

1911

# Annual Report of the Officers of the Town of Peru, For The Year Ending Feb. 14, 1911

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ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

OFFICERS

— OF THE —

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**TOWN OF PERU**

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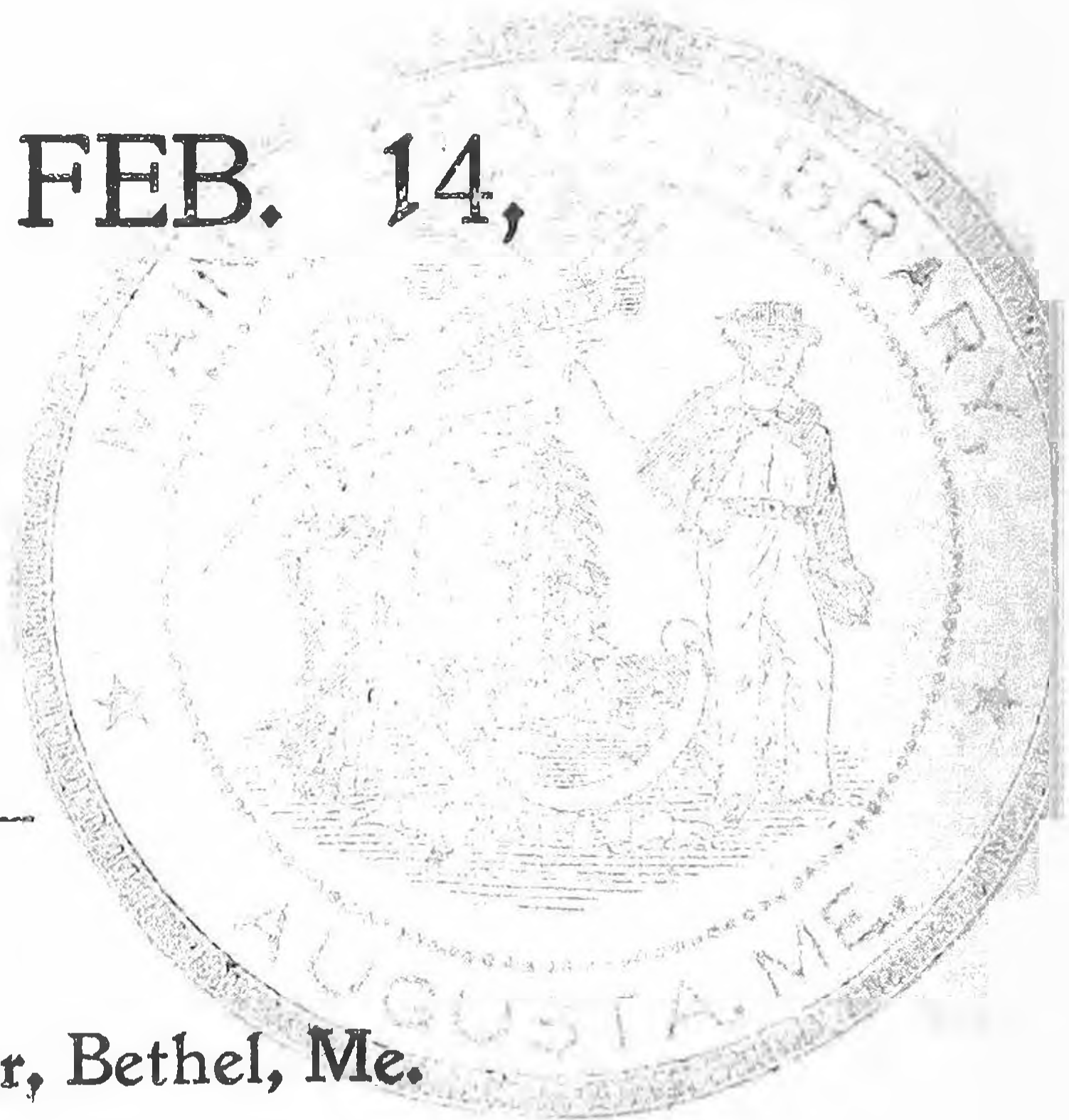
— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING FEB. 14,

1911.



E. C. BOWLER, Publisher, Bethel, Me.



## **TOWN OFFICERS.**

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor:

ALBERT S. HOLMAN,      AMBROSE B. McINTIRE,  
OSBORN O. TRACY.

**Clerk,**

WILLARD S. ARNOLD.

**Treasurer.**

HENRY R. ROBINSON.

**Superintendent of Schools,**

HAROLD R. SMART.

**Collector.**

W. S. ARNOLD.

**Constables.**

W. S. ARNOLD,  
C. H. ROBINSON,

ELTON S. NEWTON,  
E. G. BASSETT.

**School Committee,**

D. W. WALKER,

JOHN BURGESS,

C. H. ROBINSON.

**Board of Health,**

U. G. McINTIRE,

E. G. CHILD,

E. S. NEWTON.

**Truant Officer.**

E. S. NEWTON.

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# Report of Selectmen.

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The Selectmen of the town of Peru submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 14, 1911.

