the transportation of school children as provided by law.

Under Article 6, relative to raising a sum of money to house transportation trucks, the article was referred to the next Annual Town Meeting.

Under Article 7, voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-two hundred dollars (\$2,200) to cover the balance of expense of transporting school children.

Under Article 8, voted that the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized and empowered to execute in duplicate in the name and behalf of the Town and under its corporate seal, an agreement with the Lowell Electric Light Corporation which has been read at this meeting for the lighting of public streets in the Town for a period of five years beginning not later than Nov. 1, 1917, it being expressly understood however that the existing contract between the said Electric Light Corporation and the Town dated September 22, 1911, is to continue in full force pending the going into effect of the proposed new contract.

Under Article 9, voted to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) to raise the salary of the grade teachers.

Under Article 10, voted to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75) for the purpose of purchasing a new United States flag for the Centre Village.

Under Article 11, relative to the appropriation of money for the purchase of motor fire apparatus, the matter was re-committed to the existing committee to be reported at the next Annual Town Meeting. It was suggested that the committee be increased to five members and C. Frank Butterfield and Frederick A. Snow were appointed from the floor.

Under Article 12, voted that the Town authorize the use of the Lower Town Hall at Chelmsford Centre by the Boy Scouts free of charge subject to the submission and control of the Selectmen.

Under Article 13, voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars to be expended by the Committee appointed under Article 16 of the Warrant for the Annual Meeting for the current year consisting of Dr. F. E. Varney, James W. Stevens and Charles F. Scribner, for the purchase, in the name and behalf of the Town, for cemetery purposes, of a lot of land at North Chelmsford containing about fifteen acres, situated on the southerly side of the West Chelmsford Road, so called, provided they can procure such land at a price not exceeding the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) and that the owners give the Town a title thereto satisfactory to the Committee.

Under Article 14, voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) for the purpose of purchasing two safes, one for the School Committee and one for the Cemetery Commission.

Under Article 15, voted that the Town discontinue the highway leading from Robbin Hill Road, near the premises of Mrs. Ropert Penniman to Park Road.

Under Article 16, voted that the Town discontinue the highway leading from the Fred Park Road to the premises now or formerly owned by Mrs. Homer Thayer.

At 9.30 P. M., voted to dissolve the meeting.

EDWARD J. ROBBINS,
Town Clerk.

WALTER PERHAM,
Moderator.

Joint Primary

At a legal meeting held September 25, 1917, at the four precincts of the Town of Chelmsford in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 550 of the Acts of 1911, the following candidates for nomination received the number of votes set against their respective names.

GOVERNOR

Grafton D. Cushing, Republican.....	66
Samuel W. McCall, Republican	117
Frederick W. Mansfield, Democrat	28

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Calvin Coolidge, Republican.....	170
Matthew Hale, Democrat.....	10

SECRETARY

Albert P. Langtry, Republican.....	165
Arthur B. Reed, Democrat	10

TREASURER

Charles L. Burrill, Republican	166
Humphrey O'Sullivan, Democrat.....	10

AUDITOR

Charles Bruce, Republican.....	62
Aionzo B. Cook, Republican	109
Elzear H. Choquette, Democrat.....	10

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Henry C. Attwill, Republican.....	155
Conrad W. Crooker, Republican.....	14
Josiah Quincy, Democrat.....	10

COUNCILLOR

James G. Harris, Republican..... 153

SENATOR

Arthur W. Colburn, Republican..... 165

Henry J. Draper, Democrat..... 27

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Walter Perham, Republican..... 163

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Walter C. Wardwell, Republican..... 156

MEMBER OF STATE COMMITTEE

Charles Nichols, Republican..... 158

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

Walter Perham, Republican..... 162

William B. Northrop, Republican..... 153

Charles Nichols, Republican..... 158

Herbert C. Sweetser, Republican..... 3

D. Frank Small, Republican..... 1

Ralph P. Adams, Republican..... 1

Hosmer C. Sweetser, Republican..... 1

John P. Eaton, Republican..... 1

Fred L. Fletcher, Republican..... 1

Arnold C. Perham, Republican..... 1

MEMBERS OF POLITICAL TOWN COMMITTEE

D. Frank Small, Republican..... 158

William B. Northrop, Republican..... 145

Fred L. Fletcher, Republican..... 155

Herbert C. Sweetser, Republican..... 156

Franklin E. Johnson, Republican..... 147

Arnold C. Perham, Republican..... 156

Alfred A. Roy, Republican..... 150

Charles Nichols, Republican..... 151

John E. Harrigan, Democrat..... 27

Daniel E. Haleny, Democrat..... 26

John H. Daley Democrat..... 26

EDWARD J. ROBBINS, Town Clerk

State Election

Number of ballots cast Precinct 1—350. Precinct 2—225.
Precinct 3—44. Precinct 4—54. Total 673.

GOVERNOR

James Hayes, Soc. Labor	1
Chester R. Lawrence, Prohibition	11
Frederick W. Mansfield, Democrat	154
Samuel W. McCall, Republican	473
John McCarty, Socialist	23
Blanks	11

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Calvin Coolidge, Republican	460
Matthew Hale, Democrat, Progressive, Prohibition	128
Sylvester J. McBride, Socialist	28
Fred E. Oelcher, Soc. Labor	4
Blanks	53

SECRETARY

Herbert S. Brown, Prohibition	18
Albert P. Langtry, Republican	445
Ingvar Paulsen, Soc. Labor	5
Arthur B. Reed, Democrat	136
Marion E. Sproule, Socialist	31
Blanks	38

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL

Charles L. Burrill, Republican	428
Solon Lovett, Prohibition	18
Joseph A. Murphy, Socialist	31

Humphrey O'Sullivan, Democrat.....	160
Mary E. Peterson, Soc. Labor.....	4
Blanks	32

AUDITOR

Elzear H. Choquette, Democrat.....	147
Alonzo B. Cook, Republican.....	432
David Craig, Soc. Labor.....	6
Walter S. Peck, Socialist.....	29
Henry C. Smith, Progressive.....	11
Blanks	48

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Henry C. Atwill, Republican.....	449
Frank Anchter, Progressive.....	11
William R. Henry, Socialist.....	27
Thomas J. Maker, Soc. Labor.....	6
Josiah Quincy, Democrat.....	140
Blanks	40

COUNCILLOR

James G. Harris, Republican.....	489
Blanks	184

SENATOR

Arthur W. Colburn, Republican.....	473
Henry J. Draper, Democrat.....	165
Blanks	35

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Walter Perham, Republican.....	520
Blanks	153

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Walter C. Wardwell, Republican.....	473
Blanks	200

QUESTION:—Shall an Article of Amendment to the Constitution relative to absentee voting, submitted by the Constitutional Convention, be ratified ?

Yes 350
 No 151
 Blanks 172

QUESTION:—Shall an Article of Amendment to the Constitution relative to appropriations for educational and benevolent purpose, submitted by the Constitutional Convention, be ratified ?

Yes 384
 No 199
 Blanks 90

QUESTION:—Shall an Article of Amendment to the Constitution relative to the taking and distribution by the Commonwealth and its municipalities of the common necessities of life submitted by the Constitutional Convention, be ratified ?

Yes 416
 No 104
 Blanks 154

Results of Vote for Representative Eleventh Middlesex District

	Acton	Bedford	Carlisle	Chelmsford	Littleton	Tyngsboro	Westford	Totals
Walter Perham of Chelmsford, Rep.	273	152	59	520	125	84	216	1429
Blanks.....	52	43	10	153	21	8	76	363

EDWARD J. ROBBINS,
 Town Clerk

Report of Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN CHELMSFORD IN 1917

Date	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Jan.		
2	Sophia M. Cormick 2	John M. and Sarah (Thompson)
3	Annie Elizabeth Rape	John H. and Mary E. (Bailey)
5	William P. Fenlon	Peter F. and Mary (Duffy)
10	Catherine Ellen O'Leary	Cornelius A. and Celia M. (Hem- low)
18	Milton Raymond Harris	Charles W. and Ada M. (Lane)
19	John Joseph Donohue	John J. and Margaret T. (Ledwith)
19	Raymond Chester Bliss	Leroy C. and Charlotte B. (Baker)
26	William Charles Bean	Harry C. and Harriet (Aubrey)
31	Stillborn	
Feb.		
21	Ruth Arlene Green	J. Wilfred and Lillian E. (Bailey)
21	Eugenia Gulitz	Grigorig and Savaska (Yaselegzo)
23	Mary Catherine Devine	Charles and Mary (McCarry)
26	Mary Isabel McDonald	Yallace and Helen (Cameron)
Mar.		
2	Percival Hulslander	Louis and Jennie (Morrison)
2	Richard Dyar Hulslander	Louis and Jennie (Morrison)
9	Sarah Millicent Hill	James and Martha (Cahey)
9	————— Caton	James and Anna (Lane)
13	Grace Amelia Barton	Charles W. and Minnie (Russon)
27	Alexander Stanek	Michael and Mary (Urszula)
28	Dorothy Mary Ann Parks	Ira A. and Grace (Jarvais)
29	Janet Letitia Shaw	John W. and Elizabeth N. (Mor- ning)
30	Ruth Monica Carlson	Kuno and Monica A. (Johnson)
Apr.		
4	Irene Marie Alice Loiselle	Arthur and Eva (Plouffe)
5	Everett Varney Olsen	Orne R. and Edith (Kiberd)

Date	Name of Child	Name of Parents
11	Hope Wheeler	Arthur O. and Eva May (Hanson)
14	Alexander J. E. Lecour	Ernest and Claudia (Beaudette)
15	Stillborn	
18	Arthur Frank Smith	Arthur and Edith E. (Armitage)
23	Ulyses John Lupien	Ulyses J. and Eugenie M. (Gos- selin)
27	Blanche Snay	William and Flora (LaComb)
29	Raymond Ayotte	Ephraim and Clarice (Regis)
May		
6	Norman Rushworth Hoelzel	Charles F. and Edith M. (Rush- worth)
8	Alice May Barr	Stanley R. and Ella M. (Venoit)
11	Forrest Watson Hyde	Forrest F. and Alice (Benjamin)
11	Albert Rodrique	Eugene and Celia (Gaudette)
15	Leo Fissett	Adolph and Geòrgianna (Moran)
21	Harold Alberton Petterson	Harold C. and Charlotte M. (Vinal)
22	Paul Francis Fenlow	Peter F. and Mary E. (Duffy)
24	Doris Louise Hadley	Herbert T. and Ellen (Dunkerley)
25	Mieczyslaw Saja	Maran and Stefania (Dulemba)
28	Arthur James Haley	Patrick H. and Rose G. (McLar- ney)
June		
4	Mary Blanche Boucher	Felix and Delia (Levasseur)
5	Oliver Fugere	Joseph and Delirne (Marcoux)
10	Louise Leman	George and Elizabeth E. (Tatt- ersall)
10	Gladys Knowlton	Harlan E. and Julia E. (Spaul- ding)
14	Peter Poznick	John and Mary (Bardiz)
17	Helen Florence Ogden	Albert and Mary (Fortneau)
24	Donald William McLean	William H. and Lucy D. (Googins)
Jul.		
3	Annie Elizabeth Peterson	Carl A. and Ericka (Person)
7	Irene Mary LeClair	Arthur and Lena May (Nardin)
7	Lillian Thelma Marinel	George W. and Lillian L. (Matt- son)
7	Helen Janet Kirke	Thomas M. and Anna E. (White)
7	Etta M. W. Ohlson	John S. and Stella M. (Whitney)
11	Reta Elizabeth Stone	John J. and Della P. (Bacon)
16	Gloria Mitchell	Harry E. and Etta (Reynolds)

Date	Name of Child	Name of Parents
24	Adaline Myrtle Bartlett	John H. and Mina Della (Chase)
28	Paul Edward Duren	Harry E. and Esther A. (Phelps)
28	Arthur Wendell Lyman	Lyman A. and Grace (Hutchins)
31	Dorothy Louise Dunning	Carlos W. and Edith (Marshall)
Aug.		
7	Roy Johnson Pearson	Fritz H. and Rose E. (Paignon)
11	Alexandra Koulos	Kolios and Charlotte (Constando)
15	Stillborn	
16	Percy Thomas Robinson	Percy T. and Ruth G. (Notton)
20	Francis Larkin	John and Margaret (Dunigan)
22	Allen Dawson Davidson	Arthur and Martha (Proctor)
27	Sapienza DiRollo	Donato and Donata (DiLuco)
Sept.		
10	Ellison Bartlett Vickery	Leon W. and Florence (Brooks)
17	Walter Henry Trubey	Walter E. and Elizabeth M. (Hoole)
22	James Koulos	Manthos and Constance (Stamoul)
23	Mary Ann Sthorer	John P. and Mabel A. (Birtwell)
25	Jazefa W. Zabarek	Anthony and Nellie (Kaczmarczyk)
Oct.		
1	Celeste Marie Barrows	Peter and Celeste (Murtagh)
21	Rose Y. Gaudette	Philip N. and Grace M. (Bessette)
24	Stillborn	
25	Victio Francis Reedy	Frederick J. and Mary (Dixon)
25	Frank Edward Hannaford	Roy L. and Eliza G. (Hollis)
28	Joseph Paul McTeague	John M. and Mary (McMahon)
30	Gilbert Varney Dustan	Robert and Minnie (Johnson)
30	Ada Elizabeth Dustan	Robert and Minnie (Johnson)
31	Marie M. B. Ducharme	Timothee and Alma (Bedard)
Nov.		
5	Marie L. E. Simard	Sinai and Levanie (Tougas)
5	Korola Liebedzinski	Michael and Mary (Sjroka)
7	Stillborn	
9	Joyce Enid Marinel	Walter N. and Amelia (Syvert)
12	Maria Carmine Mandazzi	Michal and Angelina (DiRocco)
15	Margaret Marie Duffy	John H. and Theresa L. (Elliott)
16	Charles Albert Robinson	Odher E. and Odella (Morse)
17	Madeline Brennan	Frances J. and Margaret (Conley)
18	Nicholas Skritich	Roka and Dora (Wukin)
19	Mona Marie McEnaney	James E. and Clara E. (Coughlin)
20	Roeo Purro	Joseph and Angelina (Simone)

Date	Name of Child	Name of Parents
21	Rose Leitia Williams	William H. and Lily (Whittiker)
26	Adeline Virginia Drake	Elmar H. and Adele (Nardin)
27	Fred Alexander Wetmore	Burpee S. and Florence B. (Trubey)
27	Stillborn	
27	Stillborn	
27	Helen Gertrude McQuade	John J. and Florence H. (Finch)
28	David Herbert Chandler	David H. and Eleonora (Mac- Donald)
28	Clara Arvilla Chandler	David H. and Eleonora (Mac- Donald)
30	Roy Burton Chase	Roy B. and Ethel M. (Catlin)
Dec.		
1	Alice May Cookson	John and Esther (Butterworth)
2	———— DiProffio	Samuel and Lucci (Lucia)
8	Mara C. G. Gauthier	Emile and Ernestine (Gagnon)
9	———— McLean	John G. and Helen L. (Francis)
9	Phyllis Mabelle Foss	George F. and Elva (Lane)
10	Mildred Ruth Sherlock	Clarence A. and Carrie L. (Conner)
17	Elizabeth Viola Nickles	Stephen H. and Nettie (Linahan)
17	Stanley Albert Wright	Otis R. and Versa M. (Jordan)
18	Ruth Bernice Dutton	Francis O. and Georgia (Libbey)
24	Noela Mary Bergeron	William and Laura (Rondeau)
25	———— Taisey	Claude and Oresa (Williston)
27	Herbert Richard Sargent	Harry and Gertrude (Alexander)
29	———— Murphy	Edward P. and Bertha (Tucke)
Whole number recorded		113.
Males		49
Females		57
Stillborn		7

NOT RETURNED IN 1915

Feb.

25 Edward Arthur Harman Harry W. and Marry M. (Tobin)

NOT RETURNED IN 1916

Nov.

22 Barbara Arnold Jasper Joseph C. and Helen B. (Gegen-
heimer)

Dec.

6 Russell Henrik Linstad Ole and Ethel J. (Clinton)

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN CHELMSFORD IN 1917

Date	Names	Residence	Birthplace
Jan. 10	Edward R. Barris	Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
	Teresa C. Molloy	Lowell Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	10 Costas Yanisades	No. Chelmsford	Greece
	Charlotte Schmutter	No. Chelmsford	Germany
	22 James O. Shevlin	No. Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Elizabeth T. Dailey	Lowell Mass.	Westford
Feb. 5	Joseph Henry Mar-		
	chand	Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
	Emma Lefebre	Hookset N. H.	Allenstown N. H.
	19 Hermanegilde Nadeau	No. Chelmsford	Canada
	Marie A. Dubreuil	Lowell Mass.	Lewiston Me.
	20 Alfred M. Nault	Lowell Mass.	Canada
	Beatrice E. Davis	No. Chelmsford	England
25	Perley Guy Caton	Lowell Mass.	Tewksbury Mass.
	Dorothy Thelma		
	Webster	No. Chelmsford	Natick Mass.
Apr. 14	Earl D. Adams	Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
	Elsie May Van Dusen	Lowell Mass.	No. Tewksbury
	16 Otis R. Wright	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
	Versa M. Jordan	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
	21 Henry Francis Fess-		
	erhen	Tewksbury Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	Ella M. Barris	Ea. Chelmsford	Ea. Chelmsford
25	Walter E. Trubey	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
	Elizabeth M. Hool	No. Chelmsford	St. Albans Vt.
May 1	LeRoy J. Webster	No. Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
	Cecelia L. Corriveau	Tyngsboro, Mass.	Tyngsboro Mass.
	12 Manuel Abrew Aleixo	Lowell Mass.	Portugal
	Maria Jose Vieira	Ea. Chelmsford	Portugal
	12 Blair Watson Horsman	Chelmsford	Canada
	Clara Abbott Dixon	Chelmsford	Plymouth Mass.
	16 John Henry Duffy	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
	Theresa Louise Elliott	Westford Mass.	W. Chelmsford
	19 Charles E. Nelson	W. Chelmsford	Sweden
	Alice P. Poitras	Lowell, Mass.	Nashua N. H.
	21 Joseph A. Verville	No. Chelmsford	Canada

Date	Names	Residence	Birthplace
	Marie Albina Lacourse	No. Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
21	Fred Siegal	No. Chelmsford	New York City
	Dorothy Gravelle	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
23	Jesse Brethart Gill	Lowell, Mass.	Canada
	Hilda Louise D. L. Haye	No. Chelmsford	Jersey Island
28	Edward J. LaFrance	No. Chelmsford	Littleton N. H.
	Marie Ploff	Lowell, Mass.	Boston, Mass.
June 3	Harry B. Abrahamson	W. Chelmsford	W. Chelmsford
	Henrietta Douglas	Westford Mass	Boston Mass.
6	Leo Henry Lanone	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	Zula Viola McKenna	No. Chelmsford	Lisbon Me.
6	Russell P. Skidmore	Chelmsford	Nova Scotia
	Ruth M. Welch	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
13	Clifford Everett Hall	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
	Annie Elizabeth Perkins	Westford Mass.	New Brunswick
14	Emerson Neal McLean	Lowell Mass.	P. E. Island
	Christine Alice (Adams) Graves	Chelmsford	Lebanon N. H.
16	Thomas V. Butler	No. Chelmsford	New Brunswick
	Roberta B. McMichael	No. Chelmsford	New Brunswick
17	Emery P. Simard	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Emelia Tougas	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
20	Ernest L. Hill	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	Edith E. Nystrom	W. Chelmsford	Rockport Mass.
27	Raymond Harrimon		
	Gates	Lowell, Mass.	Nova Scotia
	Maude Jessie Hollis	Chelmsford	New Brunswick
27	Charles H. Hale	No. Chelmsford	Brookline N. H.
	Lilla (Cromwell) Mackay	Lowell, Mass.	Canada
27	Harry Asa Cole	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	Josephine Juiris	Chelmsford	Austria
30	Fred A. Butters	Chelmsford	Dracut Mass.
	Eva B. (Shanahan) Putney	Chelmsford	Boston, Mass.
Jul. 7	Curtis E. Fairbanks	Monadnock N. H.	Barton Vt.
	Esther V. Fish	So. Chelmsford	So. Chelmsford
9	Frederick Edward		
	Morris	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	Martha Gertrude Roark	Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
14	Banks F. Trumbull	Chelmsford	Leominster Mass.
	Sadie A. (Brown) Emery	Chelmsford	Cambridge Mass.

