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# Town Officers

*Moderator,*  
JOHN W. WARNER.

*Town Clerk,*  
JAMES F. LEAVITT.

*Selectmen,*

FRED L. COTTON,

IRVING W. MARSTON.

GEORGE G. CARTER,

*Treasurer,*  
OTIS S. BROWN.

*Representative to General Court,*  
ALFRED L. MARSTON.

*Highway Agent,*  
LEWIS D. HILL.

*Supervisors of the Check List,*

ORRIN B. LEAVITT,

LEVI W. FOGG.

HIRAM S. HILL,

*Police and Constables,*

ARTHUR A. BROWN,

JESSE E. BILLINGS.

*Board of Health,*  
ALBERT BACHELDER.

*Auditors,*

CLIFFORD S. DRAKE,

EDWARD C. MARSTON.

*Board of Education,*

CLARA N. W. BROWN,

WILFRED J. CHEVALIER,

ALBERT E. LOCKE.

*Library Trustees,*

EDWARD M. SMITH,

WILLARD H. PHILBROOK.

FRED L. DOW,

*Fire Warden,*  
OTIS S. BROWN.

*Fire Chief,*  
CHARLES L. BACHELDER.

*Trustees of Trust Funds,*

ORRIN B. LEAVITT,

EBEN L. DALTON.

OTIS S. BROWN,

# Town Warrant

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[L. s.] THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of North Hampton in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said town, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.

3. To see what action the town will take in regard to accepting State Aid for roads.

4. To choose one delegate to the Constitutional Convention to be holden in Concord, June 5, 1918.

5. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 19th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighteen.

FRED L. COTTON,  
GEORGE G. CARTER,  
IRVING W. MARSTON,

*Selectmen of North Hampton.*

A true copy of warrant—attest:

FRED L. COTTON,  
GEORGE G. CARTER,  
IRVING W. MARSTON,

*Selectmen of North Hampton.*

## Appropriations for 1917

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State and county taxes .....	\$5,000.00
Roads and bridges .....	5,000.00
Officials .....	500.00
Lights .....	1200.00
Library .....	300.00
Miscellaneous .....	500.00
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	\$12,500.00

OTIS S. BROWN,  
ARTHUR E. SEAVEY,  
GEORGE G. CARTER,

*Committee on Appropriations.*



# Selectmen's Report

## INVENTORY

Resident land and buildings . . . . .	\$699,235 .00
Non-resident land and buildings . . . . .	522,955 .00
Polls, 211 . . . . .	422 .00
Horses, 198 . . . . .	25,850 .00
Mules, 1 . . . . .	100 .00
Oxen, 16 . . . . .	1,925 .00
Cows, 556 . . . . .	39,160 .00
Neats, 44 . . . . .	2,595 .00
Sheep, 4 . . . . .	25 .00
Hogs, 152 . . . . .	4,135 .00
Fowls, 3,425 . . . . .	1,025 .00
Vehicles, 39 . . . . .	17,310 .00
Portable mills, 6 . . . . .	2,600 .00
Wood and lumber . . . . .	29,575 .00
Stock in banks and other corporations in this state . . . . .	3,820 .00
Money on hand . . . . .	25,500 .00
Stock in trade . . . . .	14,000 .00
Mills and machinery . . . . .	3,600 .00
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	\$1,393,832 .00
Resident taxes . . . . .	\$11,319 .64
Non-resident taxes . . . . .	7,481 .57
Amount committed to collector . . . . .	19,223 .21
Uncollected, January 31, 1918 . . . . .	122 .99
State, County, Town, School, and Highway taxes, \$1.35 on \$100	
Little Boar's Head Village District rate, \$.15 on \$100 tax.	

## TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON

BALANCE

## ASSETS

Cash in hands of Treasurer .....	\$2,447.61
<i>Accounts due to the Town:</i>	
From State:	
State Aid Construction .....	383.83
State Aid Maintenance .....	218.24
Other bills due Town:	
Spraying, 1916 .....	8.00
Rockingham Light and Power Co. ....	1.00
Taxes not collected: (a) Levy of 1917 .....	122.99
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Total assets .....	\$3,181.67
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Grand total .....	\$3,181.67

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JAN. 31, 1918

## LIABILITIES

<i>State and Town Joint Highway Accounts:</i>	
Unexpended balances in State Treasury . . . . .	\$602.07
Unexpended balances in Town Treasury . . . . .	1,670.55
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Total liabilities . . . . .	\$2,272.62
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus) . . . . .	909.05
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Grand Total . . . . .	\$3,181.67

TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON  
RECEIPTS

RECEIPTS AND

CURRENT REVENUE

*From Local Taxes:*

Amount committed to collector ..	\$19,223.21
Less discounts and abatements...	807.79
Less uncollected .....	122.99
1. Property and poll taxes, current year, actually collected .....	\$18,292.43

*From State:*

Uncollected taxes of previous year	\$147.35
2. Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected .....	147.35
3. State Aid construction .....	297.64
4. Insurance tax .....	60.00
5. Railroad tax .....	148.80
6. Savings bank tax .....	1,304.62
7. Literary fund .....	90.00
8. State aid for education .....	157.00

*From Local Sources Except Taxes:*

9. Dog licenses .....	101.00
10. Rent of town hall .....	34.50
11. Interest received on deposits .....	94.34
12. Income from departments .....	69.00
13. Discount on taxes .....	807.79

Total Current Revenue Receipts .....

*Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:*

14. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year .....	2,500.00
Total Receipts other than Current Revenue	\$2,500.00

Total Receipts from All Sources .....

Cash on hand at beginning of year .....

Grand total .....

PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1918  
 PAYMENTS

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

*General Government:*

1. Town officers salaries . . . . .	\$515.00
2. Town officers expenses . . . . .	60.85
3. Election and registration expenses . . . . .	44.00
4. Expenses town hall and buildings . . . . .	193.98

*Protection of Persons and Property:*

5. Police department, including care of tramps . . . . .	69.00
6. Fire department, including forest fires . . . . .	181.03

*Health:*

7. Vital statistics . . . . .	2.00
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*Highways and Bridges:*

8. State Aid maintenance . . . . .	1,856.03
9. Town maintenance . . . . .	1,663.50
10. Street lighting and sprinkling . . . . .	1,094.04
11. General expenses of highway department, including watering troughs . . . . .	1,394.01

*Education:*

12. Libraries . . . . .	389.84
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*Patriotic Purposes:*

13. Aid to G. A. R. and Memorial Day exercises . . . . .	25.00
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*Recreation:*

14. Parks and playgrounds, including band con- certs . . . . .	64.90
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*Public Service Enterprises:*

15. Cemeteries, including hearse hire . . . . .	2.50
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*Unclassified:*

16. Discount on taxes . . . . .	807.79
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses . . . . . \$8,363.47

*Interest:*

17. Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes . . . . .	\$31.88
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*Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:*

18. Highways and bridges, State Aid construction . . . . .	1,578.31
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*Indebtedness:*

19. Payments on temporary loans in anticipa- tion of taxes . . . . .	2,500.00
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*Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:*

20. Taxes paid to State . . . . .	2,516.00
21. Taxes paid to County . . . . .	2,625.22
22. Payments to School Districts . . . . .	4,345.50

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Total Payments to Other Governmental  
 Divisions . . . . . \$9,486.72

Total Payments for All Purposes . . . . . \$21,960.38

Cash on hand at end of year . . . . . 2,447.61

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Grand total . . . . . \$24,407.99

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, lands and buildings . . . . .	\$3,000.00
Town Hall, furniture and equipment . . . . .	200.00
Libraries, lands and buildings . . . . .	5,000.00
Library, furniture and equipment . . . . .	1,000.00
Police department, equipment . . . . .	15.00
Fire Department, equipment . . . . .	1500.00
Highway Department, equipment . . . . .	2,000.00
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Total . . . . .	\$12,715.00

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## Treasurer's Report

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*Dr.*

Cash on hand from last year . . . . .	\$303.52
Amount received, town notes . . . . .	2,500.00
George L. Seavey, Col- lector of taxes . . . . .	19,247.57
rent of Town Hall . . . . .	34.50
lost check of 1916 . . . . .	21.00
sale of old pamphlets . . . . .	20.00
state highway depart- ment . . . . .	297.64
Garden Club . . . . .	10.00
dog licenses . . . . .	101.00
hearse rental . . . . .	12.00
spraying . . . . .	6.00
insurance tax . . . . .	60.00
railroad tax . . . . .	148.80
savings bank tax . . . . .	1,304.62
literary fund . . . . .	90.00
proportion school fund . . . . .	157.00
interest on deposit . . . . .	94.34
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\$24,407.99

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Amount paid, state tax . . . . .	\$2,516.00
county tax . . . . .	2,625.22
town notes . . . . .	2,500.00
Selectmen's orders . . . . .	14,319.16
Cash on hand . . . . .	2,447.61
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	\$24,407.99

North Hampton, N. H., February 13, 1918.

OTIS S. BROWN, *Treasurer.*

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### AUDITORS' REPORT

NORTH HAMPTON, N. H., February 16, 1918.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and the Treasurer and certify them to be correctly cast and properly vouched.

EDWARD C. MARSTON,  
ARTHUR E. SEAVEY,

*Auditors.*

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## Payments

### TOWN OFFICERS AND EXPENSES

Fred L. Cotton, Selectman, salary . . . . .	\$150.00
George G. Carter, Selectman, salary . . . . .	75.00
George G. Carter, expenses . . . . .	16.10
Irving W. Marston, Selectman, salary . . . . .	75.00
Otis S. Brown, Treasurer, salary . . . . .	40.00
James F. Leavitt, Clerk, salary . . . . .	25.00
James F. Leavitt, Clerk, expenses . . . . .	5.20

George L. Seavey, Collector, salary . . . . .	\$150.00
George L. Seavey, Collector, expenses . . . . .	11.00
E. C. Eastman, Collector's book . . . . .	3.05
J. H. Hobbs, Insurance Agency, bonds . . . . .	11.50
A. E. Locke, bonds . . . . .	12.00
Roy E. Fogg, team hire . . . . .	2.00

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\$575.85

### ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Emmons T. Brown, Supervisor . . . . .	\$32.00
Frank A. Marston, Inspector . . . . .	3.00
W. H. Philbrook, Inspector . . . . .	3.00
George L. Seavey, Inspector . . . . .	6.00

