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TOWN of GRAFTON
NEW HAMPSHIRE

ANNUAL REPORT

1924

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SELECTMEN AND TREASURER

of the

TOWN OF GRAFTON

together with the Reports of the

**ROAD AGENTS AND OTHER OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN**


for the

Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1925

also

Vital Statistics for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1924.

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TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR

Fred Gage

TOWN CLERK

Fred W. Barney

TREASURER

George H. Peirce

SELECTMEN

Morris F. Braley Frank Sargent Samuel P. Huff

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Alpheus A. Howe

SUPERVISORS

A. Stuart Gage Edwin L. Sargent
Evans E. Haskins

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Alva P. Goulding Grover W. Braley
John M. Phillips

AUDITORS

Alva P. Goulding Nelson J. Hogue

CONSTABLES

Alva P. Goulding Samuel P. Huff Bennie A. Decato

CHIEF FIRE WARDEN

Fred Gage

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

John M. Phillips Frank Sargent

HEALTH OFFICER

Fred Gage

REPRESENTATIVE

John M. Phillips

JANITOR

William H. Armstrong

TOWN WARRANT.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Grafton, in the County of Grafton, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

(L. S.)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Grafton on Tuesday, the tenth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same.
3. To see if the Town will vote to remain in the same highway district system as in 1924, or return to the Road Agent system.
4. To choose a member of the board of Trustees of Trust Funds for the ensuing three years.
5. To choose a member of the board of Library Trustees for the ensuing three years.
6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of Town Highways and Bridges including the amount of $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1 per cent as required by law.
7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of cutting bushes and railing embankments along the highways.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$2500 to apply on F. A. No. 194 project, contract 1923.
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$1028 for Trunk Line maintenance, thereby obtaining State Aid of \$3,084.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$1,000 for Trunk Line construction thereby obtaining State Aid of \$3,000.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$400 thereby obtaining State Aid of \$100 for the purpose of controlling White Pine Blister Rust.

12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Home Day Association.

13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair the Tramp House.

14. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 3 per cent on all property taxes paid on or before the last Saturday in July.

15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make short time loans in anticipation of taxes.

16. To see if the Town will vote to release the Treasurer and his bondsmen of all liability of money deposited in the Peoples Trust Co., to credit of the Town of Grafton. Also to see what action the Town will take in regards to the check held by Leon O. Robinson on the Peoples Trust Co.

17. To see what Bank the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to deposit funds of the Town in, in order to avoid his personal liability by loss of funds by failure of any Bank.

Given under our hands and seal, this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

MORRIS F. BRALEY,
FRANK SARGENT,
SAMUEL P. HUFF,
Selectmen of Grafton.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

MORRIS F. BRALEY,
FRANK SARGENT,
SAMUEL P. HUFF,
Selectmen of Grafton.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Inventory of Town, April 1, 1924.

Real Estate,	\$521,860 00
Horses, 163,	15,600 00
Oxen, 20,	1,995 00
Cows, 237,	10,930 00
Neat Stock, 62,	2,310 00
Sheep, 106,	778 00
Hogs, 2,	24 00
Fowls, 931,	1,178 00
Portable Mills, 3,	1,375 00
Wood and Lumber,	26,840 00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 5,	815 00
Stock in Trade,	19,325 00
Mills and Machinery,	5,700 00
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Total Valuation,	\$608,730 00
Soldiers' Exemptions,	5,122 00
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Taxable Valuation,	\$603,608 00
303 Polls at \$5.00, 1 Poll \$3.00,	\$1,518 00
Total amount of Taxes Levied,	\$17,820 83
Rate of Taxation, \$2.70 per \$100.	
Male dogs, 72; Female dogs, 13: total 85.	

LIST of SOLDIERS EXEMPT.

Davis, Charles S.,	\$1,000 00
Davis, Merrill E.,	282 00
Dodge, Alice M.,	500 00
Hutchins, A. R.,	300 00
Hogue, Nelson J.,	300 00
Russell, Ella F.,	1,000 00
Sleeper, Samuel	40 00
Trumball, John C.,	700 00
Williams, Wallace	1,000 00
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	\$5,122 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

Town charges,	\$1,000 00
State and Federal Aid,	2,500 00
Trunk line maintenance,	310 00
Highways and bridges,	3,000 00
Railing embankments and cutting bushes,	500 00
Cement bridge,	1,200 00
Pine blister rust,	400 00
Old Home day,	20 00
State tax,	1,368 50
County tax,	1,395 52
Library tax,	43 80
School purposes,	5,993 00
Swellage,	315 38
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	\$18,046 20

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GRAFTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing
Year, January 31, 1925 to January 31, 1926, Compared
with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous
Year, January 31, 1924, to January 31, 1925.

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual Revenue Previous Year, 1924	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year, 1925.	Increase	Decrease
FROM STATE:				
Railroad Tax,	547 63	547 63		
Savings Bank Tax,	1,373 62	1,373 62		
For Fighting Forest Fires,	16 35			16 35
For Highways:				
(a) For State Aid Maintenance, Unimproved,	112 77	112 77		
(b) For Trunk Line Maintenance, Interest and Dividend Tax, Bounties,	1,352 22	1,000 00		352 22
	221 55	221 55		
	156 60	156 60		
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:				
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings,	47 10	47 10		
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits,	76 53			76 53
FROM POLL TAXES:				
From other taxes except property taxes,	1,478 00	1,478 00		
(a) National Bank Stock,	5 43	5 43		
REVENUE APPLICABLE ONLY TO NEW CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS:				
From State:				
(b) For Trunk Line Highway Construction,	255 00			255 00
AMOUNT RAISED BY ISSUE OF BONDS OR NOTES:				
Temporary Loans,	4,000 00	4,000 00		
REVENUE APPLICABLE ONLY TO PAYMENTS ON INDEBTED- NESS:				
Refunds,	7 07			7 07
Primary Filing,	2 00			2 00
Cement Bridge,	52 50	10 00		42 50
Town Poor,	91 50			91 50
Dog Licenses,	181 98	181 98		
Tax Sales Redeemed,	434 08	434 08		
Motor Vehicle Permits,	701 18	701 18		
Total Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes:	11,113 11	10,269 94		843 17
Amount Raised by Property Taxes:	15,646 62	15,646 62		
Total Revenues,	26,759 73	25,916 56		843 17

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES:

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year, 1924	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year, 1925.	Increase	Decrease
CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:				
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries,	567 50	567 50		
Town Officers' Expenses,	280 31	280 31		
Election and Registration Expenses,	211 90	50 00		161 90
Care and Supplies for Town Hall,	44 78	44 78		
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:				
Police Department,	38 35	38 35		
Fire Department,	10 00	10 00		
Bounties,	146 80	156 60	9 80	
HEALTH:				
Health Department,	14 00	14 00		
Vital Statistics,	8 40	8 40		
HIGHWAY AND BRIDGES:				
State Aid Maintenance, Unimproved:				
State's Contribution,	112 77	112 77		
Town's Contribution,	112 77	112 77		
Trunk Line Maintenance:				
State's Contribution,	1,352 12	1,000 00		352 12
Town's Contribution,	320 09	320 09		
Town Maintenance,				
Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments,	398 58	500 00	101 42	
General Expense of Highway Department,	59 98	59 98		
EDUCATION:				
Library,	121 08	121 08		
CHARITIES:				
Town Poor,	290 56	200 00		90 56
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:				
Old Home Association,	20 00	20 00		
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:				
Hearse Driver,	10 00	10 00		
OUTLAY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS:				
Highways and Bridges:				
Town Construction:				
Cement Bridge,	1,654 44			1,654 44
Trunk Line Construction:				
Town's Contribution,	7,625 00			7,625 00
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:				
State Taxes,	1,768 50	1,368 50		400 00
County Taxes,	1,395 52	1,395 52		
Due Schools,	3,357 12			
Payments to School Districts,	3,000 00	6,357 12		
Damages and Legal Expenses,	70 00	50 00		20 00
Taxes Bought by Town,	283 93	283 93		
Motor Vehicle Permits,	25 50	25 50		
Total Expenditures,	26,813 51	16,620 71	111 22	10,304 02

BALANCE SHEET.

