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W. H. Sherman, Book and Job Printer,  
1907.

## OFFICERS FOR 1907-8

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### PRESIDENT ;

Leonard E. Opdycke.

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John S. Kennedy,

Rt. Rev. Wm. Lawrence.

### SECRETARY :

H. M. Conners.

### TREASURER :

Fred C. Lynam.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

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### Finance Committee :

L. A. Austin, Chairman.

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Fred C. Lynam,

J. S. Kennedy,

Thomas Searls.

### Village Committee :

Mrs. J. Biddle Porter, Chairman,

Miss Sarah Lawrence,

Mrs. F. E. Sherman.

Miss Juliett Nickerson,

Mrs. J. Madison Taylor.

**Grievance Committee :**

Miss Juliett Nickerson, Chairman,

**Trees and Planting Committee :**

George B. Dorr, Chairman,

Miss Mary R. Coles,                 Miss Beatrix Jones.  
Mrs. John Harrison,             Mrs. John S. Kennedy,  
Mrs. J. C. Livingston.

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Dr. Robert Abbe,                 Dr. E. J. Morrison,  
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Dr. R. G. Higgins,                Dr. Horace S. Stokes,  
Dr. C. C. Morrison,               Dr. J. Madison Taylor.  
Dr. R. W. Wakefield.

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Miss Eloise Derby,               George B. Dorr,

**Village Green Committee :**

Mrs. John Harrison, Chairman,  
Fred C. Lynam,                    Mrs. Wm. B. Rice,  
Mrs. L. E. Opdycke,               Mrs. F. E. Sherman.

**Glen Mary Park Committee :**

Dr. Robert Amory, Chairman.  
George B. Dorr,                    Mrs. John Harrison.

**Automobile Committee :**

Hon. E. S. Clark, Chairman,  
Arthur D. Addison,               Hon. J. P. Bass,  
L. Artell Austin,                 Fred C. Lynam.

## EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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During the past year the Association's roll of life members has lost, through death, the honored names of Mrs. Lincoln F. Brigham, Mr. A. J. Cassatt, and Mr. Gardiner Sherman, all of whom showed generous interest in our work. Mr. Sherman was one of the earliest and most active members of the corporation, served as its Secretary from 1892 until 1897, and contributed much to the welfare and happiness of the community.

The V. I. A. desires again to thank the officers of the Y. M. C. A. most heartily for their kindness in arranging, and in allowing us to use, their commodious reading room for our meetings.

If we may trust friendly comment received from many quarters, no part of the season's work has been more successful than that which has been aimed at keeping the chief sidewalks and paths of the village neat. Those who do not like the appearance of our green barrels would probably like even less to see scattered about the village the waste papers and other rubbish that the barrels receive. It is believed that, in addition to their direct effect in materially lessen-

ing an unsightly nuisance, these receptacles have proved useful also in furnishing a constant reminder of civic duty.

As in the past, the mountain trails and woodland paths, opened and maintained by our Association, have been the source of keen delight to many walkers, and the singular beauty of the new paths at the Cadillac Cliffs and at Fawn Pond has been enthusiastically appreciated.

Among the permanent residents, the Village Green is undoubtedly the most popular feature of the Association's work. To be appreciated fully, the Green must be visited some warm summer evening, when the band music attracts crowds of people, who are enabled to sit in comfort on the benches or to stroll along the paths and on the turf. Especially frequented in hot weather, it is at all times a pleasant place to linger in, to pass through, or even to look at. Thus far the Green has cost the Association \$4,207.05 for permanent improvement and for care. Of this amount, \$3,326.96 was contributed expressly for the purpose.

One of the most interesting events of our year was the voluntary organization, by the permanent residents last winter, of a festival entertainment for the benefit of the Green. Besides giving pleasure to all who took part in it, and resulting in a net profit of over \$222, this enterprise furnishes a welcome sign of the

growth of that spirit which our Association seeks to promote.

At the August meeting the officers of the Association were instructed to make a fresh canvass of opinion regarding the automobile question, by circulating among the summer colony ballots similar to those circulated last year. The result of this canvass, which was made at the height of the season, shows that practically all summer visitors here believe that automobiles ought not to be permitted on the roads of the Town of Eden. Out of 554 votes cast, only four were in favor of repealing the present restriction, and six in favor of relaxing it. Ninety-two of the votes were cast by automobile owners, of whom only three were in favor of motor traffic in this neighborhood.

We cannot believe that the citizen voters of the town will regard it as an act of good business policy or of good citizenship to disregard the opinion so emphatically expressed by the summer visitors for three successive seasons.

