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## ANNUAL REPORTS

- OF THE -

# OFFICERS

- OF THE -

## Town of Bethel

- FOR THE -

## YEAR ENDING FEB. 1

1921

The Citizen Print Shop, Bethel, Maine



### **TOWN OFFICERS**

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, FRANK A. BROWN, WADE H. THURSTON, FRED B. HOWE. CLERK, WESLEY WHEELER. TREASURER, HENRY H. HASTINGS. COLLECTOR OF TAXES, FRED B. HALL. ROAD COMMISSIONER, FRANK A. BROWN. SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE, W. W. KILGORE, MAUD THURSTON, H. H. HASTINGS. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, F. E. RUSSELL. HEALTH OFFICER,

## DR. R. R. TIBBETTS. AUDITOR, C. K. FOX. CONSTABLES, C. L. DAVIS, GUY BARTLETT, G. D. MORRILL, W. C. GAREY, L. A. HALL. SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, A. VAN DEN KERCKHOVEN. SURVEYORS OF WOOD, LOGS AND LUMBER, FRED L. EDWARDS, J. H. SWAN, PAUL THURSTON, H. F. THURSTON, HOWARD MAXIM, F. J. TYLER, W. J. DOUGLAS, HUGH THURSTON, E. B. MASON. SEXTONS, H. F. MAXIM, JOHN ANDERSON, I. W. BEAN, H. N. HEAD, HOWARD HUTCHINS, L. A. YORK. FENCE VIEWERS, T. B. GOODWIN, A. L. GROVER, J. H. SWAN. TRUANT OFFICER, FRANK FLINT.



## ANNUAL REPORT, 1920

To the Citizens of the Town of Bethel:

The annual report of your town officers is hereby respectfully submitted.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Valuation of property and number of polls as taken on April 1, 1920.

Valuation of real estate, resident own-\$781,375 ers, Valuation of real estate, non-resident 110,550owners,

Total value of real estate, Valuation of personal estate, resident owners, \$335,315 Value of personal estate, non-resident 42,450 owners,

\$377,765

Grand total value of property,

Rate of taxation, .0315 on the dollar. Poll tax rate, \$2.00. Number of polls taxed, 504. Number of polls not taxed, 61. Percentage paid Collector, .01 on the dollar. \$891,925

\$1,269,690



## **ASSESSMENTS FOR YEAR 1920.**

For State tax,	\$8,160	30
County tax,	2,305	92
Payment on bridge note,	500	00.
Payment on heating plant,	500	00
Support of common schools,	6,000	00
Support of secondary schools,	2,300	00
Text-books,	800	00
School supplies,	600	00
Repairs on schoolhouses,	350	00
Roads and bridges,	8,000	00
Winter roads, 1919-20,	3,000	00
State aid road,	666	
Maintenance and patrol,	850	00
Support of poor and overex-	· ·	
penditure,	1,400	00
Town officers' hills	2 500	

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Town officers' bills, 2,500 00Town debt and interest, 633 15 Memorial Day observance, 50 00 Collector's bond, 12 50Soldiers' welcome, 1919,  $100 \ 00$ Overdraft on heating plant, 349 20 Repairs at brick school, 341 75 Public Library, 300 00 Repair sidewalk on Church street, 500 00 Overlay in assessing, 784 41

\$41,003 23

## EXTRACT FROM ASSESSORS' REPORT TO BOARD OF STATE ASSESSORS FOR YEAR 1920. Live Stock Taxed.

	No.	Value
Horses,	499	\$54,150 00
Colt, 3 to 4,	13	$1,475\ 00$
Colts, 2 to 3,	13	1,150 00
Colts, under 2,	7	500 00
Cows,	642	33,000 00
Oxen,	14	$1,350\ 00$
3 year old neat stock,	164	8,605 00
2 year old neat stock,	291	10,810 00
Sheep, excess,	25	200 00
Swine, excess,	0	00
Bulls not listed,	1	100 00

\$111,340 00

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Live St	tock Not	Taxed.	
. 4	No.	Av. Value	Total Value
1 year old neat stock,	286	\$25 00	\$7,154 00
Sheep,	316	7 00	2,212 00
Swine,	262	$12 \ 00$	3,444 00
*	1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1		
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$12,810 00
All Other	Personal	Property.	
Bank stock, 195 shares,	5 m	\$19,000	00
Trust Company stock, 16	shares,	1,600	00
Stock in trade,	i i L'hen i i	67,000	00
Logs and lumber,		37,500	00
Wood and bark,	a a <sup>l</sup>	27,700	
Carriages,			00
Automobiles, 177,	1. 19 5	71,775	00
Musical instruments,		/	00
Machinery,		6,400	
Furniture in excess of \$20	0.00,	5,000	
Material in stock,		12,000	
Finished products at mil	ls,	•	00
			\$266 425 00

Total value of personal estate,

\$266 425 00 \$377,765 00

## **REPORT OF COLLECTOR**

Fred B. Hall, Collector of Taxes, in account with the Town of Bethel.

#### Dr.

To State, County and Town taxes committed to me for collection, May 1, 1920,

\$41.004 21

	Supplementary tax,	φ41,004 21 93 90	
	Total amount to be collected,		\$41,098 11
	Cr.		
	By paid to Town Treasurer,		\$40,666 57
	Balance due Town Treasurer,		\$431 54
~	UNPAID TAX	CES.	
	1915.		
	M. Teliher, 1917.	\$2 00	\$2 00
	T. H. Sidelinger,	\$2 00	
	John Coolidge,	$3 \ 18$	
	A. J. Lowe,	2 00	-
	L. W. Lavorgna,	$22 \ 00$	
	Joel Merrill,	2 00	
			ሰ01 10

\$31 18

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1918.

Joel Merrill, Walter Balentine, John X. Bennett, George Brooks, John Coolidge, Charles Mills, Charles Parker, Artemas Smith, Norman Dudley, George Goddard, A. J. Lowe,

Nelson Bartlett, Elbert Briggs, Lewis Buck, George Brooks, Robert Clough, Norman Dudley, Linsey Dorey, John C. Eagle, John Gallant, John L. Holt, E. H. Ingalls, Amos King, A. Lamere, A. Levesque, Gerry Morgan, W. W. Maxim, Geo. E. Osgood, H. M. Osgood, John Raymond, Artemas Smith, Guv Smith, H. P. Swan,

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1919.

\$88 59

1920.

Guy Barker, L. U. Bartlett, H. W. Boyker, paid in Portland, Geo. E. Brooks, Frank Brooks, James Burhoe, Lester Burhoe, Charles Bean, R. L. Bennett, Alvah Cummings, Norman Dudley, Linsey Dorey, Robert Edwards, John Eagle, Jr., Augustus Gallant, D. B. Hall, over 70, John Holt, J. B. Huston, Guy Jack, Harold Jenner, B. Kersted, Geo. Luxton, Howard Maxim, H. E. Merrill, Geo. Mills, Gerry Morgan, W. E. Maxim, Geo. Osgood, Charles Parker, George Perham, Claud Ross, Harold Rollins, Mrs. Geo. Rolfe, C. F. Shaw, over 70, Lewis Shaw, deceased, Charles Spinney, H. P. Swan, A. A. Sylvester,

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Fred Smith, Henry Tibbetts, James Uhlman, Forest Uhlman, Mike Vashaw, L. E. Widbur, Charles Wilson, T. P. Blake, Henry Cross, Cash on hand to balance,

2	00
2	00
11	45
1	58
8	30
8	30
2	00
15	75
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58	70

## \$431 54

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## ABATEMENT OF TAXES, 1920.

122 Paid Bingham & Upson, error, \$63 00157 Paid H. M. Farwell, error in

valuation, 945 134 Paid Stella Goodridge, error in valuation, 551

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

ABATEMENT OF TAXES, 1915.

Andrew Allen, Joseph Arsenault, John Armond, George Bowley, Jesse Bennett, George Bowler, Percy Gaudet, Freeman Gaudet, W. L. Johnson, L. J. Johnson, Joseph LeClair, J. McKeene, C. H. Reed, Maynard Pierce, \$77 96

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Theodore Rix, John Gaudet, Dinsmore Smith, Alfred Tripp, Edgar Weymouth,  $\begin{array}{cccc} 2 & 00 \\ 2 & 00 \\ 2 & 00 \\ 2 & 00 \\ 2 & 00 \end{array}$ 

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

\$38 00

### ABATEMENT OF TAXES, 1917.

Archie Evans, Abram Jordan, Jesse Merrill, Wm. Burhoe, Arthur Coburn, Howard Grant, S. J. Morse, 10

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

\$17 53

#### ABATEMENT OF TAXES, 1918.

Gardner Bartlett, \$2 00A. A. Brown, paid in Woodstock, 2 00 $2^{\circ}00$ P. A. Clifford, paid in Bath, 2 00W. L. Brooks, Carl Edwards, 2 00George Getchell, 2 00Arthur Garber, 2 00George E. Hodgkins, 2 00Kenneth Jodrey, 2 00Amos King, 2 00H. L. McAllister, 2 00M. M. McPherson, 2 00William Nichols, 2 00George Pinhero, U. S. Service, 2 00Clyde Pike, 2 00Charles Smith, 2 00E. V. Sherwin, U. S. Service, 2 00

T. E. Eames, not found,
Linsey Dorey, paid in Woodstock,
W. B. Coffin,
Harry Jodrey,
George Mills, U. S. Service,

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

## ABATEMENTS, 1919.

William Bott,\$2 00Arnold Brown, paid in Waterford,2 00Eugene Chayer,2 00John Gallant,2 00Elias Roberts,2 00George L. Smith,3 35

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

\$13 35

\$44 60

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## **REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR**

Appraisal of town farm and property Feb. 1st, 1920, \$2,892 85 Rent of farm to C. E. Burgess, 50 00

Credit by 1 year's rent,

\$2,892 85

Appropriation, Overdrawn, 1919, \$1,400 00 472 03

Available for 1920,

\$927 97

\$2,942 85

\$50 00

## SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT, 1920.

Paid for	John Murphy, .	\$231	95
Paid for	Kathleen & Catherine Grover	451	58
Paid for	children of Geo. S. Magill,	230	06
Paid for	Joshua O. Young,	230	55
Paid for	N. I. Wilbur,	260	
Paid for	Frank Proctor,	282	00
Paid for	family of Gerry Morgan,	102	
Paid for	John X. Bennett family,	22	00

\$1,810 65

\$882 68

Overdrawn,

### John Murphy.

#### Order

28 Paid C. K. Fox, clothing,
Part of 33 Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,
54 Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,
80 Paid C. Rowe & Son, clothing,
148 Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,

Carried to Poor Summary,

## Nelson I. Wilbur.

Part of 33 Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board, \$25 40 Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, care of 10 days, 30 44 Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, care of

\$25 00 30 00

\$6 45

25 00

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\$231 95

44 Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, care of		× · ·
9 days,	27 00	)
Part of 45 Paid W. E. Bosserman,		
medicine,	3 50	)
Part of 54 Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess,		
board,	22 88	
61 Paid Guy E. Jack, burial expenses,		
Paid Will Holt, board,	35 00	)
Part of 119 Paid W. E. Bosserman,		
medicine,	1 35	5
123 Paid Dr. I. H. Wight, medical		
attendance,	75 00	)
	1	\$307 73
Cr.		
By cash,	\$2 72	
By goods sold,	45 00	
		\$47 72
Comied to Dean Game	1.6. 4	<b>ФОСО 01</b>
Carried to Poor Summary,		\$260 01



## Children of George S. Magill.

31	Paid Town of Mechan	nic Falls,
	board,	\$48 00
35	Paid Town of Mechan	nic Falls,
	board,	26 06
48	Paid Town of Mechan	nic Falls,
	board,	48 00
115	Paid Town of Mechan	nic Falls,
	board,	108 00
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Carried to Poor Summary,

## Gerry Morgan Family.

32 Paid Guy Jack, burial expenses, Mrs. Morgan, \$95 00
58 Paid R. A. Skillings, sexton ex-7 50 \$230 06

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	nily. \$49 97 74 94 3 25 83 99 13 15 40 00

Carried to Poor Summary,

\$282 00

#### Joshua O. Young.

\$45 50 35 Paid Howard Maxim, board, 66 00 73 Paid Frank Brooks, board, Part of 80 Paid C. Rowe & Son, clothing, 15 7554 00 94 Paid Frank Brooks, board, Part of 119 Paid W. E. Bosserman, 60 medicine, 135 Paid Frank Brooks, board, 59 00 Part of 137 Paid H. F. Maxim, board, 30 00 Paid Frank Brooks, board, 24 85149

Credit by note and interest,

Carried to Poor Summary,

John X. Bennett.

