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Town Officers

Moderator, George W. Goodhue.

Town clerk, Charles A. Brown.

Town treasurer, Ernest L. Adams.

Selectmen, Clarence H. Ware, Edward O. Hubbard, Richard Coughlan.

Collector of taxes, Charles H. Dutton.

Road agent, Richard B. Harrington.

Overseer of the poor, Charles H. Dutton.

Health officer, Charles H. Dutton.

Common Commissioners, Will O. Stearns, Charles A. Sheldon, William D. Fogg.

Water Commissioners, William E. Putnam, William D. Fogg, Harry M. Sheldon.

Library Trustees, Minnie S. Ware, Charles W. Cheney, Annie L. Putnam.

Supervisors of Check List, Charles A. Sheldon, Will O. Stearns, Charles W. Cheney.

Trustees of Trust Funds, Ernest L. Adams, William D. Fogg, Edson K. Upton.

Electric Light Committee, Edson K. Upton, Ernest L. Adams, William E Putnam.

Auditors, Homer C. Wheeler, William D. Fogg.

Surveyors Wood and Lumber, Harry M. Sheldon, John E. Hadley.

Police, William J. Hayden, chief; Charles A. Brown, Thomas M. Lavoie.

Special Police, Ernest L. Adams, Charles H. Dutton.

Agent for Town Clock, Charles E. Hanson.

Agent for Town Hall, William J. Hayden.

Cemetery Committee, John E. Hadley, Charles P. Hayward, William J. Hayden.

Sexton, John E. Hadley.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

Moderator, William E. Putnam.

Clerk, Nellie M. Welsh.

Treasurer, Ernest L. Adams.

School Board, Charles H. Dutton, Ella C. Ware, Cora F. Otis. Auditors, Homer C. Wheeler, William D. Fogg.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Valuation of the town by invoice	taken April 1,	1923:
Land and buildings	\$484,500 0	0
200 horses	21,765 0	0
3 mules	165 0	0
10 oxen	705 0	0
398 cows	20,915 0	0
74 neat stock	2,282 0	C
109 sheep	800-0	C
4 hogs	85 0	0
3265 fowls	3,952 0)
Portable mills	2,100 0)
Boats and launches	630 0)
Wood and lumber	15,590 00) –
Money on hand or on deposit	18,950 00)
Stock in trade	20,950 00)
Mills and machinery	6,900 00)
Total valuation		- \$600,289 00
Amount of tax valuation	17,168 53	
National bank stock tax	108 60	
14 polls at \$3.00	42 00	
322 polls at \$5.00	1,610 00	
522 poils at \$5.00	1,010 00	,
Total tax		\$18,929 13

Total tax Rate per cent on valuation \$2.86

MONEY RAISED BY TAX

State tax	\$1,403 00
County tax	1,275 05
Highways and bridges	2,500 00
Town debt	1,700 00
State aid maintenance	100 00
Trunk line maintenance	50 00
Old Home Week	$100 \ 00$
Lighting streets	700 00
Trunk line construction	912 00
Construction electric line to Perry's	625 00
Unimproved Contoocook Valley	
Highway	300 00

Repair of road from depot to foun-	
tain in east end of street	110
Schools	8,058
Overlay	451
Poll tax	644

Amount

\$18,929 13

Assets of the Town

Cash on hand	\$3,501	55
171 copies of town histories	427	50
Due from state, trunk line construc-		
tion	21	24
Due from state, trunk line main-		
tenance	74	94
Due from state, state aid mainte-	•	
nance	• 48	71
Due from state, town patrol	350	30
Due from tax collector for year 1920	15	40
Due from tax collector for year 1921	140	99
Due from tax collector for year 1923	309	17

Amount

\$4,889 80

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN

Water notes	\$9,500 00
Electric light notes	8,600 00
Unexpended dog license money	183 80
Unexpended trunk line construction	42 48
. Unexpended trunk line maintenance	$149 \ 87$
Unexpended state aid maintenance	97 42
Unexpended town patrol	700 60
Balance due Memorial Day	33 29
Balance due town poor	118 57

Amount

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\$19,426 03

ACCOUNT WITH S	DTATE			
State tax Check from state treasurer	\$1,403 332			
			\$1,735	80
Credits				
Insurance tax	\$	75		
Railroad tax	281	62		
Savings bank tax	1,453	43.		
Jan. 31, 1923, paid state treasurer			\$1,735	80
Poll taxes	\$616	00		

Payments

Town Officers'	SALARIES
Auditors	\$7 00
Charles E. Adams, as selectman	12 25
Clarence H. Ware, as selectman	137 00
Richard Coughlan, as selectman	117 60
Edward O. Hubbard, as selectman	118 00
E. L. Adams, as treasurer	60 00
C. H. Dutton, overseer of the poor	13 49
C. E. Hanson, care town clock	25 00
C. A. Brown, town clerk	80 40
C. H. Dutton, collector	160 00

Amount

\$730 74

Town Officers' ExpensesTown reports\$11115Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies835Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies205Transcript Printing Co., supplies637

Charles C. Adams, expense and post-	
age	1 73
Weston Press, printing invoice	95 00
C. H. Ware, expense	10 73

C. H. Ware, supplies and postage	11 44
Richard Coughlan, expenses	16 15
E. O. Hubbard, expenses	10 57
E. O. Hubbard, use of team	12 00
E. L. Adams, supplies and postage	2 25
C. H. Dutton, expense	6 60
C. A. Brown, postage and supplies	23 80
J. H. Adams, clerical work	8 00

Amount

\$326 19

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

C. W. Cheney, supervisor	\$8	00
W. O. Stearns, check list	3	50
C. P. Hayward, ballot clerk	3	50
George W. Goodhue, moderator	4	00
Clark S. Ellingwood, ballot clerk	3	50
Charles A. Sheldon, supervisor and		
check list	4	85

\$27 35

TOWN HALL

Keene Gas & Electric Co., lights	-\$31 01
W. J. Hayden, care and supplies	63 00
Clark S. Ellingwood, repairs	6 50

\$100 51

POLICE DEPARTMENT

T. M. Lavoie, police	\$7 00
W. J. Hayden, police	22 00
E. L. Adams, care of tramps	6 00
E. L. Adams, as police	$10 \ 00$
C. H. Dutton, as police .	5 00
C. A. Brown, as police	9 00

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\$59 00

BOUNTIES

Charles E. Adams, hedgehogs\$ 80T. F. Hugron, wild cat20 00E. O. Hubbard, hedgehogs1 40Richard Coughlan, hedgehogs25 20Clarence H. Ware, hedgehogs4 40		
	\$51	80
DAMAGE BY DOGS L. R. Otis, sheep killed 	\$20	00
HEALTH DEPARTMENT C. H. Dutton, services	\$5	25
VITAL STATISTICS G. D. Tibbetts, M. D. \$3 75 C. A. Brown 75	\$4	50
STATE AID MAINTENANCE W. A. Osgood	\$152	55
Trunk Line Maintenance W. A. Osgood	\$182	18
Town MAINTENANCE R. B. Harrington	\$2,598	94

	WINTER ROADS		
Frank Bolio, cemetery	road	\$2 80	
R. B. Harrington	Totta	422 07	
Joe Quinn, cemetery ro	ade	8 00	
W. O. Stearns, cemeter		6 00	
R. B. Harrington	y roads	43 45	
R. B. Harrington		15 00	
R. B. Harrington		113 41	
William Welch		24 00	decar an
	·		\$634 73
	Street Lights		
Keene Gas and Electri	c Co.		\$701 40
Treene Gus and Ereen			
General	EXPENSES OF DEF	ARTMENT	,
Almon Hill, repairing t	ools	\$35 09	
Almon Hill, watering t		3 00	
M. E. Davis, watering		3 00	
Nellie L. Eaton, wateri		2 00	
C. L. Otis, watering tu		$\frac{2}{3}$ 00	
William Welch, repairi		$\frac{3}{4}00$	
winnami weren, repairi	ing roller	+ 00	\$50 09
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	77 D .		
	TOWN PATROL		
W. A. Osgood			\$1,134 81
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	Town Poor		
H. B. Meacham			\$100 00
	N D		
	Memorial Day		001 17
W. D. Crowell			\$81 15
	·		
	Cemeteries		
C. P. Hayward, labor		\$66 80	
W. J. Hayden, labor		60 00	
Carrie A. Wilds, housing	ng hearse	8 00	· ·
John E. Hadley, repair		2 63 -	
	_		\$137 43

