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OF THE

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OF

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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 00	
200 horses	21,765 00	
3 mules	165 00	
10 oxen	705 00	
398 cows	20,915 00	
74 neat stock	2,282 00	
109 sheep	800 00	
4 hogs	85 00	
3265 fowls	3,952 00	
Portable mills	2,100 00	
Boats and launches	630 00	
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	
Total tax		\$18,929 13
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 fountain in east end of street	110 00	
Schools	8,058 69	
Overlay	451 39	
Poll tax	644 00	
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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 construction	21 24	
Due from state, trunk line maintenance	74 94	
Due from state, state aid maintenance	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	
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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	
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Amount		\$19,426 03

ACCOUNT WITH STATE

State tax	\$1,403 00	
Check from state treasurer	332 80	
	<u> </u>	\$1,735 80

CREDITS

Insurance tax	\$ 75	
Railroad tax	281 62	
Savings bank tax	1,453 43	
	<u> </u>	\$1,735 80
Jan. 31, 1923, paid state treasurer		<u> </u>
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	
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Amount

\$730 74

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Town reports	\$111 15	
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	8 35	
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	2 05	
Transcript Printing Co., supplies	6 37	
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	
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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	
	<hr/>	\$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	
	<hr/>	\$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	
	<hr/>	\$59 00

BOUNTIES

Charles E. Adams, hedgehogs	\$ 80	
T. F. Hugron, wild cat	20 00	
E. O. Hubbard, hedgehogs	1 40	
Richard Coughlan, hedgehogs	25 20	
Clarence H. Ware, hedgehogs	4 40	
	<hr/>	\$51 80

DAMAGE BY DOGS

L. R. Otis, sheep killed		\$20 00
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

C. H. Dutton, services		\$5 25
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VITAL STATISTICS

G. D. Tibbetts, M. D.	\$3 75	
C. A. Brown	75	
	<hr/>	\$4 50

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

W. A. Osgood		\$152 55
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TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

W. A. Osgood		\$182 18
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TOWN MAINTENANCE

R. B. Harrington		\$2,598 94
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WINTER ROADS

Frank Bolio, cemetery road	\$2 80	
R. B. Harrington	422 07	
Joe Quinn, cemetery roads	8 00	
W. O. Stearns, cemetery roads	6 00	
R. B. Harrington	43 45	
R. B. Harrington	15 00	
R. B. Harrington	113 41	
William Welch	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$634 73

STREET LIGHTS

Keene Gas and Electric Co.		\$701 40
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GENERAL EXPENSES OF DEPARTMENT

Almon Hill, repairing tools	\$35 09	
Almon Hill, watering tub	3 00	
M. E. Davis, watering tub	3 00	
Nellie L. Eaton, watering tub	2 00	
C. L. Otis, watering tub	3 00	
William Welch, repairing roller	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$50 09

TOWN PATROL

W. A. Osgood		\$1,134 81
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TOWN POOR

H. B. Meacham		\$100 00
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MEMORIAL DAY

W. D. Crowell		\$81 15
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CEMETERIES

C. P. Hayward, labor	\$66 80	
W. J. Hayden, labor	60 00	
Carrie A. Wilds, housing hearse	8 00	
John E. Hadley, repairing hearse	2 63	
	<hr/>	\$137 43

ELECTRIC LINE

E. K. Upton		\$3,767 45
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UNCLASSIFIED

W. P. Farmer, sec. N. H. assessors	\$4 00	
Warren Howe & Wilson, legal expense	\$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 expense	59 65	
W. D. Fogg, water department	125 30	

		\$661 17

INTEREST

Almon Hill on electric line note	\$140 00	
Nellie L. Eaton on electric line note	35 00	
Trustees of trust funds, electric line note	232 00	
Trustees of trust funds on water notes	370 00	
Trustees of trust funds on Kimball money	44 80	

		\$821 80

TRUNK LINE CONSTRUCTION

John M. Mulhall		\$2,572 52
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

		\$563 01
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WATER DEPARTMENT

\$98 28

 TEMPORARY LOANS

Kimball money		\$2,982 45
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 TERM NOTES

Almon Hill	\$ 700 00	
Trustees of Trust funds	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,700 00

 STATE AND COUNTY

County tax	\$1,275 05	
State treasurer, poll tax	616 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,891 05

 SCHOOLS

Ernest L. Adams, dog license money	\$112 50	
Ernest L. Adams, appropriations	8,058 69	
	<hr/>	\$8,171 19