 $\$295 70 \\
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\$230 55

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145 Paid Town of Woodstock, Carried to Poor Summary,

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## Catherine and Kathleen Grover.

11	Paid	Lyman V	Wheeler	, sawii	ng wood	l, \$6	38	•
22	Paid	C. L. Tu	ell, fitti	ng wo	od,	7	50	
37	Paid	F. B. Tu	ell, woo	d,		23	75	
49	Paid	Chas. Tu	iell, hai	ling	wood,	4	00	2
57	Paid	Chas. T	uell, fit	ting v	wood			
		and pu	atting in	n shec	l,	5	00	
62	Paid	W. W. I	Hastings	s, rent	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	52	02	
66	Paid	Mrs. Ger	neva Sw	ett, ca	are,	7	25	
67	Paid	Dr. F. B.	. Tuell,	wood,	cash			
		paid,		• •		22	00	4
69	Paid	Mrs. Gei	neva Sw	vett, c:	are,	13	50	
72	Paid	Lyman	Wheeler	, sawi	ing woo	d, 3	00	
74	Paid	Geneva	Swett,	care,		14	25	
82	Paid	Bethel V	Vater C	o., wat	ter rates	s, 4	00	5
83	Paid	Geneva	Swett,	care,	4	34	29	÷
	· · ·	Geneva	1	,		12	50	
86	Paid	Geneva	Swett,	care,		30	00	



Paid	Geneva Swett, care,	$20 \ 00$
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Paid	Geneva Swett, care,	20  00
Paid	Geneva Swett, care,	40  00
Paid	W. E. Bosserman, medi-	
	cine and supplies,	6 07
Paid	W. W. Hastings, rent,	40  00
Paid	Mrs. Geneva Swett, care,	$20 \ 00$
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\$585 51

\$451 58

Credit by cash paid by W. J. Upson and Wm. 133 93 Bingham,

Carried to Poor Summary,

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS. Earl Hopkins, Town of Milton.

5	Paid Albert Hopkins, board,	\$32 00
26	Paid Albert Hopkins, board,	20  00
47	Paid Albert Hopkins, board,	$48 \ 00$
51	Paid C. K. Fox, clothing,	6 20
52	Paid A. Hopkins, board,	4 00
75	Paid A. Hopkins, board,	52.00
131	Paid A. Hopkins, board to Jan.	
	1, 1920,	$52 \ 00$

Due from State Treasurer, Received from State Treasurer,

Balance due from State, \$52 00

\$214 20 \$162 20

#### Grace Roberts.

3	Paid David	Farnham,	board,	\$24 00
27	Paid David	Farnham,	board,	$15 \ 00$
53	Paid David	Farnham,	board,	$39 \ 00$
75	Paid David	Farnham,	board,	$39 \ 00$
120	Paid David	Farnham,	board,	39 00

Due from State Treasurer, Received from State Treasurer,

Balance due from State,

**\$156 00 117 00** 

\$39 00

#### Mrs. George W. Ryerson,

2 Paid State aid to Feb. 26, Due from State Treasurer, Paid by State Treasurer, \$24 00

\$24 00 \$24 00

\$84 33

\$84 33

### Henry Mekowen.

136 Paid Mark C. Allen, clothing for children, Due from State,

A. A. BEAN, "8 year old Son of."7Paid Dr. R. F. Willard, \$18 008Paid O. H. Bowker, digging grave, 6 0010Paid E. A. Farnham, supplies, 6 72

Due from State Treasurer, Paid by State Treasurer, \$30 72 \$30 72

## George W. Ryerson, Died October, 1917.

Bill brought forward, 1917, Due from State. \$150 00

This bill has been approved by the Governor and Council and will be allowed by appropriation 1921 Legislature.

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN, 1920

Appropriation to town debt and interest,<br/>Paid interest on town notes,\$633 15Paid coupons on bonds,\$310 00

\$623 15

\$10 00

Appropriation for Public Library, \$300 00 Appropriation by State, 30 00		3	
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(5 Doid Mnoog Dublic Librows Ages d100 00	\$330	00	
<ul> <li>65 Paid Treas. Public Library Asso., \$100 00</li> <li>78 Paid Treas. Public Library Asso., 100 00</li> <li>129 Paid Treas. Public Library Asso., 100 00</li> </ul>		i L	
State appropriation, 100 00 30 00			
	\$330	00	
Appropriation for Collector's bond, 43 Paid F. B. Hall,	\$12 \$12		
Appropriation for Memorial Day observance, 42 Paid Levi N. Bartlett,	\$50 \$50		
Appropriation on heating plant contract, 36 Paid Arthur Fels,	\$300 \$300		
Town note for repair of bridges, \$2,719 25 1 year's interest, 163 16			

\$2,882 41

Part 125 Paid F. L. Edwards, on \$500 00principal,  $163 \ 16$ Paid F. L. Edwards, interest, \$663 16 \$2,219 25 Balance due on note, \$2,500 00 Town note for heating plant, 150 001 year's interest,  $$2,650\ 00$ Part 125 Paid F. L. Edwards, on principal, \$500 00 Part 125 Paid F. L. Edwards, on  $150 \ 00$ interest,

\$650 00

\$2,000 00

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Balance due on note,

### SEWER SYSTEM.

Fee entering town sewer, F. Holt,<br/>Paid Sept. 14.\$20 00<br/>Paid Sept. 14.Fee entering town sever, Cleo Russell,<br/>Paid Nov. 20.20 00<br/>Paid Nov. 20.Fee entering town sewer, Mrs. Ella Lyon, 20 00<br/>Available for repairs,\$60 00

Paid
L. A. Sumner,
E. H. Brown,
P. Brown,
G. Bemis,
F. A. Brown,
L. A. Sumner,
G. Bemis,



## 20TOWN REPORT 2 00L. Mason, 2 25F. Douglass, G. L. Thurston Co., pipe, 57 67 E. M. Walker, clearing ditch, 22 50\$106 42 \$46 42 Balance overdrawn, Carried to Miscellaneous Account. By vote of town at last annual meeting the corn shop property was sold to F. J. Tyler, price \$1,500 00 being, Cash paid by F. J. Tyler and turned into Town \$1,500 00 Treasury,

Deed for same signed by Selectmen for the inhabitants of the Town.

Appropriation for repair of Church street sidewalk, \$500 00

This appropriation was not expended this year for the reason that a contractor doing such work would not move here to do so small a job. Owing to the high price of labor no showing could be made. Your Selectmen thought it wise to carry this appropriation over to 1921 and see if the town would raise \$500 additional. We think with this amount a good walk could be put in from Main to High streets. See article in warrant.

Dogs taxed, male, 72, Dogs taxed, female, 3,  $$72 00 \\
 15 00$ 

Paid to Town Treasurer, Check sent to State Treasurer. \$87 00 \$87 00

## SHEEP, TURKEYS AND HENS KILLED BY WILD ANI-MALS.

109a	Paid	Samuel Mayconnell, hens				
		killed,	\$7	00		
1.16	Paid	F. Vetquosky, 1 sheep and				
		lamb,	10	00		
110	Paid	Ellen Emery, 1 turkey,	7	00		
		Mrs. J. F. Coolidge, hens,	7	50		
112	Paid	C. H. Clifford, hens,	7	50	3	
113	Paid	Mr. C. F. Shaw, hens and				
		chickens,	15	00		
114	Paid	E. J. Stearns, hens,	4	50	~	

Due from State Treasurer,

\$58 50

Trust accepted by town of \$500.00, the interest to be paid yearly to Riverside Cemetery Association for the care

of burial lots of Spencer T., Curatio T. and Eli Bartlett. Deposited in Bethel Savings Bank, \$500 00 Aug. 14 Paid H. N. Upton, 1 year's interest, \$20 20

### REPORT OF MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND.

There are notes secured by mortgages on real estate, \$750 00 Deposited in Bethel Savings Bank, 1,194 13

Total amount, Report incomplete. \$1,944 13

### **REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.**

Number of scales tested and sealed,45Number of weights tested and sealed,73Number of liquid measures tested and sealed,6Number of dry measures tested and sealed,6Number of measuring pumps tested and sealed,9Number of yard sticks tested and sealed,4Scales condemned,2



Dr. Salary from Town of Bethel,

\$50 00

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Received from Town of Bethel, fees, \$24 05 15 00 Use of standards, other towns, 10 95 161 Cash to balance,

\$50 00

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Unexpended balance, 1919,	\$356 29
Supplementary tax,	93 90
Overlay in assessing,	784 41
License, H. N. Bragdon,	$5 \ 00$
R. R. and Telegraph tax,	200 91
Tax deeds and costs paid,	$32 \ 61$

· · · · · ·	nterest on deposits,	22	89	
Entry F	Rent of town farm,	50	00	
E.	Jse of standards, other towns,	15	00	5-
	Available,		y : ·	\$1.561 01
	Expended, 1920.			( ) · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(	Order			
	4 Paid D. R. Smith, repairing si-			
	lent policeman,	\$2	00	
	5 Paid Dr. I. H. Wight, reporting			
1	vital statistics,	6	75	
F	Part 9 Paid F. A. Brown, postage	÷		· · · · ·
	on reports, paper, ink. etc.,	<b>2</b>	43	
and a grade	23 Paid C. F. Shaw, water tub ser-	÷	in 1.	4
	vice,		00	
	24 Paid Maine Register Co., register,	3	00	
	25 Paid F. B. Merrill, printing			
	town reports,	115	20	
	29 Paid Loring, Short & Harmon,			
	town books,	20	95	4

30	Paid F. B. Merrill, posting no-		
	tices, B. of H. notice,	4	68
50	Paid David Forbes, posting no-		
	tices, printing check lists,	4	38
55	Paid F. B. Howe, expenses to		
	Assessors' meeting,	7	00
59	Paid Dana Harrington, tending		Øn
	forest fire,	2	00
63	Paid L. E. Davis, taxes in Newry,	7	68
77	Paid Bethel Water Co.,	75	00
79	Paid David Forbes, posting no-		
	tices and warrants,	8	76
81	Paid Bethel Savings Bank, rent,	70	00
	87 Paid F. A. Brown, postage,		
	blank books, pencils, etc.,	3	33
Part	272 Paid G. T. R. R. Co., fgt.		
	on shingles,	<b>2</b>	16

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89 Paid H. A	. Bacon, 5 M shingles		
	rry house, 32		50
91 Paid Alice	e Brown, cleaning office, 3	(	00
92 Paid M.	B. Carpenter, typing		7
check	lists, 3	(	00
93 Paid Davi	id Forbes, posting no-		
tices,	3		18
95 Paid A.	Van, $\frac{1}{2}$ expenses to		
Sealer	rs' Convention, 8	•	90
96 Paid H. F	E. Bartlett, water tub		
servic		1	00
	C. Garey, setting up		
booth		)	00
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er tuk			53
	nk Gibson, shingling		
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Clerk	5	5	50
	d Thurston, Election	,	0.0
101 Deid E			00
101 Paid E.	A. Barker, Election Clerk, 1	U	90

102	Paid R. B. Thurston, Election		+ <sup>11</sup>
	Clerk,		50
103	Paid A. F. Chapman, Election Cler	k, 7	00
104	Paid Charles Pollard, Election		
	Clerk,	3	50
105	Paid C. K. Fox, Election Clerk,	10	50
	Paid Wesley Wheeler, express		3
	paid on ballots,	1	31
Part	297 Paid G. K. Hastings, wat-	+	
	er tub service,	5	00
124	Paid F. A. Brown, expenses to		
	Assessors' Convention,	12	00
Part	126 Paid C. L. Davis, repair		
1 WL U	on plow,	14	85
128	Paid W. & L. E. Gurley, Sealer		00
120	of W. & M. supplies,	4	83
139	Paid W. J. Wheeler Co., balance		00
100	due on insurance policies,	8	30
	Overdrawn on sewer acct.,		42
	Mothers' Aid forwarded, page 28,	57	
143	Paid Bethel Light Co., lights for		00
110	lock-up,	g	00
1/1	Paid Bethel Water Co.,		00
	Paid D. G. Brooks, pail for town	10	00
140		1	00
	farm, Deid leals un acet forwarded		00
	Paid lock-up acct., forwarded,		10
151	Abatement of taxes, 1920,	77	90
194	Paid M. J. Marshall, lighting	90	95
,	bridge and repairs,	26	
100	Abatement of taxes, 1915-17-18-19,	113	48
160	Paid J. H. Little, reporting vi-	1	05
	tal statistics,		25
1.00	Interest on loans,	306	58
162	Paid Wesley Wheeler, report-	~ -	-
	ing vital statistics,	- 25	50

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\$1,286 76

\$274 25

Unexpended,

15

## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS, 1920.