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\$44.00

### POLICE

Arthur A. Brown, services . . . . .	\$35.00
Jesse E. Billings, services . . . . .	34.00

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\$69.00

### TOWN HALL

Lighting . . . . .	\$29.90
G. T. Whitten, repairs . . . . .	1.00
Margeson, curtains . . . . .	12.00
W. F. Simpson, painting . . . . .	43.55
W. H. Clark, repairs . . . . .	3.50
S. A. Dow, paint, stock . . . . .	46.28
D. J. Lamprey, wood . . . . .	10.50
J. W. Barton, wood . . . . .	20.00
Grace A. Lamprey, wood . . . . .	9.00
D. W. Knowles, sawing . . . . .	3.25
E. J. Smith, sawing . . . . .	1.50
W. B. Moulton, repairs . . . . .	10.50
F. A. Marston, repairs . . . . .	3.00

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\$193.98



## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Leon M. Knowles, watching fire . . . . .	\$2.50
G. E. Moulton, watching fire . . . . .	2.50
G. G. Carter, men at fire on land of M. H. Locke . . . . .	16.60
S. A. Dow, soda . . . . .	5.81
F. A. Marston, repairs . . . . .	2.25
C. L. Bachelder, storage of truck . . . . .	60.00
C. L. Bachelder, repairs and supplies . . . . .	91.37

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\$181.03

## MISCELLANEOUS

John Templeton, printing . . . . .	\$77.00
Arthur W. Dudley, running town line . . . . .	13.00
Hislop Livery and Sales Stables, hearse . . . . .	30.00
Times Publishing Co., printing notices . . . . .	1.50
E. Card, labor at Trunk . . . . .	7.80
R. P. Marston, water trough . . . . .	3.00
R. P. Marston, labor at South Cemetery . . . . .	2.50
O. B. Fogg, water trough, 2 years . . . . .	6.00
George E. Frost, water trough, 2 years . . . . .	6.00
E. D. Moulton, setting town boundary . . . . .	3.50
Dr. A. M. Fernald, filing statistics . . . . .	2.00
J. G. Mace, Memorial Day . . . . .	25.00
Irving W. Brown, labor at Center . . . . .	64.90
Discount on taxes . . . . .	807.79
G. A. Bachelder, abatement . . . . .	13.50
E. J. Smith . . . . .	2.50

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\$1,065.99

## TOWN ROADS

L. D. Hill . . . . .	\$255.50
A. Atkinson . . . . .	74.40
C. F. Smith . . . . .	36.40
A. J. Norton . . . . .	53.65

J. W. Philbrick . . . . .	\$30.00
F. L. Cotton . . . . .	3.00
R. L. Mitchell . . . . .	128.70
W. Moulton . . . . .	1.20
G. E. Moulton . . . . .	3.60
John Lynch . . . . .	55.60
E. J. Smith . . . . .	74.20
F. S. Lovett . . . . .	11.10
J. F. Hobbs, Jr. . . . .	2.40
W. Betton . . . . .	66.65
J. Hammond . . . . .	68.40
C. L. Fogg . . . . .	2.40
W. E. Taylor . . . . .	93.00
A. Spear . . . . .	29.10
W. F. Simpson . . . . .	1.80
E. A. Page . . . . .	23.10
E. H. Evans . . . . .	2.40
F. C. Leavitt . . . . .	103.40
C. C. Tuttle . . . . .	42.30
P. H. Marston . . . . .	5.00
G. O. Moulton . . . . .	5.00
E. L. Dalton . . . . .	67.60
G. L. Garland . . . . .	31.50
F. O. Brown . . . . .	16.25
G. E. Frost . . . . .	2.10
W. Drysdale . . . . .	8.65
S. Marston . . . . .	4.00
L. W. Knowles . . . . .	4.40
L. M. Knowles . . . . .	2.75
C. Marston . . . . .	6.25
J. O'Shea . . . . .	4.00
John Dustin . . . . .	1.00
G. Harris . . . . .	1.13
R. O. Hobbs . . . . .	6.00
F. H. Leavitt . . . . .	.25
W. J. Chevalier . . . . .	.25
H. Grant . . . . .	.88

A. Campbell	\$ .88
F. A. Taylor	2.00
E. Philbrick	2.00
E. L. White	1.00
G. Whenal	1.50
H. L. Norton	33.60
D. J. Lamprey	22.40
A. Block	16.80
C. C. Hendry	9.10
M. Knowles	11.10
A. C. Dow	1.20
J. E. Drake	14.50
G. Purington	7.20
L. B. Paquin	10.80
G. D. Batchelder	2.10
Material and supplies	198.01

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\$1,663.50

#### STATE AID MAINTENANCE

L. D. Hill, Agent	\$360.70
R. L. Mitchell	136.70
C. F. Smith	121.90
F. C. Leavitt	62.30
W. E. Taylor	268.60
E. J. Smith	43.40
John Lynch	62.10
C. C. Hendry	36.40
A. Atkinson	51.60
J. E. Drake	26.00
J. W. Philbrick	11.40
M. D. Knowles	55.50
E. L. Dalton	49.50
J. Hammond	51.00
W. Betton	68.70
C. C. Tuttle	111.10
W. F. Simpson	6.00