 RECAPITULATION

Town officers' salaries	\$730 74
Town officers' expenses	326 19
Election and registration	27 35
Town Hall	100 51
Police department	59 00
Bounties	51 80
Damage by dogs	20 00
Health Department	5 25
Vital Statistics	4 50
State aid maintenance	152 55
Trunk line maintenance	182 18
Town maintenance	2,598 94
Winter roads	634 73

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	
	<hr/>	\$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

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	33 29
Upton & Fogg, Kimball house	3,200 00
Ginter Co., dividend from Kimball estate	4 00
Franklin Savings Bank, dividend from Kimball estate	4 86
W. J. Hayden, lamps sold	2 50
W. J. Hayden, rent from town hall	65 00
Annie L. Putnam, town histories sold	5 50
Telephone & Telegraph Co., $\frac{1}{2}$ interest in elec- tric light poles	1,243 00
E. C. Foster, care of ceme- tery lot	50 00
M. E. Edwards, repairing electric light line	7 36
Trustees of trust funds, Hubbard legacy interest	20 00
R. B. Harrington, over paid	6 65
W. D. Fogg, water rentals	770 33
John E. Hadley, taxes for 1920	9 00
John E. Hadley, taxes for 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	
	<hr/>	\$33,829 09
CR.		
Paid selectmen's orders		30,327 54
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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	\$10 84	
Received from Trustees of Trust funds	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$70 84
CR.		
Paid:		
W. O. Stearns, labor on common	\$4 75	
W. D. Fogg, repairing fountain	45	
C. P. Hayward, labor on common	23 20	
W. J. Hayden, labor on common	30 60	
	<hr/>	\$59 00
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 1, 1924		11 84
		E. L. ADAMS Treasurer

Report of Tax Collector

Amount uncollected at settlement on Jan. 31, 1923		\$562 94
Paid E. L. Adams, Treas. Abatements	\$527 94	
Louis E. Hayden, dead	\$5 00	
James Henney, left town	5 00	
Alfred Laclare, left town	5 00	
Alice G. Low, left town	5 00	
John Shea, left town	5 00	
Louis Tracy, left town	5 00	
Emogene Tracy, left town	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$35 00
	<hr/>	\$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	
	<u>\$54 30</u>	
Balance due from collector 1923 taxes	\$309 17	\$18,939 13
		C. H. DUTTON Collector

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. Fowie	3 00
Mrs. Helen Fowie	8 00
Hiram Marshall	2 00
Miss L. D. Osgood	3 63
Rudolph Stahl	32 25
Mrs. Sadie Woodward	9 00
	<u>\$61 88</u>

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 Keene 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	
	<hr/>	\$3,669 27

Paid:		
Keene Gas & Electric Co.	\$3,634 27	
O. E. Cain	10 00	
E. K. Upton, expense and time	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,669 27

New services and repairs on original lighting system.

Received from the general fund		\$90 82
Mrs. M. E. Edwards	7 36	
	<hr/>	\$98 18

Paid:		
Keene Gas & Electric Co (7 new services)	\$79 30	
Keene Gas & Electric Co. (repairs service Edwards house)	7 36	
Keene Gas & Electric Co (repairs near Frank Symonds house)	11 52	
	<hr/>	\$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 31	
Work done	\$58 75	
Cash		\$131 06
Paid out		99 20
		\$31 86
Balance paid town		
Paid:		
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	7 00	
John Mulhall, labor 2 hours	78	
Alfred Fairfield, labor 9 hours	3 50	
M. A. Fairfield, with team, 31 hours	24 12	
John Mulhall, with team, 9 hours	7 00	
William Welch, with team, 9 hours	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$99 51

May:

R. B. Harrington, labor, 195 hours	\$108 33	
Alfred Fairfield, labor 126 hours	49 00	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor, 196 hours	76 22	
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	
	<hr/>	\$548 19

June:

R. B. Harrington, labor 145 hours	\$100 56	
C. W. Cheney, labor 182 hours	70 78	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 157 hours	61 05	
M. A. Fairfield, with team 194 hours	150 90	
William Welch, with team 113 hours	87 90	
John Mulhall, with team 18 hours	14 00	
Geo. M. Wilder with blasting crew 3 days	40 19	
	<hr/>	\$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 hours	9 72	
Thomas Hugron, team and extra man 9 hours	10 50	
	<hr/>	\$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	
	<hr/>	\$260 01

