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ANNUAL REPORTS

—OF THE—

OFFICERS

—OF THE—

Town of Bethel

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING FEB. 1,

1924.

The Citizen Print Shop, Bethel, Maine

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR,
FRANK A. BROWN, WADE H. THURSTON,
FRED B. HOWE.

CLERK,
ALICE J. BROOKS.

TREASURER,
D. GROVER BROOKS.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,
FRED B. HALL.

ROAD COMMISSIONER,
FRANK A. BROWN.

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
J. H. WIGHT, MAUD THURSTON, W. B. TWADDLE.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,
F. E. RUSSELL.

BOARD OF HEALTH,
DR. R. R. TIBBETTS, H. C. ROWE, H. H. HASTINGS.

AUDITOR,
C. K. FOX.

CONSTABLES,
C. L. DAVIS, H. H. KING, W. C. GAREY,
EARL JORDAN, G. D. MORRILL, GUY BARTLETT.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,
A. VAN DEN KERCKHOVEN.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD, LOGS AND LUMBER,
F. L. EDWARDS, HUGH D. THURSTON, F. J. TYLER,
H. F. THURSTON, PAUL THURSTON, E. B. MASON,
J. H. SWAN; HENRY ROLFE.

SEXTONS,
H. N. HEAD, JOHN ANDERSON, I. W. BEAN, L. A. YORK.

FENCE VIEWERS,
A. L. GROVER, T. B. GOODWIN.

FIRE WARDS,
SELECTMEN.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1923

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 1st, 1923:

Valuation of real estate, resident owners,	\$902,990 00
Valuation of real estate, non-resident owners,	107,785 00
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Total value of real estate,	\$1,010,775 00
Valuation of personal estate, resident owners,	\$375,948 00
Valuation of personal estate, non-resident owners,	38,650 00
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Total valuation of personal estate,	\$414,598 00
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Grand total of property,	\$1,425,373 00

Rate of taxation, .035 on the dollar.

Poll tax rate, \$3.00.

Number of polls taxed, 542.

Number of polls not taxed, 62.

Percentage paid Collector of Taxes, 3-4 of 1 per cent.

ASSESSMENTS FOR YEAR 1923.

For State tax,	\$9,993 58	
County tax,	2,810 44	
Payment on bridge repair note,	500 00	
Payment on school heating plant,	500 00	
Payment on new schoolhouses,	2,862 06	
Support of common schools,	9,000 00	
Support of secondary schools,	4,000 00	
Text-books for schools,	350 00	
Repair of schoolhouses,	500 00	
Supplies for schools,	350 00	
Music in schools,	1,000 00	
Building fence at So. Bethel school,	50 00	
Building fence at W. Bethel school,	50 00	
Repairing No. Bethel schoolhouse,	400 00	
Repairing Middle Intervale school- house,	400 00	
Repair roads and bridges,	6,500 00	
Winter roads, 1922-23,	4,000 00	
State-aid road,	666 00	
Maintenance and patrol road,	940 00	
Support of poor,	1,800 00	
Town officers' bills,	2,900 00	
Town debt and interest,	874 00	
Memorial Day observance,	50 00	
Collector's bond,	12 50	
Treasurer's bond,	25 00	
Bethel Library Association,	400 00	
Sewer extension,	50 00	
Rent for hall, Military Co.,	337 50	
Overlay in assessing,	192 98	
Total assessments,		\$51,514 06

**EXTRACT FROM ASSESSORS' REPORT TO BOARD OF
STATE ASSESSORS FOR YEAR 1923.**

Live Stock Taxed.

	No.	Total Value
Horses,	436	\$43,300 00
Colts, 3 to 4,	4	375 00
Colts, 2 to 3,	3	250 00
Cows,	615	31,110 00
Oxen,	12	925 00
3-year-old neat stock,	148	7,970 00
2-year-old neat stock,	161	6,615 00
Sheep in excess of 35,		208 00
Swine in excess of 10,	7	70 00
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		\$90,823 00

Live stock not Taxed.

Neat stock, 1 year old,	160	\$3,200 00
Sheep,	255	2,040 00
Swine,	189	1,890 00

All Other Personal Property.

Stock in trade,	\$83,650 00
Automobiles and trucks, 325,	110,100 00
Pianos, 99,	11,325 00
Lumber,	75,350 00
Logs,	2,100 00
Wood,	18,400 00
Machinery,	7,850 00
Carriages,	200 00
Furniture,	6,000 00
Finished products at mills,	8,800 00
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	\$323,775 00
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	\$414,598 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES, 1923.

W. M. Burnap, error in valuation,	\$70 00
E. Morisette, error in valuation,	7 00
Arthur Dudley, error in valuation,	1 75
George H. Bennett, error in valuation,	3 50
Ralph Sawyer, error in valuation,	8 75
Ralph Young, error in valuation,	21 00
J. B. Ham Co., error in valuation,	35 00
Chester Cummings, error in valuation,	6 13
Glenn Swan, error in valuation,	5 25
J. H. Carter, Jr., error in valuation,	28 00
W. R. Chapman, error in valuation,	80 50
E. C. Park, error in valuation,	17 50
Martha Bartlett, error in valuation,	35 00
George Harlow, error in valuation,	5 25
Harry Kessell, error in valuation,	5 25
R. W. Farwell, error in valuation,	2 62
E. M. Walker, error in valuation,	17 50

\$350 00

A. L. Auger, paid in Mason,	\$3 00
Homer Bartlett, paid in Waterford,	8 00
Harry Churchill, poll abated,	3 00
Alvin Davis, paid in Farmington,	3 00
S. I. French, over 70 years of age,	3 00
D. S. Hastings,	3 00
Ira Hickford, over 70 years of age,	3 00
Mark Kelley, deceased,	3 00
D. H. Mason, paid in Portland,	3 00
Loring Glines,	17 50
Seth L. Mason, deceased,	3 00

\$52 50

\$402 50

1921 Abatement.

Guy Barker, paid in New York,	\$2 00
Moses Bennett, error,	2 40
Geo. Blouin, error,	10 00
Guy Jack, worthless,	27 60
Warren Lunt, can't find,	2 00
Earl Morgan, not of age,	2 00
Nathan M. Hatten, moved from State,	3 60
John Sealey, moved from State,	5 20
Rufus Sidelinger, moved from State,	2 00

\$56 80

1922 Abatement.

Harry Churchill, poll abated,	\$3 00
Charles Hubbard, paid in Berlin,	3 00
Guy Jack, worthless,	7 65
D. H. Mason, paid in Portland,	3 00
Earl McLain, out of State,	3 00
A. Richardson, error in valuation,	12 40

\$32 05

All abatements and errors carried to Miscellaneous Account.

REPORT OF TAX 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 1st, 1923, amounting to	\$51,514 42	
Supplementary tax,	144 75	
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Total amount to be collected,		\$51,659 17

Cr.

By paid Town Treasurer,	\$49,962 68	
By errors in valuation and abatements,	402 50	
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Balance due Town Treasurer,	\$1,293 99	\$51,659 17

UNPAID TAXES.

1917. F. B. Hall, Collector.

A. J. Lowe,	\$2 00	
L. W. Lavorgna,	12 00	
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		\$14 00

1918. F. B. Hall, Collector.

John X. Bennett,	\$2 00	
Charles Mills,	2 00	
Charles Proctor,	2 00	
A. J. Lowe,	2 00	
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		\$8 00

1919. F. B. Hall, Collector.

Nelson Bartlett,	\$2 00
Linsey Dorey,	6 05
Lewis Buck,	2 00
John Gallant,	2 00
John L. Holt,	2 95
E. H. Ingalls,	11 18
John Raymond,	2 00

\$28 18

1920. F. B. Hall, Collector.

Guy Barker,	\$2 00
James Burhoe,	34 24
Lester Burhoe,	2 00
R. L. Bennett,	2 00
Linsey Dorey,	6 73
John Eagle, Jr.,	1 14
A. Gallant,	2 00
John Holt,	7 09
Charles Parker,	2 79
George Perham,	2 00
Mrs. George Rolf,	1 58
Charles Spinney,	2 00
Mike Vashaw,	6 30
George Mills,	9 88

\$81 75

1921. N. E. Richardson, Collector.

Lery Arsenault,	\$2 00
George H. Bennett,	2 00
Elmer Bean,	24 40
Ellis Billings,	2 00
Merton Brown,	4 40
Geo. Baxter,	2 00
James Burhoe,	14 80
George Boothman,	2 00
Lowell Burnham,	2 00
E. M. Carter,	130 00
P. Chessong,	2 00

Nelson Cole,	4 88
Alvah Cummings,	5 20
Irving Farrar,	3 60
Charles Glidden,	2 00
John Holt,	6 24
Carl Hamilton,	2 00
Elijah Hodgkins,	2 00
Harry Jodrey,	2 00
Sill LeClair,	2 00
Dean Martin,	2 00
Gerry Morgan,	2 00
Omar Moxcie,	2 00
Harold Spinney,	2 00
Charles Stevens,	4 40
Channing Scribner,	3 20
James Spinney,	2 00
Fred Strout,	2 00
Herbert Thurlow,	4 40
James Uhlman,	2 50
Mike Washaw,	3 35
Leonard Washaw,	2 00
Fred Verrill,	32 40
J. Hurlbert,	2 00
James Gallant,	2 00

\$285 77

1922. F. B. Hall, Collector.

L. Arsenault,	\$15 40
A. Auger,	3 00
Lloyd Auger,	3 00
Guy Barker,	3 00
Ralph Berry,	13 85
John X. Bennett,	3 00
David Babson,	2 50
Clarence Briggs,	2 00
P. Chessong,	3 00
Alvah Cummings,	4 24
Calvin Cummings,	6 57
A. R. Cummings,	3 00
John Eagle,	3 00

Ervin Farrar,	4 24
Alec Grezier,	3 00
John L. Holt,	3 88
George Hodgkins,	3 00
Elisha Hodgkins,	3 00
Ralph Hastah,	3 00
Harry Morey,	3 00
Charles Mills,	3 00
Earl Morgan,	3 00
T. Martin,	3 00
Charles Parker,	5 33
Grover Randall,	6 10
Earl Rand,	9 20
Homer Smith,	7 65
Forest Uhlman,	3 00
Thomas Vashaw,	3 00
Sadie Vashaw,	25 73
Mike Vashaw,	4 10
Leonard Vashaw,	3 00
L. H. Verrill,	3 00
L. Winslow,	5 02
L. F. Winslow,	3 78
Ray York,	7 65
H. Cross,	3 10
Frank Osgood,	3 00
A. M. Chase,	5 33

\$195 67

1923. F. B. Hall, Collector.

Walter Balentine,	\$1 63
L. U. Bartlett,	13 50
Fred Bartlett,	3 00
Elmer Bean,	6 50
Ralph Berry,	22 25
John X. Bennett,	3 00
David Babson,	3 00
H. Burgess,	15 60
Alphonso A. Brown,	13 50
Milan Chapin,	46 75
L. Coolidge,	13 50

Charles Colyer,	4 75
Edward Currier,	3 00
Jack Carroll,	3 00
C. H. Davis,	31 00
Robert Edwards,	3 00
Grace Estes,	12 25
Elliott Estes,	10 10
Irving Farrar,	3 00
Mae Godwin,	70 00
James Gallant,	3 00
Harry Gordon,	3 00
Chester Howe,	15 25
Ralph Hastah,	3 00
Roy Heath,	10 00
Frank Knight,	7 90
Warner Kendall,	17 00
William Kersted,	13 50
Geo. Luxton,	3 00
Charles Lydon,	5 63
H. E. Littlefield,	35 00
Dean Martin,	3 00
Walter Maxim,	51 00
Mrs. C. K. Martin,	52 15
Lewis Merrill,	13 50
George Mills,	2 80
Gerry Morgan,	3 00
J. Mundt,	3 00
C. Mills,	3 00
James McCabe,	13 50
William McKenzie,	11 75
Frank Mayo,	3 00
Joel Merrill,	3 00
Harry Newell,	3 00
Frank Osgood,	3 00
Glen Patterson,	3 00
Guy Perkins,	3 00
Charles Perkins,	3 00
Herman Robertson,	3 00
D. Rand,	3 00
Othie Reed,	3 00
Carrie Scribner, heirs of	42 00

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Homer Smith,	8 25
Roscoe Swan,	3 00
F. H. Tibbetts,	46 05
Adelbert Tripp,	8 25
James Uhlman,	11 75
Forest Uhlman,	3 00
Thomas Vashaw,	18 75
Sadie Vashw,	262 50
Leonard Vashaw,	5 25
Mike Vashaw,	29 25
Fred Verrill,	45 00
Edward Verrill,	3 00
L. H. Verrill,	3 00
Guy Willey,	8 75
Lyman Winslow,	10 00
L. F. Winslow,	3 00
Francis Westleigh,	6 50
H. Wentzell,	13 50
H. Cross,	3 50
Israelson Motor Co.,	63 00
H. F. Maxim,	7 00
Fogg Brothers,	10 50
H. Lowell,	8 75
C. Lyon,	3 50
Cash in hand to balance account,	77 25

\$1,293 99

All unpaid taxes carried to Financial Standing.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR

Appraisal of town farm and property, Feb. 1st, 1924,	\$3,000 00	
Rent of farm, Mrs. C. E. Burgess,	50 00	
		\$3,050 00
Cr.		
By 1 year's rent of farm,		\$50 00
		\$3,000 00
Appropriation,	\$1,800 00	
Overexpenditure, 1922,	242 55	
Available for 1923,		\$1,557 45

SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT.

