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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF PERU

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 11, 1913



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Town Officers

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

ALBERT S. HOLMAN AMBROSE B. McINTIRE
CLARENCE H. ROBINSON

Clerk

WILLARD S. ARNOLD

Treasurer

HENRY R. ROBINSON

Superintendent of Schools

BURT W. KILBRETH

Collectors

CHARLES MATHEWS HIRAM E. STILLMAN

Constables

CHARLES N. CHILD ELFOREST G. BASSETT
CLARENCE H. ROBINSON

Superintending School Committee

CLARENCE H. ROBINSON JOHN S. RUSSELL
CHARLES N. CHILD

Board of Health

ELTON S. NEWTON ELBRIDGE G. CHILD
WILMER B. KIDDER

Truant Officers

ALBA W. ATKINS ELFOREST G. BASSETT

Selectmen's Report

The Selectmen of the town of Peru submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 11, 1913:

VALUATION

Real estate resident,	\$178,866.00	
Real estate non-resident,	48,828.00	
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Total real estate,		\$227,694.00
Personal estate, resident,	\$56,675.00	
Personal estate, non-resident,	5,550.00	
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Total personal estate,		\$62,225.00
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Total valuation,		\$289,919.00
Value of buildings,	\$116,029.00	
Value of land,	\$111,665.00	

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED

State tax,	\$1,100.58
County tax,	406.38
For support of schools,	1,300.00
For tuition for high schools,	200.00
For support of poor,	500.00
For support of summer roads,	1,500.00
For support of winter roads,	500.00
For State road,	200.00
For Steel Bridge,	1,000.00
For repairs on schoolhouses,	125.00

For school books and supplies.	250.00
For care of cemeteries,	150.00
For town officers' bills,	625.00
Miscellaneous town charges,	200.00
For Memorial purposes,	10.00
Overlay,	76.25

Total commitment, including
\$3.65 for destroying brown-tail moth
nests on non-resident land, \$8,146.86

Percentage of assessments, .0265.
Number of polls, 250.
Number of polls taxed, 230.
Poll tax, \$2.00.

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT

We have leased the town farm and personal property thereon to A. B. McIntire from May 1, 1912, to May 1, 1913. He is to leave the property in as good condition as when received and pay the town \$125.00 for use of same.

Schedule of personal property on the farm:—12 hens, 100 lbs. of pork, 2-3 barrel flour.

POOR ACCOUNT

Appropriated,		\$500.00
Paid A. B. McIntire, for board and care of Horace Clark,	\$366.00	
Paid Kidder Bros., for clothing for Horace Clark,	6.45	
Paid J. S. Sturtevant, for medical at- tendance of Horace Clark,	2.50	
	<hr/>	\$374.95
Paid A. B. McIntire, for board of Charles Burgess from Dec. 3, 1912, to Feb. 19, 1913,	\$36.00	
Paid Samuel Wing, for board	5.00	
Paid Kidder Bros., for clothing,	2.25	
	<hr/>	\$43.25

Paid Town of Leeds, for support of F. J. Wing,	\$46.99	
Paid A. B. McIntire, for keeping a tramp,	.50	
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Total expense of town's poor,		\$465.69
Unexpended balance,		\$ 34.31

STATE PAUPERS

Paid Nellie Andrews for board and care of C. H. Wing and wife,	\$246.00	
Paid Mary Andrews,	67.72	
Paid G. E. Goding, for clothing,	5.30	
Paid J. S. Sturtevant, M. D.,	15.00	
	<hr/>	\$334.02
Received from State on account of C. H. Wing and wife,		\$253.36
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Due from State on account of C. H. Wing and wife,		\$80.66

PAUPERS BELONGING TO OTHER TOWNS

Paid J. S. Sturtevant, M. D., for medical attendance of Quincy Stimans' family,	\$2.50	
Received from Town of Livermore, on account of Quincy Stimans' family,	\$2.50	

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation for summer road,	\$1,500.00	
Unexpended balance,	10.66	
	<hr/>	\$1,510.66

Expended by E. B. Knox, Road Commissioner

Orders drawn for labor and material on highways and bridges:		
Bert Gammon,	\$8.50	
Knowles, Dow & Co.,	6.50	
Cleston Knox,	9.92	
Walter Knox,	20.00	
C. B. Knox,	20.00	