Appropriation, Overdrawn, 1919, \$2,500 00 82 79

Available for 1920,

\$2,417 21

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## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS PAID, 1919-20.

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Part 12	Paid Frank A. Brown, Se-	
	lectman,	\$197 50
Part 12	Paid Frank A. Brown, to	
	March 15,	25 00
Part 14	Paid W. H. Thurston, Se-	
	lectman,	$120 \ 00$
Part 14	Paid W. H. Thurston, to	
-	March 15,	7 50
Part 13	Paid F. B. Howe, Selctman,	$140 \ 00$
Part 13	Paid F B Howe to Mar 15	10 00

Part 13 Paid F. B. Howe, to Mar. 15, 10 00  $100 \ 00$ Part 15 Paid H. H. Hastings, Treas., Part 16 Paid Wesley Wheeler, Clerk, 35 00Paid C. K. Fox, Auditor, 6 00 17 Paid Dr. R. R. Tibbetts, Board 18  $10 \ 00$ of Health, 19 Paid E. C. Park, Board of Health, 5 0020 Paid C. M. Kimball, Board of Health, 3 00 21 Paid J. U. Purington, M. & S. Fund, 6 00

\$665 00

#### TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS PAID, 1920.

6 Paid C. E. Lord, Supt. of Schools, \$31 25
Part 9 Paid Frank A. Brown, Road Com., 4½ days, 22 00
39 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com., 15½ days, 77 50
46 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com., 22½ days, 112 50

Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com., 57 95 00 19 days, Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com., 64  $91/_{2}$  days, 47 50 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com., 68 65 00 13 days, 71 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com., 30 00 6 days, Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Part 28 Com.,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  days, 22 50Part 197 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com., 1 day, 5 00School 127 Paid F. E. Russell, Supt. 54 66 Schools, School 156 Paid F. E. Russell, Supt. 41 66 Schools, School 170 Paid F. E. Russell, Supt. 41 66 Schools,

School 182 Paid F. E. Russell, Supt.	
Schools,	41 66
Part 230 Paid Frank A. Brown, R.	
Com., 4 days,	20 00
266 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com.,	
6 days,	30 00
285 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com.,	
9 days,	45 00
108 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com.,	
7 days,	35 00
120 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com.,	10.00
2 days,	10 00
School 237 Paid F. E. Russell, Supt.	11 00
Schools,	41 66
School 236 Paid F. E. Russell, Supt.	11 01
Schools,	41 66
150 Paid Frank A. Brown, R. Com.,	
4 days,	20 00
153 Paid Frank Flint, truant officer,	10.00
1920,	10 00
312 Paid F. E. Russell,	41 66

375	Paid F.	E. Russell,	and the second second	41	66
161	Paid A.	Van, Sealer of W.	& M.,	10	95
		E. Russell,		41	$\sim$
		B. Hall, Collector,		412	23

## \$1,489 37 \$2,154 37

## Unexpended,

\$262 84

## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS DUE, 1921.

Frank A. Brown, Selectman,	\$281	25
W. H. Thurston, Selectman,	143	50
F. B. Howe, Selectman,	171	50
H. H. Hastings, Treasurer,	100	00
Wesley Wheeler, Clerk,	35	00
C. K. Fox, Auditor,	6	00
Dr. R. R. Tibbetts, Health Officer,	40	00
J. U. Purington, M. & S. Fund, Est.,	6	00

\$783 25

### LOCK-UP ACCOUNT, C. L. Davis, Keeper.

Part 126 Paid C. L. Davis, wood, \$6 75 151 Paid C. L. Davis, 21 tramps, 7 35

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

\$14 10

## MOTHERS' AID, TOWN AND STATE.

#### Mrs. Gladys Swan and Children Paid Town of Albany, $\frac{1}{2}$ aid to 34 March 31, \$27 00 Paid Town of Albany, $\frac{1}{2}$ aid to 70 June 30, 30 00

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

\$57 00



FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN, FEB. 1, 1921. Assets.

Cash in Treas. hands, Feb. 1, 1921, \$2,367 82 Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1915, 2 00Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1917, 31 18 Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1918, 36 10Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1919, 88 59 Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1920, 431 54 Value of town farm property, 2,892 85 Value of pest house property, 300 00 Value of ferry house property, 350 00 Value of lock-up property, 500 00 Value of machinery and tools, 800 00 Tax deeds owned by town, 13 91 Due from State, account of Milton poor, 91 00 Due from entering sewer,  $20 \ 00$ Road plank on hand, 40 00 Due from State, Milton poor, 1917,  $150 \ 00$ 

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Due from State, damage to domestic		* *	
	50		
Due from State, % State pensions paid, 228	00	•	
	92		
	33		. *
		\$8,507 '	74
Liabilities.		φ0,001	
	• •		
Bonds bearing interest, $4\%$ , \$8,000	00		
Interest to Feb. 1, 1921, 26	67		
Town officers' bills due, 783	25		
Outstanding bills, estimated, 100	00		
	00		
Town notes and interest, repairing			
bridge, 2,252	54		
Town notes and interest, heating			
	00		
		- <b>-</b>	
		\$13,193 4	<b>46</b>

Liabilities over assets,

\$4,685 72

## **REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONER**

## SUMMARY OF ROAD ACCOUNT.

Expended by F. A. Brown, 1919, \$46 75
Paid Town of Hanover, repair ferry, 120 15
Expended by F. A. Brown, 1920, 7,266 36
Overdrawn on maintenance and patrol, 1920, 90 00

\$7,523 26

Unexpended and available for 1921, \$483 57

## **REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONER**, 1920.

Appropriation, 1920, Unexpended, 1919, \$8,000 00 6 83

Available, 1920,

\$8,006 83

#### 1919.

Paid Town of Hanover, Bethel's share of repairs on ferry boat for years 1917-18-19, Carried to Road Summary.

\$120 15

#### Expended by F. A. Brown, 1919.

6 Paid W. D. Mills, labor and plank, \$6 75 Part 12 Paid M. F. Tyler, labor and plank, 3 15

20Paid G. B. Mills, cutting bushes,30082Paid Lyman Wheeler,217Part 117Paid Vear Bean,2118304Paid Elmer Trask,1050

Carried to Road Summary,

## Expended by F. A. Brown, 1920.

1	Paid Roger Bartlett,	\$2 40
2	Paid L. U. Bartlett,	5 60
3	Paid Lloyd Thompson,	2 85
4	Paid W. H. Thurston,	50 66
5	Paid Frank Bean, labor and pla	nk, 7 97
6	Paid P. Brown,	$21 \ 00$
7	Paid W. H. Thurston,	40 00
8	Paid H. A. Skillings,	36 75
9	Paid A. Skillings,	35 00

## \$46 75

10	Paid	E. G. Annis,	<b>35 0</b> 0
11	Paid	Roy Lane,	17 50
12	Paid	Guy Bemis,	17 50
13	Paid	W. Thayer,	33 25
14	Paid	L. A. Sumner,	25 50
15	Paid	D. Rand,	$20 \ 00$
16		L. Mason,	14 00
17	Paid	D. G. Brooks, spades,	3 50
18	Paid	Fred Howard,	$14 \ 00$
19	Paid	John Anderson,	7 50
20		Allen Jones,	$42 \ 00$
21	Paid	Fred Tyler,	$104 \ 00$
	Paid	Harry Vashaw, gravel,	19 10
<b>23</b>	Paid	James Burhoe,	$23 \ 33$
24	Paid	H. Skillings, labor and	gravel, 27 20
25	Paid	L. A. Sumner,	$25 \hspace{0.1in} 50$
26	Paid	D. Rand,	$24 \hspace{0.1in} 00$
27		Guy Bemis,	21  00
28		Roy Lane,	7 00
		L. Mason,	21  00
30	Paid	A. Skillings,	37 50

31	Paid	W. Thayer,	37	50		
÷		E. Annis,	42	00		
32	Paid	Wade Thurston,	48	00		
33	Paid	Bethel Inn,	5	00		
34	Paid	W. E. Coolidge and Floyd,	35	00		1
		E. A. Billings,	14	00	×	
36	Paid	John Howe,	21	00		
37	Paid	G. K. Hastings, labor and				
	Į	olank,	56	08		
141	Paid	M. F. Tyler,	56	20		
		Jack McKenzie,	42	00		
39		George Mills,	21	00		
40		E. H. Morrill,	28	00		
41	Paid	James Westleigh, 1400 ft.				
		oak plank,	56	00		
42	Paid	Herbert Burgess,	22	97		
43	Paid	G. T. R. Co., freight,	1	17		
		Walter Brinck,	14	00		
		L. A. Sumner,	<b>24</b>	00		
			24	00		
47	Paid	D. Rand, W. Thayer,	45	00		
		A. Skillings,	45	00		
49	Paid	Ben Tyler,	14	00		
		Clyde Whitman,	75	25		
		A. L. Whitman,	42	00	4	
53	Paid	Russell Swan,	21	00		
53a	Paid	George Haines,	10	50		
56	Paid	L. A. Sumner,	22	00		
57	Paid	D. Rand,	22	00	· ·	
58	Paid	W. Coolidge,	20	00		
59	Paid	W. Thayer,	37	50		
60	Paid	A. Skillings,	37	50		
61	Paid	T. B. Burke,	165	24		
62	Paid	Gard Bennett,	3	50		
63	Paid	L. A. Sumner,	<b>24</b>	00		
64	Paid	D. Rand,	<b>24</b>	00		
65		W. Thayer,	45	00		
		A. Skillings,	45	00		
67	Paid	W. Coolidge,	24	00		



	68	Paid G. L. Thurston Co.,	28	18	
	69	Poid L. A. Sumner,	20	00	
	70	Paid W. Coolidge,	20	00	
-	71	Paid P. Brown,	18	00	
	72	Paid W. Thayer,	37	50	
	73	Paid A. Skillings,	37	50	
	'74	Paid Dana Harrington,	14		
	75	Paid H. Bean,		25	
	76	Paid L. A. Sumner,	<b>24</b>		
	77	Paid P. Brown,	16		
	78	Paid W. Coolidge,	<b>24</b>		
	79	Paid A. Skillings,		25	
	80	Paid W. Thayer,	40		
	82	Paid Frank Brooks,	5	50	
	83	Paid G. T. R. Co., fgt. on knife,		83	
	84	Paid W. Holt and L. Coolidge,	66	80	
	85	Paid John Holt,	21	00	
	85	Paid John Holt, damage, crossing			