Paid for		
J. E. Pike,	\$208 00	
D. M. Kimball,	239 74	
Henry E. Coolidge,	254 52	
Frank Proctor and wife, 1922,	56 96	
George E. Buck,	345 02	
Roland Corson,	55 00	
Children of C. L. Mills, Jr.,	291 38	
Wife and children of Florus Merrill,	49 39	
Family of Joel Merrill,	27 00	
		\$1,527 04
Unexpended and available, 1924,		\$30 41

Joel Merrill and Family.

Order		
174 Paid W. B. Twaddle, med. attendance,		\$27 00

J. E. Pike.

33	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	\$33 71
47	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	16 00
58	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	36 00
78	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	17 71
103	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	34 86
134	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	34 86
166	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	34 86

\$208 00

Henry P. Coolidge.

8	Paid G. E. Buck, board,	\$15 00
36	Paid Alma Perkins,	36 00
50	Paid Town of Paris,	203 52

\$254 52

Roland Corson.

65	Paid Town of Peru,	\$55 00
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D. M. Kimball.

7	Paid C. Rowe & Son, clothing,	\$5 59
33	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	33 72
47	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	15 50
47	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, care sick- ness,	14 00
58	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	36 00
61	Paid C. Rowe & Son,	23 50
78	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	9 14
100	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess, board,	2 86
132	Paid C. Rowe & Son, clothing,	11 10
134	Paid Mrs. C. E. Burgess,	34 86
152	Paid Walter Balentine, board,	16 00
161	Paid Dr. I. H. Wight, med. att.,	11 00
167	Paid Walter Balentine, board to Feb. 1, 1924,	16 00
170	Paid W. B. Twaddle, med. att.,	3 00
172	Paid Dr. R. R. Tibbetts, med. att.,	7 50

\$239 77

Children of Charles L. Mills, Jr.

2	Paid Nettie Fleet, board,	\$45 71	
90	Paid Nettie Fleet, board,	100 00	
97	Paid Nettie Fleet, board,	48 67	
136	Paid Nettie Fleet, board,	102 00	
		<hr/>	\$296 38
	Cr.		
By cash,			\$5 00
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			\$291 38

Frank Proctor and Wife, 1922.

12	Paid C. E. Stowell,		\$56 96
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George E. Buck.

12	Paid Town of Prospect, sickness and burial expenses,		\$345 02
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Florus Merrill, Wife and Children.

82	Paid M. G. Libby, board,	\$45 00	
105	Paid P. Russell, clothing,	4 39	
		<hr/>	\$49 39

All poor accounts carried to Poor Summary.

Edward Currier, Rumford.

39	Paid Dr. L. H. May, medicine,	\$6 00	
150	Paid Dr. R. F. Willard,	12 50	
		<hr/>	\$18 50
	Credit by check to balance account,		\$18 50

Carl Heald, Buckfield.

44	Paid C. K. Fox, clothing,		\$4 07
	Due from Town of Buckfield,		\$4 07

Charles S. Brown, Greenwood.

15	Paid C. L. Davis, transportation,	\$25 00
	Due from Town of Greenwood,	\$25 00

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.**Earl Hopkins, Milton Plantation.**

27	Paid Albert Hopkins, board,	\$52 00
57	Paid Albert Hopkins, board,	52 00
102	Paid Albert Hopkins, board,	52 00
156	Paid Albert Hopkins, board,	52 00
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		\$208 00
	Credit, Received from State,	\$208 00

Grace Roberts, Milton Plantation.

30	Paid David Farnham, board,	\$52 00
58	Paid David Farnham, board,	52 00
101	Paid David Farnham, board,	52 00
155	Paid David Farnham, board,	52 00
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		\$208 00
	Credit, by received from State,	\$208 00

	State of Maine to Town of Bethel, 2 trips to Milton,	\$8 00
	Credit by check, State Treasurer,	\$8 00

Henry Niskanen and Family.

4	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	\$25 77
7	Paid H. C. Rowe & Son, clothing,	8 61
14	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	23 99
10	Paid H. S. Billings, transportation,	10 00
11	Paid F. W. Morse, transportation,	5 00
31	Paid Dr. R. F. Willard,	44 00
32	Paid Rumford Hospital Asso.,	139 29
35	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	23 88
46	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	23 51
49	Paid Dr. R. F. Willard,	6 00

52	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	24 04
56	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	26 16
62	Paid C. Rowe & Son, clothing,	9 88
76	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	24 31
91	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	24 13
100	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	24 39
106	Paid Mark Allen, clothing,	20 00
116	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	25 07
135	Paid H. S. Billings, groceries,	26 49
147	Paid Rumford Hospital,	13 23
157	Paid H. S. Billings,	21 59
159	Paid H. S. Billings,	3 87

		\$553 21
Credit by received from State Treasurer,		\$553 21

REPORT OF SELECTMEN, 1923

Appropriation town debt and interest,	\$874 00	
Overdrawn, 1922,	74 07	
Available for 1923,		\$799 93
Paid coupons on bonds,	\$334 00	
Paid F. L. Edwards, int. on notes,	133 16	
Paid Bethel Savings Bank, int. on notes,	274 27	
		\$741 43
Unexpended,		\$58 50
Appropriation for Public Library,	\$400 00	
Due from State Treasurer,	30 00	
Available for 1923,		\$430 00
Order		
38 Paid F. B. Merrill,	\$100 00	
110 Paid F. B. Merrill,	100 00	
151 Paid F. B. Merrill,	200 00	
Paid by Treasurer,	30 00	
		\$430 00
Appropriation for Collector's bond,		\$12 50
66 Paid F. B. Hall,		\$12 50
Appropriation for Treasurer's bond,		\$25 00
29 Paid F. B. Hall,		\$25 00
Appropriation for Memorial Day,		\$50 00
53 Paid Levi Bartlett,		\$50 00

Available for road signs, \$100 00

These signs have been ordered and will be placed in position in the early spring.

SEWER ACCOUNT.

Appropriation for new line,	\$50 00
E. Van, connecting with sewer,	20 00
Mrs. J. A. Holman, connecting with sewer,	20 00
Cyrus Twitchell, connecting with sewer,	20 00
Sidney Jodrey, connecting with sewer,	20 00
H. H. Hastings, connecting with sewer,	20 00
H. C. Rowe, connecting with sewer,	20 00
Frank King, connecting with sewer,	20 00

\$190 00

Expended.

Order		
295	Paid G. L. Thurston, pipe,	\$16 56
77	Paid James McCabe, labor,	14 00
84	Paid F. A. Brown, labor,	10 00
320	Paid D. Rand, labor,	4 00
321	Paid L. A. Sumner, labor,	6 00
353	Paid L. A. Sumner, labor,	12 00
354	Paid D. Rand, labor,	12 00
355	Paid G. W. Brown, labor,	7 00
356	Paid L. A. Sumner, labor,	10 50
93	Paid F. A. Brown, labor,	15 00
372	Paid C. Tuell,	1 00
98	Paid G. L. Thurston Co., pipe,	67 68
433	Paid L. A. Sumner, labor,	4 00
434	Paid D. Rand,	4 00
436	Paid P. Brown,	4 00
117	Paid F. A. Brown,	5 00
454	Paid L. A. Sumner,	4 00
461	Paid G. L. Thurston, pipe,	33 12

\$229 86

Overdrawn,
Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

\$39 86

Appropriation for rent of hall and rooms for National Guard,	\$337 50	
Received from State,	450 00	
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		\$787 50
26 Paid Bethel Savings Bank,	\$337 50	
109 Paid Bethel Savings Bank,	337 50	
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		\$675 00
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Balance due Bethel Savings Bank,		\$112 50

SHEEP KILLED BY WILD ANIMALS.

142 Paid G. J. Hapgood, 1 sheep,	\$8 00	
146 Paid A. R. Merrill, 3 sheep,	24 00	
154 Paid W. G. Emery, 6 sheep,	48 00	
158 Paid Frank Vetquosky, 6 sheep,	48 00	
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		\$128 00
Credit by check, State Treasurer,		\$128 00

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND.

Notes secured by mortgages,	\$750 00	
Deposited in Bethel Savings Bank,	1,345 23	
Received interest on note,	37 50	
Dividend Bethel Savings Bank,	52 62	
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		\$2,185 35
By paid Town Treasurer,	\$26 00	
By paid Congregational Society,	13 50	
By paid Universalist Society,	13 50	
By paid Methodist Society,	13 50	
By paid Union Society,	9 50	
By paid Baptist Society,	9 50	
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		\$88 50
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Balance on hand, Feb. 1st, 1924,		\$2,099 85

C. K. FOX, Treas. M. & S. Fund.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Salary of A. Van,	\$50 00	
1-2 expenses to Convention,	9 70	
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		\$59 70
Use of Standards,	\$15 00	
Fees collected,	24 51	
148 Cash to balance account,	20 19	
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		\$59 70
Total number scales tested,		45
Total number of weights tested,		68
Total number liquid measures tested,		12
Total number liquid measures condemned,		2
Total number yard sticks sealed,		6
Total number automatic pumps tested,		15

A. VAN DEN KERCKHOVEN,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

QUARANTINED FOR SCARLET FEVER.**Irving Farrar Family.**

1 Paid J. B. Ham, grain,	\$4 10	
3 Paid S. B. Newton, groceries,	23 36	
5 Paid E. Coolidge, butter and milk,	17 10	
9 Paid S. B. Newton, groceries,	15 76	
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Carried to Miscellaneous Account,		\$60 32
Outstanding note for repair of bridges,	\$1,219 25	
Interest for year 1923,	73 16	
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		\$1,292 41
Paid F. L. Edwards, on principal,	\$500 00	
Paid F. L. Edwards, on interest,	73 16	
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		\$573 16
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Balance due on note, 1924,		\$719 25

Outstanding note on heating plant,	\$1,000 00	
Interest for year 1923,	60 00	
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		\$1,060 00
Paid F. L. Edwards, on principal,	\$500 00	
Paid F. L. Edwards, 1 year's interest,	60 00	
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		\$560 00
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Balance due on note, 1924,		\$500 00
Outstanding notes on schoolhouses,	\$5,724 11	5,724 11
1-2 of \$5,724.11 assessed 1923,	\$2,862 06	
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Note taken up at Savings Bank,		\$2,862 06
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Balance due 1924,		\$2,862 05

DOGS TAXED IN TOWN, 1923.

Males, 110,	\$110 00	
Females, 7,	35 00	
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Check sent to State Auditor,		\$145 00

E. L. BARTLETT TRUST FUND.

Deposited in Bethel Savings Bank,	\$500 00
Paid H. H. Hastings, Treasurer, interest,	\$20 20

LOCK-UP ACCOUNT.

