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FOR THE

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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Town Officers

SELECTMEN

FREELING T. PARKER

IRA D. FORD

ROY H. CAMPBELL

CLERK AND TREASURER

ISAAC N. CENTER

ROAD AGENTS

JOHN A. REID

LESTER W. ROBINSON

AUDITORS

HERBERT C. LEACH

CLARENCE W. HAIGHT

TRUSTEES

JOHN A. WILSON

FRANK F. CORNING

ISAAC N. CENTER

TAX COLLECTOR

WALTER A. CROWELL

Town Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Litchfield, in the County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

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

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To vote upon the amendment to the State constitution as submitted by the special session of the Constitutional Convention, held February 16, 1923.
4. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for permanent improvement and maintenance of highways in addition to that, that is required by law and take action in regard to State Aid.

5. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for maintenance of State Aid Highways.

6. To see what sums of money the Town will raise or appropriate for the Public Library.

7. To hear the report of the committee regarding the Cutler Memorial Library, and take any action relating thereto.

8. To see what action the Town will take in celebration of Memorial Day and make appropriation for the same.

9. To see if the town will vote to spray the trees along the highways or take any action relating thereto.

10. To see if the Town will vote to empower the Selectmen to investigate the cost of, and manner of preventing the Merrimack River from washing into East Bank at centre of Town.

11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate to prevent the Merrimack River from washing into the East Bank at the centre of the Town.

12. To see if the Town will vote to dispose of the Town Hearse by sale or other-wise.

13. To see if the Town will vote to post a copy of the Town Warrants on Grange Hall, instead of on School Building.

14. To see if the Town will vote to observe Old Home Week.

15. To see what sum of money the Town will raise or appropriate for expense of celebrating Old Home Week.

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

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

FREELING T. PARKER
IRA D. FORD
ROY H. CAMPBELL

Selectmen of Litchfield.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

FREELING T. PARKER
IRA D. FORD
ROY H. CAMPBELL

Selectmen of Litchfield.

Selectmen's Report

INVENTORY, APRIL 1, 1922

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Lands and Buildings, | \$270,067.00 |
| Horses, 82, | 11,725.00 |
| Cows, 231, | 11,950.00 |
| Neat Stock, 40, | 1,350.00 |
| Sheep, 2, | 20.00 |
| Hogs, 23, | 360.00 |
| Fowls, 140, | 995.00 |
| Portable Mills, 6, | 650.00 |
| Stocks in Bank, | 6,900.00 |
| Money on hand, | 9,166.00 |
| Water power privileges, | 15,000.00 |
| Mills and machinery, | 17,600.00 |
| | <hr/> \$345,783.00 |

STATEMENT

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Total taxable inventory, | \$345,783.00 |
| Rate per cent, | 1.50 |
| Polls, 152 @ 5.00 | 760.00 |
| Polls, 3 @ 3.00 | 9.00 |
| Amount committed to Collector, | 5,958.13 |

APPROPRIATIONS

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| State tax, | \$1,170.00 |
| County tax, | 685.36 |

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|--------------------------|----------|------------|
| Town Highways, | 500.56 | |
| State aid construction, | 499.50 | |
| State aid maintenance, | 450.00 | |
| Library, | 70.00 | |
| Memorial Day, | 7.00 | |
| Schools, | 2,573.63 | |
| Payment on school house, | 1,000.00 | |
| Extra Appropriation, | 500.00 | |
| Interest, | 415.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$7,871.05 |

BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 31, 1923

Assets

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash in Treasury, | \$4,282.88 | |
| Uncollected taxes, (1922), | 923.50 | |
| Liberty bonds, | 2,000.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$7,206.38 |

Liabilities

| | | |
|---|------------|------------------|
| State aid money in Town Treasury, | \$2,666.84 | |
| State aid maintenance, unex- pended, | 280.90 | |
| Dog licenses, | 51.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,998.74 |
| Excess of assets over liabilities, | | <hr/> \$4,207.64 |

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Taxes, 1921, | \$ 938.01 |
| Interest on 1921 taxes, | 23.38 |

