

Ernest Halby

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
AND
Superintendent of Schools
OF THE
Town of Westport
FOR THE
Year Ending March 1, 1908.

And Estimates of the Selectmen for the Ensuing Year.

Emerson, Printer, Wiscasset.

APPROPRIATIONS.

For Schools	\$300 00	
Poor.....	200 00	
Highway	325 00	
Ferry	50 00	
Bridges	50 00	
School-buildings, supplies & repairs	40 00	
Town officers	225 00	
Interest	10 00	
Abatements	25 00	
Insurance.....	15 00	
Snow	75 00	
School-books	50 00	
Tuitions	30 00	
Contingent expense.....	100 00	
State and County tax.....	375 00	
Brown-tail moths.....	25 00	
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	\$1,895 00	
Overlays and moth tax.....	35 71	
Total tax.....	<hr/>	\$1,930 71

Assessments.

Assessed on real estate.....	\$1,410 70	
Assessed on personal estate.....	268 01	
Assessed on 84 polls, \$3.00 each.....	252 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,930 71
Value of real estate.....	\$77,949 00	
Value of personal estate.....	14,889 00	
	<hr/>	\$92,838 00
Rate \$18.00 on \$1,000.00		

Orders Drawn by Selectmen for the Year 1907-8

Highway Account

APPROPRIATION, \$325.00

Guy Judkins,	labor.....	\$40 90
C. A. Welch,	"	24 75
Joseph Hodgdon,	"	75
Chester Greenleaf,	"	11 05
C. W. Ruckley,	"	1 50
W. G. Beaton,	"	3 00
Chas. F. Whitten,	"	21 00
W. P. Colby,	"	4 50
Robert Greenleaf,	"	25 82
Berton Jewett,	"	55 50
Blanche W. Dickson,	lumber.....	8 86
Henry Greenleaf,	labor.....	18 00
Frank P. Tarbox,	"	3 00
Ross T. Beaton,	"	3 30
Jonathan Davison,	"	1 35
Chas. E. Colby,	lumber.....	8 30
C. E. A. Cromwell,	labor.....	4 13
Jacob R. Colby,	"	20 70
R. P. Colby,	"	12 00
Richard Leydon,	"	6 75
Horace Lewis,	"	1 62
James H. Knight,	" and gravel.....	3 50
F. T. Lawson,	"	5 25
C. C. Crosby,	scow	2 50
John R. Cromwell,	labor	2 75
Q. C. Hodgdon,	"	18 10
		\$308 88

Snow Account

APPROPRIATION, \$75.00

C. W. Ruckley,	labor.....	\$15 08
Byron B. Knight,	"	3 71
Horace Lewis,	"	1 20

Robert Greenleaf,	"	6 60
Elmer Greenleaf,	"	2 40
Guy Judkins,	"	7 65
J. R. Colby,	"	15 90
James H. Tarbox,	"	16 50
Berton B. Jewett,	"	19 00
Chester Greenleaf,	"	2 25
Oscar Whitten,	"	3 30
Jonas Knight,	"	12 90
Wm. P. Colby,	"	1 87
C. E. A. Cromwell,	"	1 88
C. W. Ruckley,	"	1 05
M. C. Brooks,	"	2 18
Jonas K. Fowle,	"	5 40

\$118 87

Ferry Account

APPROPRIATION, \$50.00

Haggett Bros., supplies.....	\$8 40
H. E. Bowie, brazing wire....	5 00
Richard Leydon, labor.....	5 70
John R. Cromwell, labor and supplies..	9 25
American Steel & Wire Co., wire.....	27 00
Johnson Bros., supplies.....	7 00
Chas. E. Colby, lumber.....	1 70
R. P. Colby, labor and supplies.....	6 13

