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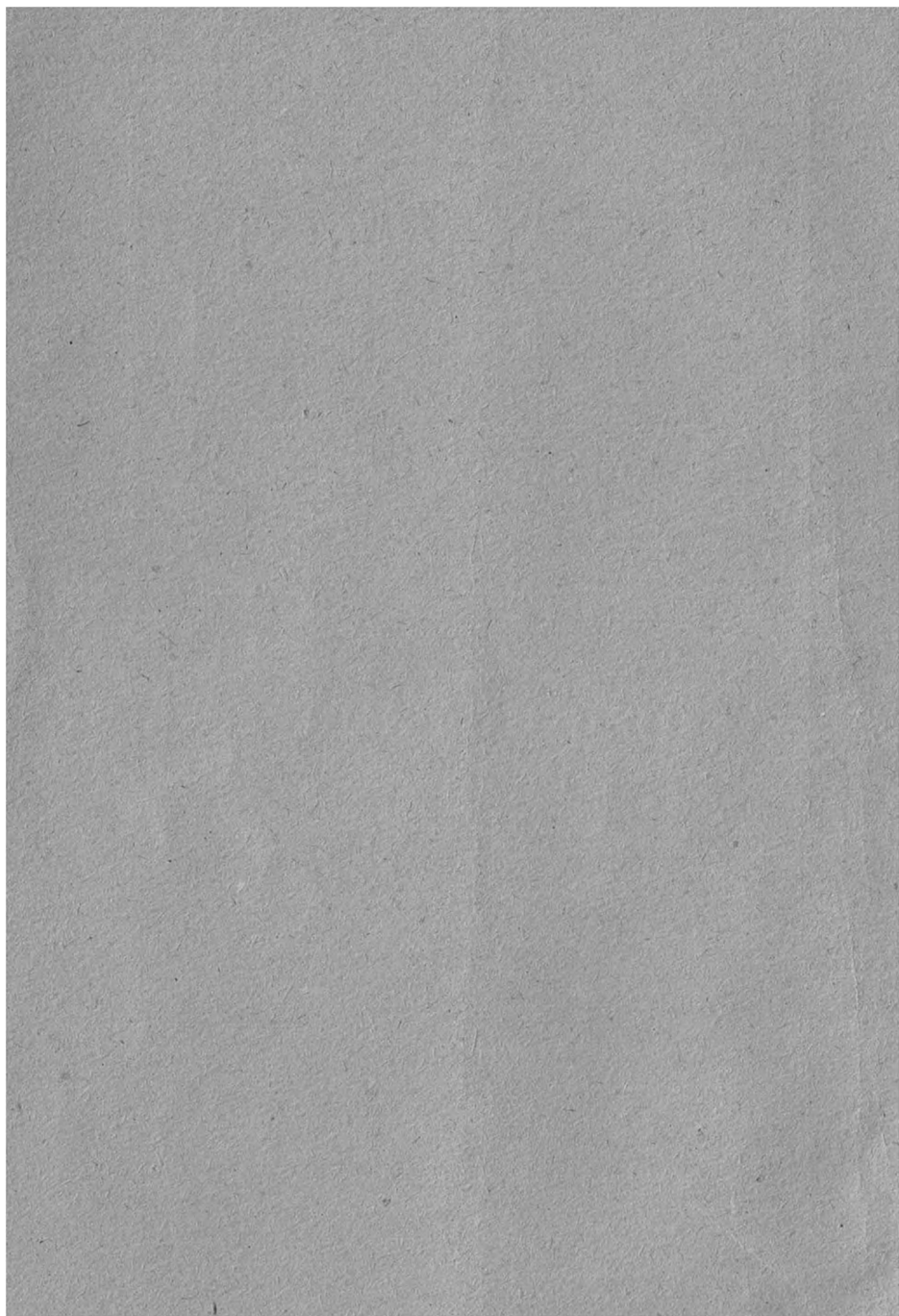
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TOWN WARRANT

SOMERSET SS.

STATE OF MAINE

To C. E. Cole, Constable of the Town of Palmyra, in the
County of Somerset, GREETING:

You are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Palmyra qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House on Monday, the 3rd. day of March A. D. 1924, at ten o'clock A. M., 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 year ensuing.
- Art. 3 To hear such reports from the town officers as the town may think proper.
- Art. 4 To choose three Selectmen, three Assessors, three Overseers of the Poor.
- Art. 5 To choose a town Treasurer.
- Art. 6 To choose a Tax Collector and Constable or to ascertain in what manner the tax shall be collected.
- Art. 7 To choose one or more Road Commissioners.
- Art. 8 To choose one member of the School Board.
- Art. 9 To choose a Fire Ward.
- Art. 10 To choose all other necessary town Officers for the year ensuing.
- Art. 11 To see how much money the town will vote to raise to pay the salary of the Superintendent of Schools.
- Art. 12 To see how much money the town will vote to raise to defray town charges.
- Art. 13 To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the support of Schools.
- Art. 14 To see how much money the town will vote to raise for School Supplies.

- Art. 15 To see how much money the town will vote to raise for Text Books.
- Art. 16 To see how much money the town will vote to raise to pay tuition out of town.
- Art. 17 To see how much money the town will vote to raise to repair School Houses.
- Art. 18 To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the support of the Public Library.
- Art. 19 To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the adoption of the State Road Law necessary to entitle the town to State Aid for the year ensuing.
- Art. 20 To see how much money the town will vote to raise for State Road Maintenance.
- Art. 21 To see how much money the town will vote to raise to build State Road.
- Art. 22 To see how much money the town will vote to raise to be expended on Roads and Bridges in Summer.
- Art. 23 To see how much money the town will vote to raise for breaking roads in Winter.
- Art. 24 To see if the town will vote to hire a School Physician and raise money for same.
- Art. 25 To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to take up outstanding orders on interest or act anything relating thereto.
- Art. 26 To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to patrol the road from Ell Hill to Pittsfield town line.
- Art. 27 To see if the town will vote to accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.
- Art. 28 To see if the town will vote to sell the Madawaska, Goodwin and Egypt school houses, or act anything relating thereto.
- Art. 29 To see if the town will vote to help S. A. Parkman take care of the water that flows across the road on his land, or act anything relating thereto.
- Art. 30 To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of ten dollars for each school in town, the same to be placed in the School Improvement Fund.