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\$137 43

#### Electric Line

E. K. Upton

#### UNCLASSIFIED

W. P. Farmer, sec. N. H. assessors Warren Howe & Wilson, legal ex-	\$4	00
pense	\$200	00
Transcript Printing Co., water rent		
bills	4	00
C. H. Dutton, selling Kimball house	14	05
E. L. Adams, Old Home Day	100	00
J. D. Hutchinson, running town line	3	00
Cora F. Otis, dental clinic	72	31
E. K. Upton, dividend Kimball estate	8	86
E. K. Upton, trustee of trust fund	50	00
Alex Williamson, Hubbard Legacy	20	00
William E. Putnam, services and ex-		
pense	59	65
W. D. Fogg, water department	125	30

\$661 17

# INTERESTAlmon Hill on electric line note\$140 00Nellie L. Eaton on electric line note35 00Trustees of trust funds, electric line<br/>note232 00Trustees of trust funds on water<br/>notes370 00Trustees of trust funds on Kimball<br/>money44 80

#### TRUNK LINE CONSTRUCTION

John M. Mulhall

\$2,572 52 -

\$821 80

**SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS** 

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\$563 01

WATER DEPARTMENT \$98 28  Kimball money TEMPORARY LOANS \$2,982 45  Almon Hill Trustees of Trust funds \$700 00 1,000 00 \$1,700 '00
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STATE AND COUNTY
County tax \$1,275 05
State treasurer, poll tax 616 00
\$1,891 05
Schools
Ernest L. Adams, dog license money \$112 50
Ernest L. Adams, appropriations 8,058 69
RECAPITULATION
Town officers' salaries\$73074Town officers' expenses32619
Election and registration 27 35
Town Hall100 51Police department59 00
Bounties 51 80
Damage by dogs 20 00
Health Department525Vital Statistics450
State aid maintenance 152 55
Trunk line maintenance 182 18
Town maintenance2,59894Winter roads63473

Street lighting	701 40
General expense department	50 09
Town patrol	1,134 81
Town poor	100 00
Memorial Day	81 15
Cemeteries	137 43
Electric line	3,767 45
Unclassified	661 17
Interest	821 80
Trunk line construction	2,572 52
Special appropriations	563 01
Water department	98 28
Temporary loans	2,982 45
Term notes	1,700 00
State and county	1,891 05
Schools	8,171 19

\$30,327 54

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence H. Ware Edward O. Hubbard Richard Coughlan Selectmen of Hancock

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

E. L. Adams, Treasurer, in Account with the Town of Hancock, Feb. 1, 1924

Received	balance in treasury from	
	last year	\$2,893 32
	C. A. Brown, auto permits	944 29
	C. A. Brown, dog licenses	203 80
	Dr. L. Vernon Briggs,	
	special road account	100 00
	Keene Gas and Electric	
	Co., electric lights	1,002 16
	Margaret Perry, donation	
	electric light line	200 00
	Lewis B. Thacher, dona-	
	tion electric light line	1,000 00
	Eleanor Tudor, donation	
	electric light line	1,000 00

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George E. Farrand, White Pine Blister Rust Fund	26 28
George E. Farrand, high-	
way department	1,911 89
George E. Farrand, boun- ties on wild cat and	
hedgehogs	51 00
George E. Farrand, bal- ance from the state	332 80
Cora F. Otis, refund from dental clinic	31 86
Wendell D. Crowell, re- fund from Memorial	
Day Upton & Fogg, Kimball	33 29
house	3,200 00
Ginter Co., dividend from	4 00
Kimball estate	4 00
Franklin Savings Bank, dividend from Kimball	4.96
estate W. J. Hayden, lamps sold	$\begin{array}{ccc} 4 & 86 \\ 2 & 50 \end{array}$
W. J. Hayden, rent from	2 50
town hall	65 00
Annie L. Putnam, town histories sold	5 50
Telephone & Telegraph	5 50
Co., ½ interest in elec-	
tric light poles E. C. Foster, care of ceme-	1,243 00
tery lot	50 00
M. E. Edwards, repairing	<b>7</b> 07
electric light line Trustees of trust funds,	7.36
Hubbard legacy interest	20 00
R. B. Harrington, over	6.67
paid W. D. Fogg, water rentals	$\begin{array}{c} 6 & 65 \\ 770 & 33 \end{array}$
John E. Hadley, taxes for	-
1920 John E. Hadley, taxes for	9 00
1921	93 18
C. H. Dutton, taxes for 1922	527 94

C. H. Dutton, interest on		
1922 taxes	13 42	
C. H. Dutton, taxes for		
1923	18,575 66	
	<u> </u>	\$33,829 09
Cr.		
Paid selectmen's orders		30,327 54
Balance in treasury Feb. 1, 1924		\$3,501 55
	E. L.	Adams
	Town	Treasurer

#### Treasurer's Report of Town Common Account

Balance from last year	S10 84	
Received from Trustees of Trust		
funds	60 00	
		\$70 84
Cr.		
Paid:		
W. O. Stearns, labor on common	S4 75	
W. D. Fogg, repairing fountain	45	
C. P. Hayward, labor on common	23 20	
W. J. Hayden, labor on common	30 60	
		\$59 00
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 1, 1924		11 84
	E. L. A	DAMS
	Т	reasurer

#### Report of Tax Collector

Amount uncollected at settle Jan. 31, 1923	ement on		\$562 94
Paid E. L. Adams, Treas.		\$527 94	*
Abatements			
Louis E. Hayden, dead	\$5 00		
James Henney, left town	5 00		
Alfred Laclare, left town	5 00		
Alace G. Low, left town	5 00		
John Shea, left town	5 00		
Louis Tracy, left town	5 00		
Emogene Tracy, left town	5 00		
		\$35 00	
			\$562 94
Interest on 1922 taxes			\$13 42

1923 Taxes		
Amount to be collected		\$18,939 13
Paid E. L. Adams	\$18,575 66	
Abatements		
Charles Blanchette, paid in		
Boston \$5 00		
Noris W. Colby, paid in Hen-		
niker 5 00		
William Cuddihee, over 70 5 00		
George Johnson, over taxed 14 30		
Alfred La Clare, left town 5 00		
Gertrude Reynolds, left town 5 00		
Dora B. Gleason, over 70 5 00		
John Shea 5 00		
Bert Hayden, paid in Florida 5 00		
· · · · · ·	\$54 30	
Balance due from collector 1923 taxes	\$309 17	
Balance due nom conector 1920 taxes	\$509 17	\$18,939 13
	СН	DUTTON
	0. 11.	Collector
		Concetor

#### Water Commissioner's Report

Collection of rents for year July 1st, 1923 to July 1st, 1924 amounted to \$722.45 and list reported unpaid last year has been settled by payment of \$47.88 and an allowance of \$4.00 in the balance due from Miss A. G. Low on account of house being unoccupied from January 1923.

Total collections therefore amount to \$770.33.

Unpaid rentals follow:		
Mrs. Allan Edwards	\$4 00	
Mrs. F. F. Fowle	3 00	
Mrs. Helen Fowle	8 00	
Hiram Marshall	2 00	
Miss L. D. Osgood	3 63	
Rudolph Stahl	32 25	
Mrs. Sadie Woodward	9 00	
		\$61 88

Sundry materials on hand for repairs amount to \$74.98.

The system has been further extended by present customers and two new services have been installed for E. C. Whitaker and Alvah M. Wood at a cost for labor and material of \$25.25. During the summer a leak was discovered in the supply pipe which had resulted in materially lowering the water in the reservoir.

Repairs on same amounted to \$18.50. At this time a new shut off was put in at the Hanson watering tub.

Cost of material and labor for same was \$1.25.

The extremely favorable weather last fall made it possible to do some work that had been planned a year ago.

A new hydrant, the 15th in town, was put in on Norway Hill opposite the residence of A. M. Wood.

Cost of same:

Hydrant	\$52	20	
Sundry materials	1	60	
Labor	15	00	
	÷		\$68 80

Work at the reservoir then began and a space has been cleared around the banks to a distance of approximately seventy five (75) feet.

The wood and logs are disposed of and brush burned.

The reservoir was then cleaned out and the approach from the highway widened and made passable.

This is the first year since the system was installed that work clearing away the brush and trees has been attempted and when we realize the growth dates back to 1907 the cost of this work amounting to \$153.78 does not seem excessive.

WM. E. PUTNAM

W. D. Fogg

H. M. Sheldon

Water Commissioners

#### Report of Electric Lighting Committee

The extension of the lighting system from the village to the west part of the town has been completed in accordance with the vote passed at the last annual town meeting, at a total cost to the town of \$726.27. This is \$523.73 less than the amount appropriated and represents principally the extra amount your committee was able to get from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. over and above the amount estimated for joint ownership in the poles. Fourteen meters have been added during the year. We have received from Kcene Gas & Electric Co. a rebate of \$1002.16 to Jan. 1, 1924. There is due us for the month of January \$87.16. Total amount of income for the year \$1089.32.