At our annual meeting it was referred to the Finance Committee to determine the various appropriations for the ensuing year. This committee met, and after careful consideration, reported as follows:

Village Committee,	\$600
Roads and Paths Committee:	
for general work,	400
for improving Fawn Pond Park.	100

Trees and Planting Committee:

for general work,	150
for planting on the Village Green,	200
for Newport Mountain Road,	100
for Bicycle Path,	50
Village Green Committee,	300
Glen Mary Park Committee,	200

Owing to the great multiplicity of appeals made to summer visitors at Bar Harbor, the task of raising money to meet the growing needs of the Association becomes more difficult each year. While we are reluctant to ask our regular contributors to increase their already generous donations, we earnestly hope that they may in future be willing to aid us by explaining to their friends here, especially to such as are not familiar with our work, the need of supporting that work liberally.

L. E. OPDYCKE. President.

H. M. CONNERS, Secretary.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ending September 10, 1907

### RECEIPTS.

Donations and members' dues,	\$2,196.00
Special donations:	
For improving Fawn Pond Park,	250.00
For improving Village Green:	
For moving trees,	150.00
Profits of Winter Festival,	222.56
Acknowledged in last report,	10.00
For expenses of forestry expert,	52.87
Total donations and dues,	\$2,881.43
Interest,	75.00
Railroad bond paid on maturity,	1,000.00
Balance on hand September 11, 1906,	835.71
	<u>\$4,792.14</u>

### EXPENSES.

Village Committee,	\$608.51
Roads and Paths Committee:	
General,	480.52
Improving Fawn Pond Park,	369.10
Bicycle Path, 1905-6,	25.20
Bicycle Path, 1906-7,	140.00
Carried forward,	<u>\$1,623.33</u>

Brought forward:	
Receipts,	\$4,792.14
Expenses,	\$1,623.33
Trees and Planting Committee:	
General,	294.83
Village Green,	450.00
Flower Planting Sub-Com.,	92.31
Village Green Committee,	568.75
Glen Mary Park Committee,	33.00
Water Views Committee,	72.50
Printing and Postage,	159.93
Secretary's salary,	50.00
Canvassing, 1905-6,	40.00
Sundries,	16.50
	<u>3,401.15</u>
Balance on hand September 10, 1907,	1,390.99
Besides which the Association has on deposit, at interest,	1,500.00
	<u>\$2,890.99</u>

FRED C. LYNAM, Treasurer.

Accounts examined and found correct.  
September 23, 1907.

L. A. AUSTIN,  
THOMAS SEARLS,  
Auditors.



### Report of Finance Committee

Your Committee are glad to report that the Association's receipts from dues and donations have somewhat exceeded the total received last year,—a result gratifying in view of the absence this season of several very generous contributors. Few of our regular supporters have reduced their donations, while several have given more than usual, and many gifts have been accompanied by voluntary expressions of hearty interest in our work and of praise for the results of that work.

While, however, our total receipts have increased, the net amount available to meet general appropriations was smaller than last year by \$122,—owing to the fact that, of the gross amount received, some \$685 was given for specific purposes as set forth in the Treasurer's report.

Excluding such special donations, we received :

One gift of \$100 this year, as against two last year ;

Eight gifts of \$50 this year, as against the same number last year ;

One gift of \$35 this year, as against none of like amount last year ;

Two gifts of \$30 this year, as against one last year ;

Twenty-nine gifts of \$25 this year, as against thirty-three last year ;

Five gifts of \$20 this year, as against three last year ;

Two gifts of \$15 this year, as against none of like amount last year ;

Forty-three gifts of \$10 this year, as against fifty last year ;

Forty-six gifts of \$5 this year, as against forty-seven last year ; and \$86 in smaller amounts this year, as against \$68 last year ;—making a total of \$2,196 in unrestricted gifts this year, as against \$2,318 last year.

As the result of special effort, there has been an increase in the amount contributed by hotel guests.

L. A. AUSTIN, Chairman.

### Report of Village Committee

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The work of the committee has been reorganized. Papers and rubbish have been removed from the Shore Path and elsewhere every day by one employee. Another has been employed to cut the grass and trim the village streets. A helper was required for this work for five weeks, from July 9 to August 16. The barrels have been emptied daily, a contract of \$3 a week having been made for this part of the work. The committee requests that occupants of cottages along the Shore Path do not allow grass or rubbish to be thrown on the rocks, or in the water near the shore.

The appropriation of \$500 was insufficient to meet this year's expenses, and an extra appropriation of \$150 was given to finish the work. The sum of \$64 was contracted for last autumn, before the present committee took charge. The expense of purchasing and painting 30 barrels has been \$37, the lettering \$16.25, making a total of \$53.25. The repairs to the cemetery wall and rear fence, and other necessary items have come to \$25. The total expenditures have been \$608.51, which includes all bills to date. The committee asks for \$600 to continue the work for the coming year.

ELIZABETH RUSH PORTER, Chairman.

### Report of Trees and Planting Committee

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#### GENERAL PLANTING.

The chairman reports that work was done by Mr. Grant last autumn, in planting on the village streets and in caring for planting done in previous years, at an expense amounting to \$233,—no work having been done by the committee since that time. Care of previous planting, of vines especially, is now necessary and fresh planting along the roadside where opportunity has arisen. The places of certain trees, moreover, which were wantonly destroyed a year ago during the visit of the fleet along the walk on lower Main street, need to be refilled by others, which can be obtained from former plantations on the roadside that it would now be better to thin out. On this various work \$200 could be expended with advantage; if this is more than can be spared from other work \$150 would serve for doing what is urgent in the committee's work.

