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State of New Hampshire

Annual Report

OF THE OFFICERS IN THE TOWN OF

*COLUMBIA*

-- FOR THE YEAR ENDING --

FEBRUARY 1, 1933



THE SENTINEL PUBLISHING COMPANY

COLEBROOK N. H.

1933



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

# Annual Report

—OF THE—

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OF THE TOWN OF

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The Sentinel Publishing Company, Colebrook, N. H.

# *Town Officers*

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## **Moderator**

ALPHEUS B. FRIZZELL

## **Town Clerk**

HELEN M. B. LANG

## **Selectmen**

1st—LEW WALLACE                      2nd—LYNN M. GRAY  
3rd—F. G. MARSHALL

## **Treasurer**

HELEN M. B. LANG

## **Collector of Taxes**

JEANNETTE G. HOLBROOK

## **Highway Agents**

JOHN HARDING                      CHARLES MARSHALL  
EDWARD H. GRAY                      CECIL BARNETT

## **Supervisors**

GEORGE PARKHURST  
ANDREW JACKSON      ELLSWORTH E. BUNNELL

## **Library Trustees**

GEORGE PARKHURST  
MARION WELLS                      GOLDIE CLARK

## **Librarian**

HATTIE NOYES

## **Board of Health**

ALPHEUS B. FRIZZELL

## **Surveyor of Wood and Lumber**

GEORGE PARKHURST

# Warrant

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Columbia, in the County of Coos, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on Tuesday the 14th day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose by ballot and major vote a Town Clerk for the year ensuing.
2. To choose by ballot and major vote one Selectman for three years ensuing.
3. To choose by ballot and major vote one or more auditors for the year ensuing.
4. To choose by ballot and major vote, Library Trustees for the year ensuing.
5. To choose by ballot and major vote all other necessary Town Officers for year ensuing.
6. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of the poor for the year ensuing.
7. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repairs of Highways.
8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and instruct its Selectmen to take such action regarding rolling, plowing or otherwise, in keeping open winter roads in said town for the year ensuing, as in their judgment seems most conducive to the best interest of the Town, and appropriate money for the same.

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9. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the building and maintenance of State Roads.
10. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the upkeep of the Cemetery.
11. To see what action the Town will take with reference to hiring the Colebrook Fire Department, for the purpose of extinguishing of fires, in said town, and in event of favorable action, to make the necessary appropriation for the same.
12. To see if the town will vote to purchase a safe and make appropriation for the same.
13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur the debts for temporary loans in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing municipal year and to pay such debts out of the tax money when it is received.
14. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees and Officers and to pass any motion relating thereto.
15. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 24th day of February, A. D. 1933.

LEW WALLACE,

L. M. GRAY,

F. G. MARSHALL,

Selectmen of Town of Columbia.

We hereby certify that on the 24th day of February we posted an attested copy of the within warrant at the place of meeting, in said town, and a like copy at the Grange Hall, two public places in said town.

LEW WALLACE,  
F. G. MARSHALL,

Selectmen of Town of Columbia.

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State of New Hampshire, Coos, S. S.

February 24th, A. D. 1933

Personally appeared Lew Wallace and F. G. Marshall, Selectmen of said Town, and made oath that the above affidavit, by them subscribed, is true.

Before me,

Captolia Barry,

Notary Public.

## TOWN REPORT

## INVOICE OF PROPERTY

252 Polls	\$504.00	
Real Estate		\$489,215.45
Electric Plants		65,000.00
154 Horses		13,505.00
878 Cows		44,930.00
175 Neat Stock		6,545.00
45 Sheep		225.00
5 Hogs		25.00
20 Fowls		20.00
Wood and Lumber		11,390.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks		2,125.00
Stock in Trades		425.00
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		\$633,405.45
Less Exemptions		4,150.00
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Total		\$629,255.45

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TAXES ASSESSED

State Tax	\$	1,372.00
County Tax		2,446.10
Highways and Bridges		2,000.00
Plowing Daniel Webster Highway		300.00
Winter Roads		700.00
State Aid Construction		1,107.00
Cemeteries		75.00
Libraries		50.00
Town officers' salaries		700.00
School Tax		6,000.00
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	\$	14,750.10
Overlay		484.90
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	\$	15,235.00