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,	land,	15	00	
86	Paid Wade Thurston,	32	00	
87	Paid Harry Lyon,	16	31	
88	Paid N. E. R. M. Co., scraper,	37	50	
89	Paid F. L. Blake, knife,	11	50	
90	Paid H. M. Osgood,	2	66	
91	Paid L. A. Sumner,	<b>28</b>	50	
92	Paid W. Coolidge,	<b>20</b>	00	
93	Paid W. Thayer,	37	50	
94	Paid A. Skillings,	37	50	
95	Paid W. H. Thurston, labor and			
	plank,	62	72	
96	Paid A. W. Bean, labor and string-		÷.	
	ers,	14	25	
100	Paid H. M. Osgood,	25	08	
101	Paid L. A. Sumner,	33	50	
102	Paid W. Coolidge,	<b>24</b>	00	
103	Paid P. Brown,	<b>24</b>	00	
104	Paid E. Annis,	32	00	
105	Paid Wade Thurston, labor and			
	plank,	51	36	

106	Paid E. H. York,	55 56
107	Paid W. Thayer,	$41 \ 00$
108	Paid A. Skillings,	$41 \ 00$
109	Paid A. Jackson,	16 50
110	Paid L. A. York,	$18 \ 00$
111	Paid A. Hobbs,	$20 \ 00$
112	Paid L. Mason,	$16 \ 00$
113	Paid Guy Bemis,	$28 \ 00$
114	Paid Frank Abbott,	$2 \ 00$
97	Paid Ben Tyler,	$30 \ 00$
98	Paid H. S. Hutchins,	$16 \ 25$
115	Paid Judson Bartlett,	$14 \ 00$
116	Paid Moses Bennett,	$12 \ 25$
117	Paid E. H. Morrill,	10 50
118	Paid Myron Morrill,	$-32 \ 00$
119	Paid True Brown,	32 00
120	Paid Jack McKenzie,	75 00
121	Paid Will McKenzie,	38 50
122	Paid L. A. Sumner,	8 50
123	Paid W. Coolidge,	8 00
124	Paid Guy Bemis,	4 00
125	Paid L. Mason,	4 00
126	Paid P. Brown,	4 00
127	Paid E. York,	8 00
128	Paid L. A. York,	2 00
129	Paid W. Thayer,	$16 \ 00$
130	Paid E. Annis,	$16 \ 00$
131	Paid A. Skillings,	$16 \ 00$
132	Paid Wade Thurston,	$16 \ 00$
133	Paid George Osgood,	24 50
134	Paid G. L. Thurston Co.,	7 49
135	Paid Ben Tyler,	10  50
60	Paid Ira Hickford, tending ferry,	$25 \ 00$
136	Paid Walter Emery,	16 00
138	Paid H. N. Head,	5  45
140	Paid Sam Mayconnell,	17 50
141	Paid Vear Bean,	119 00
142	Paid True Brown,	8 75
143	Paid L, A. Sumner,	$23 \ 25$



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144	Paid	A. Skillings,	24	00	
145	Paid	W. Coolidge,	20	00	
146	Paid	M. F. Tyler,	15	95	
147	Paid	Charles Kimball,	3	50	
148	Paid	Stephen Abbott,	19	35	
149	Paid	W. H. Thurston, labor and		* 1 x <sup>0</sup>	
	I	olank,	53	17	
150	Paid	G. T. R. Co., fgt. on culvert,	26	57	
151	Paid	D. G. Brook, spikes,	7	00	
Part	152	Paid F. Vetquosky, labor			
	3	and plank,	29	78	
154	Paid	E. E. Bennett, gravel,	29	70	
155	Paid	E. Cross, gravel,	4	20	
Part	156	Paid C. M. Kimball,	3	50	
157	Paid	Wade Thurston, labor and	1 F	•	
	I	plank,	46	52	
		Paid G. L. Thurston, spikes,	4	90	
159	Paid	W. H. Thurston, labor and			

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	and plank,	<b>4</b> 8	72
160	Paid L. A. Sumner,	22	50
161	Paid P. Brown,	31	50
162	Paid E. A. Brown,	31	50
163	Paid E. G. Annis,	16	00
164	Paid G. Bemis,	4	00
165	Paid Jack McKenzie,	23	00
166	Paid E. A. Barker, stringers,	12	00
167	Paid John Howe,	17	00
168	Paid H. E. Bartlett,	10	50
169	Paid E. H. Brown,	24	75
170	Paid P. Brown,	27	00
	Paid L. A. Sumner,	29	25
	Paid John Howe,	24	00
	179 Paid G. K. Hastings,	40	00
Part	179 Paid Robert Hastings,	20	00
Part	179 Paid William Hastings,	20	00
Part	172 Paid C. M. Kimball,	36	00
	Paid Russell Swan,	48	00
	Albert Swan,	12	00
	Paid E. Coolidge and Lester,	46	00

177	Paid Guy Bemis,	4	00
178	Paid E. G. Annis,	28	00
179	Paid Ira Hickford,	25	00
180	Paid Fred Howe,	12	50
181	Paid H. Littlefield,	35	70
183	Paid E. Buck,	18	00
184	Paid Fred Holt, repairs and chain,	26	10
	Paid J. A. McKenzie and boys,	38	50
Part	29 Paid L. A. Sumner,	15	50
Part	186 Paid P. Brown,	4	50
187	Paid A. Skillings,	36	00
Part	188 Paid Wade Thurston,	12	00
188a	Paid E. Chase,	4	00
189	Paid E. Coolidge and Lester,	52	00
190a	Paid John Howe,	4	50
190	Paid A. W. Walker & Son,	30	00
101	GTR Co freight	4	75

	191	G. I. K. Co., Ireigni,	4	10
t	192	Paid E. Rich, cutting bushes,	26	00
	193	Paid G. K. Hastings,	$20^{\circ}$	20
	194	Paid W. S. Hastings,	12	00
		Paid Robert Hastings,	12	00
		196 Paid L. A. Sumner,	5	00
		197 Paid E. G. Annis,	72	00
	Part		18	56
	Part		10	66
	Part		5	00
	Part		2	25
	Part		10	00
	Part	228 Paid W. Swicker,	12	00
		229 Paid A. Swan,	8	00
		241 Paid W. Holt,	10	33
		Paid Wade Thurston,		00
		Paid Mark Arsenault,	12	00
		Paid F. L. Ordway, dynamite,	18	00
		Paid F. R. Bartlett, repairs,		80
		250 Paid L. A. Sumner,	20	00
		251 Paid O. Reid,	4	00
		259 Paid W. Holt,		00
		261 Paid E. W. Dutton,	4	00



262 Paid C. M. Kimball,  $16 \ 00$ 264 Paid George Hapgood, 2 00Part 265 Paid J. A. McKenzie and boys, 28 75 Part 266 Paid F. A. Brown, use of team, 4 00 267 Paid L. A. Sumner, with team,  $32 \ 00$ 268 Paid P. Brown,  $15 \ 75$ Part 269 Paid G. Bennett,  $16 \ 00$ Part 269 Paid G. Bemis, 8 00 Part 87 Paid C. Cross, repairs, 50304 Paid N. E. Metal Co., 252 83 270 Paid Jack McKenzie and boys, 34 50Part 271 Paid H. Vashaw, gravel, 5 40 274 Paid Guy Bartlett, 14 00 275 Paid L. A. Sumner, 30 00276 Paid P. Brown, 27 00Part 277 Paid G. Bennett, 40 00 · • •

Part	277	Paid G. Bemis,	16	00
278	Paid	W. Thayer,	8	00
279	Paid	H. Skillings, labor and gravel	, 9	50
280	Paid	Wade Thurston, plank,	36	24
281	Paid	Fred Douglass,	4	50
282	Paid	N. A. Stearns,	37	28
283	Paid	Carrie Bartlett,	12	00
Part	285	Paid F. A. Brown, team,	2	00
286	Paid	L. A. Sumner, labor and team,	19	00
287	Paid	P. Brown,	13	50
288	Paid	John Howe,	12	38
289	Paid	E. A. Barker, stringers,	6	00
290	Paid	H. S. Hastings, gravel,	3	40
291	Paid	Jack McKenzie, labor on		
	k	oridge,	32	00
292	Paid	L. A. York,	30	00
292a	Paid	H. M. Osgood,	30	00
293	Paid	L. A. Sumner,	25	00
Part	294	Paid David Estes,	8	25
295	Paid	D. G. Brooks, spikes,	6	28
296	Paid	T. B. Burke,	73	32
297	Paid	G. K. Hastings, labor and		
	I	plank,	18	77

299	Paid	Gard Bennett, repair on boat,	8	00	
300	Paid	E. G. Annis,	32	00	
327	Paid	F. L. Edwards, plank,	506	12	
303	Paid	John Holt,	7	00	
305	Paid	E. E. Bennett, gravel,	11	85	
Part	306	Paid A. R. Merrill,	42	00	
307	Paid	Frank Vetquosky,	73	50	
312	Paid	Ira Hickford,	51	15	
313	Paid	F. C. Verrill,	19	00	
Part	314	Paid Geo. Hapgood, cutting			
		oushes,		25	
318	Paid	Vear Bean, labor and plank,	47	09	
319	Paid	John Howe,	6	08	
320	Paid	W. H. Hutchinson,	14	00	
Part	322	Paid M. F. Tyler,	2	00	
		Paid Porter Farwell,	18	00	
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Part	324	Paid Porter Farwell,	80	00	
325	Paid	Walter Blake,	1	00	
326	Paid	Fred Howard,	4	00	
328	Paid	P. Brown,	4	50	
329	Paid	R. Swan,	4	00	
330	Paid	G. L. Thurston Co.,	8	<b>78</b>	
Part	332	Paid R. Swan, fence posts			
	3	and labor,	53	55	
333	Paid	L. A. Sumner,	16	00	
Part	334	Paid E. Trask,	2	00	
Part	336	Paid C. M. Kimball,	16	00	
		Gard Bennett,	10	00	
		A. Tyler,	3	00	
Part	339	Paid W. L. Farwell,	6	50	
308	Paid	E. G. Annis, snowing bridge,	21	00	
		Bethel Inn,	16	00	
		L. H. Davis,	18	00	
		E. Luxton,	18	00	
		J. P. Mather,	18	00	
		H. M. Osgood,	4	00	
		Paid M. F. Tyler,	16	00	
		Fred Mundt,	16	00	
331	Paid	Bethel Inn,	11	00	

Part	332	Paid	R. Swan,	4	00
335	Paid	<b>E</b> . G.	Annis, snowing bridge,	21	00
Part	336	Paid	C. M. Kimball,	6	00
340	Paid	True	Eames,	8	46

\$7,450 65

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By labor paid charged to sewer acct., \$26 25By labor paid, reimbursed by State,50 00By culvert, paid by State, 3rd class road, 47 30By plank paid by State, 3rd class road, 16 24By 1000 feet plank on hand,40 00By 3 bags cement on hand,4 50

\$184 29

Carried to Road Summary,

\$7,266 36

#### WINTER ROADS, 1919-20.

\$3,000 00 Appropriation, Overdrawn, 1919, 243 00\$2,757 00 Available for 1919-20, Expended. Paid H. M. Osgood, \$5 50 1 2 Paid Ellis Annis, 13 00 3 Paid Bethel Inn, 34 25Paid E. H. Jordan, 4 71 25 5 Paid L. U. Bartlett, 31 00 Paid H. M. Osgood, 7 11 00 Paid L. A. Sumner, 14 00 8 Paid E. J. Stearns, 9 37 91 10 Paid H. A. Skillings, 37 66 Paid M. R. Davis, 11 9 00 Part 12 Paid Maurice Tyler, 37 50 Paid Clyde Whitman, 31 50 13