#### VILLAGE GREEN PLANTING.

All the trees planted last year and this are doing well, with the exception of certain canoe birches at the western end of the Green which were attacked last autumn by an insect working its way between the bark and wood, around the trunk. The trees thus attacked will need to be replaced. Once established, the canoe birch is one of the hardiest of trees and not readily subject to the attack of insect or other dis-

eases, but it is liable to suffer in removal even under the best conditions and is then subject to such attack while its vitality is impaired.

One or two of the large poplars on the northern side of the lot, which suffered from the drought last year, are also dying and need to be replaced. Otherwise the only planting to be done upon the Green is that of a few Norway maples along the southern side of the long path, corresponding to those planted on the northern side this spring along a portion of the walk. These uniting with the others will presently make this walk a shady one throughout the greater portion of its length and add considerably to the pleasantness and beauty of the Green.

For these various plantings on the Green your committee recommend an appropriation of \$200. After this planting is done but little further appropriation for tree planting on the Green will be required.

#### FORESTRY.

An attempt has been made this summer by the Tree Committee, jointly with the president of the association, to initiate a movement looking toward investment by the summer residents, either individually or in association, in such lands on the island as an expert may judge to be of permanent forestry value and not of greater value for other purposes; and their scientific forestry treatment for the purpose of business investment under the direction of a competent expert. The chairman of the committee, having given some study to the question himself and consulted experts upon it, believes that sound investment can be made in such lands on the island, investment

which would ultimately bring a good as well as permanent return.

The forestry conditions on such land upon the island are distinctly good. Growth is rapid and production quick; the woods which can be grown are valuable and all the wood grown will always be readily marketable on the island itself; and there is a large extent of land upon the island, many thousand acres probably—which, while it is of little or no value for other purposes, would be fertile in tree growth. Such lands rightly treated would be permanently productive, and as in good forestry the woods would be merely thinned from time to time until their main crop of trees had reached full size and marketable value, not over two per cent. of these woodlands at most would ever be cut over in any single year. And this cutting would be massed each year in special areas selected with regard to the growth of trees upon them and to future work, and so selected also as to exert a constant check upon the spread of fires upon the island—an important matter in forestry investment as for the landscape. The constant disfigurement now caused by cutting in small, scattered areas along the roads and paths, and the danger that exists at present from fires starting or spreading in the brush left in them which should be burnt, would be avoided under such treatment.

Under it by far the greater part of the forestable lands upon the island would always have good woods—and a considerable portion of them old and fine ones—growing on them and subject to good care and forestry treatment. This would be infinitely better than the present state of things or anything that could otherwise be hoped for, and would help, more than

anything else could do, to ensure the permanent beauty of the island, and to add to its attraction as a summer home. Nor would it hinder at all but help the outright purchase of such portions of the older woods as might seem to be specially important to keep permanently forested for the pleasure of our drives and walks. Such portions would be but a small part of the land capable of good forestry treatment, and piece by piece they could be acquired as the woods on them became mature, and held as public reservation.

The chairman of the committee believes that this scheme is practicable and economically sound, and that aesthetic results of great importance to the island would inevitably result from its adoption. There is no question moreover that the price of wood is going to advance steadily for many years to come, until the forest crop becomes a profitable one to grow in more arid regions than ours and under conditions less favorable to forest growth.

The first step towards such investment is a thorough forestry study of the island by a competent expert and the preparation of a report upon it and forestry map. This the chairman hopes it may be possible to get done within the coming year. The acquisition of land for forestry purposes would follow after slowly, land being only purchased when it could be acquired at a price reasonable in view of its own actual value for the end in view and that of the standing wood upon it. In confirmation of his opinion in this matter the chairman of the Tree Committee submits a letter just received by him from the Forestry Department at Washington.

GEORGE B. DORR, Chairman.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE

Washington,

Branch of Silviculture. September 3, 1907.

MR. GEORGE B. DORR,

Bar Harbor, Maine.

Dear Sir :

Mr. Pinchot has undoubtedly written you that he is very much interested in your plan for taking care of the forests on Mount Desert Island. Your scheme for preserving the forests not for purely sentimental or aesthetical reasons but also for financial considerations is a very sound one and is in full accord with the principles of true forestry. A work of this kind successfully carried out would be of great value to forestry in general, and would serve as a conspicuous object lesson to other forest owners and forest investors of what can be done in this line. The forests on Mount Desert Island seem to offer a good opportunity for such an enterprise, and the Forest Service will be very glad to do all that it can to help you in carrying out your plan.