\$70 18

Received on this account from town of

Wiscasset \$14 10

Bridge Account

APPROPRIATION, \$50.00

Chas. E. Colby, plank.....	\$21 72
Q. C. Hodgdon, labor and supplies....	6 00

\$27 72

School Books

APPROPRIATION, \$50.00

Crocker-Shaw Co., books.....	\$9 70	
American Book Co., "	39 96	
John O. Shaw, Inc. "	3 33	
	<hr/>	\$52 99

School Account

Appropriation	\$300 00	
Received from State.....	253 07	
Unexpended, March 1, 1907.....	20 08	
Total school resources.....	<hr/>	\$573 15
Sadie Mae Lewis, teaching.....	\$100 00	
Mrs. E. A. Lewis, teaching and janitor..	47 25	
Mabel P. Heal, teaching and janitor...	169 95	
Mrs. C. E. A. Cromwell, board.....	61 05	
Frank E. Thomas, wood.....	10 50	
T. F. Knight, labor and wood.....	5 80	
C. H. Colby, janitor, 1906-7.....	10 50	
G. G. Jewett, board.....	46 20	
G. G. Jewett, janitor, 8 weeks at 57c..	4 56	
Stella F. Purrington, teaching.....	74 50	
Percy Hodgdon, hauling wood.....	4 85	
James H. Knight, "	15 00	
Solomon Higgings, "	11 25	
Annie Hodgdon, "	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$562 66
Unexpended, March 1, 1908.....	\$10 49	

School Buildings, Supplies and Repairs

APPROPRIATION, \$40.00

Irving M. Fowle, team.....	\$ 50	
Mrs. Geo. Nelson, cleaning.....	2 50	
Joseph Hodgdon, cleaning.....	2 60	
C. E. A. Cromwell, labor and supplies..	5 80	
G. B. Richardson, " " ..	4 20	
Q. C. Hodgdon, boots for F. P. Tarbox's boys	3 55	
Q. C. Hodgdon, supplies.....	4 78	
	<hr/>	\$23 93

Tuition Account

APPROPRIATION, \$30.00

City of Bath for Dorothy M. and Annie R. Tarbox.....	\$70 00	
Wiscasset Academy for Helen and Od- way Lewis and M. C. Knight.....	28 00	
	<hr/>	\$98 00
Received on this account from State, re- imbursement of tuitions.....		\$33 00

Insurance

APPROPRIATION, \$15.00

D. M. Humphreys, South schoolhouse..	\$7 50
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Abatements

APPROPRIATION, \$25.00

T. F. Knight, Collector for 1906.

Chas. N. Call.....	\$4 80	
Harry G. Fowle.....	3 00	
J. W. Greenlaw	3 00	
Fred K. Hodgdon.....	3 00	
Clement McMahan.....	3 90	
Frank P. Tarbox.....	3 00	
Arnold Tarbox.....	3 00	
Willie W. Colby.....	3 00	
Merle B. Morrill	42	
Geo. M. Seavy	30	
	<hr/>	\$27 42

Brown-Tail Moth Account

APPROPRIATION, \$25.00

Guy Judkins, labor	\$11 63	
R. P. Colby, postage and labor	15 30	
Haggett Bros., tree pruners	2 25	
	<hr/>	\$29 18
Credit on this account.		
Received from property owners on 1907 tax	\$6 55	
Due from property owners on 1908 tax.	6 80	
	<hr/>	\$13 35

Contingent Account

APPROPRIATION, \$100.00

Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies	\$9 05	
C. A. Richards, list of transfers	1 50	
C. E. Emerson, printing	13 50	
Maine Insane Hospital, board	134 31	
A. E. Gove, sheep killed by dogs	14 00	
Verlie M. Colby, copying records	5 00	
T. F. Knight, Collector for 1906, taxes and expense on real estate bought by the town	14 70	
Geo. A. Gregory, M. D., reporting births and deaths	75	
E. Leathers, M. D., reporting births and deaths	3 25	
R. T. Beaton, recording vital statistics and postage	3 35	
T. F. Knight, postage, stationery, etc..	9 94	
	<hr/>	\$209 35
Received on this account from State for sheep killed		14 00