G. L. Garland	\$53.20
E. A. Page	3.60
W. Drysdale	1.80
F. Dame	9.60
G. Purington	30.00
A. C. Dow	5.10
H. Longland	12.00
A. J. Norton	16.80
H. L. Norton	9.60
Allen Odell, 10 bags of fertilizer	20.00
I. W. Brown, labor at Little Boar's Head	146.99
W. B. Moulton, material	5.39
O. J. Moulton, gravel	19.05
Total	<u>\$1,856.03</u>

## STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

L. D. Hill	\$236.70
F. S. Lovett	82.60
E. J. Smith	120.40
F. C. Leavitt	114.80
H. L. Norton	56.00
R. L. Mitchell	68.10
J. Lynch	56.10
A. Atkinson	53.40
C. L. Fogg	68.10
J. Hammond	60.30
W. Betton	54.00
R. Hayden	34.20
J. F. Hobbs, Jr.	10.50
J. E. Drake	60.00
C. C. Dalton	94.50
W. Betton, Jr.	42.90
C. F. Smith	33.30
Walter Drysdale	39.90
A. J. Norton	56.00

A. Spear . . . . .	\$57.40
C. C. Hendry . . . . .	57.40
G. Purington . . . . .	19.20
J. A. Janvrin, lumber . . . . .	82.15
L. D. Hills, nails . . . . .	.36
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Total . . . . .	\$1,578.31

## Trust Funds

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### REPORT OF TREASURER OF TRUST FUNDS

TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON	
1894, Donor, John W. F. Hobbs and Town:	
Centre Cemetery trust fund, general care of cemetery, invested in Strafford Savings Bank, Dover, 3 ½%	\$1,000.00
Centre Cemetery trust fund, general care of cemetery, invested in Portsmouth Trust & Guarantee Co., 3½%	1,000.00
1913, Donor, Jonathan French, perpetual care of lot; invested in Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, 4%	100.00
1913, Donor, William F. Preckle, perpetual care of lot; invested in New Hampshire Savings Bank, Concord, 4%	100.00
1915, Donor, John E. Leavitt, perpetual care of lot; invested in New Hampshire Savings Bank, Concord, 4%	125.00
1916, Donor, George H. Lamprey, perpetual care of lot; invested in Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, 4%	300.00

1917, Donor, S. Oliver Lamprey, perpetual care of lot; invested in Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, 4% . . .	\$100.00
1911, Donor, Individuals and Town, general care of East Cemetery; invested in Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, 4% . . . . .	1,000.00
General care of East Cemetery; invested in New Hampshire Savings Bank, Concord, 4% . . . . .	800.00
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Total amount of Cemetery Trust Funds, January 31, 1918 . . . . .	\$4,525.00

## CENTRE CEMETERY

*Receipts*

Cash on hand from last year . . . . .	\$42.67
Received interest on deposit in Portsmouth Trust & Guarantee Co. . . . .	35.30
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	\$77.97

*Expenditures*

Paid Orrin B. Leavitt, Superintendent, Centre Cemetery . . . . .	\$31.40
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Cash on hand . . . . .	\$46.57

## JONATHAN FRENCH FUND

Cash on hand from last year . . . . .	\$5.24
Paid for care of lot . . . . .	1.00
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Cash on hand . . . . .	\$4.24

## WILLIAM F. PRECKLE FUND

Cash on hand from last year . . . . .	\$1.58
Received interest on fund . . . . .	8.16
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	\$9.74
Paid for care of lot . . . . .	2.95
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Cash on hand . . . . .	\$6.79

## JOHN E. LEAVITT FUND

Cash on hand from last year . . . . .	\$2.08	
Paid for care of lot . . . . .	1.50	
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Cash on hand . . . . .		\$0.58

## GEORGE H. LAMPREY FUND

Received interest on fund . . . . .	\$12.00	
Paid for care of lot . . . . .	7.50	
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Cash on hand . . . . .		\$4.50

## S. OLIVER LAMPREY FUND

Received interest to July 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$1.67	
Paid for care of lot . . . . .	3.50	
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Due for care of lot . . . . .		\$1.83

## EAST CEMETERY

*Receipts*

Cash on hand from last year . . . . .	\$98.62	
Received . . . . .	1.00	
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		\$99.62

*Expenditures*

Paid Alvin C. Brown, Superintendent of East Cemetery . . . . .		\$50.25
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Cash on hand . . . . .		\$49.37
Cash on hand, Centre Cemetery fund . . . . .	\$46.57	
Jonathan French fund . . . . .	4.24	
William F. Preckle fund . . . . .	6.79	
John E. Leavitt fund . . . . .	.58	

Cash on hand, George H. Lamprey fund . . . .	\$4.50	
East Cemetery fund . . . . .	49.37	
		\$112.05
Due on S. Oliver Lamprey fund in 1918 . . . . .	1.83	
		\$110.22
Total cash on hand in the New Hampshire National Bank . . . . .		

North Hampton, N. H., January 31, 1918.

OTIS S. BROWN, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned, having examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Cemetery Trust Funds, certify them correct with proper vouchers.

