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Municipal Officers, 1925

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

W. A. BRAY A. C. GILBERT E. H. FLINT

Town Clerk

W. H. HUGHES

Treasurer

F. M. HESCOCK

Tax Collector

A. L. BROWN

School Committee

A. L. BRAY R. M. HESCOCK MRS. MARY DAVIS

Superintendent of Schools

CLAUDE L. SIDELINGER

Health Officer

H. E. SMITH

Sealer

F. M. HESCOCK

Auditor

H. S. KNIGHT

Report of Selectmen

VALUATION APRIL 1, 1925

Real estate, resident	\$156,205.00	
Real estate non-resident	165,375.00	
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Total real estate		\$321,580.00
Personal estate resident	\$82,531.00	
Personal estate non-resident	16,895.00	
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Total personal estate		\$99,426.00
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		\$421,006.00
Raised by town at annual meeting	\$21,495.00	
State tax 1925	2,982.24	
County tax	457.97	
Overlay	358.23	
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		\$25,203.44

RAISED BY TOWN MARCH 16, 1925

Support of schools	\$5,800.00
Support of Poor	2,000.00
Roads and bridges	5,200.00
Incidentals	1,800.00
Sidewalks	200.00
Interest	400.00
Text books	350.00
Supt. of schools	432.00
Free High school	3,100.00
Appliances	400.00
Repairs on school houses	100.00
Memorial day	35.00
State aid road	533.00
Street lights	450.00
Public library	50.00
Monson band	25.00
Fire department	250.00
District nurse	100.00
Ins. Power and light (school)	120.00

Flag and staff	125.00	
Advertising State of Maine	25.00	
		\$21,495.00

OFFICERS' BILLS AND INCIDENTAL CHARGES

Raised by town	\$1,800.00	
State tax on bank stock	126.23	
State R. R. and Tel. tax	17.60	
Licenses	35.00	
Cemetery lots	170.00	
Draper school house	50.00	
State on acct. wild animals	72.00	
State dog license refunded	31.46	
		\$2,302.29
Overdraft		314.80
		\$2,617.09

Overdrawn 1924	\$874.80
Fairfield Pub. Co., Printing re- ports and express	87.40
Loring Short and Harmon, book	20.95
A. C. Gilbert, wood for office	13.00
Mrs. H. M. Chapin, care cemetery lot 1924	8.00
John Palm, labor in cemetery	14.50
Sam Smith, labor in cemetery	18.75
Straw and Martin, Insurance	8.48
C. C. Simpson, labor in cemetery	3.00
W. P. Morton, sign boards	3.00
Labor on wood town office	.75
Henry Brown, labor in cemetery	15.75
Joe Bouldoc, labor in cemetery	3.00
Henry Smith, labor in cemetery	19.83
F. J. Wilkins, fire warden	35.00
F. J. Wilkins, labor in cemetery	40.00
L. A. Stanchfield, guide boards	5.00
Paid for voting lists	1.00
W. A. Bray, making deeds	11.25
W. A. Bray, care silent police	25.00
C. C. Towne, sheep killed by bears	72.00

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S. S. Stevens, night watch, July 3-4	8.00
W. A. Bray, trip to assessors meeting	20.00
D. D. Cowan, truant officer	4.50
D. D. Cowan, night police	14.00
A. L. Brown, services as moderator	4.00
A. L. Bray, oil for silent police	3.40
G. P. Pullen	4.42
Harry Davis, forest fire warden	25.65
F. J. Wilkins, labor in cemetery	11.00
Frank Nelson, ballot clerk	8.00
Alec Carlson, ballot clerk	4.00
John Douglass, ballot clerk	8.00
H. E. Smith, night watch	7.00
H. E. Smith, health officer	42.50
Frank A. Libby, night watch, July 3-4	8.00
Light for town hall	12.80
Order of health officer	2.00
F. J. Wilkins, care of Chas. Baker cemetery lot	4.00
F. M. Hescock, sealer	5.00
F. M. Hescock, postage	2.18
Byron Kilgren, ballot clerk	8.00
A. L. Brown, Commission	506.17
W. Harry Hughes, vital statistics	18.51
G. E. Dore, M. D., vital statistics	1.50
W. Harry Hughes, services as clerk	25.00
F. M. Hescock, treasurer	75.00
A. L. Bray, school committee	25.00
R. M. Hescock, school committee	25.00
Mary Davis, school committee	25.00
W. A. Bray, selectman	225.00
A. C. Gilbert, selectman	125.00
E. H. Flint, selectman	75.00
Henry Knight, auditor	4.00
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	\$2,617.09