We herewith submit account of extension of lighting system and account of new services and repairs on original lighting system.

#### Extension to West Part of the Town

Received:		
Amount raised by taxation	\$625 00	
From the general fund	101 27	
New England T. & T. Co.	1,243 00	
Eleanor Tudor	1,000 00	
L. B. Thacher	500 00	
Margaret Perry	200 00	
		\$3,669 27
Paid:		
Keene Gas & Electric Co.	\$3,634 27	
O. E. Cain	10 00	
E. K. Upton, expense and time	25 00	
		\$3,669 27
New services and repairs on origina	l lighting syste	em.
Received from the general fund	\$90 82	
Mrs. M. E. Edwards	7 36	
		\$98 18

Paid:		
Keene Gas & Electric Co (7 new ser-		
vices)	\$79 30	
Keene Gas & Electric Co. (repairs		
service Edwards house)	7 36	
Keene Gas & Electric Co (repairs		
near Frank Symonds house)	11 52	000 10
		\$98 18

#### Respectfully submitted

Edson K. Upton Ernest L. Adams Wm. E. Putnam

#### Report of the Overseer Poor

No. county paupers aided	6	
Cost	\$147	00
Town paupers	1	
Cost .	100	00
	C. H. DUTTON, Overseer Poor	

#### Report of Memorial Day

Received:		
From E. L. Adams, town treasurer		\$81 15
Paid:		
Harding Uniform and Regalia Co.,		
12 doz. American Flags	\$11 00	
Wm. Cheney Post A. L.	18 00	
Forest House	14 25	
Hoops (50 at .05)	2 50	
Mrs. W. L. Putnam, music	91	
N. E. T. & T. Co.	1 20	
		\$47 86
Balance to E. L. Adams		33 *29
	-	

\$81 15

Respectfully submitted,

WENDELL D. CROWELL

#### Farm Bureau Dental Clinic

Sept. 10—Sept. 14

Forty children examined; 3 received free work; 39 treated; 19 extracted; 5 cement fillings; 51 amalgam fillings; 31 cleaned; uncollected \$1.00

Received:			
From town	\$72 3	31	
Work done	\$58	75	
Cash		\$131	06
Paid out		99	20
Balance paid town Paid:		\$31	86
Dr. Danforth 4½ days	\$77	. 00	
Farm Bureau (rental chair, etc.)	10	00	
Mrs. Gleason	12	00	
Oil		20	
		- \$99	20

CORA F. OTIS, Chairman

#### ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

#### R. B. HARRINGTON IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF HANCOCK PAID FOR LABOR ON HIGHWAYS 1923

April:				
R. B. Harrington, labor 79 hours	\$43	89		
C. W. Cheney, labor, 2 hours	*	78		
E. J. Welch, labor 14 hours	5	44		
Geo. B. Lakin, labor, 18 hours		00		
John Mulhall, labor 2 hours		78		
Alfred Fairfield, labor 9 hours	3	50		
M. A. Fairfield, with team, 31 hours	24			
John Mulhall, with team, 9 hours		00		
William Welch, with team, 9 hours	7	00		
			\$99	51
			Ψ	01
Manu				
May:				
R. B. Harrington, labor, 195 hours	\$108			
Alfred Fairfield, labor 126 hours	49			
Geo. B. Lakin, labor, 196 hours	76			
C. W. Cheney, labor 63 hours	24	50		
M. A. Fairfield, with team 184 hours	143	12		
John Mulhall, with team 27 hours	21	00		
William Welch, with team 144 hours	126	02		
	······································		\$548	19
June:				
R. B. Harrington, labor 145 hours	\$100	56		
C. W. Cheney, labor 182 hours	¢100 70			
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 157 hours	61			
M. A. Fairfield, with team 194 hours	150			
	.87			
William Welch, with team 113 hours	.07			
John Mulhall, with team 18 hours	14	00		
Geo. M. Wilder with blasting crew	40	10		
3 days	40	19	@ F O F	20
			\$525	38
July:				
R. B. Harrington, labor 70 hours	\$38	88		
C. W. Cheney, labor 41 hours	15	94		
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 36 hours	14	00		
M. A. Fairfield, with team 57 hours	44	36		
William Welch, with team 37 hours	28	78		

William Welch, for one man 10 hours	3 89	
John Harrington, for one man 25	5 67	
hours	9 72	
Thomas Hugron, team and extra		
man 9 hours	10 50	
		\$166 07
August:		
R. B. Harrington, labor 122 hours	\$57 78	
Alfred Fairfield, labor 9 hours	3 50	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 108 hours	42 00	
C. W. Cheney, labor 48 hours	18 67	
M. A. Fairfield, with team 95 hours	73 90	
William Welch, with team 71 hours	55 22	
William Welch, for one man 8 hours	3 11	
John Harrington, for one man 15		
hours	5 83	
		\$260 01
September:	¢02.22	
R. B. Harrington, labor 148 hours	\$82 22	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 72 hours	28 00	
C. W. Cheney, labor 112 hours	$\begin{array}{c} 43 \\ 112 \\ 00 \end{array}$	
M. A. Fairfield, with team, 144 hours William Welch with team 133 hours		
	$\begin{array}{ccc}103&46\\7&00\end{array}$	
John Harrington with team 9 hours John Harrington, for use of team 9	7 00	
hours	4 00	
nours	4 00	\$380 23
		\$360 23
October:		
R. B. Harrington, labor, 96 hours	\$53 33	
M. A. Fairfield, with team, 171 hours	133 00	
William Welch, with team 63 hours	49 00	<b>.</b>
		\$235 33
November:		
R. B. Harrington, labor 49 hours	\$27 22	
E. J. Welch, labor, 4 hours	$\psi^{27}_{156}$	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 18 hours	7 00	
M. A. Fairfield, with team 81 hours	63 02	
in annew, with team of hours		\$98 80
		w)0 00

December:	
R. B. Harrington, labor 54 hours	\$30 00
E. J. Welch, labor 3 hours	1 17
M. A. Fairfield, with team 81 hours	63 00

\$94 17

# R. B. Harrington, Road Commissioner in Account with the Town of Hancock

Town Maintenance Cash Received	FROM TO	WN TREASURER
Main highways and bridges	\$2,598	94
Road at Sargent Camp Corner	100	00
Main and Depot street	196	49
Railings on Symond's bridge	39	35
For culvert on Stoddard road	227	17
Winter roads Feb. and March 1923	473	87
Winter roads January 1924	113	41

#### MATERIALS USED ON HIGHWAYS

R. B. Harrington, scraper bar and	
freight	\$8 31
R. B. Harrington, railings and gravel	7 60
W. D. Fogg, tools and material	13 82
Almon Hill, 2129 feet bridge plank	67 12
Nellie Eaton, railings and gravel	10 20
Joseph Hugron, railings and gravel	6 60
Edgar Tuttle, 43 gravel	4 30
F. N. Clark, 122 gravel	12 20
C. E. Adams, 35 gravel	3 50
H. M. Sheldon, 282 gravel	28 20
H. M. Sheldon, 6 bridge stringers	$24 \ 00$
J. M. Cashion, 17 gravel	1 70
Thomas Hugron, 6 gravel	60
Joseph Quinn, 19 gravel	1 90
C. M. Gleason, 12 gravel	1 20

\$191 25

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#### MAIN AND DEPOT STREETS

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H. M. Sheldon, 155 loads gravel	15	50	
hours	8	00	
John Harrington, for use of team 18			
John Mulhall with team 9 hours	7	00	
William Welch, with team, 65 hours	50	58	
M. A. Fairfield, with team 65 hours	50	58	
C. W. Cheney, labor 27 hours	10	50	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 36 hours	14	00	
R. B. Harrington, labor 72 hours	\$40	33	

\$196 49

R. B. HARRINGTON Road Commissioner

ROAD AT SARGENT CAMP CORNER

R. B. Harrington, labor 26 hours	\$14	40
Geo. B. Lakin, labor, 18 hours	7	00
C. W. Cheney, labor 9 hours	3	50
Wm. Welch, team 59 hours	45	90
M. A. Fairfield, team, 18 hours	14	00
John Mulhall, team 9 hours	7	00
John Harrington, for use of team 9		
hours	4	00
C. E. Adams, 42 loads gravel	4	20
	DRU	Loon

\$100 00

R. B. HARRINGTON Road Commissioner

#### RAILINGS ON SYMOND'S BRIDGE

R. B. Harrington, labor 15 hours	\$8	33
R. B. Harrington, 100 feet iron pipe	11	00
R. B. Harrington, lead and paint	1	80
C. W. Cheney, labor 7 hours	2	72
F. A. Ware, labor 9 hours	3	50
W. M. Hanson, plumbing	12	00