A. L. York,	20.41
Philip Pinkham,	8.00
A. L. York,	8.28
C. L. Mathews,	14.85
Kidder Bros.,	4.62
C. B. Knox,	14.00
Alton York,	12.50
Marshall Babb,	3.79
Bert Gammon,	20.25
Cleston Knox,	12.25
Walter Knox,	16.62
Gerald Knox,	10.00
J. P. York,	3.00
Linus Libby,	21.51
W. W. Child,	15.50
James Williamson,	1.00
C. L. Mathews,	39.50
Ohio Culvert and Pipe Co.,	19.00
Arthur Child,	14.00
Charles Tracy,	1.75
Walter Knox,	15.75
Cleston Knox,	15.75
Frank Barrett,	38.25
Gerald Knox,	12.00
Linus Libby,	45.00
Thomas Cunningham,	21.20
Ernest Andrews,	7.00
Clinton Young,	1.58
O. O. Tracy,	16.00
E. B. Knox,	162.73
Oscar Putnam,	7.00
Vernon Farrar,	16.00
A. B. McIntire,	.85
Linus Libby,	5.00
Burger Mfg. Co.,	28.80
Melvin Knox,	16.50
W. W. Child,	5.07

E. B. Knox,	2.50	
E. G. Child,	3.00	
Will Child,	2.10	
J. G. & R. J. Tyler,	8.40	
S. N. Knox,	2.00	
William Phinney, watering tub,	3.00	
J. C. Wyman, watering tub,	3.00	
E. S. DeMerritt, watering tub,	5.00	
		\$769.23

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Expended by M. H. Oldham, Road Commissioner

Orders drawn for labor and material on highways and bridges:

Frank Irish,	\$ 1.60
E. I. Brown,	17.00
M. H. Oldham,	71.34
Will Gillespie,	3.75
Frank Godish,	2.10
Kidder Bros.,	13.15
J. C. Oldham,	21.00
Earl Howard,	64.25
Lovel Oldham,	16.00
E. A. Irish,	33.75
E. E. Cox,	8.75
W. H. Cox,	8.00
Cephus Irish,	2.62
Arthur Child,	14.97
Emerson Oldham,	24.50
Harry Oldham,	26.25
C. E. Irish,	5.25
W. H. Cox,	6.75
E. A. Irish,	13.50
Clinton Young,	3.00
Harry Oldham,	18.35
Arthur Child,	20.10
E. E. Cox,	3.50
Arthur Child,	6.12

Sewell Staples,	6.00	
J. C. Oldham,	12.50	
Thomas Cunningham,	20.10	
M. H. Oldham,	43.00	
Lovel Oldham,	12.25	
Berger Mfg. Co.,	16.00	
N. B. Lufkin,	3.00	
E. E. Cox,	1.75	
A. L. Harlow,	5.91	
Lovel Oldham,	3.75	
M. H. Oldham,	6.50	
Cephus Irish,	1.75	
A. W. Knight,	7.50	
Kidder Bros.,	2.24	
Fred Raymond,	7.87	
E. A. Irish,	10.38	
Henry Bryant,	3.00	
H. R. Robinson & Son,	1.40	
Howard Turner,	.53	
H. R. Robinson & Son, water tub,	5.00	
J. E. Conant, water tub,	3.00	
James Irish, water tub,	3.00	
		\$582.03

Total amount expended for summer roads, \$1,351.26

Unexpended balance, \$159.40

SNOW BILLS

Appropriation,	\$500.00	
Unexpended balance,	229.82	
		\$729.82

Expended by E. B. Knox, Road Commissioner

Orders drawn for spring of 1912:

Walter Cunningham,	\$ 2.40
A. M. Curtis,	5.10
W. S. Hotham,	10.00
H. H. Lunt,	1.50
Richard Gill,	10.61

J. R. Morrill & Son,	7.35
O. R. DeLano,	1.20
L. K. Lovejoy,	9.45
George C. Ames,	8.60
James Dow,	4.50
Charles Haines,	13.30
Claude Haines,	8.00
V. W. Farrar,	9.10
A. C. Hammond,	7.32
E. B. Knox,	8.70
Walter Knox,	10.61
Walter Cunningham,	1.50
E. B. Fletcher,	7.00
Harry Whittemore,	5.70
L. H. Davenport,	.60
E. W. Knox,	4.50
W. E. Tyler,	1.05
C. J. Tracy,	2.85
E. W. Davenport,	15.71
F. B. Holt,	1.05
Geo. W. Cotes,	10.27
Charles Andrews,	10.15
E. G. Child,	11.95
Richard Gill,	3.20
J. G. and R. J. Tyler,	30.05
Melvin Knox,	5.85