Art. 31 To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to hire money for current expenses, in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 32 To act on any other matter not relating to the raising of money that may legally be brought before any town meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town House on the day of said meeting at 9 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters.

Hereof fail not to make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon, on or before the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 21st. day of February A. D. 1924

C. W. HOMESTEAD.

O. F. MILLETT.

H. H. COSTON.

Selectmen of Palmyra

Selectmen's Report

The Municipal Officers and Superintendent of Schools herewith submit to the inhabitants of the town of Palmyra their Annual report for the year ending February 20, 1924.

ASSESSORS DEPARTMENT

Town Charges	\$1,200 00
Salary of the Superintendent of Schools	400 00
Support of Schools	3,000 00
School Supplies	50 00
Text books for schools	175 00
Tuition school out of town	900 00
Public Library	50 00
State Road maintenance	500 00
To build State Road	665 00
School Physician	50 00
Repairs on School-houses	100 00
Roads and Bridges	2,500 00
Winter Snow	1,000 00
Parkman Swamp	200 00
	----- \$10,790 00
Amount State Tax	\$3,117 25
County Tax	729 94
Overlayings	382 91
	----- \$4,230 10

VALUATION OF THE TOWN FOR 1923

Real Estate resident	\$281,925 00
Real Estate non-resident	57,865 00
Personal Estate resident	67,255 00
Personal Estate non-resident	1,015 00
	\$108,060 00
Property exempt by State law	\$11,783 00
We assessed \$35.00 per \$1,000.00 on \$108,060.00	14,282 10
We assessed \$3.00 each on 246 polls	738 00
Amount of Supplementary tax	62 35
Total amount committed to Charles E. Cole, Collector	\$15,082 45

TOWN CHARGES

Dr.

Amount raised by Town	\$1,200 00
of overlayings	382 91
of Supplementary tax	62 35
	\$1,645 26

Cr.

Paid Roland Parsons abatement by vote of town 1922 tax	\$ 68 00
A. W. Brewer for board of H. P. McFarland to Feb. 29	371 00
Arthur W. Lander for printing town reports 1922-1923	92 00
Barrows & Barrows for supplies for Roland Parsons by vote of town	45 50
Loring, Short & Harmon books for Selectmen's office	19 95

A. P. Howes services as moderator 1923	2 00
W. M. Weeks for quarantining and fumigating Reed family	7 50
H. F. Grover for painting sign	3 50
Nellie Leavitt, services as election clerk	2 00
Edith Willett, services as election clerk	2 00
C. E. Cole, services as ballot clerk	2 00
G. L. Bryant, services as ballot clerk	2 00
J. A. Parkman, covering well	1 50
Newell White, order books	4 00
W. H. Mitchell, legal advice 1921-'22-'23	8 00
Pittsfield National Bank, interest on order No. 69 1922	15 00
Alex. Foster, services with hearse	8 00
H. B. Clifford, stationery, stamps and telephone	13 22
Interest on order no. 183	22 05
Interest on order no. 185	22 95
Dr. N. R. Cook, returning births and deaths	1 50
Dr. N. R. Cook, medical attendance on H. P. McFarland and Herbert Beedy	30 00
C. W. Homstead, stationery, stamps and telephone	3 00
Carrie Weeks, services as town clerk	10 00
Carrie Weeks, recording births deaths and marriages	11 50

Carrie Weeks, postage and expense	1 25
W. M. Weeks, quarantining Alex. Watson family	1 50
W. M. Weeks, quarantining at F. Raymond's	1 50
W. M. Weeks, quarantining at Verd Packard's	1 50
W. M. Weeks, fumigating at Savages	4 00
W. M. Weeks, fumigating Ell School-house twice	6 00
W. M. Weeks, fumigating at Verd Packard's	5 00
W. M. Weeks, fumigating at Alex. Watsons	4 00
W. M. Weeks, fumigating at F. Raymond's	4 00
W. M. Weeks, quarantining A. Towles	1 50
W. M. Weeks, fumigating H. Furbushes	8 00
W. M. Weeks, for use of team	5 00
C. E. Cole for collecting taxes	301 65
C. E. Cole, abatements	51 37
Pittsfield National Bank interest on order no. 295	17 50
W. A. Smith, care Goodwins yard	4 00
L. W. Frost supplies furnished Health Officer	38 45
L. W. Frost, supplies furnished H. P. McFarland	24 54
L. W. Frost, services as Treas.	50 00
L. W. Frost, flag for memorial services	8 23
L. W. Frost, stamps for Treasurer's office	2 46

L. W. Frost, book for cemetery account	1 50	
L. W. Frost, supplies for Selectmen's office	1 51	
L. W. Frost, repairs for hearse house	1 25	
S. P. Weeks, mowing village cemetery	6 00	
Interest on order No. 62	25 00	
Interest on order No. 47	50 00	
Int. on order No. 390	50 00	
Hartland-St. Albans Telephone Co. tolls calls	30	
Chas. E. Cole, posting two town warrants	2 00	
Carl Randlett, supplies for fire in woods 1921	15 82	
R. W. Leavitt, labor in Spring Hill Cemetery	10 00	
C. E. Cole, on account of cow injured on State Road	1 50	
L. Jonhonnnett, wood for Town House	7 00	
Lillian Towle salary member of School Board	8 00	
E. H. Dyer, salary member of School Board	8 00	
C. W. Homestead, services as 1st Selectman	135 50	
O. F. Millett, services 2nd Selectman	80 50	
H. H. Coston, services as 3rd Selectman	70 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,784 40
Overdrawn	\$139 14	

SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

DR

Amount raised by town	\$400 00	
	\$400 00	\$400 00

CR

Paid H. B. Clifford	\$400 00	
	\$400 00	\$400 00
Due H. B. Clifford balance to Feb. 1, 1924		97 19