I do not think it will be possible this fall to make as thorough an examination as would be necessary for a full and authoritative report on the situation, which is absolutely essential for your purpose. Unfortunately, Mr. Cary cannot visit the island this fall. I shall, however, be very glad to send Mr. S. T. Dana, of the Forest Service, about September 15, to talk matters over with you and to make a preliminary investigation of the conditions there with a view to completing the work next year.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) WM. T. Cox,  
Assistant Forester.

### Report of Sub-Committee

In September, 1906, one hundred dollars was appropriated for the improvement of the neighborhood at Cromwell Harbor road and Ledgelawn avenue. \$21.50 was spent on grading, enriching the soil, sodding, putting in perennials, mending fences and painting.

This spring, owing to the possibility of the proposed railway running through the district, the people were less willing to work for the permanent good of their lots, and we deemed it unwise to attempt much. All the owners or tenants, excepting the four at the cross-roads, assisted in the improvements by giving their time or money. These four lots were therefore left uncared for and unattractive, as the occupants showed no interest. \$65.81 was spent this season on much needed permanent work on the lots near Glen Mary road. The Road Commissioner promised to drain the hill better, and we therefore graded and sodded the banks, besides improving the lots. \$12.69 remains unexpended. Mr. Grant gave his personal attention to the work, entirely to our satisfaction, and we hope that it will be approved by others.

LOUISE LIVINGSTON,  
MARY ROBERTS COLES.

### Report of Roads and Paths Committee

The chairman regrets that he has been able to give but little personal attention to the paths this summer. In the spring he laid out a short new path from the base of Kebo mountain to the Cromwell Harbor road near the Kebo Valley Club House, and made a change in the Toll House Path near the site of the old Toll House to avoid the muddy roadway formerly used as a part of this path.

The paths are reported to be in a fair condition as a whole.

The road to Lake Wood was put in order in the spring; under the supervision of Andrew E. Liscomb, the path to Fawn Pond has been improved and a path carried around this pond, and the dead trees near the pond have been cut down. A rock in sight of the pond has been selected on which to carve the inscription suggested by Dr. Mitchell, "Fawn Pond, given by Charles T. How to the Bar Harbor Village Improvement Association, 1906."

An appropriation of \$400 is suggested for the Paths and \$100 for further improvement at Fawn Pond.

WALDON BATES, Chairman.

### Sub-Committee on Newport Mountain Roadway and Bicycle Path

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One hundred dollars will be needed next year for resurfacing and repairs on the Newport Mountain roadway, which is much worn by use and rains, and which, if not put in order before another season, will have to be repaired later at increased expense.

Fifty dollars will be required for the repair and care of the Bicycle Path, on which some resurfacing is now in progress at its westerly end. For this work a gravel pit has been opened on adjoining land.

GEORGE B. DORR,  
Chairman Sub-Committee.

### Report of Village Green Committee

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The Green has made great strides this past year, both in beauty and usefulness. The extensive planting in the spring; the gift of two spruces by permanent residents last winter; the successful transplanting, in midsummer, of six trees from the new High School lot, with funds specially contributed by six summer residents; the gift of two trees from Miss Washington and Mrs. Stanton; the handsome stone seat given by Mr. Roberts; and the graceful cement bench presented by Mr. Norris;—all have combined to add not only to the adornment but to the comfort of the Green.

Inspired by the success of the entertainment last winter, certain ladies among the permanent residents are planning to organize another festival this winter, by which they hope to raise more money to be expended on the Green. Our committee tenders them hearty thanks and good wishes for this expression of their interest, and in so doing is sure that it voices the feeling of the Association as a whole.

It is pleasant to record that scarcely a day passes without some word or appreciation of the Green. From side streets that have lost all evidences of country life, come old people who can no longer walk to the green fields; and in troops come the children,—the older one entrusted with the babies because, as the busy mothers say, "It's so safe on the Green!"

Increased care and interest have been shown by

the public in keeping the place free from papers and other rubbish, and while there is still much to be desired in this respect, it is hoped that those who have been careless will be more considerate in future.

The strong electric light placed high above the music stand was much needed, and has proved a great success. The cost of installation was met by the Association; that of maintenance by the town. We hope that the town will not only continue to maintain this light, but also establish an additional arc light in Mount Desert street not far from the southwesterly corner of the Green.

While the Green is the property of the town, our Association voluntarily assumed the obligation of keeping it in order during the term of our ten years' lease from the town. Even with the most careful economy, we believe that this obligation cannot be properly met without an expenditure of at least \$300 for care and maintenance during the fiscal year 1907-8, and we accordingly recommend an appropriation of that amount.

EMILY L. HARRISON, Chairman.

### Report of Glen Mary Park Committee

Of the \$80 appropriated to the use of this committee, \$33 has been expended during the fiscal year.

Until recently the lands adjacent to the Park remained unoccupied, and there was little or no need to protect it by enclosure. Of late, however, several cottages have been built facing the Park, and damage is done by cattle allowed to pasture there. As the neighborhood becomes more populous, the use of the Park and the need of caring for it increase. The property ought to be fenced, at least in part, and more walks ought to be built in and through the grounds, so to make them accessible to children and others who have no woods near their homes. It is desirable, also, to maintain an arc light during the two warmest months, in order to lessen the noise and other more serious annoyances that are sometimes caused in the Park by adults who visit it in the evening from a distance.