Town of Grafton,	Assets
Cash:	
In hands of treasurer (do not include sinking funds),	\$9,114 66
Accounts Due to the Town:	
(a) Joint Highway Accounts, Unexpended Balances in State Treasury,	144 94
Other Bills Due Town:	
(a) Unappropriated funds F. A., No. 194,	2,500 00
Taxes Not Collected:	
Real estate held by town for taxes,	1,600 04
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Total Assets,	\$13,359 64
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Grand Total,	\$13,359 64

BALANCE SHEET.

Town of Grafton,	Liabilities.
Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Orders outstanding,	\$524 25
Due to State:	
Excess poll tax,	590 00
Due to School Districts:	
(a) Dog licenses,	\$181 98
(b) One-third railroad tax,	182 54
(c) Support of schools,	2,993 00
	3,357 52
State and Town Joint Highway Accounts:	
(b) Unexpended balance in town treasury,	144 94
Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes:	4,000 00
Interest on temporary loans,	75 00
Unexpended balance, town hall,	109 66
Unexpended balance, guide boards,	50 35
Unexpended balance, cutting bushes, and railing embankments,	106 76
Unexpended balance, town highways and bridges,	509 28
	\$9,467 76
Total Liabilities,	\$9,467 76
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus),	3,891 88
	\$13,359 64
Grand Total,	\$13,359 64

Town of Grafton,	Receipts.
Current Revenue:	
From Local Taxes:	
Property taxes committed to collector, 1924,	\$16,400 00
Less discount and abatement, 1924,	755 94
1. Property taxes, current year, actually collected,	\$15,644 06
2. Poll taxes, current year, actually collected, 1 at \$3, 295 at \$5,	1,478 00
3. Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected,	2 56
4. National Bank stock taxes,	5 43
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Total of above collections,	\$17,130 05
From State:	
5. For highways:	
(a) For State Aid maintenance, unimproved,	112 77
(c) For Trunk Line maintenance,	1,352 22
(d) For Trunk Line construction, F. A., No. 194,	255 00
6. Interest and dividend tax,	221 55
8. Railroad tax,	547 63
9. Savings bank tax,	1,373 62
12. Fighting forest fires,	16 35
13. Bounties,	156 60
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	4,035 74
From Local Sources Except Taxes:	
16. Dog licenses,	181 98
19. Rent of town hall,	47 10
21. Interest received on deposits,	76 53
26. Permits for registration of motor vehicles,	701 18
27. Primary filing,	2 00
Cement bridge,	52 50
Town poor,	91 50
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	1,152 79

Town of Grafton,

Payments.

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

1. Town officers' salaries,	\$567 50	
2. Town officers' expenses,	280 31	
3. Election and registration ex- penses,	211 90	
5. Expenses town hall,	44 78	
	<u> </u>	\$1,104 49

Protection of Persons and Property:

6. Police department, including care of tramps,	38 35	
7. Fire department,	10 00	
9. Bounties,	146 80	
	<u> </u>	195 15

Health:

11. Health department,	14 00	
12. Vital statistics,	8 40	
	<u> </u>	22 40

Highways and Bridges:

14. State Aid maintenance, un- improved road,	225 54	
15. Trunk Line maintenance,	1,672 21	
16. Town maintenance,	3,513 51	
17. Cutting bushes, and railing embankments,	398 58	
18. General expenses of highway department, including water- ing troughs,	59 98	
	<u> </u>	5,869 82

Library:

19. Library,		121 08
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Charities:

20. Town poor,		290 56
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Patriotic Purposes:

23. Old Home association,		20 00
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Public Service Enterprises:

27. Hearse Driver,		10 00
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Town of Grafton,

Receipts (Continued).

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

28. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year,	4,000 00	
33. Refunds,	7 07	
Total receipts other than current revenue,		<u>4,007 07</u>
Total receipts from all sources,		\$26,759 73
Cash on hand, February 1, 1924,		<u>5,287 86</u>
Grand total,		<u>\$32,047 59</u>

Town of Grafton,

Payments (Continued).

Unclassified:

28. Damages and legal expenses,	70 00	
29. Taxes bought by town,	283 93	
30. Motor vehicle permits,	25 50	
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Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:

38. Highways and bridges— town construction, cement bridge,	\$1,654 44	
39. Federal Aid construction, No. 194,	7,625 00	
	<hr/>	9,279 44
Total outlay payments,		9,279 44

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

50. Taxes paid to State,	1,768 50
51. Taxes paid to County,	1,395 52
53. Payments to School Districts,	3,000 00

Total payments to other governmental divisions,	6,164 02
Previous year order,	89

Total payments for all purposes,	\$23,457 28
Cash on hand, January 31, 1925,	9,114 66

Grand total,	\$32,571 94
Orders outstanding,	524 35

\$32,047 59

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY.

1. Town Hall, Land and Building,	\$1,500 00
Furniture and Equipment,	50 00
2. Library, Land and Building,	4,750 00
Furniture and Equipment,	200 00
3. Police Department and Building,	100 00
5. Highway Department, Land and Building,	100 00
Equipment,	600 00
6. Hearse and Hearse House,	300 00
7. Town Safe,	150 00
8. Schools, Lands and Buildings,	4,200 00
Equipment,	500 00
9. Four Parcels of Land,	180 00
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Total,	\$12,630 00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Male dogs licensed, 66.	
Female dogs licensed, 14.	
Total amount received,	\$181 98
Motor vehicle permits issued, 102.	
Amount received,	701 18
Primary filings,	2 00
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Total amount paid town treasurer,	\$885 16

FRED W. BARNEY, Town Clerk.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT, 1924.

Amount of property tax for collection,	\$16,302 83
Amount of poll tax for collection,	1,518 00
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	\$17,820 83
Added to book, 1924,	137 60
Previous year,	2 56
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	17,960 99
Less abatements (polls \$75.00, property \$542.70),	617 70
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	17,343 29
Less discounts allowed,	213 24
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Total,	\$17,130 05
Paid George H. Peirce, Treasurer,	\$17,130 05

ALPHEUS A. HOWE, Collector.

TAXES REDEEMED.