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF PAUPERS OF OTHER TOWNS

CR

Paid on account of Thomas Inman of Veazie	\$ 6 68	
on account of J. Alfred Reed of Fairfield	94 24	
on account of Mrs. W. A. White of Brownville	18 11	
	\$119 03	

DR

Received of Veazie on account of Thomas Inman	\$ 6 68	
Received of Fairfield on account of Alfred Reed	63 24	
Received on account of Mrs. W. A. White of Brownville	18 11	
Due from Fairfield on account of Alfred Reed	31 00	
	\$119 03	

STATE ROAD MAINTENANCE

DR

Amount raised by town	\$500 00	
	<u> </u>	\$500 00

CR

Paid State Treasurer	\$626 10	
	<u> </u>	\$626 10
Overdrawn		126 10

STATE ROAD MAINTENANCE FIFTY-FIFTY

Road Machine Labor

DR

Received from State	\$50 00	
Amount appropriated from roads and bridges account	50 00	
	<u> </u>	\$100 00

CR

Amount expended on State Aid Highway	\$100 00	
	<u> </u>	\$100 00

STATE AID HIGHWAY

DR

Amount raised by town	\$533 00	
received from State	708 96	
	<u> </u>	\$1,241 96

CR

Paid A. W. Parsons, labor	* 18 00
B. L. Palmer, labor	36 00
U. T. Scott, labor	19 38
F. N. Raymond, labor	36 00
F. N. Collomore, labor	36 00
R. W. Estes, labor	15 00
H. A. Estes, labor	4 50
Ralph Cook, labor	24 00
L. A. Scott, labor	18 00
L. H. Fletcher	28 00
H. A. Fletcher	30 00
Donald Cole	9 00
Ralph Dyer	9 00
J. M. Taylor	18 00
F. N. Raymond	12 00
F. N. Collamore	12 00
Floyd Collamore	24 00
Alex Foster	24 00
Berger Mf'g Co., culverts	124 80
H. A. Fletcher, labor	89 50
H. A. Fletcher, money paid out	1 20
V. A. Packard, labor	21 00
H. A. Fletcher	12 50
C. W. Homstead	66 00
L. H. Fletcher	3 00
C. D. Draper	24 00
L. A. Scott	6 00
Bernard Morrison	10 50
G. W. Estes	18 00
H. J. Bartlett	15 33
M. B. White	45 00
R. J. Goodrich	33 00
Ordway Rice	12 00
Geo Maxim	9 00
C. A. Maxim	30 00

C. E. Cole labor	18 00	
W. H. Towle Jr.	7 99	
Carrol Gifford, damage caused by blasting rock	1 25	
C. B. Brewer, labor	48 00	
F. L. Morse, labor	72 00	
Geo. Crosby, labor	24 00	
V. A. Packard, gravel	110 70	
Dynamite used	1 69	
	<u> </u>	\$1,177 34
Cost of inspection by State	25 35	
	<u> </u>	
Expended	1,202 69	
Unexpended balance	39 27	
	<u> </u>	\$1,241 96

Roads and Bridges

Dr.

Amount raised by the town for Summer work	\$2,500 00	
Amount raised for winter snow	1,000 00	
	<u> </u>	\$3,500 00

Cr.

SPRING SNOW

Paid Sandy Vanadestine	\$5 50
H. L. Peterson	7 00
L. J. Pray	12 10

Carl L. Peasley	3 57
Manzar Turner	14 30
Arthur Green	8 25
A. D. Magnus	2 07
M. C. Davis	9 90
L. G. Hanson	13 50
J. L. Lewis	20 00
W. H. Neal	3 75
H. A. Whitman	18 70
Albert Lawrence	6 60
L. B. Neal	18 15
Chas. Maxim	12 37
J. E. Deraps	2 02
J. B. Lampher	18 25
W. H. McFarland	18 42
B. L. Palmer	3 25
Aubrey Palmer	4 12
E. A. Hughes	16 50
C. L. Hubbard	3 64
F. M. Raymond	16 52
W. I. Tracy	10 00
W. D. Fraser	25 30
C. L. Hubbard	10 08
James Brown	15 42
Archie Bubier	12 25
E. E. Davis	13 40
J. A. Parkman	13 50
P. R. Lee	1 49
F. B. Goodrich	10 67
S. Maxim	4 23
J. N. Taylor	28 75
Edgar Green	3 85
H. H. Turner	8 57
Lewis Pray	8 80
Sandy Foster	17 60
Geo. Manchester	8 58
Ed. Patten	8 58
J. W. Robinson	20 35

John Holland	1 65
C. H. Johonnett	5 46
Warren Lawrence	4 00
J. B. Lampher.	25 34
M. Turner	14 85
P. R. Lee	11 55
W. H. Neal	5 52
H. H. Turner	7 42
A. J. Simpson	5 00
R. L. Dyer	3 32
William Clewley	3 30
R. J. Goodrich	8 50
Alex Watson	11 61
Elmer Lawrence	2 50
Alton Hilton	8 25
E. H. Dyer	18 52
Harold Furbush	10 20
V. J. Gray	4 15
Baxter Varnum	10 00
Leland Scott	2 50
A. E. Jordan	10 00
J. B. Corson	14 57
J. B. Corson	3 03
Bert Green	4 40
C. P. Lee	83
T. L. Nichols	4 40
I. W. Jones	15 40
O. R. Whitman	1 38
G. E. Hanigan	10 00
C. E. Cole	24 97
B. L. Palmer	13 20
O. R. Merchant	18 14
O. F. Millett	12 51
P. R. Lee	9 07
William Keniston	3 85
E. G. Hughes	16 77
J. A. Young	9 90
M. T. Scott	6 05

