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State of New Hampshire.

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ROCKINGHAM, SS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Newington, qualified to vote in town affairs:—

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town, on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next, at twelve o'clock, noon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose Town Clerk, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Superintendent of the Burying Ground, Janitor of the Town Hall, Auditors, Highway Agents, and a Library Trustee for three years.

2. To choose one Trustee for the Town Trust Fund for three years.

3. To choose Measurers of Wood, Surveyors of Lumber, Fence Viewers, Pound Keeper, Fish and Game Warden, Police Officers, and all necessary town officers.

4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for town expenses.

5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repairs of highways and bridges.

6. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Public Library.

7. To see what disposition the the town will make of the town land and buildings.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of ten dollars to help the G. A. R. decorate the soldiers' and sailors' graves Memorial Day.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seals this 24th day of February, 1919.

GEORGE W. PICKERING,
STILLMAN A. PACKARD,
LOUIS C. BEANE,

Selectmen of Newington.

A true copy of warrant, attest:

GEORGE W. PICKERING,
STILLMAN A. PACKARD,
LOUIS C. BEANE,

Selectmen of Newington.

List of Town Officers.

Elected March, 1918.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor, George W. Pickering, Stillman A. Packard, Louis C. Beane.

Treasurer, John J. Greenough.

Collector of Taxes, Hattie M. Greenough.

Highway Agents, Fred H. Winn, James W. Carkin, Charles W. Coleman.

Superintendent of Burying Ground, Jackson M. Hoyt.

Janitor of Town Hall, Luther C. Pickering.

Auditors, James H. Coleman, Benjamin S. Hoyt.

Library Trustee, Hattie M. Greenough.

Trustee of Town Trust Funds, Stillman A. Packard.

Elected November, 1918.

Moderator, Jackson M. Hoyt.

Supervisors, William L. Furber, Charles W. Coleman, Benjamin S. Hoyt.

Summary of Inventory.

Land and buildings		\$309,341
Horses	102	15,900
Ponies	7	700
Oxen	2	200
Cows	256	15,020
Other neat stock	52	3,020
Hogs	26	580
Fowls	500	500
Vehicles and automobiles		12,565
Boats and launches		2,000
Lumber		4,750
Municipal bonds and notes		500
Stock in National Banks in this State		2,600
Money on hand at interest or on deposit		2,770
Stock in trade		50
Aqueducts		200
Toll bridges, $\frac{1}{3}$ part Portsmouth and Dover bridge,		23,000
Mills and machinery		975
Rockingham County Light & Power Co.		9,000
Number of poll, 112 ; taxes, \$224		
Total, exclusive of exemptions,		\$403,671
Amount of taxes committed to Collector, including poll taxes		\$4,901.00
Average rate per cent. of taxation for all purposes		1.16
Amount exempted to soldiers		1,000.00

ABATEMENTS.

Portsmouth and Dover bridge	\$58.00
Frank Wiggin, horses taxed in Portsmouth	4.06
Theodore W. Law, poll taxed in Portsmouth	2.00
Five per cent. discount on taxes paid on or before Nov. 1, 1918	186.56
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	\$250.62

UNCOLLECTED.

From heirs of V. M. Coleman for property and improvements thereon leased to L. H. Shattuck & Co., Inc.	\$247.08
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Selectmen's Report.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

State tax	\$704.00
County tax	913.96

SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount raised, as per estimate of School Board	\$1,817.00
Dog money on hand April 1, 1918	43.40
Literary fund	48.10
Proportion of school fund	297.37
	<u>\$2,205.87</u>

ORDERS ISSUED ON THE TREASURER BY THE SELECTMEN.

No. 1, W. L. Conlon & Co., insurance on old parsonage house and barn and road machine	\$ 19.25
2, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied	3.22
3, Fred H. Winn, removing snow after Jan. 31, 1918	16.00
4, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied	2.39
5, J. W. Carkin, removing snow after Jan. 31, 1918	48.10
6, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied	3.23
7, Chadwick & Trefethen, one Rockwood pulley	3.00
8, J. D. Randall, printing town reports for 1918	57.50
9, O. J. Allison, formaldehyde candles	3.75
10, S. R. Marston for Storer Post, G. A. R., No. 1, decorating graves	10.00

11, Margarette Harrison, on account library appropriation	\$50.00
12, J. M. Hoyt, to chopping 10 cords of wood at \$2.50 per cord	25.00
To hauling, sawing and housing 2 cords of wood for meeting house and public library	4.00
To setting glass at town hall	.50
To shoveling snow	.25
To work on public fountain	.25
13, I. B. Williams & Sons, belt for pump house	3.66
14, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied	18.15
15, George Read, for cutting wood	21.00
16, O. J. Allison, for formaldehyde candles	2.80
17, Muchemore & Rider Co., 3 gals. engine oil	1.80
18, I. B. Williams & Sons, belt for pump house	3.65
19, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied	13.96
20, S. A. Packard, on account of school appropriation	200.00
21, Margarette Harrison, on account of library appropriation	50.00
22, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied	7.56
23, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied	4.32
25, A. R. H. Foss, printing tax bills	4.50
26, I. B. Williams & Sons, belt for pump house	3.94
27, S. A. Packard, Treasurer School Board	200.00
28, George Read, chopping three cords wood at \$2.50	7.50
29, Sugden Bros., drain pipe	10.80
30, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied	13.44