Date	Names	Residence	Birthplace
18	David I. Olsson	W. Chelmsford	Sweden
	Beatrice M. Sutherland	Westford	Charlestown Mass.
Aug. 2	Alvin H. Fletcher	Chelmsford	Tyngsboro Mass.
	Dora May Wentworth	Chelmsford	Milton Mills N.H.
7	Charles N. Corey	Lowell, Mass.	Canada
	Grace L. Jordon	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
9	William H. Davis	Chelmsford	Marlboro Mass.
	Addie M. (Hall) Chase	Worcester Mass.	Pittsfield N. H.
15	Walter Steele	Westford Mass.	Westford Mass.
	Edith M. De. La. Haye	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
20	Allen E. Crafts	Chelmsford	Piermont N. H.
	Mary Josephine Richardson	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
22	Arthur Joseph Ayotte	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Blanche Henriette Lario	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
22	John B. Wrigley	Lowell, Mass.	Chatham, Mass.
	Mary E. Dollard	Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
25	John A. Nelson	Lowell Mass.	Sweden
	Mathilda (Pettersen) Zetterman	E. Chelmsford	Sweden
25	Raymond Eaton Sargent	Carlisle Mass.	Shirley Mass.
	Edith Wilkins	Carlisle Mass.	Carlisle Mass.
27	Clifford Huntress Queen	No. Chelmsford	No. Chelmsford
	Margaret Azilla Smith	Lowell, Mass.	Canada
28	Alexander Roger Borland	Hingham Mass.	Hingham Mass.
	Harriet Edith Burnham	Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
30	Charles J. Sheehan	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	Mary Etta Donahue	Chelmsford	Lowell, Mass.
Sept 1	Andrew M. Shuhany	Chelmsford	Austria
	Annie Klacka	Lowell, Mass.	Galecia
17	Stephen L. Ketcham	Rutland Vt.	Pottsdam N.Y.
	Anna F. Riney	No. Chelmsford	Nashua N. H.
18	Walter B. Emerson	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Caro B. (Odette) Pomeroy	Chelmsford	Canada
Oct. 9	William B. Cahey	Chelmsford	Ireland

Date	Names	Residence	Birthplace
	Lillian S. (Cormack) Herrick	Chelmsford	Maine
10	John Halford Foster	No. Chelmsford	Canada
	Mary Verecunda Cox	No. Chelmsford ...	Lowell, Mass.
13	Harvey G. Cann	So. Chelmsford .	Westford Mass.
	Nora Leary	Chelmsford	Ireland
14	George T. Whitley	W. Chelmsford ...	Plainfield N.J.
	Lila M. Cole	W. Chelmsford	Stark N.H.
17	Robert Joseph Keeler	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	Laura Rose Richardson	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
21	Charles Edward Stuart	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
	Mary Elizabeth Brick	No. Chelmsford ...	Dracont Mass.
22	Carey W. Thing	Canaan Me. ...	New Sharon Me.
	Abby M. Conant	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia
24	Bernard L. Pope	No. Chelmsford ...	Wilton, N.H.
	Sabina Madaline Rynne	Lowell Mass.	Lowell Mass.
29	Charles D. Smith	Lowell Mass. ...	New Brunswick
	Clementine F. Hynes	E. Chelmsford ..	Fall River Mass.
31	John Adams Reid	Boston, Mass. .	Gloucester Mass.
	Elsa R. Anderson	W. Chelmsford	Sweden
Nov. 3	Joseph Russon	Tyng-boro Mass.	Marlboro Mass.
	Flora May Durant ...	Lowell Mass. ...	No. Chelmsford
10	George Curtis McEwan	Lowell Mass.	Lowell Mass.
	Cora May King	Lowell Mass.	Lowell Mass.
15	Frederick Russell	Chelmsford	Chelmsford
	Dorothy W. Bean	Chelmsford	Westford Mass.
28	Thomas A. Hughes ..	Lowell Mass. ...	Westford Mass.
	Margaret V. McCormack	.....E. Chelmsford	Lowell Mass
Dec. 12	Errico Di Profio	Lowell Mass.	Italy
	Grazia Chiaramita ...	No. Chelmsford	Italy
25	Edward Nardin	No. Chelmsford	Woonsocket R.I.
	Celestine Theriault ...	Lowell Mass.	Lowell Mass.
25	Percy A. Scobie	E. Chelmsford	Lowell Mass.
	Mary Ellen Titterington	Lowell Mass.	Ireland

DEATHS RECORDED IN CHELMSFORD
FOR THE YEAR 1917

Date	Names	Yrs.	Mths.	Dys.
Jan. 2	Rosetta W. (Thomas) Varney	83	9	5
5	Mary E. S. Turner	70	4	
6	Charles Morris Hills	66	6	15
7	Eleanor (Derney) Nardin	20		
21	Mary A. (Gannon) Larkin	55		
23	Elvira S. (Bolton) Pierce	83	4	26
25	Cynthia G. Melvin	66		
27	Joseph Wall Glover	10	9	19
28	Theresia G. Ready	27		
Feb. 1	(Stillborn)			
4	Sibbyl R. (Hutchins) Edwards	95	6	
9	Thomas P. Sheehan	56		
13	Samuel Atherton	84	3	6
13	Margaret (Lavelle) Grantz	41		
14	Gerold Heelon		9	
15	Helen C. Whiting Sears	19	6	
21	Olive Louise (Thompson) Estes	30	3	3
25	Burt Emerson	78	9	25
Mar. 1	Amelia (Rudd) Russon	54		
2	(Stillborn)			
13	Robert D ily	64		
Apr. 4	Sarah F. (Noyes) Johnson	78	1	12
13	Gratia Colburn	3	7	22
13	Hope Wheeler			2
20	Arselie (Morin) Gagnon	68	7	12
May 4	Samuel Naylor	69	2	
9	Belle (Veach) Harrison	78	10	
12	William Regan	33		
12	Fred T. Duncan	67		4
16	Thomas Smith	83	1	28
23	Barbara (Craib) Bremner	78	8	23

Date	Names	Yrs.	Mths.	Dys.
24	Harold Barlow	7		11
25	Donald Walker			11
30	Annie Gertrude Welch	25		
June 7	Oliver Fugere			2
8	Lyman J. Richardson	67		
9	Thomas Plunkett	75		
20	Estelle Sophia (Kittredge) Perham	73	7	30
26	L. Annett(Lamplough)Porter	56		
July 2	John Knox	38		17
3	Victoria (Prince) Dubois	35	7	25
10	Bridget (Moynihan) Regan	63		
11	Hazel Irene Winning	17	2	28
18	William H. Walker	68	2	9
20	Richmond E. Nickles	60		
26	Kiiz Oskoski		8	
30	Ellen Holland	62		
Aug. 1	Marietta (Rouillard) Byam	73	6	17
2	John A. Howard, Jr.	8	3	7
10	James H. McDonald	38		
12	Rose G. (McLarney) Haley	35		
13	Irene Mary Leclair		1	6
14	Stillborn			
18	Herman A. Nardin	1	1	21
Sept. 5	Williard C. Cummings	86	11	
6	Rebecca E. (Carlton) Whitcomb	71	8	20
8	Richard Dyer Hulslander		6	6
14	William Mercier	44	2	
23	Stillborn			
Oct. 3	Jane (Criard) Neault	59		
9	George Spaulding	87		14
11	John Holgate	53	2	16
12	George B. Holt	87	1	24
15	Martha (Farrell) Sawyer	42	10	28
18	Robert M. Knox	43	8	
20	Joshua F. Davis	85	7	2
27	Laura H. (Robbins) Hale	68	6	18

Date	Names	Yrs.	Mths.	Dys.
Nov. 7	Stillborn			
11	Proctor Alanson Roberts	67	7	
12	Marie Gaudette	1	3	13
16	Elizabeth A. (Parkhurst) Fiske	94	5	5
17	Charles Albert Robinson		23	Hrs.
17	Raymond C. Benest	9	3	6
18	Nicholas Skritch		1	Hr.
25	Alexander Koulas		2	
25	Stillborn			
27	Stillborn			
Dec. 1	Millard Bartlett	1	2	25
2	Stillborn			
20	Henry E. Badger	74	9	6
20	Alice Murry Cookson			18
28	Charles Dinnegan	42		
31	Elzear Prince	40	8	

DOGS LICENSED FOR THE YEAR 1917

Number of dogs licensed	279
Males	250
Females	27
Kennel License	2
Amount received for licenses	\$685 00
Amount of fees (20 cents a license)	55 80
Paid to the County Treasurer, receipt on file	\$629.20

Any owner or keeper of a dog not duly licensed which becomes three months old after the thirty-first day of March in any year *shall, whenever it is three months old*, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed until the first day of the ensuing April, as provided in Sections 128 and 129 of Chapter 102 of the Revised Laws as amended, and shall cause it to wear around its neck a collar distinctly marked with its owner's name and its registered number.

ATTENTION IS CALLED TO THE CHANGE IN THE LAW REGARDING THE TIME DOG LICENSES SHALL BE PAID ON OR BEFORE THE LAST DAY OF MARCH, INSTEAD OF THE LAST DAY OF APRIL.

The Town Clerk is prepared to furnish blanks for births and deaths, also income tax blanks, and calls particular attention to the laws in relation to returns within *the first five days* of each month of all births occurring during the preceding month.

EDWARD J. ROBBINS,
Town Clerk.

Report of the Selectmen

HIGHWAYS

January 1, 1917, to January 1, 1918

David Higgins, 307 1/4 days	\$921 75
Wm. Balsler, 238 3/4 days	595 90
Willis Greenwood, 65 1/2 days	163 62
Wm. Driscoll, 23 1/2 days	74 63
Wm. Hollis, 33 days	74 26
Peter Wyojtas, 119 1/4 days	310 87
Robert Shinkwin, 31 days	92 00
David Kelley, 97 3/4 days	239 50
Henry Dowling, 11 1/2 days	28 75
Andrew Kelley, 17 1/2 days	52 50
Thomas Nagle, 12 1/2 days	37 50
Thos. Waldron, 78 3/4 days	238 87
Joseph Quigley, 5 days	12 50
Frank Sherwin, 9 days	20 25
Louis Clark, 63 1/2 days	171 25
Jos. McGam, 7 days	17 50
Deimond Steik, 7 1/2 days	16 88
Edward Dupreau, 3 days	12 00
James Shields, 1 day	2 50
C. G. Nickles, 2 days	4 50
Fred Cheville, 5 1/2 days	22 00
George Pickard, team	2,196 59
O. Luke, paving blocks, 13,155	686 51
John Marinel, teaming	403 77
Phil Donohue	54 25
H. G. Penniman	31 30
Smith & Brooks, Civil Engineers	77 30
Patrick Flynn, team	28 64
Wm. Reed	5 37
Geo. O. Spaulding, breaking walls	25 00
A. W. House	3 50
C. M. Allen	7 55

H. E. Fletcher & Co., crushed stone	92 44
H. E. Fletcher & Co., edge stone	129 43
E. E. Paignon, Jr., team & labor	30 56
S. W. Parkhurst	11 51
John J. Sullivan, team & labor	16 00
Jos. McDonald, breaking roads	7 88
Martin Service, signs	10 50
Karl M. Perham, labor & team	25 00
Moses C. Wilson, team	64 90
David Higgins, 10 ft. curb	4 00
E. A. Wilson	55 15
Wm. P. Proctor Co.	144 93
American Tar Co.	540 00
David Higgins, team	8 50
Ind. Tar Coal Co.	20 72
Geo. Pickard, 1/2 day	1 13
H. L. Parkhurst, pipe	54 74
Albert Gallardi, team	168 34
C. W. Carkin, 200 ft. curb	88 00
J. C. Osterhout, repairs	12 12
Ed. Dupres, labor	4 00
Jas. S. Wotton, team	192 00
A. K. Guptill, team	11 00
Moses Wilson, team & gravel	40 20
M. J. Ward, repairs	5 35
D. F. Small, supplies	3 02
Geo. Shepherd, supplies	1 60
A. H. Park	1 00
Miller & Co., signs	8 00
Staple Bros.	13 50
Chelmsford Water Dist.	3 27
M. J. Ward, repairs	90
F. W. Santamour, labor & supplies	51 65
E. T. Adams, supplies	65
H. C. Shedd, breaking walks	4 00
Dan O'Dea Motor Co.	4 25
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	3 17
George Stewart, 368 loads gravel	36 80
Patrick Cassidy, 362 loads gravel	36 20
Charles Randlett, 245 loads gravel	24 50
N. E. Richardson, 178 loads gravel	17 80
M. McMahan, 115 loads gravel	11 50
D. Hartley, 70 loads gravel	10 05
A. Bengston, 33 loads gravel	3 38
Hannah G. Shipley, 19 loads gravel	1 90

A. K. Guptill, 72 loads gravel	7 20
Est. of P. Coleman, 56 loads gravel	5 60
A. Paasche, 46 loads gravel	4 60
Wm. Fisher, 52 loads gravel	5 20
George Alexander, 12 loads gravel	1 20
A. Fletcher, 31 loads gravel	3 15
Jennie A. Lyon, 76 loads gravel	7 60
Mrs. Geo. F. Snow, 20 loads gravel	2 00
Bellville & Waite, 8 loads gravel	80
P. Savage, 6 loads gravel	60
M. Pihl, breaking roads	9 50
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	\$8,658 94

SUPPORT OF POOR

Expense at Almshouse

Arthur Burnham, Supt.	\$626 94
Philomena Long, labor	162 50
James Long, Supt.	143 30
J. B. Emerson, groceries	349 76
E. W. Sweetser, provisions	336 14
E. T. Adams, groceries	240 28
A. G. Pollard, supplies	169 06
Sweetser & Day, grain	400 02
A. K. Guptill, labor	16 26
Adams & Co., supplies	53 50
No. Chelmsford Coal Co.	29 50
William Baker, labor	34 50
C. B. Coburn Co., supplies	29 89
L. J. Labarge, labor	75 00
Lowell Elec. Lt. Corp.	31 20
Lowell Gas Lt. Co.	75 13
Boston Fish Market, fish	50 13
Union Market, provisions	61 55
H. Burnham	3 00
Chelmsford Water Dist., water	20 25
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	7 36
Donovan Harness Co., supplies	7 25
Bartlett & Dow, supplies	2 45
Chemo Co., soap	10 00
Nichols & Co., supplies	16 80
J. Cushing & Co., grain	23 99
Miley Soap Co., soap	25 00

Joseph Brick Co., soap	10 70
George Pickard, labor & teams	31 50
W. Hannaford, labor & team	44 23
A. H. Davis, supplies	1 55
H. H. Richardson, labor	25 07
Walter Perham, burial	34 75
C. G. Nickles, ice	21 55
W. B. Falls, supplies	30 27
Outlet Fruit Co.	40 25
F. W. Santomour, blacksmith	6 25
Oscar R. Spaulding, wood	10 32
B. R. Benner, M. D.	10 00
Grand Union Tea Co., supplies	7 84
Pratt & Forrest, lumber	5 16
Karl M. Perham, 2 pigs	9 00
H. L. Parkhurst, supplies	5 90
Adams Hardware Co.	1 25
F. E. Nelson Co., supplies	9 42
F. G. Pratt, labor	7 80
F. A. P. Coburn, supplies	1 75
P. H. Haley, postage	1 50
Cole & Santomour, 2 shoes	50
S. W. Parkhurst, supplies	36 85
F. G. Cover Co., supplies	90
E. R. Merrill, supplies	65
Mr. Chase, supplies	1 40
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	1 32
Adams Ex. Co.	1 34
Cloverdale Co., supplies	10 91
W. F. Cobb Co., seeds	4 61
F. E. David, labor	3 00
Mrs. Wright, stove	3 25
Stearns, tomato plants	1 60
R. F. Smith, shoeing	1 50
Fairburn's Market, supplies	3 40
Ed. Kemp, butchering	4 00
2 crates peaches	1 50
Fred Davis, apples	2 00
John Sudcliff, apples	3 00
John Sudcliff, transportation	1 50
United Cigar Store, supplies	1 50
Frank Hannaford, potatoes	2 00
Carter & Sherburne	25
O. M. Saunders, supplies	1 75
B. Reed, brushes	75

Simpson & Rowland, sugar	4 35
M. Sweeney, apples	80
Miscellaneous	6 25
1 calf	5 00
J. B. Bennett	1 75
N. R. Electric Supply Co.	3 48
J. L. Chalifoux	7 56
	<hr/> \$3,426 99

Receipts at Almshouse

Auction	\$649 52
Milk	191 69
23 doz. eggs	16 36
2 calves	23 00
1 cow	40 00
Vegetables	49 60
Junk	6 55
Fowl	3 00
Hay	26 00
Miscellaneous	62 38
	<hr/> \$1,068 10

Outside Poor

E. W. Sweetser, cash aid rendered	\$835 50
D. F. Small, aid rendered	220 19
City of Lowell, aid rendered	95 71
Emma M. Tranton, aid rendered	40 00
No. Reading Sanatorium, aid rendered	209 14
State Board of Charity, aid rendered	235 00
Town of Methuen, aid rendered	176 00
J. H. McEnany, aid rendered	121 00
E. McKenna, aid rendered	90 00
Thomas McMasters, aid rendered	57 50
S. W. Parkhurst, aid rendered	118 94
J. Marinel, Jr., aid rendered	34 25
City of Boston, aid rendered	41 43
Dr. Amasa Howard, aid rendered	48 00
W. P. Proctor Co., aid rendered	2 50
J. F. McManomin, aid rendered	127 43
M. E. & J. H. Valentine, aid rendered	53 13
George Marinel, aid rendered	25 50
J. F. O'Donnell & Sons, aid rendered	30 00
Louis Seymour, aid rendered	15 83
Charles O. Robbins, aid rendered	4 00

No. Chelmsford Coal Co., aid rendered	16 00	
C. H. Lambert, aid rendered	5 00	
Edgar R. Parker, aid rendered	5 00	
St. John's Hospital, aid rendered	10 50	
Lowell Corp. Hospital, aid rendered	2 50	
J. L. Chalifoux, aid rendered	7 50	
J. H. Sparks, aid rendered	5 00	
Frank P. Webster, aid rendered	4 00	
Small & Stone, aid rendered	2 73	
		\$2,645.28

REPORT OF STREET LIGHTS

The Selectmen submit the following report:—

The number of electric lights in the town of Chelmsford are located in the different villages as follows:

Center	117	
North	134	
South	36	
West	32	
East	28	
		347
Paid Lowell Electric Light Corp.,		\$6,766 44

MISCELLANEOUS

Buckland Printing Co., reports	\$401 00
Patrick S. Ward, janitor	150 00
C. A. Aiken, janitor	226 25
Fire Engineers, services	113 65
Courier-Citizen Co., Advt. & printing	108 67
Lowell Elec. Lt. Corp.	79 81
Lowell Gas Co.	48 93
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	51 13
City of Lowell, Police Dept.	22 75
Parkhurst Press, printing	112 20
Knowlton Press, printing	59 57
Wm. T. Johnson, janitor	31 25
Henry O. Miner, janitor (1916-17)	50 00
H. L. Parkhurst, coal & wood	118 20
Talbot Clothing Co., uniforms	166 75
No. Chelmsford Coal Co., coal	138 50
P. H. Haley, postage	91 14
D. Frank Small, del. reports	20 00

Karl M. Perham, del. reports	20 00
A. H. Park, del. reports	5 00
Alice M. Leith, land damages	75 00
H. W. Sweetser, care of flag	24 50
Chelmsford Water Dist.	21 00
Wakefield Daily Item, advt.	33 25
E. Wentworth Prescott, labor & sup.	18 48
John E. Harrington, school census	27 65
Dorothy Hall, school census	24 80
Nellie A. Ryden, land damages	10 00
Matthew Bender Co., stationery	10 50
A. H. Park, auto spring	10 00
Lull & Hartford, supplies	25 25
Talbot Chem. Dyewood Co.	10 82
G. H. Holt, repairing pump	12 85
Smith & Brooks, surveying	17 00
Justin L. Moore, Insp.	20 50
A. H. Park, Insp.	5 50
D. Frank Small, Insp.	5 00
J. H. Sparks, Ambulance	13 00
C. B. Coburn Co., supplies	16 40
W. D. Falls, supplies	13 45
L. J. Ellinwood, rental	10 00
F. E. Varney, M. D.	39 50
Harry Morton	12 50
Almon W. Holt, repairs	12 27
Thos. H. Murphy, repairs	20 83
D. F. Small, supplies	12 79
F. E. Varney, M. D., examinations	13 50
H. C. Kittredge, supplies	4 20
G. C. Prince & Son, supplies	5 90
C. C. C. Hose & Rubber Co., supplies	9 00
P. B. Murphy Co., supplies	2 55
Henry M. Meek Co., supplies	2 56
I. H. Knight, repairs	3 00
M. J. Ward, repairing pump	2 80
Wm. Pihl, repairing pump	5 00
E. R. Marshall, supplies	1 00
E. G. Fay Co., 4 keys	1 20
Hoobs & Warren, supplies	10 06
F. G. Pratt, labor & supplies	8 00
J. F. McManomin, postage	7 00
C. D. Reese & Co., badges	6 09
Cora A. Smith, repairs	1 25
Stewart Mackay, repairs	3 50

No. Chelmsford Mch. & Sup. Co., repairs	1 40
C. O. Robbins, labor	8 56
B. & M. R. R., rental	6 00
B. & M. R. R., freight	1 45
James W. Stevens, labor & repairs	7 11
E. T. Adams	3 62
E. G. Fay Co., repairs	7 10
Bartlett & Dow, supplies	1 25
F. W. Santamour, repairs	3 50
T. B. Smith, M. D., examinations	9 00
James F. Gaffney, M. D., reporting births	1 00
F. D. Lambert, M. D., reporting births	25
Richard J. McClusky, M. D., reporting births	25
Library Bureau	75
J. L. Moore, supplies	40
F. E. Varney, M. D., Insp.	50
Walter Perham, reporting deaths	3 50
H. H. Emerson, M. D., reporting birth	25
A. C. Perham, fire engineer and 39 others	103 53
H. W. Sweetser, fire engineer and 21 others	60 10
J. D. Ryan, fire engineer and 23 others	80 90
John Marinel, Jr., fire engineer and 23 others	30 56
A. W. House, fire engineer and 12 others	13 57
Walter Merrill, fire engineer and 7 others	11 45
Sidney Dupee, fire engineer and 9 others	12 85
Fred Merrill, fire engineer and 8 others	9 50
James P. Dunnigan, fire engineer and 5 others	5 60
Fred L. Fletcher, fire engineer and 8 others	5 90
George Shepherd, fire engineer	6 00
H. C. Shedd, fire engineer and 5 others	3 80
W. Parlee, fire engineer and 1 other	6 30
Ralph Adams, fire engineer and 5 others	2 70
W. Santamour, fire engineer	1 00
	\$3,023 03

PUBLIC PARKS

Israel Perkins, labor	\$10285
John Thompson, labor	61 50
J. J. McManomin, shrubs	52 55
James S. Wotton, labor	11 50
John Vasselin, labor	15 35
Robert Shinkwin, labor	12 94
A. G. Quist, labor	14 00
A. M. Warren, labor & supplies	20 08

Robin Hill Nursery, shrubs	10 00	
Henry McCabe, Est., rental	20 00	
Bartlett & Dow, supplies	12 00	
Ervin E. Smith, supplies	10 15	
P. S. Ward, labor & supplies	10 00	
Fred L. Fletcher, labor & supplies	7 50	
N. Chelmsford Mch. & Supply Co., supplies	2 88	
Adams Hardware Co., supplies	5 10	
Geo. O. Spaulding, labor	6 80	
Royce Parker, labor	5 00	
H. E. Howard, labor	5 00	
E. R. Marshall, labor	1 00	
James P. Emerson, labor	2 00	
S. W. Parkhurst, supplies	90	
Sweetser & Day, supplies	9 84	
	<hr/>	\$398 94

REPAIRS OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Staple Bros., repairs Center Hall	\$156 39	
Lowell Furnace Co., repairs North Hall	127 32	
James W. Stevens, repairs North Hall	76 82	
Charles E. Parkhurst, repairs Adams Library	32 88	
H. H. Richardson, repairs Almshouse	5 40	
E. G. Fay, repairs Center Hall	2 30	
Curtis Aiken, labor, Center Hall	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$402 11

MEMORIAL DAY

American Band, music	\$52 60	
J. R. Parkhurst, labor	14 09	
Cong. Church Choir	12 50	
Knowlton Press, printing	11 75	
Ladies Benevolent Society	25 00	
Catherine Green, reading	3 00	
E. T. Adams, cigars	3 75	
Methina Wyman, labor	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$124 69

LAND DAMAGES

Paid John A. Simpson	\$1,161.50	
Nellie M. Parker	50 00	
G. P. Dadman	50 00	
Eben R. Marshall	75 00	
Ella M. Melvin	25 00	
J. Adams Bartlett	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,371 50

MEAT INSPECTION

Arnold C. Perham, Inspection	\$562 38	
	<u> </u>	\$562 38

CATTLE INSPECTION

Arnold C. Perham, Inspection	\$100 00	
	<u> </u>	\$100 00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Curtis A. Aiken, labor	\$105 78	
	<u> </u>	\$105 78

FLAG POLE APPROPRIATION, NO. C.