## VALUATION.

Real estate, resident,	\$173,346 00
Real estate, non-resident,	48,963 00
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Total real estate,	\$222,309 00
Personal estate, resident,	47,129 00
Personal estate, non-resident,	6,200 00
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Total personal estate,	\$53,329 00
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Total valuation,	\$275,638 00

## APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED.

State tax,	\$1,343 33
County tax,	415 78
For support of schools,	1,100 00
For repairs on schoolhouses,	225 00
For school books,	100 00
For support of poor,	500 00
For roads and bridges,	1,400 00
For snow bills,	600 00
For steel bridge,	500 00

## TOWN REPORT.

For town charges,	600 00	
For fencing new road,	50 00	
For State road,	200 00	
For tuition for high school,	200 00	
Overlay,	252 20	
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Total commitment,		\$7,486 31
Percentage of assessment, .0255		
Number of polls, 254,		
Number polls taxed, 227.		
Poll tax, \$2 00.		

## TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

We have leased the town farm and personal property thereon to A. B. McIntire for one year from April 6, 1910. He is to leave the property in as good condition as when received and pay the town \$60.00 for use of same.

Schedule of personal property on the farm:—12 hens, 100 lbs. of pork, two-thirds bbl. flour.

## POOR ACCOUNT.

Unexpended balance,	\$ 60 45	
Appropriation,	500 00	
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		\$560 45
Paid town of Leeds for support of F. J. Wing and family,	\$104 62	
Paid town of Leeds for support of S. P. Wing,	59 27	
Paid C. S. Luce, for supplies furnished C. H. Cox,	5 17	
Paid J. S. Sturtevant for medical att.,	2 50	
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		\$171 56
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Unexpended balance,		\$388 89

**STATE PAUPERS AND POOR BELONGING TO  
OTHER TOWNS.**

Paid G. E. Goding for supplies furnished		
C. H. Wing and wife,	\$129 15	
Paid Edgar D. Wing, for board,	78 30	
Paid Nellie Andrews,	132 46	
Paid J. S. Sturtevant, for medical att.,	2 50	
		\$342 41
Paid A. B. McIntire, for support of Hor-		
ace A. Clark,	\$365 00	
Paid W. M. Pease, for medical att.,	5 00	
Paid Kidder Bros., for clothing,	2 50	
		\$372 50
		\$714 91
Received from State on account of paup-		
ers,	\$236 99	
Due from State on account of paupers,	477 92	
		\$714 91
Paid Nellie Andrews, for board and care		
of Roscoe Coolidge,	\$48 43	
Paid Joseph Putnam, for clothing,	11 35	
		\$59 78
Received from town of Dixfield,		\$59 78
Paid W. M. Pease, for medical attendance		
for Vera Holt,		\$6 00
Received from town of Mexico,		\$6 00
Paid Maine Insane Hospital for support of		
Wallace DeShon,	\$20 01	
Paid Maine Insane Hospital, for support of		
Lena Durrell,	17 75	
		\$37 76



Received from M. T. DeShon, on account of  
Wallace DeShon, \$20 01

Received from town of Dixfield, on account  
of Lena Durrell, 17 75

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\$37 76

### ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Appropriation, \$1,400 00  
Unexpended balance, 227 91

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\$1,627 91

### WILLARD E. TYLER, ROAD COMMISSIONER.

Orders drawn for labor and the material on highways and  
bridges:

A. M. Curtis,	\$ 5 70
Harry Pinkham,	1 65
Will Knox,	21 45
J. P. York,	20 25
L. E. Libby,	20 25
D. W. Walker,	1 45
F. A. Lamb,	12 60
Emerson Oldham,	30 62
Cleston Knox,	23 92
John Goggin,	23 10
John Gillespie,	23 75
Winnie Knox,	19 80
John Oldham,	14 88
E. C. Poland,	1 00
S. H. McIntire,	1 75
Winnie Knox,	20 62
E. M. Worthley,	14 89
E. D. Wentworth,	97 37
A. W. Knight,	20 00

John Goggin,	25 57
Cleston Knox,	24 75
John Gillespie,	25 75
Claude Haines,	4 50
Frank A. Lamb,	105 00
Winnie Knox,	23 10
John Oldham,	5 25
Emerson Oldham,	23 62
W. S. Hotham,	74 25
Alex McFee,	12 00
V. A. Farrar,	8 50
W. E. Tyler,	98 00
Good Road Machine Co.,	8 50
E. S. Newton,	2 37
Emerson Oldham,	16 18
Kidder Bros.,	4 32
V. A. Farrar,	4 00
Cleston Knox,	3 30
C. C. Young,	1 65
Kidder Bros.,	5 50
E. W. Knox,	3 50
Howard Turner,	23 11
Emerson Oldham,	17 50
A. L. Harlow,	3 60
Willis Haines,	3 00
John Russell,	12 00
A. S. Holman,	4 78
A. S. Holman,	4 00
Carl Holman,	3 00
E. M. Worthley,	37 13
E. G. Bassett,	8 00
Robert Gillespie,	5 85
W. E. Tyler,	51 00
Melvin Knox,	49 50
G. W. Cotes,	5 12
James Tyler,	6 00