31,	Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied		\$ 3.11
32,	Fred H. Winn, Road Agent		105.75
33,	S. A. Packard, School Treasurer, part school appropriation		500.00
34,	J. W. Carkin, Road Agent		67.00
35,	Margarette Harrison, balance library ap- propriation		75.00
36,	Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied		7.73
37,	Muchemore & Rider Co., 3 gals. engine oil		1.80
38,	Pryor-Davis Co., stop and waste for li- brary		2.00
39,	Chadwick & Trefethen, one 3-in. Rock- wood pulley		3.15
40,	Hoyt & Dow, stationery and Tax Col- lector's books		5.34
41,	John J. Greenough, services as Town Treasurer	\$20.00	
	Ballot Clerk three meetings	6.00	
	Postage	1.96	27.96
42,	Charles W. Coleman, services as Super- visor three meetings		15.00
43,	S. A. Packard, School Treasurer, bal- ance school money		1,305.87
44,	S. A. Packard, to services as Se- lectman	\$20.00	
	Taking care of water works	20.00	
	Repairing pump	5.00	
	Telephone and mending belt	.90	
	Services as Moderator March and June, 1917, March, Sep- tember and November, 1918	9.00	
	Services as Board of Health	6.00	
	Putting in shut-off at library	1.00	
	Time and expenses to Man- chester	5.00	66.90

45, Hattie M. Greenough, services as Tax Collector and postage		\$52.37
46, J. M. Hoyt, to services as Sexton	\$20.00	
To services as Supt. of Burying Ground	10.00	
To hauling 8 cords wood to meeting house and public library at \$1.00	8.00	
To sawing 4 cords and housing same for library at \$1.50	6.00	
To sawing 4 cords and housing same for meeting house at \$2.50	10.00	
To time and attention on public water service	3.00	
To cutting bushes and burning same at watering spring lane	2.00	59.00
47, James H. Coleman, labor on water works		4.50
48, Louis C. Beane, services as Selectman		20.00
49, Luther C. Pickering, to hauling 20 cords of wood at \$1.00 per cord	\$20.00	
Sawing 15 cord at 75c. per cord	11.25	
Services as Ballot Clerk	2.00	33.25
50, Lewis A. Harrison, to services as Town Clerk	\$15.00	
Compiling statistics and postage	4.30	19.30
51, Darius Frink, services as Ballot Clerk		2.00
52, William L. Furber, services as Supervisor of Checklist, three meetings		15.00
53, B. S. Hoyt, services as Supervisor of Checklist, three meetings		15.00
54, William L. Furber, to printing checklists		4.00

55, Rockingham County Light & Power Co., electric current supplied		\$8.75
56, G. W. Pickering, to services as Selectman	\$30.00	
Ballot Clerk, three meetings	6.00	
Time and expenses to Man- chester	10.00	
Putting up and taking down voting booths three times	3.00	
Hauling drain pipe	1.00	
Postage	1.60	51.60
57, B. S. Hoyt and James H. Coleman, ser- vices as Auditors		2.00
Total amount		\$3,286.90

STATE HIGHWAY ORDERS.

No. A1, William A. Grover	\$283.60
2, S. A. Packard	22.00
3, Darius Frink	45.00
4, G. W. Pickering	25.50
5, George H. Allard	26.25
6, W. D. Newick	82.50
7, Darius Frink	37.50
8, Mary E. Coleman	28.50
9, Joseph Nalevske	36.00
10, F. E. Everett	225.39
11, Albert L. Pickering	25.00
12, G. W. Pickering	27.00
Total amount of state highway orders	\$864.24
Town appropriation for state highway \$1,754.00 less \$864.24 balance in treasury	889.76
Total amount of all orders issued	4,151.14
State tax	704.00
County tax	913.96
Total amount expended	\$5,769.10

TOWN TRUST FUND.

S. D. F. DeMerritt cemetery trust fund	\$ 200.00
Woodbury Langdon library trust fund	1,000.00
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	\$1,200.00

Cash on hand January 31, 1918	\$1,428.87
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The foregoing is a true statement of the financial affairs of the town for the year ending January 31, 1919.

GEORGE W. PICKERING,
STILLMAN A. PACKARD,
LOUIS C. BEANE,

Selectmen of Newington.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JAMES H. COLEMAN,
BENJAMIN S. HOYT,

Auditors.