September:

R. B. Harrington, labor 148 hours	\$82 22	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 72 hours	28 00	
C. W. Cheney, labor 112 hours	43 55	
M. A. Fairfield, with team, 144 hours	112 00	
William Welch with team 133 hours	103 46	
John Harrington with team 9 hours	7 00	
Jchn Harrington, for use of team 9 hours	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$380 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	
	<hr/>	\$235 33

November:

R. B. Harrington, labor 49 hours	\$27 22	
E. J. Welch, labor, 4 hours	1 56	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 18 hours	7 00	
M. A. Fairfield, with team 81 hours	63 02	
	<hr/>	\$98 80

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	
	<hr/>	\$94 17

R. B. HARRINGTON, ROAD COMMISSIONER IN ACCOUNT WITH
THE TOWN OF HANCOCK

TOWN MAINTENANCE CASH RECEIVED FROM TOWN 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	
	<hr/>	\$191 25

MAIN AND DEPOT STREETS

R. B. Harrington, labor 72 hours	\$40 33	
Geo. B. Lakin, labor 36 hours	14 00	
C. W. Cheney, labor 27 hours	10 50	
M. A. Fairfield, with team 65 hours	50 58	
William Welch, with team, 65 hours	50 58	
John Mulhall with team 9 hours	7 00	
John Harrington, for use of team 18 hours	8 00	
H. M. Sheldon, 155 loads gravel	15 50	
		\$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	
		\$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	
		\$113 41

WINTER ROADS
FEB. AND MARCH 1923

R. B. Harrington, team on roller 1½ 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 1½ 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 hours	5 60
William Welch 2 teams on roller 3½ days	56 00
William Welch, shoveling snow	2 00
H. M. Sheldon, 2 teams on roller 1½ days	24 00
H. M. Sheldon, team on plow with extra man 15 hours	16 18
W. M. Davis, team on plow 1½ 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 hours	14 08
L. R. Otis, plowing and sanding side- 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 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

Statistical Table for the Year Ending June, 1923

SCHOOL	TEACHER	EDUCATION	Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Tardiness	Perfect Attendance	Official Visits	Other Visits
High School	Geo. W. Weston	University of N. H.	26	24	23	96	40	1	22	30
	Mrs. Ruth C. Weston	University of N. H.								
	Miss Louise Barrett	North Adams Normal	18	16	15	94	10	2	22	
Junior High	Miss Loretta M. Dwyer	Keene Normal, 3 years	26	22	19.2	87	37	2	18	8
Intermediate	Miss Ruth Dexter	Beverly High								
		Keene Summer Normal								
Primary	Miss Nellie M. Welsh	Plymouth Normal	22	19	17	90	16	0	21	96
Number 7	Miss Marie Shea	Hancock High	24	20.1	18	90	27	1	13	42
		Keene Summer Normal								
		Total	116	101.1	92.2	91.1	130	6	96	176

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 noticeable. 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 wonderful. They play like "champs" when losing. 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 school 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	6 90	
		<hr/> \$74 51
C. H. Dutton, salary	\$25 00	
Postage and telephoning	50	
Correcting check list	1 00	
Two trips to Concord	7 50	
		<hr/> \$34 00
Ella C. Ware, salary	\$25 00	
Making and proving check list	3 00	
Telephoning and postage	50	
		<hr/> \$28 50
Nellie Welsh, clerk		5 00
Annie M. Putnam, treasurer	\$28 33	
postage and stationery	2 23	
		<hr/> \$30 56
David R. Damon		
Census of children		\$8 00
Auditors		5 00
Superintendent excess salary	\$166 67	
State tax for superintendent	220 00	
		<hr/> \$386 67
Mrs. Cora Otis, expense to district meeting, Peterborough		2 50
C. A. Sheldon, warrants and check 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	
	<hr/>	\$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	
	<hr/>	\$247 60

J. Aborn, 13 cords wood	\$94 00	
Fuel for 7 and 8 grades	105 00	
Fred Johnson, kindlings	9 25	
E. Richardson, work on wood	8 50	
L. J. Carr, sawing wood	10 00	
W. Hayden work on wood	9 10	
	<hr/>	\$235 85