Paid G. L. Thurston, lock, etc.,	\$4 85	
76 Paid Ticket for tramp soldier,	5 00	
83 Paid C. L. Davis, care of tramps,	9 45	
149 Paid C. L. Davis, care of tramps,	8 75	
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Carried to Miscellaneous Account,		\$28 05

EXPENSES OF ROAD COMMISSIONER.

Order

42	Paid R. Crockett, rep. battery,	\$5 00
149	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., gas, oil,	6 35
271	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., repairs, gas, etc.,	72 35
277	Paid Hall & Robertson, tire and tube,	17 00
64	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., gas, oil,	10 43
291	Paid H. S. Billings, gas,	1 30
81	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., gas and oil,	12 69
357	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., gas and oil,	16 27
104	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., gas and oil,	14 68
124	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., gas and oil,	14 11
141	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., gas and oil,	13 63
	Paid Herrick Bros. Co., gas and oil,	7 48

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

\$191 29

CANCELLED ORDERS OF TREASURER.

Mar. 17.	Orders cancelled,	\$7,301 49
May 12.	Orders cancelled,	6,044 92
July 7.	Orders cancelled,	7,247 43
Sept. 8.	Orders cancelled,	4,148 91
Nov. 10.	Orders cancelled,	8,350 41
Dec. 29.	Orders cancelled,	5,849 03
Jan. 26.	Orders cancelled,	523 42
Feb. 6.	Orders cancelled,	1,777 50
Feb. 9.	Orders cancelled,	385 35

\$41,628 46

FOREST FIRE NEAR MILTON

Order

67	Paid L. A. Sumner,	\$12 00
68	Paid Dana Rand,	12 00
70	Paid L. E. Buck,	4 00
73	Paid Lewis Verrill,	2 00
72	Paid Dana Rand,	8 00
Part 278	Paid L. A. Sumner,	4 00

79	Paid F. A. Brown,	20 00
85	Paid Alfred Curtis,	10 00
86	Paid W. C. Merrill,	4 00
87	Paid Wilder Merrill,	4 00
89	Paid John Howe,	10 00
88	Paid Albert Swan,	3 00
91	Paid H. S. Billings,	9 00
125	Paid H. O. Blake,	10 00
127	Paid Fred Currier,	4 00
130	Paid Willis Bartlett,	12 00
130	Paid Urban Bartlett,	6 00

Carried to Miscellaneous Account,

\$134 00

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.

Unexpended balance,	\$950 64
Supplementary tax,	144 75
Overlay in assessing,	192 98
License, H. N. Bragdon,	5 00
License, Frank Flint,	1 00
R. R. and Tel. tax,	136 95
Interest on deposits,	38 19
Rent of town farm,	50 00
1-3 income town scales,	33 85
2 cows sold,	75 00
Rec'd State Treas., bank tax,	1,011 86
Circus license,	10 00
Dog tax refunded,	89 50

\$2,739 72

Expended 1923.

Order

	Paid	
18	C. F. Shaw, water tub service,	\$3 00
23	F. A. Brown, postage on reports, etc.,	2 24
24	Loring, Short & Harmon, town books,	27 15
25	F. A. Brown, expenses to Augus- ta road hearing,	8 00

28	Claud Goddard, moving safe,	7 00
34	D. M. Forbes, printing town re- ports, etc.,	269 70
37	W. E. Bosserman, fumigating sup- plies,	9 25
40	Bethel Savings Bank, rent,	150 00
41	Arthur Herrick, mending water tub,	10 00
43	D. M. Forbes, printing envelopes, posting notice, etc.,	20 00
45	G. L. Thurston Co., water tub fix- tures,	2 21
48	Bethel Light, Co., lights for bridge,	35 00
51	Russell Swan, attending forest fire,	2 00
55	F. B. Howe, expenses to So. Paris, assessors meeting,	7 50
60	W. C. Garey, labor on water tubs,	9 00
61	C. Rowe & Son, boots for sewer purposes,	12 00
63	Bethel Water Co.,	75 00
67	L. A. Sumner, constable July 4,	4 00
68	D. Rand, constable July 4,	4 00
69	Town of Newry, tax,	8 96
71	F. A. Brown, postage, fgt, etc.,	9 93
74	G. K. Hastings, 2 years water tub service,	10 00
92	D. M. Forbes, printing notices,	2 58
94	D. W. Cushing, paint for ferry house,	3 75
95	Philip Chapman, papering town farm,	12 50
96	C. L. Davis, trip to Augusta, L. Coolidge,	25 00
Part 98	G. L. Thurston, bulbs for light,	1 47
99	Herrick Bros., repairs for fountain,	1 92
107	W. C. Curtis, reporting vital sta- tistics,	1 25
108	Mrs. F. C. Marston, board of Hazel Seavey,	50 00
111	W. C. Garey, setting up voting booths,	5 00
112	C. K. Fox, Election Clerk,	3 50
113	R. B. Thurston, Election Clerk,	3 50

114	Harry D. Hastings, Ballot Clerk,	3	50
115	E. A. Barker, Ballot Clerk,	3	50
118	S. Badger, water tub service,	5	00
119	F. A. Brown, expenses to Assessors' Convention,	15	00
120	L. F. Pike, clothing for Hazel Seavey,	3	00
121	James Smith Co., shoes and rubbers for Hazel Seavey,	4	05
122	Z. L. Merchant, clothing for Hazel Seavey,	5	87
123	Marion Cortland, car fare for Hazel Seavey,	1	83
128	D. M. Forbes, printing and posting notices,	12	25
133	G. W. Mason, water tub service,	5	00
129	W. H. Thurston, expenses to Assessors' Convention,	14	00
131	Mrs. F. E. Marston, board of Hazel Seavey,	12	00
137	Arthur Herrick, mending water fountain,	6	00
138	W. C. Garey, labor on water fountain,	6	50
139	Fred Douglass, labor on water fountain,	2	25
140	Herrick Bros. Co., pipe, bolts, etc.,		92
Part 145	F. A. Brown, postage, telephone, etc.,	5	60
143	Mary Murphy, board of Hazel Seavey,	10	00
144	Ester Borjerson, car fare for Hazel Seavey,	2	47
153	F. R. Bartlett, snow plow for walks,	21	00
	Forest fire, page 108,	134	00
160	Bethel Water Co.,	75	00
161	I. H. Wight, reporting vital statistics,	8	25
162	Ruth Croston, board and medical attendance, Hazel Seavey,	25	50
	Sewer account overdrawn,	39	86

164	Bethel Light Co., lock-up,	9 00
163	G. L. Thurston, brackets screws for booths,	1 92
	Help furnished quarantined family,	60 32
	Road Commissioner's expenses,	191 29
170	W. B. Twaddle, reporting vital statistics,	19 75
171	Alice J. Brooks, reporting vital statistics,	34 75
173	F. A. Brown, car fare and postage,	3 57
	Lock-up account forwarded,	28 05
175	H. H. Hastings, 2 years water tub service,	10 00
	Abatement of taxes, 1921,	56 80
	Abatement of taxes, 1922,	32 05
	Abatement of taxes, 1923,	52 50
	Errors in valuation, 1923,	350 00
	Interest on loans,	763 15

\$2,831 91

Overdrawn,

\$92 19

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Appropriation,	\$2,900 00
Overdrawn, 1922,	91 12

Available, 1923,

\$2,808 88

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS PAID, 1922-23.

Order

23	Paid F. A. Brown,	\$296 50
23	Paid F. A. Brown, to Mar. 6,	21 00
17	Paid W. H. Thurston,	119 00
17	Paid W. H. Thurston, to Mar. 6,	10 50
16	Paid F. B. Howe,	189 00
16	Paid F. B. Howe, to Mar. 6,	3 50
18	Paid Wesley Wheeler, Town Clerk,	35 00
19	Paid D. G. Brooks, Treasurer,	100 00

20	Paid C. K. Fox, Auditor,	6 00
21	Paid Dr. R. R. Tibbetts, Health Of- ficer,	77 00
22	Paid C. K. Fox, Treas. M. & S. Fund,	6 00

\$863 00

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS PAID, 1923.

Order

	Paid	
35	F. E. Russell, salary for Feb.,	\$66 66
42	F. A. Brown, 10 days, R. Com.,	50 00
79	F. E. Russell, salary for Mar.,	66 67
110	F. E. Russell, salary for Apr.,	66 67
54	F. A. Brown, 36 days, R. Com.,	180 00
59	F. A. Brown, 24 days, R. Com.,	120 00
161	F. E. Russell, salary for May,	66 67
202	F. E. Russell, salary for June,	66 67
80	F. A. Brown, 20 days, R. Com.,	100 00
84	F. A. Brown, 4 days, R. Com.,	20 00
93	F. A. Brown, 3 1-2 days, R. Com.,	17 50
211	F. E. Russell, salary for July,	66 66
227	F. E. Russell, salary for Aug.,	66 66
400	F. A. Brown, 2 days, R. Com.,	10 00
117	F. A. Brown, 13 days, R. Com.,	65 00
284	F. E. Russell, salary for Sept.,	66 66
316	F. E. Russell, salary for Oct.,	66 66
145	F. A. Brown, 16 days, R. Com.,	80 00
149	C. L. Davis, Truant Officer,	10 00
370	F. E. Russell, salary for Nov.,	66 66
169	F. A. Brown, 3 1-2 days, R. Com.,	17 50
407	F. E. Russell, salary for Dec.,	66 66
469	F. E. Russell, salary for Jan,	66 66
	F. B. Hall, Collector, 1923,	385 35
174	N. F. Richardson, Collector, 1921,	5 57

\$1,860 88

\$2,723 88

Unexpended,

\$85 00

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS DUE.

Frank A. Brown, Selectman,	\$259 00
Wade H. Thurston, Selectman.	140 00
Fred B. Howe, Selectman,	150 00
Alice J. Brooks, Clerk,	35 00
D. Grover Brooks, Treasurer,	100 00
C. K. Fox, Auditor,	6 00
Dr. R. R. Tibbetts, Health Officer,	25 00
C. K. Fox. Treasurer M. & S. fund,	6 00

\$721 00

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN, FEB. 1, 1924.**Assets.**

Cash in hands of Treas., Feb. 1, 1924,	\$1,956 00
Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1917,	14 00
Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1918,	8 00
Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1919,	28 18
Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1920,	81 75
Due from N. E. Richardson, Collector, 1921,	285 77
Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1922,	195 67
Due from F. B. Hall, Collector, 1923,	1,293 99
Value of town farm property,	3,000 00
Value of ferry property,	350 00
Value of lock-up property,	500 00
Machinery and tools,	800 00
Tax deeds owned by town,	132 49
Due from Town of Greenwood, acct. poor,	25 00
Due from Town of Buckfield, acct. poor,	4 07
Due from E. C. Van, entering sewer,	20 00
Due from P. Farwell, culvert pipe, 1922,	151 25
Due from Town of Milton, tuition,	198 00
Due from State, acct. of pensions,	210 00

\$9,254 17

Liabilities.

Bonds bearing interest at 4 per cent, \$8,000	00
Interest to Feb. 1, 1924,	26 67
Town Officers' bills due,	721 00
Outstanding bills, estimated,	350 00
Outstanding orders,	00
Town note and int., repairing bridge,	762 41
Town note and int., heat plant,	530 00
Town note and int., new schoolhouses,	3,033 78

\$13,423 86

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONER

Appropriation for 1923,	\$6,500 00	
Overdrawn, 1922,	186 62	
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Available for 1923,		\$6,313 38

SUMMARY OF ROAD ACCOUNT.

Expended by F. A. Brown, 1922,	\$57 67	
Expended by F. A. Brown, 1923,	6,109 38	
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		\$6,167 05
Unexpended and available, 1924,		<hr/> \$146 33

Expended, 1922.

Order		
108	Paid E. I. Estes,	\$13 67
112	Paid N. A. Stearns,	3 00
113	Paid Karl Stearns,	3 00
301	Paid Vear Bean, cutting bushes,	33 00
492	Paid Fred Kilgore, scraper,	5 00
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		\$57 67

Carried to Road Summary.