Pauper Account

APPROPRIATION \$200.00

Board and supplies for Whitten girls.	
Granville Jewett, supplies.....	64 50
C. F. Whitten, board and supplies.....	86 65
Guy Judkins, supplies.....	8 05
T. F. Knight, cash advanced.....	36 00
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	\$195 20

Town Officers' Account

APPROPRIATION \$225.00

T. F. Knight, Collector for 1906.....	\$90 00
C. A. Welch, Truant officer.....	1 00
G. B. Richardson, Truant officer.....	3 00
T. F. Knight, Board of health.....	2 75
Guy Judkins, " " "	1 00
R. P. Colby, " " "	1 00
R. P. Colby, Selectman, Assessor etc...	45 00
R. L. Fowle, " " " ..	25 00
G. G. Judkins, " " " ..	25 00
T. F. Knight, Treasurer.....	20 00
Q. C. Hodgdon, Supt. of schools.....	20 00
R. T. Beaton, Town clerk.....	6 00
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	\$239 75

Town Hall Account

T. F. Knight, Janitor, labor and supplies	\$13 48
Q. C. Hodgdon, oil.....	30
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	\$13 78
Received on this account, rent.....	21 50

Treasurer's Account

Thos F. Knight, Treasurer, in account with Town of Westport.

DR.

To balance in treasury, Mar. 1, 1907.....	\$147 58
Rec'd of T. F. Knight, Collector for 1906.....	513 59
T. F. Knight " " 1907.....	1,693 64
Chas. L. Cromwell, dog tax, 1907.....	30 00
State Reimbursements, Pensions.....	48 00
Dog Tax Refunded.....	14 33
School Fund and Mill Tax.....	253 07
Rent from town hall.....	21 50
Geo. Richardson, License fish weir.....	5 00
State reimbursemet for Tuition.....	"33 00
Town Wiscasset, 1-5 Ferry expense....	14 10
State reimbursement for sheep killed...	14 00
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	\$2,787 81

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By paid State tax for 1907.....	\$278 36
County Tax for 1907.....	142 87
Town Orders " "	1,985 41
Pensions for State	48 00
State Dog license, 1907.....	30 00
Cash in treasury to bal.....	303 17
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	\$2,787 81

Recapitulation

Paid State tax.....	\$278 36	
County tax.....	142 87	
	<hr/>	\$421 23
Paid Highway account :.....	\$308 88	
Snow account.....	118 87	
Ferry account.....	70 18	
Bridge account.....	27 72	
School books.....	52 99	
School account.....	562 66	
School buildings, supplies and re-		
pairs.....	23 93	
Tuition.....	98 00	
Insurance.....	7 50	
Abatements	27 42	
Brown-tail Moth account.....	29 18	
Contingent account.....	209 35	
Pauper account....	195 20	
Town Officers....	239 75	
Town Hall.....	13 78	
	<hr/>	\$1,985 41
Total amount expended for the year....		<hr/> \$2,406 64

Summary Statement**DR.**

Orders outstanding, March 1, 1907.....	\$120 45
Orders drawn during the year 1907-8	1,985 41
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	\$2,105 86

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Amount of orders paid during the year.....	\$1,985 41
Outstanding orders March 1, 1908.....	120 45
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	\$2,105 86

Collectors' Account*Thomas F. Knight, Collector for 1906.*

DR.

To uncollected Taxes, March 1, 1907..... \$513 59

CR.

By paid into treasury March 1, 1908..... \$513 59

Thomas F. Knight, Collector for 1907.

DR.

To list of commitments..... \$1,930 71

CR.

By paid into Treasury March 1, 1908..... \$1,693 64

Balance uncollected March 1, 1908..... \$237 07

Resources

Cash in Treasury, March 1, 1908..... \$303 17

Uncollected taxes for 1907..... 237 07

\$540 24**Liabilities**

Outstanding orders, March 1, 1908..... \$120 24

Due the Schools..... 10 49

Resources above Liabilities..... 409 51

\$540 24**List of Delinquent Tax Payers in the Town of Westport,
March 1st, 1908**In accordance to Chapter 166 of the Public Laws of Maine
for the year, 1907.