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|---|----------|-------------|
| Taxes, 1922, | 5,034.63 | |
| From State Treas. taxes, | 1,743.86 | |
| From State Treas., Highway Department, | 307.85 | |
| Interest on bonds and deposits, | \$235.34 | |
| From dog licenses, | 51.00 | |
| From motor vehicle permits, | 245.20 | |
| Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1922, | 4,840.63 | |
| | <hr/> | \$13,419.90 |

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

| | | |
|--|-----------|------------|
| Salaries and expenses of town officers, | \$ 427.27 | |
| Election expenses, | 57.00 | |
| Town Hall, | 320.98 | |
| Town Highways, | 666.35 | |
| State aid construction, | 525.84 | |
| State aid maintenance, | 330.90 | |
| School district, | 4,549.63 | |
| Library, | 70.00 | |
| State tax and soldier's bonus, | 1,486.00 | |
| County tax, | 685.36 | |
| Memorial Day, | 7.00 | |
| Police department, | 5.90 | |
| Fire department, | 4.79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$9,137.02 |

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Salaries

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Selectman, Freeling T. Parker, | \$50.00 |
| Selectman, Ira D. Ford, | 35.00 |

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|---------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Selectman, Roy H. Campbell, | 25.00 | |
| Clerk, Isaac N. Center, | 20.00 | |
| Treasurer, Isaac N. Center, | 20.00 | |
| Isaac N. Center, | 7.50 | |
| Collector taxes, 1921 and 1922, | | |
| Walter A. Crowell, | 50.00 | |
| Auditor, Herbert C. Leach, | 1.00 | |
| Auditor, Clarence W. Haight, | 1.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$209.50 |

Expenses

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Town reports, 1922, | \$ 67.55 | |
| County registrar probate, | 2.75 | |
| Trustees' bond, | 100.00 | |
| Tax collector's book, | 2.37 | |
| Surveying library lot, | 5.00 | |
| Tax sales, notices and tax bills, | 3.75 | |
| Stamps and stationery, | 7.10 | |
| Safety deposit box rent, | 2.50 | |
| State assessor's association dues, | 2.00 | |
| Travellers' aid, | .28 | |
| Tax and cost of selling James | | |
| Butterfield's land, | 2.22 | |
| Abatement, Margaret Logan, | 5.00 | |
| Abatement, Charles Hanson, | 5.00 | |
| Abatement, John Hanson, | 5.00 | |
| Abatement, 1922, Hattie Campbell, | 2.25 | |
| Abatement, 1922, Louis Porter, | 5.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$217.77 |

Election Expenses

Paid

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Moderator, Walter E. McQuesten, \$ | 3.00 | |
| Moderator, Charles B. Campbell, | 6.00 | |
| Supervisor, Charles W. Leach, | 12.00 | |
| Supervisor, Sylvester A. Reid, | 10.00 | |
| Supervisor, Willie R. Shepherd, | 10.00 | |
| Ballot Clerk, Helen M. Lund, | 2.00 | |
| Ballot Clerk, Anne A. Bancroft, | 4.00 | |
| Ballot Clerk, Norris C. Griffin, | 2.00 | |
| Ballot Clerk, Frederick L. Center, | 2.00 | |
| Ballot Clerk, John A. Reid, | 2.00 | |
| Ballot Clerk, George L. Dan- | | |
| forth, | 2.00 | |
| Ballot Clerk, Charles H. Chase, | 2.00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$57.00 |

Town Hall

Paid

| | |
|---|----------|
| L. A. Haskins, | \$15.50 |
| L. W. Robinson, | 11.50 |
| Clinton E. Leach, | 14.30 |
| F. T. Parker, | 59.00 |
| Nails, wood, shingles, and cement, | 12.40 |
| Freight on roof paint, | 6.04 |
| John B. Varick Co., shingles and paint, | 66.39 |
| W. R. Peterson, lead and oil, | 43.50 |
| Gregg & Sons, blinds, | 15.35 |
| Progress Paint Company, | 77.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$320.98 |

Town Highways

Paid

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| John A. Reid, | \$336.44 | |
| Lester W. Robinson, | 270.45 | |
| Railing paint, | 59.46 | |
| | <hr/> | \$666.35 |