Clough, Luella B., Baker farm,	\$67 22
Clough, Luella B., Baker bungalow,	11 00
Melanson, Carrie, undivided one-third Mar- garet Marshall estate,	18 58
Murray, Claude Mrs., R. J. Jones farm,	46 73
Richard, Theodore, H. Barney farm,	21 03
Suloway W. B., Anna Suloway farm,	269 52
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	434 08

**TAXES UNREDEEMED WITH INTEREST TO
FEBRUARY 1, 1925.**

Cole, Inez R., home farm,	\$168 81
Consolidated Mica and Quarry Co., mining right on Stevens' land,	15 75
Grafton Mica Co., mining right on F. R. Smith land,	21 53
Gage, R., farm,	131 86
Haynes, W. L., house lot, shop and flowage right,	95 66
Hecox, E. H., and J. E., Lund farm,	10 35
Hogan, William S., undivided one-half, Rob- inson land and buildings,	9 00
Jones, Rockwood J., Est., farm,	182 19
Kimball, A. E. Mrs., Richardson farm,	13 72
Kimball, Waverly, depot lot,	4 11
Laro, Felix, Holmes place,	4 76
Larue, C. H., hall and Thomas place,	44 62
Leavitt, George, Frank Leavitt farm,	35 26
Leavitt, Olin, Frank Russell farm,	54 15
Marshall, Frank O., Davis meadow,	11 55
Muller, Otto, home farm,	25 05
Nettleton, C. F., house and lot,	26 85
Noonan, John H.,	42 44
Owner unknown, standing timber on old Lund farm,	22 00
Peters, Daniel W., Est., land and buildings,	8 36
Powers, James B., Powers farm,	36 92
Richard, Theodore, H. Barney place,	19 25
Rollins, H. C., home farm,	51 92
Stark, Fred, house and lot,	14 44
Stewart, Sarah W., farm,	112 46
Sulloyway, F. G., Williams place,	91 48
Valia, Helen S., home place,	62 55
Valia, Leon G., cottage,	11 85
Waldron, Gilbert, home farm,	187 01
White, George Mrs., mining right, Taylor land,	51 39
Wheeler, Harold B., Bucklin pasture, home farm and part of A. E. Gardner farm,	32 75
	\$1,600 04

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Previous balance, February 1, 1924,	\$5,287 86
Selectmen:	
Back taxes,	434 08
State bounties,	156 60
State forest fires,	16 35
State highway,	1,719 99
Savings bank tax,	1,373 62
Railroad tax,	547 63
State income tax,	221 55
Refunds,	7 07
Town hall,	47 10
Town poor,	91 50
Cement bridge,	52 50
People's Trust Co.:	
Loan,	4,000 00
Interest on deposits,	76 53
F. W. Barney, Clerk:	
Dog licenses,	181 98
Auto Tax,	701 18
Primary filings,	2 00
A. A. Howe, collector, taxes,	17,130 05
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	\$32,047 59
Selectmen's Orders Paid:	
Previous year,	\$ 89
Current year,	22,932 04
Balance:	
Involved in People's Trust Co.,	7,994 25
On deposit Nat. State Cap. bank,	1,120 41
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	\$32,047 59

Note outstanding \$4,000.00 due People's Trust Co.

GEORGE H. PEIRCE, Treasurer.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES.

Moderator Lynford E. Tuttle,	\$9 00
Town Clerk Fred W. Barney,	25 00
Selectman Morris F. Braley,	144 00
Selectman Frank Sargent,	97 50
Selectman Samuel P. Huff,	100 00
Selectman John M. Phillips,	26 00
Auditor Nelson J. Hogue,	8 00
Auditor Alva P. Goulding,	8 00
Tax Collector Alpheus A. Howe,	150 00
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	\$567 50

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES.

Samuel P. Huff, selectman,	\$ 1 80
Morris F. Braley, selectman,	52 70
Frank Sargent, selectman,	2 57
J. M. Phillips, selectman,	6 52
Fred Barney, town clerk,	1 25
Fred Gage, surety bonds,	14 00
Edson C. Eastman, supplies,	11 71
W. P. Farmer, Association of N. H. Assessors' dues,	2 00
White River Paper Co., stationery,	10 93
W. J. Randolph, real estate transfers and recording deeds,	9 68
C. O. Barney & Son, printing reports,	156 65
W. C. Rollins, abstracts and deeds,	10 50
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	\$280 31

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION.

George Bucklin, supervisor,	\$49 65
Charles E. Hines, supervisor,	49 00
E. A. Martin, supervisor,	28 00
Nelson Hogue, supervisor,	24 50
W. H. Armstrong, ballot clerk,	3 50
A. A. Howe, ballot clerk,	10 50
E. C. Dimond, ballot clerk,	3 50
E. A. Martin, ballot clerk,	3 50
G. W. Braley, ballot clerk,	10 50
E. A. Martin, check lists,	3 50
C. O. Barney & Son, printing check lists,	10 00
A. P. Goulding, constable,	7 00
S. P. Huff, constable,	8 75
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	\$211 90

TOWN HALL.

Expenditures.

G. H. Johnson, supplies,	\$ 4 08
S. P. Huff, wood,	9 00
W. H. Armstrong, janitor work,	24 30
F. R. Smith, sawing wood,	2 00
W. B. Smith, fire extinguisher,	5 40
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	\$44 78

Receipts.

W. H. Armstrong, rental,	\$45 00
W. H. Armstrong, white lead,	2 10
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	\$47 10

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY.

Police Department.

Henry M. Valia, care of tramps,	\$23 50
A. H. Barney Co., supplies for tramps,	3 85
A. Davis, rent of land for tramp house,	2 00
S. P. Huff, wood for tramp house,	9 00
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	\$38 35

Fire Department.

Fred Gage, fire warden,	\$10 00
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BOUNTIES.

J. M. Phillips,	\$22 00
M. F. Braley,	77 80
Frank Sargent,	32 60
S. P. Huff,	14 40
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	\$146 80

HEALTH AND SANITATION.

Health Department.

Fred Gage, health officer,	\$10 00
F. A. Bogardus, M. D.,	4 00
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	\$14 00

VITAL STATISTICS.

Fred W. Barney, recording births and deaths,	\$5 90
F. A. Bogardus, M. D., reporting births and deaths,	2 50
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	\$8 40

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE.

Amount available,	State	Town	Total
Balance, Feb. 1, 1924,	\$15 13	\$10 09	\$25 22
Appropriation, 1924,	465 00	310 00	775 00
Extra,	5,440 00		5,440 00
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Expended, 1924,	\$5,920 13	\$320 09	\$6,240 22
	5,498 93	320 09	5,819 02
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Balance Feb. 1, 1925,	\$421 20		\$421 20
Overpaid by State, 10 cents.			

Expenditures.

Paid C. A. Davis, patrolman (from State),	\$1,352 12
Paid C. A. Davis, patrolman,	320 09
Expended by State, oil, labor and trucking,	4,146 71
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Total,	\$5,818 92

TOWN MAINTENANCE REPORT.

February 1, 1924 to February 1, 1925.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Appropriation,	\$3,000 00	
Automobile permits,	701 18	
Balance February 1, 1924,	321 61	
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Total,		\$4,022 79
Expended by selectmen and foremen,		3,513 51
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Balance, February 1, 1925,		\$509 28

UNIMPROVED MASCOMA ROAD.

Amount available,	State	Town	Total
Balance, Feb. 1, 1924,	\$157 71	\$157 71	\$315 42
Appropriation, 1924,	100 00	100 00	200 00
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	\$257 71	\$257 71	\$515 42
Paid 1924:			
C. A. Davis, patrolman,	112 77	112 77	225 54
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Balance, Feb. 1, 1925,	\$144 94	\$144 94	\$289 88

CUTTING BUSHES AND RAILING EMBANKMENTS.

Appropriation,	\$500 00	
Balance, Feb. 1, 1924,	5 34	
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Total,		\$505 34
Expended by selectmen and foremen,		398 58
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Balance, February 1, 1925,		\$106 76

MORRIS F. BRALEY,
FRANK SARGENT,
SAMUEL P. HUFF,
Selectmen.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF HIGHWAY
EXPENDITURES.