EDWARD C. MARSTON,  
ARTHUR E. SEAVEY,

*Auditors.*

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## Report of Library Trustees

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Since the publication of last year's report we have purchased 88 new books and two have been presented, making a total addition of 90 volumes, of which 47 are fiction. The number of volumes in the Library is now about 2,350, of which about 1,300 are fiction.

We have continued our subscriptions to the same magazines as last year, viz.: *Century*, *Harper's*, *Scribner's* and *St. Nicholas*.

We have for some time needed a proper and convenient place for the display of new books, and with this end in view a sectional bookcase has been installed near the Librarian's desk, as will appear in the statement of our expenses. In



addition to our card catalog where all books are double indexed, we publish from time to time in the *Exeter News-Letter* lists of recent accessions to the Library.

On account of the high cost and scarcity of fuel the Trustees have discontinued the Wednesday opening until warmer weather. The Library continues to be open as usual on Saturdays, from 2 to 8 P. M.

Some additional grading should be done in front of our Library Building, and as this would properly be considered as a permanent addition and betterment we have not included it in our estimate of current running expenses.

The Trustees will gladly receive any suggestions looking toward improvements in Library service.

#### LIBRARY EXPENSES

Librarian's salary . . . . .	\$80.00
New books . . . . .	93.99
Magazines . . . . .	16.50
Bookcase . . . . .	19.25
Fuel . . . . .	48.00
Lighting . . . . .	13.60
Painting and labor . . . . .	95.04
Cleaning . . . . .	9.36
Miscellaneous . . . . .	18.17
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	\$393.91
Received from book fines . . . . .	4.07
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	\$389.84

We estimate the ordinary running expenses for the coming year as follows:

Salary of Librarian . . . . .	\$80.00
Fuel and lighting . . . . .	65.00
New books . . . . .	125.00
Magazines and periodicals . . . . .	15.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	15.00
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	\$300.00

We, therefore, recommend that the above sum of \$300.00 be raised for the running expenses of the Library.

EDWARD M. SMITH,  
FRED L. DOW,

*Trustees of Library.*

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## Little Boar's Head Village District Account

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### *Receipts*

1917		
Feb. 20,	Cash on hand . . . . .	\$108.66
Sept. 5,	Received from George L. Seavey, collector . . . . .	85.03
	Received from John B. Keyes, con- tribution for cable . . . . .	71.05
1918		
Jan. 24,	Received of George L. Seavey, Collector . . . . .	525.72
Feb. 4,	Received of George L. Seavey, Collector . . . . .	58.87
18,	Received of Albert Bachelder, borrowed money . . . . .	220.00
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		\$1,069.33

### *Expenditures*

1917		
July 1,	Paid Rockingham Light and Pow- er Co., for cable . . . . .	\$145.95
	11, Paid Rockingham Light and Pow- er Co. . . . .	100.00
June 30,	Paid Hampton Water Co., for hydrant service . . . . .	175.00

Oct. 21, Paid Rockingham Light and Power Co. ....	\$71.12
Dec. 22, Paid Irving W. Brown, on account	200.00
30, Paid Hampton Water Co., for hydrant service .....	175.00
1918	
Feb. 18, Paid Irving W. Brown, balance on bill for walk .....	96.12
19, Paid James L. Bachelder, for men and teams for sand, gravel and foundation for walk .....	67.89
Paid Albert Bachelder, repairs on walk and care of dump .....	31.20
20, To balance account .....	7.05
	\$1,069.33

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Due for uncollected taxes for 1917 .....	\$236.55
Due from state .....	31.01
Appropriation for 1917 .....	800.00

JAMES L. BACHELDER, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouchied.

GEORGE A. BOYNTON, *Auditor.*

ALBERT BACHELDER,  
EMMONS O. BROWN,  
D. A. EVANS,

*Commissioners of Little Boar's Head Village District.*

# School Report

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*To the Citizens of North Hampton:*

Another year has passed, and the time has arrived to submit our annual report. In our school work the past year we have probably made some mistakes, but there are some things wherein the results are very satisfactory.

The room at the East school was remodeled; windows on the south side were closed up, and more put in on the north side. This gives extra good light on the left side of desk, and the pupils' eyes are not blinded by bright rays from the sun. The heating arrangement has been changed by enclosing the stove with a galvanized steel covering; the result is now an even heat in all parts of the room. The matter of ventilation has been given attention, this being one of the most important things to consider. The East School Building is now in a very satisfactory condition, and is approved by State Board of Instruction.

The building at the Center is not satisfactory in many ways. Competent men have been called on for advice, but no one has been found who could give a satisfactory and practical plan of making changes that would meet the approval of the State Board.

Probably it will not be many years before the state authorities will demand a Central Building. For this reason the School Board has not deemed it wise to make any extended and expensive changes.

The legislature of 1915 recognized that there were many unsuitable school buildings in the state. A bill was passed empowering the State Board of Health to make changes when necessary. The Department of Public Instruction is working with the State Board of Health, and has secured improvements in a large number of buildings. The department in carrying on this campaign for better school buildings advise that School Boards should ascertain the needs of their school,

and secure appropriations to make needed changes and repairs. It is recommended that the appropriations must be sufficient to provide for decent school conditions in all school buildings. In addition, they recommend that the district should designate one building each year for complete renovation. It is better to make one building complete each year than to make a few minor repairs and never have one in the condition it should be.