School District

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Paid School Treasurer, | \$4,549.63 |
|------------------------|------------|

Library

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|------------------------|---------|
| Paid Mary J. Campbell, | \$70.00 |
|------------------------|---------|

State Tax

Paid

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|
| State Treasurer, | \$1,170.00 | |
| State Treas., 1921 bonus, | 82.00 | |
| State Treas., 1922 bonus, | 234.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,486.00 |

County Tax

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer, | \$685.36 |
|-----------------|----------|

Memorial Day

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Paid Norris C. Griffin, | \$7.00 |
|-------------------------|--------|

Statement Joint Fund Account

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| State appropriation, 1922, | \$299.40 | |
| Town appropriation, 1922, | 499.50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$798.90 |

Balance from 1921

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------|
| State Treasury, | \$1,528.19 | |
| Town Treasury, | 2,546.96 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$4,075.15 |

State Aid Construction, 1922

| | | |
|------------------|-------------------|----------|
| State Treasurer, | \$227.48 | |
| Town Treasurer, | 379.62 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$607.10 |

Balance from, 1922

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------|
| State Treasury, | \$1,600.11 | |
| Town Treasury, | 2,666.84 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$4,266.95 |

FREELING T. PARKER
 IRA D. FORD
 ROY H. CAMPBELL

Selectmen.

Litchfield, N. H., Feb. 24, 1923.

We have this day examined the foregoing report and find it properly cast and well vouched.

HERBERT C. LEACH
 CLARENCE W. HAIGHT

Auditors.

Treasurer's Report

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash in Treasury Jan. 31, 1922, | \$4,840.63 |
| Received from | |
| W. A. Crowell, 1921 tax, | 938.01 |
| W. A. Crowell, interest, | 23.38 |
| W. A. Crowell, 1922 tax, | 5,034.63 |
| State Treas. Insurance tax, | 30.00 |
| State Treas. Savings Bank tax, | 881.95 |
| State Treas. Railroad tax, | 831.91 |
| State Treas. Highway Department, | 307.85 |
| Manchester Savings Bank interest, | 50.78 |
| Safety Deposit and Trust Co., int., | 99.56 |
| United States interest, | 85.00 |
| Town Clerk, motor vehicle permits, | 245.20 |
| Town Clerk, dog licenses, | 51.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$13,419.90 |
| Paid Selectmen's Orders, | 9,101.74 |
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| Balance in Treasury, Jan. 31, 23, | \$4,318.16 |
| Orders Unpaid, | \$35.28 |

ISAAC N. CENTER,
Treasurer.

Litchfield, N. H., Feb. 24, 1923.

We have this day examined the foregoing report and find it properly cast and vouched.

HERBERT C. LEACH
CLARENCE W. HAIGHT
Auditors.

Road Agents' Report

John A. Reid, Agent

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----------|
| To cash received from the town, | | \$336.44 |
| John A. Reid, labor, | \$96.70 | |
| William E. Perry, labor, | 21.30 | |
| Robert L. Barnes, labor, | 12.30 | |
| John Snide, | 7.65 | |
| Wm. Lock, | 8.10 | |
| H. Robinson, gravel, | 1.30 | |
| Mrs. Eveline McQuesten, | .50 | |
| Mrs. Eveline McQuesten, 13 posts, | 2.60 | |
| F. F. Corning, gravel, | 1.40 | |
| John Muir, 1908 feet plank, | 76.32 | |
| J. A. Reid, 30 feet plank, | 1.20 | |
| J. A. Reid, 87 lbs. spikes, | 4.60 | |
| J. A. Reid, 122 posts, | 24.40 | |
| C. W. Leach, | 4.20 | |
| I. N. Center, | 1.75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$264.32 |

Snow Bills

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| J. A. Reid, | 10.65 |
| G. Horne, | 3.00 |
| W. Bilodeau, | 4.50 |
| R. L. Barnes, | 1.40 |
| W. E. Perry, | 3.00 |
| Amby Jones, | 1.40 |
| Fred McQuesten, | 30.37 |

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|-----------------|-------|---------|
| James Hopwood, | 13.30 | |
| Claude Hopwood, | 4.50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$72.12 |