February 1, 1924 to May 1, 1924.

E. E. Morse, with team,	\$109 54
W. G. Caswell, with team,	10 67
W. G. Caswell, labor,	3 33
Charles E. Clough, labor,	13 61
Charles E. Clough, keeping snow path on account of mail, Feb. 26, through remainder of winter,	10 00
R. H. Hill, labor,	3 63
A. W. Rollins, labor,	67
J. M. Phillips, with team,	49 00
J. M. Phillips, labor,	3 00
Lester W. Barney, with team,	7 99
A. H. Hill, with team,	10 50
G. C. Haskins, labor,	10 50
Robert Gallop, labor,	3 50
G. C. Haskins, with team,	38 25
Sam Haskins, labor,	2 50
G. W. Sulloway, with team,	51 28
G. W. Sulloway, repairing roller,	7 00
L. E. Tuttle, with team,	13 04
L. E. Tuttle, labor,	1 17
A. E. Kirk, labor,	6 22
H. H. Tenney, with team,	28 00
E. T. Kirschbaum, crossing land 1923 and 1924,	10 00
C. M. Braley, with team,	19 44
M. F. Braley, with team,	14 00
M. F. Braley, labor,	2 72
Vivian Braley, labor,	1 17
Grover Braley, labor,	1 17
Jesse Olyer, labor,	24 99
E. O. Olyer, with team,	49 60
Frank E. Sargent, labor,	1 00
Frank Sargent, with team,	6 00
W. H. Armstrong, with team,	28 00
H. B. Wheeler, labor,	3 00
Thomas Decato, labor,	3 50
J. L. Taylor, labor,	1 36

D. L. Freeman, with team,	214 27	
D. L. Freeman, labor,	14 00	
Joe Raymond, labor,	29 36	
J. H. Hecox, labor,	24 11	
E. H. & J. E. Hecox, labor,	21 00	
John Hecox, with team,	7 00	
A. A. Morrill, with team,	16 72	
A. A. Morrill, labor,	3 20	
Roy Beals, labor,	3 50	
Richard Danckwerth, labor,	3 50	
John Colburn, labor,	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$893 01

January 1, 1925 to February 1, 1925.

S. P. Huff, with team,	\$8 55	
Lester Barney, with team,	3 88	
Guy C. Haskins, with team,	6 63	
E. E. Morse, with team,	37 00	
C. M. Braley, with team,	7 00	
Charles Whittier, with team,	10 80	
Frank Sargent, with team,	3 00	
Almon H. Barney, with team,	3 00	
James E. Lovering, with team,	8 67	
Harold Cole, labor,	1 55	
W. G. Caswell, labor,	5 25	
Robert Gallup, labor,	3 90	
Sam Haskins, labor,	1 00	
E. O. Olyer, labor,	1 50	
D. L. Freeman, labor,	3 50	
Tamer Kimball, rent, (tenement hired for Clough family, in- stead of breaking roads to Baker farm),	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$145 23

HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES.

May 1, 1924 to January 1, 1925.

LESTER BARNEY'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

Lester Barney, with team,	\$27 99	
John M. Phillips, with team,	7 00	
Paul Wendall, with team,	17 11	
Lester Barney, labor,	32 27	
Verne Barney, labor,	17 88	
E. S. Hunt, labor,	3 50	
E. R. Olds, labor,	78	
R. H. Hill, labor,	3 89	
Paul Wendall, labor,	3 50	
George Dorr, labor,	14 00	
James Taylor, labor,	2 52	
Lester Barney, paid for bridge plank,	5 25	
Lester Barney, paid for explosives,	25	
E. S. Hunt, explosives,	1 00	
		\$136 94

Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments.

Lester Barney, railing embank- ments,	\$3 50	
Lester Barney, cutting bushes,	7 78	
James Taylor, cutting bushes,	7 00	
		\$18 28

MORRIS F. BRALEY'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

Morris F. Braley, labor,	\$53 08
Morris F. Braley, with team,	78
C. M. Braley, with team,	120 18
C. M. Braley, labor,	5 83
Grover L. Barney, with team,	14 00
Grover W. Braley, labor,	27 22

Alfred Kirk, labor,	7 00	
W. L. Braley, labor,	2 85	
H. V. Vesterlund, labor,	13 00	
E. C. Dimond, labor,	10 50	
Vivian Braley, labor,	10 50	
O. E. Brock, labor,	3 50	
Oscar Flanders, labor,	7 72	
John Curran, labor,	3 50	
J. M. Phillips, with team,	49 00	
J. M. Phillips, labor,	2 23	
Charles George, with team,	31 89	
Charles George, labor,	18 00	
Charles Clough, labor,	7 20	
Frank Ferrin, labor,	5 05	
Everett Ferrin, with team,	14 00	
A. J. Hill, labor,	7 00	
E. T. Kirschbaum, 17 loads of grade, at 10c,	1 70	
A. J. Hill, 42 loads of grade at 10c,	4 20	
R. E. Caswell, 6 loads of grade at 10c,	60	
G. L. Barney, 36 loads of grade at 7c,	2 52	
A. Davis, 55 loads of grade at 10c,	5 50	
J. B. Powers, labor,	7 00	
E. L. Sargent, 1,445 ft. bridge plank at 3½c,	50 57	
E. C. Dimond, repairing drag,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$488 62

Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments.

C. M. Braley, cutting bushes,	\$1 17	
Grover W. Braley, cutting bushes,	8 17	
O. E. Brock, cutting bushes,	5 00	
Frank Ferrin, cutting bushes,	10 00	
J. M. Phillips, cutting bushes,	8 75	
C. W. Gray, cutting bushes,	3 12	
A. J. Hill, cutting bushes,	1 75	
W. L. Braley, cutting bushes,	7 00	
A. E. Kirk, cutting bushes,	16 33	
Nelson Hogue, cutting bushes,	4 67	
Charles George, railing embank- ments,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$67 46

D. L. FREEMAN'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

D. L. Freeman, labor,	\$56 25	
D. L. Freeman, men and teams,	185 50	
D. L. Freeman, labor,	10 50	
E. H. Hecox, with team,	8 97	
Clifford Goss, labor,	24 50	
Fred Smith, labor,	17 50	
Carl Hoyt, bridge plank,	14 33	
Town of Enfield, use of road machine, six days at \$2 per day,	12 00	
Blacksmith, one evener and bolts,	2 80	
Northeast Metal Culvert Co., two culverts, at \$24,	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$380 35

Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments.

Peter Moran, cutting bushes,	\$40 00	
C. H. Larue, cutting bushes,	24 50	
	<hr/>	\$64 50

SAMUEL P. HUFF'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

Samuel P. Huff, with team,	\$122 89
E. E. Morse, with team,	7 00
H. H. Cross, with team,	45 50
M. F. Braley, with team,	13 22
C. M. Braley, with team,	13 22
George Bucklin, labor,	3 50
Theodore Richard, labor,	10 88
Bennie Decato, labor,	3 00
Nelson Hogue, labor,	3 89
Rollie Morse, labor,	3 00
E. A. Morse, labor,	3 50
H. H. Cross, labor,	7 00
E. F. Cole, labor,	3 50
E. L. Sargent, bridge plank,	31 50

John L. Sargent, with team,	24 00	
Almon H. Barney, with team,	36 12	
John L. Sargent, labor,	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$337 72

Railing Embankments and Cutting Bushes.