## TOWN REPORT.

C. J. Tracy,	3 50	
E. G. Bassett,	17 40	
Arthur B. Child,	4 50	
Perley K. Child,	4 50	
J. E. Irish,	3 00	
J. C. Oldham,	5 83	
Earl E. Howard,	22 04	
R. A. Pinkham,	4 00	
Henry R. Robinson & Son,	9 00	
Berger Mfg. Co., for culverts,	75 76	
Fred Raymond,	67	
B. C. Kidder,	1 25	
E. G. Bassett,	2 60	
O. T. Woodbury, housing road machine,	5 00	
J. E. Conant, water tub,	3 00	
W. E. Tyler	4 15	
E. S. DeMerritt, water tub,	5 00	
W. H. Phinney, water tub,	3 00	
J. C. Wyman, water tub,	3 00	
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Total expenditures,		\$1,265 45
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Unexpended balance,		\$362 46

## SNOW BILLS.

Appropriation,	\$600 00	
Unexpended balance,	28 99	
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		\$628 99

## ORDERS DRAWN FOR SPRING OF 1910.

N. B. Lufkin,	\$3 67
Alex McFee,	9 55
John Gillespie,	4 65
J. E. Conant,	14 17

J. E. Dow,	5 60
J. C. Morrill,	5 74
G. W. Oldham,	3 34
E. B. Knox,	6 83
E. W. Sturtevant,	6 07
G. W. Cotes,	7 25
G. P. Gordon,	1 39
A. C. Hammond,	1 40
H. L. Lovejoy,	2 47
J. C. Oldham,	2 14
Walter Knox,	2 55
L. H. Davenport,	1 38
John Goggin,	1 35
E. G. Bassett,	17 55
A. W. Knight,	2 80
E. P. Burgess,	1 05
Clyde Burgess,	1 65
John Burgess,	1 60
E. W. Knox,	3 45
W. E. Tyler,	9 50
L. E. Knox, ..	3 20
C. L. Matthews,	3 30
H. H. Andrews,	3 50
Herbert Lunt,	1 59
J. S. Russell,	5 40
B. C. Kidder,	1 74
E. M. Gammon,	1 80
A. B. McIntire,	1 12
L. K. Lovejoy,	15 23

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\$154 03

**BREAKING ROADS, WINTER 1910 & 1911.**

John Gillespie,	\$2 50
Sewell Staples,	10 04
Burt Kidder,	6 68
J. S. Russell,	15 45
B. D. Packard,	13 46
A. S. Holman,	10 36
Harry Lovejoy,	3 90
D. W. Oldham,	2 47
L. M. Gordon,	10 34
E. G. Bassett,	40 68
Richard Gill,	5 62
G. J. & R. J. Tyler,	23 44
J. E. Conant,	15 06
Tom Cunningham,	3 60
E. B. Knox,	14 75
E. W. Knox,	13 20
L. H. Davenport,	1 20
A. B. McIntire,	1 05
E. P. Burgess,	2 52
W. E. Tyler,	22 20
E. M. Gammon,	4 80
E. W. Davenport,	3 30
E. L. Knox,	10 70
N. B. Lufkin,	7 50
John Gillespie,	5 56
Robert Gillespie,	4 68
E. E. DeMerritt,	1 87
Herbert Lunt,	1 50
A. W. Knight,	11 25
W. S. Hotham,	4 75
E. B. Fletcher,	12 45
Frank DeMerritt,	10 35
John Burgess.	1 87
Ernest Andrews.	4 30

H. H. Andrews,	7 60	
James Miller,	7 21	
J. C. Oldham,	3 70	
C. F. Haines,	9 80	
Claude Haines,	1 80	
E. G. Child,	1 12	
Geo. Oldham,	7 59	
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		\$342 22
Total amount of snow bills,		\$496 25
Unexpended balance,		\$132 71

## STATE ROAD ACCOUNT.

Appropriation,	\$200 00	
Received from State,	200 00	
Unexpended balance from 1909,	22	
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		\$400 22

## EXPENDITURES.

W. E. Tyler,	\$ 42 00	
E. S. Newton,	4 70	
Kidder Bros.,	11 20	
J. P. York,	85 00	
Emerson Oldham,	35 87	
John Gillespie,	33 00	
E. G. Bennett,	29 16	
F. A. Lamb,	2 55	
Winnie Knox,	29 70	
Cleston Knox,	31 35	
Fred Cunningham,	24 75	
John Goggin,	29 70	
Berger Mfg. Co., for culverts,	41 24	
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		\$400 22