Lexington Flag Staff Co.	\$500 00	
	<u> </u>	\$500 00

NO. CHELMSFORD LIBRARY

Paid Stewart Mackay, Treas.	\$800 00	
	<u> </u>	\$800 00

ADAMS LIBRARY

Paid Wilson Waters, Treas.	\$1,200 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,200 00

VILLAGE CLOCK

Paid Village Clock Association	\$30 00	
	<u> </u>	\$30 00

LAND FOR CEMETERY, NORTH VILLAGE

Paid George Bowers, land	\$615 00	
Emma M. Adams, land	125 00	
	<u> </u>	\$740 00

NEW FLAG, CENTER

Paid A. G. Pollard Co.	\$75 00	
	<u> </u>	\$75 00

TREE WARDEN

Robin Hill Nursery, trees	\$60 00	
M. A. Bean, labor	35 00	
Robt. Shinkwin, labor	41 66	
Stanley Seeton, labor	32 58	

L. Clark, labor	10 48	
Chas. Shinkwin, labor	11 25	
Fred Russell, labor	4 00	
Dei. Stick, labor	4 24	
Joe Fallon, labor	4 50	
Sam Felch, labor	4 48	
Earl Shepard, labor	1 00	
Pearl Harmon, labor	1 12	
E. R. Marshall, supplies	4 40	
J. Marinel, Jr., team	1 50	
Adams Express Co.	29	
	<hr/>	\$221 00

LOANS AND INTEREST

Central Savings Bank:		
New High School, Principal	\$3,250 00	
New High School, Interest	1,300 00	
Highland Ave. School, Principal	1,750 00	
Highland Ave. School, Interest	297 50	
So. Chelmsford School, Principal	650 00	
So. Chelmsford School, Interest	29 25	
Holt Property, Principal	500 00	
Holt Property, Interest	135 00	
Union National Bank	1,235 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,146 75

INSURANCE FUND

Paid Walter Perham, Treas.	\$200 00	
	<hr/>	\$200 00

PUBLISHING TOWN HISTORY

Paid Wilson Waters, Treas.	\$1,500 00	
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATION (Herman Grantz)

Paid Herman Grantz	\$167 00	
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WALK AT TOWN HALL, CENTER

Paid Staple Bros., contractors	\$250 00	
	<hr/>	\$250 00

CHELMSFORD WATER DISTRICT

Paid Winthrop A. Parkhurst, Treas., hydrant service	\$750 00	
		\$750 00

TREASURER'S BOND

Paid Martin Robbins & Son	\$220 00	
		\$220 00

TWO SAFES

Paid E. E. Paignon, Jr., 1 safe	\$40 00	
Mosely Safe Co., 1 safe	105 00	
		\$145 00

AUTO TRUCKS

Paid George F. White, 1 G. M. C. truck	\$3,450 00	
J. W. Maguire Co., 1 Pierce Arrow truck	4,150 00	
		\$7,600 00

LOWELL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Paid City of Lowell, tuition	\$1,088 75	
		\$1,088 75

STATE AID

Paid aid rendered	\$910 00	
		\$910 00

MILITARY AID

Aid rendered	\$24 00	
		\$24 00

INDIGENT SOLDIERS & SAILORS

Paid indigent soldiers and sailors	\$396 00	
		\$396 00

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

E. W. Sweetser, services and expenses as Treasurer and Collector	\$969 41	
D. Frank Small, services and expenses as Chairman of Selectmen	500 00	
A. Heady Park, services and expenses as Selectman	300 00	
Justin L. Moore, services and expenses as Selectman	300 00	
H. C. Sweetser, services and expenses as Assessor	392 00	
James P. Dunigan, services and expenses as Assessor	425 00	
Fred F. Fletcher, services and expenses		

as Assessor	395 00
Ella A. Rose, clerk (Assessors)	155 00
Fred'k A. Fisher, Town Counsel	180 87
H. H. Richardson, services and expenses as Constable	443 70
Edward J. Robbins, services and expenses as Town Clerk	245 55
A. Heady Park, services and expenses as Chairman Overseers of the Poor	65 00
Justin L. Moore, services and expenses as Overseer of Poor	25 00
D. Frank Small, services and expenses as Overseer of Poor	25 00
Justin L. Moore, services and expenses as Chairman Board of Health	15 00
D. Frank Small, services and expenses Board of Health	19 50
Stewart Mackay, services and expenses School Committee	75 00
Ulysses J. Lupien, services and expenses School Committee	75 00
Wm. H. Hall, services and expenses School Committee	75 00
Byard C. Dean, Cemetery Commissioner	30 00
James S. Byam, Cemetery Commissioner	30 00
Charles F. Scribner, Cemetery Commissioner	30 00
James Peck, Game Warden	50 00
F. E. Varney, M. D., Agent Board of Health (2-3)	35 00
E. G. Scoboria, M. D., Agent Board of Health (1-4)	35 00
Preston L. Piggott, Auditor	25 00
Harlan E. Knowlton, Auditor	25 00
A. Ludwig, Auditor	5 00
James F. Leahey, Registrar	21 20
George H. Ripley, Registrar	27 00
Karl M. Perham, App. Com.	3 00
Wm. H. Shedd, App. Com.	3 00
D. Frank Small, App. Com.	3 00
A. Heady Park, App. Com.	3 00
John J. Monahan, App. Com.	3 00
James R. Gookin, special police	300 75
Fred I. Vinal, special police	195 95
George Small, special police	70 20
Curtis Aiken, special police	43 00

George M. Wright, special police	48 85
John Marinel, Jr., special police	34 63
Charles O. Robbins, special police	25 25
George O. Spaulding, special police	16 00
Henry Stavely, special police	4 50
Patrick Cassidy, special police	3 00
Patrick S. Ward, special police	3 00
Frank E. Byam, special police	4 50
Thomas Brown, special police	4 50
John F. Parker, appraiser	3 00
Walter Perham, appraiser	3 00
E. E. Paignon, Jr., appraiser	3 00
Howard S. Adams, precinct officer (clerk)	35 00
Morton B. Wright, precinct officer (clerk)	35 00
L. J. Ellinwood, precinct officer (clerk)	30 00
Louis Jennison, precinct officer (clerk)	30 00
John P. Scoboria, precinct officer (warden)	20 00
James Savage, precinct officer (warden)	20 00
James B. McQuaid, precinct officer (warden)	16 00
James Bowen, precinct officer (warden)	16 00
George A. McNulty, precinct officer (teller)	17 50
John Parker, precinct officer (teller)	17 50
John Pratt, precinct officer (teller)	17 50
James S. Byam, precinct officer (teller)	15 00
H. E. Howard, precinct officer (teller)	13 50
H. T. Hadley, precinct officer, (teller)	13 50
Byard C. Dean, precinct officer (teller)	13 50
Thomas Roarke, precinct officer (teller)	13 50
Arthur A. Chase, precinct officer, (teller)	13 50
P. J. McMahon, precinct officer (teller)	13 50
Dan Reardon, precinct officer (teller)	13 50
H. W. Sweetser, precinct officer (teller)	11 00
George Elliott, precinct officer (teller)	11 00
Chas. Finnink, precinct officer (teller)	13 50
Sidney Dupee, precinct officer (teller)	11 00
H. A. Bunce, precinct officer (teller)	11 00
Joseph T. Buttery, precinct officer (teller)	7 00
E. J. Trubey, precinct officer (teller) (1916)	7 00
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	\$6,179 80

D. FRANK SMALL,
A. HEADY PARK,
JUSTIN L. MOORE,
Selectmen.

Report of the Appraisers

Property Appraisal of Moth Department

1	Power sprayer and equipment.....	\$600 00
1	Tool box	5 00
1	36-foot extension ladder	5 00
1	40-foot extension ladder... ..	5 00
3	Ladders.....	2 00
	Poles, hooks, brushes, etc.....	5 00
10	Pairs of climbing iron	10 00
6	Axes.....	6 00
10	Brush hooks.....	3 00
12	Scythes and 6 snaths.....	21 00
2	Johnson pumps.....	1 00
1	Field glass.	1 00
	Lot of hose	25 00
3	Grindstones.....	10 00
2	Friend's spray pumps	10 00
1	Grab.....	1 00
1	15C-gal. tank.....	5 00
4	Pounds twine.....	1 00
1	Limp saw.....	1 00
2	Rakes.....	1 00
1	Hand cart.....	1 00
1	Pair Scrapers.....	1 00
3	Cutters	4 00
	Pitchforks.....	1 50
	Sundries	4 00
	Spraying outfit.....	75 00
1	Shovel	1 00
2	bbls. creosote.....	25 00
2	Ropes.....	3 00

\$833 50

Highway Property Appraisal

Tool box.....	\$ 1 00
1 Road roller.....	100 00
3 Road scrapers.....	400 00
1 Scoop scraper.....	4 00
3 Road levelers.....	35 00
1 Road plough.....	15 00
8 Snow ploughs.....	100 00
18 Sign boards.....	10 00
12 New shovels.....	7 00
4 Snow shovels.....	1 50
5 Grub hoes.....	4 00
15 Picks.....	12 00
3 Iron bars.....	3 00
Sewer tools.....	50
4 Street hoes.....	75
5 Stone hammers.....	5 00
10 Long drills.....	10 00
2 Tamping bars.....	2 00
1 Paving rammer.....	1 00
2 Ditch rammers.....	1 00
1 Big chain.....	2 00
2 Mason trowlers.....	2 00
1 Level.....	50
Lot spikes.....	4 00
1 Bush scythe and math.....	60
1 Pinch bar.....	50
2 Sand screens.....	5 00
1 Wagon jack.....	1 00
3 Iron rakes.....	2 00
2 Axes.....	2 00
1 Lead rod.....	1 00
3 Saws.....	2 50
1 Scraper edge cutter.....	10 00
1 Hand roller.....	10 00
2 Old tires.....	1 00
6 Lanterns.....	1 50

1 Ditch derrick and rope.....	\$ 35 00
1 Grindstone.....	7 00
Canvasses	5 00
2 Drags.....	5 00
1 Metal culvert.....	14 00

\$824 35

Centre Fire Apparatus

1 Combination chemical and hand fire engine	400 00
1 Hose and protective wagon	150 00
1 Hook and ladder wagon with ladders.	150 00
9 Chemical extinguishers.....	45 00
450 ft. old fire hose 2½ inch.	100 00
1 Lot chemicals.....	10 00
2 Single harnesses.....	50 00
5 Sets of rubber suits.....	15 00
4 Fire axes.....	4 00
3 Crow bars	4 00
3 Shovels	1 50
6 Forks	2 00
7 Pails.....	1 75
7 Cans.....	1 00
150-foot extension ladder	35 00
300-foot ¾ inch hose	30 00
2 30-foot extension ladders.....	16 00
Rope.....	4 00
1 35-foot extension ladder.....	9 00
1 25-foot extension ladder.....	5 00
3 Ladders	15 00
7 Pike hooks and poles.....	5 00
3 Horse blankets.	9 00
8 Lanterns.. ..	2 50
Hose nozzle.....	5 00
1 Rope and tackle.....	3 00
1 Horse rake.....	1 00
Lot of brooms and sundries.....	5 00
1 Hose rack dryer.....	25 00
Wagon jack.....	1 00

1 Cabinet	\$ 5 00	
1500-foot, 2½ inch fire hose	800 00	
2 Hand hose reels.....	150 00	
5 Boston play pipes.....	75 00	
3 Hydrant gates	35 00	
1 Siamese connection.....	8 00	
5 Callahan nozzles.....	70 00	
1 Reducing connection.....	1 50	
2 doz. ladder straps.....	10 00	
1 doz. belts.....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,269 25

South Fire Apparatus

1 Wagon	100 00	
12 Pails.....	3 00	
1 Rope.....	3 00	
5 Ladders	15 00	
2 Hooks.....	50	
6 Shovels.....	4 00	
1 Axe and bar.....	1 00	
1 Horse blanket	3 00	
2 Lanterns	50	
6 Chemicals.. ..	35 00	
	<hr/>	\$165 00

Westlands Fire Apparatus

1 Hose reel equipment	75 00	
500 foot, 2½ inch hose	250 00	
1 Boston play pipe.....	15 00	
1 Callahan nozzle.....	15 00	
6 Chemicals.....	40 00	
1 Hydrant gate.....	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$404 00

East Chelmsford Fire Apparatus

Wagon and chemicals	200 00	
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North Fire Apparatus

1050 ft. 2½ inch hose.....	\$500 00	
1 Wagon.....	150 00	
1 Hose reel.....	30 00	
1 40 ft extension ladder.....	30 00	
2 Nozzles.....	25 00	
4 Chemical extinguishers.....	25 00	
1 ¾ in. rope.....	3 50	
1 Hydrant gate.....	4 00	
1 20-ft. hook ladder.....	4 00	
14 Taber spanners.....	1 50	
2 Steel bars.....	2 00	
1 Wagon jack.....	1 00	
4 Extinguisher cages.....	1 50	
Acid and soda.....	4 50	
1 Axe.....	50	
1 Cabinet.....	15 00	
Boiler and fixtures.....	225 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,022 50

Weights and Measures

Total value equipment.....	125 00	
	<hr/>	\$125 00

Appraisal Personal Property at Town Farm Dec. 31, 1917

1 Horse.....	75 00
1 Paid double harnesses.....	25 00
3 Blankets.....	7 50
1 Pair stable blankets.....	2 00
2 Fly nets.....	2 00
1 Cow.....	100 00
1 Heifer.....	60 00
1 Farm harness.....	8 00
1 Light harness.....	6 00
1 Collar and hames.....	3 00
Stable tools.....	2 00
1 Grain chest and grain.....	5 00
1 Square wagon.....	18 00

1 Platform scales.....	\$ 5 00
Manure.....	30 00
10 Hay forks.....	3 00
6 Hay rakes.....	1 50
Lot cabbage.....	12 00
1 Step ladder.....	2 00
1 Sand screen.....	1 00
1 Lot chains.....	2 00
1 Horse hay fork and grapple.....	25 00
1 Hay cutter.....	2 00
1 Grain fanning mill.....	4 00
Hay.....	200 00
2 Wheelbarrows.....	5 00
1 Pung.....	14 00
1 Democrat wagon.....	10 00
1 Sled.....	15 00
1 Farm wagon.....	20 00
1 Two horse cart.....	50 00
1 Platform wagon.....	15 00
2 Mowing machines.....	45 00
1 Hay rake.....	10 00
1 Disc harrow.....	20 00
1 Drag.....	4 00
1 Weeder.....	5 00
1 Spring-tooth harrow.....	5 00
2 Smoothing harrows.....	5 00
Neck yoke and whiffletrees.....	2 00
1 Grindstone.....	3 00
4 Ladders.....	12 00
2 Plows.....	12 00
2 Cultivators.....	10 00
Seed sower.....	4 00
Contents of shed.....	10 00
72 Fowls.....	100 00
Saws and axes.....	5 00
Lot of prepared wood.....	50 00
Lot of beans.....	18 00
Barrels and bushel boxes.....	5 00

Milk pails and cooler.....	5 00	
Vegetables	18 00	
Apples.....	3 00	
1 Chest.....	5 00	
Garden hose	5 00	
1 Lot of potatoes.....	65 00	
1 lot of coal	5 00	
1 lot of preserves.....	7 00	
Flour.....	25 00	
Sugar	7 00	
Food supplies.....	144 00	
Bedding and household furniture.....	300 00	
		\$1,644 00

JOHN F. PARKER,
EMILE E. PAIGNON,
WALTER PERHAM.

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS FOR THE YEAR 1917

The money appropriated by vote of the Town for the care and improvement of the Town Parks has been expended during the year wholly for that purpose.

No new work was attempted on account of the difficulty in securing help and the high cost of labor.

We feel that sufficient money should be appropriated to warrant improving two small plots of ground at the East Village.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED L. FLETCHER,
ARTHUR M. WARREN,
PATRICK S. WARD.

Report of Auditors

We have examined the accounts of the various Town officers for the year ending December 31, 1917, securing the following results :

We find that the Selectmen have approved 1,357 bills, amounting to \$83,365.73, all having been paid by the Treasurer.

We find that the School Committee have approved 897 bills, amounting to \$41,869.80, all having been paid by the Treasurer.

We find the receipts and payments of the Town Clerk on account of the Dog Tax properly vouched for.

We find the receipts and payments of the Town Treasurer properly entered and vouched for, and a balance of \$8,404.47 in his hands.

We find that the total amount of uncollected taxes with accumulated interest is \$52,487.44, the details of which will appear later in the report.

We find a trust fund in the hands of the Insurance Fund Commissioners amount to \$1,453.60. Bond, \$1,000.

We find the following Cemetery Trust Funds in the hands of the Town Treasurer :

Emerson Improvement Fund.....	\$ 70 55
Emerson fund and interest.....	271 41
Kimball fund and interest.....	105 93
Silver fund and interest.....	181 85
Day fund and interest.....	105 78
Carleton fund and interest.....	196 40
Marshall fund and interest.....	104 32
Edwards interest.....	45 94
Wood fund and interest.....	494 23
Shedd fund and interest.....	104 39

Coburn fund and interest.....	\$104 95
Wheeler fund and interest.....	118 44
E. G. Smith fund and interest.....	104 62
Jaquith fund and interest.....	212 40
Fletcher fund and interest.....	104 79
Shedd fund and interest.....	210 42
Bowers fund and interest.....	109 91
Whittemore fund and interest.....	105 91
Asmus fund and interest.....	277 29
Haywood fund and interest.....	52 52
Huckins fund and interest.....	111 72
Isaac Wood fund and interest.....	105 36
Pease fund and interest.....	115 88
Geo. H. Smith fund and interest.....	114 84
Adams fund and interest.....	244 48
Hobbs fund and interest.....	104 71
Perry fund and interest.....	103 51
Perham fund and interest.....	104 54
Sweetser fund and interest.....	105 70
Parker fund and interest.....	106 08
Richardson fund and interest.....	104 30
Jos. W. Smith fund and interest.....	106 00
H. and S. Parkhurst fund and interest..	104 60
Burt Emerson fund and interest.....	105 48
A. W. Parkhurst fund and interest.....	105 33
J. and E. Longley fund and interest....	102 49
Jas. Brown and M. Quist fund and interest	220 80
Susan E. Brown fund and interest.....	105 22
Hodges and Green fund and interest....	105 23
J. C. Butterfield fund and interest.....	102 54
Ebert and Weaver fund and interest....	214 52
Kittredge fund and interest.....	54 14
Emily E. Reed fund and interest.....	52 66
Wilbur A. Cheney fund and interest....	105 24
M. F. Hutchins fund and interest.....	103 16
I. Blaisdell fund and interest.....	100 36
R. N. Kendall fund and interest.....	101 48
B. Fletcher fund and interest.....	106 36

G. O. Byam fund and interest.....	\$106 36
John Byam fund and interest ...	106 36
J. M. Fletcher fund and interest.....	104 36
Dr. Paul Kittridge fund	103 08
Sarah Bussey fund.....	50 06
William H. Clark fund and interest.....	103 22
Henry P. Davis fund and interest	106 28
Marshall Pratt fund and interest.....	121 16
Joseph Reed fund and interest	105 06
Isaac and T. M. Adams fund and interest	91 84
John Marinel, Sr., fund and interest ...	125 50
Emily L. Furlong fund and interest ...	103 94
John H. Whidden fund and interest. ...	104 87
Perley P. Perham fund and interest.....	104 92
Samuel M. Hutchins fund and interest .	102 44
Angelina Parker fund and interest.....	113 29
Samuel Andrews fund and interest	106 55
Webster fund and interest.....	105 68
Davidson & Ripley fund and interest..	236 88
Hamblett fund and interest.....	110 12
Stevens fund and interest ...	106 16
Hazen fund and interest.....	104 82
John H. Clark fund and interest	369 28
Willie Adams fund and interest.....	120 64
Samuel L. Dutton fund and interest....	105 86
Wm. H. Brown fund and interest.....	75 65
F. B. and E. F. Parker fund and interest	105 56
Winship fund and interest.....	103 26
Benj. Spaulding fund and interest.....	99 36
Amos F. Adams fund and interest.....	506 12
Geo. F. Snow fund and interest.....	208 56
N. & S. Howard fund and interest.....	130 49
Warren & Manning fund.....	150 00
B. M. Fiske fund.....	100 00
C. G. and F. B. Hozen fund.....	50 00
John Scoboria fund.....	100 00
O. Spaulding fund	100 00
John Parkhurst fund	100 00

E. P. Bean fund	\$ 100 00	
True Norton fund	100 00	
E. & J. Elliott fund	200 00	
Alfred G. Parkhurst fund and interest . .	101 12	
Chas. M. McCoy fund and interest	103 02	
	<hr/>	\$11,546 51

We find Assets:

Cash in treasury	8,404 47	
Tax of 1916	9,672 58	
Interest	725 44	
Moth tax 1916	147 56	
Tax of 1917	29,092 52	
Interest	436 38	
Moth tax 1917	414 76	
Excise tax from Bay State St. Ry.	1,953 89	
	<hr/>	\$50,847 60

Due from

State aid to January 1, 1918	910 00	
Military aid to January 1, 1918	12 00	
Account tuition Industrial School	544 37	
Account aid to mothers with dependent children	288 06	
New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. acct forest fires	37 59	
City of Lowell, aid	120 00	
State aid—for parks	114 41	
Street R. R. Corp.	803 15	
	<hr/>	2,829 58

\$53,677 18

Deficit 71,351 93

\$125,029 11

We find liabilities:

High School Loan	61,750 00	
Centre High School Lot	2,500 00	
Notes for auto trucks	6,454 00	
Notes, temporary loan	48,000 00	
Notes, No. Chelmsford School house loan	5,250 00	
Interest on above notes	975 11	
Unpaid bills, estimated	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$125,029 11

PRESTON L. PIGGOTT,
HARLAN E. KNOWLTON,
ALBERT A. LUDWIG,
Auditors.



Chelmsford Roll of Honor

The following is as complete a list as can be made at this time of the Chelmsford men now in the service of their country. By publishing it in this report it is earnestly hoped that the committee will be immediately notified of any error or omissions, so that the next Town Report will be complete in every way.