Expended by F. A. Brown, 1923.

141	Paid Wade Thurston,	\$17 50
142	Paid G. L. Haines,	6 00
143	Paid F. L. Chapman,	4 00
144	Paid F. E. Wheeler,	12 00
145	Paid Wm. McKenzie,	45 50

146	Paid Jack McKenzie,	12 25
147	Paid I. M. Kennerson,	10 50
148	Paid Allen McKenzie,	19 25
150	Paid D. W. Cushing & Son, paint and spikes for ferry,	7 70
154	Paid Guy Bartlett,	24 00
155	Paid H. O. Blake,	18 00
156	Paid Willis Bartlett,	36 00
157	Paid Dana Harrington,	12 00
158	Paid A. L. Curtis,	9 00
159	Paid A. L. Swan,	9 00
160	Paid Everett Billings,	3 00
161	Paid H. S. Hutchins,	4 50
162	Paid S. Mayconnell,	15 00
163	Paid John Howe,	10 50
164	Paid Ceylon Kimball,	13 50
165	Paid J. H. Swan,	7 50
166	Paid R. Swan,	12 00
167	Paid F. B. Howe,	8 75
168	Paid S. Newton,	4 50
169	Paid E. W. Dutton,	2 00
170	Paid E. Coolidge,	6 00
171	Paid L. A. Sumner,	40 00
172	Paid P. Brown,	10 50
173	Paid Wade Thurston,	66 50
174	Paid D. Rand,	26 00
175	Paid L. C. Stevens,	7 00
Part 176	Paid Almon Tyler,	36 21
177	Paid N. A. Stearns,	21 00
178	Paid Karl Stearns,	22 50
179	Paid H. S. Hutchins, labor and plank,	68 00
180	Paid E. Currier,	12 00
Part 184	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24 00
185	Paid D. Rand,	24 00
186	Paid L. C. Steavens,	21 00
187	Paid F. P. Abbott,	21 00
188	Paid Wade Thurston,	35 00
189	Paid M. F. Tyler,	45 82
190	Paid Clyde Whitman,	45 00
191	Paid F. Mundt,	21 00

192	Paid James Mundt,	24 00
193	Paid F. Gibson,	10 00
194	Paid E. G. Annis,	24 00
195	Paid W. H. Hutchinson,	22 50
Part 196	Paid A. C. Hutchinson,	7 50
197	Paid G. T. R. Co., fgt. on R. mach.,	5 50
Part 198	Paid Gard Bennett,	16 00
199	Paid A. L. Curtis,	4 00
200	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24 00
201	Paid D. Rand,	24 00
202	Paid F. P. Abbott,	14 00
203	Paid L. C. Stevens,	22 75
204	Paid W. H. Thurston,	54 00
205	Paid D. G. Brooks,	15 60
206	Paid Geo. Knight,	43 90
207	Paid T. B. Burke,	49 34
208	Paid B. C. Burbank,	26 33
209	Paid C. Crosby,	9 00
210	Paid E. I. Estes,	52 33
211	Paid L. A. Sumner,	22 00
212	Paid D. Rand,	20 00
213	Paid F. P. Abbott,	19 25
214	Paid W. Thurston,	60 50
215	Paid True Eames,	6 00
216	Paid L. A. Sumner,	20 00
217	Paid D. Rand,	20 00
218	Paid F. P. Abbott,	17 50
219	Paid L. C. Stevens,	26 25
220	Paid W. Thurston,	67 00
221	Paid American Express Co.,	1 26
222	Paid Ira Hickford, tending ferry,	30 00
224	Paid B. C. Burbank,	14 00
Part 225	Paid E. Rayford,	6 00
227	Paid L. A. Sumner,	20 00
228	Paid D. Rand,	20 00
229	Paid P. Brown,	11 75
230	Paid Harry Powers,	14 00
231	Paid E. G. Annis,	18 00
232	Paid W. Thurston,	49 00
232	Paid W. Thurston,	79 00
233	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24 00

234	Paid D. Rand,	24 00
235	Paid P. Brown,	17 50
236	Paid G. W. Brown,	19 00
237	Paid W. Thayer,	29 00
Part 238	Paid Gard Bennett,	28 00
Part 238	Paid Guy Bemis,	12 00
239	Paid Alfred Peaslee,	12 67
239a	Paid C. M. Kimball,	3 00
240	Paid Jack McKenzie,	17 50
241	Paid L. U. Bartlett,	13 62
242	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24 00
243	Paid D. Rand,	24 00
244	Paid A. Sumner,	15 00
245	Paid L. C. Stevens,	14 00
246	Paid Wade Thurston,	76 00
248	Paid T. B. Burke,	30 00
249	Paid H. S. Hutchins,	12 90
250	Paid John Howe,	3 50
251	Paid George Osgood,	16 95
252	Paid Frank Brooks, plank,	45 00
253	Paid E. H. Smith,	15 00
254	Paid Fred Wheeler,	41 00
255	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24 00
256	Paid D. Rand,	22 00
257	Paid P. Brown,	19 25
258	Paid G. W. Brown,	16 50
259	Paid L. C. Stevens,	27 00
260	Paid Wade Thurston,	84 00
261	Paid E. Luxton,	37 50
262	Paid E. G. Annis,	42 00
263	Paid H. E. Littlefield,	37 50
263a	Paid B. C. Burbank,	39 00
264	Paid E. Peterkin,	28 00
265	Paid A. Sumner,	16 50
266	Paid Karl Stearns,	3 50
267	Paid George Knight,	43 86
267a	Paid M. Chapin,	14 00
268	Paid L. A. Sumner,	18 00
269	Paid D. Rand,	20 00
270	Paid G. W. Brown,	6 00
271	Paid A. Sumner,	6 00

272	Paid L. C. Stevens,	14 00
273	Paid W. Thurston,	61 00
Part 274	Paid E. Peterkin,	14 00
275	Paid H. E. Littlefield,	14 00
276	Paid E. G. Annis,	14 00
277	Paid B. C. Burbank,	14 00
278	Paid E. Luxton,	26 30
279	Paid F. L. Blake,	6 07
280	Paid Lewis Spinney,	36 00
281	Paid L. A. Sumner,	12 00
282	Paid D. Rand,	12 00
283	Paid Karl Stearns,	10 50
284	Paid D. G. Brooks,	18 56
285	Paid Willis Bartlett,	49 00
286	Paid Guy Bartlett,	47 00
287	Paid H. O. Blake,	3 50
288	Paid David Rand, cutting bushes,	18 00
290	Paid G. B. Mills,	20 28
292	Paid W. H. Thurston,	73 50
293	Paid H. N. Head,	1 72
294	Paid F. R. Bartlett,	12 95
Part 295	Paid G. L. Thurston,	25 42
296	Paid D. Rand, cutting bushes,	45 34
297	Paid P. Brown,	7 50
Part 298	Paid L. A. Sumner,	12 00
299	Paid G. W. Brown,	25 00
300	Paid W. H. Thurston,	29 75
Part 301	Paid Vear Bean,	6 00
Part 445	Paid Berger Mfg. Co., cul- verts,	173 80
302	C. Tuell,	4 50
Part 303	Paid D. Rand,	8 00
304	Paid G. W. Brown,	3 50
306	Paid Winfield Howe,	14 00
307	Paid Ira Hickford,	30 00
308	Paid Bethel Inn,	3 50
Part 309	Paid Wade Thurston,	45 50
310	Paid L. A. Sumner,	4 00
311	Paid Dana Rand,	4 00
312	Paid G. W. Brown,	3 50
313	Paid E. G. Annis,	7 00

314	Paid C. M. Annis,	3 50
329	Paid Wade Thurston,	42 00
333	Paid Jack McKenzie,	22 50
444	Paid N. E. Metal Co., grader,	187 00
335	Paid Geo. Knight,	24 00
Part 340	Paid L. A. Sumner,	4 00
341	Paid D. Rand,	4 00
342	Paid P. Brown,	3 50
349	Paid H. P. Washaw, 408 loads gravel,	61 25
350	Paid Cross & Campbell, repairs,	5 00
Part 352	Paid W. H. Thurston,	45 50
353	Paid L. A. Sumner,	8 00
354	Paid D. Rand,	8 00
355	Paid G. W. Brown,	2 50
358	Paid Fred Mundt, cutting bushes,	22 15
359	Paid L. H. Davis,	6 00
360	Paid F. R. Bartlett, making roller,	150 00
Part 98	Paid G. L. Thurston,	3 36
361	Paid George Osgood,	14 00
362	Paid E. Rich, cutting bushes,	24 63
369	Paid Sam Mayconnell,	50 75
370	Paid George Haines,	8 75
Part 371	Paid D. G. Brooks,	6 70
383	Paid L. A. Sumner,	2 00
403	Paid E. Chase, cutting bushes,	33 25
413	Paid L. A. Sumner,	4 00
414	Paid D. Rand,	4 00
426	Paid Jack McKenzie,	26 25
427	Paid T. B. Burke,	30 00
428	Paid J. H. Swan, cutting bushes,	10 50
429	Paid L. A. Sumner,	16 00
430	Paid D. Rand,	16 00
432	Paid E. Luxton,	28 50
433	Paid L. A. Sumner,	16 00
434	Paid D. Rand,	16 00
435	Paid E. G. Annis,	24 50
437	Paid C. M. Annis,	3 50
438	Paid G. W. Brown,	3 50
439	Paid Wade Thurston,	14 00
440	Paid E. A. Barker, stringers,	5 00

444	Paid N. E. Metal Co., culverts,	57	60
441	Paid E. S. Buck,	21	00
442	Paid M. F. Tyler,	10	00
443	Paid Harry Lyon,	19	43
446	Paid L. A. Sumner,	4	00
447	Paid D. Rand,	4	00
448	Paid P. Brown,	4	00
450	Paid E. Annis,	14	00
451	Paid Jack McKenzie,	19	25
452	Paid Geo. Knight, cutting bushes,	36	16
453	Paid A. L. Whitman, cutting bushes, es,	36	75
454	Paid L. A. Sumner,	8	00
455	Paid E. Cross, gravel,	2	50
456	Paid Will Holt,	24	50
457	Paid F. L. Blake, repairs,	10	00
458	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24	00
460	Paid A. & W. H. Hutchinson, cutting bushes,	10	50
461	Paid G. L. Thurston Co., pipe,	22	44
462	Paid Ira Hickford,	35	00
463	Paid A. W. Bean,	3	00
464	Paid L. A. Sumner,	16	00
465	Paid George Hapgood, labor and and stringers,	27	50
466	Paid G. L. Thurston,	1	84
467	Paid E. A. Trask, plank and stringers,	36	16
468	Paid F. Vetquosky,	58	66
468	Paid F. Vetquosky, plank.	3	50
469	Paid E. E. Bennett, gravel,	2	70
470	Paid Clara Upton, stringers,	10	00
471	Paid Harry Vashaw, gravel,	6	00
472	Paid F. J. Tyler, plank,	71	75
473	Paid F. L. Edwards, plank,	457	10
474	Paid Brown Co., plank,	62	06
Part 475	Paid A. R. Merrill,	37	50
Part 475	Paid A. R. Merrill,	41	00
476	Paid John Howe,	1	20
477	Paid Lester Mason, cutting bushes,	15	00
478	Paid George Knight,	23	34

479	Paid C. Tuell,	2 00
Part 480	Paid G. B. Mills,	27 75
481	Paid W. D. Mills, repairing roller,	21 67
482	Paid Gard Bennett,	14 00
483	Paid E. G. Annis,	9 50
484	Paid Ira Hickford,	36 05
	Paid Overexpenditure State-aid road,	13 44
	Paid Overexpenditure 3rd class road,	35 26
486	Paid Frances Carter,	4 00
Part 487	Paid C. C. Eames,	7 50
488	Paid L. A. Sumner,	4 00
489	Paid A. Sumner,	1 75
490	Paid G. W. Brown,	1 75
491	Paid John Holt,	2 80
493	Paid Vear Bean,	24 50

\$6,223 18

Cr.