Samuel P. Huff, labor,	\$3 50	
Theodore Richard, labor,	13 72	
Archie Seamans, labor,	13 39	
C. W. Leonard, labor,	6 00	
B. L. Decato, labor,	16 25	
R. J. Bennett, labor,	12 25	
N. J. Hogue, labor,	10 00	
George Bucklin, labor,	10 50	
Almon H. Barney, labor,	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$91 61

A. E. KIRK'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

A. E. Kirk, with horse,	5 00	
A. E. Kirk, labor,	17 50	
Walter Magoon, labor,	3 50	
C. M. Braley, with team,	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$33 00

LEON O. ROBINSON'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

Leon O. Robinson, with team,	\$259 00	
Charles George, with team,	10 50	
Horace Cross, with team,	17 50	
Sam Huff, with team,	17 50	
L. O. Robinson, labor,	10 50	
John Bassett, labor,	31 50	
Nelson J. Hogue, labor,	91 00	
R. C. Leonard, 105 ft. bridge plank at 3½c,	3 68	
	<hr/>	\$441 18

Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments.

Leon O. Robinson,	\$28 00	
John Bassett,	17 50	
Nelson J. Hogue,	7 00	
		<hr/> \$52 50

FRANK SARGENT'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

Frank Sargent, with team,	\$112 50	
Charles Whittier, with team,	6 00	
Harrison Quimby, labor,	45 00	
Charles Collins, labor,	37 50	
George Bunnell, labor,	37 50	
J. H. Cole, labor,	9 00	
		<hr/> 247 50

Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments.

Frank Sargent, cutting bushes,	\$21 00
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G. W. SULLOWAY'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

G. W. Sulloway, with team,	\$176 56	
G. W. Sulloway, labor,	29 75	
Frank Parker, labor,	33 25	
E. S. Otis, labor,	7 00	
E. S. Otis, 4 loads of grade at 10c,	40	
G. W. Sulloway, 1 plow,	3 50	
Fred Sulloway, 335 ft. bridge plank at $3\frac{1}{2}c$,	11 73	
E. L. Sargent, 505 ft. bridge plank at $3\frac{1}{2}c$,	17 78	
		<hr/> \$279 97

Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments.

A. E. Kirk, cutting bushes,	\$36 56	
O. E. Brock, cutting bushes,	4 67	
		<hr/> \$41 23

H. H. TENNEY'S REPORT.

Highways and Bridges.

H. H. Tenney, with team,	\$95 28	
H. H. Tenney, labor,	12 70	
Robert Gallop, labor,	3 50	
Frank Bliss, labor,	1 17	
E. L. Sargent, 342 ft. bridge plank at 3½c,	11 97	
H. H. Tenney, 1 bridge stringer,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$126 62

Cutting Bushes and Railing Embankments.

H. H. Tenney, cutting bushes,	\$12 07	
James L. Taylor, cutting bushes,	7 78	
Vivian Braley, cutting bushes,	3 50	
O. E. Brock, cutting bushes,	10 50	
Robert Gallop, cutting bushes,	8 17	
	<hr/>	\$42 02

GENERAL EXPENSES OF HIGHWAY
DEPARTMENT.

A. H. Barney Co., watering tub,	\$3 00	
Almon H. Barney, watering tub,	3 50	
Oscar Flanders, watering tub,	2 00	
Lee F. Underhill, painting bridges,	12 48	
Morris F. Braley, road grader,	26 00	
New England Road Machine Co., supplies,	13 00	
	<hr/>	\$59 98

EDUCATION.

Library.

Hattie E. Barney, librarian,	\$75 00	
Hattie E. Barney, cleaning library windows,	1 00	
A. H. Barney Co., supplies,	1 28	
Library Trustees, tax,	43 80	
	<hr/>	\$121 08

CHARITIES.**Town Poor.**

Supplies for Hazel Carlson and children,	\$199 06	
Burial expenses for Leo Braley,	91 50	
	<hr/>	\$290 56
Jan. 31, 1925, Received of Gilbert Braley, for burial expenses, Leo Braley,		\$91 50
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PATRIOTIC PURPOSES.**Old Home Day Association.**

Henry M. Valia, treasurer,	\$20 00
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PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES.

Charles Barney, hearse driver,	\$10 00
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UNCLASSIFIED.**Taxes Bought by Town.**

A. A. Howe, collector,	\$283 93
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Damages.

Leon Brown, automobile damage,	\$20 00
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Legal Expenses.

C. E. Hibbard, 1922, '23, '24,	\$50 00
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Motor Vehicle Permits.

Fred W. Barney,	\$25 50
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**NEW CONSTRUCTION AND PERMANENT
IMPROVEMENTS.**

TOWN CONSTRUCTION.

Cement Bridge.

Kittredge Bridge Co.,	\$690 00	
C. P. Stevens, cement,	240 00	
George H. Peirce, freight on cement,	62 50	
Harry G. Dean, lumber,	80 65	
George H. Johnson, supplies,	8 10	
A. H. Barney Co., supplies,	5 45	
C. E. Hines, trucking,	1 00	
A. A. Morrill, trucking,	8 00	
C. N. Merrill & Son, use of cement mixer and trucking,	18 00	
Arthur Kimball, moulding,	3 00	
G. W. Braley, gasoline and oil	70	
Marjorie Bennett, care of lantern,	5 40	
Thomas Eastham, care of lanterns,	10 20	
E. C. Dimond, sharpening drills,	60	
M. F. Braley, oil for paint,	3 00	
R. J. Bennett, grade,	3 10	
R. C. Leonard, grade,	3 00	
S. P. Huff, grade,	5 00	
S. P. Huff, with team,	138 45	
H. H. Cross, with team,	14 00	
M. F. Braley, labor,	120 75	
S. P. Huff, labor,	25 28	
C. M. Braley, labor,	82 83	
Nelson Hogue, labor,	14 78	
A. W. Bennett, labor,	32 08	
G. W. Braley, labor,	7 00	
Ernest Morse, labor,	68 07	
W. L. Braley, labor,	3 50	
	\$1,654 44	

Material Sold.

C. P. Stevens, cement bags	\$28 00	
M. F. Braley, cement,	14 50	
S. P. Huff, lumber,	10 00	
	52 50	
	\$1,601 94	

FEDERAL AID, NO. 194, CONSTRUCTION.

Appropriation, Government and State,	\$46,217 94	
Appropriation, town,	8,660 47	
Total available,		\$54,878 41
Expenditures.		
Government and State, 1923,	\$3,815 58	
Government and State, 1924,	42,402 36	
		\$46,217 94
Town, 1923,	\$1,035 47	
Town, 1924,	7,625 00	
		8,660 47
Total,		\$54,878 41

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS.

F. H. Foster, County tax,	\$1,395 52	
George E. Farrand, State tax,	1,368 50	
J. H. Foster, Pine Blister Rust Control,	400 00	
		\$3,164 02

SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Lottie E. Davis, Treasurer,	\$3,000 00
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AUDITORS' REPORT.

For the Year, 1924.

We have examined the books of the Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector and Selectmen, and this certifies that we found them properly cast and correctly vouched.

ALVA P. GOULDING,
NELSON J. HOGUE,
Auditors.

February 7th, 1925.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Financial Statement for the Year, 1924.

Receipts.

Balance on hand, Feb. 1st, 1924,	\$93 26	
From selectmen, Library Tax,	43 80	
Gift for a book,	1 00	
Fines during year,	9 52	
	<hr/>	\$147 58

Expenditures.