Lester W. Robinson, Agent

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| To cash received from Town, | | \$268.95 |
| Paid for labor on Highways as follows: | | |
| Joe Therrien, posts, | \$16.00 | |
| Spikes, | 1.85 | |
| Proctor Bros. railings, | 48.40 | |
| F. T. Parker, gravel, | .50 | |
| George Bourdon, | 5.00 | |
| Roy H. Campbell, | 31.80 | |
| Lester W. Robinson, | 67.85 | |
| Charles Davis, snow bill, 1922, | 1.80 | |
| | <hr/> | \$173.20 |

Snow Bills

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Arthur Ford, | \$ 1.75 |
| Henry Johnson, | 4.90 |
| Albert Davis, | 6.65 |
| Charles Millen, | 3.85 |
| George Bourdon, | 15.95 |
| Roy H. Campbell, | 11.26 |
| Lester W. Robinson, | 20.69 |
| E. O. Putnam, | 6.40 |
| George Bourdon, | 11.55 |

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|---------------------|-------|----------|
| Roy Campbell, | 6.75 | |
| Lester W. Robinson, | 6.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$95.75 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$268.95 |

Litchfield, N. H., Feb. 24, 1923.

We have this day examined the foregoing report and find it properly cast and well vouched.

HERBERT C. LEACH
CLARENCE W. HAIGHT

Auditors.

Report of Town Trustees

Charles Bancroft, Bridge Fund

January 31, 1923

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Jan. 31, 1922, balance in Amos- | | |
| keag Savings Bank, | \$4,646.24 | |
| Interest to July 31, 1922, | 336.57 | |
| Payment on school note, | 1,000.00 | |
| Interest on school note, | 340.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,322.81 |

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|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Jan. 31 ,1922, balance in Man- | | |
| chester Savings Bank, | \$3,140.59 | |
| Interest to July 31, 1922, | 137.56 | |
| U. S. Bonds redeemed, | 7,000.00 | |
| Interest on U. S. Bonds, | 332.50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$10,610.65 |

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|-------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Jan. 31, 1923, Town of Litch- | | |
| field school note, | | \$5,800.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$22,733.46 |

AARON CUTLER LIBRARY FUND

January 31, 1923

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|--------------------------------|------------|--|
| Jan. 31, 1922, balance in Man- | | |
| chester Savings Bank, | \$4,078.96 | |
| Interest to July 31, 1922, | 150.10 | |

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|--------------------------|----------|------------|
| Interest on U. S. Bonds, | 12.76 | |
| Dividends on stocks, | 1,712.75 | |
| Rent of house, | 47.42 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,001.99 |

Expenditures

| | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Taxes 1922-1923, | \$32.94 | |
| Insurance for four years, | 10.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$42.94 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$5,959.05 |
| Estimate value of Cutler Fund stocks, | \$27,768.00 | |
| U. S. Liberty bonds, | 300.00 | |
| Real estate in Hudson, N. H. | 1,000.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$29,068.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total Cutler Fund, | | \$35,027.05 |

JOHN KENNARD LIBRARY FUND

January 31, 1923

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|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance in Amoskeag Savings Bank, | \$601.72 | |
| Interest to July 1, 1922, | 27.04 | |
| | <hr/> | \$628.76 |

Jan. 31, 1923, withdrew for
Library Treas.,

\$50.00

\$578.76

FRANK F. CORNING
JOHN A. WILSON
ISAAC N. CENTER

Trustees.

Report Audited and approved Feb. 5, 1923.

HERBERT C. LEACH
CLARENCE W. HAIGHT

Auditors.

Library Report

The Trustees of the Litchfield Town Library hereby submit their thirtieth annual report.

At the regular annual meeting of the Trustees, held at the Library room, May 20. Walter E. McQuesten was elected President and Treasurer. Mrs. Mary J. S. Campbell, Secretary and Miss Florence C. Center, Librarian.

Voted—To continue the distributing agents, Mrs. Rebecca Blodgett at the north part of the town, and Miss Lizzie D. Shepherd at the south part of the town, also for the Librarian to have books at home for those in her vicinity. It is the aim and wish of the Librarian and Trustees, that as many as can will avail themselves of the privilege of receiving and reading the books, as that is the object of supporting a library.