## NEW BRIDGE ACCOUNT.

Appropriation, \$500 00

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid Canton Bridge Co.,	\$204 50	
Carl Holman, labor, .	21 00	
J. H. Kerr, derrick and cement,	38 22	
John A. Putnam, material,	3 10	
G. B. Gordon, material,	5 00	
O. O. Tracy, labor,	36 25	
Herman Fuller, labor,	15 75	
George Rowe, labor,	24 00	
A. W. Atkins, labor,	17 75	
Bernard Putnam, labor,	3 00	
J. C. Oldham, labor,	20 00	
Charles Andrews, labor,	69 25	
A. S. Holman, labor,	4 00	
E. M. Worthley, material,	21 96	
O. O. Tracy, material,	1 60	
O. O. Tracy, freight on cement,	2 00	
		\$487 38
Received for cement sold,		7 00
		\$480 38
Unexpended balance,		\$19 62

## FOR FENCING NEW ROAD NEAR WORTHLEY POND.

Appropriation, \$50 00

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid C. S. Luce, for wire and posts,	\$19 36	
B. C. Kidder, labor,	3 98	
J. S. Russell, labor,	4 50	
E. E. Cox, labor,	3 98	
Fred Raymond, sawing posts,	2 40	
		\$34 22
Unexpended balance,		\$15 78

## CEMETERIES.

Appropriated by town,	\$100 00	
Donated by Thurston family,	5 00	
Donated by Herbert Hammond,	2 00	
		\$107 00

EXPENDED BY HIRAM STILLMAN, M. T. DESHON AND GEO.  
L. ROWE, SEXTONS.

On the Bishop cemetery,	\$31 00	
On the East Peru yard,	27 00	
On the Chapel yard,	4 00	
On the Chenery yard,	4 00	
On all other yards,	5 55	
Geo. L. Rowe, for services,	2 50	
		\$74 05
Unexpended balance,		\$32 95



**SCHOOLS.****RECEIPTS.**

Amount raised by town,	\$1,100 00	
Received from State,	1,451 82	
Interest on school fund,	34 38	
	<hr/>	\$2,586 20

**EXPENDITURES.**

Paid bills approved by superintending school committee,	\$2,452 75	
To amt. overdrawn 1909,	12 82	
	<hr/>	\$2,465 57
Unexpended balance, .		\$120 63

**TUITION FOR HIGH SCHOOLS.**

Appropriation,	\$200 00	
Unexpended balance from last year,	2 22	
Due from State,	101 00	
	<hr/>	\$303 22

**EXPENDITURES.**

Paid bills as approved by superintending school committee,	\$202 00	
Unexpended balance,		\$101 22

**REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSES.**

Appropriation,	\$225 00	
Unexpended balance from last year,	\$21 52	
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**EXPENDITURES.**

Paid bills approved by superintending school committee,	\$194 92
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Unexpended balance,	\$51 60
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**TEXT BOOKS.**

Appropriation,	\$100 00
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Unexpended balance from 1910,	5 82
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Received for books sold,	20 09
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	\$125 91
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**EXPENDITURES.**

Paid bills approved by superintending school committee,	\$106 53
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Unexpended balance,	\$19 38
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**PAID FOR DAMAGE BY DOGS.**

Paid J. H. Lovejoy & son,	\$14 00
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Due from State on account of damage done by dogs,	14 00
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**MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.**

Paid F. W. Sanborn, for moth notices, 1910,	\$ 2 00
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F. W. Sanborn, for moth notices, 1911,	2 00
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printing town reports for 1910,	26 40
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A. B. McIntire, for hunting brown tail moth,	5 00
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Osborn O. Tracy, hunting brown tail moth,	4 50
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## TOWN REPORT.

Albert S. Holman, hunting brown tail moth,	5 00
Elmer Brown, hunting brown tail moth,	1 00
Loring, Short and Harmon, for blanks, stationery, etc.,	15 95
one half expense of ferry,	68 85
A. S. Holman, selectmen's incidentals,	17 50
D. W. Walker, services as justice,	1 00
C. L. Matthews, services as referee,	1 50
J. H. Stewart, running town line,	25 00
E. S. Newton, constable,	3 50
H. R. Robinson, treasurer's incidentals,	2 50
C. H. Robinson, services as surveyor, laying out private way from A. M. Curtis' to Chas. Howard's,	3 00
J. S. Sturtevant, recording births and deaths,	5 00
superintendent's incidentals,	19 80
incidentals for schools,	30 63
town farm incidentals,	12 57
A. B. McIntire for keeping a tramp,	50
John S. Harlow for legal advice,	1 00

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\$254 20

## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Paid A. S. Holman, selectman, assessor etc.,	\$121 00
A. B. McIntire, selectman, assessor, etc.,	79 00
O. O. Tracy, selectman, assessor, etc.,	74 50
H. R. Robinson, treasurer,	45 00
Harold R. Smart, superintendent,	140 00

Paid D. W. Walker, member school committee,	8 50
John Burgess, member school committee,	5 90
Clarence Robinson, member school committee,	3 35
Elton S. Newton, member board of health,	2 00
E. G. Child, member board of health,	2 00
U. G. McIntire, member board of health,	4 50
O. C. Hopkins, moderator,	2 00
W. S. Arnold, town clerk,	19 57
C. H. Robinson, ballot clerk,	2 00
Howard Turner, ballot clerk,	2 00
C. H. Robinson, constable,	1 50
W. S. Arnold, collector,	65 00
Due W. S. Arnold, collector,	19 86