S. L. Salley	5 88
Bert Cole	5 34
Chas. Getchell	2 00
L. B. Neal	31 07
Stanley Bates	1 12
N. C. Davis	22 00
Arthur Green	4 95
H. A. Whitman	5 22
Geo. Braley	4 95
A. M. Vanadestine	6 33
E. G. Hughes	6 60
F. B. Goodrich	23 10
A. L. Maxfield	10 92
J. A. Young	5 50
Norris Temple	14 16
E. G. Hughes	6 60
B. D. Lenfest	7 83
Alex Watson	17 60
F. N. Raymond	13 75
L. J. Pray	14 85
C. J. Johnson	2 75
W. I. Tracy	5 50
L. G. Hanson	5 50
Alton Hilton	22 72
Chas. J. Johnson	3 34
H. H. Hubbard	2 24
H. L. Patterson	8 40
Perry Furbush	31 61
H. B. Eldridge	75
R. E. Cook	4 67
H. L. Patterson	17 08
H. A. Fletcher, labor	61 00
A. D. Magnus, labor	4 40
Harry Brackett, labor	5 00
F. W. Raymond, labor	9 48
Arthur Marson, labor	6 00
Earle Parkman, labor	27 44
W. A. Blaisdell, labor	3 03

F. W. Bangs, labor	75	
Fred R. Davis, labor	4 25	
E. C. Parkman, labor	4 76	
E. C. Leavitt, labor	1 68	
W. A. Smith, labor	2 00	
G. W. Estes, labor	1 38	
A. P. Howes, labor	2 14	
S. P. Weeks, labor	2 75	
O. R. Merchant, labor	7 70	
A. J. Leavitt, labor	4 90	
	<hr/>	\$1,286 59

SUMMER ROADS

Paid Ashley K. Burrill	\$ 25 50
H. A. Fletcher, on road machine	132 75
Verne Merrill, plank for Nig- ger Bridge	123 58
H. J. Adams	69 00
Lauris Fletcher	28 50
Alex Foster	45 00
Nelson Baxter	12 00
Harland Jipson	2 74
Alex Foster	36 00
Manford Brewer	3 00
C. H. Johonnett, gravel	8 50
Ray Cowen	3 50
J. A. Parkman	20 50
C. A. Maxim	11 25
Geo. Brewer	9 00
Chester Boston	1 50
Ralph Dyer	10 00
Geo. Brewer	6 00
R. J. Goodrich	23 76
H. J. Adams	96 00
Geo. Brewer	9 00
Manford Brewer	9 00

F. B. Goodrich	38 75
O. F. Millett	5 00
H. J. Adams	50 00
H. H. Hubbard	24 45
V. A. Packard	2 50
C. B. Brewer	18 00
Ralph Cook	9 78
B. F. Fairbrother	12 50
F. L. Morse	18 53
Alex Foster	18 00
Albert Wyman	3 00
Geo. Brewer	18 00
Archie Bubier	10 00
Lawrence Fletcher	12 00
Ivan Fletcher	15 00
Frank Brewer	18 00
C. D. Draper	7 50
H. A. Fletcher	100 00
Judkins & Gilman, repairs on road machine and plank for bridge	32 79
Chas. Hubbard, labor	13 50
Henry Eldridge	75
H. J. Adams	45 50
L. J. Pray, gravel	7 10
G. E. Warner	3 00
B. D. Lenfest, cutting bushes	12 00
Newport Water Co., wood tiling	14 15
H. A. Fletcher, labor	232 75
F. L. Morse, planks for culvert	2 40
F. N. Raymond, labor	2 50
Alton Leadbetter, gravel	6 75
H. H. Coston, labor	27 00
W. A. Blaisdell	2 17
Lewis Fletcher	4 50
Ivan Fletcher	3 00
H. A. Fletcher, road machine blade	10 00

L. Johonnott, labor	1 25
F. M. Bangs, cutting bushes	6 00
W. H. Lawrence, labor	2 00
O. F. Millett	6 00
Fred Davis	25 50
C. W. Homstead	18 33
L. W. Frost, supplies	50
L. W. Frost, supplies	12 74
L. W. Frost, repairs on road machine	2 25
G. W. Estes	7 33
H. H. Hubbard, repairs	1 70
F. M. Bradford, gravel	1 60
Bliss Savage, labor	3 00
Geo. Hannigan, gravel	1 10
O. R. Merchant, cutting bushes	12 67
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	\$1,595 42

WINTER SNOW 1924

Paid J. B. Lanpher, labor	\$17 84
H. H. Turner, labor	3 75
Joel Parkman, labor	2 00
Glendon Dodge, labor	3 05
J. M. Taylor, labor	6 60
Geo. Crosby, labor	3 44
S. B. Millett, labor	7 16
B. L. Palmer, labor	9 90
Alex Watson, labor	3 00
A. E. Hilton, labor	6 10
A. D. Magnus, labor	5 09
Newman Gee, labor	2 75
A. P. Howes, labor	1 00
James Somers, labor	22 65
Ed. Patten, labor	55
Geo. Manchester, labor	1 10
Geo. Rogers, labor	2 75

F. B. Goodrich, labor	2 75	
A. J. Leavitt, labor	6 25	
	<u> </u>	\$ 107 73
Total road and bridge account		2,989 74
Unexpended balance		510 26

PARKMAN SWAMP

DR

Amount raised by town	\$200 00	
	<u> </u>	\$200 00

CR

Paid Lawrence Fletcher, labor	\$ 1 50	
H. A. Fletcher, labor	63 00	
Harry Brewer	33 00	
H. J. Adams	33 00	
L. J. Pray, gravel	11 20	
G. E. Warner, labor	15 00	
A. E. Jordan	33 00	
E. G. Emery	3 00	
	<u> </u>	\$192 70
Unexpended balance		7 30
		\$200 00

THIRD CLASS HIGHWAY

DR

Amount received from State	\$780 90	
	<u> </u>	\$780 90

CR

Paid Elmer Lawrence, labor	\$ 3 00	
E. M. Boston, labor	12 00	
A. W. Parsons, labor	9 00	
B. L. Palmer, labor	12 00	
Bert Cookson	3 00	
B. L. Palmer	18 00	
A. W. Parsons	15 00	
Alex Foster	42 00	
C. W. Homstead	48 00	
Easton Boston	9 00	
L. Johonnett	3 00	
Donold Cole	3 00	
F. N. Raymond	36 00	
J. M. Taylor	42 00	
Geo. Crosby	18 00	
Donald Cole	18 00	
Bert Lenfest	21 00	
Wm. Clewley	15 00	
Albert Wyman	21 00	
C. E. Cole	42 00	
Ivan Fletcher	19 31	
H. A. Fletcher	37 32	
H. A. Fletcher	60 00	
L. H. Fletcher	32 00	
H. H. Coston	58 99	
H. V. Furbush	42 00	
H. W. Towle, Jr.	35 66	
Alton Leadbetter, gravel	93 75	
	<hr/>	\$ 769 03
For inspection	5 80	
	<hr/>	\$774 83
Unexpended balance		6 07

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Dr.