Tax Rate \$2.25



## BALANCE SHEET

### ASSETS

Cash in Treasurer's hands	\$ 906.08
Taxes Bought by Town	896.79
Uncollected Taxes, 1932	1,816.13
Uncollected Taxes, 1930-31	139.13
	\$ 3,758.13
Net Debt	123.77
	\$ 3,881.90

Net Surplus Jan. 31, 1932	\$1,927.12
Net Debt, Jan. 31, 1932	123.77
Decrease of Surplus	1,927.12
Increase of Debt	123.77

### LIABILITIES

Due School District:--	
Dog Licenses	\$ 81.90
Appropriations	3,300.00
Outstanding note	500.00
	\$3,881.90
	\$3,881.90

## TOWN REPORT

## RECEIPTS

Property Taxes, 1932	\$14,307.26	
Less Abatements	24.35	
Less Uncollected, 1932	1,816.13	
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1 Taxes actually collected 1932		\$12,466.78
2 Poll Taxes 210 @ \$2.00		420.00
3 Taxes collected previous years		1,736.08
4 Tax Sales Redeemed		1,216.59
5 <b>Received From State</b>		
(b) State Aid Construction		2,753.83
State Aid Bridge Construction		509.57
U. R. C.		3,121.71
8 Railroad Tax		74.85
9 Savings Bank Tax		82.48
11 Fighting Forest Fires		126.00
12 Bounties		42.60
	<b>Local Sources Except Taxes</b>	
15 Dog Licenses		81.90
18 Rent of Town Hall		4.00
19 Interest on Taxes		25.64
25 Registrations Automobiles, 1932		290.46
27 Temporary Loans		12,000.00
35 Filing fees from Candidates		4.00
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		\$34,956.49
Cash on hand February 1, 1932		4,026.58
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		\$38,983.07

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## PAYMENTS

1	Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 736.75
2	Town Officers' Expenses	432.45
5	Expense of Town Hall	34.95
7	Fires	573.80
9	Bounties	36.20
11	Health Department	2.00
12	Vital Statistics	12.75
15	Trunk Line Maintenance	165.04
16	Town Maintenance	2,140.78
17	Winter Roads	871.55
18	General Expenses of Department	327.23
19	Libraries	167.50
20	Old Age Assistance	165.00
21	Town Poor	574.18
28	Care of Cemeteries	51.00
31	Taxes bought by Town	919.26
32	Interest paid on Temporary loan	228.98
36	State Aid Construction, Highway	3,295.95
38	State Aid Construction, Bridge	1,050.94
39	U. R. C. Highway	3,112.79
44	Paid Temporary Loans	11,500.00
50	Taxes paid to State	1,372.00
51	Taxes paid to County	2,446.10
53	Payments to School District	7,868.79
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		\$38,076.99
	Cash on hand January 31, 1933	906.08
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		\$38,983.07

### DETAILS OF PAYMENTS

#### No. 1—Town Officers' Salaries

A. B. Frizzell, Auditor	\$ 3.00
A. B. Frizzell, Moderator	3.00
F. G. Marshall, Auditor	3.00
F. G. Marshall, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Charles Pinckney, Ballot Clerk	9.00
James Kelsea, Ballot Clerk	3.00
George Parkhurst, Supervisor	45.00
Ellsworth Bunnell, Supervisor	45.00
J. G. Holbrook, Dog Constable	15.00
J. G. Holbrook, Tax Collector	115.00
J. G. Holbrook, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Helen M. B. Lang, Treas. and Clerk	95.00
Helen M. B. Lang, Auto Permits	25.75
Lew Wallace, Selectman	100.00
F. G. Marshall, Selectman	100.00
L. M. Gray, Selectman	115.00
Andrew Jackson, Supervisor	45.00
Alda Jackson, Ballot Clerk	9.00
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	\$736.75