TOWN POOR

Raised by town, 1925	\$2,000.00
Received from town of Williamsburg	214.30
Received from State, John Hill	252.50
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	\$2,466.80

Overdrawn in 1924	\$1,004.20
Charles Grover	153.48
Mary E. Morton	286.26
Frank Cunningham	201.55
Royal Spencer	80.43
John Dermott	173.26
<u>John Hill</u>	257.48
Almon Vinton	222.46
Lyndon Larson	49.01
Oscar Anderson	11.76
Tramps	24.00
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Unexpended	2.91

\$2,466.80

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Unexpended 1924	\$619.35
Raised by town, 1925	5,200.00
Rec'd. of State aid use of truck	325.00
Rec'd. of 3d. class highway	360.00
Rec'd. of Special resolve	390.00
Rec'd. of E. H. Flint	249.00
Rec'd. of School repair account	15.00
Rec'd. of sidewalk account	40.00
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\$7,198.35

William Hammond	\$123.40
E. H. Flint	488.00
Herman Bakka	313.10
John Smith	520.75
Chas. Jackson	246.75
Frank Libby	590.00
J. W. Tarr	168.00
R. R. Drake	341.30
Aubrey Wyman	24.50
Oscar Mackie	35.00
Archie Greenleaf	272.25
S. S. Steavens	114.00
A. R. Day	1,129.15
W. L. Dauphinee	46.25
Stewart Evans	14.25

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State Aid maintenance	55.00
Cecil Evans	15.00
F. L. Blake	12.25
Geo. Pullen	20.15
General Slate Co.	9.50
Bernerd Sanborn	19.75
Fred Hayden	8.15
Dr. Shailor Matthews	3.00
Harry Kirk	33.00
Nathan Huff	24.00
Roy Jacobson	61.50
August Erickson	30.00
Fred Degerstrom	36.75
Henry Pulkenen	73.50
E. B. Lord	31.50
A. W. Farrar	34.30
Monson Maine Slate Co.	130.45
Chas. Bradford	31.60
Frank Steward	59.95
Frank Butler	18.00
L. J. Forbus	10.50
Will Kirk	49.75
Morrill Forbus	31.50
W. W. Crooker	5.85
John Hegestrom	50.00
Harrison Davis	5.10
C. C. Simpson	43.60
Henry Lane	10.00
Herbert Rose	11.25
Edw. Copeland	20.00
Henry Grover	95.00
Will Conley	10.50
Will Champion	51.00
R. B. Dunning & Co.	110.67
I. E. Bodge	21.00
C. C. Towne	33.00
Patrol work	557.70
Unexpended, 1925	952.88

 \$7,198.35

MEMORIAL DAY

Raised by town	\$35.00
Expended	35.00

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STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Received from State	\$50.00	
Appropriated from highway acct.	55.00	
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Expended, 1925		\$105.00
		\$105.00

STATE AID ROAD

Raised by town	\$533.00	
Raised from State	660.94	
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Expended		\$1,193.94
		\$1,193.94

STATE HIGHWAY THIRD CLASS

Received from State	\$1,754.04
Expended	\$1,799.75

SPECIAL RESOLVE ELLIOTTSVILLE ROAD

Received from State	\$1,479.68
Expended	\$1,489.13

SIDEWALKS

Raised by town	\$200.00	
Unexpended, 1924	148.00	
Rec'd. of E. H. Flint	75.00	
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Expended 1925	\$305.35	\$423.00
Unexpended, 1925	117.65	
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		\$423.00