By 50-50 road money paid by State,	\$50 00
By 1 12-in. culvert pipe,	28 80
By 1 M ft. hemlock plank,	35 00

\$113 80

Carried to road summary,

\$6,109 38

WINTER ROADS, 1922-23.

Appropriation,	\$4,000 00
Overdrawn, 1922,	812 04

Available, 1923,

\$3,187 96

1	Paid Bethel Inn,	\$80 50
2	Paid Lemont Brown,	19 50
3	Paid R. L. Robbins,	133 00
4	Paid E. Luxton,	75 00
5	Paid Earl Jordan,	23 50
6	Paid Stephen Westleigh,	4 50

7	Paid H. N. Head,	4 50
8	Paid Paul Head,	3 00
9	Paid A. L. Grover,	3 00
10	Paid John Mather,	3 00
11	Paid E. Mason,	1 50
12	Paid I. M. Kennerson,	18 00
13	Paid G. K. Hastings,	16 30
14	Paid John Howe,	4 50
15	Paid E. C. Lapham,	49 82
16	Paid E. G. Annis,	48 50
17	Paid Frank Brooks,	60 50
18	Paid Lemont Brown,	22 50
19	Paid H. F. Maxim,	15 00
20	Paid M. F. Tyler,	84 30
21	Paid Gard Bennett,	49 00
22	Paid Glen Mason,	1 50
23	Paid Clyde Whitman,	36 00
24	Paid Fred Mundt,	96 50
25	Paid F. L. Chapman,	45 50
26	Paid H. E. Littlefield,	49 00
27	Paid A. L. Whitman,	15 00
28	Paid Charles Bean,	24 00
30	Paid John Howe,	4 50
31	Paid Geo. Haines,	16 50
32	Paid H. M. Osgood,	1 67
33	Paid B. C. Burbank,	25 33
33a	Paid E. M. Hutchinson,	13 50
34	Paid C. M. Kimball,	23 40
35	Paid Russell Swan,	34 18
36	Paid G. K. Hastings,	23 64
36a	Paid Guy Bartlett,	68 00
37	Paid H. O. Blake,	63 00
38	Paid Willis Bartlett,	63 00
39	Paid E. Coolidge,	3 00
40	Paid H. S. Hutchins,	3 00
41	Paid A. Curtis,	6 00
42	Paid D. Harrington,	3 00
43	Paid Urban Bartlett,	3 00
44	Paid G. B. Mills,	29 00
45	Paid T. B. Burke,	19 67
46	Paid H. Kendall,	4 00

47	Paid Bethel Inn,	78 50
48	Paid E. C. Billings,	18 00
49	Paid Sam Mayconnell,	30 00
50	Paid S. Abbott,	18 00
51	Paid E. Rich,	6 00
52	Paid True Eames,	14 33
53	Paid H. M. Osgood,	4 00
54	Paid Almon Tyler,	11 10
55	Paid A. C. & E. M. Hutchinson,	25 50
56	Paid Herman Mason,	6 00
57	Paid George Osgood,	30 99
58	Paid W. L. Robbins,	38 50
59	Paid E. Jordan,	22 50
60	Paid E. Luxton,	38 00
61	Paid A. L. Grover,	6 00
62	Paid John Mather,	1 50
63	Paid C. E. Barker,	1 50
64	Paid S. Westleigh,	2 50
65	Paid I. M. Kennerson,	9 00
66	Paid E. Rayford,	66 00
67	Paid H. Kendall,	7 00
68	Paid G. E. Brooks,	10 17
69	Paid R. Richardson,	3 48
70	Paid I. French,	8 67
71	Paid True Eames,	9 66
72	Paid A. W. Bean,	11 50
73	Paid S. L. Grover,	20 80
74	Paid Lyman Wheeler,	7 00
75	Paid G. B. Mills,	10 67
76	Paid B. W. Kimball,	7 00
77	Paid Lewis Spinney,	14 00
78	Paid Bethel Inn,	50 25
79	Paid E. Rich,	1 50
80	Paid B. C. Burbank,	15 33
81	Paid John Howe,	2 34
82	Paid Frank Brooks,	25 00
83	Paid Lemont Brown,	12 00
84	Paid George Leonard,	1 50
85	Paid Fred Mundt,	68 20
86	Paid Clyde Whitman,	13 50
87	Paid M. F. Tyler,	37 50

88	Paid Sam Mayconnell,	13 50
89	Paid Guy Bartlett,	28 50
90	Paid Willis Bartlett,	28 50
91	Paid H. O. Blake,	28 50
92	Paid F. Vetquosky,	52 40
93	Paid F. R. Bartlett, repairing roller,	5 00
94	Paid T. B. Burke,	21 66
95	Paid Elliott Rich,	8 20
96	Paid Glen Mason,	15 00
96a	Paid Fred Mundt,	22 40
97	Paid Harry Lyon,	9 60
98	Paid M. F. Tyler,	22 00
99	Paid Wesley K. Bean,	88 00
100	Paid E. Peterkin,	96 00
101	Paid R. L. Young,	3 00
102	Paid B. C. Burbank,	10 33
103	Paid H. M. Osgood,	1 00
104	Paid Geo. Davis,	9 00
105	Paid True Eames,	7 00
105a	Paid J. D. George,	3 00
106	Paid Bethel Inn,	18 00
107	Paid E. C. Lapham,	10 32
108	Paid E. I. Estes,	34 33
109	Paid R. Mayberry,	22 50
109a	Paid W. H. Hutchinson,	12 00
110	Paid E. Rich,	6 70
111	Paid F. Brooks,	18 00
112	Paid N. A. Stearns,	12 00
113	Paid Karl Stearns,	9 50
113a	Paid H. Churchill,	16 30
114	Paid J. M. Barrett,	1 68
115	Paid E. C. Billings,	11 00
116	Paid L. A. Sumner,	21 00
117	Paid C. Bean,	6 00
118	Paid W. L. Robbins,	24 00
119	Paid E. Luxton,	40 00
120	Paid E. Jordan,	3 50
121	Paid T. E. Westleigh,	25 00
122	Paid J. Mather,	4 00
123	Paid I. M. Kennerson,	3 00
124a	Paid W. D. Mills, repairs,	4 00

124	Paid C. F. Abbott,	1 50
125a	Paid H. Kendall,	11 00
126	Paid H. S. Stanley,	4 50
126a	Paid Roy Blake,	32 00
127	Paid John Howe,	3 00
128	Paid W. Thayer,	14 00
129	Paid Karl Stearns,	6 00
130	Paid N. Stearns,	6 00
131	Paid Guy Bartlett,	31 50
132	Paid Willis Bartlett,	27 00
133	Paid H. O. Blake,	27 00
134	Paid A. L. Curtis,	6 00
135	Paid D. Harrington,	3 00
136	Paid E. M. Hutchinson;	12 00
137	Paid Frank Gibson,	8 00
138	Paid B. C. Burbank,	10 34
139	Paid M. F. Tyler,	21 00
140	Paid F. Mundt,	24 75
141	Paid Wade Thurston,	5 25
142	Paid G. L. Haines,	9 00
143	Paid F. L. Chapman,	20 50
144	Paid F. E. Wheeler,	41 99
151	Paid W. L. Robbins,	7 00
152	Paid E. Jordan,	7 00
153	Paid E. Luxton,	21 13
176	Paid Almon Tyler,	18 60
181	Paid H. Williamson,	14 00
182	Paid H. Kendall,	14 00
183	Paid J. Spinney,	14 00
184	Paid L. A. Sumner,	5 25
196	Paid A. C. Hutchinson,	3 15
198	Paid Gard Bennett,	42 50
223	Paid R. Swan,	7 68
225	Paid E. Rayford,	18 00
226	Paid H. S. Hutchins,	9 00
239	Paid C. M. Kimball,	12 00
247	Paid Will Holt,	4 00
274	Paid E. Peterkin,	14 00
289	Paid G. K. Hastings,	9 95
301	Paid Vear Bean,	54 00
441	Paid E. Buck,	4 67

459	Paid H. B. Bryant,	4 00
463	Paid Clyde Brooks,	3 00
465	Paid Geo. Hapgood,	6 00
467	Paid E. A. Trask,	63 00
468	Paid F. Vetquosky,	10 00
475	Paid A. R. Merrill,	15 40
480	Paid G. B. Mills, labor and land damage,	36 66
485	Paid B. W. Kimball,	4 00
487	Paid C. C. Eames,	6 00

\$3,688 04

Overdrawn,

\$500 08

MAINTENANCE AND PATROL ROAD.

Appropriation by town,	\$940 00
Paid State Treasurer,	\$940 00

STATE-AID ROAD.

Appropriation by town,	\$666 00
Appropriation by State,	752 58
Unexpended, 1922,	9 86

Available for 1923,

\$1,428 44

Expended.

Order		
444	Paid N. E. Metal Co., culverts,	\$105 60
363	Paid L. A. Sumner,	20 00
364	Paid D. Rand,	20 00
356	Paid J. Howe,	14 00
366	Paid W. Holt,	21 00
366	Paid C. Parker,	7 00
367	Paid George Knight,	10 50
368	Paid E. Billings,	10 50
371	Paid D. G. Brooks,	21 30
373	Paid George Harrington,	7 00
374	Paid L. A. Sumner,	16 00
375	Paid D. Rand,	16 00

376	Paid George Knight,	7 00
377	Paid E. Billings,	10 50
378	Paid F. Coolidge,	7 00
379	Paid John Howe,	14 00
380	Paid W. Holt,	33 25
381	Paid Guy Bartlett,	28 00
382	Paid E. Coolidge,	7 00
410	Paid F. A. Brown,	45 00
383	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24 00
384	Paid D. Rand,	24 00
385	Paid P. Brown,	3 50
386	Paid G. W. Brown,	3 50
387	Paid John Howe,	5 25
388	Paid F. Coolidge,	17 50
389	Paid E. Coolidge,	42 00
390	Paid A. Coolidge,	17 50
391	Paid Guy Bartlett,	28 00
392	Paid W. Holt,	35 00
392	Paid C. Parker,	17 50
393	Paid E. Billings,	10 50
394	Paid Geo. Knight,	3 50
395	Paid W. B. Bartlett,	14 00
396	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24 00
410	Paid F. A. Brown,	30 00
397	Paid D. Rand,	24 00
398	Paid J. Howe,	17 50
399	Paid W. Holt,	35 00
399	Paid C. Parker,	15 75
400	Paid E. Billings,	17 50
401	Paid A. Coolidge,	17 50
402	Paid F. Coolidge,	17 50
404	Paid E. W. Dutton,	10 50
405	Paid Geo. Knight,	35 00
406	Paid Ben Tyler,	35 00
406a	Paid Guy Bartlett,	35 00
407	Paid W. B. Bartlett,	35 00
408	Paid A. Merrill,	35 00
409	Paid E. Coolidge,	35 00
410	Paid F. A. Brown,	30 00
411	Paid D. G. Brooks,	27 36
412	Paid F. A. Brown,	25 00

413	Paid L. A. Sumner,	20 00
414	Paid D. Rand,	20 00
415	Paid John Howe,	7 00
416	Paid E. H. Billings, 383 loads grav- el,	38 30
416	Paid E. H. Billings,	7 00
417	Paid A. Coolidge,	10 50
418	Paid F. Coolidge,	10 50
419	Paid W. Holt,	35 00
419	Paid C. Parker,	7 00
420	Paid Geo. Knight,	21 00
421	Paid B. Tyler,	14 00
422	Paid G. Bartlett,	14 00
423	Paid W. B. Bartlett,	14 00
424	Paid A. R. Merrill,	14 00
425	Paid E. Coolidge,	21 00
431	Paid Smith & Brown, cement,	10 00
	State supervision,	10 57

\$1,441 88

\$13 44

Overdrawn,
Carried to road account.
Length of road built, 2000 feet.

THIRD CLASS ROAD.

Appropriation by State, \$1,096 98
Expended.