Mrs. R. S. Wheeler, books,	\$2 42	
William's Book Store, books,	6 75	
Bon Marche Store, books,	2 01	
W. R. Goodman, books,	4 77	
G. C. Prince, books,	8 25	
Foster's Book Store, books,	27 63	
Cragg Bindery, binding book,	2 62	
C. O. Barney & Son, printing catalogs,	75 02	
Supplies and postage for Library	3 37	
	<hr/>	\$132 84
Balance on hand Jan. 31st, 1925,		<hr/> \$14 74

ALVA P. GOULDING,
EVA L. HEATH,
GERTRUDE P. BURNHAM,
Library Trustees.

This certifies that I have examined the foregoing account and find it properly cast and correctly vouched.

NELSON J. HOGUE, Auditor.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN, 1924.

Number of bound volumes at beginning of year	1913
Number of bound volumes added by gift (including public documents),	5
Number of bound volumes bought,	89
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Total number of volumes owned at end of year,	2002

Services.

Number of volumes adult fiction lent,	1671
Number of volumes adult non-fiction lent,	33
Number of volumes juvenile fiction lent,	391
Number of volumes juvenile non-fiction lent,	11
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Total circulation for current year,	2106
Number of new borrowers added during year,	6
Total number of active borrowers during year	168

HATTIE E. BARNEY, Librarian.

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Grafton on January 31 1925

Date of Creation	Trust Funds	Donor	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on hand at beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on hand at end of year
1896	East Grafton Cemetery Fund	N. A. Kimball and others	N. H. Savings Bank, Concord, N. H.	\$ 235 50/4		\$ 2 02	\$ 9 40	\$ 8 00	\$ 3 42
1900	J. E. Martin's Cemetery Fund	J. E. Martin	"	200 00/4		12 05	8 00	5 00	15 05
1900	Maria E. Martin's Church Fund	Maria E. Martin	Manchester Savings Bank, Manchester	769 38/4	1-2	3	34 60	59 60	
1904	Henry Stevens' Cemetery Fund	Mrs. Henry Stevens	N. H. Savings Bank, Concord, N. H.	500 00/4		20 00	20 00	20 00	1 00
1906	Estelle K. Axtell's Cemetery Fund	Estelle K. Axtell	"	50 00/4			2 00	1 00	
1906	Candance Cook's Cemetery Fund	Candance Cook	"	75 00/4			3 00	3 00	
1908	Nashin W. Cass' Cemetery Fund	Nashin W. Cass	"	150 00/4		6 00	6 00	3 00	9 00
1916	Augusta A. Barney's Cemetery Fund	Augusta A. Barney	"	50 00/4		2 00	2 00	1 00	3 00
1916	Mary A. Smith's Cemetery Fund	Mary A. Smith	"	50 00/4			2 00	2 00	2 00
1916	Augusta A. Barney's Church Fund	Augusta A. Barney	"	2000 00/4	1-2		90 00	90 00	
1918	Mary A. Smith's Church Fund	Mary A. Smith	"	150 00/4	1-2		6 75	6 75	6 10
1919	Ann M. Hoyt's Cemetery Fund	Mrs. Mary A. Avery	"	100 00/4		2 35	4 00	4 00	2 85
1908	Hannah L. Walker's Church Fund	Ann M. Hoyt	"	100 00/4			4 59	4 59	
1908	Hannah L. Walker's Church Fund	Hannah L. Walker	"	102 69/4	1-2		11 25	11 25	
1920	Belsey Frost's Church Fund	John Martin	"	250 00/4	1-2		4 72	4 72	
"	"	Belsey Frost	"	105 70/4	1-2		2 47	2 47	
"	"	Ellen Martin	"	55 30/4	1-2		13 50	13 50	
"	"	Hannah French	"	300 00/4	1-2		8 50	22 00	
1920	Hannah French's Church Fund	Hannah French	Two U. S. Liberty Bonds	200 00/4	1-4	9 00	20 00	10 00	19 00
1920	Jane K. Lawrence's Cemetery Fund	Jane K. Lawrence	N. H. Savings Bank, Concord, N. H.	500 00/4			9 00	9 00	
1920	Elizabeth C. Hoyt's Church Fund	Elizabeth C. Hoyt	"	200 00/4	1-2		2 00	2 00	
1920	Nathan Severance's Cemetery Fund	Nathan Severance	"	50 00/4			5 94	1 00	4 94
1923	Frank D. Currier's Cemetery Fund No. 1	Frank D. Currier	"	198 15/4			5 94	1 00	
"	"	"	"	198 15/4			5 94	1 00	

† 4 1-2 per cent and \$25 of principal

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Grafton, qualified to vote in district affairs;

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 10th day of March 1925, at 1.00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
7. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools.
8. To see how much money the district will raise and appropriate for district officers.
9. To see how much money the district will raise and appropriate for repairs.
10. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Grafton, this 18th day of February, 1925.

GERTRUDE P. BURNHAM,
 ADA B. KIMBALL,
 CARRIE L. FOWLER,
 School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

GERTRUDE P. BURNHAM,
 ADA B. KIMBALL,
 CARRIE L. FOWLER,
 School Board.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Year Ending June 30, 1924.

School Board.

Gertrude P. Burnham, term expires March, 1925.
 Ada B. Kimball, term expires March, 1926.
 Carrie L. Fowler, term expires March, 1927.

District Officers.

John M. Phillips, Moderator.
 Mildred C. Sargent, Clerk.
 Lottie E. Davis, Treasurer.
 A. E. Kimball, Truant Officer.

The Board submits the following required annual report to the District, stating amount of money needed for support of schools and statutory requirements. (See laws of 1919: 106, 21.)

1. Amount of money required by law, (\$3.50 on each \$1,000 of equalized valuation of the town in 1925).

2. Statement in detail of the additional amount of money required for the support of schools and payment of statutory obligations for the ensuing fiscal year.

Budget.

	Elementary	High
For support of schools,	\$5,000 00	
For repair of school buildings,	200 00	
For payment of high school and academy tuition,		\$490 00
For district officers,	175 00	
Total amount required for above items,	\$5,375 00	\$490 00

Estimated amount of a \$5.00 tax on \$1,000.00 of the town's equalized valuation, \$4,045.71.

Amount required to meet the per capita tax for supervision, \$174.00.

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE GRAFTON
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1923, and Ending
June 30, 1924.

Certificate.

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Chapter 57, Laws of 1917.

GERTRUDE P. BURNHAM,
Chairman School Board.

IDELLA K. FARNUM,
Superintendent.

Balance Sheet.

Assets, June 30, 1924.	
Cash on hand,	\$971 12
Tuition due from Orange,	42 00
Tuition due from Danbury,	25 00
	\$1,038 12
Total Assets,	
Liabilities, June 30, 1924.	
Accounts owed by District,	.....

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS.

Receipts.

From State:		
Equalization (State aid),		\$1,678 71
From Local Taxation:		
For support of elementary schools,	\$5,000 00	
For high school and academy tuition	385 00	
For salaries of district officers,	150 00	
For payment of per capita tax,	168 00	
Total,		<u>\$5,703 00</u>
From Sources Other Than Taxation:		
Dog licenses from selectmen,	\$184 18	
Tuition from Orange, 1922-23,	54 00	
Stevens trust fund,	10 00	
Sale of property,	50	
One-third railroad tax,	181 89	
Rebate from H. G. Morrison,	7 20	
Total,	437 77	
Total receipts from all sources,		<u>\$7,819 48</u>
Cash on hand, July 1, 1923,		38 83
Grand total,		<u>\$7,858 31</u>

Payments.