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\$587 68

### CURRENT EXPENSES.

Expense of town's poor,	\$ 171 56
Roads and bridges,	1,761 70
State Road,	400 22
New bridge,	480 38
Fencing new road,	34 22
Cemeteries,	67 05
Tuition for high schools,	202 00
Repairs on schoolhouses,	194 92
Text books,	106 53
Miscellaneous expenses,	254 20
Town officers' bills,	587 68
Interest on permanent school fund,	34 38

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\$4,294 84





Lewis Child, poll,	2 00
George Crockett, poll,	2 00
David R. Chandler, poll,	2 00
James E. Dow, poll,	2 00
Albert A. Fogg, poll,	2 00
Benj. Irish, poll,	2 00
Russell A. Newton, poll,	2 00
Rishworth Pinkham, poll,	2 00
Harry Pinkham, poll,	2 00
Oscar Putnam, personal,	4 43
H. B. Smith, poll,	2 00
Sewell Staples, poll and personal,	5 00
James W. Williams poll and personal,	3 91
Edgar D. Wing, poll and personal.	2 89
Alton L. York, poll,	2 00
Estate Charles Forster, personal,	127 50

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\$172 37

W. S. ARNOLD, Collector.

### FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN.

Cash in hands of treasurer,	\$4,077 33
Tax deeds,	77 57
Due on tax bills of 1909,	8 42
Due on tax bills of 1910,	172 36
Due from State on acct. of paupers,	477 92
Due from State on acct. of tuition,	101 00
Due from State on acct. damage by dogs,	14 00
Due from A. B. McIntire, rent of town farm,	60 00
Due from O. O. Tracy, for cement,	7 00
Town farm personal property,	533 00

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\$5,528 60



## TOWN REPORT.

**LIABILITIES.**

Outstanding orders,	\$1,236 59	
Due the schools,	120 63	
Amt. due collector,	20 81	
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		\$1,378 03
Resources more than liabilities,	\$4,150 57	
Respectfully submitted,		

ALBERT S. HOLMAN,  
 AMBROSE B. McINTIRE,  
 OSBORN O. TRACY,  
 Selectmen of Peru.

# Report of Treasurer.

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**HENRY R. ROBINSON, TREASURER.**

DR.

Feb. 14, 1910.	To amt. due on tax bills of 1909,	\$ 29 63
Feb. 14, 1910.	To tax deeds on hand,	48 65
Feb. 14, 1910.	To cash,	3,541 06
Feb. 17, 1910.	To cash from Supt. of schools for books, pencils, paper, etc.,	15 44
Mar. 7, 1910.	To check from State treas.,	68 25
Mar. 10, 1910.	To check from town of Mexico,	6 00
Apr. 4, 1910.	To check from State, dog licenses refunded,	70 13
Ap. 18, 1910.	To cash from W. S. Arnold, dog licenses,	56 00
May 7, 1910.	To amt. of W. S. Arnold's tax bills of 1910,	7,336 81
May 13, 1910.	To cash from W. S. Arnold, dog licenses,	44 00
May 16, 1910.	To check from town of Dixfield, on acct. of Lena Durrell,	17 75
June 6, 1910.	To cash from M. T. DeShon, on acct. of Wallace DeShon,	20 01
June 17, 1910.	To cash from W. S. Arnold, dog licenses,	17 00

July 15, 1910.	To supplementary tax,	131 50
July 20, 1910.	To check from State,	70 78
Sept. 1, 1910.	To check from State,	83 28
Sept. 14, 1910.	To supplementary tax,	18 00
Oct. 27, 1910.	To check from Dixfield on acct. of Roscoe Coolidge,	18 00
Oct. 31, 1910.	To cash from A. B. McIntire, for rent of town farm,	60 00
Nov. 1, 1910.	To check from State on acct. of State road,	11
Nov. 2, 1910.	To check from State treas., on acct. of State road,	200 00
Dec. 22, 1910.	To check from State treas., on acct. of damage by dogs,	56 50
Dec. 26, 1910.	To check from State treas.,	160 69
Jan. 2, 1911.	To check from town of Dixfield on acct. of Roscoe Coolidge,	41 73
Jan. 2, 1911.	To check from town of Dixfield on acct. of ferry,	68 35
Jan. 4, 1911.	To school and mill fund from State,	852 92
Jan. 4, 1911.	To common school fund from State,	509 66
Jan. 4, 1911.	To equalization fund from State,	89 24
Feb. 6, 1911.	To check from town of Mexico on acct. of paupers,	27 71

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\$13,659 25

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Feb. 11, 1911.	By amt. of orders turned over,	\$7,444 46
	receipts turned over,	1,878 11
	amt. of tax deeds on hand,	77 57
	amt. due on tax bills of 1909,	8 42
	amt. due on tax bills of 1910,	172 36
	cash on hand,	4,077 33

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\$13,659 25

# Report of School Board and Superintendent of Schools.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 14, 1911.  
LIST OF TEACHERS.