STREET LIGHTS

Raised by town	\$450.00	
Unexpended, 1924	38.01	
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		\$488.01

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Expended, 1925	\$467.92	
Unexpended, 1925	20.09	
	<hr/>	\$488.01

MONSON BAND

Raised by town, 1925		\$25.00
Expended		\$25.00

CEMETERY FENCE

Unexpended, 1924		\$50.00
Unexpended, 1925		\$50.00

MOTHERS' AID

Unexpended, 1924		\$216.00
Unexpended, 1925		\$216.00

SOLDIERS' TABLET

Unexpended, 1924		\$50.00
Unexpended, 1925		\$50.00

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Raised by town		\$50.00
Expended		\$50.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Raised by town	\$250.00	
Unexpended, 1924	89.97	
Overdraft	55.78	
	<hr/>	\$395.75
Expended, 1925		\$395.75

INTEREST

Raised by town	\$400.00	
Unexpended, 1924	2.19	
Interest on deposits	60.83	

Interest from Collector	59.91	
	<hr/>	\$522.93
Expended	\$453.57	
Unexpended	69.36	
	<hr/>	\$522.93

TAX COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT

Committment, 1925	\$25,203.44	
Interest	59.91	
Collected on unassessed	152.77	
	<hr/>	\$25,416.12
Errors in assessment	\$31.13	
Abatement	76.15	
Net tax returned to Treasurer	25,308.84	
	<hr/>	\$25,416.12

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Resources

Estimated value of		
Town Building and lot	\$3,500.00	
New engine	1,500.00	
Hearse	200.00	
Road Tools	400.00	
Hose pipe and hydrants	1,500.00	
Safe	300.00	
Town truck	400.00	
Gravel bank	75.00	
Cash on hand Feb. 24, 1926	3,834.33	
	<hr/>	\$11,609.33

Liabilities

Monson Academy loan at 4%	\$3,925.00
School fund	854.00
Carroll Pullen, legacy	50.00
A. W. Chapin, legacy	200.00

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A. F. Jackson, legacy	100.00
Elizabeth Pullen, legacy	200.00
Harriet N. Crafts, legacy	70.00
Estate Chas Baker, legacy	100.00
Nettie Pullen	1,250.00
W. W. Pullen	1,000.00
Henry Grover	1,000.00
George L. Brown	2,000.00
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	\$10,749.00

Treasurer's Report

By Paid

Orders	\$33,575.14
State Treasurer, dog tax	137.00
State Treasurer, State tax	2,892.24
State Treasurer, Highway Patrol	557.70
County Treasurer County tax	457.97
Blind pensions	276.00
State pensions	60.00
Bear bounty	5.00
Public library	4.93
Cash on hand	3,834.33

\$41,800.31

Dr.

Cash on hand	\$3,116.71
Interest on deposits	60.83
Town Clerk, dog tax	137.00
Licenses	35.00
Draper school house	50.00
Use of Sealer's outfit	2.00
Estate Chas. Baker	100.00
F. J. Wilkins for cemetery lots	170.00
Town of Williamsburg	214.30
Hired from Guilford Trust Co.	3,000.00
Elliottsville Plant.	5.50
Town of Blanchard	17.00
Town of Kingsbury	3.90
Town of Willimantic	60.00
State, use of trucks	1,075.00
Received of Collector	25,308.84

State Treasurer's Account

Highway	\$3,662.72
State school fund	3,274.85
Improvement State roads	660.94

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Blind pensions	276.00
State pensions	60.00
Tax on bank stock	126.23
R. R. and Tel. tax	17.60
Public library	4.93
Bear bounty	5.00
Domestic animals killed	72.00
State pauper	252.50
Dog license refunded	31.46

\$8,444.23

We have paid two thousand dollars on the town debt this year.