Administration:		
Salaries of district officers,	\$128 00	
Superintendent's excess salary,	96 15	
Truant officer and school census,	20 00	
Expenses of administration,	19 48	
Instruction:		
Teachers' salaries,	3,451 20	
Text books,	74 59	
Scholars' supplies,	92 79	
Flags and appurtenances,	2 50	
Other expenses of instruction,	9 72	

Operation and Maintenance of Schools:

Fuel,	223 92
Janitors' supplies,	25 25
Minor repairs and expenses,	61 25

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:

Medical inspection,	35 00
Transportation of pupils,	1,337 00
High school and academy tuition,	350 00
Elementary school tuition,	11 75

Debt, Interest and Other Charges:

Tax for state wide supervision (\$2.00 per capita),	168 00
Payments of notes or bills from previous year,	780 59

Total payments for all purposes,	\$6,887 19
Total cash on hand, June 30, 1924,	971 12

Grand total,	<u>\$7,858 31</u>
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DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.
Salaries of School Board.

Paid:—

Lynford E. Tuttle,	\$35 00
Ada B. Kimball,	35 00
Carrie L. Fowler,	35 00

Salaries of Other District Officers.

Paid:—

Lottie E. Davis, treasurer,	\$15 00
Mildred C. Sargent, clerk,	4 00
Almer Davis, moderator,	2 00
Charles L. Tupper, auditor,	2 00
William G. Caswell, truant officer and school census,	20 00

148 00

Expenses of Administration.

Paid:—

C. O. Barney, 500 bill heads,	\$3 00	
Lottie E. Davis, postage,	55	
Louis Ellms, treasurer supervisory union,	10 00	
Carrie L. Fowler, postage and expenses,	5 93	
	<hr/>	\$19 48

Teachers' Salaries.

Paid:—

Frank B. Clarke,	\$244 50	
Berence E. Clarke,	555 50	
Nancy A. Wells,	421 20	
Harriet G. Morrison,	234 00	
Ethel P. Haskins,	648 00	
Margaret E. F. Smith,	700 00	
Gladys S. Moore,	648 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,451 20

High School Tuition.

Paid Proctor Academy:

Tuition one year, James Armstrong,	\$70 00	
Tuition one year, Charles Cheney,	70 00	
Tuition one year, Donald Fowler,	70 00	
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Paid Canaan High School:

Tuition one year, Hazel Armstrong,	70 00	
Tuition one year, Marjorie Bennett,	70 00	
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		\$350 00

Scholars' Supplies.

Paid:—

Edward E. Babb and Co.,	\$75 71	
Milton Bradley Co.,	13 35	
L. E. Tuttle, freight and express,	3 73	
	<hr/>	\$92 79

Other Expenses of Instruction.

Paid:—		
R. E. Lane, enumeration cards,	\$1 46	
I. K. Farnum, teachers' report cards,	5 71	
E. E. Babb & Co., 50 Myer's tests,	2 55	
	<hr/>	\$9 72

Superintendent.

Paid:—		
Per capita tax,	\$168 00	
Excess salary,	96 15	
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Fuel.

Paid:—		
A. W. Bennett, 3 cords wood,	\$27 00	
E. F. Cole, labor,	4 50	
Donald Fowler, labor,	1 50	
Harry G. Dean, 4 cords wood,	36 00	
G. W. Sulloway, 3¾ cords wood,	46 87	
G. W. Sulloway, 6 cords wood,	54 00	
Leslie Seamans, labor,	3 75	
Currier & Co., 2½ cords wood and kindling,	35 00	
Ernest Morse, labor,	3 50	
Ada B. Kimball, cash paid for labor and fuel,	11 80	
	<hr/>	\$223 92

Transportation.

Paid:		
William G. Caswell,	\$507 00	
Tom Brock,	326 00	
Mrs. Arthur Hill,	108 00	
C. H. Larue,	255 00	
Mrs. G. L. Barney,	141 00	
	<hr/>	\$1337 00

Minor Repairs and Expenses.

Paid:—		
L. G. Riddle, labor,	\$2 00	
Edgar G. Pariso, paint and labor,	20 35	
Royal Bennett, labor,	3 00	
C. H. Larue, labor,	1 00	

Ada B. Kimball, cash paid for labor,	6 00	
Ethel P. Haskins, cash paid for labor,	2 00	
Lulu Bennett, labor,	2 00	
Berenice E. Clarke, cash paid for labor,	2 00	
G. H. Johnson, merchandise,	3 20	
A. H. Barney, merchandise,	6 25	
Donald Fowler, labor,	4 00	
Edward E. Babb & Co., merchandise,	6 70	
A. E. Kimball, merchandise,	65	
Lee Underhill, labor,	2 10	
	<hr/>	\$61 25

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER.

Cash on hand, July 1, 1923,	\$ 38 83
Appropriations and other receipts from selectmen,	6,069 07
Receipts from all other sources,	1,750 41
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Total cash for fiscal year,	\$7,858 31
Total amount paid on school board's orders,	6,887 19
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Cash on hand at end of fiscal year,	\$971 12

LOTTIE E. DAVIS,
Treasurer.

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board and those of the treasurer of the school district of Grafton, of which the within is a true summary, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ALPHEUS A. HOWE,
Auditor.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Andover, N. H., February 7, 1925.

To the School Board and the Citizens of the Grafton School District:

I hereby submit my sixth annual report as Superintendent of your schools. This report includes the roll of perfect attendance and the statistical table for 1923-1924.

At the Depot school we suffered a great loss by the death in March of Mrs. Bernice Clarke. The year was finished out by Mrs. Clark's husband, Mr. Frank Clarke. Although the term was broken into by a succession of contagious diseases, the prescribed work was covered and the eighth grade pupils, Dorothy Heath, Velma Leonard and Carl Armstrong passed to Canaan High School, where they are doing good work this year, as is Rita Haskins of the Gifford Hill school, now in Pinkerton Academy. At the opening of the fall term, Mrs. M. E. F. Smith came to the Depot from the Center school, and Mrs. Laura Cadoo, a graduate of the Thetford Academy Training Course, with a summer session at the Vermont University, and three years' successful experience, succeeded Mrs. Smith at the Center. After absence during the winter term, Mrs. Nancy Wells returned last spring to the East and she was retained for the present year. Mrs. Ethel Haskins continues at Gifford Hill and Mrs. Marion Heath came to West Grafton.

In our testing program we used in all the schools Myers' Mental Measure, a test that can be used for all grades, and is, in this way preferable to the National Intelligence Test used in former years, which, as it necessitates reading ability, can be used only in the upper grades. Standard tests were given also in the various school subjects. These tests help in de-

termining pupils ability and achievement; and for the five schools the cost was only a few dollars.

The attendance of pupils would be much better if parents fully realized how absences retard progress. Teachers work constantly to overcome the indifference of parents. One hundred and three tardinesses are better than the 234 of the previous year, yet this record should be improved upon.

A few new text books have been introduced within the year, Hoyt & Peet's "Everyday Arithmetic," one of the most used arithmetic texts in the state for grades 3 to 8, and Elson's "Good English" series for the same grades, which the teachers are finding a great help in English work. The revised edition of Brigham & McFarlane geographies has been supplied where needed.