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand January 31, 1918	\$1,428.87
Railroad tax	216.92
Savings bank tax	624.23
Literary fund	48.10
Proportion of school fund	297.37
Rent of town house	1.00
Rent of town hall	38.30
Jackson M. Hoyt, water from Feb. 1, 1918, to Feb. 1, 1919	18.00
Cemetery lots	27.00
Junk license, 1917	30.00
Junk license, 1918	30.00
U. S. Shipping Board, gravel	193.26
Reginald Ham, wire	2.00
Louis C. Beane, 7,500 ft. logs	45.00
Martin Hoyt, legacy of \$350.00 less 5 per cent. inheritance tax	332.50
Dog license	90.80
Collector of Taxes	4,403.30
Ten per cent. interest on taxes	4.26
Geo. W. Pickering, 277 ft. plank	4.15
Geo. W. Pickering, 5½ cords wood	13.75
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	\$7,848.81

PAYMENTS.

State tax	\$ 704.00
County tax	913.96
Orders of Selectmen, State highway	864.24
Orders of Selectmen	3,286.90
Cash on hand January 31, 1919	2,079.71
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	\$7,848.81

JOHN J. GREENOUGH, *Treasurer.*

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JAMES H. COLEMAN,
BENJAMIN S. HOYT,

Auditors.

Highways.

REPORT OF FRED H. WINN, HIGHWAY AGENT, 1918.

William D. Newick	\$60.75
John J. Greenough	34.50
Fred H. Winn	10.50
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	\$105.75

REMOVING SNOW AFTER JANUARY 31, 1918.

Edwin J. Rand	\$10.00
John J. Greenough	6.00
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	\$16.00

JAMES W. CARKIN, HIGHWAY AGENT, 1918.

Darius Frink	\$19.50
George Tuck	13.00
J. D. Kelley	6.00
J. E. Hodgdon	9.00
Joseph Stafford	9.00
James Carkin	10.50
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Total	\$67.00

REMOVING SNOW AFTER JANUARY 31, 1918.

George Tuck	\$29.00
Hiram Goss	2.80
L. C. Pickering	4.00
J. E. Hodgdon	2.40
J. W. Carkin	8.60
Coleman Brothers	1.30
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Total	\$48.10

Dog Account.

Number of dogs licensed, forty-one		
Seven females, at \$5.00 each		\$35.00
Thirty-four males, at \$2.00 each		68.00
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		\$103.00
Clerk's fees	\$8.20	
License blanks	2.00	
Collecting from delinquents	2.00	
Notices and postage	1.00	13.20
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Amount of dog money on hand		\$89.80

Insurance on Town Property.

Policies on town hall, school house and church expire January 1, 1920.

Policy on public library and books expires March 15, 1920.

Policy on old parsonage house, barn and road machine expires March 1, 1921.

Report of Trustees of Cemetery.

RECEIVED.

From Portsmouth Savings Bank, interest on DeMerritt fund	\$1.87
From Portsmouth Savings Bank, interest on Caldwell fund	5.48
From Portsmouth Savings Bank, interest on H. P. Newton fund	4.06
From Portsmouth Savings Bank, interest on Mary E. Frink fund	2.30
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	\$13.71

PAID.

Jackson M. Hoyt, care of lots	\$6.00
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DEMANDS IN FAVOR OF CEMETERY.

DeMerritt fund left to town	\$200.00
Interest on DeMerritt fund in savings bank	55.31
Caldwell fund with interest in savings bank	159.39
H. P. Newton fund with interest in savings bank	118.03
Mary E. Frink fund with interest in savings bank	65.87
Martin Hoyt fund in savings bank	100.00
Charles A. Garland fund in savings bank	300.00
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	\$998.60

STILLMAN A. PACKARD,
BENJAMIN S. HOYT,
WILLIAM L. FURBER,

Trustees of Cemetery.

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

Mr. Chairman and Members of the School Board of Newington:

I have the pleasure to submit my first annual report of the condition of the schools of Newington.

Since assuming the office of superintendent of this district, I have devoted, as nearly as possible about two twenty-seconds of my time to the schools of Newington. I have attended two conferences of superintendents of the State, one at Keene last August and one at Concord in October. I have held one general teacher's meeting with all the teachers of the district and one special meeting with the teachers of Newington and Greenland. I have not been able to hold as many meetings with the teachers as I would have liked, due to the fact that the work has been so broken up on account of several sieges of the influenza epidemic. I have had many private conferences with the teachers, when I have given assistance, suggestions and directions regarding school management and methods of instruction.

You are very fortunate in having an excellent corps of teachers and they are both working faithfully and getting good results. They have taken kindly any criticisms or suggestions I have offered and there is a fine spirit of co-operation among them. The work in both schools has been much broken up, due to the epidemic, but especially that of the Junior High, as Miss Seaver was not able to return in the fall, so the pupils were without any schooling for six weeks. We finally got Miss Aldrich from the State College, who substituted for two weeks until Miss Seaver was able to return, and who did very well under the circumstances, but such a makeshift can never fill the place of the regular teacher. We lost so many weeks in this school that it seems very doubtful to me, whether we

can possibly make it all up and therefore do the required work; at least, without keeping later than usual in spring term. I am sure that Miss Seaver is endeavoring to the best of her ability to cover all the necessary work, but it will not pay to do the work so hurriedly as not to do it thoroly.