For these purposes the committee recommend an appropriation of \$200.

ROBERT AMORY, Chairman.

## LIFE MEMBERS

Givers

of

\$25 in one sum

\$10 annually for three years

or \$5 annually for seven years

(By-Laws, Article I, Sec. 3)

Abbe, Dr. and Mrs. R.	Coxe, Mrs. A. B.
Anderson, Mrs. N. L.	Crafts, Miss M. E.
Auchincloss, Mrs. J. W.	Crocker, Mrs. U. H.
Babcock, Mr. and Mrs.	Davis, Mrs. A. J.
Banks, Mr. and Mrs. A. B.	Dehon, Miss M. H.
Barney, Mrs. A. C.	Derby, Dr. Hasket
Bass, Mrs. E. W.	Dimock, Mrs. H. F.
Bass, Hon. J. P.	Dodge, Mrs. W. E.
Biddle, Miss C. W.	Dorr, Mr. G. B.
Blair, Mr. and Mrs.	Duncan, Mr. W. B.
Bowdoin, Mr. and Mrs.	Emery, Mr. and Mrs. J. J.
Bowen, Mrs. J. T.	Emmons, Mr. R. W.
Brigham, Mr. L. F.	Fahnestock, Mr. H. C.
Canfield, Mrs. A. C.	French, Miss C. L. W.
Carpenter, Mrs. M. B.	Gurnee, Mr. A. C.
Cassatt, Mrs. A. J.	Gurnee, Miss D. E.
Clarke, Miss Anna M.	Gurnee, Mr. W. S.
Coats, Mr. and Mrs. A. M.	Harrison, Hon. F. B.
Condon, Mrs. T. G.	Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. J.

Hart, Mrs. H. C.	Newbold, Mr. C. B.
How, Mr. Charles T.	Ogden, Mr. D. B.
Hubbard, Gen. and Mrs.	Opdycke, Mr. L. E.
Jackson, Mrs. C. C.	Peabody, Mrs. A. P.
Jaques, Mr. Herbert	Peabody, Mr. F. H.
Jesup, Mr. and Mrs. M. K.	Pendleton, Mr. Edmund
Jones, Miss Beatrix	Place, Mrs. George
Jones, Mrs. Cadwalader	Platt, Mrs. A. E.
Kane, Mr. and Mrs. J. I.	Price, Mrs. J. M. P.
Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs.	Pulitzer, Mr. and Mrs. J.
Kingsland, Mrs. W. M.	Rice, Mrs. W. B.
Leeds, Mrs. M. E.	Robbins, Mrs. G. A.
Livingston, Mrs. J. C.	Schieffelin, Mr. and Mrs.
Livingston, Mr. Johnston	Schiff, Mr. and Mrs. J. H.
Longstreth, Dr. Morris	Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar
McCagg, Mr. and Mrs. L. B.	Sears, Miss Helen
McCormick, Mrs. R. Hall	Sears, Mrs. J. M.
Maitland, Mr. and Mrs. A.	Seely, Mrs. W. W.
Markoe, Mrs. John	Sherman, Mrs. Gardiner
Matthews, Mrs. Nathan	Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. M.
May, Mrs. J. Frederic	Smith, Mrs. Edward A.
Minturn, Mrs. John W.	Smith, Miss Josephine
Mitchell, Dr. and Mrs.	Stewart, Mr. William R.
Morgan, Miss C. L.	Thompson, Miss Anne
Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. J. P.	Trevor, Mrs. John B.
Morrell, Mrs. Edward	Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. A.
Morrill, the Misses	Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs.



### Membership Dues and Donations

Acknowledged in 17th Annual Report	\$99
Abbe, Dr. and Mrs. Robert	35
Allen, C. F.	1
Amory, Dr. and Mrs. Robert	10
Anderson, Mrs. Nicholas L.	25
Anonymous (Newport House)	1
Auchincloss, Mr. and Mrs. John W.	10
Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. Henry D.	30
Babcock, The Misses	10
Baker, Mrs. Henry M.	5
Banks, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bleecker	25
Bass, Col. and Mrs. Edgar W.	10
Bass, Hon. J. P.	25
Bates, Waldron	1
Beach, Miss Helen	5
Beaman, Mr. and Mrs. George H.	2
Beale, Mrs. Harriet Blaine	5
Biddle, Miss Christine W.	6
Blair, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Clinton	50
Bowdoin, Mr. and Mrs. George S.	50
Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T.	10
Bridgham, Mr. and Mrs. S. W.	10
Brigham, Mrs. Lincoln F. (deceased)	25
Brigham, L. Fobes	25
Bunker, Dr. and Mrs. D. Wellington	2
Chace, Miss	1
Carried forward	\$478