Voted—The sum of fifty dollars (50.00) of the Kennard Fund for new books that are desired to be purchased under the supervision of the Librarian.

Voted—To subscribe for the Book list.

Nov. 1, it became necessary for the Secretary to call a meeting of the Trustees to fill the vacancy of Treasurer caused by the death of Walter E. McQuesten. The Secretary was elected to fill the office for the unexpired term.

The Trustees and town's people wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Saunders for their continued kindness

and generosity in allowing the Library to remain in their house these many years.

The term of office of Miss Maude Baker and Mr. C. P. Cleaves expires the current year, also necessary to fill the vacancy for two years.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY J. S. CAMPBELL,

Secretary.

SUPPLEMENTARY CATALOGUE

January 31, 1922 to January 31, 1923

| | |
|---|--------|
| Abbot, Ernest H., on the training of parents, | M 2230 |
| Alcott, Louise M., Little women, | J 2266 |
| Beach, Rex, Flowing gold, | F 2260 |
| Blanchard, Grace, Island cure, | F 2245 |
| Brown, Alice, Homespun and gold, | F 2223 |
| Old Crow, | F 2251 |
| Burnett, Frances Hodgson, Head of the House of Combe, | F 2217 |
| Robin, | F 2233 |
| Burnham, Clara Louise, In apple blossom time, | F 2232 |
| Canfield, Dorothy, Rough-hewn, | F 2249 |
| Comstock, Harriet T., At the crossroads, | F 2237 |
| Cope, Henry F., Religious education in the family, | N 2254 |
| Deland, Margaret, Vehement flame, | F 2236 |
| Dell, Ethel M., Charles Rex, | F 2248 |
| DuBois, Patterson, Beckonings of little hands, | M 2227 |
| Fox, Charles J., History of the old Town- ship of Dunstable, | H 2256 |
| Grey, Zane, To the last man, | F 2224 |
| Heyliger, William, High Benton, | J 2226 |
| Hutchinson, A. S. M., This freedom, | F 2263 |
| Johnston, Mary, 1492, | F 2262 |
| Kipling, Rudyard, Just so stories, | J 2264 |
| Kyne, Peter B., Kindred of the dust, | F 2239 |
| Pride of Palomar, | F 2253 |

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| Lewis, Sinclair, Babbitt, | F 2247 |
| Lincoln, Joseph C., Fair Harbor, | F 2250 |
| Lutz, Grace L. H., Finding of Jasper Holt, | F 2229 |
| City of fire, | F 2240 |
| Mathews, F. Schuyler, Field book of wild birds and their music, | S 2267 |
| McCutcheon, George Barr, Quill's window, | F 2238 |
| Mitchell, William S., Elements of personal Christianity, | N 2244 |
| Morley, Christopher, Where the blue begins, | F 2259 |
| Morris, Kathleen, Certain people of im- portance, | F 2255 |
| Oembler, Marie Conway, Purple heights, | F 2219 |
| Two shall be born, | F 2261 |
| Oppenheim, E. Phillips, Great imper- sonation, | F 2220 |
| Paine, Ralph D., First down-Kentucky, | F 2269 |
| Call of the off-shore wind | F 2225 |
| Pedler, Margaret, Moon out of reach, | F 2234 |
| Perkins, Lucy Fitch, Irish twins, | J 2222 |
| Swiss twins, | J 2265 |
| Porter, Eleanor H., Six star Ranch, | J 2228 |
| Jerry Junior, | F 2235 |
| Rafferty, W. E., Bothering the boy, | M 2231 |
| Rinehart, Mary Roberts, Breaking point, | F 2246 |
| Roads, Samuel, Jr., History and traditions of Marblehead, | H 2270 |
| St. John, Edward P., Child nature and child nurture, | M 2229 |
| Smith, Joseph, Jr., Book of Mormon, | N 2216 |
| Tarkington, Booth, Gentle Julia, | F 2257 |