WINTER OF 1912

A. B. McIntire,	.90
E. B. Knox,	2.00
W. S. Hotham,	3.46
Will Knox,	1.05
Richard Gill,	1.20
E. W. Knox,	2.40
L. H. Davenport,	1.20
John Burgess,	3.60

 \$244.98

SNOW BILLS

Expended by M. H. Oldham, Road Commissioner

Orders drawn for spring of 1912:

Sewell Staples,	\$9.85
O. L. Knight,	2.73
John Gillespie,	1.95
G. W. Oldham,	2.20
N. B. Lufkin,	2.44
H. R. Robinson,	6.83
H. A. Chase,	1.08
W. H. Cox,	12.92
E. G. Bassett,	20.00
J. E. Conant,	13.00
M. H. Oldham,	11.34
Robert Gillespie,	4.38
Sewell Staples,	2.10
John Oldham,	6.50
George Oldham,	4.25
L. E. Irish,	2.70
James Miller,	11.19
Robert Gillespie,	4.31
O. L. Knight,	1.11
A. W. Knight,	4.80
O. C. Hopkins,	4.57
P. C. Sharland,	8.00
C. S. Luce,	9.15
H. A. Chase,	1.17
E. A. Irish,	9.40
J. S. Russell,	4.94
E. M. Gammon,	5.10
C. C. Young,	2.40
Emerson Oldham,	4.58
J. E. Conant,	1.50
E. G. Bassett,	16.75

M. T. DeShon,	2.25	
B. D. Packard,	5.27	
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		\$200.76
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Total amount snow bills,		\$445.74
Unexpended balance,		\$284.08

STATE ROAD ACCOUNT

Appropriation,	\$200.00	
Received from State,	212.60	
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		\$412.60

Expenditures

E. B. Knox, road commissioner,	\$47.00	
Gerald Knox, labor with team,	96.00	
E. B. Knox, material,	31.08	
Will Gillespie, labor,	5.25	
Burt Gammon, labor,	33.25	
A. L. York, labor,	35.89	
Emerson Oldham, labor,	36.75	
D. O. DeLano, labor,	35.88	
Will Knox, labor,	33.25	
Thomas Cunningham, labor,	21.00	
Melvin Knox, labor,	29.00	
John Putnam, labor,	8.00	
E. S. Newton, labor,	2.45	
George Libby, labor,	1.00	
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		\$415.80

NEW BRIDGE ACCOUNT

Appropriation,		\$1,000.00
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Expenditures

Canton Bridge Co.,	\$229.00	
Linus Libby, for hauling bridge,	10.60	
Herbert Wood, erecting bridge,	400.00	
Stanley Bisbee, for paint,	2.70	
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		\$642.30
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Unexpended balance,		\$357.70

CEMETERIES

Appropriation,	\$150.00	
Unexpended balance,	107.13	
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Expended by Hiram Stillman, M. T. DeShon, and

Geo. L. Rowe, Sextons.

Hiram Stillman,	\$1.00	
M. T. DeShon,	.75	
Marshall Babb, labor on new cemetery,	.75	
O. O. Tracy,	3.50	
M. T. DeShon,	19.66	
John Russell, hauling posts,	2.00	
Hiram Stillman,	18.50	
	<hr/>	\$46.16
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Unexpended balance,		\$210.97

MEMORIAL PURPOSES

Appropriation,		\$10.00
	Expenditures	
H. E. Stillman,		7.60
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Unexpended balance,		\$2.40

FOR PUBLISHING HISTORY OF PERU

Appropriation,		\$100.00
	Expenditures	
Hollis Turner,		\$100.00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Appropriation, \$200.00