14	Paid	A. L. Whitman,	4	50	
15	Paid	A. W. Bean,	12	00	
16	Paid	Walter Brinck,	7	00	
17	Paid	True Brown,	30	45	4
18	Paid	B. C. Burbank,	11	70	
19		Dan C. Estes,	12	50	
Part	20 H	Paid G. B. Mills,	13	00	
21	Paid	Sam Mayconnell,	32	50	
22		Edgar and Lester Coolidge,	22	64	
23	Paid	L. A. Sumner, men and team,	29	75	
24	Paid	Charles Crosby,	10	33	
25	Paid	Walter Brinck,	9	00	
26		J. P. Mather,	65	00	
27	Paid	Elliott Rich,	6	00	
28	Paid	Gard Bennett,	<b>2</b>	34	
29	Paid	Howard Hutchins,	43	00	
30		George Osgood,	24	18	
31		L. U. Bartlett,	150	00	
32	Paid	Seth L. Mason,	5	75	
33	Paid	Clyde Brooks,	9	92	
		Ray York,	17	50	
35	Paid	A. C. Adams,	7	00	
		L. U. Bartlett,	61	00	
37	Paid	E. Rayford,	43	25	
38	Paid	G. K. Hastings,	37	63	
39	Paid	John Howe,	23	33	
40		L. E. Winslow,	12	84	
41		Porter Farwell,	<b>78</b>	75	
		Lester Coolidge,	23	00	
43	Paid	F. E. Brooks,	57	00	à
44	Paid	Bethel Inn,	261	25	
45	Paid	W. Thayer,	7	00	
46	Paid	H. A. Skillings,	22	75	
47	Paid	E. J. Stearns,	8	75	
48	Paid	P. Brown,	6	75	
49	Paid	A. C. Hutchinson,	22	50	1.1
49		Erwin Hutchinson,	13	50	
50	Paid	Carl Eagle,	1	00	
51	Paid	Gard Bennett,	8	75	

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52	Paid	Elwin Wilson,
53	Paid	F. E. Howard,
54	Paid	E. S. Buck,
55	Paid	W. L. Robbins,
56		E. M. Carter,
57	Paid	Walter Brinck,
58	Paid	E. S. Estes,
59	Paid	Dan C. Estes,
60	Paid	Grace Farwell,
61	Paid	D. G. Morrill,
62	Paid	E. H. Jordan,
63	Paid	John Anderson,
64	Paid	H. N. Head,
65	Paid	A. L. Grover,
66	Paid	Fred Tyler,
67	Paid	A. J. Hutchinson,
68	Paid	John Mather,
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69	Paid	H. M. Verrill,
70	Paid	E. Luxton,
71	Paid	C. E. Barker,
72		W. B. Grover,
73		C. F. Shaw,
74	Paid	H. B. Lowell,
75	Paid	Forest Uhlman,
76	Paid	Rex Rolfe,
77		Steve Westleigh,
78	Paid	Byron Abbott,
79	Paid	W. H. Hutchinson,
80	Paid	E. I. Rich,
81	Paid	True Eames,
83	Paid	Sam Mayconnell,
84	Paid	H. M. Osgood,
85	Paid	Fred Mundt,
86	Paid	M. F. Tyler,
87	Paid	Clyde Whitman,
88	Paid	A. L. Whitman,
89	Paid	B. S. Tyler,
90	Paid	Ralph Richardson,
91	Paid	E. H. Billings,

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92	Paid N. A. Stearns,	$24 \ 00$
93	Paid B. C. Burbank,	3 80
94	Paid T. B. Burke,	48 68
95	Paid Lewis Merrill,	$2 \ 10$
96	Paid Harry Lyon,	16 50
97	Paid Alvah Cummings,	$4 \ 06$
98	Paid Stephen Abbott,	47 69
99	Paid James Burhoe,	65 50
100	Paid Samuel Burhoe,	$16 \ 00$
101	Paid Almon Tyler,	10  50
102	Paid C. E. Burgess,	6 00
103	Paid O. A. Buck,	28 80
104	Paid G. K. Hastings,	7 00
106	Paid John Howe,	7 00
107	Paid E. G. Annis,	$28 \ 00$
108	Paid Samuel Badger,	5 70
109	Paid Marshall Hastings,	$21 \ 00$
110	Paid F. L. Chapman,	9 75
111	Paid True Brown,	10 50
112	Paid A. W. Bean,	9 50
113	Paid John Anderson,	8 00
114	Paid Walter Emery,	<b>9</b> 2 00
115	Paid A. B. Grover,	36 52
116	Paid M. F. Tyler,	16 28
117	Paid Vear Bean,	43 50
118	Paid E. C. Billings,	$12 \ 00$
119	Paid Howard Hutchins,	31 50
120	Paid Ray Crockett,	1 00
121	Paid Guy Crouse,	3 50
122	Paid Thomas Burris,	3 50
123	Paid W. F. Wyman,	14 70
124	Paid L. Buck,	$3 \ 15$
125	Paid J. R. Brown,	$3 \ 15$
126	Paid J. S. Brown,	$3 \ 15$
127	Paid Frank Knight,	$2 \ 10$
128	Paid Phon Brown,	4 55
129	Paid C. Jackson,	$2 \ 10$
130	Paid F. D. Lapham,	3  15
131	Paid Sam Badger,	6 33



Paid R. R. Mayberry, Paid W. Rand, Paid True Eames, Paid Russell Swan, Paid John Howe, Paid D. Harrington, Paid E. H. Jordan, 139 Paid G. D. Morrill, Paid H. F. Maxim, 140a Paid George Mills, 140b Paid M. W. Hastings, Paid F. C. Verrill, Paid T. B. Burke, Paid S. L. Grover, Paid G. B. Mills, damage to land, Paid E. E. Chase, Part 152 Paid F. Vetquosky,

153	Paid	Otis Estes,
156	Paid	C. M. Kimball,
182	Paid	Lyman Wheeler,
218	Paid	G. L. Haines,
272	Paid	Byron Abbott,
<b>273</b>	Paid	Mrs. Carrie Bartlett,
Part	294	Paid Dan Estes,
298	Paid	H. Kendall,
Part	306	Paid A. R. Merrill,
309	Paid	W. C. Blake,
310	Paid	H. O. Blake,
Part	314	Paid Geo. Hapgood,
Part		Paid Porter Farwell,
Part	334	Paid Elmer Trask,
Part	339	Paid W. L. Farwell,

\$3,660 92

Overdrawn,

\$903 92

#### MAINTENANCE AND PATROL ROAD.

. ppropriation by town, Paid State Treas., town's part, 850 00 940 00

Overdrawn, Carried to Road Summary. \$90 00

Report State Highway Commission Patrol and Maintenance.

Patrol Joint Fund, Paid patrolman's wages, Paid cash, extra help, Paid cash, material,

The following work was done: Cutting bushes, Dragging, \$1,410 30

\$1,748 45 1,094 07 105 69

\$40 47

730 79

\$2,948 21

Raking rocks,153 47Work with grader,124 67	*	
Cleaning ditches and culverts, 163 79		
Repairing guard rails, 3 42		
Surfacing with gravel, 1,723 05		
Shoulder work, 8 55		A)
	\$2,948	21
State expenditure on patrol, road machine work	κ,	
gravel, surfacing and supervision,	\$2,164	
Town's expenditure,	990	20
STATE-AID ROAD.		
Appropriation by town, \$666 00		
Appropriation by State, 812 52		
Available for 1920,	\$1,478	52
Part 196 Paid L. A. Sumner, \$17 50		
Part 197 Paid F. A. Brown, 45 00		
Part 198 Paid L. A. Sumner, 25 00		
Part 198 Paid L. A. Sumner, 20 00		

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199	Paid	J. Howe, 27	00	
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233	Paid	0. Reed,       24         P. Brown,       18	3 00	)
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240	Paid	L. Coolidge, 22	2 00	
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Part	241	Paid W. Holt,				48	00
242	Paid	Dana Harrington,				<b>24</b>	00
243	Paid	E. W. Dutton,				22	00
Part	249	Paid F. A. Brown,				15	00
Part	250	Paid L. A. Sumner,				10	00
Part	251	Paid O. Reed,				12	00
Part	252	Paid P. Brown,				4	50
Part	253	Paid J. Howe,				4	50
254	Paid	J. Swan,				4	00
255	Paid	R. Swan,				12	00
256	Paid	Porter Farwell,				4	00
Part	258	Paid E. Coolidge,				8	00
258	Paid	L. Coolidge,		•		2	00
259	Paid	Will Holt,	= (d'	3.3		24	00
260	Paid	D. Harrington,				4	00
261	Paid	E. W. Dutton,				10	00
263	Paid	G. L. Thurston Co.,				32	84
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291	Paid	Walker and Park, 678 loads		
	~	gravel,	67 80	)
257	Paid	Guy Bartlett,	8 00	)
Part	285	Paid F. A. Brown,	10 00	)
Part	286	Paid L. A. Sumner,	$10 \ 0$	С
Part	287	Paid P. Brown,	9 0	0

Cost of State inspection of road,

\$1,495 26 13 30

\$1,508 56

#### Overdrawn,

\$30 04

This road was built, beginning at Bean's Corner, so called, at East Bethel, running in a westerly direction toward Locke's Mills. 2,800 feet of gravel road was completed, and papers filed with Highway Commission for a continuation of this road for 1921.

#### THIRD CLASS ROAD REPORT.

#### Appropriation by State,

1	Paid F. A. Brown,	\$30	00	
<b>2</b>	Paid L. A. Sumner,	27	00	
3	Paid P. Brown,	27	00	
4	Paid G. Bemis,	<b>24</b>	00	
5	Paid Fred Douglass,	27	00	
6	Paid E. Annis,	<b>4</b> 4	00	
7	Paid J. P. Skillings,	96	00	
8	Paid Bethel Inn,	40	00	
9	Paid B. C. Burbank,	40	00	
10	Paid Warren Brown, with team,	25	00	
11	Paid L. Mason,	16	00	
12	Paid Wade Thurston,	64	00	
13	Paid C. Crosby,	20	00	
Part	14 Paid F. A. Brown,	27	50	

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15	Paid L. A. Sumner,	20	25		
16	Paid P. Brown,	13	50		
17	Paid Warren Brown with team,	20	00		
	Paid G. Bemis,	20	00		
19	Paid L. Mason,	16	00		
20	Paid F. Douglass,	22	50	1	
	Paid C. Crosby,	22	00		
	Paid E. Annis,	40	00		
	Paid Wade Thurston,	58	00		
	Paid A. Skillings,	44	00		
	Paid J. P. Skillings,	68			
26	Paid B. C. Burbank,	36	00		
	Paid Bethel Inn,	36	00		
Part	271 Paid Harry Vashaw, 325				
	loads gravel,	48	75		
Part	303 Paid F. L. Edwards, 406			-	
	plank,	16	<b>24</b>		
	Paid Town of Bethel, 1 18x22 cul-			6	
	vert,	47			
	28 Paid F. A. Brown,		00		
29	Paid L. A. Sumner,	4	50		

187 Paid A. Skillings, 197 Paid E. G. Annis,

State inspection,

Unexpended, Received from State Treasurer,

The money to construct this piece of road came through the Greenville Bill at last Legislature. A good gravel road was built a distance of 3,050 feet, a width of 18 feet. No doubt but what the appropriation will be as much for the year 1921, when a continuation can be made at State expense.