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| Van Dyke, Henry, Companionable books, | L 2268 |
| Wharton, Edith, Age of innocence, | F 2218 |
| Wiggin, K. D., and Smith, N. A., Tales of laughter, | J 2258 |
| Willsie, Honorè, Judith of the Godless Valley, | F 2252 |
| New Hampshire Insurance report of 1921, | 2241 |
| Laws of New Hampshire, Vol. X 1829-1835, | 2242 |
| New Hampshire Bank report, 1922, | 2243 |

DONATIONS

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| History and traditions of Marblehead, | Miss Leona B. McQuesten |
| Elements of personal Christianity, | Mr. Paul Johnson |
| Book of Mormon, | Church of Latter Day Saints |
| Century Magazine, | Ladies' Social Circle |
| Literary Digest, | Mrs. F. H. McQuesten |

RESOURCES

| | |
|--|------|
| Number of bound volumes at beginning of year, | 2215 |
| Number of bound volumes added by pur- chase, | 49 |
| Number of bound volumes added by gift, | 3 |
| Federal and State documents added, | 3 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total number of volumes owned at end of year, | 2270 |

SERVICE

| | |
|---|-----|
| Number of volumes loaned, | 752 |
| Number of unbound magazines loaned, | 61 |
| Total circulation for current year, | 813 |
| Number of new borrowers added during year, | 15 |
| Total number of active borrowers during year, | 63 |
| Distributing agencies located at dwellings at a distance from library, | 3 |

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE C. CENTER,

Librarian.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TOWN LIBRARY

The Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Town Library hereby submits her annual report:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1922, | \$43.80 | |
| Cash paid for Booklist, | 2.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$41.80 |

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|---|---------|----------|
| Cash received from former Treas., | \$41.80 | |
| Cash received from Trustees of Kennard Library Fund, | 50.00 | |
| Cash received from Town, | 70.00 | |
| Cash received from fines, | 1.40 | |
| | <hr/> | \$163.20 |

Paid as follows:

| | | |
|--|---------|----------|
| W. P. Goodman, for books, | \$72.41 | |
| History of Old Township of Dunstable, | 5.00 | |
| Librarian, salary, | 26.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$103.41 |

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|-----------------------------|-------|---------|
| Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1923, | <hr/> | \$59.79 |
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MARY J. S. CAMPBELL,

Treasurer.

Litchfield, N. H., Feb. 24, 1923.

We have this day examined the foregoing report and find it properly cast and well vouched.

HERBERT C. LEACH

CLARENCE W. HAIGHT

Auditors.

Report of School Board

To the Citizens of Litchfield:

When we submitted our last report we were expecting to occupy the new building before the end of the school year, but as there was a delay on the part of the contractors we were unable to move in until the beginning of the present school year in September.

The building was dedicated to school work in September, by an address by the State Commissioner of education, Ernest W. Butterfield, and by our superintendent, L. D. Record. The raising of a new flag with appropriate songs by the school children were all much enjoyed by those present. We regret that more of the parents and citizens of the Town were not able to be present, but hope that they will visit school and inspect the building when convenient, if they have not already done so, for the Community Spirit and interest in the school by one and all is that, that helps to make any school, "The Ideal School," so let us all work together for that purpose.

We feel that we are fortunate in having one of our Town's people for a teacher; one who takes a great interest in the progress of each child and one who also tries to look out for the protection of the new building and fixtures that we have furnished at an expense to every tax-payer, for the comfort and welfare of the children.

Now let us all show our appreciation of that service by calling at the school whenever possible to do so, by so doing, we also show the children that we are interested in their work, which should enthuse them to do their best at all times, helping toward that "Ideal School."

The school law requires us to ask for certain appropriations outside of the regular school tax money.

We therefore ask for the following:

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| Tuitions, | \$784.00 | |
| Car-fare for Junior High, | 190.00 | |
| Books and supplies, | 105.00 | |
| Per Capita Tax, | 96.00 | |
| Supterintendent's excess salary, | 50.00 | |
| Medical inspection, | 25.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,250.00 |

Teacher, Mrs. Ethel M. Hopwood.

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| Number of weeks, | 36 |
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| Average wage of teacher per month, | \$100.00 |
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Roll of perfect attendance.