Adams, Adelbert B., H. Q. Co. No. 302 Regt.	Crease, Bert
Abrahamson, Frederick E.	Cook, Arthur, Am. Exp. Forces
Allard, Edgar	Corson, Harold B., Naval Reserve
Anderson, Alfred	Cruans, John
Anderson, Emil., Wireless Op'r. U. S. Navy.	Curran, Thomas
Armitage, Joseph, Sergt.	Douglas, Charles E., 19th Co., 5th Bat. Depot Brig.
Ayotte, Arthur Joseph, U. S. Navy.	Duncan, Augustus, Lieut.
Ayotte, Isreal Joseph, U. S. Navy.	Elliot, Henry
Barton, Charles	Fadden, Ralph, U. S. Navy
Battye, William, Co. B. No. 302 Machine Gun Bat.	Fallon, Joseph
Berg, Ralph A., Naval Reserve	Fox, Leo F., Sergt., Co. M., No. 101 U. S. Inf.
Bishop, Fred	Grady, Henry
Bridgford, Wilson	Green, Harvey
Bridgford, Ernest W.	Green, James
Booth, Ira	Gill, Jesse
Boulter, Edward P., Can. Exp. For.	Hafey, John
Brown, William, Co. L, No. 328 Inf.	Hoelzel, Claude L.
Buchanan, John	Hoelzel, Julius
Callahan, Alexander	Johnson, William T., 26th Co Dep. Br.
Carl, Arthur H., Sergt. Eng. No. 101 U. S. Inf.	Kerrens, John
Carl, Williston, Supply Sergt. Co. K Depot Brig.	Knox, Harold
	LaVelle, Joseph
	LaFrance, Henry
	Lakin, Leroy

Lofstedt, Magnus A.	Ready, John J.
Lyons, Timothy	Reed, Mark W., Co. C, 302 Regt.
McCann, Vincent J., Depot Brig.	Renard, George, U. S. Navy
McGrath, Hugh	Reno, Alfred
McEnaney, Owen T., Sergt. U. S. M.	Robarge, Theodore. Am. Exp. Forces
	Corps Roneleau, Norton E.
McKnight, Andrew	Russell, Robert D., Am. Exp. Forces
Manseau, Napoleon T., Jr., Troop H,	Russon, Benjamin
11th U. S. Calv.	Slater, Raymond
Merrill, Harry	Swallow, George
Mills, Forrest	Sheehan, Francis J., Sergt. Co. K,
Monahan, John C., 2nd Lieut. Am. ^a	101 U. S. Inf.
Exp. Forces	Shevlin, James O.
Moore, Claude L.	Sweeney, Chas. J., Co. L, 328 Eng.
Murphy, John L., Bat. F, No. 102, F. A.	Sweeney, Geo. M., Co. F, 6th Eng.
Naylor, Edwin, Am. Exp. Forces	Simard, Emery P., Co. B, 303 Inf.
Nedeau, Wilbur, Co. M, 101 U. S. Inf.	Taylor, Chas.
Nosietowez, Adam	Taylor, William, Seaman U. S. Navy
Nystrom, Gustaf, Am. Exp. Forces	Tetley, Egbert, Lieut.
O'Brien, Michael, Am. Exp. Forces	Thing, Carey, U. S. Navy
Park, Quincy B., Co. C, 104 U. S. Inf.	Tuck, Edw.
Pearson, Arthur W., Co. F, 327 U. S. Inf.	Vinal, Bert
Perham, Sidney C., Base Hosp., No. 7	Vinal, Ralph
Perry, Leonard, Co. M, 101 U. S. Inf.	Westberg, Carl, Am. Rxp. Forces
Pope, Leo	Westberg, John
Queen, Clifford H.	Wright, Samuel T., Sect. 562 U. S. A.
Quinn, Henry G., Depot Brig.	Amb. Corps
Ready, John	



Report of the Finance Committee

Chelmsford, Mass., January 16th, 1918.

To the Voters and Taxpayers of Chelmsford:

The Finance Committee chosen at the Annual Town Meeting of February 5, 1917, has carefully considered the Articles of the Warrant for the Annual Meeting to be held February 4, 1918.

Consideration has been given each article of the warrant wherein an appropriation of money is asked for. The selectmen, and other town officials in charge of their several departments, have been consulted, and their recommendations discussed.

We feel it our conscientious duty, under the present existing circumstances, to cut down all appropriations to the lowest possible figure, for the proper maintenance of each department.

Your committee recommends the following sums be raised and appropriated:

Teaching	\$25,721 00	
Janitor service	4,340 00	
Fuel	5,200 00	
Transportation	5,500 00	
Supplies	2,000 00	
Superintendent	1,800 00	
Upkeep	2,000 00	
Medical inspection	250 00	
Miscellaneous	800 00	
New equipment	650 00	
Clerical Work	125 00	
School Total		\$48,386 00
Unexpended for coal contracted for, but not delivered	824 00	
Highways	4,500 00	plus rec'ts
Support of Poor	6,500 00	
Moth Work	1,832 45	
Street lighting	7,000 00	
Indigent Soldiers and Sailors	400 00	

Industrial school (Lowell)	1,000 00
Repairs of public buildings	750 00
Tree Warden	100 00
Officers and committees	6,000 00
Care and improvement of cemeteries	800 00
Memorial Day	125 00
Insurance fund	500 00
Adams library	1,200 00
No. Chelmsford library	800 00
Miscellaneous	3,200 00
Village clock	30 00
Sealer of weights and measures	100 00
Meat inspection	500 00
Cattle inspection	100 00
Public parks	400 00
Land damage, Boston road,	1,000 00
Town Treasurer's bond	220 00

Article No. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to contract with the Lowell Electric Light Corporation, at the prevailing price per light, for twenty-three lights in addition to the number previously contracted for and said lights to be distributed upon and along the following public ways, viz:

Three lights on Steadman street, from the junction of Steadman street and Smith Ave., to the Lowell line:

Two lights on Bridge street;

Two lights on Manning place;

One light on the northerly side of Railroad crossing at the Centre;

Two lights on Hall road;

One light at the junction of Billerica street and Lowell street;

Three lights on the Lowell and Westford road;

One light on the Boston road near Adams Library;

One light on Westford street;

Four lights on Dalton road;

One light on High street between Bartlett and Acton streets;

One light at Stevens Corner, North Village;

One light on Acton street near South Village; or act in relation thereto.

Altho these lights may be needed, we do not feel like appropriating the money for them, at this time, but we do recommend that the Selectmen go over the present lighting system carefully, and rearrange the lights so as to be a benefit to all.

Article No. 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) or what other sum to be spent by the State Forester to help defray the expense of erecting a forest fire observatory on Robin Hill; or act in relation thereto.

We recommend that the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) be raised and appropriated to help defray the expense of erecting a forest fire observatory on Robin Hill.

Article No. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) to be paid the North Chelmsford district fire hydrant service for the current year; or act in relation thereto.

Your committee, considering that the North Chelmsford district has had, in the past, an appropriation of \$1,500 annually for about nine years up to 1916, we now recommend that the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375) be paid the North Chelmsford district for hydrant service.

Article No. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) to be paid the Chelmsford Water District for the current year; or act in relation thereto.

We recommend the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) be paid the Chelmsford Water District for the current year.

Article No. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25) to purchase a flag for the South Village, said flag to be purchased of the Bureau of Prisons; or act in relation thereto.

We recommend that the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25) be raised and appropriated.

Article No. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) to purchase an adding machine for use at the high school and other departments of the town; or act in relation thereto.

Your committee believes that this machine will be of educational value at the high school and will also be of great service to selectmen, assessors and other town officers, therefore, we recommend that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated, and that said machine be purchased by the school committee.

Article No. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1800) to

build a fire-proof garage for housing the trucks purchased to transport North high pupils to high school at the Centre; or act in relation thereto.

If satisfactory arrangements can be made to house the school trucks for the coming year, it is our judgment that this should be done, otherwise we recommend that the sum of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800) be so raised and appropriated.

Article No. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000) for the purpose of buying road binder material to be tarvia or some other product; or act in relation thereto.

Considering the benefit derived last year from the application of road binder material, we recommend that \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article No. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the purchase of land near the centre of the town, and also for the purchase of land near the north part of the town to be used for a public dump; or act in relation thereto:

We recommend that the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) be so raised and appropriated. And that the public be ordered to use same, and thus do away with the many unsightly places along our public roads.

Article No. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for the construction of permanent sidewalks, said sum to be distributed as follows: Eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) at the Centre; eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) at the North; three hundred dollars (\$300.00) at the West; two hundred dollars (\$200.00) at the South; two hundred dollars (\$200.00) at the East; two hundred dollars (\$200.00) at the Westlands; or act in relation thereto.

The construction of permanent sidewalks, your committee believes to be a movement in the right direction, but at the present time, considering the high cost of materials and scarcity of labor, we recommend that this work be postponed for the present.

Article No. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500.00) or what other sum for the purchase of motor fire apparatus and equipment therefor to be located in the Centre village; or act in relation thereto.

We make the same recommendation as to Article No. —

Article No. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) or what other sum for the purchase of motor fire apparatus and equipment therefor to be located at the North village; or act in relation thereto.

Your committee realizes that our fire equipment, both inside and outside the water districts, is very inadequate, but we do not consider, as yet, you have reached the right solution of the problem, therefore we recommend that this article be postponed for the present.

Article No. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) or whatever sum, for the reimbursement of St. John's Catholic church at the North village for damages to sidewalk at church property, or act in relation thereto.

Considering the fact that this sidewalk was damaged by blasting at the time of laying water mains, we recommend that the sum of \$250.00 be so raised and appropriated.

Article No. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) to purchase a flag for the North village, said flag to be purchased of the Bureau of Prisons; or act in relation thereto.

We recommend that the sum of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) be raised and appropriated.

Article No. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for repairs of village clock at Centre; or act in relation thereto.

We recommend that the sum of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) be so raised and appropriated.

It is the opinion of your Finance Committee that the water systems in this town should be extended to cover the villages of South, West, and East Chelmsford. In order to do this the two systems now in operation should be united and taken over by the town and with this end in view we recommend a committee of three be appointed to investigate the matter and report at the next Annual Town Meeting.

The valuation of the Town in the year 1917 was \$4,788,770. Estimating an average yearly increase in 1918, the tax rate will be about \$21.75 per thousand, provided you raise the sums as recommended by your Committee. Each \$1,000 raised and appropriated

over this recommendation will add approximately 20 cents per \$1000 to the tax rate.

The foregoing report, we submit to you for your careful consideration.

JOHN J. MONAHAN,
HERBERT E. ELLIS,
JAMES P. DUNNIGAN,
WM. H. SHEDD,
WM. E. BELLEVILLE,
Finance Committee.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

The annual inspection of animals was made early in the year 1917, as required by Section 17 of Chapter 90 of the Revised Laws.

It included the inspection of 232 stables, 1178 cattle, 248 swine, 1 sheep and 7 goats

I have quarantine 19 cattle suspected of having tuberculosis and all except 3 were condemned and killed by the State Department of Animal Industry. One was released and two died in quarantine. The stalls occupied by these tuberculosis cattle were thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.

There was one outbreak of hog cholera which was confined to its place of origin

There were no cases of glanders or rabies although several were reported and investigated.

Several consignments of out of State cattle have been identified and released upon arrival in town.

All persons knowing or suspecting any domestic animals of having a contagious disease or knowing of any dog having bitten a person are requested to report the facts to the Inspector of Animals at once.

A. C. PERHAM,
Inspector.

Report of the Assessors

For the Year Ending December 31, 1917

Buildings, exclusive of land	\$2,535,125 00	
Land, exclusive of buildings,	1,033,530 00	
Total valuation of real estate		\$3,568,655 00
Total valuation of personal estate		1,220,115 00
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Total valuation of assessed estate		\$4,788,770 00
Rate of Taxation \$18.20 per \$1,000.		
Number of polls assessed	1,441	
Assessed on polls only		679
Residents assessed on property:		
Individuals	1,274	
All others	27	
	<hr/>	1,301
Non-Residents assessed on property:		
Individuals	342	
All others	21	
	<hr/>	363
Total number assessed		<hr/> 2,343
Number of horses assessed		457
Number of cows assessed		815
Number of sheep assessed		5
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed		177
Number of swine assessed		192
Number of dwellings assessed		1,167
Number of acres of land assessed		13,783
Number of fowl assessed		15,112
Appropriations for:		
Schools		\$42,746 00
Highways		6,500 00
Support of Poor, receipts of Town Farm and Moth Department		5,332 45

Street lighting		7,000 00
Indigent soldiers and sailors		400 00
Military aid		48 00
Industrial School (Lowell)		1,000 00
Repairs of public buildings		500 00
Tree Warden		250 00
Officers and committees		5,000 00
Care and improvement of cemeteries		800 00
Memorial Day		125 00
Insurance Fund		200 00
Adams Library		\$1,200 00
North Chelmsford Library		800 00
Miscellaneous		3,000 00
Village Clock		30 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures		100 00
Meat inspection		600 00
Cattle inspection		150 00
Public parks		400 00
Chelmsford Water District		750 00
Fire escape at Centre School		600 00
Land damage on Boston road		2,000 00
Town History		1,500 00
Herman P. Grantz		167 00
Flag pole at North Village		500 00
Flag at Centre Village		75 00
Treasurer's bond		220 00
Purchase of land at North Village for cemetery		800 00
Safe for official records		200 00
School transportation in 1916		700 00
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		\$83,693 45
Loans and interest		7,749 25
State tax		10,890 00
State tax (highway)		1,438 00
County tax		4,980 49
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		\$108,751 19
Estimated receipts	\$11,626 02	
Receipts from Income Tax	3,291 18	
Error	3,796 38	
	<hr/>	\$18,713 58
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		\$90,037 61

Tax on 1,441 polls	\$2,882 00	
Tax on property	87,155 61	
	<hr/>	\$90,037 61

HERBERT C. SWEETSER,
 JAMES P. DUNNIGAN,
 FRED L. FLETCHER,
 Assessors.

REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

During the year 1917 the Forest Warden and Deputy Forest Wardens have extinguished 46 forest and grass fires, the majority of which were reported by the State Forest Fire Observer on Robins Hill. Twenty of these fires were caused by railroad locomotive sparks and the others by careless smoking, hunters, boys, careless brush burning, etc.

Several chimney fires have been extinguished by the Deputy Wardens in various parts of the town as well as two automobile fires.

The expenses of maintaining this department during 1917 including all supplies and repairs extinguishing forest and grass fires as well as the expense incurred at chimney, house and auto fires has been \$210.05 which is the smallest amount spent for many years. The sum of \$51.24 has been paid or is due the town by parties responsible for fires thus leaving the net expense \$158.81.

The property of the Town in charge of the Forest Warden is the same as last year. About 350 permits to set fires in the open air were issued between March 1st and December 1st.

The State Forester has recently purchased the summit of Robins Hill in the name of the Commonwealth which is fortunate indeed for Chelmsford, if sufficient money is raised to

erect the proposed 75 foot observatory. The Towns in this vicinity are asked to raise and appropriate money sufficient to erect said tower. This town is asked for \$300 as its share and I sincerely hope that the voters will see fit to vote this amount. The present tower was the first one erected in the state and was sort of an experiment to see if the erection of permanent towers was advisable. The value of such towers was soon evident and the state, with the help of adjoining towns, has established thirty such stations.

Since its erection the present tower has saved this town hundred of dollars annually in cost of extinguishing fires and damages that might have resulted therefrom. After a tower is erected the State pays all bills for maintaining the same. The proposed new tower will cost about \$2,000 and will be of steel construction with a stair-way leading to the room at the top.

Don't forget that the permit law is effective after March 1st and the slash law is in force at all times.

A. C. PERHAM,
Forest Warden.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

BIRTHS— (Received too late for classification)

Date	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Aug. 29	Esther Gertrude McMahon	Walter H. and Elizabeth G. (Clinton)
Dec. 21	Robert Tristram Dutton	Royal P. and Ellen A. (Cudworth)

Report of Town Treasurer

For the Year Ending December 31, 1917

Your Treasurer charges himself with cash received as follows :

Balance in treasury Dec. 31, 1916,	\$29770 14
Rec'd of State Treasurer,	
Corporation Tax, Public Service,	1860 39
Corporation Tax Business,	2853 73
Income Tax,	3291 18
National Bank Tax,	812 53
Street Railway Tax,	33 08
Mothers with Dependent Children,	593 36
Tuition of State Children,	217 50
State and Military Aid,	834 00
Soldiers' Exemptions,	99 54
On acct. of Moth Work,	173 72
On acct. of Tuition of pupils attending Industrial School at Lowell,	666 88
Aid to sick pauper,	94 61
Of County Treasurer :	
Dog Licenses of 1916,	491 46
Lowell Police Court, fines,	79 74
Town of Falmouth, acct. of aid rendered,	228 43
Town of Mattapoisett, acct. of aid rend'd,	244 00
Justin L. Moore as reimbursement on acct. of aid rendered,	12 50
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co. as reim- bursement for extinguishing fires set by engines,	14 34
B. & M. R. R. Co. as reimbursement for extinguishing fires set by engines	85
Arnold C. Perham, money received from individuals as reimbursement for extinguishing forest fires,	13 65
Arnold C. Perham, for sale of old hose from fire department,	7 00

Selectmen as fees for slaughter house licenses,	5 00
As fee for Circus licenses,	25 00
As fee for Auctioneer's license,	2 00
License fees to sell soda, cigars, etc. of :	
Kate and Ellen Keenan,	3 00
Mary Valentine,	3 00
Small & Stone,	3 00
Emerson & Byam,	3 00
Mrs. George E. Shepherd,	3 00
Mrs. A. Mallery,	3 00
Mrs. George S. Elliott,	3 00
Curtis A. Aiken, fees for sealing weights and measures,	63 66
A. W. Small, money rec'd from W. H. Hall for use of mileage ticket,	4 37
Town of Carlisle for tuition,	20 00
Town of Dunstable for tuition,	60 00
Town of Tyngsboro for tuition,	20 00
Cemetery Commissioners for sale of lots in Pine Ridge cemetery,	50 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care of the Eldad P. Bean burial lot in Hart Pond Cemetery,	100 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care of the Benj. M. Fiske tomb in Forefathers Cemetery,	100 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care of the John Parkhurst lot in Hart Pond Cemetery,	100 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care of the Orrin Spaulding lot in Hart Pond Cemetery,	100 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care of the John Scoboria lot in Hart Pond Cemetery,	100 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care	

of the Curtis G. Hazen lot in Pine Ridge Cemetery,	50 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care of the True Morton lot in Forefathers Cemetery,	100 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care of the Warren and Manning tombs in Forefathers Cemetery,	150 00
As a trust fund, the income of same to be used for the perpetual care of the Ephraim and Jasper Elliott lots in Forefathers Cemetery,	200 00
Inez A. Newell, trustee as reimbursement for medical attendance to Mrs. Bottomlly,	8 00
Lowell Gas Light Co., for error on bill,	26 25
Ginn & Co., on acct. of credit memorandum,	1 34
James P. Dunnigan for telephone toll call,	20
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., rebate on acct. of charge for mileage at Town Hall,	8 52
Curtis A. Aiken for rent of Town Hall,	77 50
Curtis A. Aiken, for sale of old junk at Town Hall,	3 00
P. S. Ward, for rent of Town Hall,	61 50
J. F. McManomin, for rent of fire house to Court Wanalancett Foresters,	30 00
W. H. Graves, for cart (Highway Dept.),	50 00
H. C. Sweetser, for drain pipe,	12 80
D. Higgins, for old junk (Highway Dept.),	1 00
J. W. Long, as proceeds of Town Hall, Selectmen, on acct. of sale of cows,	21 38
etc., at town farm at auction,	649 52
Arthur Burnham, as proceeds of Farm,	243 97
As interest on trust funds,	297 50
As interest on deposit,	95 12

As a temporary loan in anticipation of revenue,	68,000 00
Cash borrowed for purchase of auto- mobile trucks for school transpor- tation,	6,454 00
On account of taxes	
Chelmsford Water District	
Tax of 1915,	456 47
Interest of 1915,	48 75
Tax of 1916,	559 61
Interest of 1916,	25 47
Tax of 1917,	2,236 20
Interest of 1917,	2 32
North Chelmsford Fire District	
Tax and interest of 1912,	12 22
Tax of 1915,	240 10
Interest of 1915	36 19
Tax of 1916,	370 39
Interest of 1916,	17 64
Tax of 1917,	1,818 75
Interest of 1917,	1 55
Town Taxes	
Tax of 1910,	165 00
Interest of 1910,	23 93
Tax of 1911,	213 40
Interest of 1911,	18 14
Tax of 1912,	168 98
Interest of 1912,	4 23
Tax of 1915,	14,542 86
Interest of 1915,	1,399 44
Moth tax of 1915,	165 00
Tax of 1916,	20,526 21
Interest of 1916,	613 14
Moth tax of 1916,	282 35
Tax of 1917,	60,945 09
Interest of 1917,	30 96
Moth tax, 1917,	588 32
Lowell & Fitchburg St. Ry. Co., ex- cise tax,	219 12

\$225,437 09

And is credited as follows :

By cash paid, County Tax,	4,980 49
By cash paid, State Tax,	10,890 00
By cash paid for repairs of State Highway,	1,438 00
Deposited in Merrimack River Savings Bank :	
True Morton Fund	100 00
Ephriam and Jasper Elliott Fund	200 00
Warren and Manning Fund	150 00
Curtis G. Hazen Fund	50 00
Deposited in City Institution for Savings :	
John Scoboria Fund	100 00
Orrin Spaulding Fund	100 00
John Parkhurst Fund	100 00
Eldad P. Bean Fund	100 00
B. M. Fiske Fund	100 00
Bureau of Statistics, reg. of notes	28 00
Treasurer of Chelmsford Water District :	
Tax of 1915	456 47
Interest of 1915	48 75
Tax of 1916	559 61
Interest of 1916	25 47
Tax of 1917	2,236 20
Interest of 1917	2 32
Treasurer of North Chelmsford Fire District :	
Tax and interest of 1912	12 22
Tax of 1915	240 10
Interest of 1915	36 19
Tax of 1916	370 39
Interest of 1916	17 64
Tax of 1917	1,818 75
Interest of 1917	1 55
Temporary loan	66,500 00
Interest on same	2,131 94
Bills approved by School Committee	41,869 80
Bills approved by Selectmen	82,365 73
Stamp for note	3 00
Cash on hand	8,404 47
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	\$225,437 09

E. W. SWEETSER,
Treasurer.

Dec. 31, 1917.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT OF CHELMSFORD
WATER DISTRICT

Tax of 1915	
Tax on list of 1915 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	\$458 17
Less abatement,	1 70
	\$456 47
Interest on list of 1915 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	34 36
Interest accrued since Dec. 31, 1916,	14 39
	\$505 22
Cash paid Treas. Chelmsford Water Dist., as tax	456 47
Cash paid Treas. Chelmsford Water Dist. as interest,	48 75
	\$505 22
Tax of 1916	
Tax on list of 1916 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	951 42
Interest on list of 1916 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	14 27
Interest accrued since Dec. 31, 1916,	40 58
	\$1006 27
Cash paid Treas. Chelmsford Water Dist. as tax,	559 61
Cash paid Treas. Chelmsford Water Dist. as interest,	25 47
Uncollected tax to new account,	391 81
Uncollected interest to new account,	29 38
	\$1006 27
Tax of 1917.	
Tax on list of 1917,	3095 90
Interest collected since Oct. 1, 1917,	2 32
Interest accrued since Oct. 1, 1917,	12 89
	\$3111 11
Cash paid Treas. Chelmsford Water Dist. as tax,	2236 20
Cash paid Treas. Chelmsford Water Dist. as interest,	2 32
Uncollected tax to new account,	859 70
Uncollected interest to new account,	12 89
	\$3111 11

Chelmsford, Dec. 31, 1917.