\$39 35

R. B. HARRINGTON Road Commissioner

#### For Culvert on Stoddard Road Nov. 1923

R. B. Harrington, labor 100 hours	\$55 56
E. J. Welch, labor 76 hours	33 78
Augustus Landry, labor 95 hours	42 22
M. A. Fairfield, team, 61 hours	$47 \ 46$
R. B. Harrington, for use of derrick	5 00
R. B. Harrington, 4 bags cement	5 00
Geo. M. Wilder, blasting	1 15
H. M. Sheldon, 10 gravel	1 00
R. B. Harrington, one 30 foot culvert	36 00

\$227 17

#### R. B. HARRINGTON Road Commissioner

#### WINTER ROADS JANUARY 1924

R. B. Harrington, 1 team on roller		
2 days	\$16	00
R. B. Harrington, with team 5 hours	3	78
M. A. Fairfield, 1 team on roller, 2		
days	16	00
H. M. Sheldon, 2 teams on roller 2		
days	32	00
B. D. Gullefer, 1 team on roller 1 day		
4 hours	11	57
Harry Mulhall, 1 team on roller 1		
day 4 hours	11	57
L. R. Otis, plowing and sanding side-		
walk 17 hours	13	26
Ephraim Weston with team on plow		
6 hours	5	34
F. N. Clark, shoveling snow 10 hours	3	89
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\$113 41

WINTER ROADS

#### FEB. AND MARCH 1923

R. B. Harrington, team on roller 11/2	
days	\$12 00
R. B. Harrington, team on plow 49	
hours	38 08

R. B. Harrington, shoveling snow	
74 hours	25 90
M. A. Fairfield, team on roller $1\frac{1}{2}$	
days	12 00
M. A. Fairfield, team on plow, 72	
hours	56 00
Alfred Fairfield, shoveling snow 21	
hours	7 35
Harry Mulhall, team breaking roads	
37 hours	32 93
Lawrence Mulhall, shoveling snow	
15 hours	6 00
John Mulhall, team on plow 24 hours	18 70
John Mulhall, shoveling snow 16	= (0
hours	5.60
William Welch 2 teams on roller $3\frac{1}{2}$	56 00
days William Welch, shoveling snow	$\begin{array}{c} 56 & 00 \\ 2 & 00 \end{array}$
H. M. Sheldon, 2 teams on roller $1\frac{1}{2}$	2 00
days	24 00
H. M. Sheldon, team on plow with	21 00
extra man 15 hours	16 18
W. M. Davis, team on plow 1 ¹ / ₂ hours	1 12
Emma Vatcher, for one man shovel-	
ing 3 hours	1 05
Joseph Hugron, shoveling snow 23	
hours	8 05
C. W. Cheney, shoveling snow 12	
hours	4 20
Almon Hill, shoveling snow 40 hours	14 00
M. W. Rice, shoveling snow, 14 hours	4 90
B. D. Gullefer, shoveling snow 25 hours	8 75
B. D. Gullefer, team on roller 16	0 15
hours	14 08
L. R. Otis, plowing and sanding side-	11 00
walk 26 hours	19 50
Joseph, 2 teams breaking roads	18 80
C. E. Adams, team breaking roads	
with extra man	12 43
C. E. Otis, shoveling snow 4 hours	1 40
Everett, shoveling snow, 3 hours	1 05
J. A. Fleming, 2 teams 4 men 4 hours	10 72
Arthur Perry, shoveling snow 11	1 00
hours	4 28

M. T. Whitaker, team breaking	
road 25 hours	19 50
M. T. Whitaker, shoveling snow 19	
hours	6 65
G. M. Elliott, team snowing County	
Bridge 16 hours	9 60
E. Adams, shoveling snow, 3 hours	1 05

\$473 87

#### Report of the Auditors of the Town of Hancock

We have examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Road Agent, Treasurer, Town Common, Water Commissioners, Electric Light Committee, Memorial Day Committee, Dental Clinic, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Library Trustees, Trustees of Trust Funds, and the Selectmen, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

We find a balance in the hands of the Town Treasurer of \$3501.55. In the hands of the Treasurer of Common Fund \$11.84. In the hands of the Treasurer of Town Library \$381.83.

Homer C. Wheeler William D. Fogg Auditors

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# Statistical Table for the Year Ending June, 1923

Other Visits	30 8 96 42 176
official Visits	22 22 18 13 13 96
Perfect Attendance	6 10 22 1
Tardiness	$\begin{array}{c} 40\\ 10\\ 37\\ 27\\ 27\\ 130\\ 130\\ \end{array}$
Per cent. of Attendance	96 94 87 87 90 90
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qiderədməM əgsrəvA	20
Enrollment	26 18 26 22 24 24 116
EDUCATION	University of N. H. University of N. H. North Adams Normal Keene Normal, 3 years Beverly High Keene Summer Normal Plymouth Normal Hancock High Keene Summer Normal Total
TEACHER	High School Geo. W. Weston Mrs. Ruth C. Weston Miss Louise Barrett Junior High Miss Loretta M. Dwyer Intermediate Miss Ruth Dexter Primary Miss Nellie M. Welsh Number 7 Miss Marie Shea
School	High School Junior High Intermediate Primary Number 7

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

#### To the School Board of Hancock:

Herewith is submitted my fifth annual report on the condition and work of your schools.

#### TEACHERS

The changes in the teaching force this year was smaller than usual, there being only two new teachers to start work in September. Miss Shea was transferred from the Number Seven school to fill the vacancy in the intermediate grades caused by the resignation of Miss Dexter. In the High School Miss Allen, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Weston.

The teaching force as at present constituted is faithful and efficient, and all are doing exceptionally good work. The securing of good teachers and the retaining them after they are once secured, is, perhaps the most important factor in the administration of the schools, for upon the teacher rests, in great part, the character of the work done, and a good teacher is an asset to any community whose value should not be lightly considered.

#### THE WORK IN THE SCHOOLS

I am quite confident that, all things considered, the work of the schools this year has been the best of any year with which I have been acquainted. It has been quite the fashion in some localities of late years to criticize the schools because, as the critics say, so much time is being put upon many new things, which they are pleased to call fads and frills, that the so called fundamental subjects are being neglected. This is a statement that anyone with little actual knowledge of the real work of the schools can make, and yet it is seldom, if ever, substantiated by any proof. In fact, the less we know of the actual workings of any organization, the more certain we are that we can establish ourselves as competent critics of the organization.

Whatever may be the case in other communities I am quite sure that in Hancock the so called fundamental subjects are being given their proper amount of time and attention. A study of the daily program of each school will disclose this fact. That the results we are getting in these subjects are adequate I am equally sure.

In January a test in spelling was given to all the grades in this supervisory union, each grade being given fifty words that had made up part of the list of words studied since September. As the lists of words for each grade are uniform in all the schools a comparison could fairly be made. While nearly all schools in the union made a good record, the schools of Hancock headed the list with an average of 90% for the district as a whole.

In the early part of the winter tests in spelling and arithmetic were sent out by the State Department to be given to all eighth grade children in the state. In the spelling test an average of 74% would have been creditable. Our eighth grade attained an average of about 85%. The arithmetic test was the same test that was given in 1846 in Springfield, Mass. to a group of ninth grade children, what would correspond in our schools to the first year in High School. This same test was given to our eighth grade. In Springfield an average of 29% was attained. Our eighth grade average was 79%. Certainly arithmetic is as well taught in Hancock in 1924 as it was in Springfield in 1846.

In writing we have adopted this year a new system called the Houston system. While it has hardly been in use long enough to measure definitely the results as yet, I am quite positive that the results are going to be satisfactory. In many individual cases great improvement is already moticeable. The aim is not to produce fancy penmanship, but to develop an easy legible style of handwriting.

Reading, perhaps, the most important of the school subjects, is being continued in all the grades, with special emphasis in the fifth and sixth grades on silent reading. The purpose of this silent reading is to teach the child to get the thought from the printed page. Many children can read words, but do not get the thought from what they read. The purpose of the systematic teaching of silent reading is to correct this.

#### Repairs

Probably only the ordinary repairs will have to be made during the coming year. The village school is in good condition. In time the intermediate room should be equipped with new seats and desks. Those in use now, while not dilapidated, are of an old type, and the tops of the desks are considerably marked and cut up which makes them unsuited for writing surfaces. Also they cannot be adjusted to fit the pupil.