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# **REPORT OF TREASURER**

#### Dr.

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Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1920, \$2,705	62
Received from the Treas. of State, pensions, 282	00
Received from Town of Gilead, tuition, 145	00
Received for books and supplies sold, 13	99
Received for registers taken from brick building, 18	00
Received from sealer of weights and measures, use	
of standards, 15	00
Milton Plantation, tuition, 200	00
the Town of Mason, supplies, 29	74

the Treasurer of State, paupers, 333 92F. J. Tyler, for corn shop property, 1,500 00 Mr. Bragdon, license, 00 5 town clerk, Wesley Wheeler, dog tax, 87 00 Town of Greenwood, school supplies, 63 9 the Treas. of State, public library, 30 00for the Cleora Walker tax deed,  $32 \ 61$ Cleo Russell, sewer connection,  $20 \ 00$ F. J. Tyler, stool taken from brick school building, 4 00 the Treas. of State, high schools, 500 00the Treas. of State, highways, 971 36 the Town of Gilead, tuition, 200 00the Town of Gilead, books and supplies, 15 00 F. E. Russell, for text books sold, 1 85 F. E. Russell, for glass,  $2_{80}$ F. I. Bean, for supplies, from Town Mason,  $12 \ 70$ 

Milton Plantation, for tuition,218 00estate of I. N. Wilbur,12 72W. J. Upson and Wm. Bingham, con-<br/>tribution,133 93Bethel Nat. Bank, interest,22 89Bethel Nat. Bank, loans on notes,11,000 00the Collector of Taxes, F. B. Hall, 41,223 66

\$59,746 42

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By ]	paid	tax deeds,		\$45	52
	4	pensions,		228	00
		coupons,	3	310	00
-		Treasurer of State, dog tax,		87	00
		Treasurer of Oxford County, county tax,		2,305	92
					00

	Treasurer of State, b	alance state tax,	4,585	99	
-	orders cancelled,		38,507	39	
· · · · · ·	Bethel National Bar	nk,	11,306	58	
	revenue stamps,		2	20	
	balance on hand, F	eb. 1, 1921,	2,367	82	
			\$59,746	42	
Supplem	ent:	*			
State ta:	X,		\$8,160	30	
School	and mill funds,	\$1,423 07	•		
Common	school fund,	1,950 33			
R. R. ar	nd Tel. tax,	200 91			
Check to	balance,	4,585 99			

#### \$8,160 30

#### H. H. HASTINGS, Treasurer.



We, the undersigned, certify that we have carefully examined the above account and find it correct, and there is in the treasurer's hands two thousand, three hundred and sixty seven dollars and eighty-two cents.

#### FRANK A. BROWN, WADE H. THURSTON, FRED B. HOWE,

Selectmen of Bethel.

Accounts examined and found correct.

C. K. FOX, Auditor.

February 5th, 1921.



## BETHEL SCHOOL REPORT

For the Year Ending Feb. 1, 1921.

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Bethel:

In the short time that I have known the schools of this district I have been able to do little more than help keep the schools open and get acquainted with conditions. The hardest problem is to secure an adequate supply of teachers. In the State a large number of schools have been closed and combined with others. Many teachers who had formerly retired from teaching have been persuaded to reenter the service, yet there is an actual shortage of about one hundred teachers, and a further shortage of several hundred who are below the usual standard of fitness. The average yearly salary paid women teachers in the elementary schools in Maine in 1907-8 was very nearly \$215; in 1917-18, \$410; in 1919-20, \$560; and for the present year it is estimated at fully \$700. Several superintendents in this section of the State are looking for teachers for small rural schools and are offering salaries that indicate a still further advance. It can be seen what a town is up against that has to go outside for teachers.

It has not been possible to find conveyors for some of the routes some of the time. Yet the cost has increased because of the increase of rate in several cases and the starting of new routes.

The cost of fuel has advanced greatly during the past year, so that altogether the increase in the cost of schools has

been much more than any one could foresee one year ago at this time. At the March meetings the State as a whole increased its appropriations for common schools fifty percent, and many towns that had not made large recent increases doubled their appropriations.

The overdraft is not quite so large in repairs as it was at the beginning of the year. The overdraft in text-books and supplies are really caused by paying bills due before the present financial year. The needs in none of these departments have been fully met, and some quite necessary things are waiting for the new appropriations.

The condition of the various units of your school property is well known to you. I will not attempt to enumerate them all, but I will emphasize the following: Shingling at Northwest, urgent improvements at South, also at East, suitable provisions for the schools at West, and some additional furniture. There is a registration of 46 at West Bethel. As this number is too large for one teacher to do good work with in so many grades, the school was divided at the beginning of the fall term and the four lower grades placed in the lower part of Bell Hall. I am glad to be able to speak in hearty approval of the schools in general. The teachers average quite young but they are handling their schools with all the ease that one could expect. I think the most of the teachers prepare conscientiously for their work, put in long days with the children, look carefully after their welfare, and strive in every way to advance them. As a criticism I sometimes think teachers should be more exacting, demand more of their pupils, grade them a little harder, ranks often run too high. But reform in this line is a most thorny process. Parents can usually be counted on to condemn a teacher that gives low ranks and fails to promote the child. The question of promotions is very vital and should always be settled for the best interest of the child. One of the agencies that is a great help in maintaining our schools is Gould's Academy. It leads many young people to adopt the occupation of teaching and gives them a good start in their preparation. The teachers' training course

is in unusually good hands and gratifying results are sure to follow.

In closing I wish to thank you for cooperating heartily in my work.

The recommendations of the Superintending School Committee, school accounts and statistics follow.

Respectfully submitted,

F. E. RUSSELL,

Supt. of Schools of Bethel.

RECOMMENDATIONS. And

We recommend that the town raise the following amounts for the support of schools for the coming year:

For common schools, High school tuition, Text-books, Repairs and cleaning, Supplies, Rent of building,

\$10,000 00 and 283 2,700 00 400 00 and 350 00 and 400 00 min 120 00



### SCHOOL ACCOUNTS.

#### COMMON SCHOOLS. Receipts.

Balance unexpended,	\$61.38
Town,	\$6,000 00
Town Ministerial and School Fund,	21 92
State mill tax,	1,423 07
State common school fund,	1,950 33
Tuition, Gilead, W. S. F. '20,	200 00
Tuition, Milton, W, S, F, '20,	218 00

\$9,874 70

#### Expenditures.

Teachers salaries.

\$8.486 00

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Fuel,		1,039 12
Janitors,		432 00
Conveyance,	*	2,670 85
Tuition, Greenwood,		102 50

\$12,730 47

#### Overexpended,

\$2,855 77

# HIGH SCHOOL TUITION. Receipts. Town, State, \$2,300 00 500 00 \$2,800 00 \$2,800 00 \$2,800 00 State, Overdrawn, Gould's Academy, S, F, '20, \$306 50 2,106 00

Woodstock, W, S, F, '20, Sebago, W, S, F, '20,

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\$2,667 50

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#### Unexpended,

\$132 50

#### TEXT-BOOKS.

Receipts.

Balance, Town, Charles E. Lord, Gilead, Greenwood, Mason, F. E. Russell,  $\begin{array}{r} \$1 \ 47 \\ 800 \ 00 \\ 13 \ 99 \\ 15 \ 00 \\ 7 \ 38 \\ 29 \ 74 \\ 1 \ 85 \end{array}$ 

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\$869 43

Expendit	ures.
Lewiston Journal,	\$20 00
American Book Co.,	38 88
The John Winston Co.,	67 38
Houghton, Mifflin Co.,	275
World Book Co.,	57 49
Scott, Foresman Co.,	217 37
Ginn & Co.,	18 53
D. McNulton Co. Inc.,	79 00
Benj. H. Sanborn & Ćo.,	28 41
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	17 83
D. C. Heath & Co.,	25 78
Edwin E. Babb & Co.,	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
American Book Co.,	12 63
D. C. Heath & Co.,	38 94
Scott, Foresman & Co.,	13 65
Silver Burdett & Co.,	10 57
Ginn & Co.,	8 50

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World Book Co., 11 08 Scott, Foresman & Co., 6 00 Edward E. Babb & Co., 6 85 World Book Co., 90 American Book Co., 10 20 Edward E. Babb & Co., 13 66 D. C. Heath & Co., 47 09 Benj. H. Sanborn & Co., 17 68 Ginn & Co., 28 78 World Book Co., 61 28 Scott, Foresman & Co., 32 82 Silver Burdett & Co., 22 26 **40** 

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#### **REPAIRS**.

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#### Expenditures.

Overexpended last year,	\$93	03	
D. Grover Brooks,	5	48	
W. D. Mills,	3	50	
Guy E. Jack,	3	00	
Edward H. Brown,	- 7	50	
Kaustine Co.,	12	00	
Annie Heath,	18	00	
H. N. Head,	1	95	
H. Alton Bacon,	43	11	

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F. A. Mundt,	-		00
Wm. C. Bryant,		2	10
F. B. Taylor,		9	00
Mrs. Charles Wilson,		4	50
Riva & Stanley,		40	62
C. E. Stevens,		3	00
Edward E. Babb & Co.,		18	50
Alice Brown,		5	
Hattie Edwards,		5	00
Mrs. Burhoe,	and the second second	10	00
G. L. Thurston Co.,		20	93
F. E. Russell,		4	60
Edward E. Babb & Co.,		21	08
J. D. George,		1	30
A. L. Swan,		2	47
W. C. Garey,		6	50
D. Grover Brooks,	4.	7	77
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F. E. Russell,	8 50
G. K. Hastings,	6 99
John H. Howe,	6 00
F. R. Flint,	6 80
W. D. Mills,	25  00
W. D. Mills,	$42 \ 41$
D. Grover Brooks,	4 60
Wood & Bishop Co.,	1 34
F. B. Howe,	4 80

\$462 38

Overexpended,

\$87 58

# RENT OF BELL'S HALL FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.195Paid Arthur Wells, rent,\$60 00283Paid Arthur Wells, rent,60 00

\$120 00

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TOWN REPORT

#### SUPPLIES.

Receipts.

Appropriation, Greenwood, Mason,

\$600 00  $21 \ 67$  $12 \ 70$ 

\$407 00

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\$634 37

Expenditures. J. L. Hammett Co., Milton Bradley Co., Keystone View Co., Rand, McNally Co., Charles E. Lord, C. L. Davis, Edward E. Babb & Co., Zaner & Bloser, H. N. Head, F. R. Flint, A. Van Den Kerckhoven, Van Tel. & Tel. Co., Fred E. Wheeler, C. B. Dolge Co., Bethel Light Co., Van Tel. Co., C. B. Dolge Co., Van. Tel. Co., J. L. Hammett Co., W. W. Kilgore, Shaw, Walker Co., Van Tel. Co., H. N. Head, Van Tel. Co., Oxford Co. Citizen, Shaw, Walker Co., Oxford Co. Citizen, Van. Tel. Co., Van. Tel. Co.,

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Bethel Light Co., Edward E. Babb Co., Milton, Bradley Co., J. L. Hammett Co., Van. Tel. Co., Bethel Light Co., Van Tel. Co., H. N. Head, F. E. Russell, Van Tel. Co.,

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Overexpended,

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#### SCHOOL STATISTICS.

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	Term	Weeks	Salary	gistered	Av. Att.	
	Gramma	r.				
Edna M. Bartlett Edna M. Bartlett Edna M. Bartlett	W S F	8 10 14	\$16 20 25	29 32 38	$25 \\ 28 \\ 32.8$	
	Grades 5 ar	ıd 6.				
Myra T. Austin Myra T. Austin Lillian B. Cochran	W S F	8 10 14	14 16 22	36 39 42	$32.5 \\ 35.5 \\ 35$	
	Omeder 2 or	A L				

Grades 3 and 4.