Name.	School.	Term.	Salary per week.
Kate L. Thompson,	Center	Spring	\$ 9 00
Kate L. Thompson,	"	Fall	9 00
Kate L. Thompson,	"	Winter	9 00
Mildred Walker,	Union	Spring	9 00
Mildred Walker,	"	Fall	9 00
Mildred Walker,	"	Winter	9 00
Flora Sawyer,	Highland	Spring	7 00
Flora Keene,	"	Fall	7 00
Lena Maddocks,	"	Winter	7 50
Mabelle Robinson,	E. Peru	Spring	8 50
Mildred Turner,	"	Fall	8 00
Hattie Cressy,	"	Winter	8 00
Edith Holman,	Worthley Pond	Spring	8 50
Edith Holman,	"	Fall	8 50
Edith Holman,	"	Winter	8 50
Mildred Turner,	Dickvale	Spring	8 50
Lena Sidelinger	"	Fall	8 50
Lena Sidelinger,	"	Winter	8 50
Ethel Kidder,	W. Peru Prim.	Spring	9 00
Ethel Segal,	" " "	Fall	9 00
Marcia Springer,	" " "	Winter	9 00
H. R. Smart,	W. Peru Gram.	Spring	10 00
H. R. Smart,	" " "	Fall	10 00
H. R. Smart,	" " "	Winter	10 00

# School Report.

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## STATEMENT OF SCHOOL ACCOUNT FOR YEAR.

### COMMON SCHOOLS.

#### ASSETS.

Appropriation by town,	\$1,100 00	
Mill tax from State,	852 92	
School land fund,	509 66	
Equalization fund,	89 24	
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		\$2,551 82

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Teachers salaries,	\$2,218 50	
Superintendence,	140 00	
Conveyance,	129 50	
Fuel,	44 40	
Janitors,	57 30	
Incidentals,	48 31	
Overdrawn from last year,	12 82	
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		\$2,650 83

Amount overdrawn, 

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\$99 01

## CONVEYANCE.

D. W. Walker, two terms,	\$16 50
W. S. Haines, one term,	24 00
N. B. Lufkin, one term,	15 00
Geo. W. Oldham, one term,	44 00
L. M. Gordon, one term,	30 00

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\$129 50

## FUEL.

W. E. Tyler,	\$12 00
Howard Turner,	5 15
E. C. Poland,	
James Miller,	1 25
L. H. Davenport,	2 25
H. R. Smart,	6 50
Clarence Robinson,	15 00
Fred Raymond,	1 50
Frank Irish,	75

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\$44 40

## JANITORS.

Herbert Knox,	\$ 3 00
William Jordan,	3 30
Helen Pinkham,	10 50
Gerald Tracy,	1 65
Lena Sidelinger,	2 75
Bruce Chase,	2 50
Merton Walker,	1 65
Merle Knox,	5 55
Flora Sawyer,	1 65
Flora Keene,	2 75
Lena Maddocks,	2 50
Edith Holman,	6 95



Mildred Walker,	4 40
Mabelle Robinson,	1 65
Frank Irish,	2 75
Leslie Irish,	3 75

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\$57 30

### SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

#### FREE TEXT BOOKS.

##### ASSETS.

Unexpended balance Mar. 1, 1910,	\$ 5 82
Appropriation,	100 00
Received from E. E. Babb & Co.,	15 75
Received from Ginn & Company,	4 34

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\$125 91

##### DISBURSEMENTS.

American Book Co.,	\$14 08
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	4 00
Ginn & Company,	30 60
American Book Co.,	2 48
Ginn & Company,	37 01
E. E. Babb & Co.,	12 35
Ginn & Company,	7 84
E. E. Babb & Co.,	7 60
H. R. Smart, express,	7 18

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\$123 14

Unexpended balance Mar. 1, 1911,

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\$2 77

**REPAIRS.****ASSETS.**

Unexpended balance, March 1, 1910,	\$ 21 52	
Appropriation,	225 00	
	<hr/>	\$246 52

**DISBURSEMENTS.**

D. W. Walker,	\$ 2 20	
Kidder Bros.,	71 17	
R. A. Pinkham,	66 95	
U. G. McIntire,	7 25	
E. M. Worthley,	14 00	
A. H. Stockbridge,	5 50	
Noyes & Nutter Mfg. Co.,	16 00	
E. C. Poland,	1 00	
Arnold Bros.,	3 22	
Geo. Goding & Son,	4 50	
H. R. Smart,	4 50	
	<hr/>	\$196 29
Unexpended balance, Mar. 1, 1911,		\$50 23

**HIGH SCHOOL TUITION.****ASSETS.**

Unexpended balance, Mar. 1, 1910,	\$ 2 22	
Appropriation,	200 00	
*1910 bills paid in 1911, (1910 report)	42 00	
	<hr/>	\$244 22

\*Included in items below.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Town of Dixfield for tuition for following scholars at \$10 each per term.

Clarence Atkins, Earl Frost, Lorraine Hall, William Jordan, Eula Knox, Blanche McIntire, Philip Pinkham, Mabel Richardson and Esther Woodsum.