At the number seven school the seats and desks, also, should be attended to. Some of them in use at the present time are broken, and, with the exception of three or four that have been recently put in, all are in a battered condition. Probably enough fairly good seats from the village school could be secured to fit out this school in a fairly satisfactory manner.

The boy's toilet, also, at this school should receive attention.

#### ATTENDANCE

The per cent of attendance for last year was 91.1, the average membership 101.1 and the average attendance 92.2. There were 130 cases of tardiness reported for the year, an average of 1.2 per pupil in average membership for the year.

The following names should be mentioned for perfect attendance during the year, without an absent or tardy mark.

High School: Ethel Hubbard.

Junior High: Ray Woodward, Harriett Hubbard. Intermediate: Cynthia Upton, Elinor Upton. Number Seven: Orton Hubbard.

#### HIGH SCHOOL

Instead of commenting myself on the High School this year I am enclosing the report of Headmaster Weston. This shows a healthy condition of affairs. For the last two years the school has had a steady improvement in the character of the work done, which, I am sure, is very gratifying to all.

In closing may I express my appreciation for the hearty support of all interested in the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. PRIOR, Superintendent

To the Superintendent, Trustees, and School Board of Hancock

I herewith submit my first report. Fortunately I have found myself surrounded by those who are pleasant, sympathetic and willing to work.

#### The Student Body

One of the best school barometers of a school success or failure is the student body. The attitude and spirit shown by the pupils of Hancock High School toward their work is very pleasing to the faculty. The cooperation of pupils, teachers, school officials and townspeople has been a credit to the school.

#### ROOMS AND EQUIPMENT

I found a very modern school building with an ideal location but rather poorly equipped. This lack of equipment is due to the fact that the school is new. I will say that the Trustees are very generous and willing to buy equipment with the funds they have to buy with. The class rooms did not provide any suitable furniture to write on. Books were used for this purpose until the boys made some arms for the settees which were greatly appreciated by all. This year the pupils used \$40 of their money obtained from subscriptions to the Ladies' Home Journal to buy arm chairs for the class rooms. The Trustees put enough with this fund to buy fifteen chairs. The pupils take a great deal of pride in the appearance of their school as not one of the new chairs has been defaced in any way as yet.

#### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Last year the pupils purchased a victrola and cabinet that cost \$93. This money was raised by selling subscriptions to The Ladies' Home Journal, selling chocolate and presenting a minstrel show. The Seniors (1923) under the direction of Mrs. Weston and myself presented the play "Aaron Slick from Pumkin Crick" which was a credit to the class and the school I believe. This last fall the school held the best exhibit that has ever been held. It is the first time that the exhibit was ever held in the town hall and I hope that this will continue in the future. The Agricultural Club formed this year hopes to be a little county agent for Hancock farmers. Any one having problems of an Agricultural nature should consult the club, its service is free. Miss Barrett's cooking and sewing classes speak for themselves by the good work shown at the exhibit and the well prepared and served meals at the school house. The chemistry laboratory has been fitted up with individual desks well equipped with apparatus and hot and cold water. Any rural school would be proud to possess such a laboratory.

Our girls' basketball team coached by Miss Dwyer has won nearly all of their games by one sided scores. I believe that this team would make any team in New Hampshire exert themselves to win from Hancock. The boys have lost most of their games by one sided scores. Too much should not be expected from the boys as they are younger and inexperienced compared with the teams they have played. The spirit of the team is They play like "champs" when losing. wonderful. This year each pupil is required to address the student body for five minutes on some current topic. This gives the pupil training in public speaking. A new flag pole is ready to be set as soon as the ground will allow. I wish that the school might have a school nurse. We all realize the good the dental clinic has done and I do believe that a school nurse would do as well. There are pupils in our schools who are doing poor work and these pupils have adenoids, bad tonsils or defective vision. I believe that if these same pupils were attended to that their work would improve.

#### Music

I am very sorry to have Mrs. Putnam leave the music department because she was liked by the teachers and pupils and she holds the interest of the school at heart.

Miss Malvern, the new music teacher from Keene Normal, is doing very creditable work. Miss Malvern hopes to present an operetta in the spring by the schools of Hancock.

#### GENERAL CONCLUSION

It pleases me much to have our graduates continue their education. The class of 1923 boasts of 100% of its class attending schools of higher learning.

I should like to see the school continue with its present teaching force of four teachers and not change to three next year. I believe the progress the school has shown in the last two years with four teachers justifies this desire and wish. The standards of the school have been raised with the present teaching force. The morale of the shool is much better and I hope that this will continue in the years to come.

I extend a special invitation to parents and friends to visit the schools more often than they have in the past. This would give you a chance to see what the boys and girls are doing and would stimulate the pupils to do their best work.

I wish to thank the parents, friends, teachers, trustees, superintendent and the members of the school board for the loyal support given me in making Hancock High School a success.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. WESTON

Headmaster Hancock High School

#### REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

The report of Superintendent Prior covers the work done by the schools this year in a very thorough manner and leaves very little for us to say.

Our teachers have been far above the average of the teachers of the state in towns like Hancock while we pay more than the average in the state we think that the results prove the wisdom of doing so.

A test in spelling and arithmetic was sent out by the state board to all the 8 grades in the state, the average for the whole state in spelling was 67.42, Hancock was 86. In arithmetic the state was 49, Hancock was 79. The present year we have the following teachers: Loretta Dwyer at \$1200.00; Nellie Welsh, \$1100.00; Marie Shea, \$900.00; Mildred Fogg, \$625.00; music, Beatrice Malvern, \$5.00 and expenses each day.

#### School Officers' Bills

W. E. Putnam, salary	\$30	00		•
Services as moderator	2	00		
Expenses to Manchester	8	32		
Five trips to Concord	19	14		
Blank books	1	25		
Telephoning	3	90		
Making check list and correcting	3	00		
Repairs No. 7		90		
			\$74	51
C. H. Dutton, salary	\$25	00		
Postage and telephoning		50		
Correcting check list	1	00		
Two trips to Concord	7	50		
			\$34	00
Ella C. Ware, salary	\$25	00		
Making and proving check list	3	00		
Telephoning and postage		50		
			\$28	50
Nellie Welsh, clerk				00
Annie M. Putnam, treasurer	\$28	33		
postage and stationery	2	23		
1			\$30	56
David R. Damon				
Census of children			\$8	00
Auditors			5	00
Superintendent excess salary	\$166	67		
State tax for superintendent	220	00		
			\$386	67
Mrs. Cora Otis, expense to district				
meeting, Peterborough			2	50
C. A. Sheldon, warrants and check	1			
lists .			2	15
L. E. Prior, postage, telephoning			5	05

Teachers' salary:				
Loretta Dwyer	\$1,200	00		
Nellie M. Welsh	1,100	00		
Miss Dexter	900	00		
Sybil Bean	32	00		
Miss Caswell	40	00		
Mildred Fogg	48	-00		
Marie Shea	605	00		
Mrs. Annie L. Putnam	300	00		
		<u> </u>	\$4,225	00
Text books			\$76	67
School supplies			151	47
Other expenses of instruction			23	22
W. Hayden, janitor	\$208	00		
R. Johnson, janitor	39	60		
			\$247	60
J. Aborn, 13 cords wood	\$94			
Fuel for 7 and 8 grades	105	00		
Fred Johnson, kindlings		25		
E. Richardson, work on wood	8	50		
L. J. Carr, sawing wood	10			
W. Hayden work on wood	9	10		
			\$235	
Janitor supplies			3	51
Frank Wood & Son, labor	\$4	00		
T. Manning, team		00		
E. Hanson, care of clock		00		
W. D. Fogg, supplies	3	01		
			\$12	
Dr. Cheever for medical inspection			50	00

	TRANSPORTATION	
S. Haas	\$90	00
H. Holden	320	00
Mrs. Gullefer	373	00
C. E. Otis	. 100	40
Mrs. Vatcher	90	00
E. Hugron	80	50
W. Welch	90	00
J. Aborn	59	50

H. Le Clair	4 00	
A. G. Howe	15 00	
J. Poland	44 00	
	·····	\$1,266 40
High School tuition		\$2,285 00
Bennington tuition		30 00

Miscellaneo	DUS	
Nellie Welsh for cocoa etc.	\$3 97	
Annie M. Putnam	10 00	
		\$13 97
24 new seats and desks for primary		
school		247 04
Victrola		93 00

We recommend the following	appropriations:		
Amount required by law	\$4,092 01		
High school tuition	2,100 00		
District officers	150 00		
Superintendent excess salary	166 67		
State tax	220 00		
Music	300 00		
Medical inspection	50 00		
	\$7,078		
	C. H. Dutton		
	Ella C. Ware		
	Cora F. Otis		
	School Board of Hancock		

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#### TREASURER'S ACCOUNT SCHOOL DISTRICT HANCOCK

Annie L. Putnam, treasurer, in account with Town of Hancock for year June 30, 1922 to June 30, 1923.