Order		
445	Paid Berger Co., culverts,	\$118 80
303	Paid D. Rand,	12 00
304	Paid G. W. Brown,	10 50
305	Paid W. Thurston,	32 50
309	Paid W. Thurston,	50 75
310	Paid L. A. Sumner,	20 00
311	Paid D. Rand,	20 00
312	Paid G. W. Brown,	17 50
313	Paid E. Annis,	35 00
314	Paid Fred Oicle,	7 00
315	Paid B. C. Burbank,	14 00

316	Paid H. E. Littlefield,	14 00
317	Paid L. Wheeler,	10 50
318	Paid A. Sumner,	10 50
319	Paid D. Rand,	20 00
320	Paid L. A. Sumner,	24 00
321	Paid G. W. Brown,	21 00
322	Paid Philip Brown,	21 00
323	Paid W. Howe,	14 00
324	Paid C. M. Annis,	21 00
325	Paid F. Oicle,	21 00
326	Paid A. Sumner,	21 00
327	Paid E. Annis,	42 00
328	Paid W. Thurston,	42 00
329	Paid B. C. Burbank,	42 00
330	Paid H. E. Littlefield,	42 00
331	Paid L. Wheeler,	42 00
332	Paid F. A. Brown,	70 00
335	Paid L. Wheeler,	17 50
336	Paid Fred Oicle,	8 75
337	Paid W. Howe,	8 75
338	Paid B. C. Burbank,	17 50
339	Paid L. A. Sumner,	22 00
340	Paid D. Rand,	22 00
341	Paid P. Brown,	8 75
342	Paid G. W. Brown,	8 75
343	Paid A. Sumner,	12 25
344	Paid E. Annis,	24 50
345	Paid H. E. Littlefield,	17 50
346	Paid G. J. Hapgood, gravel,	50 00
347	Paid E. H. Smith,	15 00
348	Paid W. Thurston,	33 25
352	Paid F. A. Brown,	27 50
351	Paid C. M. Annis,	17 50
	State supervision,	4 69

\$1,132 24

\$35 26

Overdrawn,
Carried to road account.

Length of road built, 3050 feet.

Every year our roads demand more attention. In the past three years traffic has more than doubled in our town. Trucks are now hauling the wood which formerly was drawn on winter roads. Dirt roads will not hold these heavy loads, hence the ruts and broken culverts that are in need of constant repairs. Our town, however, depends on our wood-working mills. Trucks have come to stay, and we must build better roads.

Not so much was accomplished the past year as planned, owing [1] to the heavy rain in the spring which caused wash-outs requiring \$1,500 for repairs; and [2] to an advance in wages July 1, \$1.00 per day for man and team, and 50 cents per day for man. With a definite sum to spend, your Commissioner if possible must keep within the appropriation. Accordingly, two pieces of road that we had hoped to repair we were obliged to leave undone.

There is a bright outlook for the coming year. The last Legislature gave us \$1,000 for the Milton Road. The County will add \$300, provided that the Town will raise \$400. This is a good proposition, as the \$1700 will go far toward fixing this bad piece of road.

We are informed that we shall receive more third-class money than in years past, owing to the Gasoline Tax. This year will see the completion of a good third-class road from the village to Songo Pond. The State-aid road for the year will be built from Bean's Corner toward the Rumford line. This is a sandy piece, and needs immediate improvement.

Our town is not keeping up with other towns in Oxford County in the construction of permanent bridges. Heavy trucking makes it almost a necessity for us to build two concrete bridges: one at Alder River, and one on the West Bethel road at Mill Brook. The State engineers have taken measurements, and at town meeting we ought to have the figures as to cost by Town, County and State. Plank bridges on main thoroughfares are costly in their upkeep. Also, should we have a fatal accident at these bridges, the cost to the Town might be more than the cost of new bridges.

We would like to call your attention to the law requiring the cutting of bushes on both sides of the highway passing your property. A part of our road money goes every year for cutting bushes. If abutters, however, would spend a little time every year in cutting bushes as the law requires, this money might be available for our roads. Again, highway bushes should be kept closely cut, since the safety of every one of us while driving depends on a clear and unobstructed vision of the road.

Looking backward even ten years, we can see steady improvement in our roads. Let us take courage and all work together for their further improvement.

FRANK A. BROWN, Road Com.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1923,	\$2,029 91
Rec'd from F. B. Hall, Coll. taxes, 1923,	49,962 68
F. B. Hall, Coll., taxes 1917,	10 00
F. B. Hall, Coll., taxes 1918,	8 00
F. B. Hall, Coll., taxes 1919,	4 00
F. B. Hall, Coll., taxes 1920,	8 00
F. B. Hall, Coll., taxes 1922,	1,033 06
N. E. Richardson, Coll., 1921,	196 40
Treas. of State, poor account,	800 62
Treas. of State, armory rentals,	565 00
Treas. of State, claims,	110 00
Treas. of State, damage to animals,	128 00
Treas. of State, pensions,	117 00
Treas. of State, library,	30 00
Treas. of State, tax on bank stock,	1,011 86
Treas. of State, poor dept.,	193 64
Treas. of State, highways.	1,022 60
Bethel National Bank, notes,	19,000 00
Bethel National Bank, int. on notes,	38 19
Sidney Jodrey, entering sewer,	20 00
H. H. Hastings, entering sewer,	20 00
Frank King, entering sewer,	20 00
C. W. Twitchell, entering sewer,	20 00
H. C. Rowe, entering sewer,	20 00
Alice Holman, entering sewer,	20 00
F. E. Russell, school supplies,	10 04
F. E. Russell, school account,	8 44
F. E. Russell, refund school supplies,	5 81
F. E. Russell, stove sold,	10 00
J. B. Ham Co., scales receipts,	33 85
I. H. Wight, shingles sold,	6 25
Alice J. Brooks, dog taxes,	145 00

F. A. Brown, C. L. Mills, Jr., board,	5 00
C. K. Fox, Ministerial Fund,	26 00
M. M. Burnham, cows sold,	75 00
Frank Flint, vit. license,	1 00
F. A. Brown, circus license,	10 00
H. N. Bragdon, picture license,	5 00
Town of Gilead, tuition,	14 00
Town of Rumford, poor,	18 50
Town of Greenwood, schools,	71 62
Town of Mason, schools,	40 03
Town of Gilead,	260 89
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	\$77,135 39

Paid State pensions,	\$297 00
Bethel National Bank, coupons,	334 00
F. B. Hall, tax deeds,	40 05
Orders cancelled,	41,628 46
F. B. Merrill, Public Library,	30 00
Treasurer of State, dog taxes,	145 00
Ed York, bounty on bear,	5 00
Geo. M. Atwood, County tax,	2,810 44
F. L. Edwards, notes,	1,000 00
F. L. Edwards, interest on notes,	133 16
Treasurer of State, State tax,	5,826 81
Bethel Savings Bank, schoolhouse note,	2,887 05
Bethel Savings Bank, int. on schoolhouse notes,	274 27
Bethel National Bank, notes,	19,000 00
Bethel National Bank, int. on notes,	763 15
D. Grover Brooks, stamps, etc.,	5 00
Cash on hand to balance, Feb. 1, 1924,	1,956 00
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	\$77,135 39

Respectfully submitted,

D. GROVER BROOKS, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, certify that we have carefully examined the above and find it correct and there is in the hands of the Treasurer one thousand nine hundred fifty-six dollars.

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

Selectmen of Bethel.

Accounts examined and found correct.
February 11, 1924.

C. K. FOX, Auditor.

BETHEL SCHOOL REPORT

1923-4.

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Bethel:

We have made a great gain towards giving the children of the town convenient, comfortable, attractive, and sanitary buildings. As you already know North and Middle Intervale have received much and long needed improvements: Paint outside and in, new well built sheds, with ample wood room, and well finished toilets, all connected with the main building. These buildings should be seen to be appreciated. Northwest should next receive attention. Here is a tiny shed with one entrance for wood and toilets. About half of the wood supply can be housed and there is no privacy for the sexes. In winter the shed has to be reached by a walk through the snow. The underpinning of the main building is much out of order. The interior is battered and black with smoke.

East Bethel is badly out of repair. The furnace needs some repairs, the floors are badly worn, some doors are broken and the sash shaky through long lack of paint. No extensive plans are planned here for the coming year. The people in this section of the town want a new building, and they should have one as soon as the town can build it.

Needed repairs at Bethel village have been postponed for lack of funds. The sash and other parts of the building have long suffered for lack of paint. The furniture is old, some of it never strong, and gives out at the rate of about eight units a year. A condition in the basement which is unsatisfactory finally became so bad that real emergency occurred and had to be met in spite of a lack of funds. Another emergency may happen any time.

There is an overdraft of about \$330 this account, and there is also an unpaid bill of \$106.33 at D. Grover Brooks'. Not less than \$1500 should be raised for this account for the coming year.

The Milton-Bethel school has been closed. Conveyance and tuition at North Woodstock takes its place.

The Northwest Bethel school became so small at the end of the fall term it was closed for the winter and pupils given an opportunity to attend elsewhere.

The schools have greatly enjoyed the new work in music. The employment of a music teacher by the town and Gould's Academy has proved a decided success. This was insured by securing for this department Miss Frances Whiteside, a very efficient teacher of ability and ample experience.

The Primary schools in Bethel village have been so large, over one hundred pupils, that two teachers could not adequately do the work necessary in these schools. Beginning with the last fall term Miss Elizabeth Emery of the Normal class of 1923, Gould's Academy, has been employed to assist in these schools. The results of this arrangement have been very satisfactory.

Recommendations, School Accounts, and Statistics will follow.

Respectfully submitted,

F. E. RUSSELL, Supt. of Schools.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend that the town raise by taxation for the support of schools the coming year the following amounts:	
Common Schools and Music,	\$10,500 00
High School Tuition,	4,000 00
Text-books,	350 00
Overdraft, General Repairs and Improvements at Northwest,	
Supplies,	350 00

I. H. WIGHT,
MAUD THURSTON,
W. B. TWADDLE,

Superintending School Committee.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Received

Voted by town including music,	\$10,000 00
Town fund,	26 00
State school fund,	3,340 32
Tuition, Gilead, 1923 W S F,	226 00
Tuition, Milton, 1923 W S,	198 00

\$13,790 32

Paid

Overdraft last year,	\$555 31
Teachers,	8,924 76
Fuel,	1,081 34
Janitors,	528 49
Conveyance,	2,637 55
Tuition, Bridgton, 1922 F,	20 00
Tuition, Woodstock, 1923 F,	14 00
Tuition, Rumford, 1923 S,	15 00
Tuition, Greenwood, 1923 W S F,	231 00

\$14,007 45

Overdraft,

\$217 13

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION.

Received

Voted by town,	\$4,000 00
State school fund,	600 00

\$4,600 00

Paid

Overdraft last year,	\$587 84
Woodstock, 1923 W S F,	80 00
Rumford, 1923 W S F,	60 00
Gould's Academy, 1923 W S F,	4,611 50

\$5,339 34

Overdraft,

\$739 34

TEXT-BOOKS.

Received

Voted by town,	\$350 00
Correction from last year,	25 00
Greenwood,	36 33
Gilead,	30 89
Mason,	40 03
F. E. Russell,	5 94

\$488 19

Paid

Overdraft last year,	\$3 07
American Book Co.,	70 53
Ginn & Co.,	127 34
D. C. Heath & Co.,	9 66
Scott, Foresman & Co.,	54 95
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.,	23 73
World Book Co.,	49 08
Hall Mack Co.,	5 00
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	19 57
Silver Burdett & Co.,	74 98

\$457 86

Unexpended,

\$30 33

REPAIRS.