Hebron Academy, (for tuition)	\$90 00
Albert Getchell, 5 terms @ \$10 00,	50 00
Stella Getchell, 2 terms @ \$10 00,	20 00
Harold Holman, 2 terms @ \$10 00,	20 00

## TOWN OF CANTON.

Harold Holman and Colby Walker, 3 terms @ \$5 00 each,	\$30 00
Merton Walker, Stuart Gammon and Carroll Robinson, two terms @ \$5 00 each,	\$30 00

## TOWN OF PARIS.

Mabel Richardson, spring term,	\$4 00
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\$244 00

Unexpended balance Mar. 1, 1911,	\$0 22
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## INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Mrs. E. B. Fletcher, cleaning W. Peru school,	\$ 5 00
D. W. Walker, incidentals at Center school,	95
Mrs. E. W. Knox, cleaning Union, High- land and Dickvale schools,	6 00
Mary Irish, cleaning East and Center schools,	4 50
Sadie Kidder, cleaning Pond school,	2 00

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Colby Walker, work at East Peru school,	1 50
Mrs. Floyd, cleaning W. Peru school,	3 60
Kidder Bros., supplies,	98
Holt Bros., printing,	3 05
D. H. Knowlton, Co., rank cards,	1 50
L. F. Haynes, horse hire,	2 75
Mrs. Bearce, horse hire,	2 00
Sumner Knox, horse hire,	2 75
H. R. Smart, paid out for car fares,	3 25
H. R. Smart, paid out for postage,	4 18
H. R. Smart, paid out for pens, ink and brooms, etc.,	2 95
Kidder Bros., for chalk, ink, etc.,	1 35

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\$48 31

# Report of Superintendent of Schools.

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I hereby submit my report of the Peru public schools for the year ending Feb. 14, 1911.

The school census taken last April shows 215 children in town between the ages of five and twenty-one.

The total daily attendance for the schools in town for the year was 137, with an average daily attendance of 125.

The school year was thirty-two weeks; two eleven week terms, and one ten week term.

You will notice an overdraft of the common school accounts of \$99.01. This is partly accountable to miscellaneous incidentals, which have not been charged to the school account in previous years, and partly due to the increased salaries paid for teaching.

Scholars have been conveyed to the Union, Worthley Pond, and Center schools, during the whole or part of the year.

The pupils have made fair progress in their studies, but examinations show that more home study, and a more regular attendance on the part of many, would do much to raise the standard of their work.

The various School Improvement Leagues have purchased books, pictures, maps and other supplies, for the use of the scholars.

We believe the Leagues to be of great usefulness in the schools if properly controlled, but too much attention to it, detracts from the interest in the more important school work.



Parents should feel it their duty to regularly visit the schools, as indeed several have done.

The importance of study and school work should be carefully impressed on the children.

Eye and ear tests were made according to the rules and provisions of the State, and several pupils were found to have poor eyes. We recommend a careful examination by an eye specialist of these cases, and that suitable glasses be purchased at once.

#### TEACHERS.

The teachers have worked faithfully for the best interest of their charges.

Too many changes have occurred in some of the schools to make connected work possible.

The remedy for this is higher salaries. During the present year, teachers with normal training, and some experience have been sought, and such teachers have done much to improve the standard of the schools.

#### BOOKS.

The text books have received careful attention, and new arithmetics and histories have been introduced.

Still further changes in the other branches are necessary in order to gain the best results, and more maps should be supplied.

We recommend a large appropriation for this purpose.

#### REPAIRS.

The Worthley Pond, East Peru, Union and Dickvale school buildings have been repainted, a stove for the Dickvale school, and other minor repairs, complete the list.

We would call your attention to the fact that many pupils are forced to use desks several sizes too small for them, especially in the Dickvale and West Peru Grammar schools. New desks should be procured as soon as possible.



**CONCLUSION.**

To meet the needs of the next generation our schools need the most careful and experienced supervision, and the best of teachers, and equipment.

Citizens should endeavor to increase the efficiency of the schools by more financial aid, and by their interest in the education of their own children.

I wish to thank the teachers and the School Board, as well as the town's people, for their hearty co-operation and assistance during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. SMART.

# Report of School Board.

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We hereby approve the report of the Supt. of Schools and recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year: Common Schools, \$1,300; for books, \$125; for tuition, \$300; for repairs, \$200.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. WALKER,

JOHN BURGESS,

CLARENCE H. ROBINSON,

School Board of Peru, Me.

# Vital Statistics.

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## BIRTHS IN TOWN OF PERU FOR YEAR 1910.

1910.

- Jan. 1, to the wife of Arthur N. Floyd, a son.  
Jan. 5, to the wife of Marshall H. Babb, a girl.  
Jan. 31, to the wife of Wm. W. Child, a son.  
Feb. 15, to the wife of Wm. F. Tyler, a son.  
Mar. 21, to the wife of Ernest W. Davenport, a son.  
Mar. 21, to the wife of Ira B. Wing, a son.  
Mar. 26, to the wife of Perley Child, a son.  
April 10, to the wife of Herman L. Fuller, a girl.  
June 18, to the wife of Ferdinand F. Burgess, a son.  
Sept. 7, to the wife of I. C. Kidder, a son.  
Sept. 14, to the wife of Leon W. Child, a son.  
Sept. 29, to the wife of Clarence H. Robinson, a girl.  
Oct. 10, to the wife of H. Burton Smith, a son.  
Oct. 11, to the wife of Fred Johnson, a girl.  
Oct. 28, to the wife of Ernest Andrews, a son.