M. A. Cromwell,	due	\$10 80
C. L. Cromwell,	"	16 20
Chas. E. Colby,	"	29 67
Geo. D. Colby,	"	3 00
Henry R. Colby,	"	3 00
Jonathan Davidson,	"	9 20
Herbert Dickerson,	"	3 60

John Falcon,	"	3 00
John Fowles, heirs,	"	2 70
Martin V. Fowles,	"	70
Chester D. Greenleaf,	"	3 76
Wm. Harrington,	"	2 90
J. R. Heal, heirs,	"	11 65
Ernest L. Heal,	"	3 00
Etta G. Harriman,	"	13 20
Merrill C. Jewett,	"	8 85
Parkman F. Jewett,	"	5 70
A. M. Jewett,	"	10 44
Erastus Jewett,	"	3 00
Frank Knight,	"	3 50
Herbert F. Knight,	"	3 80
Andrew Lawson,	"	3 00
Horace Lewis,	"	5 83
William Lewis,	"	3 00
Randell Leonard,	"	3 00
Margaret McDonald, heirs,	"	2 55
Andrew McCullum, heirs,	"	9 00
Chester McCullum,	"	3 00
Chas. B. Pierce,	"	6 60
Geo. Richardson,	"	6 48
Geo. D. Tarbox,	"	1 00
Frank Tarbox,	"	3 00
Jas. Thomas, heirs,	"	6 20
Alexander M. Wight,	"	3 00
Oscar Whitten,	"	3 90
Wm. A. Whitten,	"	2 80
Grant Whitten,	"	3 00

Delinquent Non Resident Tax Payers

Ida M. Dewolf,	due	\$2 85
Mrs. F. W. Greenleaf,	"	1 80
Arthur Kahail, heirs,	"	6 55
Susan L. Bronson,	"	15
Miss Grace M. Cody,	"	15
Gertrude Chapman,	"	54

Mary D. Desjardine,	"	18
J. D. Footer, Sr.,	"	18
Mrs. Margaret Footer,	"	18
F. C. Footer,	"	18
Emma M. Footer,	"	18
Joseph C. Footer,	"	18
Mary L. Footer,	"	18
Peter S. Grierson,	"	30
Michael Harris,	"	36
Mrs. Mabel Jenney,	"	15
Julian Lambert,	"	15
Elmer P. Leavitt,	"	54
Augustus K. Martin,	"	18
Thomas Murphy,	"	30
Alven E. Robinson,	"	30
Fred L. Reed,	"	18
Geo. M. Sevey,	"	30
Alberta Tukey,	"	30
Edwin Thompson,	"	15
G. W. Wilson,	"	15
Bridget T. Wagner,	"	36

Estimates for 1908

The Selectmen submit the following estimates for a tax for town purposes for the ensuing year.

For Schools.....	\$300 00	
Poor.....	200 00	
Highways.....	325 00	
Ferry	50 00	
Bridges.....	50 00	
School buildings, supplies and re-		
pairs.....	50 00	
Town Officers.....	250 00	
Interest	10 00	
Abatements.....	25 00	
Insurance.....	25 00	
Snow bills.....	50 00	
School books.....	25 00	
Tuition.....	40 00	
Contingent expense.....	200 00	
Brown-tail moth.....	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,615 00
State and County tax		\$425 00
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		\$2,040 00

R. P. COLBY,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
R. L. FOWLE,	
G. G. JUDKINS,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Westport.</i>

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

For the Year Ending March, 1, 1908

Amount appropriated by town, March, 1907.....	\$300 00
Amount received from State.....	253 07
Balance due from last year.....	20 08

Total resources	\$573 15
Amount paid for teaching and expenses.....	562 66

Unexpended March 1, 1908.....	\$10 49
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Wages paid for teaching, exclusive of board, \$4.00 per week.
Board per week Spring and Fall term, \$2.50. Winter term, \$2.65 per week.