During the months of December and January, we have been giving standard tests to all pupils in the districts, in the fundamental subjects, reading, writing, spelling, composition and arithmetic, beginning with the fourth grade pupils. These tests and the method of administering and scoring of them has been practically the same or similar to tests which have been given in previous years and which I have found your former superintendent explained somewhat in detail, in his report of two years ago, so I will not use any space at this time to describe the same. I have not been able to get the records in full and tabulate the results of these tests as yet; besides, I have not been able to find the records of such tests for the last few years, so have no former results to compare them with. However, the results of these tests will be preserved and I plan to conduct similar tests next spring term, and we shall thus gradually "hang up" tentative standards, which we shall expect our pupils and teachers to attain to or excell.

I believe the new program for our Junior High School which the Board adopted last fall, and which received the approval of the State Superintendent, is working out as well as possible under the adverse conditions which we have to meet in following the same. Really, to accomplish all that this program calls for, it needs one teacher's time entirely for just the work of the seventh and eighth grades, whereas Miss Seaver also has two other grades, the fifth and sixth. We are able to carry out this program only by combining the fifth and sixth grades and the seventh and eighth grades in several subjects, which was permitted by the State Superintendent for this year only. This condition is far from ideal, and in a letter in

early fall, to me the State Superintendent wrote that I must make it very plain to the School Board that he would not be able to approve the same conditions for another year. What we need, to overcome this difficulty, is another room and another teacher. Then we should take the fourth grade from Miss Frink's room, giving the fourth, fifth and sixth grades to the additional teacher, thus permitting Miss Seaver to give all her time to the seventh and eighth grades in the Junior High School work. With such an organization we could much more thoroly prepare our pupils for high school work and really place them on an equal basis for high school work with the pupils of Portsmouth. Besides, possibly we could add the ninth grade, thus saving the tuition now paid for first-year pupils in Portsmouth High School and also make it much easier and better for all parents by holding our pupils for one year longer in our own schools.

This plan of organization would be almost ideal for a small town like Newington. Miss Frink would be able to do much more efficient work, with only the first three grades instead of four, which is too many grades for one teacher with thirty-five to forty pupils. Most educators believe that twenty to thirty pupils, in as many as three different grades, is all that one teacher can possibly handle and give to them the necessary individual instruction.

The difficult problem to be met in this plan of organization is: where or in what way shall we provide this third room for the third teacher? This problem I am unable to solve, as our present rooms on the lower floor of the Town Hall are already congested, especially the Primary room. The only suggestion that I can make to the Board, is the need of a new building, that shall be modern in every respect and that shall conform to the latest requirements for school purposes. The present building is ill adapted for school purposes anyway, as to arrangement of rooms and we have cross lights in both rooms and a window directly in front of the pupils in the Primary

room, which is very bad. The lighting is also insufficient in this room.

The heat in both rooms is from box stoves with the result that the pupils directly in front are always too hot, while those in the rear are too cold. These stoves should at least be jacketed, so as to heat the rooms more uniformly and furnish ventilation, which is now very poor.

The outhouses are kept fairly clean, but they are exposed to the weather and not connected with the building by a covered walk, with latticed walls to furnish protection from the weather, to the pupils, and proper ventilation as they should be. The children should not be compelled to go out of doors to reach this building in cold or stormy weather, as it often proves harmful to their health.

I have mentioned some of the bad physical conditions of your building, but I do not intend to infer that they are all bad; on the other hand, there are many excellent things to be noticed about the building, such as hard wood floors, slate blackboards, adjustable seats, etc., most of which, doubtless could be utilized in a new building. Possibly, a third room could be provided by a small addition to the present building, tho this seems doubtful to me, because of the need of the entire remodeling of the present structure, the cost of which would go a considerable ways toward a new, properly arranged school building.

I have collected some school statistics for 1917-1918 as a part of this report, from a study of which, you will see your per cent. of attendance for last year decreased by 12.7 per cent. and the number of cases of tardiness increased from 35 to 88 or more than doubled over the preceding year. Doubtless this falling down in attendance was due, in part at least, to the exceedingly severe winter we experienced last year, tho personally, I feel that it might have been helped to some extent, to say the least, by a good truant officer, who would have investigated any prolonged absence of any pupil, or parents who might may have been delinquent in sending their children to school. This fall and winter we have had a few trouble-

some cases that have really needed the attention of a truant officer, and I recommend that the School Board appoint such an officer, as is required by law. Of course our attendance this year has been lowered somewhat, due to the prevailing influenza epidemic. However, to date, it has been considerably better than the average for last year. The attendance problem is one of our big problems and one of great injury to the best work of the schools. We appeal to the parents, for their co-operation, to the effect that we may have better attendance and much less tardiness in the future.