Amount raised by town	\$3,000	00
Int. on School fund order	69	80
State School fund	1,576	92
Unexpended balance	308	23
Received from Detroit	293	07
Equalization fund	156	00
Received from St. Albans	82	50
	\$5,486	52

Cr.

Amt. paid teachers	\$4,283	00
Amt. paid for conveyance	895	75
Amt. paid janitors	116	85
Amt. paid for fuel	370	75
	\$5,666	35
Overdrawn		\$179 83

TEACHERS ACCOUNT

Paid Fausta Howes, Spring Term, Gale	\$228	00
Nellie Jordan, Spring Term, Marsh	228	00
Grace Cook, Spring Term, Adams	228	00
Kath-rine Cronkite, Spring, Term, Village	228	00
John Holland, Spring Term, Ell	228	00

Gertrude Smith, Spring Term, Carr	238 00
Fausta Howes, Fall Term Gale	247 00
Nellie Jordan, Fall Term, Marsh	247 00
Grace Cook, Fall Term Adams	247 00
Lucy Burton, Fall Term Vil- lage	209 00
Edna Davis, Fall Term, Ell	247 00
Gertrude Mesereau, Fall Term, Carr	247 00
Fausta Howes, Winter Term, Gale	171 00
Fausta Howes, bonus for teach- ing 5 Nedeau children 34 weeks @ \$2 00	68 00
Nellie Jordan, Winter Term, Marsh	171 00
Grace Cook, Winter Term, Ad- ams	171 00
Lucy Burton, Winter Term, Village	209 00
Edna Davis, Winter Term, Ell	171 00
Gertrude Mesereau	171 00
Town of Newport, Tuition	230 00
Town of Hartland, Tuition	99 00
	----- \$4,283 00

CONVEYANCE ACCOUNT

Paid A. J. Towle, to Adams	\$13 75
A. K. Burrill, to Marsh	6 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	12 00
Mrs. L. B. Neal, to Marsh	16 00
Clayton Goodrich, to Village	9 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	12 00
Clayton Goodridge to Village	18 00

Mrs. L. B. Neal, to Marsh	24 00
Mrs. L. B. Neal, to Marsh	16 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	12 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	18 00
E. G. Emery, to Adams	28 00
A. K. Burrill, to Adams	12 00
Clayton Goodridge, to Village	9 00
Clayton Goodrige, to Village	72 00
Mrs. L. B. Neal, to Marsh	40 00
E. O. Savage, to Newport	29 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	24 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	12 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	35 00
Mrs. L. B. Neal, to Marsh	36 00
E. O. Savage, to Newport	14 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	63 00
Mrs. L. B. Neal, to Marsh	60 00
Mrs. M. B. Boody, to Village	117 00
Mrs. M. B. Boody, Winter, to Village	18 00
Geo. Hannigan, to Adams	14 00
Mrs. L. B. Neal, to Marsh	36 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	35 00
Mrs. M. B. Boody, to Village	45 00
Mrs. M. B. Boody, to Village	18 00
E. O. Savage, to Newport	8 00
E. E. Davis, to Hartland	14 00
	————— \$895 75

JANITORS ACCOUNT

Paid John Holland, Ell	\$3 50
John Holland, Ell	2 50
Katherine Cronkite, Village	4 20
Fausta Howes, Gale	4 20
Leon Hanson, Adams	4 20
Bernadette Deraps, Carr	4 90

Nellie Jordon, Marsh	4 20
Bernadette Deraps, Carr	6 10
Mrs. W. H. Wyman, Gale	4 00
Edna Davis, Ell	3 00
J. B. Lampher, Marsh	4 00
Grace Bates, Adams	5 00
Grace Cook, fall term, Adams	4 55
Edna Davis, Ell	6 50
Nellie Jordan, Marsh	4 55
Gertrude Mersereau, Carr	4 55
Fausta Howes, Gale	4 55
Mrs. J. B. Lanpher Marsh	3 00
Chas. Elleston, Village	6 50
Sidney Buzzell, Ell	1 00
Carrie Parkman, Village	5 00
Grace Cook, Adams	3 35
Fausta Howes, Gale	4 50
Nellie Jordan, Marsh	4 50
Bernadette Deraps, Carr	4 50
Lucy Burton, Village	5 50
Edna Davis, Ell	4 50
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	\$116 85

FUEL ACCOUNT

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Paid W. E. Leavitt, Adams	\$38 00
E. T. Hughes, Gale, Ell	95 00
Leon Hansor, Adams	1 00
A. E. Jordon, Marsh	4 00
V. C. Bowman, Carr	19 00
Ordway Rice, Ell	21 00
J. E. McMichael (wood for school houses)	96 00
A. P. Howes, Gale	1 75

Bernadette Deraps, Carr	1 00	
E. C. Leavitt, wood, Village	38 00	
James Robinson, wood, Village	2 50	
F. W. Dyer, dry wood, Village	11 00	
Edna Davis, pupils sawing wood Ell	3 00	
J. B. Lampher, wood, Marsh	38 00	
J. W. Robinson, sawing wood Village	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$370 75

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Dr.

Amount raised by Town	\$50 00	
Unexpended balance 1922	92 28	
	<hr/>	\$142 28

Cr.

Paid Lillian Towle,	\$ 1 86
Loring, Short & Harmon	2 70
J. L. Hammett Co.	16 86
Starkey & Toner	44 39
Ryare & Buker	9 22
E. E. Babb Co.	2 53
L. W. Gerrish	2 60
A. R. Burton	5 12
H. E. Randlett	51
A. M. Palmer & Co.	2 10
Starkey & Toner	27 76
A. R. Burton & Sons	3 86
L. W. Frost	1 17
L. W. Frost	7 40

H. E. Randlett	2 52	
H. B. Clifford	4 30	
	<hr/>	\$134 90
Unexpended balance		7 38
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		\$142 28

SCHOOL BOOK ACCOUNT

Dr.