A sufficient number of these reports have been printed to furnish every interested citizen with a copy. An effort has been made to get them into the hands of the voters in advance. It should be borne in mind that if copies are left at home there may not be a sufficient number at the hall to go around on town meeting day. This year or any year it is desirable for you to have a copy of the annual report as soon as issued. It is also important for you to preserve it and bring it with you town meeting day morning.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have audited the town books and find them to be correct.

H. S. KNIGHT, Auditor.

February 25, 1926.

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Monson:

I submit herewith my sixth annual report as superintendent of your schools.

School officials, as a whole, are endeavoring to secure a group of trained teachers wherever it is possible. Their attention is directed towards the improvement of our teachers and the improvement of teaching. There is a technique of teaching just as important as the technique of law of medicine or of engineering. It is beyond peradventure that teachers who are trained in the art and technique of teaching, everything else being equal, can render a decidedly better service. A little more effort and a little better compensation will induce our best young people to prepare for the work and continue in teaching.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Three new teachers began work in our elementary schools at the beginning of the new school year last September. Verna Simmons took Mrs. Hilton's place and Fritizene Carlson took Miss Fogg's place in the grades in the village schools, and Roberta Zimmerman took Miss Carlson's place at the Long School. Miss Simmons and Miss Carlson are normal trained teachers. Miss Zimmerman has attended summer school at Farmington Normal School. I think the work in these schools at the present time is proving the most satisfactory of any time since I have been here as superintendent of schools. We should, also, take pride in the high professional rating of our teaching force. It should be gratifying to know that, with one exception,

we have acquired such a satisfactory teaching from our local teachers.

EXPENDITURES AND APPROPRIATIONS

A statement of receipts and expenditures for school purposes for the municipal year is given at the close of this report for your inspection.

One hundred twenty-five dollars was raised for purchasing and setting up a steel flagpole. The flagpole has been purchased and there is money unexpended from that amount with which to set the pole. A cement foundation has already been made for it.

The town is expending one hundred dollars yearly for health work in the schools and with children in their homes when it seems advisable. I refer you to Miss Fogarty's report for the work that has been done this year.

The budget submitted for your consideration and approval has nearly the usual suggestions for the needs of the schools. The expenditures for elementary school purposes will vary but little from year to year. The expenditures for textbooks and school supplies continue about the same. There should be a small amount with which to purchase some equipment each year.

Insurance, amounting to five thousand dollars on the grammar school building and to fifteen hundred dollars on the district school buildings, will have to be renewed this year. The cost of the insurance on the grammar school building will be \$4.75 a hundred for a period of three years, or \$237.50 for the full amount, and the cost of the insurance on the other school buildings will be \$3.75 a hundred, or \$56.25 for the full amount.

If nothing more can be done towards lighting the grammar school building than extending the wire to the building and putting one or two lights in the basement, that much, at least, should be done. We should

make it so the janitor would not have to leave a lighted lantern there throughout the day.

SCHOOL REPAIRS

Only a few minor repairs have been made on the school building this year. No money was raised at the last annual meeting for making some of the permanent repairs very much needed. Quite a sum of money will be needed for repairs during the next few years. The grammar school building needs painting, both outside and inside, but especially the outside. You have, probably, observed how the paint is gone in places. It will be necessary for the voters to take some action soon to put the Vinton school building in the condition required by law. When the improvements are made the building should be enlarged somewhat. Probably the improvements needing to be done at this building will cost at least five hundred dollars.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF MONSON ACADEMY

To C. L. Sidelinger, Superintendent of Schools:

It is with pleasure I submit my second annual report as principal of Monson Academy. The aims for which we are striving are actually being accomplished and by close co-operation success is assured.

A better grade of work is being done by the students this year than last. When we reflect that thousands of dollars are spent annually for administrative and instructional purposes and men and women are giving their lives to the cause of education that boys and girls may have their lives enriched, attendance at high school must be regarded as a high school privilege. It is no place for the loafer.