E. W. SWEETSER,
Collector.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT OF NORTH CHELMSFORD
FIRE DISTRICT

Tax of 1912	
Tax on list of 1912 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	\$12 90
Int. on list of 1912 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	2 32
	\$15 22
Less error,	3 00
	\$12 22
Cash paid Treas. North Chelmsford Fire Dist. as tax and interest,	12 22
Tax of 1915	
Tax of 1915 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	240 10
Interest of 1915 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	18 00
Interest accrued since Dec. 31, 1916,	18 19
	\$276 29
Cash paid Treas. North Chelmsford Fire Dist as tax,	240 10
Cash paid Treas. North Chelmsford Fire Dist. as interest,	36 19
	\$276 29
Tax of 1916	
Tax on list of 1916 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	456 95
Interest of 1916 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	6 85
Interest accrued since Dec. 31, 1916,	17 28
	\$481 08
Cash paid Treas. North Chelmsford Fire Dist. as tax,	370 39
Cash paid Treas. North Chelmsford Fire Dist. as interest,	17 64
Uncollected tax to new account,	86 56
Uncollected interest to new account,	6 49
	\$481 08
Tax of 1917	
	\$2211 01
Interest collected since Oct. 1, 1917,	1 55
Interest accrued since Oct. 1, 1917,	5 88
	\$2218 44

Cash paid Treas. North Chelmsford Fire Dist. as tax,	1818 75
Cash paid Treas. North Chelmsford Fire Dist. as interest,	1 55
Uncollected tax to new account,	392 26
Uncollected interest to new account.	5 88
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	\$2218 44

E. W. SWEETSER,
Collector.

Chelmsford, Dec. 31, 1917.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Tax of 1910

Tax on list of 1910 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	\$165 00
Interest on list of 1910 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	23 10
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	\$188 10
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as tax,	165 00
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as interest,	23 10
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	\$188 10

Tax of 1911

Tax on list of 1911 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	222 62
Interest on list of 1911 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	17 17
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	\$239 79
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as tax,	222 62
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as interest,	17 17
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	\$239 79

Tax of 1912

Tax on list of 1912 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	168 98
Interest on list of 1912 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	22 81
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	\$191 79

Cash entered on Treasurer's book as tax,	168 98
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as interest,	22 81

\$191 79

Tax of 1915

Tax on list of 1915 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	14894 56
Less abatements,	351 70

\$14542 86

Interest on list of 1915 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	1117 09
Moth tax on list of 1915 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	165 00
Interest accrued since Dec. 31, 1916,	282 35

\$16107 30

Cash entered on Treasurer's book as tax,	14542 86
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as interest,	1399 44
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as Moth tax,	165 00

\$16107 30

Tax of 1916

Tax on list of 1916 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	30198 79
Interest on list of 1916 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	452 98
Moth tax on list of 1916 uncollected Dec. 31, 1916,	429 91
Interest accrued since Dec. 31, 1916,	885 60

\$31967 28

Cash entered on Treasurer's book as tax,	20526 21
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as interest,	613 14
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as Moth tax,	282 35
Uncollected tax to new account,	9672 58
Uncollected interest to new account,	725 44
Uncollected Moth Tax to new account,	147 56

\$31967 28

Tax of 1917

Tax on list of 1917,	90037 61
Bay State St. Ry. Co. Excise Tax,	1953 89
Lowell & Fitchburg St. Ry. Co.	219 12
Moth Tax of 1917,	1003 08
Interest collected since Oct. 1, 1917,	30 96
Interest accrued since Oct. 1, 1917,	436 38

\$93681 04

Cash entered on Treasurer's book as tax,	60945 09
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as interest,	30 96
Cash entered on Treasurer's book as Moth tax,	588 32
Excise tax of Lowell & Fitchburg St. Ry. Co.	219 12
Uncollected tax to new account,	29092 52
Uncollected interest to new account,	436 38
Uncollected Moth tax to new account,	414 76
Uncollected Excise tax of Bay State St. Ry. Co.	1953 89
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	\$93681 04

Dec. 31 1917.

E. W. SWEETSER,
Collector.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

J. Roland Parkhurst has had charge of Forefathers and Pine Ridge cemeteries and has been the same efficient worker as in previous years. Forefathers Cemetery has received its usual care, the paths have been kept clean and the grass trimmed. There are 40 lots in perpetual care.

In Pine Ridge Cemetery 5 lots have been sold during the year, and two new ones have been graded. One lot has been placed under perpetual care, the only one in this cemetery at the present time.

Hart Pond Cemetery under the direction of A. H. Sargent is in very good condition. In the spring twenty-five Norway Maple trees were set out on the lower side, which added to the appearance of the cemetery.

Several lots have been reseeded, one lot sold, and several placed in perpetual care.

In the West Cemetery work has been well carried on by A. F. Whidden. The summer house has been repaired, some new lots have been graded, the walks trimmed, and the cemetery on the whole has a good appearance.

Riverside Cemetery in care of J. S. Wotton is in a good condition. Some of the lots have been graded, and nine new lots sold.

CHARLES F. SCRIBNER,
JAMES S. BYAM,
BAYARD C. DEAN.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Fred F. Meloy, contractor	\$6,071.64
H. H. Richardson, plumbing	3,092.42
Hobson & Lawler, plumbing	1,587.00
Adams & Co., furniture	1,243.86
Kenney Bros. & Walkins, supplies	2,340.69
Scientific Equipment Co., supplies	560.07
Arthur D. Little, supplies	132.00
Edwin R. Clark, architect	300.00
Wm. C. Hinkley, electrical	322.49
Chelmsford Water District, labor & supplies	316.55
Wm. Foley, plastering	1,233.93
Charles O. Robbins, janitor	295.00
N. Chelmsford Coal Co., coal	262.19
Walter J. Corbett, supplies	257.79
Paid for grading	392.58
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R., freight	52.57
Byron Lamphere, labor	36.50
A. P. Miner, labor	31.13
F. G. Pratt, painting	39.75
Swift & Libbey Co., supplies	10.00
Bartlett & Dow, 2 scoops	13.20
W. Boltze, supplies	31.35
Richardson, cleaning	18.00
James F. Mooney, roofer	50.20
	\$18,690.91

MOTH WORK

M. A. Bean, 192 days labor	\$527.00
Stanley Seeton, 151 1-2 days' labor	343.08
P. Harmon, 74 1-2 days' labor	167.16
Robert Shinkwin, 92 5-8 days' labor	208.61
L. E. Clark, 77 7-8 days' labor	175.03
Dimon Stirk, 47 5-8 days' labor	107.70
Geo. M. Wright, 41 1-4 days' labor	132.16
Earl O. Shepard, 56 1-8 days' labor	135.50
Walter Shepard, 51 days' labor	153.00
R. N. Scott, 47 1-2 days' labor	118.75

F. Russell, 24 1-3 days' labor	54.75	
John Walker, 40 2-3 days' labor	91.28	
L. Gaudette, 36 1-2 days' labor	89.04	
A. C. Perham, 16 days' labor	35.84	
Geo. Hand, 15 2-3 days' labor	35.28	
L. F. Harmon, 11 1-2 days' labor	27.44	
Charles Shinkwin, 9 1-2 days' labor	23.24	
James Hocking, 8 days' labor	16.00	
Joseph Fallon, 2 days' labor	5.50	
Isaac Knight, 2 days' labor	4.48	
E. H. Russell, 1 1-8 days' labor	2.52	
H. M. Beals, 15 days' labor	37.50	
H. G. Penniman, 21 days' labor	52.50	
E. J. Felton, 1 day's labor	2.50	
Leon H. Parker, teaming	123.00	
M. A. Bean, use of auto 83 days	83.00	
R. Shinkwin, use of horse	53.50	
F. Russell, use of auto 25 days	25.00	
James P. Emerson, teaming	18.00	
P. Harmon, use of auto 4 days	4.00	
H. G. Penniman, use of horse	1.50	
M. A. Bean, expenses	12.03	
Geo. M. Wright, supplies	18.00	
Gulf Refining Co., gasolene	31.25	
Charles O. Robbins, gasolene	11.34	
F. W. Santamour, repairs	6.80	
Adams Express Co.	3.31	
Brackett, Shaw & Lunt Co., repairs	1.18	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	.51	
A C. Perham, labor	28.30	
Moses C Wilson, team	3.38	
Ethel Wright, typewriting	1.50	
Parkhurst Press, printing	2.00	
Ervin E. Smith Co., supplies	2.50	
Chelmsford Garage, gasolene	1.20	
Pitts Auto Supply, supplies	.40	
E. T. Adams, supplies	1.75	
Courier Citizen, advertising	.50	
	<hr/>	\$2,983.81

HART POND CEMETERY

A. H. Sargent, labor	\$133 65	
J. B. Emerson, supplies	3 17	
	<hr/>	\$136 82

CARE AND IMPROVEMENT OF CEMETERIES

PINE RIDGE AND FOREFATHERS

J. R. Parkhurst, labor	\$258 92	
Sweetser & Day, supplies	3 60	
Ervin E. Smith Co., supplies	6 50	
G. W. Howe, labor	12 00	
Robin Hill Nursery, supplies	33 75	
Parkhurst Press, printing	24 25	
Samuel Felch, labor	11 25	
James S. Byam, secretary and labor	24 60	
	<hr/>	\$374 87

WEST CEMETERY

A. F. Whidden, labor	\$125 76	
Bayard C. Dean, water	8 00	
Edwards & Monahan, repairs	13 74	
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RIVERSIDE CEMETERY

North Chelmsford Fire District, water	\$15 00	\$15 00
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Total		\$674 19

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Care of Lots as follows—Forefathers and Pine Ridge.

Adams & Emerson	\$17 00
Coburn	6 00
Kimball	6 00
Shedd & Parkhurst	5 00
A. Day	4 00
Gardner Fletcher	4 00
B. Marshall	6 00
E. G. Smith	5 00
John Shedd	11 00
John C. Hobbs	6 00
David C. Perham	4 00
Charles Sweetser	3 00
E. & A. H. Richardson	6 00
E. P. Parker	4 00
H. & S. Parkhurst	5 00
Burt Emerson	5 00
Joseph W. Smith	4 00
Susan E. Brown	5 00
Hedges & Green	5 00

Jabez Stevens	4 00	
E. F. Webster	5 00	
W. A. Cheney	5 00	
Emily E. Reed	2 00	
Henry P. Davis	5 00	
Joseph Reed	5 00	
P. P. Perham	5 00	
S. Hazen	4 00	
G. P. Kittredge	2 00	
F. B. & E. F. Parker	3 00	
S. L. Dutton	4 00	
M. F. Hutchins	2 00	
J. M. Fletcher	3 00	
Samuel Andrews	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$165 00
Isaac & T. M. Adams	22 00	
N & S. Howard	3 00	
Paul Kittredge	2 00	
		27 00
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		\$192 00

HART POND CEMETERY

S. M. Hutchins	\$14 50	
Benjamin Spaulding	9 00	
Kendall Lot	8 00	
J. Blaisdell	8 00	
B. Fletcher	2 00	
George O. Byam	2 00	
John Byam	2 00	
Heywood Lot	6 00	
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WEST CEMETERY

A. G. Parkhurst	\$3 00	
George F. Snow	6 00	
Bussey Lot	3 00	
M. H. Winship	3 00	
Wm. H. Brown	3 00	
Frank Furlong	3 00	
J. H. Whidden	3 00	
Wm. H. Clark	3 00	
J. C. Butterfield	3 00	
A. W. Parkhurst	3 00	
Brown & Quist	6 00	

J. B. Longley	3 00	
John N. Perry	3 00	
Jaquith Winn & Kimball	3 00	
S. F. Wheeler	3 00	
S. Bowers	3 00	
		\$54 00

D. FRANK SMALL,
A. HEADY PARK,
JUSTIN L. MOORE,

Selectmen.

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

In making this, my last report as Tree Warden for the Town of Chelmsford, I wish to thank the Citizens of the Town for the courtesy that was always shown to me during my ten years of service.

It will be a pleasure to me to think of the many trees that I was able to place in the different parts of the town, also to think of the many high limbs that were made to trim the dead branches from the large Elms or to protect the trees from the various insects that live only to destroy.

May the work be carried on by my successor in the best possible manner. Although the amount of money appropriated by the Town for the work is very small, there can be a great deal of good accomplished.

There are many State Laws governing the shade trees, and those who have charge of them, so that the Tree Warden carry along the work under their restrictions.

Every Citizens should get acquainted with the Tree Warden for he is the man that can accomplish a great deal of good. The beauty of any city or town is greatly increased by the shade trees that dot the streets, parks, or road sides.

Once again, I thank you for the many pleasures I have had in the past, when acting as your Tree Warden.

Very truly yours,

M. A. BEAN.

AGGREGATE OF APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES 1917

ACCOUNTS	Appropriations and Receipts	Expenditures	Surplus	Deficit
Teaching	\$21,700 00	\$21,762 02	\$1,437 98	
Receipts	1,500 00			\$ 25 03
Superintendent	1,700 00	1,725 03		26 60
Text Books and Supplies	1,800 00	1,826 60		
Janitor Service	3,800 00	3,343 00		
Fuel	3,250 00	4,197 93	457 00	947 93
Miscellaneous	800 00	778 27		
Upkeep	1,500 00	1,958 82	21 73	458 82
Transportation	3,100 00	4,253 72		
Receipts	2,200 00		1,046 28	
Medical Inspection	250 00	251 28		1 28
Balance 1916, Transportation	700 00	700 00		
New Equipment.....		460 54		460 54
Highways.....	6,500 00			
Receipts	219 12	8,658 94		1,939 82
Support of Poor.. ..	3,500 00			
Receipts	2,056 32	6,062 17		505 85
Street Lighting	7,000 00	6,766 44	23 56	
Miscellaneous	3,000 00	3,023 03		23 03
Officers and Committees.....	5,000 00	6,179 80		1,179 80
Land Damages—Boston Road.....	2,000 00	628 50		
Meat Inspection.....	600 00	562 38	37 62	
Cattle Inspection.....	150 00	100 00	50 00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures.....	100 00			
Receipts	63 66	105 78	57 88	
Tree Warden.....	250 00	221 00	29 00	
Moth Department	1,832 45			
Receipts	1,209 39	2,983 91	57 93	
Public Parks	400 00	398 94	1 06	
Indigent Soldiers and Sailors.....	400 00	396 00	4 00	
State Aid—Receipts	819 00	910 00		91 00
Military Aid.....	25 00	24 00	1 00	

Industrial School	1,000 00				
Receipts	666 88	1,088 75		578 13	
Adams Library	1,200 00	1,200 00			
North Chelmsford Library	800 00	800 00			
Flag Pole North Village	500 00	500 00			
Land for Cemetery, North Village	800 00	740 00		60 00	
Flag at Centre	75 00	75 00			
Repairs of Public Buildings	500 00	402 11		97 89	
Chelmsford Water District	750 00	750 00			
Fire Escape, Old School Building	600 00	542 59		57 41	
Town History	1,500 00	1,500 00			
Loans and Interest	9,146 75	9,146 75			
Insurance Fund	200 00	200 00			
For Herman P. Grantz	167 00	167 00			
Care and Improvement of Cemeteries	800 00	674 19		125 81	
Trust Fund Receipts	297 50	297 50			
Memorial Day	125 00	124 69		31	
Treasurer's Bond	220 00	220 00			
New Safes	200 00	145 00		55 00	
New Auto Trucks	7,600 00	7,600 00			
Walk at Centre Town Hall	250 00	250 00			
Village Clock	30 00	30 00			
New High School	23,448 16	18,690 95		4,757 21	
Walk at New High School	400 00			400 00	
Net Surplus	\$127,319 76	\$123,622 94	\$9,356 52	\$9,356 52	\$5,659 70
		3,696 82			3,696 82
	\$127,319 76	\$127,319 76	\$9,356 52	\$9,356 52	\$9,356 52
Appropriations	\$118,570 39				\$123,622 94
Receipts	8,749 37				3,696 82
	\$127,319 76				\$127,319 76

D. FRANK SMALL, A. HEADY PARK, JUSTIN L. MOORE, Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The residents of the town are to be congratulated that no contagious or infectious disease, of any magnitude, has been visited upon them during the past year. This, I attribute in a great measure, to the good sanitary condition under which we are living and which is carefully scrutinized by two of our skilled physicians.

An article appears in the warrant for an appropriation of one hundred dollars for the purchase of land, near the center of the town, and also at or near the north part of the town, to be used for a public dump. I trust it will receive careful consideration.

The law relative to the production and dealing in milk has been enforced in so far as the Board of Health is concerned.

- To every owner of one or more cows, was sent a copy of the law and as a result fifty places were inspected and permits issued for the production of milk and fourteen permits issued for dealing in milk.

I solicit the hearty co-operation of all in order that the law may be enforced.

The Board of Health respectfully calls your attention to Section 1, Chapter 228, Laws of 1916

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any producer of milk or dealer in milk to sell or deliver for sale in any city or town in the commonwealth any milk produced or dealt in by him without first obtaining from the Board of Health or such city or town a permit authorizing such sale or delivery. Said boards of health are hereby authorized to issue such permits after an inspection, satisfactory to them, of the milk and of the place in which and of the circumstances under which such milk is produced and handled, has been made by them or by their authorized agent. Any permit so granted may contain

such reasonable conditions as said board may think suitable for protecting the public health and may be revoked for failure to comply with any of such conditions. No charge shall be made to the producer for said permit or for said inspection.

JUSTIN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Board of Health.

Chelmsford, Mass., Jan. 1st, 1918.

Board of Health,
Chelmsford, Mass.

Dear Sirs:—Herewith I respectfully submit the report for 1917, as Agent of precincts one and four: Chicken pox, many cases; diphtheria, seven; German measles, three; lobar-pneumonia, two; measles, 24; mumps, three, pertussis, several cases; scarlet fever, one; tuberculosis, four.

I believe this does not represent the real number of cases, as many of the milder diseases are not reported by parents, and such diseases as pneumonia and tuberculosis escape also.

ARTHUR G. SCOBORIA, M. D.

Board of Health,
Chelmsford, Mass.

Gentlemen:—As agent of the Board of Health for Precincts II and III, I have the following report:

Tuberculosis	6
Diphtheria.	6
Scarlet Fever.	6
Measles.	2
German Measles	2
Typhoid Fever.	1
Lobar Pneumonia	1

FRED E. VARNEY, M. D.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH DEPARTMENT

Chelmsford, Dec. 31st, 1917.

Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen—This report covers a period of two months, ending Dec. 31st, 1917.

Nov. 1st I began creosoting egg masses on street trees. The work was completed in the three villages Nov. 10th.

Back road trees I left until such time as I should be doing moth work for private property owners in close proximity, when the work might be done without making a special trip for the purpose. From Nov. 10th to Dec. 20th I cut and burned brush on about seven miles of roadside.

Next to spraying I consider this to be the most economical and efficient method of fighting the Gypsy Moth pest, along our highways.

It not only has a tendency to make the roadside trees immune from the attack of the moth, but beautifies the roads, and makes them safer for travel.

This work is being done in accordance with a plan laid out by Mr. F. W. Rowe, State Forester, and under his supervision.

The object is to cut and burn all trees and shrubs that are food for the newly hatched larvae, and leave those standing which are not food.

The heavy fall of snow compelled me to quit roadside thinning Dec. 19th, when I took up the work of creosoting on private property, which I have continued to date. Many of the orchards I find badly infested, and this condition, I believe, is directly traceable to the heavy rains during the last two spraying seasons.

I want to lay particular emphasis upon the importance of creosoting and spraying apple trees, as the apple leaf is perfect food for Gypsy Moth larvae at all stages. Every dollar spent this way is an investment to be realized in crops.

I shall be glad to co-operate with property owners in all ways to keep the pest under control, but the final extinction of the Gypsy Moth rests with the experiment laboratories:

By observation, I am led to believe, that the Brown-tail moth is practically extinct.

The credit for this welcome condition belongs to the State Forester's Department, and was brought about by introducing the fungus disease in badly infested districts.

Up to date, I have found but 28 Brown-tail nests, and these were evidently infected, as they were not in a healthy condition. I have sent them to the Bureau of Entomology Experiment Laboratory for examination.

Creosote may be obtained free by applying to this department.

Watch your currant bushes for indications of Pine tree blister rust, and when found, notify this department, at once.

WALTER SHEPARD,
Superintendent of Moth Work.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH:—

During the year ending December 31, 1917, the following number of animals have been slaughtered by the licensed butchers and inspected by me, together with those slaughtered by the owners thereof upon their own premises.

Inspected: 219 cattle, 679 calve, 863 hogs.

Condemned: 3 cattle, 21 calves, 9 hogs.

About one thousand pounds of meat in small quantities have been condemned for various reasons. All inspection have been reported to the State authorities as required.

There has been a 45% decrease in the number of hogs during 1917, over the year previous probably due to the increase cost of feed.

A. C. PERHAM,
Inspector.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

January 23, 1918.

SELECTMEN OF CHELMSFORD,

To The Honorable Board, Greetings :

The Fire Engineers wish to submit the following report :
The Centre Fire Dept. has responded to eighteen alarms during the past year, all but two were chimney fires.

We wish to call the attention of the residents of the town to see that their chimneys are clean and in good order as there will be a lot of wood burned, a large share of it being green. All fires in the town should be reported to the engineers so they can report to the State Police in accordance with the state fire laws.

No person shall keep store, manufacture or sell explosives in a building or other structure without obtaining a license from the Selectmen and a permit from the Chief of the State Police or the Fire Engineers of the town.

ARTHUR W. HOUSE,
ARNOLD C. PERHAM,
CLARENCE G. NICKLES,
Fire Engineers

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Total expense—labor and apparatus.	\$91.00
Received in fees.	63.66
Total tests made.	11.38

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. AIKEN,
Sealer.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
OF CHELMSFORD, MASS.

For the School Year Ending December 31,

1917

1917

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

STEWART MACKAY, Chairman and Financial Secretary,				
				Term expires 1919
WILLIAM H. HALL, Secretary	-	-	"	" 1918
ULYSSES J. LUPIEN, Purchasing Agent			"	" 1920

Superintendent of Schools

WALTER K. PUTNEY,	-	Residence, Chelmsford Centre
Office Hours of Superintendent — Only when schools are in session		
At Princeton Street School, North Chelmsford	}	Mondays 4-6 P.M.
		Thurs. 12M-2 P.M.
At High School, Chelmsford Centre, Daily	}	8.15-9.15 A. M. 3-4 P. M.
		(except Monday & Friday)

School Physicians

ARTHUR G. SCOBORIA, M. D.,	Chelmsford Centre
FRED E. VARNEY, M. D.,	North Chelmsford

Attendance Officers

EDWARD FALLON	-	-	North Chelmsford
WALTER E. VICKERY	-	-	Chelmsford Centre

SCHOOL CALENDAR

GRADED SCHOOLS

WINTER TERM 1918—11 WEEKS
 Opens January 7 Closes March 22
 Vacation—1 week

SPRING TERM 1918 — 11 WEEKS
 Opens April 1 Closes June 14
 Vacation—12 weeks

FALL TERM 1918 — 15 WEEKS
 Opens September 9 Closes December 20
 Vacation—1 week

WINTER TERM 1919 — Opens December 30, 1918

HIGH SCHOOL

WINTER TERM 1918—13 WEEKS
 Opens January 2 Closes March 28

SPRING TERM 1918 — 13 WEEKS
 Opens April 17 Close June 28

FALL TERM 1918 — 15 WEEKS
 Opens September 9 Closes December 20

WINTER TERM 1919 — Opens December 30, 1918

HOLIDAYS: Jan. 1, Feb. 22, April 19, May 30, Sept. 2, Oct. 12, Nov. 28, 29

“No SCHOOL” Signal at 7.45 A. M. calls for no session during the day, and consists of six blows repeated twice, thus I-I-I-I-I—I-I-I-I-I—I-I-I-I-I

Report of School Committee

To the People of Chelmsford:

We submit, herewith, our report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1917.