Amount raised by Town	\$175 00	
Amount unexpended in 1923	3 03	
	<hr/>	\$178 03.

Cr.

Paid A. M. Palmer & Co.	\$ 2 22	
Benj. H. Sanborn	16 59	
Ginn & Co.	84 92	
Worlds Book Co.	5 96	
Current Events Book	11 20	
Little, Brown & Co.	14 61	
Silver Burdette Co.	6 53	
Ginn & Co.	31 86	
Houghton Mifflin	2 84	
Ginn & Co.	1 21	
	<hr/>	\$177 94
Unexpended balance		09
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		\$178 03

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS

Dr.

Amount raised by town	\$100 00	
Unexpended balance of 1922	211 13	
	-----	\$311 13

Cr.

Paid Noyes & Nutter, Marsh	\$2 68	
Gertrude Smith, Carr	1 65	
A. E. Jordan, Marsh	2 00	
J. A. Parkman, Gale	1 50	
Geo. Lunt, Marsh	1 00	
Arthur Deraps, boughing Carr school house	3 00	
Starkey & Toner, blackboard for Gale	20 24	
C. W. Homestead, Village	48 20	
A. B. Deering	2 00	
E. C. Leavitt, Village	47 50	
Henry Towle, Village	6 00	
Arthur Deraps, Village	1 00	
Judkins & Gilman, Village	54 58	
L. W. Frost, ceiling Village	49 60	
L. W. Frost, Village	15 79	
	-----	\$256 74
Unexpended balance		54 39
		\$311 13

TUITION ACCOUNT

Dr.

Amount raised by town	\$900 00	
Amount received from State	600 00	
Unexpended balance	233 67	
	-----	\$1,733 67

Cr.

Paid Maine Central Institute	\$810 00	
Town of Newport	540 00	
Hartland Academy	330 00	
Corinna Academy, three terms	60 00	
	-----	\$1,740 00
Overdrawn		\$6 33

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN ACCOUNT

Dr.

Amount raised by town	\$50 00	
	-----	\$ 50 00

Cr.

Paid Dr. C. A. Moulton	\$50 00	
	-----	\$50 00

Feb. 20, 1924

To the Superintending School Committee, Palmyra, Me.
I hereby submit my report of the examination of the pupils
in your schools for the school year of 1923-1924

No. examined				
Boys	85	Girls	59	Total
				144
No. reported for professional treatment				37
with physical rank of 100%				12
less than 100% in care of teeth				69
less than 100% in vision				6
less than 100% in hearing				2
less than 100% in teeth				53
less than 100% in throat				3
less than 100% in tonsils				88
less than 100% in adenoids				74
less than 100% in skin				4
less than 100% in weight				25
less than 100% in pulse				19

No special unsanitary conditions were found about the school buildings or grounds.

Some effort seems to have been made to beautify the rooms and play grounds by the teachers and pupils.

Absences on account of sickness has been less than usual.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Moulton, M. D.
School Physician

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Dr.

Unexpended balance	\$17 00	
Amt. received from village store acc't.	56 45	
	<hr/>	\$73 45

Cr.

Paid Ida L. Fuller	\$13 50	
Silver Burdett & Co.	3 74	
Houghton & Mifflin	8 06	
	<hr/>	\$25 30
Unexpended balance		<hr/>
		\$48 15

CEMETERY ACCOUNTS

Lancy Cemetery Account

Dr.

Amt. of funds in the hands of the Treasurer Feb. 20, 1923	\$336 00	
Accrued income to Feb. 20, 1924	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$338 00

Cr.

Paid S. P. Weeks, care of Lancy lot	\$ 7 00	
	331 00	
	<hr/>	\$338 00

Hilton Fund

Dr.

Amount of fund in hand of Treasur- er Feb. 20, 1923	\$115 00	
Accrued income to Feb. 20, 1924	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$119 00

Cr.

Amount in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1924	\$119 00	
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J. B. Homstead Fund

Dr.

Amount in hand of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1923	\$53 75	
Accrued income Feb. 20, 1924	2 00	
	<u> </u>	\$55 75

Cr.

Amount in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1924,	\$ 55 75
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E. M. Stevens, Davis Fund

Dr.

Amount in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1923	\$ 53 69	
Accrued income Feb. 20, 1924	2 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 55 69

Cr.

Paid S. P. Weeks	\$2 50	
	<u> </u>	\$2 50
Amt. in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1924	\$53 19	
	<u> </u>	\$53 19

W. D. Mitchell Fund

Dr.

Amount of funds in hands of Treasurer, Feb. 20, 1923	\$56 90	
Accrued income to Feb. 20, 1924	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$58 90

Cr.

Amount in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1924	\$58 90	
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Franklin Grant Fund

Dr.

Amount in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1923	\$56 00	
Accrued income to Feb. 20, 1924	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$58 00

Cr.

Paid W. A. Smith	\$1 00	
Amount in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1924	57 00	
	<hr/>	\$58 00

Webber & Clement Fund

Dr.

Amt. of funds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1923	\$206 87	
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Accrued income Feb. 20, 1924	8 00	
	<u> </u>	\$214 87

Cr.

Amount of funds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1924	\$214 87	
	<u> </u>	\$214 87

Jewett Cemetery Fund

Dr.

Amount in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1923	\$104 33	
Accrued income Feb. 20, 1924	4 00	
	<u> </u>	\$108 33

Cr.

Paid S. P. Weeks	\$2 50	
Amount in Treasury, Feb. 20, 1924	105 83	
	<u> </u>	\$108 33

C. E. Spollett Fund

Dr.

Amt. in hands of Treasurer, Feb. 20, 1923	\$54 00	
Accrued income Feb. 20, 1924	2 00	
	<u> </u>	\$56 00

Cr.

Amt. of funds in hands of Treasurer	\$56 00	
	<u> </u>	\$56 00

D. S. Robinson Fund

Dr.