Brought forward	\$478
Chandler, Fred W.	1
Coats, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred M.	50
Coles, Mrs. and Miss	10
Conrad, Mrs. Thomas K.	5
Cotton, D. Page	1
Crafts, Miss Mary E.	5
Crocker, Mrs. Uriel H.	5
Cushman, Miss Violet	1
Cutting, Mr. and Mrs. R. Fulton	20
Dabney, Mrs. Walter	1
Davis, Mrs. Andrew J.	25
Davis, Edward L.	5
Davis, Mrs. James H.	5
Davis, Mr. and Mrs. William H.	2
Deasy, Hon. Luere B.	1
Dehon, Miss M. H.	20
Derby, Dr. and Mrs. Hasket	5
Draper, Mr. and Mrs. William P.	2
Drayton, Mrs. Robert Coleman	5
Duncan, William Butler	25
Dutilh, Miss Emily	5
Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pierrepont	10
Emery, Mr. and Mrs. John J.	50
Eno, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lane	25
Evans, William J.	1
Fabbri, Mr. and Mrs. Ernesto G.	10
Fahnestock, Harris C.	25
Fleitmann, Mr. and Mrs. William M.	10
Francis, Mrs. Charles	5
French, Miss Caroline L. W.	5
Fry, Charles	10
Carried forward	\$828

Brought forward	\$828
Furfey, Dr. J. Austin	5
Geofroy, Antoine de	2
Green, Charles S.	1
Green, Rev. and Mrs. Stephen H.	5
Gregerson, Miss E.	1
Gurnee, Miss Delia L.	25
Gurnee, Mr. and Mrs. Walter S.	25
Guthrie, Thomas P.	1
Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C.	25
Harrison, Mrs. George L.	10
Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. John	25
Haskins, George M.	1
Hewitt, Mrs. Abram S.	10
Higgins, Blithen S.	3
Hinkle, Mr and Mrs. A. Howard	10
Hobson, Mrs. E. C.	5
Hoffman, Mrs. and Miss	10
Hone, Mrs. John	5
Hubbard, Gen. and Mrs. Thomas H.	25
Ingraham, Hon. George L.	10
Jaques, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert	10
Jennings, Mrs. Hennen	20
Jesup, Mr. and Mrs. Morris K.	50
Jordan, Mrs. Albion F	1
Kane, Mr. and Mrs. John Innes	25
Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart	100
Kettle, Mr. and Mrs. L. N.	10
Ladd, Charles C.	1
Larkin, the Misses	2
Laugier-Villars, the Countess	10
Lawrence, Miss Sarah	5
Carried forward	\$1,266

Brought forward	\$1,266
Lawrence, Rt. Rev. and Mrs. William	10
Leeds, Mr. and Mrs. Warner M.	25
Leffingwell, Mrs. Christopher S.	1
Leland, Ansel B.	1
Linzee, Miss Elizabeth	1
Livingston, Mr. and Mrs. John C.	10
Livingston, Johnston	25
Livingston, Mr. and Mrs. Philip	5
Lombard, Miss Edith	5
Lombard, Miss Susan S.	5
Luquer, Mr. and Mrs. Lea McIlvaine	25
McCagg, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Butler	50
McCormick, Mrs. R. Hall	10
McMichael, Mrs. Walter	1
Major, Miss Maria T.	5
Manning, the Misses	10
Markoe, Mrs. John	10
May, Mrs. J. Frederic	10
Mellen, Mrs. C. W.	5
Meserole, Abraham	5
Miller, G. T.	5
Minot, the Misses	10
Mitchell, Dr. and Mrs. S. Weir	25
Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Casimir de Rham	20
Morgan, Miss Caroline L.	25
Morrill, the Misses	25
Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hennen	10
Morrison, Dr. C. C.	1
Nason, Howard L.	1
Newbold, Clement B.	25
Nickerson, Miss Juliett	1
Carried forward	\$1,633

Brought forward	\$1,633
Norcross, Mr. and Mrs. Otis	5
Norris, the Misses	2
Opdycke, Mrs. Emerson	10
Opdycke, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard E.	30
Opdycke, Master and Miss	1
Ostrander, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F.	5
Paine, Charles F.	1
Parsons, Mrs. Herbert	10
Peabody, Mrs. F. H.	5
Pearson, Mrs. Frederick	10
Phelps, Mrs. Austin	5
Phillips, Dr. George A.	1
Platt, Mrs. A. E.	10
Porter, Mrs. J. Biddle	1
Potter, Mrs. Robert S.	1
Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. John T.	10
Reynolds, B. C.	1
Rice, Mrs. William B.	10
Ripley, Gen. and Mrs. Edward H.	10
Robbins, Mrs. George A.	10
Schieffelin, Mr. and Mrs. William J.	10
Schiff, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H.	25
Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar	50
Searls, Thomas	1
Seely, Mrs. W. W.	25
Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E.	2
Sherman, Mrs. Gardiner	25
Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. Morton	25
Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Edwards	5
Sprague, Mrs. H. B.	1
Stevens, Miss Julia	5
Carried forward	\$1,945