Some of the requirements of the State are:

Sufficient light from curtained windows from the left, or left and rear only.

Sufficient heat and ventilation.

Floors of hard wood.

Adjustable chairs and desks, or those of varied sizes.

Slate or composition boards.

Provision for manual training and domestic science.

Decent toilets with lattice connections to the school rooms.

Separate cloak rooms.

Individual water supply.

Suitable flag and appurtenances.

We feel that the town was extremely fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Carl Cotton as our Superintendent. Under his supervision great progress has been made. He has a most excellent system in his work, and now, as the schools are better organized than ever before, under his direction the best of results may be expected the coming year.

We have been fortunate in our teachers the past year. Miss Doris Lee McNeal has charge of the Center Grammar, where she has done most excellent work.

Miss Lila Moulton has been very successful in the Center Primary. She has been handicapped to some extent by the crowded condition of the school; her work has been highly commended.

The East School is in charge of Miss Anne Lord. She is one of our successful teachers; a visit to the school would convince any one of her ability far better than anything we can say in this report.

Since our last report was issued, our Supervisor of Music and Drawing, Mr. Carl L. Akeley, passed away. We felt the loss keenly. Mr. Akeley had been our instructor for many years, and the work he did in our schools, the impressions he stamped on our pupils in music and drawing, also their character and temperament, can never be removed. It is cast too deep to be obliterated. Mr. Akeley was a man of rare ability, a beautiful character, and his love for children to see them improve and develop was his greatest pleasure.

We were fortunate in securing as Mr. Akeley's successor Miss Helen Johnson, of Newburyport. She came highly recommended, and is doing excellent work in her line.

An amendment to the School Laws was passed at the last session of the General Court, and signed by the Governor April 4, 1917, making the fiscal year of the town and special school districts beginning February 16, 1917, end August 31, 1918; and thereafter the fiscal year and the scholastic year shall end August 31, annually. Appropriations this year will have to be made to maintain the schools until August 31, 1919.

One more important matter that we wish to call your attention to, is the water at the Center school. Drinking water is now obtained from some nearby residence, or any place where we can beg it, and sometimes it has to be carried a long distance. We should supply the school with good pure water, and plenty of it.

The town went to an expense of several hundred dollars for a drilled artesian well. This well proved to be a failure, plenty of water, but white with clay, and cannot be used for any purpose. Well men claim that the well can be put in good condition and guaranteed good water for less than two hundred dollars. We believe it would be a good plan to have a competent committee chosen with power to put this well in proper condition.

The School Board would make an urgent appeal to every voter, and to every one having children in the schools, to make an effort to attend the School Meeting.

It is your duty to assist in the management by electing the

proper persons to serve your town, and vote the proper funds and improvements.

We are using quite a lot of money to run our schools. The out of town tuition at high schools will be more than five hundred dollars the coming year, and will be more in years to come, as rates go higher each year.

Our tax rate for school purposes is one of the lowest in the State. We can afford to do it, and we will make no mistake to make liberal appropriations for our schools, and make them not simply passable, but make them the best that money and experience can procure.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA N. WENTWORTH BROWN,  
WILFRED J. CHEVALIER,  
ALBERT E. LOCKE.

*School Board.*

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## Report of Superintendent

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*To the North Hampton School Board:*

I take pleasure in submitting to you my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

During the short period I have been Superintendent I have been moved by two purposes in my supervisory work. My first impulse has been to improve the character of the teaching now in force and second to organize the schools upon a basis adequate to the needs of the locality. These two topics will be treated in detail in the following report.

*District Supervision.*—North Hampton has been fortunate in having been admitted to a supervisory district, which already had passed through the constructive stages of supervision to a well organized and equipped district. North

Hampton is in this way benefiting from many of the details which were an accumulation of a number of years and a number of men who were expert in supervision. Some of these details have already been absorbed by your schools such as a system of admission, discharge and promotion in accounting for school children, a perpetual inventory of supplies, a system of monthly reporting of the subject matter taught and the attendance, together with the returns from the same, a uniform course of study and the teaching aids incidental to it, bulletins directing the teachers relative to their methods and duties, monthly letters to the teachers concerning professional matters and the general welfare of the schools, and circulars to the School Board on those matters which are salient for a business-like administration of the schools.

Frequent tests have been given the subject matter of the schools so as to obtain a quick judgment on the merits of the general work, to test the efficiency of the pupils, individually and collectively, and the teachers, thus securing an adequate basis for supervision. These tests, also, demonstrate to the teacher the varying capacities of the pupils. They enable her to locate the children who need individual attention and to grade the children properly. In classes which are not too large much individual attention may be given each child, so that the pupil of average ability does not receive all of the teacher's time, but so that a proper portion of her time may be devoted to the brighter pupils and to those who are not so rapid in ability.

Teachers' meetings have been held from time to time for the purpose of emphasizing important movements in education, instructing the force in regard to the best methods and details of instruction and creating initiative and professional spirit on the part of the teaching force.

*East School.*—This school has been put in first class condition with proper heating, ventilating and lighting conditions according to the suggestions of former State Superintendent Morrison. The improvements have made the west side of the building into a modern school-room.