Janitor supplies		3 51
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Frank Wood & Son, labor	\$4 00	
T. Manning, team	3 00	
E. Hanson, care of clock	2 00	
W. D. Fogg, supplies	3 01	
	<hr/>	\$12 01
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	
	<hr/>	\$1,266 40
High School tuition		\$2,285 00
Bennington tuition		30 00

MISCELLANEOUS

Nellie Welsh for cocoa etc.	\$3 97	
Annie M. Putnam	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$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	
	<hr/>	\$7,078 68

C. H. DUTTON
 ELLA C. WARE
 CORA F. OTIS
 School Board of Hancock

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
	9	E. L. Adams, treasurer	400 00
	16	E. L. Adams, treasurer	300 00
	28	E. L. Adams, treasurer	1,200 00
Nov.	20	E. L. Adams, treasurer	500 00
Dec.	18	E. L. Adams, treasurer	1,200 00
	30	E. L. Adams, treasurer	200 00
1923			
Jan.	15	J. W. Plummer, treasurer (equalization)	1,203 16
	24	E. L. Adams, treasurer	500 00
	31	E. L. Adams, treasurer	2,663 89
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:

Salaries of district officers	\$113 33
Superintendent, excess salary	166 67
Truant officer	8 00
Expenses of administration	67 44
Principal's and teachers' salaries	4,225 00
Text books	76 67
Scholars' supplies	151 47
Other expenses of instruction	23 22
Janitor service	247 60
Water, light and janitor supplies	3 51
Minor repairs and expenses	21 41
Medical inspection	50 00
Transportation of pupils	1,266 40
High school tuition	2,285 00
Elementary school tuition	30 00
Other special activities	13 97
New equipment	349 75
State supervision	220 00

	Smith-Hughes fund	362 05	
	Fuel	235 85	
1923			
June 30	Balance on hand	275 31	
		<hr/>	\$10,192 65
			ANNIE LINDSAY PUTNAM
			Treasurer

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 seventy-five dollars and thirty-one cents (\$275.31).

HOMER C. WHEELER

WILLIAM D. FOGG

Auditors of Hancock School District

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 interest	391 09	
	18	Hadley legacy interest	45 50	
		Brooks Rosamond legacy interest	4 54	
		Fines	98	
			<hr/>	\$794 24
1923				CR.
Feb.	14	Standard Book Co. for books	\$2 16	
	23	Charles E. Lauriat Co., books	54 83	
May	26	Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian and trustee service	31 30	
		Annie Lindsay Putnam, supplies	1 47	

	27	Charles W. Cheney, 1 cord wood	10 00
June	19	Braem Huessen Printing & Publishing Co., book Fred A. Ware, mowing lawn	2 95 1 50
		Rand McNally & Co., books	4 58
July	25	Charles E. Lauriat & Co., books	17 14
Sept.	6	Annie Lindsay Putnam, book and supplies	1 41
		Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian	40 00
Nov.	1	Transcript Printing Co., for Peterborough Trans- cript	2 00
		Malcolm Cook, 4 cords wood and putting in building	50 00
Dec.	7	Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian	39 00
		Annie Lindsay Putnam, trustee and postage	4 12
		Fred A. Ware, labor	1 25
1924			
Jan.	25	Annie Lindsay Putnam, trustee service	3 60
		Annie Lindsay Putnam, books, postage	4 35
		Minnie S. Ware, trustee service	10 26
		Minnie S. Ware, treasurer	3 00
		William H. Guild Co., renewal of magazines	58 50
		Keene Gas and Electric Co., lighting	23 99
Jan.	31	Annie Lindsay Putnam, librarian	40 00
		Annie Lindsay Putnam, secretary	5 00
		Cash in First National Bank, Peterborough	376 74
		Cash on hand	5 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
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
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THEOLOGY	
Love as the law	220.23
Zimmerman For love's sake	252.34
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SOCIOLOGY	
Haskins, the American Government	353.6
Rockerfeller, the personal relation in industry	304.5
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PHILOLOGY	
Earle, A Simple Grammar	425.2

SCIENCE

Burgess, Flower book for children 581.16

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

LITERATURE

Brown, Ellen Prior 811.5.7
Frost, New Hampshire 811.5.6
Goldsmith, The deserted village 821.6.64.1
Lamb, Tales from Shakespeare 822.33.3a
Livingstone, The Pageant of Greece 880.9.1
Mantle, The best plays of 1921-1922 812.4
Perry, Lilla Cabot, The Jar of dreams 811.5.5
Reed, Rocky mountains at sunset 811.13
Snow, Historical address 815.3
Thacher, Delia Tudor, Separation and other poems 811.5.3
Wagner, The simple life 844.1b