Amt. of funds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1923	\$102 33	
Accrued income Feb. 20, 1924	4 00	
	<u> </u>	\$106 33

Cr.

Paid S. P. Weeks	\$2 50	
Amt. in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1924	103 83	
	<u> </u>	\$106 33

G. F. Bachelder Fund

Dr.

Amt. of funds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1923	\$51 00	
Accrued income Feb. 20, 1924	2 00	
	<u> </u>	\$53 00

Cr.

Amt. of funds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 20, 1924	\$53 00	
	<u> </u>	\$53 00

Summary of Expenses

Paid Incidental Bills	\$1,784 40
Superintendent of Schools	400 00
on account Paupers of other	
Towns	119 03
for State Road Maintenance	626 10
State Aid Highway	1,177 34
on account Spring Snow	1,286 59
Summer Roads	1,595 42
Winter Snow	107 73
Parkman Swamp	192 70
Third Class Highway	769 03
Common Schools	5,666 35
School Supplies	134 90
Text Books	177 94
School House Repairs	256 74
Tuition High Schools	1,740 00
School Improvement	
Fund	25 30
Cemetery Fund	15 50
Public Library	55 00
School Physician	50 00
	\$16,179 97
Amount of outstanding orders	9 99
Amount of orders paid by Treasurer	16,169 98

LIST OF ABATEMENTS

P. C. Campbell, not found	\$ 3 00
Verne Collamore, paid in Pittsfield	3 00
Quinn Huff, paid in Hartland	3 00
Lyle McCrillis, paid in Pittsfield	3 00
John Pratt, error in valuation	6 50
C. L. Smith, dead	3 00

C. E. Thompson, paid in Lewiston	3 00
Elmer Burrill, out of State	3 00
N. D. Stanley, error in valuation	14 00
Thomas Inman, N. G.	3 00
Geo. Farrell, paid in St. Albans	3 00
Merle Weymouth, paid in Pittsfield	3 00
T. F. Berry, N. G.	87
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	\$51 37

LIST OF UNPAID TAXES

F. M. Bangs	\$11 75
R. M. Cowan	11 40
Scott Church and G. A. Hill	4 66
C. L. Hubbard	41 70
G. A. Hill	16 95
L. B. Neal	13 50
H. L. Peterson	45 50
C. M. Peasley	3 00
R. M. Parkman Est.	26 30
Mrs. A. W. Parsons	7 00
Anthony Reed	38 00
S. E. Smith	9 00
Leo V. Tozier	3 00
Wm. Russell	3 50
W. C. Wilson	3 50
W. M. Ladner Est.	22 75
W. S. Townsend	14 00
Chas. Bowden	3 50
E. A. Hughes	20 00

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	\$2,197 86
Cemetery funds on hand	1,175 87
from St. Albans tuition	82 50
Detroit tuition	55 41
School Stove Account	96 45
State Pensions	84 00
Cemetery Fund	2 00
Dog Licenses	76 00
Town of Veazie	6 68
Detroit tuition	135 85
Accepted Orders	2,000 00
State burial of Soldiers	60 00
State for Library	5 00
Detroit tuition	102 31
State Highway Dept.	768 03
State Improvement Roads	644 34
State Dog licenses refunded	48 87
State School Fund	2,176 92
State Commissioners of Education	156 00
Milo on Pauper account	18 11
State highway Dept.	50 00
St. Albans tuition	113 50
C. E. Cole, Collector 1923	15,082 91
	----- \$25,138 61

DISBURSMENTS

Paid State Pensions	\$ 24 00
State Pensions	42 00
County Tax	729 94
State Tax	3,117 25

State on Dog Licenses	54 00
Outstanding orders of 1922	78 90
Orders of 1923	18,169 98

Cemetery Funds on Hand

Lancey	\$331 00
Hilton	119 00
Homstead	55 75
Stevens Davis	53 19
Spollett	56 00
Robinson	103 83
Bachelor	53 00
Mitchell	58 90
Franklin Grant	57 00
Weler-Clement	214 87
Jewett	105 83
	-----\$1,208 37
Cash on hand	1,714 17
	-----\$25,138 61

School Department

PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

Amount raised by Town	\$50 00	
Amount from State	5 00	
	—————	\$55 00
Paid for care of Library for 1 year	\$20 00	
for Books	35 00	
	—————	\$55 00

There has been much interest shown in the Library the past year many books and magazines taken out each week.

A gift of books about forty in all, including a large Standard Dictionary from the Belcher Public Library of Gaysville, Vermont and presented by Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wyman of that place. Also many gifts of magazines from Mrs. W. A. Porter of Woodfords, Maine, and from our own patrons.

L. W. Frost
Ella A. Blaisdell
Aubrey Johonnett
Annie Merchant
Annie Cole
Library Committee

School Department

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Citizens of Palmyra, Greeting:

I herewith submit my seventh annual report as Superintendent of Schools. It includes a brief statement concerning the work of the year and recommendations regarding the coming year.

Our school census last April was 250, about the same as the year before. 151 pupils enrolled in our schools this fall as follows: Gale, 37; Marsh, 18; Adams, 26; Village, 33; Carr, 13; Ell, 24. These figures vary somewhat from month to month. The regularity of attendance has been good on the whole.

To my mind this is the most satisfactory school year I have yet supervised in Palmyra. This is due to the quality of the teachers. Mrs. Howes, Jordan and Cook, who have done excellent work in our schools for several years, have steady advanced in the board field of successful teaching. Mrs. Burton, Miss Mersereau and Miss Davis have each done splendid work in their respective schools. Good schools depend more upon good teachers than upon any other factor.

Teachers and Superintendent are constantly striving to improve themselves and the work of the schools. Teachers' meetings have been held at Hartland regularly during the year. Twice a term on Saturdays, our teachers have spent the day in learning more effective ways of teaching children and in planning better work. We know that this is steadily improving the schools.