#### No. 2—Town Officers' Expenses

Sentinel Publishing Co., Town Reports	\$249.40
Secretary of State	5.00
G. Parkhurst, scaling pulp	4.00
C. O. Stevens, work on Reports	10.00
Stevens & Marshall, bonds	50.00
Geneva Gray, clerical work	10.00
Sentinel Publishing Co., notices	1.40
E. C. Eastman Co., supplies	9.85
A. B. Frizzell, Moderator	7.00

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Catherine Frizzell, Ballot Clerk	6.00
L. D. Ripley, services	61.20
B. H. Kelsea, services	6.60
Helen M. B. Lang, stamps and stationery	10.00
L. M. Gray, expenses	2.00
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	\$432.45

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 No. 3—Expense of Town Hall

Charles Pinckney, janitor	\$15.00
Lew Wallace, wood	7.50
Public Service Co., lights	12.45
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	\$34.95

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 No. 7—Fires

Andrew Jackson, Fire Warden	\$255.55
Stratford, school house	8.00
Colebrook, William Parker	43.50
Colebrook, William Parker	74.25
Colebrook, William Crowley	45.50
Colebrook, Worth Odell	95.50
Colebrook, Charles Pinckney	51.50
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	\$573.80

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 No. 9—Bounties

E. B. Keach, paid on Hedgehogs	\$ 2.60
Lew Wallace, paid on Hedgehogs	16.40

F. G. Marshall, paid on Hedgehogs	11.80
L. M. Gray, paid on Hedgehogs	5.40
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	\$26.20

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No. 11—Health Department

A. B. Frizzell, Health Officer	\$ 2.00
Dr. F. L. Gilbert for Wm. Moore	42.00
Dr. F. L. Gilbert for David Leperle	34.00
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	\$78.00

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No. 12—Vital Statistics

Rev. Charles E. Burque	\$ .25
Charles O. Stevens	.25
F. L. Gilbert, M. D.	.75
Bruce Kelly, M. D.	1.50
Mertrude Dennis, M. D.	1.50
Walter F. Noyes, M. D.	.75
E. E. Twombly, M. D.	.25
Helen M. B. Lang, reporting to state	7.50
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	\$12.75

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No. 15—Trunk Line Maintenance

Orville Trask	\$156.04
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## No. 16—Town Maintenance

E. H. Gray, agent	\$ 567.45
Charles Marshall, agent	623.97
John Harding, agent	430.06
Cecil Barnett, agent	519.30
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	\$2,140.78

## No. 17—Winter Roads

E. H. Gray, agent	\$ 79.24
Charles Marshall, agent	135.31
Wendell Hughes, agent	6.00
Cecil Barnett, agent	148.11
John Harding, agent	23.83
Orville Trask	180.31
H. N. Marsh	288.75
Hattie Coffin	10.00
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	\$871.55

## No. 18—General Expense of Highway Department

Earl Davis, water trough	\$ 6.00
Everett Gray, water trough	3.00
John Wright, water trough	6.00
E. H. Gray, water trough	3.00
Johnson's Hardware Store, mdse.	6.82
Stevens' Hardware Store, mdse.	4.09
A. C. Hicks, lumber	6.00
C. E. Buzzell, pipe	292.32
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	\$327.23

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## No. 19—Libraries

Stevens & Marshall, insurance	\$ 12.50
Hattie Noyes, Librarian	105.00
Goldie Clark, Trustee	50.00
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	\$167.50

## No. 20—Old Age Pension

M. H. Taylor for James Colby	\$165.00
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## No. 21—Town Poor

Dr. W. F. Noyes for Charles Plant	\$ 5.00
Dr. Noyes & Dr. Pulsifer for Charles Plant	100.00
Dr. W. F. Noyes for M. A. Gould	10.00
Dr. Wm. Ricker for M. A. Gould	35.00
Frank Haynes for Clyde Noyes	12.00
E. F. Royal for Rob McKeage	33.13
Lyman Hicks for Rob McKeage	10.75
Dr. F. L. Gilbert for Rob McKeage	25.00
Dr. Bruce Kelly for Herbert Gadwah	60.00
Coos County Farm for Herbert Gadwah	70.00
Gosselin & Gilkey for J. L. Cass	16.98
E. F. Royal for J. L. Cass	50.51
E. F. Royal for L. Sweatt	1.65
E. F. Royal for Watson Wright	57.92
Gosselin & Gilkey for Watson Wright	10.24
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	\$498.18