Two Terms

Rose Bilodeau,

One Term

Evelyn Annis,

Algenia Robinson

David Campbell,

Nancy Crowell

Hazel Beston.

Respectfully submitted,

LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD

HERBERT C. LEACH

BERTHA C. CAMPBELL

School Board of Litchfield.

REPORT OF HEALTH SUPERVISOR

| | | | |
|------------------------|----|------------------|----|
| No of pupils examined, | 35 | Defective Teeth, | 15 |
| Defective vision, | 1 | Hypertrophied, | |
| Skin disease, | 1 | Tonsils, | 7 |
| Unvaccinated, 18 | | | |

MAUDE H. PRISKE,
Examiner.

REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE
OF NEW SCHOOL HOUSE

Owing to the fact that the new school building was not finished at the time of our school meeting a year ago, and that it was found necessary at that time to ask for an additional appropriation of \$500.00, the building committee of the Litchfield school now submits the finished report of its work.

Owing to delays on the work it was impossible to occupy the building for the spring term, but in September it was formally opened with appropriate dedicatory exercises, and on the following Monday occupied for school work, we offer herewith a list of the sums paid out in the building and equipping of the school building.

Paid:

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| Haynes & Mason, architects, | \$ 405.00 |
| Nashua Building Company, | 8,484.27 |
| Robert R. Chase, insuring school bldg., | 178.33 |
| Amer. Seating Co., for desks, | 310.66 |
| Herbert C. Leach, freight on desks, | 21.09 |
| James W. Tolles, window shades, | 30.00 |

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| R. C. Langer & Sons, plumbing, | 65.34 |
| Everett E. Johnson, electric wiring, | 49.63 |
| J. B. Varick Co., flag, | 4.00 |
| G. W. Horne, setting seats, | 11.55 |
| George C. Goffe, school sign, | 10.80 |
| Edward E. Babb & Co., K. system, | 243.05 |
| Amos Saunders, grading, | 247.15 |
| R. C. Langer, furnace, | 315.00 |
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| | \$10,375.87 |

The amount of insurance paid covered the time of building and a period of two years.

AMOS SAUNDERS
 GEORGE C. GOFFE
 JOHN A. REID
 BERTHA C. CAMPBELL, Secretary,
 Building Committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LITCHFIELD

From July 1, 1921 to June 30, 1922

RECEIPTS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Town Treasurer, appropriation, | \$2,380.00 |
| Town Treasurer, dog licenses, | 35.40 |
| Town Treasurer, officers' salaries, | 60.00 |
| Town Treasurer, per capita tax, | 68.00 |
| Interest on deposits, | 49.79 |

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| Sale of car tickets, | 113.70 |
| Money on hand, July 1, 1921, | 669.66 |
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| | \$3,376.55 |

Expenditures

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|-------------------------------|------------|
| Ethel M. Hopwood, teaching, | \$900.00 |
| Voted to new construction, | 500.00 |
| Car tickets, | 400.00 |
| Tuitions, Nashua, | 499.20 |
| Tuitions, Manchester, | 57.00 |
| Tuitions, Reed's Ferry, | 55.00 |
| Rebate over appropriation, | 109.36 |
| Text books and supplies, | 75.58 |
| Per Capita Tax, | 68.00 |
| Salaries, | 67.00 |
| Janitor, | 42.00 |
| Superintendent, extra salary, | 41.66 |
| School nurse, | 21.85 |
| Wood, | 20.00 |
| C. W. Barnes, oiling floor, | 7.40 |
| Sawing wood, | 4.76 |
| Repairs, | 3.93 |
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| | \$2,872.74 |
| Money on hand, June 30, 1922, | 503.81 |
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| | \$3,376.55 |

NEW CONSTRUCTION, RECEIPTS

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|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| School district (as voted), | \$ 500.00 |
| Town Treasurer, appropriation 1921, | 1,000.00 |

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| W. R. Shepherd, on note, | 500.00 |
| L. D. Shepherd, on note, | 1,000.00 |
| Town Trustees, on note, | 6,800.00 |
| Sale of school buildings, | 199.20 |
| Town Treasurer, extra appropriation 1922, | 500.00 |