*Reorganization.*—In order to have our schools organized on a proper basis with an opportunity for the boys and girls to branch out in their school work so as to cope with real situations as they arise in life, both the buildings and equipment at the Center School need to be modified or entirely changed.

Cultural opportunities are equally well afforded by instruction in domestic science and the industries as by instruction in mathematics and the languages. There is no intention to neglect the instruction in the latter subjects when they are found valuable and when stripped of their formalities. A solution of the problems involved in human life is rightly said to be of more importance than the creation of a high intellectual state for its own sake. Practical subjects develop the individual and social welfare of the boys and girls the same as Latin or mathematics. High ideals and ambitions are stimulated by these subjects, and, when properly taught, afford the same possibilities for intellectual growth.

Our aim in reorganizing upon such a basis is not to perfect skill in the trades or occupations, but to make the boys and girls acquainted with the underlying factors common to life. The school should prepare the child to select a life work more intelligently and enter an occupation somewhat informed relative to the fundamentals involved rather than ignorant of simple practical matters or ill-adapted to attempt to perform them.

A re-organization based upon work of this character for the eighth and ninth grades would include the teaching of concrete geometry, algebra, French or Latin, general science, American history, cooking and sewing for the girls and manual training for the boys. The changes of the last two years in our schools, particularly our participation in the war and the organization of courses in agriculture under the Smith-Hughes subsidy, are tending to make this course outlined of particular importance. This course might be continued further into the ninth and tenth grades, adapting the course of study as suggested.

*Buildings.*—In order to secure the proper facilities for carrying out a programme of this type a more adequate provision for school housing must be made at the Center School. The lighting arrangements here are so improper that it is impossible for the children to see the blackboard when the curtains on the north side of the room are raised. When the curtains are down on that side of the building there is an insufficient amount of light for the pupils seated in that part of the room. Our former State Superintendent found that it is practically impossible to continue school work in these rooms as they are located at present.

While it would be possible to cut up the first floor of the hall in such a manner as to make good class-rooms, such a course of procedure is in the nature of an experiment which might or might not work out well. Such a provision would probably not be a satisfactory arrangement in many respects. The town does not own the property and there are many reasons why the schools should be maintained separately from a public hall. With a tax rate for school purposes of between three and four dollars per thousand of assessed valuation, the lowest in the state, North Hampton should be able at a slight increase in the school tax to maintain the best equipped school system in the state by distributing the burden for new building and equipment over a series of years.

An adequate school system always fully compensates a town by making property more saleable and increasing the population of the town. Good schools generally increase the population of a town to such an extent that they really do not increase the tax rate. They are paid for by a relative increase in property holding.

*A Business Administration.*—From a six months study of the problems which the board will have to meet, I would suggest the advisability of having the Superintendent meet bi-monthly with the School Board. It should be a governing principle in administering school affairs to have them conducted in a thoroughly businesslike manner. At the Board Meetings the Superintendent should report to the Board the condition of

the schools and make recommendations for improvements and changes in policies. Such proposals should have a hearing in much the same manner that the directors of a corporation would listen to the report of their manager. The Board should act in a judicial capacity on the merits of the various proposals made, adopting or rejecting them, but should leave the details and general management in the hands of the Superintendent. In doing so the board will follow sound business principle, a principle which carries with it the advancement of the schools. Methodical work means progress for the schools.

I have no other suggestions to make other than those that I may well take up with you. I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation for them any courtesies extended to me by the Board and your hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL COTTON.

Portsmouth, N. H., February 8, 1918.

NEWBURYPORT, MASS.

*Mr. Carl Cotton, Superintendent of Schools, North Hampton, N. H.*

DEAR SIR:—I have the pleasure of submitting my first report of the music in North Hampton.

It is the aim of the instructor not to make musicians of the children, but to develop an appreciation of good music and a degree of facility in sight-reading. Music has been taught to the young children through a large number of rote songs without the presentation of any musical technique.

At the beginning of the year the new normal music books were introduced in the schools.

The results obtained from the different grades have, of course, varied according to the ability and enthusiasm of the children.

In closing, the instructor wishes to thank the Superinten-

dent, school board, and teachers for the help and co-operation which they have so kindly given.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN C. JOHNSON,

*Supervisor of Music.*

February 1, 1918.

School and Teacher	Pupils Registered		Av. Daily Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Per cent. Attendance
	Boys	Girls			
<i>Grammar</i>					
Miss Doris McNeil . . . . .	28	12	31.01	13	93.41
<i>Primary</i>					
Miss Lila Moulton . . . . .	18	21	28.9	39	87.33
<i>East</i>					
Miss Annie Lord . . . . .	14	16	23.9	37	87.

*Music Supervisor, Helen C. Johnson.*

Visits by School Board, 62; visits by citizens and others, 345.

#### ENROLLMENT BY GRADES, FALL, 1917

School Grade	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
Grammar . . . . .	..	..	..	..	9	13	10	7	39
Primary . . . . .	7	8	8	7	..	..	..	..	30
East . . . . .	2	6	5	2	2	2	..	..	19
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9	14	13	9	11	15	10	7	88

#### PROMOTION AND RETARDATION, 1917

Grades . . . . .	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
No. promoted	10	11	8	11	11	8	7	7	73
No. not promoted . . . . .	6	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	19
Per cent promoted . . . . .									79

This figure, i.e., seventy-nine per cent. of the whole number of pupils in school at the end of the year 1917, is by far too small. Such a loss of pupils is far too great. It may mean several defects or one of several. At any rate the loss from non-promotion ought not to be over five per cent. The average per cent. promotion in this state is ninety-two, making a loss of but eight per cent. Our schools should easily sustain this average and there is no reason why ninety-five per cent. of the children should not be promoted, provided the teaching is efficient.