Agnes W. Grant Agnes W. Grant Annette L. Austin	W Ś F	8 10 14	14 16 20	29 33 36	$25.5 \\ 29 \\ 30$
-	Grades 1 an	ld 2.			
Ethel J. Philbrick Ethel J. Philbrick Ethel J. Philbrick	W S F	8 10 14	15 19 24	41 42 52	$31.6 \\ 33.6 \\ 44.5$
West Bethel.					
Marion H. Frost Marion H. Frost	W S	6 12	15 17	40 40	36 36
West Grammar					
Mary C. Stanley	$\mathbf{F}$	14	18	23	20
West Primary					
Mary L. Grover	$\mathbf{F}$	14	16	22	21

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Vivian Jackson Vivian Jackson Libbie L. Goodridge	W S F	9 8 14	$     \begin{array}{c}       11 \\       13 \\       16     \end{array} $	9 8 7	8 6.5 6.5	
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Mary Gorman Gwendolin Godwin	W F	11 14	11 16	$\begin{array}{c} 12\\10\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 11.5\\9.2\end{array}$	
	North.					
Myrtle Wilson Myrtle Wilson Nellie Harrington	W S F	7 12 14	11 13 17	9 13 11	7 9 9.2	
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Helen Clark Myrtle Wilson	${f S}{f F}$	15 14	13 17	13 8	9.7 7	
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Mabel Bailey Mabel Bailey Eda H. Thurston	$egin{array}{c} \mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{S} \\ \mathbf{F} \end{array}$	4 12 14	14 16 16	$13 \\ 13 \\ 17$	$10.5 \\ 9.9 \\ 14$	
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Milton.						
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Clare Mason Clare Mason Clare Mason	W S F	9 12 14	$11\\13\\17$	17     19     23	$14.5 \\ 16.5 \\ 18.6$	

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# REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

#### VITAL STATISTICS, 1920.

#### MARRIAGES.

In Bethel, Jan. 11, 1920, by Rev. J. H. Little, Arthur George Coolidge, age 28, of Greenwood, Me., and Anna Marie Bennett, age 26, of Newfoundland.

In Bethel, Feb. 17, 1920, by Rev. J. H. Little, Duncan Mc-Pherson, age 25, and Selma L. Smith, age 19, both of Newry, Me.

In Norway, Mar. 24, 1920, by Rev. I. L. Joslin, William J. C. Young, age 20, and Lillian A. Grover, age 18, both of Bethel.

In Lewiston, April 24, 1920, by Rev. W. A. Bartlett, George J. Hapgood, age 56, and Gertie F. Bartlett, age 32, both of Bethel.

In Bethel, June 5, by Wm. C. Curtis, Lindall Converse Blanchard, age 31, of Brookline, Mass., and Miriam Eliza Herrick, age 32, of Bethel.

In Bethel, June 12, 1920, by Rev. J. H. Little, Leslie C. Blake, age 27, and Alice Mae Gunther, age 23, both of Bethel.

In Center Lovell, June 24, 1920, by Rev. M. E. Willard, George Lee Mills, age 27, of Bethel, and Frances Goldsmith Andrews, age 23, of Lovell, Me.

In Norway, July 3, 1920, by Rev. F. A. Sullivan, Charles Cyrus McKay, age 29, of Bethel, and Rebecca Cora Bennett, age 28, of Gilead, Me.

In Lewiston, Aug. 7, 1920, by Rev. I. A. Bean, Winfield Scott Howe, age 22, and Blanche Winifred Richardson, age 28, both of Bethel.

In Bethel, Aug. 15, 1920, by Rev. Wm. C. Curtis, Ernest Smith Dudley, age 21, and Lillian Chase Swett, age 35, both of Paris.

In Bethel, Aug. 16, 1920, by Rev. C. L. Wheaton, Albert Henry Olmstead, age 24, of Otisfield, Me., and Annie Belle Hagan, age 18, of Milo, Me.

In Bethel, Sept. 16, 1920, by Rev. J. H. Little, Warren Knowles Wentworth, age 25, of Kennebunk Beach, Me., and Mabel Viola Bailey, age 22, of Newry.

In Bethel, Oct. 7, 1920, by Rev. C. L. Wheaton, George Linwood Averill, age 18, of Andover, Me., and Mary Ellen Gorman, age 20, of Berlin, N. H.

In Bethel, Oct. 20, 1920, by Rev. J. H. Little, Oscar Sidney Dyke, age 34, of Hanover, Me., and Lucy Russell Elliott, age 38, of Rumford, Me.

In Bethel, Oct. 20, 1920, by Rev. J. H. Little, Cleveland Nelson Waterhouse, age 37, and Alice Frances Connor, age 15, both of Mason, Me.

In Bethel, Nov. 4, 1920, by Rev. J. H. Little, Maitland C. Bird, age 44, and Alta C. Cummings, age 27, both of Albany, Me.

In Bethel, Nov. 27, by Rev. J. H. Little, Nathan Dresser Akers, age 42, of Rumford, and Effie Josephine Stevens, age 39, of Portland, Me.

In South Paris, Nov. 27, 1920, by Rev. C. J. Cassidy, Wm. J. McCrea, age 45, and Mary Gaudett, age 36, both of Bethel.

In Bethel, Dec. 23, 1920, by Rev. C. L. Wheaton, William Roy Spinney, age 32, and Nettie Thompson, age 34, both of Bethel.

In Bethel, Dec. 24, 1920, by Rev. J. H. Little, Lloyd Ellis Luxton, age 26, of Bethel, and Irene Susanna Morrill, age 22, of Mason.

In Bethel, Dec. 25, 1920, by Rev. C. L. Wheaton, David Babson, age 25, of Berlin, N. H., and Bessie L. Wheeler, age 18, of Bethel.



#### BIRTHS.

#### 1920

Jan. 2, to the wife of Ralph H. Berry, a daughter, 4th child. Vivian Mae.

Jan. 30, to the wife of Lewis Barron Pusey, a son, 2nd child. Charles Sloan.

Feb. 8, to the wife of Robert Arthur Gilbert, a son, 3rd child. Shirley Bradford.

Feb. 23, to the wife of Floyd Earl West, a son, 1st child. Stanley R. West.

Feb. 24, to the wife of Harold B. Rollins, a son, 3rd child. Arnold Wight.

Feb. 26, to the wife of Alphonso A. Brown, a daughter, 2nd child. Pauline Ruby Brown.

Mar. 9, to Dorothy Elizabeth Clough, a son, 1st child. Robert.

Mar. 13, to the wife of Harold S. Stanley, a daughter, 5th child. Geraldine Alma.

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Mar. 22, 1919, to the wife of Guy E. Jack, a daughter, 1st child. Mary Elizabeth.

Nov. 21, 1919, to the wife of Ray E. Crockett, a son, 1st child.

April 2, to the wife of Fred C. Holt, a son, 5th child. Russell Keith.

April 4, to the wife of Adrian L. Grover, a daughter, 5th child. Florice May.

April 5, to the wife of Daniel C. Foster, a son, 6th child. Albert Eben.

April 6, to the wife of Leroy Parker Andrews, a son, 1st child. Richard Leroy.

May 3, to the wife of Horace E. Littlefield, a daughter, 1st child. Emma Madeline.

May 25, to the wife of Elmer I. Bean, a daughter, 1st child. Barbara.

June 6, to the wife of Harry G. Bryant, a daughter, 2nd child. Lydia Estella.

June 6, to the wife of Wm. J. Young, a son, 1st child. Harold William.

June 19, to the wife of Geo. L. Haines, a son, 7th child. June 24, to the wife of Everett A. Wheeler, a son, 1st child. Randall Henry.

July 5, to the wife of Lyman Wheeler, a daughter, 1st child. Mary Ellen.

Feb. 9, to the wife of Harry H. King, a son, 6th child.

Mar. 2, to the wife of Guy M. Crouse, a daughter, 2nd child. Helen Elizabeth.

May 11, to the wife of Clyde Otis Brooks, a son, 3rd child. Maurice Gerald.

July 16, to the wife of James A. Heaward, a son, 2nd child. James Harley.

July 18, to the wife of Theodore Gallant, a daughter, 3rd child. Hilda Cecil.

July 21, to the wife of Robert T. Clough, a daughter, 8th child. Ruth Alice.

July 27, to the wife of Allen H. Walker, a daughter, 1st

child. Monita May.

July 29, to the wife of Howard F. Maxim, a daughter, 4th child. Helena Frances.

Aug. 12, to the wife of Philip S. Chapman, a daughter, 2nd child. Virginia Mary.

Aug. 13, to the wife of Milan R. Chapin, a daughter, 6th child.

Aug. 25, to the wife of Ray Stanley York, a son, 1st child. Euberto Ray.

Aug. 30, to the wife of Paul Fuller McClellan, a daughter, 2nd child. Mary Elizabeth.

Sept. 6, to the wife of Henry P. Austin, a son, 2nd child. John Maynard.

Sept. 25, to the wife of Walter E. Maxim, a daughter, 2nd child. Thelma Irene.

Oct. 10, to the wife of Herman F. Robertson, a daughter, 2nd child. Mary Frances.

Oct. 18, to the wife of Joseph Largey, a son, 6th child.

Oct. 11, to the wife of Albert E. Cressey, a daughter. Ethel May.



Oct. 20, to the wife of Dynot F. Strout, a daughter. Vivian Elsie.

Aug. 17, to the wife of Nathan A. McHatton, twins, 6th and 7th children.

Sept. 27, to the wife of Harry A. Lyon, a daughter, 2nd child. Elizabeth.

Nov. 2, to the wife of Leroy Johnson Abbott, a son, 3rd child. Hugh Warren.

Nov. 13, to the wife of Samuel D. Harrington, a son, 6th child. Chester Dana.

Nov. 30, to the wife of Simeon Keddy, a son, 7th child. Royden Archibald.

Dec. 7, to the wife of Frank O'Neil Robertson, a son, 2nd child. Edward Norris.

Dec. 8, to the wife of Chas. Leonard Mills, a son, 7th child. Franklin Pierson.

Dec. 18, to the wife of Howard E. Tyler, a son, 1st child. Ronald.

Dec. 19, to the wife of Nelson S. Cole, a daughter, 2nd child. Virginia Victoria.

#### DEATHS.

Jan. 1. Ivan E. Heath, age 44 years, 4 months, 27 days. Birthplace, Gilead, Me. Cause of death, chronic intestinal nephritis.

Jan. 21. Leslie Harrison Chase, age 31 years, 1 month, 3 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

Feb. 6. Fred C. Bean, age 61 years, 10 months, 8 days. Birthplace, East Bethel, Me. Cause of death, suicide by hanging.

Feb. 17. Isaiah M. Coburn, age 76 years, 4 months, 8 days. Birthplace, Ketchum, Me. Cause of death, chronic bright's disease.

Feb. 21. Clara L. Brown, age 61 years, 4 months, 19 days. Birthplace, Columbia, N. H. Cause of death, influenza.

Feb. 24. Guy W. Davis, age 38 years, 5 months, 24 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, influenza.

Feb. 25. Bennett Morse, age 80 years, 9 months, 2 days.
Birthplace, Otisfield, Me. Cause of death, angina pectoris.
Feb. 27. Sarah Morgan, age 38 years. Birthplace, Mc-Kinon Harbor. Cause of death, pneumonia (lobar).

Feb. 28. Anzilla Swift, age 82 years, 3 months, 4 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, senile gangrene.

Feb. 27. Stanley R. West, age 4 days. Birthplace, Bethel. Cause of death, hemorrhage from nose.

Mar. 3. Emily F. (Joy) Field, age 55 years, 9 months, 7 days. Birthplace, Gouldsboro. Cause of death, pneumonia caused by influenza.

Mar. 30. Ambrose W. Wakefield, age 72 years, 7 months.
Birthplace, Enfield, Me. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.
April 9. Alvin E. Chapman, age 29 years, 9 months, 20
days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, T. B. of liver.
April 26. Lillian Grace Stowell, age 55 years, 11 days.
Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, pleuro pneumonia.
May 6. Carydon T. Wyman, age 81 years, 11 months, 20
days. Birthplace, Temple, Me. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.
May 7. Tom F. Hastings, age 49 years, 3 months, 23 days.
Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, abscess, pulmonary.
May 14. Carrie (Stevens) Sanborn, age 68 years, 11 months, 15 days. Birthplace, Sweden, Me. Cause of death, cerebral apoplexy.