Received

Voted by town,	\$1,300 00
Mr. Augier, for stove,	10 00
Gilead, outhouse and blackboard,	18 00
F. E. Russell,	2 50
Bethel Grange,	10 04

\$1,340 54

Paid

Overdraft last year,	\$27 45
Chas. St. Hilaire, slating, 1922,	207 80
Melville Jordan,	1 35
Kenneth McInnis,	50
Mrs. Charles Capen,	5 50
Mrs. L. C. Stevens,	2 00

F. E. and A. J. Howard,	2 50
Perley Tripp,	2 00
Irving Carver,	52 58
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	50 39
D. Grover Brooks,	95 38
William LeBlanche,	12 82
Brown Company,	121 14
H. B. Smith & Son,	21 00
F. A. Gibson,	174 00
Ervin Hutchinson,	5 00
John Eagle,	68 00
Herbert Swan,	66 60
Merle Swan,	42 98
Millard Clough,	149 48
Chas. G. Blake,	15 15
William Lowe,	13 50
F. L. Edwards,	47 44
Smith & Brown,	27 50
Town of Mason,	6 23
A. F. Copeland,	47 80
Vermont Seating Co.,	44 38
S. H. Brown,	3 00
E. H. York,	4 50
Keenan Structurat Slate Co.,	28 27
G. L. Thurston Co.,	108 55
Chas. F. Tuell,	46 93
H. Alton Bacon,	133 38
F. E. Russell,	13 88
Benj. Kimball,	5 00
D. C. Philbrook,	5 00
Wood, Bishop & Co.,	45
John Howe,	5 00
S. B. Newton,	1 60
J. L. Hammett Co.,	3 72

\$1,669 72

Overexpended,
Unpaid bill of D. Grover Brooks,

\$329 18

\$106 33

SUPPLIES.

Received

Voted by town,	\$350 00
Greenwood,	10 70
Milton Bradley Co.,	5 81

\$366 51

Paid

Overdraft of last year,	\$38 03
Van. Tel. & Tel. Co.,	44 81
Bethel Light Co.,	9 14
G. L. Thurston Co.,	14 11
Oxford County Citizen,	19 10
H. N. Head,	3 26
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	38 16
J. L. Hammett Co.,	28 14
Starkey & Toner,	63 52
Milton Bradley Co.,	62 81
Shaw Walker Co.,	2 78
F. E. Russell,	42 83
S. B. Newton,	1 10
C. B. Dolge Co.,	10 15

\$378 56

Overexpended,

\$12 01

STATISTICS.

Teacher	Term	Length	Salary	Registration	Av. Attend.
Grammar School.					
Edna Bartlett	W	12	\$25	26	23.3
Edna Bartlett	S	8.2	25	27	24.5
Emma Johnson	F	1	25		
Edna Bartlett	F	13	27.96	31	27.2
Intermediate.					
Alice Coffin	W	12	22	30	26.4
Alice Coffin	S	8.2	22	34	31.5
Ella D. Potter	F	14	22	36	29.1
Second Primary					
Ruth Homsted	W	12	22	59	41
Ruth Homsted	S	8.2	22	50	46
Elizabeth Beeaker	F	14	20	50	43.5
First Primary					
Ethel J. Philbrick	W	12	24	51	38
Ethel J. Philbrick	S	8.2	24	51	45
Ethel J. Philbrick	F	14	24	58	50
Primary Assistant					
Elizabeth Emery	F	14	16		
Middle Intervale					
Ethel Capen	W	12	15	13	7.3
Ethel Capen	S	10	15	19	9.3
Ethel Capen	F	14	16	15	11.5
East Grammar					
Maude E. Cummings	W	12	16	16	11.7
Maude E. Cummings	S	10	16	15	11.7
Maude E. Cummings	F	14	16	15	12.8

East Primary

Laura E. Cummings	W	12	16	17	10.9
Laura E. Cummings	S	10	16	17	15.5
Laura E. Cummings	F	14	16	22	20.9

South.

Clare S. Mason	W	12	19	15	12
Clare S. Mason	S	10	19	15	13
Eunice M. Smith	F	14	16	12	12

North

Gertrude Harrington	W	12	16	10	4
Gertrude Harrington	S	10	16	14	12.6
Dorothy Goodnow	F	14	16	7	6.7

Northwest

Margaret Vandenkerckhoven	W	13	16	6	3.5
Margaret Vandenkerckhoven	S	10	16	6	5.8
Doris Goodnow	F	14	16	6	

West Grammar

Doris Ordway	W	12	16	20	17.4
Doris Ordway	S	10	16	20	19
Clare S. Mason	F	14	19	24	23

West Primary

Katherine M. Brown	W	12	16	16	13
Katherine M. Brown	S	10	16	17	16
Katherine M. Brown	F	14	16	16	15

Milton

Charlotte Douglass	W	12	15	8	6.5
Lillian G. Merrill	S	10	15	7	5.4

Music

Frances Whiteside	F	14	25		
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CONVEYANCE.

Route	Conveyor	Pay by week		
		W	S	F
W. Bethel Fl.	T. L. Luxton	\$5.00		
Steam Mill	B. C. Burbank	\$10.00		
Grover Hill	Alvin Tyler	15.00	15.00	15.00
Paradise Hill	Harry King	10.00	6.25	6.25
Songo	Harry King	10.00	10.00	10.00
No. Bethel	Herbert Burgess	5.00		
Mayville, etc.	Harry King	7.50	7.50	7.50
Chandler Hill	Vear Bean	10.00	10.00	10.00
Winslow's	Mrs. Winslow	7.50	7.50	7.50
Stanley's	J. F. Coolidge	7.50	6.25	6.25
Billings'	Everett Billings	4.00	4.00	4.00
Bloody St.	Daniel Foster	10.00	10.00	10.00

Above: W, means winter term; S, spring term; F, fall term.

Interruptions by sickness and moving out of families have affected greatly the average attendance in several districts.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

VITAL STATISTICS

MARRIAGES

Jan. 6. By Rev. James H. Little; Leonard John Washaw, age 23, and Erma Marguerite Harthorne, age 18, both of Bethel.

March 9. By Rev. Wm. C. Curtis: William Mason, age 24, and Bessie Florence Collins, age 18, both of Bethel.

April 18. By Rev. Fred Bannister at South Paris: Bert Leroy Bennett, age 25, of Gilead, Me., and Marjorie Jackson, age 20, of Bethel.

May 22. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: George Blowers, age 44, and Dorothy L. Leighton, age 15, both of Gorham, N. H.

June 9. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Albert I. Bennett, age 24, of Gilead, Me., and Francis A. Wilson, age 19, of Shelburne, N. H.

June 18. Married at Andover, Maine, by Rev. C. W. Robinson: Myron Curtis Lord, age 21, of North Waterford, and Hazel M. Herrick, age 18, of Bethel.

June 9. Married at Woodstock, Bryant's Pond, by A. Mont Chase, Justice of the Peace: Zenas Arthur Merrill, age 33, and Grace Josephine Daye, both of Bethel.

June 18. Married at Rumford, by Rev. Aubrey C. Gilmore: Earle W. Eldredge, age 22, and Doris Irene Grover, age 19, both of Bethel.

June 21. By Ellery C. Park, Notary Public: John L. Ordway, age 48, and Norma R. Tibbetts, age 30, both of Berlin, N. H.

June 29. Married at South Paris, by Rev. Fred Bannister: Philip W. Daye, age 23, and Nellie Doris Jodrey, age 17, both of Bethel.

June 30. Married at South Paris, by Rev. Fred Bannister: Glenn Edward Swan, age 27, of Bethel, and Thelma J. Rabideau, age 18, of Milan, N. H.

June 30. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Philip E. Maxwell, age 23, of Weld, Me., and Etta R. Raimey, age 21, of Weld [Perkins Plains].

June 30. By Rev. Wm. C. Curtis: Fred Masterson, age 48, and Thelma M. Foster, age 26, both of Weld, Maine.

July 4. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Frank D. Vashaw, age 21, and Ethelyn M. Dudley, age 17, both of Bethel.

Aug. 1. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Cyrus Clark Morse, age 24, of Hanover, and Edna Jordan, age 18, of Bethel.

Aug. 1. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Henry A. Noyes, age 29, and Martha A. Brooks, age 19, both of Greenwood, Me.

Aug. 19. Married at Boston, by Rev. Wm. S. Kelsey: Russell Locke Swan, age 28, of Bethel, and Ruth Anna Stinehour, age 18, of Medford, Mass.

Sept. 2. By Rev. S. T. Achenbach: William E. Cunningham, age 50, of Gorham, and Ruby M. Smith, age 41, of Bethel, Me.

Sept. 2. Married at Mexico, Maine, by Rev. Ralph W. Rowland: Marshus A. Philbrick, age 21, of Rumford, Me., and Marion E. Wilson, age 21, of Bethel.

Sept. 11. Married at South Paris, by Rev. Fred Bannister: Roy C. Moore, age 27, and Mary S. Robertson, age 22, both of Bethel.

Oct. 1. Married at Greenwood, Maine, by Rev. Wm. C. Curtis: William Straw Hastings, age 22, of Bethel, and Ruth L. Cole, age 21, of Greenwood, Me.

Oct. 7. By Rev. Walter G. W. Wolfe: Elwin W. Brown, age 21, and Jennie F. Day, age 18, both of Upton, Me.

Oct. 17. Married at South Paris, by Rev. Chester G. Miller: Lawrence Albra Lord, age 22, of Bethel, and Doris A. Ordway, age 20, of Gilead, Me.

Oct. 31. Married at South Paris, by Rev. Fred Bannister: William S. Pierce, age 70, of Norway, Me., and Lucetta Bartlett Bean, age 68, of East Bethel, Me.

Nov. 2. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Charles M. Mason, age 22, and Blanche C. Brooks, age 18, both of Bethel, Me.

Nov. 6. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Mike Litwin, age 30, and Gladis Leighton, age 25, both of Gilead, Me.

Nov. 7. By Rev. S. T. Achenbach: Paul Coombs Badger, age 25, of Portsmouth, N. H., and Marian Abbie Mansfield, age 27, of Bethel, Me.

Dec. 15. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Leslie H. Coburn, age 25, and Grace F. Wheeler, age 23, both of Bethel.

Dec. 22. By Rev. Chester B. Oliver: Robert W. Farwell, age 25, and Ruth Abbott Etheridge, age 23, both of Bethel.

Dec. 26. By Rev. Walter G. W. Wolfe: Myron C. Bryant, age 21, and Doris Jordan Goodnow, age 18, both of Bethel.

BIRTHS

Jan. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Bryant, a son, Richard Maurice, 4th child.

Jan. 28, to Mr. and Mrs. John R. Enman of Upton, Maine, a daughter, Geraldine Althea, 5th child.

Feb. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Bion Brown, a son, Marshall Tyler, 3rd child.

Feb. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ernest Cross, a son, Donald Ernest, 3rd child.

Feb. 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie E. Davis, a daughter, Katheryn Alma, 3rd child.

Feb. 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Milan Chapin, a daughter, 7th child. Stillborn.

Mar. 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Washaw, a daughter, Dorothy Marguerite, 1st child.

Mar. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde O. Brooks, a son, Rodney Warren, 4th child.

April 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Collyer, a daughter, Leona Evelyn, 6th child.

April 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bean, a daughter, Wilma Freda, 2nd child.

April 24, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tibbetts, a son, Elgin Keith, 7th child.

April 24, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerry C. Morgan, a daughter, Kathryn, 2nd child.

May 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Blake, a daughter, Virginia Elsie, 1st child.

May 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Heath, twins, Albert Henry, Jr., and Alberta Henrietta, 2nd and 3rd children.

May 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Perry, a son, Robert Ervin, 2nd child.

June 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Karl Thurston of Errol, N. H., a son, Warren Karl, 1st child.

June 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson, a son, Robert Lloyd, 1st child.

June 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy P. Andrews, a daughter, Virginia, 3rd child.

June 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Glen R. Mason, a son, Edward Llewellyn, 2nd child.

July 2, to Mr. and Mrs. Merl C. Swan, a daughter, Grace Joyce, 1st child.

July 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso Brown, a daughter, 4th child.

July 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirk, a son, David Vear, 3rd child.

July 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Luxton, a daughter, Barbara Mae, 1st child.

July 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Carroll E. Abbott, a daughter, Joyce Mae, 1st child.

July 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Patrick A. Norton of Shelburne, N. H., a daughter, Mary Annabel Grace, 2nd child.

July 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray S. York of Newburyport, Mass., a son, Garey Parker, 2nd child.