In conclusion, I wish to express my gratitude to the teachers for their loyalty and co-operation in trying to make our schools what they ought to be, and to you, the Members of the School Board, for your support and advice.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. WALKER.

Exeter, N. H., Feb. 15, 1919.

SCHOOL STATISTICS—1917—1918.

ATTENDANCE.

School and Teacher	Weeks	Boys	Girls	Average Attendance	Tardy Cases	Per Cent. Attendance
Grammar—Ruth Seaver.....	38	18	9	18.16	68	86.97
Primary—Abbie M. Frink.....	38	16	15	19.88	20	73.63

Visits by Superintendent, 50; by School Board, 10; by others, 100.

PROMOTION AND RETARDATION.

Grades.....	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
Pupils Promoted.....	5	4	3	4	7	5	2	4
Pupils not promoted.....	3	1	1	2	10.6	13.2	13.2	12.81
Average age, September, 1917.....	5.6	6.5	7.2	8.6				

COMPARATIVE TABLE FOR FIVE YEARS.

	1917-18	1916-17	1915-16	1914-15	1913-14
Number Pupils registered.....	58	50	39	40	36
Number attending two weeks.....	58	50	39	37	36
Average membership.....	45	48	35	33	29
Average attendance.....	38	45	31	28	26
Cases tardiness.....	88	35	51	39	169
Per cent. of attendance.....	80.3	93	91	90	91

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES, FALL, 1918.

Grades	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
Grammar—Ruth Seaver.....					4	9	6	3	22
Primary—Abbie M. Frink.....	7	7	7	6					27
Total.....									49

ROLL OF HONOR.

Perfect Attendance—one year, Nathaniel Coleman.

One term, Katherine Howard, Ernest Hodgdon, Wesley Packard.

Financial Report of the Newington School Board for the
Year ending August 31st, 1918.

RECEIPTS.

School money on hand, July 15, 1917	\$ 6.69
Amount required by law	660.00
Amount additional voted	400.00
Amount received from town due in March, 1917	237.29
Amount for books and supplies	75.00
Amount for High School tuition	501.60
Dog tax on hand April 1, 1917	74.00
From State Literary Fund	43.92
From State, 1-2 Supt's salary	105.00
	\$2,103.50

EXPENDITURES.

Carl Cotton, Superintendent	\$210.00
Ruth Seaver, teaching 38 weeks	494.00
Abbie M. Frink, teaching 38 weeks	475.00
Lucy M. Hoyt, teaching music	38.00
Wesley, janitor	53.50
Carl Cotton, office supplies and extras	15.46
W. C. Philbrick, painting and repairing	172.00
W. A. Parslow, painting windows	14.60
Littlefield Lumber Co., manual training supplies	1.39
Gilman P. Goss, stick for flag pole	8.00
C. W. Coleman, setting flag pole and repairs	19.25
Pryor-Davis Co., supplies	6.95
J. G. Sweetser, stove pipe and brooms	6.10
Luther Pickering, cleaning vault	1.50
Margeson Brothers, table	8.00
Sugden Brothers, lumber	9.12
University of Chicago, books	2.26

Boston Paper Board Co., paper	\$11.27
Silver Burdett Co., books	2.04
Milton Bradley Co., drinking cups	2.74
Benjamin H. Sanborn Co., books	.80
Boston Index Card Co., card records	4.63
Popular Mechanics	1.50
The Macmilian Co.,	10.75
Ginn & Co., books	1.27
Thompson, Brown & Co., books	2.66
Scott Foreman & Co., books	1.06
Cambridge Botanical Supply Co., supplies	5.76
Edward E. Babb & Co., books and sup- plies	10.16
Churchill Grindell Co., song books	1.30
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies	4.50
Chadwick & Trefethen, pipe	.46
School Officers' salaries	32.00
City of Portsmouth, High School tuition	458.75
	<u>\$2,086.78</u>

NOTE.—There was on hand August 31, 1918, High School tuition \$42.85, while the School money was exceeded \$26.13

We recommend to the Selectmen that they raise \$650 for High School tuition, and \$125 for school books and supplies for the coming year.

CHARLES W. COLEMAN,
EDITH N. HODGDON,
MARION CHASE HOWARD,
School Board.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of the Newington School Board and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

BENJAMIN S. HOYT, *Auditor.*

Langdon Public Library.

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Citizens of Newington :

Your Library Trustees have the pleasure of submitting their twenty-seventh annual report for the year ending December 31, 1918.

We wish to express our appreciation to the voters of the town, for extra appropriation given us, so that we were able to add to our library furnishings and equipment, i. e.: our new magazine rack and typewriter. It has also permitted us to meet emergencies and to have money in our treasury at the beginning of each year.

War-time conditions were noticeable in library work as well as in other walks of life. Commendable interest was manifested for books along broader lines of reading. Several volumes relating to the World War have been added from the Webster fund. We received from Mrs. Langdon her annual gift of books ; these were carefully selected and have been well circulated. To her we extend our thanks, inasmuch as she makes it possible for us to have some of the newest and best books every year.