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

FICTION

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 Bargain true	B93.1
Baynes, Jimmie	B95.1
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	
Paddy-Paws	C101.1
Crowley, A daughter of New France	C102.1
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	F13.5
Little Bears playtime	F13.6
Gale, Rosamond Series	
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	T40.2
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
Turner, Rosamond Series	
Adventures of Ray Coon	T45.1
Vance, No man's land	V10.5
The brass bowl	V10.6
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
The mine with the open door	W61.11
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

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Hancock, on January 31, 1924

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 End of Year
1889	Whitcomb Legacy Support of Library—Adolphus Whitcomb	Hancock Town Notes	\$9000 00	3½		\$350 00	\$350 00	
1889	Whitcomb Legacy—Care of Common—Adolphus Whitcomb	Manchester Savings Bank	1000 00	4½				
1872	Hubbard Legacy—Support of Library—Ebenezzer Hubbard	Hancock Town Notes	5000 00	4	243 32	208 68	60 00	\$392 00
1872	Hubbard Legacy—Benefit Town Poor—Ebenezzer Hubbard	Manchester Savings Bank	200 00	4½				
1872	Hubbard Legacy—Benefit Town Poor—Ebenezzer Hubbard	Hancock Town Notes	800 00	4		41 09	41 09	
1879	Hadley Legacy—Support of Library—Abiiah Hadley	Hancock Town Notes	500 00	4		46 89	20 00	118 18
1879	Hadley Legacy—Support of Library—Abiiah Hadley	Peterborough Savings Bank	1000 00	4½	91 29	45 50	45 50	
1883	Salina Hills Memorial Fund—Support of Sunday School Library—Salina Hills	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	4½		9 10	9 10	
1896	Asa Sordun Sunday School Fund—Support of Sunday School Library—Asa Sordun	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½		4 54	4 54	
1906	S. Margaret Washburn Cemetery Fund—Harriet M. Tolman	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½	18 97	5 37	6 50	17 84
1908	Oren Nelson Cemetery Fund—Oren Nelson	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	4½	15 40	2 96	7 00	11 36
1909	Johan Anderson Cemetery Fund—Johan Anderson	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½	28 44	5 82	3 50	30 76
1910	Zopher W. Brooks Cemetery Fund—Zopher W. Brooks	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	4½	12 29	2 81	8 00	7 10
1913	C. W. & H. E. Washburn Cemetery Fund—C. W. & H. E. Washburn	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½	31 29	5 95	30 50	6 74
1914	Rosamond Brooks Fund—Support of Library—Levi Brooks	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½	29 96	5 88	6 50	29 34
1913	Sarah A. Fairbanks Cemetery Fund—Sarah A. Fairbanks	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½		4 54	4 54	
1913	Alcock-Joslin Cemetery Fund—Julia A. Joslin	Peterborough Savings Bank	150 00	4½	15 65	7 50	9 25	13 90
1913	Alcock-Joslin Cemetery Fund—Julia A. Joslin	Peterborough Savings Bank	400 00	4½	78 75	21 75	16 00	84 50

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1916	Rev. W. W. Hayward Cemetery Fund—Ellen Hayward	Peterborough Savings Bank	30 00	4½	8 26	1 73	50	9 49
1918	Joshua Wood Cemetery Fund—Joshua Wood	Peterborough Savings Bank	40 00	4½	2 79	1 91		4 70
1919	Harriet B. Richardson Cemetery Fund—Harriet B. Richardson	Peterborough Savings Bank	1000 00	4½	86 61	49 41	30 00	106 02
1919	C. M. Sheldon Cemetery Fund—C. M. Sheldon	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	4½	19 68	9 97	3 50	26 15
1918	Albert Shedd Cemetery Fund—Albert Shedd	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½	6 51	4 83	2 50	8 84
1919	Joseph A. Tarbell Cemetery Fund—Joseph A. Tarbell	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½	11 76	5 05	4 00	12 81
1920	Cyrus R. Estabrook Cemetery Fund—Flora Mabel Dunn	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	4½	5 25	2 49	1 00	6 74
1922	L. Helen Kimball Cemetery Fund—L. Helen Kimball	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½	1 33	4 58	1 50	4 41
1923	L. Helen Kimball Library Fund—L. Helen Kimball	Savings Banks—Stocks—Bonds	12491 71			311 92		311 92
1923	Andrew C. Cochrane Cemetery Fund—Albert W. Noone	Peterborough Savings Bank	10 00	4½		13		13
1923	P. B. Weston & A. Hall Cemetery Fund—Mrs. P. B. Weston	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	4½		3 27		3 27
1923	Richard Emerson Cemetery Fund—Martha J. & Anna E. Hamilton	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	4½		1 62		1 62
1923	Joshua Foster Cemetery Fund—Elwin C. Foster	Manchester Savings Bank	50 00	4½				
1923	Heber J. Davis—Soldiers' Monument—Heber J. Davis	Manchester Savings Bank	1740 00	4½				
1923	Heber J. Davis, School House Bell Fund—Heber J. Davis	Manchester Savings Bank	348 00	4½				
1923	Heber J. Davis, Cemetery Fund—Heber J. Davis	Manchester Savings Bank	200 00	4½				