\$10,499.20

Expenditures

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Nashua Building Co., | \$8,484.27 |
| Haynes & Mason, architects, | 405.00 |
| Robert R. Chase, insurance, | 178.33 |
| R. C. Langer, furnace, | 315.00 |
| Amos Saunders, grading, | 247.15 |
| Edw. E. Babb & Co., Kanstine system, | 243.05 |
| American Seating Co., furniture, | 310.66 |
| Freight on furniture, | 21.09 |
| G. L. Horne, installing furniture, | 11.55 |
| J. W. Tolles, window shades, | 30.00 |
| R. C. Langer, | 65.34 |
| Johnson Electric Shop, | 49.63 |
| J. B. Varick Co., flag, | 4.00 |
| Geo. C. Goffe, sign board, | 10.80 |

\$10,375.87

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|------------------------------|--------|
| Money on hand, Feb. 1, 1923, | 123.33 |
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\$10,499.20

WALTER A. CROWEL,
District Treasurer.

Report audited and approved.

F. F. CORNING

CLARENCE W. HAIGHT

Auditors.

School Superintendent's Report

To the School Board of Litchfield,

Greeting:

I have the honor to submit herewith my fourth annual report as superintendent of your school.

Your school children are now housed in an attractive, comfortable, well heated, correctly lighted, and adequately ventilated room. There is appropriate accommodations for play, the water supply is handy, the toilets convenient, sanitary, and clean, and the school equipment is good. The building is as sightly as it could readily be in comparatively flat area, conspicuous from the state highway in Merrimack and from the electric road, a splendid advertisement for the town. The plant is readily accessible to the larger part of the district, and fairly so for all sections because of the electric accommodations.

Your school appears to the visitor to be made up of clean, happy, contented, and busy children. The work done bears the tests of being very good. Your teacher, a resident of the town, has more than a professional interest in the progress of each pupil. I feel that you have sufficient reason to feel a pride in the school facilities of your town.

Your school at the present time has 34 pupils in its seven grades. The labor involved in carrying along the work of a present day curriculum with that number of pupils is a full sized job, severely taxing the energies of any experienced teacher. It does not seem to me advisable to add another year to the course

as long as but one teacher is employed. It would seem better to pay the tuition of the few in your last grade at the Nashua Junior High School. Because of the differentiation which commences in the program of the junior high at Nashua, it makes the work of the last year more complicated than ought to be undertaken in a school of eight grades. With two teachers the situation would be different.

The following is an extract from the General Statistics Report for the school year 1921-22:

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| Number of different pupils registered, | 35 |
| Average membership, | 27.7 |
| Average attendance, | 25 |
| Per cent of attendance, | 90 |
| Number of pupils not absent nor tardy, | 0 |
| Number of visits made by school board members, | 19 |
| Number of visits made by superintendent, | 16 |
| Number of visits made by citizens and others, | 36 |

Your largest membership since last September is 36, and the present number 34. Your per cent of attendance thus far this year is 96, with 9 pupils having a perfect record for the fall term.

To this report I am attaching a report from your school nurse.

With an expression of thanks to the teacher for her hearty cooperation and to the school board for kind consideration, this report is,

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS DeWITT RECORD,

Superintendent of Schools,

Union No. 27.

February 5, 1923.

Vital Stastistics

Births, deaths and marriages, reported in the town of Litchfield for the year ending December 31, 1922.

Marriages

John Goffe and Edna Nancy Stratton, married in Manchester, May 22, 1922; Sylvester A. Reid and Dorothy Barlow, married in Litchfield, September 20, 1922; Garold S. Horne and Helen S. Warley, married in Chelmsford, Mass., November 25, 1922.

Deaths

Jennie H. Quasb, died Jan. 23, 1922.

Amanda Newstead, died Jan. 26, 1922.

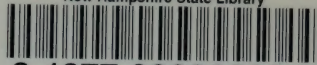
Walter E. McQuesten, died July 16, 1922.

Louis Gagnon, died, Oct. 31, 1922.

I hereby certify that the above is true copy of record of births, deaths, and marriages reported in the Town of Litchfield, for the year ending December 31, 1922.

ISAAC N. CENTER, Town Clerk.

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