Brought forward	\$1,945
Stewart, William Rhinelander	25
Suminsby, Edward E.	2
Thatcher, Mrs. Archibald G.	1
Thomas, Miss	1
Thompson, W. Prall	1
Thorndike, Dr. and Mrs. Augustus	5
Thorndike, Mr. and Mrs. Charles	5
Torrey, Miss A. D.	1
Torrey and Linzee, the Misses	5
Train, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur	10
Train, Mrs. Charles R.	5
Trevor, Mrs. John B.	20
Tubbs, Mrs. A. C.	5
Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Alanson	25
Tucker, Mrs. Luther H.	3
Van Buren, Mrs. T. Smith	5
Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. George W.	50
Van Nest, G. Willet	10
Walcott, Mr. and Mrs. F. C.	10
Waller, Mrs. Robert	5
Washington, Miss E. C.	1
Washington, Mrs. William Herbert	1
Weld, Mrs. C. Minot	5
Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver J.	2
Welman, Mrs. Arthur N.	10
White, Mr. and Mrs. John J.	10
Wilkins, Miss Maria S.	1
Winthrop, Miss Maria	15
Wissmann, Mr. and Mrs. F. de Rham	5
Witherell, Miss S. E.	1
Worden, Mrs. Daniel J.	1
Carried forward	\$2,191

Brought forward	\$2,191.00
Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. W. S.	5.00
Total as per first item in Treasurer's Report,	<u>\$2,196.00</u>

## SPECIAL DONATIONS

For Village Green ;	10.00
Acknowledged in 17th Annual Report	222.56
Net profits of Winter Festival	25.00
Bowdoin, Mrs. George S.	25.00
Harrison, John	25.00
Hunt, Mrs. Platt	25.00
Kennedy, Mrs. John Stewart	25.00
Morrill, the Misses	25.00
Seely, Mrs. W. W.	25.00
For improving Fawn Pond Park :	
Acknowledged in 17th Annual Report	250.00
For expenses of forestry expert :	
Anonymous	2.87
Jesup, Morris K.	50.00
Total all donations and dues.	<u>\$2,881.43</u>

## Additional Receipts

September 10—October 5, 1907.

Callender, Miss Mary R.	\$10
Clark, Hon. and Mrs. Edward S.	2
Cochrane, Mr. and Mrs. William F.	15
Connors, Harry M.	1
deForest, Miss Caroline	10
Dimock, Mrs. Henry F.	25
Lynam, Fred C.	1
May, Frederic	1
Morrison, Dr. and Mrs. Elmer J.	2
Price, Mrs. Bruce	5
Pulitzer, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph	100
Thorndike, Mrs. Quincy	20
	<u>\$192</u>

## CHARTER

### LAWS OF 1891. CHAPTER 186:

#### **An Act To Incorporate The Bar Harbor Village Improvement Association**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature Assembled as follows:

SECTION 1. Parke Godwin, Fred C. Lynam, William H. Sherman, Morris K. Jesup, Robert Amory, Charles T. How, De Grasse Fox, Luere B. Deasy, Edward Coles, Serenus H. Rodick, Henry Sayles, William B. Rice, David A. Bunker, Elihu T. Hamor, Addie B. Higgins, Mary G. Dorr, Augustus Gurnee, A. W. Morrill, Iphigenia Z. Place, Frances E. Wood, George W. Vanderbilt, Gertrude S. Rice, Louisa S. Minot, F. G. Peabody, Abby A. Potter, Francis M. Connors, John E. Clark, George M. Wheeler, Eugene B. Richards, and their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Bar Harbor Village Improvement Association, for the purpose of instituting and maintaining public improvements in the village of Bar Harbor, and other parts of Mount Desert Island.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of its incorporation this Association may receive and hold real and personal property not exceeding fifty thousand dollars in amount; make contracts to be binding upon itself but

none upon its individual members; and to make by-laws not inconsistent with law for the regulation of its membership and its government.

SEC. 3. The first meeting of this corporation may be called by any of the above associates, by a notice published two weeks successively before the time of said meeting in any newspaper published at Bar Harbor.

SEC. 4 This act shall take effect when approved.

## BY-LAWS

### Preamble

Whereas, it is evident to all who are interested in the village of Bar Harbor that some method of united action is needed in order to preserve the natural beauties of the place by the ornamentation of the streets and public grounds of the village, by planting and cultivating trees and doing such other acts as shall tend to beautify, adorn and increase the attractions of the village; therefore we have formed ourselves into an Association and agree to be governed by the following by-laws:

### No. 1—Name

This Society shall be known as the Bar Harbor Village Improvement Association.

### No. 2—Membership

SECTION 1. The members of this Association shall consist of two classes: Annual and Life.

SEC. 2. Any person over fourteen years of age by the payment of one dollar annually, and any child under fourteen years of age who shall pay the sum of fifty cents annually, shall be a member of this Association for the current fiscal year which shall end on the second Tuesday of September.