Received:

July	1 Balance on hand	\$101 05
	22 Smith-Hughes fund	187 82
Aug.	26 E. L. Adams, treasurer	50 00

Oct.	2	E. L. Adams, treasurer	400	00		
		E. L. Adams, treasurer	400			
		E. L. Adams, treasurer	300			
		E. L. Adams, treasurer	1,200			
Nov.	$\frac{20}{20}$	E. L. Adams, treasurer	500			
Dec.	18	E. L. Adams, treasurer				
Dec.			1,200			
1923	30	E. L. Adams, treasurer	200	00		
Jan.	1 5					
Jan.	15	J. W. Plummer, treasurer	1 202	10		
	~ 4	(equalization)	1,203			
		E. L. Adams, treasurer	500			
		E. L. Adams, treasurer	2,663			
March	6	Smith-Hughes fund	174	23		
June	4	E. L. Adams, treasurer,				
		dog tax	112	50		
	14	E. L. Adams, treasurer	250	00		
	20	E. L. Adams, treasurer	750	00		
					\$10,192	65
Paid:						
i aiu.		Salaries of district officers	\$113	33		
			φ115	55		
		Superintendent, excess	166	67		
		salary Thursday	166			
		Truant officer	8	00		
		Expenses of administra-				
		tion	67	44		
		Principal's and teachers'				
		salaries	4,225			
		Text books	76	67		
		Scholars' supplies	151	47		
		Other expenses of instruc-				
		tion	23	22		
		Janitor service	247	60		
		Water, light and janitor			· ·	
		supplies	3	51		
		Minor repairs and expen-				
		ses	21	41		
		Medical inspection		00		
		Transportation of pupils	1,266			
		High school tuition	2,285			
			2,205	00		
		Elementary school tui-	20	00		
		tion Other and in the still is in the				
		Other special activities		97		
		New equipment	349			
		State supervision	220	00		

Smith-Hughes fund 362 05	
Fuel 235 85	
1923	
June 30 Balance on hand 275 31	
	10,192
Annie Lindsay Pu	
	reasurer
July 12, 1923	

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and duly vouched and find a balance in the hands of the treasurer of two hundred seventyfive dollars and thirty-one cents (\$275.31).

Homer C. Wheeler William D. Fogg Auditors of Hancock School District

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### TOWN LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT

Minnie S. Ware in account with Hancock Town Library 1923

		Dr.				
Feb.	1	Cash in First National				
		Bank, Peterborough	\$345	17		
		Cash on hand ·	6	96		
1924						
Jan.	4	Received Whitcomb and				
		Hubbard legacy inter-				
		est	391	09		
	18	Hadley legacy interest	45	50		
		Brooks Rosamond legacy				
		interest	4	54		
		Fines		98		
	•				\$794 2	4
1022	•	Gr			\$794 24	4
1923 Feb	•	Cr. Standard Pack Co. for			\$794 24	4
1923 Feb.	14	Standard Book Co. for		16	\$794 2	4
		Standard Book Co. for books	\$2	16	\$794 2·	4
		Standard Book Co. for books Charles E. Lauriat Co.,			\$794 2	4
Feb.	23	Standard Book Co. for books Charles E. Lauriat Co., books		16 83	\$794 2	4
	23	Standard Book Co. for books Charles E. Lauriat Co., books Annie Lindsay Putnam,			\$794 2	4
Feb.	23	Standard Book Co. for books Charles E. Lauriat Co., books Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian and trustee ser-	54	83	\$794 2·	4
Feb.	23	Standard Book Co. for books Charles E. Lauriat Co., books Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian and trustee ser- vice	54		\$794 2·	4
Feb.	23	Standard Book Co. for books Charles E. Lauriat Co., books Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian and trustee ser-	54 31	83	\$794 2·	4

	27	Charles W. Cheney, 1		
		cord wood	10	00
June	19	Braem Huessen Printing & Publishing Co., book Fred A. Ware, mowing	2	95
		lawn Rand McNally & Co.,	1	50
		books	4	58
July		Charles E. Lauriat & Co., books	17	14
Sept.	6	Annie Lindsay Putnam, book and supplies Annie Lindsay Putnam,	1	41
Nov.	1	librarian Transcript Printing Co.,	40	00
		for Peterborough Trans- cript Malcolm Cook, 4 cords	2	00
Dec.	7	wood and putting in building Annie Lindsay Putnam,	50	00
	1	Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian Annie Lindsay Putnam,	39	00
		trustee and postage	4	12
1924		Fred A. Ware, labor		25
Jan.	25	Annie Lindsay Putnam,		
		trustee service Annie Lindsay Putnam,	- 3	60 [°]
		books, postage Minnie S. Ware, trustee	4	35
		service	10	26 .
		Minnie S. Ware, treasurer William H. Guild Co.,	3	00
		renewal of magazines Keene Gas and Electric	58	50
Ŧ	24	Co., lighting	23	99
Jan.	31	Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian	40	00
		Annie Lindsay Putnam, secretary Cash in First National	5	00 .
		Bank, Peterborough	376	74
		Cash on hand		09

\$794 24

#### **REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

The trustees of the Hancock Town Library submit the following report:

Library and reading room open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 2 to 5 and 6 to 9 p. m., legal holidays excepted.

There have been 306 charge cards issued representing 7500 adult and 1275 juvenile volumes and 1360 periodicals taken out.

Reserved fund for expenses \$2172.22.

The town has received the residue of the estate of the late Miss Helen Kimball for the enlargement of the library building.

Following is the list of those who have kindly remembered us with books and periodicals:

Dr. L. Vernon Briggs, Mrs. Alvarez G. Brooks, Miss Helen Carr, Mrs. Charles R. Eames, Mr. Don Eldridge, Mrs. E. W. Eldridge, Mr. Alfred Fairfield, Mr. Alton Fairfield, Mr. Frank Fowle, Mrs. George Goodhue, Miss Nellie Jackson, Mrs. George Kenney, Miss Mary L. Knight, Mrs. E. Lantz, Mrs. Joseph D. Leland, Miss Lydia Osgood, Mr. Herman G. Patt, Miss Margaret Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Bertus Pietersz, Mr. Harry Rice, Miss Christine Rockwood, Mrs. Gardner Rockwood, Mrs. Ruth R. Sheedy, Master Stuart R. Sheedy, Mr. Louis B. Thacher, Mr. Townsend Mrs. E. K. Upton, Mr. George Wilder, Mrs. Hattie Wood.

Number of volumes reported Feb. 1, 1923	7765
Number of volumes added by Trustees	60
Number of volumes acquired by gift	111
Whole number Feb. 1, 1924	7936
Minnie S. Ware	

MINNIE S. WARE Charles W. Cheney Annie Lindsay Putnam Trustees

# List of Books Added to Library 1923

Reports	
American Committee for Relief in Ireland	361.4
Interstate Commerce Commission	385.2
Library of Congress, 2 vols., 1922 & 1923	026.5
Medical Department of the U.S. Army in the	
World War	362.1.1
N. H. Agriculture	353.1
N. H. Attorney Generals	353.1
N. H. Board of Health	353.1
N. H. Bureau of Labor	353.1
N. H. Department of Weights and Measures	353.1
N. H. Fisheries and Game	353.1
N. H. Forestry Commission	353.1
N. H. Laws	345.1
N. H. Manual for the General Court	310.2
N. H. Public Service Commission, 2 vols.	353.1
N. H. Registration	353.1
N. H. Soldiers' Home	353.1
N. H. State Board of Charities	353.1
N. H. State Institutions	353.1
N. H. State Tax Commission	353.1
Smithsonian institution, 13 vols.	506.1
World Almanac 1924	030.13
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Philosophy	
Ford, 365 of Henry Ford's sayings	100.6
Theology	
Love as the law	220.23
Zimmerman	
For love's sake	252.34
Sociology	
Haskins, the American Government	353.6
Rockerfeller, the personal relation in industry	304.5
PHILOLOGY	
Earle, A Simple Grammar	425.2

Science	
Burgess, Flower book for children	581.16
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USEFUL ARTS	
Murphy, A collation of cakes	641.6.1
Phillips, Modern Home Dycing	667.2.1
Fine Arts	
Lederer, Drawing made easy	740.1
Roosevelt, Hunting trip on the prairie	799.14

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## Biography

Atkinson, Wilmer Atkinson	BA15.1
Heusser, In the footsteps of Washington	BW4.5
Overton, American nights entertainment	920.60
Roosevelt, Theodore Roosevelt's letters to his	
children	BR11.2
Wiggin, My garden of memory	BW21.1