Whole number of scholars belonging in town, April 1, 1907	85
Whole number attending Spring term.....	50
Average " " " "	45
Whole " " Fall "	52
Average " " " "	46
Whole " " Winter "	46
Average " " " "	38

At each school there has been a Spring term of seven weeks, a Fall term of ten weeks, and a Winter term of eight weeks, (except at the North school Winter term, which was seven and one-fifth weeks, closed on account of sickness in the vicinity of the school.) Making a school year of twenty-five weeks. The several terms of school, commenced on the following dates, Spring term April 22nd, Fall term Sept. 9th, Winter term Dec. 2nd.

NORTH SCHOOL.

Miss Sadie Mae Lewis, of Back River, Me., was instructor during the year.

CENTER SCHOOL.

Miss Mabel P. Heal, teacher. This school like the North, was fortunate in retaining the same teacher for the three terms.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term, Mrs. Ettie V. Lewis, teacher. Fall and Winter terms, Miss Stella F. Purington, teacher.

I am confident that the progress made during the year will compare favorably with that of recent years.

The teachers have been painstaking in their duties and with a few exceptions harmony has prevailed. During the Spring term the schools were supplied with a series of Brooks Readers, also other text books to replace those unfit for further use. With the exception of Arithmetics, the schools are quite well supplied with text books. I recommend that at our annual meeting, we make provisions to have a new series of Arithmetics introduced into the schools.

The pupils were more equally divided than for several years past, each school having about the same number.

In relation to needed repairs on the school buildings they all need a coat of paint, otherwise the North schoolhouse needs some repairs of the sills.

I notice that there is considerable dissatisfaction relative to difference in tuition we are paying for our scholars attending secondary schools. I would recommend as a remedy, that we at our next annual town meeting, instruct our town officers, (by a vote of the town) to make a contract with some other town or academy, that maintains a school of standard grade, to receive all our secondary school students. By so doing we would do away with all controversy and ill feelings.

The views held by some parents that they have a right to control the school attendance of their children lead to misunderstandings and sometimes to conflict, and any measure used to compel attendance is looked upon as curtailing their liberties; consequently causing more or less friction in the schools where it exists.

Respectfully submitted,
Q. C. HODGDON, Supt. of Schools.

Warrant for Town Meeting

STATE OF MAINE

*To Thomas F. Knight, Constable of the Town
of Westport, in the County of Lincoln,*

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Westport, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Town Hall in said town on Monday, the 9th day of March, 1908, at twelve o'clock noon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

- ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in meeting.
- ART. 2. To choose all necessary town officers, for the year ensuing.
- ART. 3. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary to maintain and support the schools, and the poor, and repairs of highways, ferry, bridges, and school buildings for the year ensuing.
- ART. 4. To see what sums of money the town will raise to pay town officers, interest, abatements, and insurance for the
- year ensuing.
- ART. 5. To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for snow bills, school books, tuitions, and contingent expenses for the year ensuing.
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- ART. 6. To see what sums of money the town will raise to destroy brown-tail moths, and pay State and County tax for the
6 ensuing year.
- ART. 7. To see if the town will vote 'yes' or 'no' upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine, for the year 1907 relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to state aid for highways for the year 1908.

- ART. 8. To see if the town will raise, appropriate and set apart, for the permanent improvement of the main highways within the town, such sum of money as is contemplated and directed by Section 5 of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, being the sum of \$22.50
- ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to build an extension on the pier at the ferry, for the protection of the ferry boat, and raise money for the same.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up a copy thereof, attested by you, in a public and conspicuous place in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen or town clerk on or before the time of holding said meeting.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at Town Hall for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 29th day of February in the year 1908.

R. P. COLBY,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
R. L. FOWLE,	
G. G. JUDKINS,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Westport.</i>