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

EDSON K. UPTON,
WILLIAM D. FOGG,
ERNEST L. ADAMS, } Trustees.

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

Date 1923	Name of Child	Sex	Living or s. b.	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
April 12	Joseph Lewis	M	L	1	Samuel Gilman	Eleanor Eaton	Hancock	Laborer	Harrisville	East Templeton, Mas
April 18	Norman Lewis	M	L	1	Norman A. Hallday	Mildred Farwell	Hillsboro	Clerk	Hillsboro	Harrisville
April 28	Walter Edward	M	L	1	John Edward Stone	Lillian E. Twitchell	Hancock	Stat'nry firem'n	Webster	Hancock
July 6	Clarence Dustin	M	L	7	Clarence G. Foley	Myrtle R. Davis	Hancock	General work	Moirs, N. Y.	Chester, Vt.
Dec. 14	Daniel Harry	M	L	3	Kenneth B. Wetherbee	Sabra Ellen Carkin	Hancock	R. R. Sec. form.	North Haverhill	South Lyndeboro

Marriages Registered in the Town of Hancock, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1924

1923 Place & Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Residence of Person by whom Married
April 9 Hancock	Edward M. Coughlan Grace O. Wheeler	Hancock Hancock	28 29	Farming None	Hancock Manchester	James Coughlan Mary A. Harrington George H. Wheeler Mary J. Kerwin	Ireland Hancock Fitchburg, Mass. Lowell, Mass.	Charles J. Leddy, Catholic Priest, Hillsboro
April 18 Hancock	Norman E. Halladay Mildred E. Farwell	Hillsboro Hancock	20 19	Clerk Mill operative	Hillsboro Harrisville	Frank E. Halliday Mary MacIntire Lewis S. Farwell Evelyn M. Hill	Wear Scotland Harrisville Hyde Park, Mass.	Charles A. Brown Justice of the Peace Hancock
May 24 Hancock	Myron R. Alcott	Hancock	49	Farmer	Stoneham, Mass.	Silas W. Alcott Carrie Bickford	Hancock Unknown	Charles A. Brown Justice of the Peace Hancock
June 28 Nashua	Dorothy G. Reynolds Edgar W. Sturtevant	Hancock Hancock	38 57	Housekeeper Blacksmith	Woods Harbor N. S. Pembroke, Mass.	Bertha Wright Nathan D. Sturtevant Nancy S. Tew	Scotland Nova Scotia Berkeley, Mass.	W. H. Morrison, D.D., Clergyman Nashua
July 5 Hancock	Nettie L. Newton Walter M. Wood	Bennington Greenfield	49 63	Nurse Retired	Lundenburg, N. S. Westford, Mass.	Jerome S. Jarvis Hannah W. Streeter George W. Wood Susan M. Melvin	Cuba Westmoreland Groton, Mass. Lowell, Mass.	Charles A. Brown Justice of the Peace Hancock
Sept. 2 Harrisville	Harrriet M. Shaw Alfred C. Fairfield	Hancock Hancock	48 19	Home Laborer	Hancock Hancock	Henry Richardson Caroline Moors Morris A. Fairfield Clara M. Warren	Greenfield Greenfield Hancock Hancock	Ernest W. Eldridge Clergyman Hancock
Sept. 23 Hancock	Louisa T. Richardson William P. Weeks	Harrisville Peterborough	18 27	Teacher Janitor	Bolsa, Cal. Holyoke, Mass.	Edwice L. Adams Edward P. Weeks Florence Ellison Frank A. Seaver	W. Hartford, Vt. Dublin Dublin Holyoke, Mass. Harrisville	Earl C. Osborne Clergyman Bennington
Oct. 13 Hancock	Alice B. Seaver John L. Weston	Hancock Schn'ctdy, N.Y.	25 24	Nurse Student engineer	Antrim Somerville, Mass.	Lena M. Poore Howard H. Weston Elizabeth A. Lambert	Antrim Somerville, Mass. Brooklyn, N. Y.	Carl D. Skillin Clergyman South Kingston, R. I.
Oct. 27 Hancock	Mildred A. Wheeler Thomas M. Acken	Hancock LaGyle, N. Y.	25 56	Teacher Orchardist	Somerville, Mass. Ten Mile Run, N. J.	Homer C. Wheeler Lu Mary Leavens Albert H. Acken John Brown	Fairfax, Vt. Durham, Me. Woodbridge, N. J. New Jersey	Ernest W. Eldridge Clergyman Hancock
	Lillian L. Ritch	Pt. Chester, N.Y.	30	Housekeeper	Greenwich, Conn.	John Lyon Sarah Merritt	Greenwich, Conn. Greenwich, Conn.	