This year has marked the beginning of a new epoch in the history of the school system of the town. This important change in the operation of the system has been due to two reasons:—First, the consolidation of the two High Schools, and, second, the use of the automobile trucks for the transportation of school children.

The new High School system is by no means perfected. It is just in its infancy, yet we feel that the situation has been very ably handled by Superintendent Walter K. Putney, together with the assistance and co-operation of the entire corps of High School teachers. In this connection, we wish to thank the parents and pupils themselves for the hearty support and forbearance that they have shown.

In preparing the curriculum, our chief objective has been to make all courses as broad as possible, in order to lay a foundation for a good, broad, fundamental training, and hope that a few years will emphasize the fact that we made a proper choice.

The problem of automobile transportation has been passing through an experimental period for the past four months, during which time, we consider, it has received a good, sound test. The data obtained during this time affords a very good basis for comparison with other methods. Before going into detail in this comparison, it seems appropriate to give a brief outline of the case.

The trucks were purchased, primarily, to support those High School pupils who would have attended the North High School. It has been found possible to do away with the South Row routes, the car transportation to the Westlands, and in addition, to transport grade children one way on the Groton and Tyngsboro roads.

The Committee has tried to safeguard the children's in-

terests by making provision for two High School teachers to ride in each truck, thereby taking all the responsibility for conduct and order from the drivers.

It has also been considered good judgment to have drivers do all of our light repairing about the buildings during their spare time, and from records that have been kept, it is safe to estimate that each driver spends on the average about 12 1/2 hours per week on work that is in addition to driving. This, if extended over a period of 40 weeks, would mean a saving of at least \$300.

For the sake of a financial comparison we submit the following items that have been taken over by the trucks:

North and West High School pupils by		
Bay State Ry.	\$3,840	00
West High School pupils by Lowell and		
Fitchburg Ry.	125	00
Westlands (street car fares)	228	00
North Chelmsford Grade pupils (1 way)	198	00
South Row routes	1,140	00
Total	—————	\$5,531 00

From the data available, the estimated cost of operation of the trucks for the coming year is as follows:

Gasoline	\$785	00
Insurance	125	00
Drivers	1,600	00
Repairs	400	00
Tires	320	00
Totals	—————	\$3,230 00

This shows a saving of \$2,301.00. It seems, from the above comparison, that it will be to the advantage of the town to purchase another truck in the near future, thereby eliminating all other routes and giving better service.

The Committee has instituted certain changes that have seemed beneficial, viz.:

1. The payment of employees in ten equal instalments.
2. Centralization of supplies.
3. Making all purchases through the Purchasing Agent, and arranging for purchase in wholesale lots wherever possible.
4. No school signal.

Under "No School Signal" it is necessary to state that provision has been made in all parts of the town, except at the Center. At the latter place the Fire Commissioners were opposed to using the church bell, and until the matter can be adjusted, it is impossible to make further provision.

5. The purchasing of sufficient fuel to carry through the entire school year.

In this connection it must be stated that it was necessary to purchase fuel to the amount of \$1,890.00 for the period from January 1, to June 15, 1917.

This means that it is more advantageous to contract for coal in the Spring, for the entire year, rather than to contract for a sufficient supply to last only until January 1st.

We feel that the supply already contracted for last April will be ample to last until June.

6. The fixing of a maximum and a minimum salary for teachers, and a scale of increases between these two limits.

We had practically arrived at a decision to establish a definite program for the repairing of buildings. Under the circumstances, however, we have refrained from asking for the amount necessary to put them in proper shape.

It seems our duty, however, to call attention to the poor condition of repair, especially in so far as interior and exterior painting are concerned.

In closing, we wish to express our appreciation for the hearty co-operation and apparent good-will expressed by all with whom we have come in contact.

Whereas it is to be admitted that it is impossible to please everybody, yet we have been governed in all of our decisions by the idea of doing what was best for the good of the majority and trying to keep foremost the principle that every effort is in behalf of the children who are destined to become our future citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

STEWART MacKAY,
WILLIAM H. HALL,
U. J. LUPIEN.

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Chelmsford:

I herewith submit my first report as Superintendent of the Chelmsford schools.

I have been very much pleased with the spirit shown by the teachers of Chelmsford in their work during this fall term. Several teachers' meetings have been held and certain phases of the work have been discussed. Very few adverse criticisms have been required and I would commend the efforts of our teachers in trying to build up and standardize the grades.

I would commend especially some of our older teachers who have put their best efforts into the work without selfish thought of the time element. It might be well if a few other teachers copied this rule of labor, for I have noticed in individual cases, where teachers have seemed to count the minutes when they could leave the building and have been in their rooms "just" on time in the morning. It is a rule that every teacher must be in her place fifteen minutes before school opens in the morning, and she must stay for consultation at least fifteen minutes after the close of the afternoon session. Our best workers are in their rooms from three to four times as long as the mere rule requires.

This also brings up the point of tenure of office. Many superintendents claim, and with good reason, that the law regarding tenure of office works out badly in many cases. They think that a teacher of very ordinary ability, or a teacher whose ability is questionable, is working to stay three years in a place so that she may be assured of her position. I trust that none of the Chelmsford teachers will ever work with such an idea in mind. I trust that as we progress, we may all of us work for the ultimate good of the children of Chelmsford and not for ourselves. Let us not, as teachers, discuss and criticize phases of work unless we have full facts before us; especially, let us not discuss the shortcomings of pupils before other pupils; rather, let us show a spirit of encouraging the backward and ill-behaved boy or girl, so that he or she may do better work and feel the desire to do so.

In a like manner, teachers should not take it upon themselves to hold "indignation meetings" with themselves or with parents when their own special desires are not promptly realized. There are always reasons for delay and the whole must supersede the individual. The need of the town in other words, comes first and it is the teacher's place to come to headquarters, if it is absolutely necessary that she know the reasons, and then not gossip. I mention this because there have been several instances brought to my attention this fall, where parents have been justly alarmed at conditions, receiving reports from children who have overheard a conversation between two teachers, or who had been obliged to listen to the "sputtering" of a disgruntled worker.

Changes in the Teaching Force.

In September, two new teachers took up their work in the High School. Miss Janet D. Currie took charge of the history department, and Miss Winifred F. Jewell came as assistant in the science work. Early in the fall, Miss Robinson resigned to accept a position in Pittsfield, and Miss Constance M. Tenney of Arms Academy, Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, was appointed to take the work of the business department. Just as the fiscal year ended, Miss Coles received an appointment in Wakefield and Miss Anna G. Costello, of Yarmouth High School, has been appointed to succeed her.

At the Princeton Street School, Miss Howarth was transferred from West Chelmsford, to succeed Miss Roark. At West Chelmsford Miss Genevieve Callahan succeeded Miss Howarth, and Miss Helen M. Pierce gave us exceptionally fine service during the fall term as substitute for Miss Dunn who had been granted leave of absence. At South Chelmsford, Miss Elizabeth C. Stone, a graduate of Fitchburg Normal School, was chosen to take Miss Jenkyn's work. At the East School, Miss French resigned three days before school opened in the fall, and Miss Mildred E. Wing succeeded her.

Because of the large numbers in the various grades of the Center Grammar School, it was found necessary to add two teachers, making a total of eight. Grade V and VI were separated, and Grade VIII now has two in charge, this latter arrangement enabling Miss McFarlin to better assume some of the duties required of a principal. Miss Hazel Knowlton was transferred from Golden Cove to Grade I, Miss Reid was given Grade II and half of Grade III; Mrs. Godfrey has had charge of the other half of Grade III and Grade IV and

Miss Hazel M. Stevens was made assistant in Grade VIII. Miss Marion E. Kimball succeeded Miss Wentworth in Grade VII and early in the year Miss Nellie D. Horner had succeeded Miss Ladd in the sixth grade. In October, Miss Knowlton resigned to accept position in Porto Rico, and Miss Eva M. Large was transferred from Golden Cove to take her place.

At Golden Cove, Miss Alice M. Flynn, who had been teaching at South Row replaced Miss Large, and Miss Ethel Peterson, a graduate of Framingham Normal School, was given the South Row School.

Centralization of Work.

From the viewpoint of the teacher and of efficiency, centralization of work is the best. I can understand how a parent dislikes to have her small child away from home from morning until night and yet this argument cannot hold in nine out of ten cases inasmuch as the children of the outside schools usually carry their dinners anyway.

Today we have the most modern and up-to-date method of transportation in the auto trucks which carry the children from the Westlands, East and South Row districts. These trucks spend a minimum amount of time on the road; they give the best possible protection during inclement weather; and they are very comfortable. I wish that the town could afford another such truck for each of the other routes but of course that is impossible under present financial conditions.

Crowded Conditions.

At East Chelmsford, the primary room is very much overcrowded. At any other time I should ask for an assistant to Miss Wing; but under present market conditions, a good assistant can hardly be found and a poor one would hinder the work and handicap the teacher to a greater degree than she is at present. It is very doubtful if we could find a teacher who would be willing to go in as assistant inasmuch as the demand for teachers is such that a hundred positions for regular work are now open within thirty miles of Chelmsford and superintendents cannot get candidates. I advise continuing as we are for the remainder of this year, and next September, if conditions are not improved, I shall recommend transporting Grades VII and VIII to the Center and regrading the school so as to have only two grades in the primary room.

At the Center School there is congestion in three rooms

and yet there is little relief to be had until the time comes to have each grade in a room by itself and place the Golden Cove pupils in a building of their own. For the present, we may be able to combine grades in such a way as to give temporary relief, although every room will have its full quota of pupils.

Only one room at Princeton Street School is overcrowded and I have asked for another teacher to relieve Miss Jantzen of Grade IV. We do not need to worry about housing the pupils of this school, for we shall still have one more room that can be opened when the proper time comes.

At Golden Cove we have a problem that, at the present time, cannot be solved definitely. This section of the town is growing rapidly, and with that growth comes an influx of pupils of various ages. The little school is already taxed to its full capacity with only four grades there. In two or three years we shall have the problem of housing all of the children of the Westlands and I look to see a new building needed, not later than September, 1920, with accommodations for at least a hundred pupils.

Combinations of Classes.

Oftentimes we hear the argument offered, "Combine classes and do without an extra teacher."

That is a very good argument only when classes can be combined in such a manner as to still maintain the standard of efficiency, and when such combinations can be made in like grades. For example, we might combine Grades III, IV and V, by placing half of Grade IV in each of the rooms having the other two grades, and thus save the expense of a teacher. But, if we had a small number of pupils in Grade VII and an extra large number in Grade III, we could not expect even passable work from the teacher who attempted to teach half of Grade III and her 8th grade. At the present time we are combining grades in every building in town and I see no way of transferring classes, with possibly one exception, so as to relieve a congested condition.

On the other hand we do have a condition at South Row that calls for considerable thought. In the fall, the parents of South Row district met the School Committee and protested against closing the school. We were assured that the number of pupils would be sufficient to warrant keeping that school in session. To relieve the fifth grade at the Center School, we placed Grade V pupils back in the South Row School, and a total enrolment of twenty-four was registered.

Late in the fall, several left the locality, moving out of

town, so that at the present time we have only 16 pupils here. The outlook is for a very small entering class, and even if we keep Grade V at South Row, I doubt if there are more than twelve pupils to attend in the fall. Therefore, I shall recommend, unless conditions are greatly improved, that the children be transported to the Center School and the South Row School be closed.

School Attendance.

I wish to emphasize the necessity of good attendance in our schools. Continued absence handicaps the work of the individual pupil, the school as a whole and the teacher. I would commend those rooms that had a percentage of more than 90 for a full year, unless an epidemic of contagious disease has occurred. I am urging the teachers to be more prompt in reporting absences to the attendance officers and I shall urge the attendance officers to demand the presence of pupils in school, using the limit of their power if necessary.

I wish to caution the parents, in a fair and friendly way, not to allow pupils to remain at home to do chores, errands, etc., when those pupils are within the age limits of compulsory attendance. The attendance officer is authorized by law to take such children to school wherever he finds them, and he is also authorized to summon the parents to court for failure to comply with the law. We do not wish to be autocratic but we do intend to see that the children attend school more regularly, in certain individual cases.

The High School.

Appended to Mr. Merrill's report is a classification of work, showing the Courses of Study as laid out for pupils. An exhaustive examination has been made of the needs of the pupils of the school and we have made certain exceptions to the general rule that pupils shall not combine two or more courses. As soon as the present subject difficulties are straightened out, we shall insist upon the maintenance of course work and shall encourage the pupils in every possible way to maintain a high standard.

Encouragement means several things—first, it means that the pupil should come to us with some purpose in mind, of working for something that is in life and not merely within the four walls of a school building. It means that every teacher shall do her best to make the pupil have a liking for his work in her subject. Too many teachers of today take

things for granted and are lacking in that power of getting work **from** pupils, although they may know their subjects and be able to give their own knowledge. Our object is, not to push forward the brilliant pupil, but to see that the every-day boy or girl gets a "square deal." Therefore, I shall deem it a favor if parents will report to me any lack of encouragement on the part of a teacher and especially any discouragement that may come through sarcastic treatment, neglect or favoritism. Again, encouragement means that the boy or girl shall feel the influence of the positive rather than the negative. By that I mean that we are aiming to have the pupil trained in those subjects that will be most helpful and we expect that the parents will encourage their children to solve the most difficult problems with the right spirit and shall say "YOU CAN" rather than "See if you CAN'T." If you, parents, do not make your boy or girl a worker in everything, he will certainly be a shirker in something. There are subjects that you or I may not see "any sense" in under present day conditions, but there is a disciplinary phase of the work that will do the boy or girl a world of good. Therefore, "stand pat" and encourage that boy of yours to do his work well and do it every day.

In his report Mr. Merrill has set forth the work done in the various courses. I should like to call especial attention to what he has said about the business course and second his appeal for another teacher in that department.

I would commend the work that Mr. Merrill has done in getting the High School well started this year. I would commend the teachers who have assisted him so well and who have proved faithful in their work. Lastly, I would commend the fine spirit of the pupils. Seldom will one find the equal of what we have noticed among the pupils of the Chelmsford High School, when, called upon to make the new venture a decided success, they have responded nobly. They have gone at their work with a spirit that proves WORTH. They have helped us as we have tried to help them and have accepted our efforts in their behalf with a spirit of trust. Yet, behind it all, is the attitude of their parents, and I wish here to thank you, parents, for your loyal support in making our school what it has become—an institution of good, solid, helpful work.

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. WALTER K. PUTNEY,
Supt. of Schools.

Dear Sir:

But one term of the year has passed when it becomes my duty to present the first annual report of the Chelmsford High School, in which the North High and the Center High are consolidated. While much is still to be done in the way of organization and the full round of a year's work must pass before all problems may be solved or even be clearly presented for solution, yet we feel justified in reporting the merger of the two schools in one institution as already successfully accomplished. The fine spirit and response of the pupils in adapting themselves to the more formal conditions and practices necessary in a school twice as large as that to which they have been accustomed has aided the faculty greatly in bringing about a smooth and simple routine in the day's work.

The plan of the building and furnishings has contributed much to this result, but we miss sorely an assembly hall and the opportunity it would give us to bring the entire school together seated. At present we can only assemble standing in the long corridors, in a formation lacking very much in the spirit and inspiration which should be gained in a meeting of the school as a whole. Choral singing, which has been one of the most enjoyable and socially profitable activities of the schools in the past is sadly hampered by the necessity of dividing the school into two groups for instruction. The only solution of this difficulty seems to be to be a plan for assembling the school in the Town Hall for singing, the details of which I do not think it would be hard to work out. In this connection I would also urge the pressing need of a piano in the school equipment.

The Course of Study has proved to be well adapted to the interests of the pupils and their parents' wishes. In the Commercial Course the change of textbook in Bookkeeping and to the Pitmanic System in Stenography has already proved beneficial. Harder and more thorough work is being done in laying the foundations of success. With the present equipment of typewriters, too large a proportion (one half) of

our Commercial teacher's time must be devoted to instruction of the beginning class in Typewriting. This forces us to call upon other teachers, not specially prepared, to instruct in some commercial subjects. The demand for instruction in Typewriting will be greater next year. At least fifty pupils must be instructed and more typewriters are needed to carry out the special Commercial work which calls for a minimum of nine periods a day and for the best results would take all the time of two teachers. Departmental assignment to teachers of the courses of instruction has been established for most of the subjects and might be complete if the Commercial work were fully provided for. At present five teachers are instructing solely in their special subjects. Two, while doing most of their work in their specialties, are also assisting in other departments. That the Commercial Course needs its due share of the department work of teachers may be seen in the figures, showing Courses elected. Of the one hundred sixty-one pupils enrolled, sixty-one elected the Commercial Course and forty-three the General Course, many of these asking for some commercial subjects. Forty elected the Classical Course and seventeen the Scientific Course.

Excellent school spirit among the pupils has been evident from the first day of the term. This has manifested itself particularly in response to calls for patriotic service. On the first call, a Liberty Bond was bought for the school by general subscription. Then a hearty and liberal contribution to the Red Triangle funds was promptly made. On the third call, High School teams canvassed the town thoroughly for the Red Cross, securing more than seven hundred new members. Another bond, purchased with class funds last year, has been given to the Camp Library Association, and, under the leadership of the High School pupils, a third was purchased by the school children of the town.

An Athletic Association, with membership including the entire school, has been formed, and, while ambitious dreams for the future are being enjoyed, immediate interest and enthusiasm are centered in the coming baseball season, when the Chelmsford High School will be represented by a team that will bring credit to school and town and initiate those organized outdoor activities which will contribute to the moral and physical development of all pupils. The success of the team this first season will depend much upon the hearty encouragement and liberal support of friends and especially upon the early preparation of the diamond on the school grounds.

At the opening of the school in September about fifteen boys and girls who were looked for did not enroll, most of them having gone to work. Five, being non-resident or having changed residence, entered other schools. Of the one hundred and sixty-one pupils enrolled nine have left to go to work, two on account of health, and three to enter other schools, having changed residence. The application and attendance of pupils has been good, but would be much better if absence were never for other than good reason. Casual opportunities to work, frequently very tempting in these times of unusual wages for inexperienced labor, are too often the cause of absence and even of leaving school. It is certainly for the public interest that all pupils able to profit by high school instruction should continue at their studies, and rarely is it of more than present advantage to the individual boy or girl to go out into the unskilled labor of the world at high school age.

While some pupils lost valuable time through absence, many are taking advantage of the opportunity for quiet study and personal assistance of teachers offered by the system of afternoon sessions established. The school remains open continuously every day until 4.20 o'clock, when the last barge leaves for North Chelmsford. On the first four days of the week two teachers are in attendance each day by regular assignment and meet pupils for individual help as needed. Other teachers are present frequently by agreement, so that on any school day but Friday one can find three or four teachers present during the afternoon. There is offered through this practice an excellent opportunity for parents to meet and consult teachers without interrupting school periods and we hope great advantage will be taken of the system. The principal is present every afternoon until all pupils have gone. While it is hoped that parents will call frequently in the afternoon for consultations, visits during the morning session are especially desired. No day should pass without a single visitor. It will be of great benefit to all, teachers and pupils, to become accustomed to doing their work without hesitation or interruption in the presence of interested visitors, and in no better way can the citizens and parents become really acquainted with the work done by the school, and with its purposes and needs. There is always some one in attendance at the office who will direct visitors to the particular recitations in which they may be interested or to the teachers whom they wish to see.

The service of the school barges has been unusually regular, prompt, and efficient, and the presence of teachers, required on every trip, eliminates all possibility of trouble from

disorder of any kind. The opportunity the barges give to stay over until the last trip, or, going home after school, to return for an hour in the afternoon, is one enjoyed under no other transportation service that I know of. Parents from North or West desiring to consult the teachers about their children's interests would find it very convenient to take the barge leaving the Princeton Street School at 3 o'clock and returning at 4.20 o'clock.

A provision for the health and comfort of the pupils which has been very greatly appreciated is the lunch room service. Under the skillful management of Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Hemenway the pupils have enjoyed warm lunches including soups, warm drinks, sandwiches, cookies, and other healthful and tasty items of a carefully selected menu. Their comfort would be much increased while enjoying these lunches if suitable tables and seats were provided in sufficient number, in lunch and locker rooms, so that over-crowding and scrambling for seats might be entirely avoided.

Before closing may I urge in a few sentences the formation of one Chelmsford High School Alumni Association before the close of the school year. The interest and co-operation of such an association would be a valuable asset in the life of the School. Long before our present Seniors reach their day of graduation they will want to be assured that there is such an organization to welcome them, an organization which none must enter as strangers and in which all their old school friends will be found.

Closing, I would express, as heartily as I can, my thanks to all teachers who have faithfully assisted in solving our new problems, to yourself for advice and assistance always ready at hand, and to the School Committee for patient consideration and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

EVAN W. D. MERRILL,

Principal.

AN UNUSUAL HONOR.

An unusual honor came to Chelmsford during the school year, when Edwin C. Byam, of the Class of 1916, was given the first scholarship to be awarded under the provision of the Professor Augustus Howe Buck Educational Fund, of Boston University. The purpose of this scholarship is "to enable young men of unusual promise to receive a very much more thorough education than they could otherwise obtain." To this young man it means a full four year regular course, three years of post-graduate professional work, and two years of study abroad.

Is not any principal justly proud of such a graduate?

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

The reports of the School Physicians give a detailed account of what has been done this past year. The most important move has been the request made of the parents to fully comply with the law regarding vaccination. The State Board of Health issued a demand for a full compliance with the law, and the pupils were requested to show satisfactory evidence that they had been vaccinated, to be vaccinated or to bring certificates allowable under the law, showing that they were not fit subjects for vaccination. Very little objection was found and only a very few questionable cases arose. Sometimes certificates are obtained for the very evident purpose of evading the law and when such is the case it is on the conscience of the parent. But, I wonder if the parent realizes the poor example he is setting for his child to follow? If a child sees a parent evade a law, can that parent censure the child if the latter at some time evades the law in something else? It is nothing to us, officially, and we are obliged to accept any certificate presented, except where such certificate is "absurd of its face," as the Attorney General's office expresses it. Then there is nothing for us to do but to send that certificate to higher authorities for judgment.