While endeavoring to instruct the pupils thoroly in all the common school branches, we are giving special attention to Reading this year. It is common knowledge that a child may make a good impression upon his hearers when reading orally without comprehending well the matter read. In view of the fact that school studies are read silently and that adults do not do much oral reading, we are working chiefly upon the problem of Silent Reading. Standard Tests given last June showed that our schools ranked low in both rate of reading and comprehension of the matter read. Our special work during the fall and winter terms has made our pupils faster readers and enabled them to comprehend much better what they read. We are still at work on the subject.

By vote of the teachers, part of last fall's Entertainment receipts was used to put a good Bible story book in each school. Hurlbut's Story of the Bible was chosen. No use has

been made of the book to which anyone could reasonable object and we feel that its influence is very wholesome.

Parents and citizens should know more intimately the work of the schools. It is much different from what it was 25 years ago. Visitors are always welcome but are never numerous. "Visit-the-School Week" brought out a fair number Jan. The schools have co-operated this year in publishing the "Academy News", in an endeavor to bring school work home to the people. It has met with good response for a brand new project. The difficulty has been to meet the bills.

The only repair work of any consequence has been done at the Village schoolhouse. The exterior has been painted. The soiled and broken plaster ceiling has been replaced with steel and painted. The interior woodwork has also been painted. The building has been greatly improved.

In such a hard financial year as the present, citizens are looking for ways of lowering their taxes. In preparing the school budget your school board and superintendent have set the needed school appropriations at the lowest figure compatible with present efficiency. Some personal and public expenditures can be omitted or postponed without serious loss at times. Withholding the money necessary for a good school year means lost opportunities for boys and girls which are gone forever.

I have worked with the people of Palmyra long enough to be sure that they will make the necessary sacrifices to keep their schools from going backward. Our tax rate is the lowest but one among the towns of the County. The fact that both our municipal and school rates are so far below the average for the State that we shall not received any School Equalization money this coming year indicates at least that we are not trying to do more for our schools than other towns.

The total per capita cost of schooling the 147 pupils in common school this year was between \$42 and \$43. The school dollar was expended as follows: Teachers, 43 cents; Fuel, 5; Janitors, 2; Conveyance 11; Grade School Tuition 4; Repairs, 3; Supplies, 2; Books, 2; High School 22.

The School Committee and Superintendent recommend

the following budget for the coming year: Common School, \$3,300; Repairs, \$350; Supplies, \$150; Books, \$200; School Improvement Fund, \$10 per school.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation of the interest which Palmyra takes in its schools and of the spirit of co-operation which has been shown me in my work.

Respectfully yours,
H. B. CLIFFORD
Superintendent

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

VITAL STATISTICS

Marriages

1923

May 22	Alvah K. Nichols to Ella M. Varney
July 21	Percy T. Hopper to Mabel S. Turner
Aug. 15	Sanger M. Cook to Ruth A. Plummer
Sept. 30	Richard Buzzell to Carrie Thurston
Oct. 6	Frank I. Blanchard to Marion L. Wyman
Dec. 1	Alexander Watson to Olive A. Palmer
Dec. 15	Manford E. Brewer to Georgeanna P. Gray

1924

Jan. 16	Howard W. Temple to Muriel F. Wellington
Jan. 19	Leo Randall to Phyllis J. Hamilton

Births

1923

Mar. 6	(Doris Marie) to Mr. and Mrs. Oral Emery
Mar. 6	(Florice May) to Mr. and Mrs. Oral Emery
Mar. 13	(Lucy May) to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lamoreau
Mar. 14	(Doris Althea) to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Cook

Apr. 11 (Robert Willard) to Mr. and Mrs. Leo. Raymond
 Apr. 27 (Virginia Jenness) to Mr. and Mrs. Obed Millett
 May 13 (Adrian Lester) to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kierstead
 May 17 (Arland Vernard) to Mr. and Mrs. Vernard Steadman
 May 25 (Dana Leslie) to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bates
 June 22 (Lewis Earl) to Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Carr
 June 26 (Violet May) to Mr. and Mrs. Gay E. Hamilton
 July 6 (Frederick) to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ross
 July 24 (Waldo Eugene) to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis J. Pray
 Aug. 3 (Carrol Ralph) to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Drew
 Aug 15 (Herbert) to Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Davis
 Sept. 27 (Madeline Elaine) to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dyer
 Oct. 17 (Geraldine Hattie) to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Tompkins
 Nov. 24 (Robert) to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Towle
 1924
 Jan. 8 (a daughter) to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brewer
 Feb. 1 (a daughter) to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fletcher

Deaths

1923

Feb. 15 Harriet R. Johonnett, age 60 years
 Feb. 17 John F. Robinson, age 78 years
 Feb. 27 Mary A. Deraps, age 15 years
 Mar. 18 Charlotte Manchester, age 70 years
 Mar. 21 Doris A. Cook, age 7 days
 Mar. 29 Charleston G. Brackett, age 72 years
 May 10 James B. Varnum, age 85 years
 May 22 Charles L. Smith, age 63 years
 June 7 John B. Corson, age 50 years
 July 6 Frederick Ross, age 0
 Oct 6 Sarah H. Furbush, age 87 years
 Oct 23 George W. Mills, age 73 years
 Nov. 21 Robert Towle, age 0
 Nov. 29 Charles F. Holway, age 80 years
 Dec. 12 Jennie M. Goodell, age 78 years

1924

Jan. 8 Infant Brewer, age 0
 Jan. 8 Blanche Brewer, age 30 years

Liabilities and Assets

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN

Amount due School Fund order	\$1,163 33	
Outstanding orders on interest	2,500 00	
Cemetery funds on hand	1,208 37	
Other outstanding orders	9 99	
	—————	\$4,881 69

ASSETS OF THE TOWN

Amount due from Collector 1916-17	\$ 130 14	
Cemetery funds in hands of Treas.	1,208 37	
Cash in hands of Treasurer	1,714 17	
Amount due from town Milo, pauper account	50 00	
Amount due from town of Fairfield on account of Joseph Reed	31 00	
	—————	\$3,133 68
Balance against the town		1,748 01

Respectfully submitted

C. W. HOMSTEAD

O. F. MILLETT

H. H. COSTON

Selectmen of Palmyra

Dinner will be served in the Upper Hall