June 19. Infant of George L. Haines. Stillborn.

July 14. Silas J. Morse, age 85 years, 2 months, 6 days.
Birthplace, Vermont. Cause of death, cerebral apoplexy.
July 16. Carleton Flint, age 19 years, 6 months, 3 days.
Birthplace, Norway, Me. Cause of death, tuberculosis of lungs.

July 22. Mary A. Dunham, age 70 years, 8 days. Birthplace, Mason, Me. Cause of death, apoplexy.

July 25. Sarah Allen Russell, age 64 years, 5 months, 22 days. Birthplace, Granville, Vt. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.

Aug. 10. Octavia J. Grover, age 78 years, 6 months, 11 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Maine. Cause of death, apoplexy (cerebral).



Sept. 1. Ruth A. Clough, age 1 month, 11 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, marasmus.

Sept. 11. Henry P. Merrill, age 59 years, 8 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, sudden death, fracture of skull.

Sept. 12. Caroline M. Andrews, age 87 years, 5 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Lovell, Me. Cause of death, angina pectoris.

Sept. 23. Dolly Tyler, age 88 years, 1 month, 15 days. Birthplace, Mason, Me. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.

Sept. 24. Llewellyn D. Grover, age 80 years, 5 months, 29 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.

Oct. 7. Mary S. Sloan, age 79 years, 9 months, 7 days. Birthplace, Chesterfield, Eng. Cause of death, cerebral apoplexy.

Oct. 12. Randall Henry Wheeler, age 3 months, 18 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, marasmus.

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Oct. 17. Catherine A. Grover, age 81 years, 7 months, 14 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

Oct. 18. Joseph Largey's infant. Stillborn.

Nov. 3. Lewis S. Shaw, age 73 years, 20 days. Birthplace, Cambridge, Mass. Cause of death, valvular disease of heart.

Nov. 8. Alice G. Wheeler, age 33 years, 10 months, 9 days. Birthplace, Norway, Me. Cause of death, acute nephritis.

Nov. 9. Leslie Daniel Brown, age 64 years, 4 months, 19 days. Birthplace, Harmony, Me. Cause of death, chronic myocarditis.

Nov. 10. Sarah A. Stowell, age 80 years, 6 months, 7 days. Birthplace, Ashland, England. Cause of death, erysipelas.

Nov. 13. Mary A. Linnell, age 50 years, 6 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, cerebral hemorrhage.

Nov. 17. Chas. A. McHatton, infant son of Nathan Mc-Hatton. Birthplace, Bethel, Me.

Nov. 19. Fidelas Stearns, age 75 years, 9 months, 29 days.
Birthplace, Hanover, Me. Cause of death, senile gangrene.
Dec. 11. Frances M. Hutchins, age 80 years, 5 months, 7

days. Birthplace, Rumford, Me. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

Dec. 26. Percy M. Bennett, age 15 years, 6 months, 16 days. Birthplace, Errol, N. H. Cause of death, diabetes mellitus.

Returns made to the Clerk of Bethel from other towns.

Jan. 4. In Poland, Me., William P. Putnam, age 84 years, 7 months, 18 days. Birthplace, Rumford, Me. Cause of death, valvular disease of heart.

Jan. 9. In Gorham, Me., Annie E. Atherton, age 75 years, 3 months, 15 days. Birthplace, E. Boston, Mass. Cause of death, cerebral hemorrhage.

Feb. 15. In Auburn, Me., Maria A. Hastings, age 61 years, 1 month, 21 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, influenza.

Mar. 3. In Berlin, N. H., Charles W. Willey, age 78 years.

Birthplace, Old Town, Me. Cause of death, senility.

Feb. 14. In Portland, Me., Aglena Farwell, age 51 years. Birthplace, Albany, Me. Cause of death, acute lobar pneumonia.

Feb. 21. In Portland, Me, Fremont E. Timberlake, age 63 years, 6 months, 3 days. Birthplace, Livermore, Me. Cause of death, encephalitis.

April 28. In Paris, Me., Lucinda E. Bean, age 68 years, 7 months, 14 days. Birthplace, Gilead, Me. Cause of death, cancer abdomen.

May 6. In Rumford, Me., Flora Ella Webber, age 22 years, 5 days. Birthplace, No. Reading, Mass. Cause of death pueperal eclaselpsid.

July 4. In Greenwood, Me., Nelson I. Wilbur, age 73 years, 2 months, 24 days. Birthplace, Albany, Me. Cause of death, chronic endocarditis.

Sept. 16. In Albany, Me., Cyrus Mills, Jr., age 95 years, 27 days. Birthplace, Mason, Me. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.

Oct. 16. In Albany, Me., Mildred L. Saunders, age 2 years, 1 month, 8 days. Birthplace, Albany, Me. Cause of death,



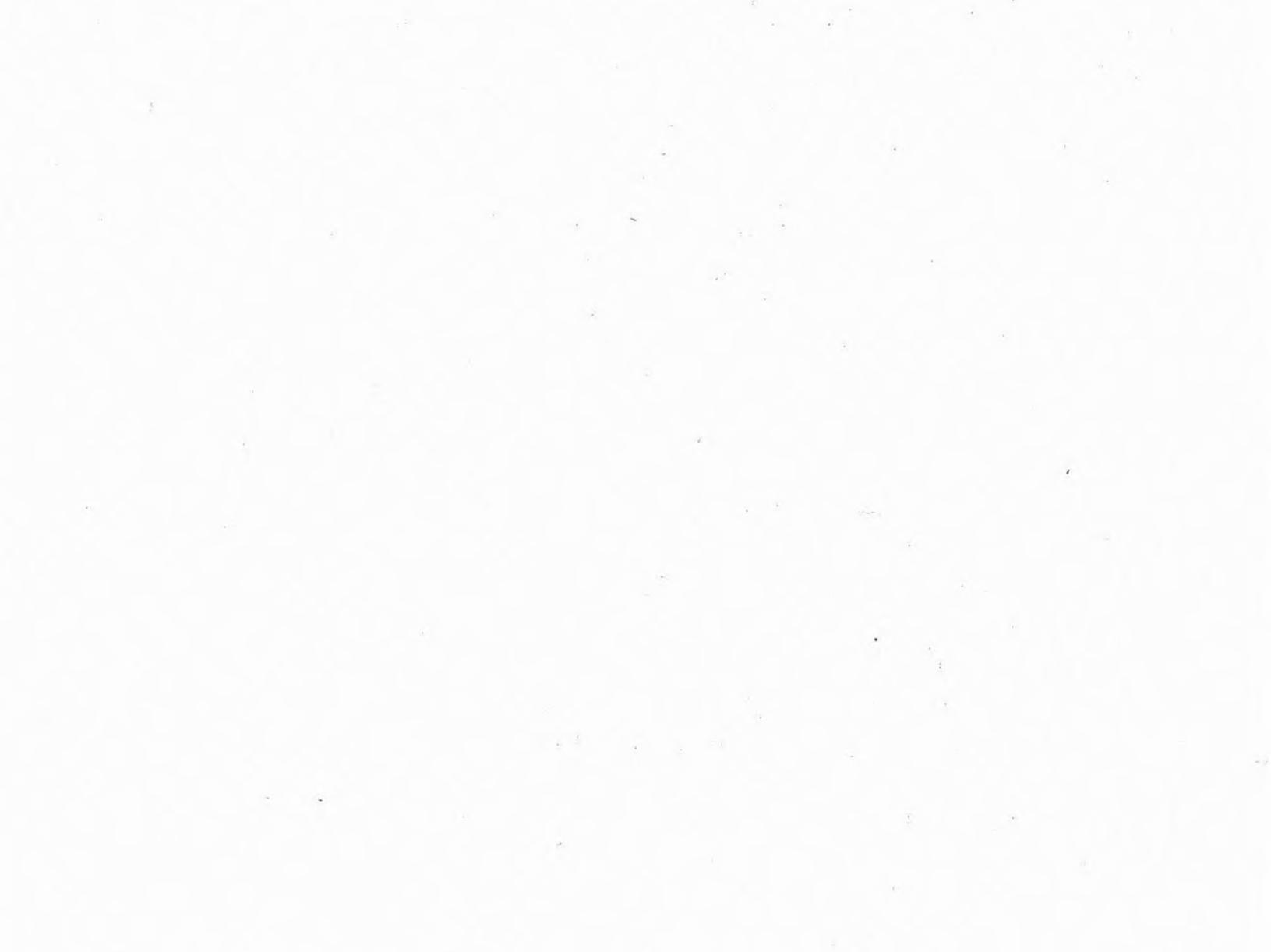
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April 24. In Westboro State Hospital, Moses Pattee, age 75 years, 7 months, 23 days. Cause of death, lobar pneumonia.

Oct. 4. In France, Pvt. Josiah Estes, age 38 years, 3 months, 7 days. Birthplace, Woodstock, Me. Cause of death, pneumonia.

Respectfully submitted,

WESLEY WHEELER, Town Clerk.



# WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

To David M. Forbes, a citizen of the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford.

GREETING :— In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Bethel, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at Odeon Hall in said Town on Monday, the 7th day of March, 1921, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :—

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear and act on the report of the several town officers.

Art. 4. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.Art. 5. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose Treasurer for ensuing year.

Art. 7. To choose one member of School Committe for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To choose the method of collecting taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To choose a Collector for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To choose a Road Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To establish the price the Road Commissioner shall receive for his services.

Art. 12. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To choose all other necessary town officers.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$3,203.39, the same being the overexpenditure of last year's appropriation in common schools, text-book account, repairs and supplies and rent of Bell's Hall.

Art. 15 To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purpose of paying tuition in secondary schools.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for text-books for the ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for repairs for schools for year 1921.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for school supplies for ensuing year.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for repair of roads and bridges for ensuing year.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for winter roads and overexpenditure for ensuing year.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State aid as provided in Sec. 20 of Chapter 130, Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$666.00, or more, for the improvement of the section of State aid road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commission, in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of highways.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote and raise money, and what sum, for the maintenance and patrol of State and State aid highway during the ensuing year, within the limits of the town under the provision of Sec. 9, Chapter 130, Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of poor and overexpenditure for the ensuing year.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for paying town debt and interest.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the observance of Memorial Day, said money to be expended by Brown Post, G. A. R.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote and raise money to pay Collector's Bond for the ensuing year.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to install electric lights on the toll bridge, money for paying same to be taken from the Miscellaneous Fund.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$500, the same to be placed with the \$500 raised in 1920, making \$1,000, for the purpose of building sidewalk on right side of Church street, from Main to High street.

Art. 32. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to hire money, if necessary, to pay outstanding bills.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$300 to procure from the Bethel Library Association the free use of the books during the coming year for all the inhabitants of the town under such restrictions and regulations as shall insure the safety and good usage of the books.

Art. 34. To see what action the town will take in regard to installing a set of heavy scales for the use of the public, and to raise money for installing same.

Art. 35. To see if the town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of 12 to be known as the Budget Committee.

Art. 36 To see if the town will vote to ratify and confirm the action of the municipal officers in executing a deed of the corn shop property to F. J. Tyler, in accordance with the vote of the town at the last annual meeting authorizing the sale of said property.

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise to build a permanent school building at West Bethel.

Any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and have you there this warrant with

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your doings thereon.

Given under our hands this 10th day of February, A. D. 1921.

FRANK A. BROWN, WADE H. THURSTON, F. B. HOWE,

Selectmen of Bethel.

The Selectmen will be in their office on Saturday the 5th day of March for the purpose of correcting the list of voters of the town and hearing and deciding cases of applicants claiming the right to have their names on the voting list.