High school attendance of today may be divided into three classes: (1) those who can and won't, (2) those who can and do, and (3) those who can't and don't. The first class presents the greatest problem, but usually yields to ordinary treatment when the parents cooperate with the teachers in over-coming this attitude of the student. The second class presents no problem and represents the majority of our school. Members of the third class are given the most valuable knowledge they are capable of receiving.

The school started this year with an enrollment of forty-seven and forty-five of this number are still attending. The daily attendance for the year has been good. Pupils are being absent only when it seems absolutely necessary. Students and parents are aware of the serious consequence of irregular attendance.

Basket ball has been successfully carried out. The scholarship standards have been met and held by the members of the team. There have been no dissensions as the participants have cheerfully and willingly conformed to all rules governing secondary school athletics.

During the winter term physical training for the girls has been conducted. A scheme for physical training for both boys and girls should be worked out, but the expense of the hall is too much for the school to raise alone. This phase of education is comparatively new and offers many obstacles which only time can overcome.

We have tried to make the school what it should be, and all actions taken have been for the interest of the students and the integrity of the school.

In closing, I wish to thank school officials, teachers, students and citizens for their loyal support.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. MASON, Principal.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

To the Citizens of Monson:

I am submitting a brief report of Public Health work done from February 1, 1925, to February 9, 1926.

SCHOOL WORK

At the beginning of the school year 112 pupils were examined for suspicious skin diseases, one being referred to a physician. If this inspection is made when the schools open in the fall, it will without doubt in many instances check the spread of some communicable disease throughout the entire school.

In November 1925 the medical inspection was given in all the village and rural schools, also the vision and hearing tests. Number examined, 220; defects found, teeth, 125; tonsils, 36; number tested for vision, 209; number defective, 27. Number tested for hearing, 220; number defective, 7. Number of notices sent to parents, 176; number without defects, 66. Number of health talks, 10. Number of pupils examined for other defects, 13. Number of sanitary inspections in schools, 7. One First Aid kit placed in schools.

In January 1926 the Modern Health Crusade was started in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. This work takes up all the rules for health and the pupils are very interested in it as it gives them something to work for.

May 30, 1925, was observed as Child Health day throughout the State and the schools in Monson put on a fine program.

PRE-NATAL WORK

Considerable pre-natal work has been done in Monson during the past year. In March and July 1925 Miss Edith Wain of the State Department of Health with

the Nurse held Mothers' Conferences. In this way many prospective mothers were reached. These cases were then followed up by the nurse and each one was urged to place themselves in the care of their Physician, and advice was given which would in any possible way be of help to them. Many deaths occur at childbirth which could without doubt be prevented if more prospective mothers could be helped to understand the care they should give themselves during this period. This care is not only necessary for their own physical welfare but for the new born baby as well.

CHILD WELFARE WORK

Beginning in April 1925 baby clinics were held in Monson every six weeks up to October. These clinics were open to all children up to pre-school age, the local doctor giving his services. Number of children examined, 40; number with defects, 27; number without defects, 13. Helpful literature was given to all attending and not only were the defects pointed out to the mothers but many were given advice in regard to proper feeding. After the clinic as many as possible of the children were followed up by the nurse urging corrective work. Many improvements were found among the underweight children and several defects were corrected. I feel that these clinics are certainly worth while for, even out of the 27 defects, if there are only two or three who have corrective work done it might mean that these were saved from something that would perhaps be the cause of ill health in their later years.

CLASSES IN HOME NURSING

In January 1926 classes in home hygiene and care of the sick were started in Monson. These classes were open to anyone who cared to enroll and are held every Wednesday afternoon. The smallest number attending

up to date, 11; the largest, 15. All that have enrolled are very much interested in the work and I feel that when the course closes the middle of April they will all think that it has been very helpful to them in many ways.

TUBERCULOSIS WORK

Seven patients are being called on regularly by the nurse. These include suspicious cases, and those who have active trouble. Number of deaths from tuberculosis, 2; number of applications for Sanatorium, 1.