The nature study table continues to be a source of interest and instruction to young and old.

To all who have helped us with gifts of books, magazines, book lists and nature specimens, we extend our thanks.

On account of our changing population our card list was revised. By this revision new numbers were assigned to the permanent residents in alphabetical order, and a special list arranged for our transient people.

In November Miss Beane was granted a leave of absence. Pauline Knox was chosen to become her successor. Miss Knox is interested in the work and we think will

prove efficient, with the co-operation of your trustees and the helpful support of the people.

Let us hope that we enter upon a pleasant and prosperous year.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

1918	CASH RECEIVED.	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1917	\$13.79	
Interest on Langdon fund	60.00	
Required State tax	15.00	
Town appropriation	100.00	
Interest on Portsmouth City Bond	40.00	
Interest on B. & H. R. R. bond	45.00	
Reapers Society for L. H. J.	1.75	\$275.54

1918	CASH EXPENDED.	
Librarian's services (A. L. B. \$90.00, P. E. K. \$30.00)	\$120.00	
Rent of safety deposit box	1.50	
Myles S. Watson, treating gypsy moths and for creosote	5.00	
Library Bureau, book cards	9.10	
Magazine renewals	32.50	
Albert L. Pickering, shoveling snow	2.25	
Allied war fund	5.00	
Step ladder	1.50	
Desk supplies	4.75	
Library Bureau, card trays and mag. stickers	35.00	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1918	58.94	\$275.54

MARGARETTE B. HARRISON,
HATTIE M. GREENOUGH,
BETH L. RAND,

Board of Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of Langdon Library :

I present the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1918 :—

GIFTS.

Mrs. Langdon	92 volumes
Mrs. Langdon. Vogue	1 year
Mrs. Langdon. House Beautiful	1 year
Mrs. Langdon. Town and Country	1 year
Rev. Mr. Gould	2 volumes
State of New Hampshire	1 volume
Dr. B. T. Prescott. Century Magazine	1 year
Mrs. E. G. Hoyt. American Magazine	1 year
Mrs. E. G. Hoyt. Good Housekeeping	1 year
Mrs. A. R. Beane. Woman's Home Companion	1 year
Mrs. A. R. Beane. Saturday Evening Post	1 year
Mrs. A. R. Beane. McClure's	1 year
Mrs. A. R. Beane. Country Gentleman	1 year
Miss Law. Humane Review	1 year
Randolph Beane. American Boy	
Randolph Beane. Boy's Life	
Reaper's Circle. Ladies' Home Journal	1 year
Piscataqua Grange. Popular Mechanics	1 year
Mrs. Marion C. Howard. Literary Digest (loaned)	1 year
Rev. Mr. Eliot. Christian Register	1 year
Mrs. F. K. Swasey. Red Cross Magazine	1 year
Miss Helen Gerrish. Magazines	
Mrs. A. J. Seaward. Christian Science Monitor	
Mrs. Lewis Harrison. Magazines	
Mrs. Myles Watson. Magazines	
Mrs. Myles Watson. Magazines	
Mrs. C. H. Coleman. Specimens	
Valentine Lear. Specimens	
W. C. T. U. Granite State Outlook	1 year
Eddy Fund. Christian Science Journal and Christian Science Sentinel	

State of New Hampshire. Reports and Bulletins
 U. S. Government. Reports and Bulletins
 Reports of Library of Congress, Interstate Com-
 merce Commission, New Hampshire Col-
 lege, Dover, Rochester, Laconia, Eliot, Me.,
 and Leicester, Mass.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Borrowers registered to date	295
Visitors registered to date	1,683
Visitors during year	27
Total attendance for year	1,957
Average daily attendance	19
Total circulation for year	2,974
Average daily circulation	29
Number of evenings open for circulation	51
Number of afternoons open for circulation	101
Number of books issued during year	2,185
Number of periodicals issued during year	789
Largest monthly issue, March	
Smallest monthly issue, April	

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

General works	180
Philosophy	4
Religion	7
Sociology	36
Philology	15
Natural science	71
Useful arts	51
Fine arts	32
Literature	61
History, biography and travel	318
Fiction	1,387
Periodicals	789

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE E. KNOX,

Acting Librarian.

Supplement to Catalogue.

PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE READING TABLE.

World's Work, Travel, American, Garden, Harper's Monthly, Everybody's, Delineator, Ladies' Home Journal, Vogue, House Beautiful, Town and Country, Independent, Good Housekeeping, Christian Register, Christian Science Sentinel, National Geographic, St. Nicholas, Youth's Companion, Little Folks, Outing, Popular Mechanics, Red Cross, Literary Digest, McCall's, Woman's Home Companion, Country Gentleman, McClure's, Metropolitan, Boy's Life, Saturday Evening Post, American Boy.

SOCIOLOGY—300.

Olcott, Frances J. The Red Indian Fairy Book J. 398—O111re

NATURAL SCIENCE—500.