### ROLL OF HONOR, 1916-1917

#### *Neither Absent nor Tardy for One Year*

Wilfred A. Cromie.  
Earl Ferguson.  
Perley Rollins.

#### *Two Terms*

Herbert Brown.	Stanley Carter.
Margaret Brown.	Melvin Chevalier.
Eula Parshley.	Norman Leavitt.
Walter Mackensie.	Dorothy Block.
Ruth Carter.	Evan D. Brown.
Walter Drysdale.	

#### *One Term*

George Whenal.	Winthrop Marston.
Mildred Tourtillott.	Paul Smith.
Constance Block.	Louisa Rumford.
Fred Dalton.	Ruth Rumford.
Jennie Drysdale.	John Moulton.
Jessie Drysdale.	Doris Robinson.
Raymond Chevalier.	Beatrice Kendall.
Clarence Marston.	Harold Powers.

## STUDENTS AT HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

Marion Berry.	Louise Rumford.
Dorothy Drake.	Evan Brown.
Hazel Drew.	Wellington Moulton.
Pauline Garland.	Earl Ferguson.
Muriel Hill.	Osgood Garland.
Emma Moulton.	Richard Goss.
Wilma Philbrick.	Harold Powers.
Marion Philbrick.	

## STUDENTS AT NEWBURYPORT HIGH SCHOOL

Dawn Seavey.  
Doris Norton.

## STUDENTS AT ROBINSON SEMINARY

Florence Davis.

## STUDENTS AT PHILLIPS EXETER ACADEMY

Lendo Marston.  
Philip Marston.

## STUDENTS AT EXETER HIGH SCHOOL

Charles M. Chevalier.  
Winthrop S. Marston.

We submit to the Selectmen according to Public Statute 88-2, the following amounts which must be assessed by them according to the statute:

For support of schools (amount required by law) . . .	\$2,220.00
Text books and supplies . . . . .	200.00
Flags and appurtenances . . . . .	20.00
High school tuition . . . . .	500.00

**BIRTHS Registered in the Town of North Hampton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1917.**

DATE—1917	PLACE OF BIRTH	SEX	NO. OF CHILD	COLOR	CHILD'S NAME	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
May 21	Portsmouth	M	1	W	David Kaharl	Maurice R. Wright	Alice Kaharl.
May 28	North Hampton	"	3	"	John Henry	John R. Washburn	Ruth Briggs.
June 11	Exeter	"	3	"	Brandon Kenneth	Leon M. Knowles	Marion Drake.
August 29	Portsmouth	F	2	"	Beatrice Sarah	William J. Maley	Sarah A. MacNeil.
December 25	North Hampton	"	2	"	Eleanor Carroll	Roger S. Lovett	Lydia M. Davis.

**MARRIAGES Registered in the Town of North Hampton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1917.**

DATE—1917	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	AGE
April 5	Bradford, Me.	Clarence L. Fogg Phoebe G. Storer	North Hampton Bradford, Me.	30 27
May 19	North Hampton	W. Francis Doliber Bessie A. May	West Lebanon, Me. North Hampton	22 20
September 23	Hampton Beach	Roger J. Moore Mary A. Joyce	North Hampton North Hampton	26 23
October 21	Hampton	Walter E. Taylor Alpharena M. Gratton	North Hampton North Reading, Mass.	34 29
October 29	Hampton	Martin J. Corliss Annie M. Dalton	North Hampton North Hampton	33 20
December 20	North Hampton	Leslie L. Lovett Louise K. Lane	North Hampton North Hampton	24 28
December 25	Waterboro, Me.	Thomas F. Moulton Frances M. Smith	North Hampton Waterboro, Me.	17 18



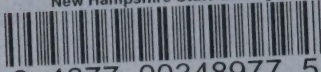
DEATHS Registered in the Town of North Hampton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1917.

DATE—1917	NAME	AGE			NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days		
January 5	Ellen F. Carter	75	1	29	Simon Fogg	Lavina Marston.
January 29	Rufina Parsley	76	11	17	Ebenezer Smith	Mary Smith.
April 23	Albert H. Warner	72	5		Samuel S. Warner	Ann E. Haven.
May 8	Abbie M. Fogg	37	8	15	Cyrus Fogg	Emma Locke.
May 11	Horace W. Carter	81		23	Enoch Carter	Mary Carter.
June 19	Horace Leavitt	79	7		Thomas C. Leavitt	Mary Hobbs.
August 6	Frederick H. Grant	57	8	10	Nathaniel Grant	Sarah Hussey.
September 9	Robert A. Craig	48	9	21	James Craig	Adelaide Blake.
September 21	Mary L. Gilman	56	10	27	Joseph T. Gilman	Mary E. Gray.
November 8	Minnie W. Drake.	50	9	3	Freeman Drake	Mary Hobbs.





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