HISTORY AND TRAVEL	
Automobile Green book	917.42.3
Eaton, Skyline Camps	910.38
Faris, Where our history was made, Vol. 1	973.35
Forman, Our Republic	973.34
Hall, England	942.17
Nutting, New Hampshire Beautiful	974.2.10

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Abbott, Happy House	A40.2
Bailey, Contrary Mary	B74.3
The dim lantern	B74.2
The Trumpeter Swan	B74.4
Barr, A rock in the Baltic	B91.2
Over the border	B91.1
Bartley, The Bargin true	B93.1
Dantiey, The Dargin true	B95.1
Baynes, Jimmie	
Polaris	B95.2
Bindloss, A prairie courtship	B83.5
Blanchard, Becky	B32.12
Bower, The Parowan Bonanza	B82.4
Brebner, Princess Maritza	B77.2
Brett, Rosamond Series	
· A merry scout	B94.1
Bronte, Jane Eyre,	B9.1B
Buckrose, The silent legion	B92.1
Burgess, Rosamond Series	
Buster Bear's twins	B78.37
Burnett, Robin	B48.16
Coolidge, Rosamond Series	D10.10
Paddy-Paws	C101.1
Crowley, A daughter of New France	C101.1
Curtis, A little maid of Maryland	C80.3
Dixon, The Clansman	D47.1A
The Leopard's spots	D47.3
Duffield, The four little pigs that didn't have any	
mother	D60.2
Dromgoole, The island of beautiful things	D61.1
Eliot, The little black coal	E26.1
Fairstair, Rosamond Series	
Memoirs of a London doll	F47.1
Fletcher, Rippling Ruby	F11.5
The lost Mr. Linthwaite	F11.4
Flower, The Spoilsman	F46.1
Fox, Rosamond Series	
Adventures of Sonny Bear	F13.2
Doings of Little Bear	F13.3
Little Bears Adventures	F13.7
Little Bear at work and at play	F13.4
Little Bear and his friends	F13.4
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Little Bears playtime	r15.0
Gale, Rosamond Series	CAE 1
Little Sonny Sunfish	G45.1

Glasgow, The battle-ground	G2.1A
Grey, The desert of wheat	G35.
The rainbow trail	G35.3A
Wanderer of the wasteland	G35.8
Halévy, The Abbé Constantin	H30.1B
Hamlin, Catherine's proxy	H54.3
Harrison, Saint Teresa	H59.4
Hendryx, North	H57.1
Holley, Samantha vs. Josiah	H18.2
Hudson, Nowhere else in the world	H73.2
Judson, Rosamond Series	
Garden adventures in winter	J.20.1
Klickmann, Little girls Cooking book	K29.1
Little girls sewing book	K29.2
Lincoln, Cap'n Warren's Wards	L10.6A
Dr. Nye	L10.18
Locke, The tale of Triona	L30.8
MacHarg, The Indian Drum	M74.1
McCutcheon, Beverly of Graustark	M35.2A
Graustark	M35.1
Truxton King	M35.7A
McKenna, Rosamond Series	
Yellow Bill's Adventure	M73.1
Tom Mitten's Cousins	M73.2
Oppenheim, Michael's evil deeds	O6.11
Packard, Doors of the night	P35.7
Paine, The Arkansaw Bear	P45.1
Pedler, The moon out of reach	P41.2
Phillips, The price she paid	P28.3A
Pidgin, Quincy Adams Sawyer	P12.1A
Porter, Money, love and Kate	P32.10
Pollyanna grows up	P32.3A
Porter, Young Aeroplane Scouts in France and	
Belgium	P42.1
Richmond, Rufus	R39.9
Rhinehart, The amazing Interlude	R33.7A
The window at the White Cat	R33.9
Spyri, Jo, the little machinist	S30.5
Mäzli	S30.3
Moni the Goat-boy	S30.4
Strong, Dear days	S85.1
Sutphen, In Jeopardy	S31.2
Terhune, The amateur Inn	<b>T40.2</b>
Theiss, Wireless operator with the U.S. secret	
service	T46.1

Thurston, The Garden of Resurrection	T30.2
Tilton, Miss Petticoats	T44.1
Tracy, The Postmasters daughter	T33.3
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Adventures of Ray Coon	T45.1
Vance, No man's land	V10.5
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Ward, A singular life	W1.6A
Wells, Marjorie's new friend	W31.10
Spooky Hollow	W31.11
Wheeler, The boy with the U. S. Diplomats	W65.6
Widdemer, The year of delight	W75.3
Williamson, The house by the lock	W32.11
Woodrow, Swallowed up	W78.1
Wright, The calling of Dan Matthews	W61.2A
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The Shepherd of the Hills	W61.1B
The winning of Barbara Worth	W61.4A

#### Periodicals

American American Art News American Boy Better Farming Bird Lore Century Collier's Farm and Fireside Farm and Home Farm Journal Good Housekeeping Harper's Magazine Hillsboro Co. Farm bureau news Hunter, Trader and Trapper **Illustrated World** Life Little Folks McClure's Modern Priscilla Needlecraft Our Dumb Animals People's Home Journal Peterborough Transcript

Pictorial Review Reliable Poultry Journal Rural New Yorker Saturday Evening Post Scribner's Magazine St. Nicholas The American Issue The American Review of Reviews The Congregationalist The Country Gentleman The Delineator The Designer The Farmer's Wife The Granite Monthly The Household The Household Guest The Independent The Ladies' Home Journal The Literary Digest The Mentor The National Geographical Magazine The National Grange Monthly The National Republican The New Country Life The New Near East The N. H. State Grange Journal The Outlook The Watchman The Woman's Citizen The Woman's Home Companion The World's Work The Youth's Companion Time

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Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS-PURPOSE OF CREATION	. How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on hand at Fear Year
1889	Whitcomb Legacy Support of Library—Adol- phus Whitcomb	Hancock Town Notes Manchester Savings Bank	\$9000_00 1000_00	312 416		\$350_00	\$350 00	
1889	Whitcomb Legacy-Care of Common-Adol- phus Whitcomb	Hancock Town Notes	5000 00		243 32	208 68	60 00	\$392 00
18/2	Hubbard Legacy—Support of Library—Eue- nezer Hubbard	Manchester Savings Bank Hancock Town Notes	200 00 800 00	41/2		41 09	41 09	
1872	Hubbard Legacy—Benefit Town Poor—Ebe- nezer Hubbard	Hancock Town Notes Peterborough Savings Bank	500 00 500 00	41/2	91 29	46 89	20 00	118 18
1879	Hadley Legacy—Support of Library—Ablian Hadley	Peterborough Savings Bank	1000 00	41⁄2		45 50	45 50	
1883	Salina Hills Memorial Fund—Support of Sun- day School Library—Salina Hills	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	41/2	-	9 10	9 10	
1890	Asa Gordon Sunday School Fund—Support of Sunday School Library—Asa Gordon	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	41/2		4 54	4 54	
	5. Margaret Washburn Cemetery Fund-	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	41/2	18 97	5 37	6 50	17 84
1906	Marriet M. 101man Cemetery Fund-Harriet M. Tolman Oren Nelson Cemetery Fund-Oren Nelson	Peterborough Savings Bank Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00 100 00	41/2	15 40 28 44	2 96 5 82	7 00 3 50	11 36 30 76
1909	Johan Anderson Cemetery Fund-Johan An- derson	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	41/2	12 29	2 81	8 00	7 10
0161	Zopher W. Brooks Cemetery Fund—Zopher W. Brooks	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	41/2	31 29	5 95	30 50	6 74
1913	C. W. & H. E. Washburn Cemetery Fund C. W. & H. E. Washburn	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	41/2	29 96	5 88	6 50	29 34
1914	Rosamond Brooks Fund—Support of Library	Peterborough Savings Bank	. 100 00	$41/_{2}$		4 54	4 54	
1913 , 1913	Daran A. Farrbauks Cemetery Fund—Daran A. Fairbanks Alcock-Joslin Cemetery Fund—Julia A. Joslin Peterborough Savings Bank	Peterborough Savings Bank Peterborough Savings Bank	$\begin{array}{ccc} 150 & 00 \\ 400 & 00 \end{array}$	41/2	15 65 78 75	$\begin{array}{ccc} 7 & 50 \\ 21 & 75 \end{array}$	9 25	13 90 84 50