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No. 28—Cemeteries

A. B. Frizzell, care of cemetery	\$ 35.00
Everett Gray, mowing	10.00
Lew Wallace, mowing	6.00
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	\$51.00

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No. 36—State Aid Construction

Expended by E. B. Keach	\$3,295.95
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No. 38—State Aid Bridge

Expended by Fred Jordan	\$1,050.94
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No. 39—Unemployment Relief Construction Fund

Expended by E. B. Keach	\$3,112.79
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# *Librarian's Report*

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Cash on hand February 1, 1932	\$1.47
Received from Fines and Subscriptions	4.00
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	\$5.47
Paid for postage	.62
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Cash on hand February 1, 1933	\$4.85
Number books given Library through the State Aid Fund	14
Number books discarded	170
Number books loaned in 1932	2810

HATTIE A. NOYES, Librarian.

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## LIBRARY TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Cash on hand March 8, 1932	\$ 12.79
Received from Town Treasurer	95.00
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	\$107.79
Paid for Books	\$86.29
Paid for Magazines	11.90
Paid for Supplies	7.11
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	\$105.30
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Cash on hand February 1, 1933	\$ 2.49
Number of books purchased 141.	

GOLDIE E. CLARK,  
Chairman Trustees.

# Town Clerk's Report

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During the year 1932, I have recorded 15 births, 3 marriages, and 9 deaths.

Licenses have been paid to me on 42 dogs amounting to \$81.90, which sum I have paid to the Town Treasurer.

I have issued during the year 103 Auto Permits amounting to \$290.46 which sum I have paid to the Town Treasurer.

These permits I issued as follows:

1932—forty-four permits amounting to	\$134.95
1933—Fifty-nine permits amounting to	155.51
Total	<hr/> \$290.46

HELEN M. B. LANG,

Town Clerk.

# Tax Collector's Report

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Taxes assessed 1932		\$14,811.26
Abatements	\$ 108.35	
Uncollected Taxes	1816.13	
Paid Treasurer	12,886.78	
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		\$14,811.26
Uncollected Taxes, 1931		\$ 1,736.08
Interest		25.64
Levied 1930 Land Sales, 1931		245.48
Levied 1931 Land Sales, 1932		836.28
Levied 1932 Land Sales, 1933		134.83
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		\$ 2,978.31
	2,978.31	
	12,886.78	
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Total paid Helen M. B. Lang, Treasurer	\$15,865.09	

JEANNETTE G. HOLBROOK,

Tax Collector.

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## LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, land and building	\$6,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	200.00
Library, furnishings and equipment	1,000.00
Highway Department, equipment	1,000.00
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Total	\$8,200.00

# Treasurer's Report

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Cash on hand February 1, 1932	\$ 4,026.58
Received from C. T. Patten, State Treas.	6,711.04
Received from Colebrook National Bank	12,000.00
Received for filing fees	4.00
Received from Charles Pinckney, rent of hall	4.00
Received from Jeannette Holbrook, interest	25.64
Rec'd from Jeannette Holbrook, taxes, 1931	1,736.08
Rec'd of Jeannette Holbrook, land sales	1,216.59
Rec'd from Jeannette Holbrook, taxes, 1932	12,886.78
Rec'd from Helen M. B. Lang, Dog Licenses	81.90
Rec'd from Helen M. B. Lang, Auto Permits	290.46
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	\$38,983.07
Paid Orders drawn by Selectmen	38,076.99
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Balance on hand February 1, 1933	\$ 906.08

HELEN M. B. LANG,,  
Town Treasurer.

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## AUDITORS' REPORT

February 18, 1933

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly computed and accounted for.