Respectfully submitted,

NINA B. FOGARTY,

Public Health Nurse.

ESTIMATE OF SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1926

Elementary Schools:

Teachers' wages	\$5,600.00
Janitor services, etc.,	600.00
Fuel for schools,	650.00
Transportation of children,	1,000.00
Tuition to Abbot	300.00

\$8,150.00

Reduction, by state school funds

2,450.00

High School Account:

Teachers' wages	\$3,800.00
Fuel and janitor service	400.00
Library and Laboratory accounts	150.00

\$4,350.00

Reduction, by state funds

1,250.00

Necessary appropriations:

Elementary school account	\$5,700.00
High school account	3,100.00

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Free textbook account	350.00
School sup. (\$300) ; Equipment (\$50) ; accts.,	350.00
School repairs account	500.00
Power and light accounts	75.00
Insurance account	295.00
Superintendent of schools, salary	444.00

In closing I wish to thank all for the splendid support and co-operation they have given me throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. SIDELINGER, Superintendent.

February 22, 1926.

Financial Statement For 1925-1926

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Receipts

Unexpended, 1924	\$204.56
Raised by town	5,800.00
State school fund	2,088.85
Equalization fund	436.00
Interest	34.16

\$8,563.57

Expenditures

Teachers' wages:

Bernice E. Fogg, 37 weeks	\$1,036.00
Bertha C. Hilton, 16 weeks	368.00
Verna M. Simmons, 21 weeks	441.00
Rena M. Fogg, 16 weeks	320.00
Fritzene Carlson, 21 weeks	441.00
Esther Pennington, 37 weeks	814.00
Margaret LeClair, 37 weeks	666.00
Priscilla Champion, 37 weeks	555.00
Mary Carlson, 15 weeks	225.00

Roberta Zimmerman, 22 weeks	308.00
Alice Zimmerman, 37 weeks	540.00

\$5,714.00

Fuel for schools:

Harry Kirk	\$27.00
C. C. Brown	148.30
W. J. Champion,	29.00
Monson Maine Slate Co.	3.50
P. W. Knight & Sons	28.00
A. C. Gilbert	200.00
Henry Smith, labor	41.25
C. C. Simpson, labor	46.50
L. O. Anderson, labor	4.00

\$527.55

Janitor services, etc.:

Henry Smith	\$400.00
Rural janitors	95.25
Cleaning school buildings	27.60
Janitor supplies	35.06

\$557.91

Transportation of children:

W. W. Pullen	\$360.00
Mrs. Verena Drake	260.00
Mrs. Roy Lloyd	186.00
A. F. Brown	102.00

\$1,008.00

Tuition, Town of Abbot

251.55

Unexpended, 1925

504.56

\$8,563.57

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Receipts

Unexpended, 1924	150.00
Raised by town	2,950.00

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State school fund	500.00	
Equalization fund	250.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,850.00

Expenditures

Treasurer Monson Academy:		
On account of contract	\$3,200.00	
Fuel and janitor services	400.00	
Unexpended, 1925	250.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,850.00

HIGH SCHOOL

LIBRARY AND LABORATORY ACCOUNTS

Unexpended, 1925	\$114.74	
Appropriated	150.00	
	<hr/>	\$264.74

Expenditures

Library purposes:		
School magazines	\$32.00	
New reference books	39.65	
	<hr/>	\$71.65
Laboratory purposes:		
Laboratory supplies	\$25.19	
Set wall maps	29.39	
	<hr/>	\$54.58
Unexpended, 1925		138.51
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		\$264.74

FREE TEXTBOOKS ACCOUNT

Unexpended, 1924	\$17.09	
Raised by town	350.00	
Town of Blanchard	8.97	
	<hr/>	\$376.06

Expenditures:

Elementary school books	\$217.76	
High school books	100.76	
Unexpended, 1925	57.54	
	<hr/>	\$376.06

SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT

Unexpended, 1924	\$96.94	
Raised by town	300.00	
Supplies furnished towns	17.43	
	<hr/>	\$414.37
Expended for supplies	\$295.83	
Unexpended, 1925	118.54	
	<hr/>	\$414.37

EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

Appropriation		\$100.00
Expenditures:		
New chairs	\$11.18	
New teachers' desks (2)	46.10	
Unexpended, 1925	42.72	
	<hr/>	\$100.00

SCHOOL REPAIRS ACCOUNT

Unexpended, 1924	\$199.43	
Raised by town	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$299.43
Expended	\$125.24	
Unexpended, 1925	174.19	
	<hr/>	\$299.43

INSURANCE, LIGHT AND POWER ACCOUNTS

Unexpended, 1924	\$22.20	
Raised by town	120.00	
	<hr/>	\$142.20

TOWN OF MONSON

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Expended:

For insurance	\$71.25
For light and power	35.80
Unexpended, 1925	35.15

\$142.20

SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

Unexpended, 1924	\$24.00
Raised by town	432.00

\$456.00

Paid: C. L. Sidelinger, salary	\$440.00
Unexpended, 1925	16.00

\$456.00

Town Warrant

To A. L. Brown, a constable of the Town of Monson, in
the County of Piscataquis: **GREETINGS:**

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Monson, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble in Spencer's hall in said town of Monson, the fifteenth day of March A. D. 1926 at ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:—

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

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

Article 3. To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of schools.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of the poor.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the repair and maintenance of roads and bridges, and how the same shall be expended.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise to defray all incidental and town charges and for miscellaneous purposes.

Article 8. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care of sidewalks, and how the same shall be expended.

Article 9. To see what sum of money the town will raise to pay interest.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise for free textbooks.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the superintendent of school's salary.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for free high school and how the same shall be expended, and to authorize the school committee to make a contract with the trustees of Monson Academy.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will raise for school apparatus and supplies.

Article 14. To see what sum of money the town will raise for repairs on school houses.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the town will raise for Memorial Day services.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising the money necessary to entitle the town to State Aid, as provided in Section 19 of Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes of 1916.

Article 17. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$533.00 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 the care of ways, highways and bridges; the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Section 18 of Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes of 1916.

Article 18. To see whether the town will vote to raise money, and what sum, for the maintenance of State and State Aid highway during the ensuing year, within the limits of the town under the provisions of Section 9 and 18 of Chapter 130 of Public Laws of 1913.

Article 19. To see if the town will charge interest on all taxes remaining unpaid September 15th at six per cent.

Article 20. To see what sum of money the town will raise for street lights for the ensuing year.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for Monson Free Public Library.

Article 22. To see if the town will authorize the superintending school committee to use their discretion in regard to maintaining schools in those districts where there are less than the required number of scholars.

Article 23. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to be paid to the Monson band for evening concerts.

Article 24. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the fire department.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise money to be used for employing a district nurse.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to put Calcium Chloride on the streets and raise money for the same.

Article 27. To see what sum of money the town will raise for insurance on school buildings and for power and lights.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to elect a Budget committee.

Article 29. To see if the town will authorize and instruct the Selectmen and Treasurer to hire money for town purposes.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay expenses of one of the selectmen to attend the Assessors' convention.

Article 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for advertising our natural resources, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Maine Development association a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Maine for the purpose of developing the resources and attractions of the State of Maine, it being understood that all of said money shall go for direct publicity and none of it for salaries.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to build a sewer from a point near the property of Herbert H. Davis on Main street and continue to a suitable outlet in Lake Hebron, and raise money for the same.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to accept a bequest of Sarah A. Haynes, under the will, for the town to hold \$100 in trust, for the perpetual care of the Haynes cemetery lot.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to have books of the Monson Free Public library moved to the kitchen of the Town hall.

Article 35. To see what the town will do about moving or disposing of the old fire engine.

Article 36. To see what sum of money the town will raise to pay on town debt.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to perambulate any of the town lines, and raise money for the same.