REPORTS OF SCHOOL PHYSICIANS.

Chelmsford, Mass., January 1, 1918.

Mr. Walter K. Putney,
Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:

Medical inspection of the schools of precincts 1 and 4, showed a very good condition indeed of the health of the children. There were several cases of enlarged tonsils, adenoids, impetigo, tinea, pediculosis, pertussis and varicella. Vaccination, ordered by the State Board of Health, was given proper attention and 97 children were vaccinated by me. I would recommend that no child shall be admitted at the opening of school unvaccinated or without proper certificate. It is pleasing indeed to see how readily the parents accept any measure that tends to promote the welfare of their children.

Very respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR G. SCOBORIA, M. D.

North Chelmsford, Mass., January 1, 1918.

Mr. Walter K. Putney,
Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:

I respectfully submit the following report of my annual inspection of schools in Precincts II and III, made during the months of September and October. The whole number inspected was 465. The following cases were found:

Diseased teeth, 100; pediculosis, 33; defective nasal breathing, 39; enlarged tonsils, 40; anemia, 6; condition sub-normal, 31; adenitis, 29; mental deficiency, 14; impetigo, 4; heart lesion, 1; diphtheria, 1.

During the whole year, pupils are constantly referred to the school physician for inspection. When necessary, he acts in conjunction with the Board of Health to prevent the spread of contagious disease. Health cards must be issued to every pupil before employment can be obtained.

Yours respectfully,

FRED E. VARNEY, M. D.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.

Miss Adams gives us but three days a week and those are very busy days indeed. I think that her work has been conservative and thorough, and the teachers appreciate the results they are able to obtain under her supervision. We hope to hear more about the new high school orchestra, mentioned in Miss Adams' report, and enjoy some of their work.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

Mr. Walter K. Putney,
Superintendent of Schools, Chelmsford, Mass.

Dear Sir :

I respectfully submit the following brief report of music in the Chelmsford schools.

New ideas and devices are constantly being studied and used, though the general plan of the work has changed but little from that of last year.

One important phase of public school music is sight singing, enabling the pupils to read music easily at sight. In the low grades, much is gained along this line by individual work. The introduction of "Baldwin's Progressive Melodies" has improved the reading.

In the High School, it is necessary to have two choruses, no room being large enough to seat the entire school. I alternate, taking one chorus each week. Thus, fortunately, the pupils have music but every other week.

A High School Orchestra has been organized. It is doing splendid work. The time taken for this is wholly outside of school.

I thank all who have helped to make my work a success.

Very respectfully,

M. MARION ADAMS,
Supervisor of Music.

Miss Atwood's report, in which she gives us a little idea of present day aims in her department of work, is very interesting and show the value we are getting for our expenditure in drawing. I have watched her work with interest to see the introduction of much practical work in the grades and High School, and I know that the pupils are taking a far greater interest in this subject.

REPORT OF THE DRAWING SUPERVISOR.

Mr. Walter K. Putney,
Superintendent of Schools,
Chelmsford, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir :

Everybody in America should know a great deal about industrial art, for America is a great industrial nation and it is of the highest importance that the things made here should be as beautiful and as worthy as the things made in any other country in the world.

Therefore, an effort is being made to reorganize courses in drawing all over the United States, and to start children with the correct training to make an intelligent demand for better goods from our shops and factories; or, if their talent and training place them in a position to create, to lead the public taste above the common manufactured product so often found in our shops. Our aim in the drawing course is to help the child appreciate the beautiful in every-day life. Commercial art is what we make it, and if the demand still comes for ugly furnishings, they will continue to be manufactured.

Most grades are visited once a week, but some can be visited only once in two weeks. Two days are spent at the High School where the drawing course is required of the Freshmen and elective in the upper classes. The same general course is followed in all grades. Nature drawing, in connection with color theory and design, construction and applied design, object drawing, perspective picture study and composition, and simple working drawings are made in the upper grades.

I wish to thank the committee, superintendent and teachers for their help during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSIE ATWOOD,
Drawing Supervisor.

OUR NEEDS.

I hesitate about recommending too many things which would rightly come under this caption. There are, however, a few needs that I should like to emphasize.

First, the High School is greatly in need of apparatus and equipment for carrying out the scientific courses. Thanks to the wise choice of the ones who bought the furniture for the new high school, we have two exceptionally good laboratories fitted with tables, sinks, hoods, etc.; but when we came to look over the old apparatus and equipment of the high schools at the North and Center, we found that we were sadly lacking in material. Our teachers have shown good spirit in the way they have handled classes thus handicapped and I commend them for their work; but if we are to get the most out of the teachers, we must give them the materials with which to work.

During normal times, I should recommend painting the walls and kalsomining the ceilings of every room in the Princeton School and Center Grammar building and also certain other rooms as we could afford.

I should also recommend, in normal times, the replacing of all curtains in two or three of the schools. This is not the time, however, with all the expense this town must face, to do anything that is not absolutely necessary, and so I shall recommend only the purchase of about a dozen curtains for rooms where the sun beats in and actually injures the eyes. This means that we must sacrifice looks for comfort, at this time, and therefore I trust that any that who have noted the condition in certain buildings, will bear with us in this matter and remember that we shall do our best this year on a "minimum repair" basis, and then when the proper time comes, I shall ask that we have these things done.

I should also recommend that outside painting be done only to such buildings as are being actually injured by lack of paint.

At the Princeton Street school, I should recommend that a walk be constructed between the rear entrances of the two

buildings. As conditions are at present, the children are obliged to go into the old high school basement for the use of toilets, and the mud between the two buildings is often above the shoe-tops,—a condition which I am sure can be remedied by constructing a walk approximately sixty feet long and six feet in width.

If we are to keep open the South Row School, I should recommend that the toilets be replaced so that the pupils will not be obliged to go out of doors to get to them. This ought not to cost but very little and the expenditure would mean a great improvement in sanitary conditions there. At this school, also, there is great need of a new stove, a new teacher's desk, new blinds, and a few adjustable seats and desks for pupils.

At the East School, the chief need is that of fixing the water supply so that it can be depended upon. At present, it is almost impossible to get an adequate supply of water, according to the report of teachers and janitor. The pump has been repaired several times, but I should recommend that this be replaced by some system that will give satisfaction.

An Invitation.

I wish to urge parents and friends of the schools to make frequent visits and learn of the good work that the children of Chelmsford are doing. You little realize how much good is done to the pupils themselves by such visits. Children always like to know of your personal interest; they feel encouraged to take hold and work much harder after you go; teachers like to be encouraged, also, and they are always appreciative of any advice regarding individual pupils, as that advice comes from the parents; as superintendent, I can see direct results from both teachers and pupils after parents have visited school and come into touch with the work.

Conclusion.

In concluding my report, I wish to thank all for the generous support accorded to me during this first six months that I have been here. I have appreciated that support and shall endeavor to put forth my best efforts to continuing the work in the Chelmsford schools toward the highest possible plane.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER K. PUTNEY,
Superintendent of Schools.

CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL — Courses of Study

COLLEGE PREPARATORY

CLASSICAL	SCIENTIFIC	COMMERCIAL	GENERAL (NORMAL)
FIRST YEAR		FIRST YEAR	
Unit Value	Unit Value	Unit Value	Unit Value
ENGLISH A	1	ENGLISH A	1
LATIN A	1	ELEMENTARY SCIENCE	1
ALGEBRA	1	INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS	1
ELEMENTARY SCIENCE	1	Community Civics	1
Latin A	1	Algebra	1
Community Civics	1	Latin A	1
FREEHAND or MECHANICAL DRAWING ½	½	FREEHAND or MECHANICAL DRAWING ½	½
		SECOND YEAR	
ENGLISH B	1	ENGLISH B	1
LATIN B	1	TYPEWRITING A	½
PLANE GEOMETRY	1	BOOKKEEPING A	1
History (Ancient and Medieval)	1	Biology	1
French A or German A	1	French A or German A	1
Mechanical Drawing	½	Geometry	1
History (Ancient and Medieval)	1	History (Ancient and Medieval)	1
Latin B	1	Freehand or Mechanical Drawing	½

In June, each parent of eighth grade and high school pupils, receives a list of the courses of study, together with the following explanation :

With the Parent or Guardian please examine the Courses of Study of the Chelmsford High School and, keeping it for future reference, kindly fill out and return to the Principal as soon as may be convenient the attached form stating the course and the elective studies it is desired that the pupil should pursue during the coming year. Prompt compliance with the request will assist greatly in the organization of classes.

The Principal would be very glad to receive any communications or inquiries as to the choice of course and electives, and to make appointments for consultations before the opening of school.

Principal of the Chelmsford High School,

I wish.....to take the.....
(Pupil's Name)

Course this year with the following electives:.....

.....

Signed
Parent or Guardian

GRADUATION EXERCISES, CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOLS.

Centre High School

Class of 1917 Motto: "Impossible is neither Democratic nor Christian."

Class Colors: Red, White and Blue.

Class Flower: Golden Rod.

Program

Grand March Gray's Orchestra
 Prayer Rev. E. A. Robinson
 Songs—a, Gypsy Song; b, Over the Meadows, High School
 Glee Club

Salutatory Essay, "Obstacles as Pedestals",.....
 Earl Russell Richardson
 Selection by Orchestra

Essay, "America's Duty and the Peace after the War".....
 Glen Roy Blaisdell

Song, Keller's American Hymn..... School Glee Club

Valedictory Essay, "Our Debts and Duties".....
 Clarence Albert Barry

Selection by Orchestra

Conferring of Diplomas Superintendent A. W. Small

Class Ode, Words by Ruth V. Cogger

Address, Lemuel Herbert Murlin, LL. D., President of Boston University

Benediction Rev. L. L. Greene

Selection by Orchestra

Class Ode

Now our happy days are over
 And we leave this school so dear
 Onward we will look forever
 Hoping that our God may cheer.
 May he lead us on our way
 In life's service just begun
 From the past our youth's bright day
 Leads us to a brighter one.

Glad yet sad we are at parting
 From the friends we love so well:
 We will take the lesson garnered
 Out with us—the world will tell.
 Tell the need of truth and right
 And let Love our purpose sway
 As the afterglow of twilight
 Binds the night unto the day.

Ruth Vera Cogger.

NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 1917 Motto: "Not at the Top, but Climbing."
 Class Colors: Blue and Gold.
 Class Flower: Yellow Daisy.

Program

March	Orchestra
Invocation	Rev. H. H. Lippincott
Salutatory Essay	Sara Frances McGrath
Essay, "Early Education in Chelmsford"	Mary Agnes Flannery
Essay "The Art of the Home".....	Myrtle Velma Day
Essay, "Unity the Need of Our Nation".....	Alonzo Herbert Russell
Song—a, Forget-Me-Not; b, Gypsy Song; c, Roumanian Folk Song	Chorus
Essay, "The Roundsby Which We Climb".....	Florence Marie Pinel
Class Poem	Ebba Henrietta Haberman
Essay, "The Situation of the United States Today".....	Ruby Mary Emery
Essay, "The Red Cross Society"	Mary Evelyn Constantino
Essay, "Not at the Top, but Climbing".....	Margaret Mary Hogan
Essay "Elocution"	Myrtle Mary Daniels
Song, Hawthorn Tree	Girls' Chorus
Essay, "The Part Women May Play in the War".....	Florence Ethyl Emery
Essay, "The Art of Music"	Edna Lillian Daniels

Valedictory Essay	Samuel Weldon Stevens
Class Song, Words by Edna L. Daniels.....	Senior Class
Presentation of Diplomas.....	Superintendent A. W. Small
Song, Keller's American Hymn	Chorus
Benediction	Reverend H. H. Lippincott

Class Song

Birds are singing, bells are ringing,
 This is Graduation Day.
 Hearts, once gladdened, now are saddened
 For we now must wend our way
 O'er the road we all have longed for,
 O'er the rugged road to fame,
 Steady toiling, steady striving
 For the life we have to frame.

School days, flying, find us sighing
 For the time has come to part.
 Years together cherish ever,
 Stored by Mem'ry in the heart.
 Teachers faithful, Classmates loyal
 Sadly now we say goodbye,
 As the road to life out yonder
 Calls for those resolved to try.

We will ever fondly favor
 Our Class Colors, gold and blue.
 In our hearts we'll always treasure
 Daisies with their yellow hue
 Upward climbing, climbing ever,
 To our motto we'll be true,
 Striving nobly till we conquer
 Tasks we've set ourselves to do.

CHORUS

Farewell! Farewell!
 Sadly must we say.
 Farewell! Farewell!
 On this parting day.
 Farewell! Farewell!
 As we go our way.
 We bid you fondly adieu
 On this Commencement Day.

Edna Lillian Daniels.

GRADUATES

Class of 1917

CENTER HIGH SCHOOL

Dorothea Chambers Emerson, President
Clarence Albert Barry, Vice-President
Ellen Emma Paignon, Treasurer
Donald Francis Adams, Secretary
Florence Madeline Dutton
Earl Russell Richardson
Elizabeth Leighton Ward
Glen Roy Blaisdell
Helen Elizabeth Blaisdell
Edwin Leslie Burns
Charles Albert Ellis
Harriet Stewart

NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

S. Weldon Stevens, President
Alonzo H. Russell, Vice-President
Ebba H. Haberman, Secretary
Sara F. McGrath, Treasurer
M. Evelyn Constantino
Myrtle M. Daniels
Edna L. Dainels
Myrtle V. Day
Florence E. Emery
Mary A. Flannery
Margaret M. Hogan
Ruby M. Emery
Florence M. Pinel

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES FOR 1917

ACCOUNTS	Appropriation	Expended	Balance	Deficit
Teaching	\$23,200 00	\$21,762 02	\$1,437 98	\$ 25 08
Superintendent and Clerical Work.....	1,700 00	1,725 03		26 60
Text Books and Supplies.....	1,800 00	1,826 60		
Janitors.....	3,800 00	3,343 00	457 00	
Fuel	3,250 00	4,197 93		947 93
Miscellaneous	800 00	778 27	21 73	
Repairs.....	1,500 00	1,958 82		458 82
Transportation	5,300 00	4,253 72	1,046 28	
Health.....	250 00	251 28		1 28
Balance, 1916 Transportation.....	700 00	700 00		
New Equipment.....		530 54		530 54
	\$42,300 00	\$41,327 21	\$2,962 99	\$1,990 20
		972 79	1,990 20	
Balance on Hand.....			\$972 19	
Outstanding Bills			960 00	
Net Balance.....			\$12 79	
		\$42,300 00		
Fire Escape.....	\$600 00	\$542 59	\$57 41	

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

General Expense

Letter heads and stamped envelopes	\$ 18 95
Typewriting	5 00
William H. Hall, services as clerk	25 00
U. J. Lupien, Services as purchasing agent	50 00
Stewart MacKay, services as financial secretary	50 00
Stewart MacKay, expenses	19 75

\$168 70

Superintendent of Schools

A. W. Small, salary	\$ 933 38
Walter K. Putney, salary	666 65
Enforcement of truancy Expense	23 50
Stationery	65 44
Miscellaneous	28 10
	26 36

\$1743 43

Expenses of Instruction

High School

Evan W. D. Merrill, Principal	\$1280 00
Charles A. Holbrook, Submaster	1200 00
Neda B. Freeman, Teaching	720 00
Eleanor Berg, Teaching	678 00
Ellen E. Coles, Teaching	678 00
Helen M. Robinson, Teaching	513 75
Edna F. Currier, Teaching	149 50
Gladys A. Merrill, Teaching	390 00
Winifred F. Jewell, Teaching	268 00
Janet D. Currie, Teaching	268 00
Constance Tenney, Teaching	140 00
Josephine Sanford, Teaching	216 50

\$6501 75

**Elementary Schools
Princeton Street**

Gertrude A. Jones	\$585 00	
May D. Sleeper	591 60	
Catherine E. McDermott	614 50	
Genevieve E. Jantzen	538 00	
Kathryn Howarth	240 00	
Ella Hutchinson	654 00	
Martha G. Roarke	297 00	
		\$3520 10
		Highland
Laura B. Desmarais	\$609 00	
Margaret C. Gookin	616 00	
M. Grace McCue	520 95	
Mary A. Underwood	451 80	
		\$2197 75
		Center
Susan S. McFarlin	\$637 00	
Eva M. Large	90 00	
Esther A. Reid	486 00	
Eva M. Godfrey	597 00	
Helena B. Lyon	548 00	
Nelle D. Horner	333 50	
Marion E. Kimball	220 00	
Hazel Stevens	220 00	
Dora M. Wentworth	330 00	
Eva F. Ladd	108 00	
Hazel Knowlton	104 00	
		West
Bertha H. Long	\$631 00	\$3673.50
Helen M. Pierce	220 00	
Genevieve A. Callahan	200 00	
Kathryn Howarth	319 00	
Catherine Dunn	212 50	
		\$1,582 50
		Supervisor of Drawing
Marjorie Cartwright	\$137 50	
Jessie Atwood	472 00	
		\$609 50
		Supervisor of Music
M. Marion Adams	\$542 50	
		\$542 50

	South		
Elizabeth C. Stone		\$194 00	
Elsie S. Wilder		426 00	
Gladys F. Jenkyns		289 52	
		<hr/>	\$909 52
	East		
Sara D. Ivers		\$490 40	
Mildred E. Wing		200 00	
Avis I. French		242 00	
		<hr/>	\$932 40
	Golden Cove		
Alice M. Flynn		\$90 00	
Hazel Knowlton		262 00	
Eva M. Large		78 00	
		<hr/>	\$430 00
	South Row		
Ethelyn F. Peterson		\$107 00	
Alice M. Flynn		90 00	
Almira Fuller		242 00	
		<hr/>	\$439 00
	Substitute Teachers		
Mary E. Merrill		\$77 50	
Gladys J. Tabor		11 00	
Mary K. Daley		38 00	
Margaret Garvey		40 00	
Catherine L. Farley		26 00	
Mary M. Farrell		6 00	
Hope A. Fadden		14 00	
Gertrude M. Quigley		28 00	
Grace A. McMahon		10 00	
Catherine Gallagher		36 00	
Helen Harrington		14 00	
Alice McDermott		8 00	
Marion E. Fish		7 00	
Clara Anderson		2 00	
Marie S. Hassett		20 00	
Anna Rouine		2 00	
Agnes L. Liston		4 00	
Grace MacNear		36 00	
Lillian F. Swanson		10 00	
Gladys E. Winning		4 00	
Helen A. Westwood		26 00	
Irene McDonald		4 00	
		<hr/>	\$432 50
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			\$21,762 02

TEXT BOOKS

High

The MacMillan Company	\$20 88	
Phonographic Supply Co.	20 98	
Allyn and Bacon	19 20	
Benj. H. Sanborn Co.	42 68	
American Book Company	23 85	
Ginn & Co.	62 26	
D. C. Heath & Co.	39 41	
Milton Bradley Co.	3 25	
	<hr/>	\$232 51

Elementary

The MacMillan Co.	\$65 73	
E. E. Babb & Co.	55 74	
A. N. Palmer Co.	8 25	
Benj. H. Sanborn Co.	21 68	
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	25 13	
Oliver Ditson Co.	3 67	
C. C. Birchard Co.	12 94	
American Book Co.	5 12	
Ginn & Co.	217 33	
White-Smith Publishing Co.	3 49	
Silver, Burdett Co.	46 43	
Rand, McNally Co.	11 27	
D. C. Heath Co.	3 82	
Little, Brown Co.	39 43	
Atkinson, Mentzer & Co.	4 04	
	<hr/>	\$524 05
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		\$756 56

SUPPLIES

High

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$214 32	
E. E. Babb & Co.	89 49	
Willis P. Knight	97 63	
Underwood Typewriter Co.	14 33	
Wright & Potter Printing Co.	4 68	
Parkhurst Press	7 60	
Yawman, Erbe Co.	2 68	
Arthur A. Smith Co.	3 38	
William C. Dowling Co.	10 05	
	<hr/>	\$444 16

Elementary

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$483 35	
E. E. Babb & Co.	83 48	
Educational Specialties Co.	10 00	
Willis P. Knight	37 55	
Parkhurst Press	11 50	
	<hr/>	\$625 88
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		\$1,070 04

EXPENSES OF OPERATING SCHOOL PLANT**Wages of Janitors**

Edward Fallon, Highland	\$451 50	
E. A. Howe, Golden Cove	117 00	
Charles A. Lull, West	430 00	
John F. Parker, South	315 00	
C. O. Robbins, Center	429 00	
C. O. Robbins, High	306 00	
Richard Robertson, East	300 00	
Owen Scollan, Princeton	676 00	
R. C. Wood, South Row	97 50	
Walter E. Vickery, Center	221 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,343 00

Fuel

North Chelmsford Coal Co., coal	\$3,376 36	
H. L. Parkhurst, coal	760 57	
H. L. Parkhurst, wood	16 00	
W. C. Edwards, wood	23 50	
J. P. Emerson, wood	21 50	
W. P. Proctor, wood	27 00	
John Marinell, Jr., wood	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,197 93

Miscellaneous

Walter Vickery	\$33 00
L. A. Derby Co.	6 30
J. Robbins Mfg. Co.	6 17
Parkhurst Press	8 00
John F. Parker	1 50
Courier-Citizen Co.	10 50
Chelmsford Fire District	9 00
North Chelmsford Fire District	35 34
Knowlton Press	5 25

Edward Fallon	25	
Safety Tire Shop	1 75	
J. P. Emerson	1 50	
Chelmsford Garage	1 40	
Bartlett and Dow	5 50	
School Board Journal	6 00	
J. P. Dunnigan	5 00	
E. R. Marshall	1 50	
F. E. Nelson Co.	2 94	
A. G. Pollard Co.	3 20	
Lactance Gaudette	23 00	
C. O. Robbins	45 53	
North Chelmsford Machine & Supply Co.	1 00	
C. B. Coburn	1 40	
Wm. McLarney Co.	90	
A. L. Safford	5 00	
C. A. Lull	9 00	
E. W. D. Merrill	52 72	
G. A. MacNear	28 50	
Edward Fallon, special police	3 00	
Owen Scollan, special police	5 00	
G. C. Prince	3 85	
E. E. Smith Co.	50 44	
Lowell Electric Light Corporation	66 08	
Lowell Gas Light Co.	4 13	
Adams Hardware Co.	6 08	
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co.	39 79	
James R. Gookin, special police	2 00	
Thompson Hardware Co.	66	
New England Electrical Supply Co.	1 10	
E. T. Adams	42 74	
Graduation expense	50 00	
J. L. Hammett	13 90	
Neda B. Freeman	1 25	
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		\$591 17
	Health	
Fred E. Varney, M. D.	\$125 00	
Arthur G. Scoboria, M. D.	125 00	
Frye & Crawford	1 28	
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		\$251 28
	Transportation	
F. W. Merrill	\$132 00	
Alvin Fletcher	810 00	
John Sheehan	210 00	
William Tucker	78 00	