The outstanding job of the year was the remodeling at Gifford Hill. The partition between entry and woodshed and the school room was removed to make the room larger, and a new wood shed with toilets was built on, taking the place of the former disreputable outbuilding. Good light and proper seating make this now an attractive and comfortable room.

Some real health work planned for this year has been from necessity postponed until the spring term. As a result of one friendly visit of a nurse with the Superintendent, one child was examined at the Canaan clinic, and being found tubercular has been placed in the Pembroke Sanatorium.

That citizens might know better what is being done in the schools a Union District community meeting was held in Barney's Hall, on the evening of November 21. The size of the audience showed the keen interest of the community. The exhibition of work was left in the hall for several days and was visited by a good number of people. The teachers of the several towns deserved great credit for their cooperation in preparing and assembling this exhibition, as did the Grafton teachers for the work demonstrated with classes.

I want to incorporate here some material taken from an Institute Circular "School Progress in New Hampshire in Five Years," published some months ago by the State Board of Education. It may be of interest to tax payers. The circular itself can be obtained from the Concord office of the Board. The schools of each town

are controlled by the local school boards, not by the State Department or by a Superintendent. The purpose of the school law passed in 1919 is to make possible, through state aid, full education for all New Hampshire children whether they live in poor or rich towns. This equalization of advantages is made financially possible through a state tax. New Hampshire's state tax for education is small compared with other states. In only eight is it smaller. The sources of school money are: local taxes, 80.1 per cent; state tax, 10.7 per cent; all other sources, 9.2 per cent. Throughout the State the most of this money, that is 60.1 per cent of the whole is spent for teachers' salaries and the expenses of instruction. For other agencies, such as transportation, janitors, medical inspection, mothers' aid, 17 per cent is spent; for buildings and equipment, 10.2 per cent; for general payments of debt and administration, 8.9 per cent; for supervision, 3.8 per cent. According to a scale of values used by the State Board it is found that six years ago country schools were 40.75 per cent as efficient as city schools. One year ago they were 70.25 per cent. School costs have only kept pace with the increased cost of living and this would have been true under our earlier laws. The cost of the improved facilities in the poorer districts has made an increase in three items: Equalization, Supervision and State Administration. "It costs you each year 64 cents on each \$1,000 of your taxed property to give equalized school advantages to all of the children of the state." Grafton's allotment of state aid for the year ending June 30, 1924, was \$1,461.71, that for the fiscal year ending July 1, 1923 and paid in December, 1923 was \$1,678.71.

As I write this, my final report, I bespeak for my successor your cordial support and co-operation.

To all who have worked with me for the improvement of your schools, especially to the faithful teachers of the district, I want to express my thanks and my best wishes.

Respectfully submitted,

IDELLA K. FARNUM,
Superintendent of Supervisory Union, No. 1

PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

1923-1924.

Three terms—Arleen Bennett, Winnifred Bennett, Edna Lees.

Two terms—Elwin Bennett, Jessie Braley, Carroll Cole, Laura Gallup, Adna Gallup, Jason Hines, Wilfred Sturtevant.

One term—George Beals, Raymond Beals, John Beals, Louise Ford, Agnes Hill, June Hines, Ethel Howe, Elsie Laro, Archie Morse, Winnie Morse, Ada Morse.

VITAL STATISTICS

TO THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF GRAFTON: In compliance with an Act of the Legislature, passed June Session, 1887, requiring "clerks of towns and cities, to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the town officers for publication in the annual report," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Sex and Condition			Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color of Parents	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Male	Female	Living or Stillborn							
Jan. 11	Grafton	..	..	1	Walter R. Lowell	Doris J. Decato	White	1	Laborer	Canada	Canada
Feb. 18	Lowell	..	..	1	Edwin E. Morse	Lizzie E. Martin	White	1	"	Grafton	Grafton
Feb. 18	Elsworth L. Morse	..	..	4	Ernest L. Morse	Mamie M. Laro	White	1	"	"	Wilmot
May 6	Daisy E. Pierce	..	..	2	George H. Pierce	Mable M. Bennett	White	1	"	Worcester, Mass.	Bath
May 29	Frank W. Bennett	..	..	9	Arthur W. Bennett	Mable Weldon	White	1	Station Agent	Woodsville	Dorchester, Mass.
June 29	Edward F. Richardson	..	..	12	Christopher C. Richardson	Annie Greenwood	White	1	Farmer	Daubury	Daubury
July 23	Gallup	..	..	1	Robert S. Gallup	Ora E. Tucker	White	1	Farmer	Daubury	Daubury
July 27	Dudley	..	..	11	Albert H. Dudley	Carrie M. Fay	White	1	Bridge Carpenter	Orange	Springfield
Sept. 6	Chellis	..	..	6	Earl D. Chellis	Delia B. Smith	White	1	Bridge work B.S.M	Grafton	Orange
Oct. 6	Donald D. Laro	..	..	1	Isaac D. Laro	Lillian M. Lowell	White	1	Laborer	"	St Albans, Vt.
Nov. 17	Odey M. Nedean	..	..	3	Napoleon Nedean	Shirley Lowell	White	3	Taylor	Franklin	Derby, Vt.
Dec. 25	Marcelline M. Riddle	..	..	2	Floyd J. Riddle	Marcelline Therrien	White	1	Laborer	Grafton	Boston, Mass.

Residence of Parents 1—Grafton 2—Canada 3—Franklin

MARRIAGES

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in years	Color of each	Occupation of Groom & Bride	Place of Birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Condition, No.	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married.
Mar. 22	Claremont	Harland J. Heath Marion A. Leonard	Greenfield Grafton	24 27		Laborer School teacher	Springfield Hebron	Charles Heath Nora P. Isbury Ambrose S. Adams Katherine Stanley	Springfield Gaspé, Can.	Farmer Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper		Rev. Allan C. Ferrin Claremont
May 11	Franklin	Wilfred Sousa Lottie Lashua	Grafton Canaan	22 18	White	Laborer Housekeeper	Wilmington Tunbridge, Vt.	Frank Sousa Julia Sargent George Lashua Florah Lashua	Portugal Danbury Canaan	Laborer Housekeeper Laborer Housekeeper		Rev. A. A. Richards Franklin
July 4	Canaan	Frank B. Wilkins Annie Stuart	Grafton	46 33		Mill man Housekeeper	Hallifax, N. S.	Oliver Wilkins Annie Jenkins George W. Stuart Sarah M. Libby	Gorham Burke, Vt. Lewiston, Me. Anburn, Me.	Farmer Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper		Rev. G. H. Sutherland Canaan

DEATHS

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex, Condition	Occupation		Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months	Days			Father	Mother				
Mar. 19	Grafton	Leo G. Braley	11	2	18	Danbury	Student	Dorchester	Danbury	Dorchester	Gilbert W. Braley	Edna Sturtevant	
Apr. 1	Grafton	Althea Thibodeau	7	3		Grafton	Housewife	Wilmington	Wilmington	Wilmington	Eugene Thibodeau	Doris Dudley	
May 21	Grafton	Carrie V. Stevens	77	1	28	Wilmington	Merchant	Wilmington	Grafton	Wilmington	William Gove	Mary J. Phelps	
June 20	Grafton	Alden H. Barney	60	6	1	Grafton	Farmer	Wilmington	Grafton	Wilmington	Horace Barney	Celinda M. Walker	
July 11	Grafton	Rufus H. Hill	71	9	4	Derby Line Vt.	Farmer	Wilmington	Grafton	Wilmington	Hollis Hill	Elizabeth Abbie	

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief

FRED W. BARNEY, Town Clerk