A. B. FRIZZELL,  
H. F. LANG,  
Auditors.

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF COLUMBIA YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1932**

Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex and Condition Living or Stillborn No. of Child	Color—All White	Name of		Maiden Name Mother
				Father	Mother	
1932						
Jan. 24	Florence Ruth Washburn	F L 2		Glenville Washburn	Elizabeth Lesperance	
Feb. 6	Francis John Gray	M L 3		Everett Michael Gray	Mary Ellen Daley	
Feb. 15	Helen Gloria Crawford	F L 1		Myron L. Crawford	Fannie Glide Forrestall	
May 1	Beverly June Wright	F L 5		Watson J. Wright	Marion G. Parker	
July 19, 1911	Franklin E. Hanks	M L 5		Frank E. Hanks	Dora A. Page	
July 20	Hazen Vern Whiting	M L 3		Vern Whiting	Evelyn Violet Smith	
July 20	Charles Joseph White	M L 2		Charles Hardie White	Beatrice C. Doak	
Aug. 6	Gardner Austin Chapple	M L 2		Thomas Chapple	Carolyn Austin	
Aug. 22	Baby Cass	M S 7		Jesse Cass	Lillian Coates	
Sept. 8	Gould	M L 11		Melrose A. Gould	Alice J. Berry	
Sept. 16	Robert Earl Treadwell	M L 3		Leo Everett Treadwell	Mabel E. Leonard	
Oct. 26	Mary Jane Elizabeth Davis	F L 2		Roland Wallace Davis	Stella E. Ordway	
Nov. 27	Arlene May Ames	F L 4		Carlton Leroy Ames	Carrie M. Hapgood	
Dec. 11	Brendon Adna Grover	M L 3		Glen Harry Grover	Ruby Evelyn Clark	
Dec. 23	Wilfred Junion McKeage	M L 9		Robert G. McKeage	Mabel Harding	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
**HELEN M. B. LANG, Town Clerk.**

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF COLUMBIA YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1932

Date of Marriage	Name of Groom, Bride	Residence of Each	Age	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	By Whom Married
July 9	Rosario Dupont	Columbia	21	Black Lake, Que.	John Dupont Rosiana Bennette	Rev. Chas. E. Burque Roman Catholic Priest No. Stratford, N. H.
	Thelma Daniels	Stratford	18	Petula, Pa.	Clarence Daniels Liva Blanche McCaslin	
Aug. 19	Patrick Arsenaunt	C'l'mb'a	34	Canada	Daniel Arsenaunt Matilda Arsenaunt	Charles O. Stevens Justice of the Peace Colebrook, N. H.
	Sarah Gould	Columbia	34	W. Stewartst'n	Geo. Chamberlain Abbie E. Green	
Oct. 15	Hollis H. Crawford					Irving C. Brown Guildhall, Vt.
	Geraldine E. Bunnell S.	"	18	Colebrook	Harry Bunnell Ethel Buffington	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HELEN M. B. LANG, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF COLUMBIA YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1932

Date of Death 1932	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
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Mar. 29	Wm. D. Wallace	1	10	Columbia, N. H.	Lew Wallace	Gladys Clark
Apr. 2	Ira A. Kelsea	88	27	Columbia, N. H.	Joseph Kelsea	Nancy Quimby
Mar. 30	Mattie Sweeney	67	5	Canada	James Terrill	Roxana Smith
June 27	Michael H. Gray	78	8	E. Clifton, Que.	Cormick Gray	Honor Higgins
Aug. 22	Baby Cass		3	Columbia, N. H.	Jesse Cass	Lillian Coates
Sept. 13	William Wallace	55	3	Columbia, N. H.	Anson Wallace	Clara Legro
Nov. 24	Ernest U. Sims	66	9	Lemington, Vt.	William Sims	Charlotte Swett
Jun 8	Flora S. Gilman	76	4	Columbia, N. H.	John Marshall	Susan Wiggin
Dec. 28	George Doyle	52	1	Canada	Joseph Doyle	Amy J. Leavitt

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HELEN M. B. LANG, Town Clerk.