Eaton, Walter P. Green Trails and Upland Pastures 500—Ea811g
Fabre, J. Henri. The Life of the Grasshopper 595. 72—F114g
Pellette, Frank C. Our Backdoor Neighbors 596—P364o

USEFUL ARTS—600.

Marden, Orison S. Training for Efficiency 613—M3341
Dumock, Julian A. The New Business of Farming 630—D597
Lloyd, John W. Productive Vegetable Growing 630—L777p
Watts, Ralph L. Vegetable Gardening 630—W394
Sears, Fred C. Productive Orchardng 634—Se17p
Phillips, E. F. Bee-keeping 638—P539
Rose, Mary Swartz. Feeding the Family 640—R72
Christian, Eugene. Meatless and Wheatless Menus 643—C462
Stout, William B. The Boy's Book of Mechanical Models J. 694. 1—St761
Bishop, Farnham. The Story of the Submarine 699—B5412

FINE ARTS—700.

Earle, Alice M. Oldtime Gardens 716—Ea7501
Webster, Marie D. Quilts, Their Story and How to Make Them 746—W3951

LITERATURE—800.

Gibson, Wilfred W. Hill-Tracks 811—G3591
Kipling, Rudyard. Barrack-room Ballads 821—K628b

HISTORY, BIOGRAPHY AND TRAVEL—900.

Muir, John. The Cruise of the Corwin 910—M896c
Cholmondeley, Alice. Christine B—C453c
Eastman, Charles A. From the Deepwoods to Civilization B—Ea78f

- Bruce, William C. Benjamin Franklin, Self-Revealed Vol. 1 B—F8546
- Bruce, William C. Benjamin Franklin, Self-Revealed Vol. 2 B—F8546
- Garland, Hamlin. A Son of the Middle Border B—G1831
- Sanborn, F. B. Henry David Thoreau B—T391
- O'Shaughnessy, Edith. Diplomatic Days 923. 9—Os4d
- Tappan, Eva M. The Little Book of the Flag 929. 9—T1651
- Aldrich, Mildred. On the Edge of the War Zone 940. 9—A1240t
- Eddy, Sherwood. With Our Soldiers in France 940. 9—Ed26w
- Empy, Arthur G. First Call 940. 9—Em72f
- Empy, Arthur G. Over the Top 940. 9—Em72o
- Gerard, James W. Face to Face With Kaiserism 940. 9—G3121f
- Hall, Lieut. Bert. "En l' air!" (In the Air) 940. 9—H140e
- Hankey, Donald. A Student in Arms 940. 9—H194s
- Hay, Ian. All in it! "K. (1)" Carries On 940. 9—H322al
- Holmes, R. Derby. A Yankee in the Trenches 940. 9—H7371y
- Huard, Frances W. My Home in the Field of Mercy 940. 9—H86my
- Mortimer, Maude. A Green Tent in Flanders 940. 9—M844g
- Nobbs, Capt. Gilbert. On the Right of the British Line 940. 9—N6631o
- Peat, Harold R. Private Peat 940. 9—P329p
- Stevenson, Wm. Y. At the Front in a Fliver 940. 9—St481
- Garnett, Lucy M. J. Balkan Home Life 949—G187b
- Jackson, Helen H. A Century of Dishonor 970. 1—J134c
- Schultz, James W. Apauk, Caller of Buffalo J. 970. 1—Sc82
- O'Shaughnessy, Edith. A Diplomat's Wife in Mexico 972—Os26di
- Shackleton, Robert. The Book of New York 974. 71—Sh11b

FICTION.

- Adams, Samuel H. Our Square and the People in It Ad1911ou
- Allen, James L. The Kentucky Warbler J. Al541k
- Ashman, Margaret. Isabel Carlton's Year J. As55i
- Ashman, Margaret. The Heart of Isabel Carlton J. As55h
- Bachelor, Irving. The Light in the Clearing B123li
- Bailey, Temple. Mistress Anne B155m
- Barbour, R. H. Center Rush Rowland S. B234ce
- Barclay, Florence L. The White Ladies of Worchester B235w
- Bassett, Sara W. The Story of Glass J. B294g
- Bassett, Sara W. The Story of Wool J. B295w
- Boscher, Kate L. Kitty Canary B65k
- Bower, B. M. Cabin Fever B676ca
- Brady, Cyrus Townsend, Jr. A Web of Steel B72w
- Burgess, Thornton W. Mother West Wind "When" Stories J. B912ww
- Burgess, Thornton W. The Adventures of Paddy the Beaver J. B912ap
- Burgess, Thornton W. The Adventures of Poor Mrs. Quack J. B912apo
- Burritt, Edwin C. The Boy Scout Crusoes J. B945b
- Connor, Ralph. The Major C7621ma
- Cutter, Robert. Louisburg Square C9781