SEC. 3. The payment of five dollars annually for seven years, or ten dollars annually for three years or

twenty-five dollars in one sum, shall constitute a person a life member of the Association.

SEC. 4. Irrespective of payment of dues the following persons shall be members of the Association: the Selectmen, the Town Clerk, the Treasurer, the Road Commissioners, the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Health, the Sewer Commissioner, and the Inspector of Buildings, of the Town of Eden; the pastors and rectors of all Christian churches in the village of Bar Harbor, and all physicians licensed to practice in the said village.

### No. 3—Meetings

There shall be meetings of the Association held each year on the third Tuesday of June and on the second Tuesday of July, August and September, of which the September meeting shall be the annual meeting of the Association.

Said meetings shall be held at some convenient place in the village of Bar Harbor of which due notice shall be given by the Secretary.

Other meetings of the Association may be called by the President and shall be called on written request of five members of the Association.

### No. 4—Officers of the Association

At the annual meeting the Association shall elect by ballot the following officers:

President,  
Three Vice-Presidents,  
Treasurer,  
Secretary,

who shall hold office for one year and until their successors are duly elected.

At the same time and place the Association shall elect, or shall empower the newly elected President to appoint, the chairmen and members of the following Standing Committees: Finance, Village, Grievance, Sanitary, Roads and Paths, Trees and Planting, Village Green, and Glen Mary Park.

Special Committees may be appointed by a vote of the Association at any time.

#### **No. 5—Duties of Officers**

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association, and in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents shall perform the duties of his office.

SEC. 2. The Treasurer shall have charge of all money and other property of the Association, and shall report at each of its regular meetings. The report presented by him at the annual meeting shall be in writing, accompanied by an account and vouchers for audit. He shall be the sole disbursing officer of the Association, and shall pay out the moneys of the Association only upon written approval either of the chairman of the committee from whose appropriation the disbursement is made, or of the President or a member of the Finance Committee. Except for usual office expenses, he shall pay out no money until the same shall have been appropriated by the Association.

SEC. 3. The Secretary shall keep a correct and careful record of all the proceedings of the Association in a suitable book, have charge of the books, records, and seal of the Association and give notice of all meetings.

#### **No. 6—Duties of Committees**

FINANCE COMMITTEE. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to devise ways and means to procure funds for the use of the Association, by extending the membership, procuring subscriptions and donations or by any other means. If at any time there shall be found in the hands of the Treasurer a surplus of money beyond estimated disbursements, such surplus may be invested in marketable and interest paying securities.

VILLAGE COMMITTEE. It shall be the duty of this committee to make the streets attractive by trimming the borders between the sidewalks and roadways, cutting grass, weeding, and to care for the village graveyard, etc.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE. It shall be the duty of this committee to invite, to receive, to examine into, and if possible to secure the removal of just grounds for, complaints relating to matters connected with the purposes of the Association. In case any complaints received by this committee shall seem to lie within the province of any other committee, they shall at once be brought to the attention of such other committee.

COMMITTEE ON TREES AND PLANTING. It shall be the duty of this committee to secure the removal of dead wood and underbrush and to plant trees, shrubs and vines, and to care for the bicycle path and Newport Mountain road.

SANITARY COMMITTEE. It shall be the duty of this committee to keep itself informed as to the condition and care of Eagle Lake, both in winter and summer,

into the condition of the water, to examine the stables, the disposal of garbage, sewers, drains, tenement houses and localities generally likely to become sources of injury or contagion, and to report to the Association.

**COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND PATHS.** It shall be the duty of this committee to report as to the condition of the roads, and to lay out, keep in repair and mark with signs, cairns and pointers paths and trails over the mountains, and through the woods on the eastern part of the island.

**GLEN MARY PARK.** It shall be the duty of this committee to observe the conditions of Miss Mary Shannon's deeds of conveyance of the Park land, especially that concerned with the care of the pine trees, and the setting out and caring for the settees conveyed to this Association under said deeds, and in other ways to improve the appearance and attractions of this Park, and to provide such police regulations as shall prevent injury to trees, land or other property thereon.

Each Standing Committee shall make a monthly report to the Association during the summer and the reports prepared for the annual meeting shall be in writing.

#### **No. 7—Seal**

The Corporation shall have a seal bearing its name and date "1891."

#### **No. 8—Deeds and Contracts**

Deeds and contracts shall be executed by the President, Treasurer and one of the Vice-Presidents.

No member shall be personally liable for any contract or debt of the Corporation.

#### **No. 9—Quorum**

Eleven members of the Corporation, or a majority of the members of any committee, shall constitute a quorum, and a quorum being present, a majority thereof shall control.

#### **No. 10—Amendments**

These By-laws as a whole, or any part thereof may be repealed or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular or official meeting of the Association, but a notice of any proposed change shall be given in the call for the meeting.

#### **No. 11—Order of Business**

Reading minutes of the preceding meeting, and action thereon.

Report of Treasurer.

Report of Standing Committees.

Report of Special Committees.

New Business.





# Bar Harbor Historical Society