

The financial statement of the TOWN as shown by the Auditor's report is as follows:

Assets	\$18,541.37
Liabilities	\$25,476.37
Liabilities Over Assets	\$ 6,935.05

By this statement it will be seen that the Liabilities exceed the Assets by the sum of \$6,935.06, which is accounted for by the following extraordinary expenditures and accounts which were not included in the estimates:—

Town General Explosion Account.....	\$ 3096.75
School Board Explosion Account.....	4526.74
Dartmouth Board of Health.....	
Hospital, Influenza and Smallpox.....	2899.96
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	\$10,523.45

Hence under normal conditions the Town would have shown an excess of Assets over Liabilities to the extent of \$3588.39, which is considerable more than the previous year.

The amount of damage to Town property caused by the Explosion of December 6th, 1917, the account of which has been filed with the Halifax Relief Commission is:

Damage to Town Buildings.....	\$10,779.00
Damage to Schools	22,616.00
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	\$33,395.00

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None of this money has been received by the Town up to the present time but I am in hopes that the Commission will make a settlement in a short time.

Owing to the explosion the General health of the citizens has been affected in many ways, and the Town being visited by the Influenza Epidemic, Smallpox etc., all of which has caused considerable expense, and I am glad to say the conditions are very much improved.

Our Medical Officer, Dr. Payzant, has given the Town exceptionally good service, through-out the year by his close attention to the work at all times.