Delano, Edith. Tomorrow Morning	D374j
Diblon, Mary. Comrades	D587c
Dodge, Henry Irving. Skinner's Baby	D6441sk
Dowd, Emma C. Polly and the Princess	J. D752pp
Ferber, Edna. Fannie, Herself	F373f
Fox, Jr., John. In Happy Valley	F8321n
French, Allen. At Plattsburg	J. F887a
Frothingham, E. B. The Finding of Norah	F932f
Grey, Zane. The U. P. Trail	G869u
Hopkins, Wm. J. The Clammer and the Submarine	H777cl
Ingram, Eleanor M. The Twice American	In41t
Johnston, Mary. The Wanderers	J625w
Lippman, Julie M. The Interlopers	L667in
Locke, Wm. J. The Red Planet	L796re
London, Jack. Jerry	L846j
Maniates, Belle K. Amarilly in Love	M314am
Palmer, Frederick. The Last Shot	P1831l
Parry, Thomas W. When Daddy Was a Boy	J. P249in
Perkins, Lucy F. The Belgium Twins	J. P419be
Porter, Eleanor H. The Road to Understanding	P833r
Rice, Alice Hegan. Calvary Alley	R36ca
Rives, Hallie E. The Long Lane's Turning	R524l
Rollins, Montgomery. The Village Pest	R656v
Towne, Chas. H. Autumn Loiterers	T66a
Wells, Carolyn. Patty Blossom	J. W462pb
Widdemer, Margaret. The Wishing Ring Man	W634wi

Vital Statistics of the Town of Newington, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1918.

BIRTHS.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of Child (If Any.)	Sex, Condition, Number, Color.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	
			Sex.	Condition.	Number.								Color.
January 21	Newington.	Jessie Alden Beane.	F	L	5	w	Louis C. Beane.	Abbie Alice Rollins.	w	Newington.	Farmer.	Newington.	Newington.
July 6	Newington.	Louretta Tobin.	F	L	5	w	John D. Tobin.	Annie Blackmore.	w	Newington.	Ship Carpenter.	Shelbourne, N. S.	Newfoundland.

MARRIAGES.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage.	Age, Color.		Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	No. Marriage.	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married.
				Age.	Color.							
July 14.	Gorham, N. H.	Adelbert L. Freeman.	Gorham, N. H.	28	w	Ship Carpenter.	Nova Scotia.	Elkanah Freeman. Sarah Radwing. Charles A. Leeman. Addie V. McWain.	Nova Scotia. Nova Scotia. Lawrence, Mass. Branelow, N. Y.	Farmer.	1	W. A. Richmond, Clergyman, Gorham, N. H.
		Evelyn K. Ross.	Gorham, N. H.	21	w	Housework.	Belfast, Me.			Watchman. Housewife.	2	
September 9.	Newington.	Elmer Irving Brooks.	Newington.	20	w	Ship Fastener.	Dover, N. H.	Irving Brooks. Hattie P. Gordon.	Eliot, Me. Barrington, N. H.	Blacksmith.	1	John Harold Gould, Clergyman, Newington.
		Agnus Sullivan.	Concord, N. H.	23	w	Housework.	Concord, N. H.			Housewife.	1	

DEATHS.

Date of Death.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex, Color, Sin, Mar, Wi, d			Occupation.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.
			Years.	Months.	Days.		Sex.	Color.	Sin.						
January 4.	Newington.	Edward Graham.	55	5		England.	M	w	m	Painter.					Val. disease of heart.
March 19.	Newington.	Thomas Newick.	73	21		Etchingham, Eng.	M	w	m	Farmer.					Carc. of large intestine.
April 10.	Newington.	Elizabeth A. Carkin.	80	6		Bath, Me.	F	w	w						Old age.
April 29.	Newington.	Charles A. Hodgdon.	67	5			M	w	m	Farmer.					Septicar, and arte. scle.
June 21.	Newington.	Miriam Elsa Hoyt.	1	6		Portsmouth, N. H.	F	w	s		Newington.	Honolulu.			Malnutrition.
August 18.	Newington.	John W. Penney.	73	26		New Durham, N. H.	M	w	m	Machine Operator.					Nuptial val. dis.
August 27.	Newington.	George E. Pace.	76	8	4	Frederickton, N. B.	M	w	w	Farmer.					Chr. int. nephritis.
August 29.	Newington.	William F. Doyle.	62	7	9	Bordion, Me.	M	w	w	Joiner.					Aotic insufficiency.
August 31.	Newington.	Salvatore Angelico.	14	5	26	Italy.	M	w	s						Accident (shock.)
September 23.	Newington.	Luther Albert Pickering.	25	4	23	Newington.	M	w	s	Farmer.	Newington.				Epilepsy.
November 12.	Newington.	Edward McMullen.	26	7	14	Portsmouth, N. H.	M	w	s	Driller.					Pul. tuberculosis.
December 21.	Newington.	Ann Sarah Frink.	94	7	21	Newington.	F	w	w						Apoplexy.

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

LEWIS A. HARRISON, *Town Clerk.*