Frank X. Lupien	45 50	
W. E. Vickery	98 00	
Emile Paignon	620 00	
John Sullivan	389 50	
Bay State St. Ry. Co.	210 96	
Lowell and Fitchburg St. Ry.	137 50	
A. Whitcomb	440 00	
		<hr/> \$3,171 46

Trucks

Walter E. Barnes, driver, Pierce-Arrow Truck	\$273 50	
Frank Lupien, driver, G. M. C. Truck	258 50	
Blankets	9 75	
Gasoline Tank	90 00	
Fire Extinguishers	21 00	
Record Cards	2 50	
Insurance	129 20	
Repairs	2 90	
Skid Chains	16 00	
Grease and Oil	34 45	
Registration	8 00	
Gasoline	235 21	
Miscellaneous	1 25	
		<hr/> \$1,087 26
		<hr/> \$4,253 72

Balance of 1916 Transportation

Emile Paignon	\$108 00	
John Sullivan	84 00	
F. W. Merrill	126 00	
Alvin Fletcher	231 00	
J. C. Sheehan	73 50	
W. C. Tucker	10 00	
Lowell and Fitchburg St. Ry.	10 00	
Bay State St. Ry.	50 00	
Frank X. Lupien	7 50	
		<hr/> \$700 00

Upkeep and Repairs

John F. Parker	\$2 00	
E. A. Howe	15	
Hobson & Lawler	9 64	
E. E. Smith	118 19	
O. Frank Small	1 35	
E. R. Marshall	2 00	
Adams Hardware Co.	1 00	

James Stanley	1 35
Almon Holt	197 84
Bartlett & Dow	14 05
Tucker & Parker	15 90
Arthur P. Miner, misc. repairs	154 30
Arthur P. Miner, contract	442 50
Arthur P. Miner, grading	31 80
H. H. Richardson	33 85
C. O. Robbins	1 25
Thomas Murphy	5 60
E. E. Parkhurst	7 50
W. A. Mack Co.	314 37
C. A. Lull	4 00
Hammond Process Co.	44 25
John W. Dixon	6 00
James F. Mooney	48 26
William Sweeney	16 40
Daniel Cushing	319 13
Elias F. deLaHaye	50 80
Wm. P. Proctor Co.	115 34

\$1,958 82

New Equipment

J. A. Peck, heating coil	\$10 00
E. E. Smith, janitor's tools	32 70
Standard Extinguisher Co., fire extinguishers	200 00
Robertson & Co., screen	5 00
J. S. Chalifoux Co., furniture	7 94
Adams Hardware Co., window shades	32 20
L. C. Smith Bros. Typewriter Co., typewriters	140 00
Kenney Brothers & Wolkins, flags	102 70

\$530 54

\$41,327 21

Fire Escape

H. T. Ripley, fire escape	\$372 00
Arthur P. Miner, carpenter work	170 59
Balance	\$542 59
	57 41
Appropriation	\$600 00

SCHOOL STATISTICS

YEAR ENDING JUNE 22, 1917 TERM ENDING DEC. 21, '17

SCHOOL	Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance	Average Daily Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance
High, North...	13601.5	72.71	87	79.16	91.85	149.77	161	155.81	96.12
" Centre...	12788.5	68.04	78	72.51	93.98				
Centre Gram I	5961.	32.93	48	38.54	85.44	25.34	35	27.84	91.02
" II, III	7957.	40.34	61	49.52	81.46	36.97	43	41.25	89.62
" IV, V	7752.	42.82	55	47.82	89.75				
" V, VI	7728.5	42.69	51	47.04	90.75				
" III, IV						38.37	43	41.25	93.07
" V						43.79	55	48.29	90.68
" VI						30.18	38	32.65	92.43
" VII	5911.	32.65	39	35.07	93.09	28.93	33	30.60	94.53
" VIII	7213.	39.85	51	44.77	89.01	38.56	45	40.42	95.40
Princeton St. I	5226.	27.93	41	30.58	91.33	25.95	35	28.45	91.21
" II, III	6673.5	37.10	48	39.67	93.77				
" II						25.30	28	26.31	95.92
" III, IV						42.11	54	46.80	89.91
" IV	6837.5	37.27	45	40.52	91.97				
" V	4352.5	24.68	28	25.58	96.48	31.59	36	33.30	94.87
" VI	4098.	22.36	24	23.41	95.51	25.04	27	26.07	97.40
" VII, VIII	5603.	28.30	35	30.60	92.31	33.09	37	34.35	96.33
High'd Av. I, II	5990.5	36.27	47	40.01	90.65	39.20	44	42.40	92.40
" III, IV	5718.5	31.85	37	33.55	95.06	29.48	32	31.10	94.79
" V, VI	4809.	29.62	34	31.81	93.11	31.41	34	33.10	94.61
" VII, VIII	5706.5	31.81	35	33.12	96.04	22.04	25	22.87	96.38
West I, II, III	4324.5	23.99	32	26.28	91.25	22.81	27	24.12	95.04
" IV, V	2864.5	15.83	19	17.37	91.70	14.22	16	14.95	95.11
" VI, VII	3752.	20.84	25	22.63	92.09	22.10	24	23.51	94.07
East I, III	4232.5	23.42	36	28.58	81.98	36.69	54	41.55	88.30
" IV, VII	4171.5	23.81	36	27.16	87.66	28.05	34	29.88	93.86
South I, IV	4162.	22.92	28	25.05	91.49	24.15	29	25.61	94.30
" V, VII	2461.5	13.51	16	14.81	91.22	12.47	15	12.98	96.07
Golden C'Ve I, IV	4180.	20.65	34	28.42	72.66	28.46	38	31.97	92.14
South Row I, IV	1848	10.93	13	11.17	97.50				
" " I, V						15.84	24	18.08	87.61
TOTALS....	156134.	855.12	1083	944.75	90.51	901.91	1066	965.51	93.41

TEACHERS DURING YEAR 1917

Note—This list shows teachers in present grades, except in cases of those who have left the service.

High School:	Began Service	Ended Service
Evan W. D. Merrill, Principal	Sept., 4, 1916	
Chas. A. Holbrook, Sub-Principal	Feb., 1912	
Neda B. Freeman	Sept., 1914	
Edna Currier	Dec. 27, 1915	Mar., 1917
Helen M. Robinson	Sept. 7, 1915	Oct., 1917
Gladys A. Merrill	Sept. 4, 1916	June, 1917
Ellen E. Coles	Sept. 4, 1916	Jan. 11, 1918
Eleanor Berg	Sept. 25, 1916	
Janet D. Currie	Sept. 10, 1917	
Winifred F. Jewell	Sept. 10, 1917	
Constance Tenney	Nov. 5, 1917	

Center Grammar:

VIII	Susan S. McFarlin	Apr., 1879	
VIII	Hazel M. Stevens	Sept. 4, 1917	
VII	Marion E. Kimball	Sept. 4, 1917	
VII	Dora M. Wentworth	Sept., 1915	
VI	Nelle D. Horner	Apr. 2, 1917	June, 1917
V&VI	Eva F. Ladd	Oct., 1914	
V	Helena B. Lyon	Sept., 1911	Mar. 31, 1917
III&IV	Eva M. Godfrey	Sept., 1908	
II&III	Esther A. Reid	Dec., 1911	
I	Mabel M. Knowlton	Sept., 1916	Oct. 26, 1917
I	Eva M. Large	Sept., 1917	

Princeton Grammar:

VII&VIII	Gertrude A. Jones	Sept. 1899	
VI	Ella A. Hutchinson	Sept., 1905	
V	Mary D. Sleeper	Mar., 1907	
III&IV	Genevieve E. Jantzen	Sept., 1911	
II&III	Martha G. Roarke	Sept. 5, 1916	June, 1917
II	Kathryn E. Howarth	Sept., 1911	
I	Catherine E. McDermott	Sept., 1905	

Highland Grammar:

VII&VIII	Laura B. Desmarais	Sept., 1909	
VI&V	Mary A. Underwood	Jan., 1912	
III&IV	Margaret C. Gookin	Sept., 1907	
I&II	M. Grace McCue	Sept., 1909	

West Grammar:

VI-VIII	Bertha H. Long	.....	Apr. 1896	
IV&V	Catherine E. Dunn	.....	Sept., 1910	
	Mrs. E. W. Merrill	.....	Apr. 30, 1917	On leave of absence
	Helen M. Pierce	.....	Sept. 4, 1917	June 1, 1917
I-III	Genevieve A. Callahan	.....	Sept. 4, 1917	Dec. 21, 1917

East Grammar:

IV-VII	Mrs. Sarah D. Ivers	.....	Sept., 1914	
I-III	Avis I. French	.....	Sept., 1916	June, 1917
I-III	Mildred E. Wing	.....	Sept. 4, 1917	

South Grammar:

I-IV	Elsie S. Wilder	.....	Oct. 10, 1916	
V-VII	Gladys Jenkyn	.....	Sept., 5, 1916	On leave of absence
V-VII.	Elizabeth C. Stone	.....	Sept. 4, 1917	

South Row:

I-IV	Almira E. Fuller	.....	Sept. 5, 1916	
	Ethelyn F. Peterson	.....	Oct. 29, 1917	

Golden Cove:

			Sept., 1917	
I-IV	Alice M. Flynn	.....		June, 1917

ROLL OF HONOR
1917

NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR YEAR

RAYMOND BEALS

EARL DAVIS

RUTH DAVIS

RAYMOND KINCH

ALICE MCEANEY

MARY MCEANEY

GUNDGORG PETERSON

DORIS WASHBURN

NOT ABSENT FOR YEAR

ALLAN ADAMS

MYRTLE DANIELS

BLANCHE GANTIER

ELLEN PAIGNON

JOHN ROULEAU

ELIZABETH SHEPHERD

JAMES SHEPHERD

ALICE TAYLOR

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Trustees of the Adams Library

AND THE

North Chelmsford Library Association

OF THE

TOWN OF CHELMSFORD

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31,

1917

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ADAMS LIBRARY

The Board organized as follows for the year 1917:

Chairman.....	Mr. Albert H. Davis
Treasurer.....	Rev. Wilson Waters
Secretary.....	Mr. Edwin R. Clark
Librarian and Purchasing Committee.....	Mrs. E. R. Clark
Committee to Approve Bills.....	Albert H. Davis
Prudential Committee....	Edwin R. Clark, Rev. Wilson Waters
Committee on Periodicals and Supervision of Library and Reading Room.....	A. H. Davis, Wilson Waters, Frances Clark

Arrangements were made to transport books to the South and East Villages.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Clark, Rev. Wilson Waters and Mr. O. P. Wheeler were present as delegates at the New England War Conference held at the Boston Public Library, Sept. 11, with a luncheon at the Copley-Plaza Hotel, the purpose of which was to raise money and books for the soldiers in the various cantonments and at the front in France. Committees were appointed to canvass the town and \$95.50 was the net sum sent from Chelmsford to the fund.

An interesting collection of colored views of Belgium has been on exhibition in the reading room and a number of valuable lectures and addresses have been given under the auspices of the Literary Union.

What the Adams Library says to the people of Chelmsford:

"I am the storehouse of knowledge in Chelmsford.

"I am opportunity.

"I am the continuation school for all.

"I hold within myself the desires, hopes, theories, philosophies, impressions, doctrines, culture, attainments, experiences and sciences of all ages.

"I am a house of wisdom and an institution of happiness.

"I am supported by the people for the people.

"I offer you the opportunity to know all there is to know about your work.

"I am for those who would enjoy fiction, poetry, philosophy, biography, or learn more about farming, business, trade or science.

"I have books for all trades and tastes, all needs and creeds.

"I am free to the public to profit from and enjoy.

"I am in the care of those whose duty and pleasure it is to help you to profit by me.

"I open my doors as a public mental recreation ground for your leisure hours."

A new furnace has been placed in the basement of the library, the old one having become useless after a service of about a quarter of a century. This adds much to the comfort of the patrons.

The circulation for the year has been 17,036. There are 98 new card holders.

Books have been sent to the South and East Villages as usual.

The reading room has been well patronized.

Number of books in the Library	10,764 vols.
Number of books added	337 "
Number of books worn out and replaced	20 "
Number of books worn out and not replaced	15 "
Number of books donated to the library	18 "
Number of volumes of magazines bound	21 "

Names of donors of books: Rev. Wilson Waters, N. E. Geneological Society.

An old-time flax reel has been given by Miss Sarah S. Spaulding, and an old record book of the Mill Row School by Mrs. M. A. Hatch.

The Joseph Warren Fund now amounts to	\$1,161 63
The Adams Emerson Fund now amounts to	146 34
The Serlina G. Richardson Fund now amounts to	214 88
No money has been drawn from these funds.	

OTIS P. WHEELER,
ALBERT H. DAVIS,
A. HEADY PARK,
FRANCES CLARK,
EDWIN R. CLARK,
WILSON WATERS,

Trustees.

The Trustees herewith present the account of their treasurer in the matter of publishing the History of Chelmsford prepared by the Rev. Wilson Waters. The volume is much larger than was anticipated, and the high cost of stock and labor have also made the expense greater.

The printers lost a large amount in fulfilling their contract.

HISTORY ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

From the Town, 1915,	\$1500 00	
From the Town, 1916,	1500 00	
From Sale of books to date	516 75	
	<u> </u>	\$3516 75

Expenditures

Courier-Citizen Company, printing, binding, etc.,	\$2684 50	
Photos, Maps, halftone plates and printing same,	435 61	
Typewriting, copying, work on Index, etc.,	223 57	
Incidentals, R. R. fares, labor, and other exp.,	42 87	
Express, postage, etc.,	11 63	
Balance on hand,	118 57	
	<u> </u>	\$3516 75

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ADAMS LIBRARY.

Receipts.

Balance on hand,	\$6 74	
From the Town Treasurer,	1200 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1206 74

Expenditures

Books,	\$309 71	
Librarian,	300 00	
Fuel,	145 96	
Gas,	93 04	
Periodicals,	89 95	
Care of Grounds, etc.,	69 32	
Binding,	67 24	
Library Bureau, publication	12 00	
Water District	12 00	
Book Shelves	14 50	
Hardware,	3 00	
Teaming,	9 01	
Frames,	3 40	
Repairing Clock,	1 50	
Printing,	21 50	
Transporting books to South Chelmsford,	13 00	
Transporting books to East Chelmsford,	27 00	
Postage,	1 43	
Balance,	13 18	
	<hr/>	\$1206 74

WILSON WATERS, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The Trustees of the North Chelmsford Library Corporation submit for the consideration of the citizens of the town the following report, which covers the activities of the corporation for the year 1917.

We are able to say that we have made a healthy increase to our list of borrowers, adding 53 new names during the year, which now gives us an active list of subscribers of almost 700.

During the past year, legal holidays have interfered to some extent with the open sessions of the Library, reducing the number of sessions from 153 for 1916 to 149 for the current year, but, nevertheless, our circulation was 16,290 volumes, a very pleasing average increase.

The extreme cold weather which prevailed during the latter part of the year has greatly increased the cost of maintaining the heating plant, which necessarily has reduced the funds available for the purchase of new books and the rebinding of old.

During the year of 1916, we were able to add 282 new volumes, as compared with 267 purchased for the current year, and we further have on hand slightly more than an average number of books which must be sent for rebinding.

In view of the popularity of books of new and good fiction, the wear and tear is a matter of serious consideration, and notwithstanding the fact that a great number of minor repairs are constantly being cared for by the Librarian, the bindery question is one of considerable expense.

We have urged in the years past that subscribers to our Library use reasonable care in handling of books while in their possession, and we continue to urge, particularly at this time of high costs, that every effort be made to return borrowed books in as good condition as when received.

It was the intention of the Trustees to improve the appearance of the building by painting the exterior, but circumstances would seem to indicate that such improvements should be postponed for the present, and it was so decided, but in all other respects, the property is in first class condition.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY T. RIPLEY,
H. ELLEN SARGENT,
SARAH E. SHELDON.

North Chelmsford Library Corporation

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1917	\$88 79	
Town appropriation	800 00	
Receipts from fines, etc.	1 50	
	\$890 29	

EXPENDITURES

Librarian and janitor	\$300 00	
Electric fan	20 00	
Heater	7 50	
Electric light	23 99	
Books	278 88	
Fuel	75 20	
Insurance	39 26	
Bindery	34 41	
Printing	14 02	
Transporting books to West Chelmsford	9 60	
Supplies	13 34	
Repairs	13 50	
Bindery boxes	10 15	
Cleaning building and yard	15 20	
Miscellaneous	7 66	
	\$862 71	
Balance on hand, Dec. 31, 1917		27 58
		\$890 29

STEWART MACKAY,
Treasurer.

LIST OF JURORS, 1917

Armstrong, C. George.....	Manufacturer
Anderson, Anthony B.....	Stone Cutter
Aiken, Curtis A.....	Janitor
Byam, Daniel P.....	Farmer
Belleville, William E.....	Gardener
Bliss, Pliney C.....	Farmer
Bartlett, Charles E.....	Merchant
Biettery, Joseph T.....	Overseer
Billson, George.....	Stone Cutter
Daniels, Fred.....	Overseer
Davis, Albert H.....	Farmer
Emerson, Walter B.....	Farmer
Emerson, Henry H.....	Postmaster
Elliott, George S.....	Merchant
George, David B.....	Carpenter
Harmon, Thomas A.....	Farmer
Huntoon, George L.....	Retired
Harrington, John E.....	Insurance Agent
Ingham, David I.....	Mail Carrier
Johnson, Olin M.....	Salesman
Knight, Isaac H.....	Plumber
Long, James.....	Clerk
McQuade, James B.....	Mechanic
Marinel, Walter N.....	Mechanic
McDonald, Joseph.....	Farmer
McNally, Owen F.....	Molder
Marshall, Josiah E.....	Salesman
Northrup, William B.....	Mechanical Engineer
Perham, Edioin C.....	Farmer
Pratt, John H.....	Painter
Phillips, James B.....	Farmer
Pigott, Preston L.....	Paymaster

Quigley, William J.....	Molder
Quinn, John P.....	Merchant
Russell, Fred A.....	Farmer
Reed, Arther E.....	Mechanic
Smith, Ervin E.....	Merchant
Scoboria, John P.....	Farmer
Stearns, Edwin L.....	Carpenter
Shedd, William H.....	Farmer
Stetson, George.....	Mechanic
Sheehan, William J.....	Farmer
Scribner, Charles F.....	Merchant
Sheehan, John.....	Farmer
Suttle, Arthur J.....	Farmer
Sullivan, John.....	Farmer
Snow, Fred A.....	Bookkeeper
Vinal, John W.....	Elevator Man
Vinal, Fred I.....	Millwright
Wright, George B B.....	Nurseryman
Warren, Arthur M.....	Farmer
White, George F.....	Merchant

WARRANT FOR
Annual Town Meeting

AT TOWN HALL, CHELMSFORD CENTRE,
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1918

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Chelmsford, in said County:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said Chelmsford to meet in the Town Hall, at Chelmsford Center, on Monday, the fourth day of February, current, being the first Monday of said month, at eight o'clock in the forenoon.

The polls will be opened at 8.15 A. M. and closed at 1.15 P. M., and they are then and there to act upon the following Articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Article 2. To bring in their votes for one Assessor, one School Committee, two Trustees of the Adams Library, one Cemetery Commissioner, one Park Commissioner, one Selectman,

one Overseer of the Poor, one Sinking Fund Commissioner, and Town Clerk, all for three years; Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, three Auditors, one Constable, one Tree Warden, all for one year. Also to vote on the following question: "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?" All on one ballot.

Article 3. To choose all other Town officers necessary to be chosen by hand vote, or act in relation thereto.

Article 4. To hear reports of Town officers and committees, or act in relation thereto.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the current year.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to act as its agent in any suit or suits which may arise during the current year; also in such other matters which may arise requiring in their judgment the action of such agent, and to employ counsel therefor.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to contract with the Lowell Electric Light Corporation, at the prevailing price per light, for twenty-three lights in addition to the number previously contracted for and said lights to be distributed upon and along the following public ways, viz.:

Three lights on Steadman street, from the junction of Steadman street and Smith avenue, to the Lowell line;

Two lights on Bridge street;

Two lights on Manning place;

One light on the northerly side of railroad crossing at the Center;

Two lights on Hall road;

One light at the junction of Billerica street and Lowell street.

Three lights on the Lowell and Westford road;

One light on Boston road, near the Adams Library;

One light on Westford street;

Four lights on Dalton road;

One light on High street, between Bartlett and Acton streets;

One light at Stevens Corner, North Village;

One light on Acton street, near South Village; or act in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) or what other sum to be spent by the State Forester to help defray the expense of erecting a forest fire observatory on Robin Hill; or act in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), to be paid the North Chelmsford Fire District for hydrant service for the current year; or act in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), to be paid the Chelmsford Water District for the current year; or act in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to purchase a flag for the South Village, said flag to be purchased of the Bureau of Prisons; or act in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) to purchase an adding machine for use at the High School and other departments of the Town, or act in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) to

build a fireproof garage for housing the trucks purchased to transport North High pupils to High School at the Center or act in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of buying road binder material, to be tarvia or some other product, or act in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the purchase of land near the centre of the Town and also for the purchase of land near the North part of the Town to be used for a public dump, or act in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for the construction of permanent sidewalks, said sum to be distributed as follows: Eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) at the Center, eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) at the North, three hundred dollars (\$300.00) at the West, two hundred dollars (\$200.00) at the South, two hundred dollars (\$200.00) at the East, and two hundred dollars (\$200.00) at the Westlands, or act in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), or what other sum, for the purchase of motor fire apparatus and equipment therefor, to be located in the Center Village, or act in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) or what other sum for the purchase of motor fire apparatus and equipment therefor, to be located at the North Village, or act in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), or what other sum, for the reimbursement of St. John's Catholic

Church at the North Village for damages to sidewalk at church property, or act in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) to purchase a flag for the North Village, said flag to be purchased of the Bureau of Prisons, or act in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for repairs of Village clock at the Center Village, or act in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will accept and allow Woodbine street as laid out extended and altered by the Selectmen, as shown on a plan made by Smith & Brooks, civil engineers, or act in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to use any money from the miscellaneous expense appropriation, for the purpose of insuring any or all of the public buildings, or act in relation thereto.

Article 25. In the event of the above Article being rejected, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to cancel any insurance now existing on any or all of its public buildings, or act in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed from H. Albina Manning of a piece of land, shown in plan of H. Albina Manning land, East Chelmsford, for addition to school lot at East Village, or act in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at Postoffices in the center of the Town, South Chelmsford, North Chelmsford, West Chelmsford, and at the Schoolhouse, East Chelmsford, seven days at least before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twelfth day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighteen.

D. FRANK SMALL,
A. HEADY PARK,
JUSTIN L. MOORE,
Selectmen of Chelmsford.

I have served the foregoing Warrant by posting up true and attested copies of the same at the places above mentioned more than seven days before the day of holding said meeting.

HUBERT H. RICHARDSON,
Constable of Chelmsford.

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