W. S. ARNOLD, Town Clerk.

## MARRIAGES IN TOWN OF PERU FOR YEAR 1910.

- Mar. 6, at Carthage, by Stephen Taylor, Mr. Geo. W. Brown of Dixfield, and Miss Marguerite E. Staples of Peru.  
April 14, at Dixfield, by Wm. E. Gaskin, Mr. Edward A. Haynes and Christina H. Whittier both of Peru.  
June 15, at Bath, by James A. Shaw, Hubbard L. Shaw

- of Buckfield and Florence Wyman of Peru.  
 June 26, at Rumford, by Harold L. Hanson, Elwin C. Knox  
 and Henrietta E. Floyd, both of Peru.  
 Aug. 8, at Livermore, by E. W. Webber, Orlestus C. Ful-  
 ler, of Canton and Edna E. Howard of Peru.  
 Aug. 11, at Portland, by Henry W. Hubbest, Carroll D.  
 Fogg of Peru and Sarah H. Bingley of Boston.  
 Sept. 24, at Mexico, by J. G. Fisher, Esbjom Wiken and  
 Malva E. Howard, both of Peru.  
 Oct. 6, at Rumford, by G. B. Hannaford, Wm. T. Wood  
 and Louise E. Gammon, both of Peru.  
 Oct. 26, at Rumford, by G. B. Hannaford, Victor A.  
 Eastman, and Zephyr McGraw, both of Peru.  
 Nov. 11, at Weld by Sarah A. Robinson, John A. Putnam,  
 Jr., of Peru and Myrtle Houston of Dixfield.  
 Nov. 30, at Dixfield, by Wm. E. Gaskin, John A. McIntire  
 of Dixfield and Abbie M. Demerritt of Peru.  
 Dec. 24, at Dixfield, by Wm. E. Gaskin, Cecil I. Putnam  
 and Etta A. Demerritt, both of Peru.

W. S. ARNOLD, Town Clerk.

### DEATHS RECORDED BY TOWN CLERK OF PERU FOR YEAR 1910.

- Jan. 8, Sylvira Morrill, age 93 years, 6 months, 19 days.  
 Feb. 4, E. M. Howard, age 65 years, 11 months, 26 days.  
 Mar. 7, John Hadley, age 9 years.  
 April 5, Amandie V. Hadley, age 34 years, 5 months,  
 5 days.  
 May 19, Flora E. Trask, age 58 years, 20 days.  
 May 20, Geraldine V. Oldham, age 1 year, 9 days.  
 June 7, H. Roscoe Burgess, age 63 years, 8 months,  
 10 days.  
 June 27, Benj. F. Oldham, age 49 years 9 months, 22 days.  
 June 30, Mary Gammon, age 71 years.

- Aug. 2, D. Lester Morse, age 50 years, 4 months, 11 days.  
Aug. 23, Martha A. Floyd, age 63 years, 10 months, 6 days.  
Aug. 24, Mildred E. Newton, age 1 year, 1 day.  
Oct. 3, Beky E. Stimon, age 7 months, 11 days.  
Oct. 14, Henry Rowe, age 81 years, 2 months, 23 days.  
Oct. 22, John E. Goggin, age 61 years, 3 months, 28 days.  
Dec. 28, Angelia V. Haynes, age 70 years, 11 months,  
27 days.  
Dec. 28, Elias Oldham, age 64 years.

W. S. ARNOLD, Town Clerk.

## Report of Board of Health.

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The board of health of Peru submit their annual report for the year ending Feb. 15, 1911.

We have had in this town, the past year, two cases of typhoid fever, one case mumps, 4 cases of measles and one nuisance removed.

We have had no deaths by tuberculosis, the past year, as there was only one essential cause of tuberculosis so there was only one positive preventive of it. Prevention of implanation was positive by the use of the formaldehyde (formalin).

I would call the attention of the inhabitants of Peru to the bad effects of diseased teeth. Bacteria of dangerous disease producing character are often found in the mouth. If they find there a lodgement they multiply and produce their poisons. In the cavities of diseased teeth and about the tartar that adheres to the teeth they do find lodgement where they generate their poisons in abundance. They not only give the mouth a foul odor, but the poisons which this bacteria form are absorbed into the system from the mouth and from the stomach, and the bacteria themselves often penetrate farther into the tissues of the mouth or are distributed through the circulation of the blood.



This slow poisoning is a frequent cause of ill health of serious character, and that in most cases there is a rapid improvement in health after the teeth and mouth are put into a more healthy condition.

Approved,

E. S. Newton,  
U. G. McIntire,  
E. G. Child,  
Board of Health.