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1916	Rev. W. W. Hayward Cemetery Fund—Ellen Hayward Lohne Wood Cometery Fund - Lohne Wood Beterbrough Savings Bank	Peterborough Savings Bank	30 00	4.	8 26	1 73	50	
1919 1919	Harriet B. Rei-Grandson Cemetery Fund—Harriet B. Reichardson Cemetery Fund—Harriet B. Richardson riet B. Richardson C.M. Sheldon Cemetery Fund—C.M.Sheldon Peterborough Savings Bank Darry Sheldon Cemetery Fund—C.M.Sheldon Peterborough Savings Bank	eterborough Savings Bank Peterborough Savings Bank Peterborough Savings Bank Peterborough Savings Bank	1000 00 200 00 100 00		86 19 6	- 40 49 49	30 00 3 50 2 50	4 106 8 8
1919 1920	Cemetery Fund—Joseph A. ook Cemetery Fund—Flora	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	41/2	11 76	5 05	4 00	1
1922		Peterborough Savings Bank Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00 100 00	412 412	5 25	2 49 4 58	1 00	674 441
1923	L. Heten Kimball Library Fund—L. Heten Kimball Andrew G. Cochran Cemetery Fund—Albert	Savings Banks-Stocks-Bonds	12491 71			311 92		311 92
1923		Peterborough Savings Bank	10 00					13
1923	tha	recerborougn Javings Dank Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	412		3 21		3 21 1 62
1923	er Cemetery Fund-Elwin C. is-Soldiers' Monument-Heber	Manchester Savings Bank	50 00	41/2				
1923	Heber J. Davis, School House Bell Fund- Heber J. Davis, Under J. Davis	Manchester Savings Bank Manchester Savings Bank	1740 00 348 00	412 412				
676	;	Manchester Savings Bank	200 00	412				

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Birthplace of Mother	Cornwall, Vt. East Templeton, Mas Harrisville Hancock, Chester, Vt. South Lyndeboro
Birthplace of Father	Temple Harnsville Harnsville Weistero k Moira, N. Y. orm. North Haverhill
Residence of Occupation of Parents	Chauffeur Laborer Clerk Clerk Stat'ny firem'n W General work R. R. Sec. form. N
Residence of Parents	Hancock Hancock Hancock Hancock Hancock Hancock
Maiden Name of Mother	Jennie Austin Eleanor Eaton Mildred Farwell Lillian E. Twitchell Myrtle R. Davis bee Sabra Ellen Carkin
Name of Father	3 Royal Edwards 1 Samuel Gilman 1 Norman A. Halliday 1 John Edward Stone 7 Clarenge G. Foley 3 Kenneth B. Wetherbee
No. of Child	
Name of Child	28 Harold Vinton 12 Joseph Lewis 18 Norman Lewis 28 Watter Edward 6 Clarence Dustin 14 Daniel Harry
Date 1923	Jan. 2 April 1 April 1 July Dec. 1

Births Registered in the Town of Hancock, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1923

	Marriages k	tegistered in	the Town of Han	ICOCK, N. H., IOT	Marriages Registered in the Town of Hancock, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1924	December 31, 192	
1923 Place & Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Occupation Age	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Residence of Person by whom Married
April 9	Edward M. Coughlan Hancock	Hancock	28 Farming	Hancock	James Coughlan	Ireland	Charles J. Leddy,
Hancock	Hancock Grace O. Wheeler Hancock	Hancock	29 None	Manchester	George H. Wheeler	Fitchburg, Mass.	Californe Hillsboro
April 18	Norman E. Halladay Hillsboro	Hillsboro	20 Clerk	Hillsboro	Frank E. Halliday	Weare	Charles A. Brown
Hancock	Hancock Mildred E. Farwell Hancock	Hancock	19 Mill operative	Harrisville	Lewis S. Farwell	Harriville Harriville	Justice of the reace Hancock
May 24	Myron R. Alcott	Hancock	49 Farmer	Stoneham, Mass.	Silas W. Alcott	Hancock	Charles A. Brown
Hancock	Hancock Dorothy G. Reynolds Hancock	Hancock	38 Housekeeper	Woods Harbor N. S.	Walter Hagar	Nova Scotia	Hancock
June 28	Edgar W. Sturtevant Hancock	Hancock ,	57 Blacksmith	Pembroke, Mass.	Bertha Wright Nathan D. Sturtevant	Scotland E. Bridgewater, Mass. W. H. Morrison, D,D,	W.H. Morrison, D,D,
Nashua	Nashua Nettie L. Newton	Bennington	49 Nurse	Lundenburg, N. S.	Jerome S. Jarvis	Cuba	Ciergyman Nashua
July 5	Walter M. Wood	Greenfield	63 Retired	Westford, Mass.	ter	Westmoreland Groton, Mass.	Charles A. Brown
Hancock	Hancock Harriet M. Shaw	Hancock	48 Home	Hancock	e e	Lowell, Mass. Chester, England	Justice of the reace Hancock
Sept. 2	Alfred C. Fairfield	Hancock	19 Laborer	Hancock		Hancock	Ernest W. Eldridge
Harrisville	Harrisville Louisa T Richardson Harrisville	Harrisville	18 Teacher	Bolsa, Cal.	Clifton E. Richardson	W. Hartiord, Vt. Dublin	Hancock
Sept. 23	William P. Weeks	Peterborough	27 Janitor	Holyoke, Mass.	Edward P. Weeks	Richmond	Earl C. Osborne
Hancock	Hancock Alice B. Seaver	Hancock	25 Nurse	Antrim		Harrisville	Bennington
Oct. 13	John L. Weston	Schn'ctdy, N.Y.	Schn'ctdy, N.Y. 24 Student engineer	Somerville, Mass.		Somerville, Mass.	Carl D. Skillin
Hancock	Hancock Mildred A. Wheeler Hancock	Hancock	25 Teacher	Somerville, Mass.	Dert		South Kingston, R. I.
Oct. 27	Thomas M. Acken	LaGvle, N. Y. 56 Orchardist	56 Orchardist	Ten Mile Run, N. J.	Lu Mary Leavens Albert H. Acken		Ernest W. Eldridge
Hancock	Hancock Lillian L. Ritch	Pt. Chester, N.Y 30 Housekeeper		Greenwich, Conn.	Mary Drown John Lyon Sarah Merritt	New Jersey Greenwich, Conn. Greenwich, Conn.	Hancock

Marriages Registered in the Town of Hancock N H for the Year Ending December 31, 1024

Deaths Registered in the Town of Hancock, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1923

Maiden Name of Mother	Sybil Farmer Grace McCornick Grace McCornick Elvira E. Osgod Sarah Woodard Sarah Woodard Pamelia J. Kitteridge Lydia Goodhue Margaret Cuddihey Abie Wilder Lillian Rowell Mary E. Gibbons Elizabeth Lincoln Abijail Mathews		Mary Adelaide
Name of Father	John Eaton William J. Miller Louis Gilman Harvey J. Ware Coshua Bean are Charles E. Jackson Samuel Knight John A. Bullard Parvido Wood Davido Wood Charles R. Blake John Carr Villiam F. Doane Lewis Alcock		Almon Griswood
Place of Birth Mother	Jancock Hancock Vork Clasgow, Scotland Aanda Canada Canada Aancock Salisbury Canado Neison Netson Netson Net Netron Antrim Antrim Antrim Aancock Antrim Aancock Aashua Nashua Salisbury Ganada Aata Nashua Aata Nashua Aancock Mass Hingham, Mass.	Burial	
Plac Father	Hancock New York New York Anaoda Salisbury Hancock Ircland Ircland Nashua Cohassett, Mass Hancock	Bodies Brought to Town for Burial	
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Name	<ul> <li>Is John F. Eaton</li> <li>Flora Miller</li> <li>Hudohh Gilman</li> <li>Frank H. Ware</li> <li>Frank H. Ware</li> <li>Tallen C. Baen</li> <li>Tallen C. Baen</li> <li>Tallen C. Baen</li> <li>Sonry K. Fogg</li> <li>Narcy F. Jackson</li> <li>Sonry K. Bullard</li> <li>Wetchan</li> <li>Sonry M. Bullard</li> <li>Wetchan</li> <li>Harold R. Blake</li> <li>Mary E. O'Malley</li> <li>Mary C. Fuller</li> <li>Mary C. Fuller</li> <li>Mary C. Fuller</li> <li>Mary C. Fuller</li> </ul>		3* Alfred Barber 23* Almon W. Griswold 6† Virginio P. Davis *Dicd in Concord
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I bereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. CHARLES A. BROWN, Town Clerk.

The vital statistics of a town are one of its most important records, not merely for today but for generations to come and everyone should see to it that records of their own families are correctly and fully filled out on Marriage, Death and Birth certificates at time of the occurence. It might be of great use to you or your descendants at some future day and a great help to us in making out the records of today.

CHARLES A. BROWN, Town Clerk.

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