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

Date	Name	Place of Birth			Occupation	Place of Birth		S. M. or Wid.	Sex	Maiden Name of Mother	
		Years	Months	Days		Father	Mother				
Jan. 15	John F. Eaton	80	8	25	Hancock	Hancock	Hancock	M	Retired	John Eaton	Sybil Farmer
Jan. 19	Flora Miller	55	5	6	New Brunswick	New York	Canada	F	Retired	William J. Miller	Grace McCormick
Jan. 24	Rudolph Gilman	42	5	25	Canada	Canada	Canada	M	Machinist	Louis Gilman	Mary Bosley
Feb. 10	Frank H. Ware	66	7	28	Dublin	Hancock	Hancock	M	Farmer	Harvey J. Ware	Elvira E. Osgood
Feb. 17	Allen C. Bean	69	5	20	Fisherville	Salisbury	Salisbury	M	W Clerk	Joshua Bean	Sarah Woodard
Feb. 22	Mary F. Jackson	67	1	30	Antrim	Tamworth	Hancock	F	Dressmaker	Charles E. Jackson	Pamelia J. Kitteridge
Mar. 22	Nancy K. Fogg	87	8	28	Hancock	Hancock	Hancock	F	Retired	Samuel Knight	Lydia Goodhue
Mar. 23	Orrin M. Bullard	70	11	7	Hancock	Dublin	Hancock	M	Farmer	John A. Bullard	Fannie Goodhue
Apr. 6	William Cashion	88	1		Kilkenney, Ire.	Ireland	Ireland	M	None	Patrick Cashion	Margaret Cuddihy
Aug. 29	Hervey B. Meacham	77	8	11				M	Hostler	Benjamin Meacham	Abbie Wilder
June 21	Frank A. Wood	66	4	27	Hancock	Nashua	Nashua	M	Contractor	David O. Wood	Lillian Rowell
June 23	Harold R. Blake	15	2	27	Nashua	Canada	Canada	M	Scholar	Charles R. Blake	_____ Belton
Sept. 23	Minnie A. Whittaker	55	2	10	Canada	Ireland	Hingham, Mass.	F	Housewife	John Carr	Mary E. Gibbons
Oct. 13	Mary E. O'Malley	69	7	23	Ireland	Cohasset, Mass.	Hancock	F	None	William F. Doane	Elizabeth Lincoln
Nov. 16	Mary C. Fuller	78	3	15	Hingham, Mass	Hancock	Hancock	F	Retired	Lewis Alcock	Abigail Mathews
Dec. 17	Frances A. Sheldon	82	2	11	Hancock	Hancock	Hancock	F	Housewife		

Bodies Brought to Town for Burial

1923											
Mar.	3 [#] Alfred Barber	77	12		Hubbdsen., Mass	Hancock	Hancock	M	Farmer		Mary Adelaide
Oct.	23 [#] Almon W. Griswold	63	11	12				M	Lawyer	Almon Griswood	
Nov.	6 [#] Virginia P. Davis	50	11	25				M	W		

[#]Died in Concord

I hereby 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 occurrence. 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.