Aug. 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Guy B. Vail, a son, William Ernest, 3rd child.

Aug. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Flint of Wilson's Mills, Me., a daughter, Eleanor Lois, 1st child.

Aug. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph George Auger, a son, George Albert, 1st child.

Aug. 30, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Williamson, a son, Earl Sherman, Jr., 1st child.

Aug. 31, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Chapman, a son, Harold Louis, 4th child.

Sept. 3, to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Estes of Paris, Me., a daughter, Florence Hazel, 7th child.

Sept. 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gordon, a son, Harry Merl, Jr., 3rd child.

Sept. 30, to Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Waterhouse, a daughter, Madeline Louise, 2nd child.

Oct. 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cummings, of Hanover, Me., a daughter, Barbara Roxy, 1st child.

Oct. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis V. Merrill, a daughter,

Marguerite Louise, 4th child.

Oct. 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Rollins, a daughter, Arline Vivian, 4th child.

Oct. 30, to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie E. Smith, a daughter, 3rd child.

Oct. 30, to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Foster, a daughter, Natalie Annie, 6th child.

Oct. 31, to Mr. and Mrs. James E. Spinney, a daughter, 1st child.

Nov. 1, to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Chapman, a daughter, Marion Elizabeth, 3rd child.

Nov. 7, to Mr. and Mrs. William Albert Skillings, a son, 1st child.

Nov. 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Homer C. Smith, a son, Homer Chase, Jr., 4th child.

Nov. 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tyler, a son, Thurland Sanford, 2nd child.

Dec. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Mills, a son, Willard Henry, 8th child.

Dec. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Frances Westleigh, a son, Sherlon Edmond, 4th child.

Dec. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Holt, a son, Raymond Warren, 7th child.

Dec. 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Oikle, a daughter, Pauline Cora, 1st child.

Dec. 21, to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Macmillin, a daughter, Josephine Grace, 7th child.

Dec. 22, born at Rumford to Mr. and Mrs. Earle W. Eldredge, a son, Earl Wolcott, 1st child.

Dec. 23, born at Rumford to Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Penley, a daughter, Lena Hattie Marie, 2nd child.

Dec. 24, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wentzell, a son, 4th child.

Dec. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Joel F. Merrill, a daughter, Olive Christen.

DEATHS

Jan. 23. In Bethel, Zadie Mabel Haselton, age 62 years, 28 days. Birthplace, Albany, Me. Cause of death, carcinoma.

Jan. 24. In Bethel, John M. Philbrook, age 82 years, 9 months, 15 days. Birthplace, Shelburne, N. H. Cause of death, cerebral apoplexy.

Jan. 26. In Bethel, Lula B. Hutchins, age 32 years, 5 months, 8 days. Birthplace, Albany, Me. Cause of death, lobar pneumonia.

Feb. 7. In Bethel, Rev. James H. Little, age 79 years, 1 month, 28 days. Birthplace, Lowell, Mass. Cause of death, chronic intestinal nephritis.

Feb. 15. In Bethel, Asa V. Stowell, age 90 years, 16 days. Birthplace, New Gloucester, Me. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.

Feb. 19. Winona C. Chapin, age 42 years, 2 months, 25 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, shock, following anti-partium hemorrhage and version.

Feb. 19. Infant daughter of Milan Chapin. Stillborn.

Feb. 23. Nancy C. Foster, age 93 years, 6 months. Birthplace, Gilead, Me. Cause of death, pneumonia.

Feb. 25. John N. Swan, age 61 years, 26 days. Birthplace, Errol, N. H. Cause of death, cancer of face.

Feb. 11. Dora Cora Mason, age 74 years, 9 months, 11 days. Birthplace, Newry, Me. Cause of death, lobar pneumonia.

Jan. 30. William N. Foley, age 59 years, 6 months, 5 days. Birthplace, Winn, Me. Cause of death, angina pectoris.

March 4. Ira W. Lowell, age 64 years, 1 month, 4 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, angina pectoris.

Mar. 12. Abigail Bagley Carver, age 79 years, 2 months, 19 days. Birthplace, Jonesport, Me. Cause of death, exhaustion from hemiplegia.

Mar. 17. Dorothy Marguerite Vashaw, age 10 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, exhaustion, premature birth.

Mar. 17. Will C. Blake, age 74 years, 3 months, 21 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, chronic nephritis.

Mar. 25. Rowena M. Bartlett, age 66 years, 24 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, chronic intestinal nephritis.

April 1. Moses E. Grover, age 81 years, 11 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

May 5. Agnes Hastings Straw, age 85 years, 8 months, 27 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, pneumonia.

May 10. Effie F. Anderson, age 66 years, 5 months, 10

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

May 10. Angie Esther Cross, age 51 years, 9 months, 3 days. Birthplace, Greenwood, Me. Cause of death, lobar pneumonia.

May 25. Willoughby T. Gunther, age 64 years, 6 months, 17 days. Birthplace, Florida. Cause of death, chronic myocarditis.

June 10. Mary Elizabeth Jordan, age 87 years, 11 months, 19 days. Birthplace, Portland, Me. Cause of death, acute bronchitis.

Aug. 17. Augustus Mellen Carter, age 82 years, 10 months, 8 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, cerebral hemorrhage.

Aug. 30. Jane Clare Adams, age 4 years, 8 months, 1 day. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, hit and run over by auto, accident.

Sept. 19. Jerusha Peaslee Morse, age 70 years, 1 month, 19 days. Birthplace, Upton, Me. Cause of death, cerebral apoplexy.

Sept. 23. Serena George Kimball, age 36 years, 5 months, 27 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, hemorrhage from bowels.

Oct. 31. Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Spinney, lived 6 hours. Cause of death, white asphyxia.

Nov. 9. Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Skillings, lived 24 hours. Cause of death, blue asphyxiation.

Nov. 6. Charles H. Davis, age 63 years, 9 months, 27 days. Birthplace, Oxford, Me. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

Dec. 7. Thurland Tyler, age 18 days. Birthplace, Bethel. Cause of death, premature birth.

Dec. 14. Mary A. Morrill, age 88 years, 5 months, 11 days. Birthplace, Albany, Me. Cause of death, pneumonia.

Returns made to the Town Clerk of Bethel from other towns.

Jan. 14. In Portland, Maine, Edward C. Chamberlain, age 78 years, 2 months, 10 days. Birthplace, New Haven, Conn. Cause of death, angina pectoris.

Feb. 1. In Boston, Mass., Elizabeth Gould Torrey, age 60 years. Birthplace, —. Cause of death, ch. myocarditis.

Feb. 17. In Queens, N. Y., Edgar Hallowell, age 31 years, 9 months, 13 days. Birthplace, —. Cause of death, carcinoma.

Mar. 18. In South Paris, Me., Edwin R. Briggs, age 81 years, 4 months, 24 days. Birthplace, Woodstock, Me. Cause of death, chronic endocarditis and arteriosclerosis.

Mar. 17. In Bridgton, Me., Catherine M. Grover, age 74 years, 11 months, 30 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, pneumonia.

April 27. In Boston, Mass., Mark T. Killian, age 59 years. Birthplace, Portland, Me. Cause of death, acute dilation of heart.

Apr. 7. In Auburn, Me., Melissa J. Scribner, age 70 years, 8 months, 22 days. Birthplace, Mason, Me. Cause of death, acute bronchitis.

May 5. In Rumford, Me., Maria Barker, age 90 years, 2 months, 15 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, apoplexy.

May 30. In Haverhill, N. H., Prescott Fuller Brooks, age 75 years, 11 months, 29 days. Birthplace, —. Cause of death, paralysis of throat.

May 26. In Berlin, N. H., Paulus Edward Lowe, age 73 years, 7 months, 18 days. Birthplace, Nova Scotia. Cause of death, peritonitis.

June 11. In Lynn, Mass., Emma Clough, age 77 years, 8 months. Cause of death, bulbar paralysis.

June 15. In Norway, Me., Clair Barker. Stillborn.

July 3. In Rumford, Me., Seth L. Mason, age 62 years, 3 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, angina pectoris.

July 5. In Rumford, Me., Lillian Morse, age 52 years, 9 months, 20 days. Birthplace, Midway, Mass. Cause of death, shock.

June 12. In Windham, Me., Mercy Anna Johnson, age 82 years, 9 months, 10 days. Birthplace, West Bethel, Me. Cause of death, cerebral embolism.

July 23. In Lewiston, Me., Edward Carter, age 48 years, 3 months, 27 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, internal injury caused by auto accident.

July 13. In Rumford, Me., Alton R. Coolidge, age 17

years, 8 months, 12 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, acute peritonitis.

July 22. In Norwood, Mass., Martha E. Farwell, age 82 years, 4 months, 10 days. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.

Aug. 17. In Lewiston, Me., Alice Brown, age 30 years, 11 months, 21 days. Birthplace, Bethel, Me. Cause of death, surgical shock.

Aug. 30. In Newry, Me., Richard M. Williamson, age 76 years, 2 months. Birthplace, Newry, Me. Cause of death, arterio sclerosis.

Sept. 25. In Newry, Me., Martha Ella Gorman, age 73 years, 17 days. Birthplace, Newry, Me. Cause of death, cancer.

Oct. 13. In Locke's Mills, Me., Mrs. Delia Norton, age 53 years, 5 months, 13 days. Birthplace, Ireland. Cause of death, cancer of bladder.

Dec. 17. In Gilead, Me., Sarah Blake, age 64 years, 7 months, 1 day. Birthplace, Ohio. Cause of death, cancer.

ALICE J. BROOKS, Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING, 1924

To D. 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 to vote in town affairs, to meet at Odeon Hall, in said Town, on Monday, the third day of March, 1924, 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 a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Art. 7. To choose one member of the School Committee for the ensuing year.
- Art. 8. To choose the method of collecting taxes for the ensuing year.
- Art. 9. To choose a Tax Collector for year 1924.
- 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 year 1924.

Art. 13. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for support of common schools for ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purpose of paying tuition in secondary schools and overexpenditure.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purchase of text-books for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the repair of schoolhouses for the year 1924, and overexpenditure.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for school supplies for ensuing year.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Superintending School Committee to maintain schools in the North Bethel and Northwest Bethel districts.

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

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for winter roads and overexpenditure for the winter of 1924.

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 Section 20 of Chapter 130, Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote and raise \$666.00 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 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 highways during the ensuing year under the provisions of Section 9, Chapter 130, Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$400.00, the same to be spent in conjunction with \$1,000 appropriated by State and \$300.00 by County Commissioners, for repairing Bethel's portion of road near Milton Plantation.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to buy a light auto truck to be used by the Road Commissioner in transporting men and tools, for road work, and raise money for same.

Art. 27. To see if the town at the present time cares to act in conjunction with the State and County in the building of 2 or more cement bridges, one at Alder River on State road, the other at Mill Brook on West Bethel road, and if so, how shall such construction be financed.

Art. 28. To see if the town will accept the street leading from Chapman Street in an easterly direction, some 500 feet in length, toward Vernon Street. [No land damage.]

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote and raise money to build a sewer line from the Springer mill property to Androscoggin River.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for support of poor for ensuing year.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for town officers for year 1924.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for paying town debt and interest.

Art. 33. 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 Port, G. A. R.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote and raise money to pay Collector's bond for ensuing year.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote and raise money to pay for Treasurer's bond for 1924.

Art. 36. To see if the town will authorize the town to hire money if necessary to pay outstanding bills.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$400.00 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. 38. To see if the town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of 12 to be known as the Budget Committee.

Art. 39. To see if the town will accept the jury list as made by the Selectmen and Town Clerk.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$225.00, the same being the town's portion of rent of Hall, room and lockers for Company of National Guard, to comply with Public Laws, Chapter 15, Sections 90-94 inclusive.

Art. 41. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for miscellaneous expenses.

Art. 42. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$500.00 for widening and repairing Bethel's part of the Sunday River road at the narrow curves. [This article comes by petition from Bethel and Newry voters].

Any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands the 10th day of February, A. D. 1924.

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

Selectmen of the Town of Bethel.

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