Expenditures

By vote of Town, for sending John Gillespie and family to England,	\$150.00
R. A. Pinkham, repairs on town farm buildings,	9.51
A. B. McIntire, repairs on town farm buildings,	19.37
Kidder Bros., repairs on town farm buildings,	11.38
Will Bryant, repairs on town farm buildings,	27.00
Hiram Stillman, for memorial purposes for 1911, by vote of town,	6.20
Loring, Short & Harmon, blanks and stationery,	23.09
E. C. Bowler, for printing town report, 1911,	26.40
A. S. Holman, cash paid for hunting moths, spring of 1912,	5.65
A. S. Holman, cash paid for lumber for voting booths for town hall,	6.00
L. W. Blanchard, legal services on Forster case,	35.50
Estate of Charles Forster, cost,	34.78
O. O. Tracy, hunting moths,	6.00
E. S. Newton, fumigating Wilson Oldham's house,	2.50
H. R. Robinson, labor on voting booth,	3.75
J. S. Sturtevant, vaccination,	58.25
J. S. Sturtevant, M. D., certificates of births and deaths,	4.25
F. W. Sanborn, moth blanks,	1.75
E. S. Newton, chemicals for fumigating schoolrooms,	5.00
H. R. Robinson, postage, stationery, etc.,	3.10

B. W. Kilbreth, Supt. of Schools,	31.15	
E. P. Burgess, repairs on town farm build- ings,	.75	
L. H. Davenport, repairs on town farm buildings,	.85	
One-half expense of ferry,	82.80	
A. S. Holman, cash paid out,	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$565.03
Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$365.03

ABATEMENTS

W. S. Arnold's tax bills of 1910 Estate of Charles Forster personal, illegal	\$127.50	
H. E. Stillman's tax bills of 1911 Estate of Charles Forster personal, illegal	122.50	
Tax bills of 1912 Estate of Charles Forster personal, illegal	132.50	
Wallace Stevens, overvalued	5.30	
Russell Newton, poll, unable to collect,	2.00	
Charles D. Ford, poll and personal, un- able to collect,	2.66	
Collecting moths on non-resident land,	2.93	
	<hr/>	\$395.39

TOWN OFFICERS BILLS

Appropriation,		\$625.00
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Expenditures

Albert S. Holman, selectman, assessor, etc.	\$110.00
Ambrose B. McIntire, selectman, assessor,	66.00
Clarence H. Robinson, selectman, assessor,	77.00
Willard S. Arnold, town clerk,	30.00
Henry R. Robinson, treasurer,	45.00
Burt W. Kilbreth, superintendent of schools,	150.00
Charles L. Mathews, collector and constable,	32.93
Hiram E. Stillman, collector and constable,	64.78

Clarence H. Robinson, member school com.,	2.25	
John S. Russell, member school committee,	2.75	
Charles N. Child, member school committee,	9.00	
Elton S. Newton, member board of health,	11.00	
Elbridge G. Child, member board of health,		
Wilmer B. Kidder, member board of health,		
Henry R. Robinson, ballot clerk,	5.00	
Edmund P. Burgess, ballot clerk,	5.00	
Howard Turner, ballot clerk.	5.00	
Alby W. Atkins, truant officer,	6.00	
Oliver C. Hopkins, moderator,	2.00	
		\$623.71
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Unexpended balance,		\$1.29

Receipts

Amount raised for tuition for high schools,	\$200.00
Received from State on account of tuition,	168.50
Amount raised for support of poor,	500.00
Amount raised for roads and bridges,	2,000.00
Amount raised for state road,	200.00
Received from State on account State road,	212.60
Amount raised for steel bridge,	1,000.00
Amount raised for repairs on schoolhouses,	125.00
Amount raised for school books and supplies,	250.00
Amount raised for care of cemeteries,	150.00
Amount raised for town officers' bills,	625.00
Amount raised for miscellaneous charges,	200.00
Amount raised for memorial purposes,	10.00
Overlay,	76.25
Cash from Town of Dixfield, on account of ferry for 1911, not reported last year,	72.24
Cash from State on account of pensions of 1911, not reported last year,	84.00
Cash received for cement sold,	9.62
Interest on bank certificates,	47.34
Dog licenses refunded,	84.16

Cash received from A. B. McIntire for rent of farm,	75.00	
Due from A. B. McIntire, for rent of farm,	50.00	
Interest on tax deeds,	1.87	
		\$6,141.58

CURRENT EXPENSES

Tuition for high schools,	\$337.00	
Expense of town's poor,	465.69	
Roads and bridges,	1,797.00	
State road,	415.80	
Steel bridge,	642.30	
Paid Hollis Turner,	100.00	
Repairs on schoolhouses,	144.87	
School books and supplies,	244.94	
Cemeteries,	46.16	
Town officers bills,	623.71	
Miscellaneous charges,	565.03	
Memorial purposes,	7.60	
Interest on permanent school fund,	34.38	
Abatements on tax bills of 1910, '11,'12,	395.39	
		\$5,819.87

SCHOOLS

Receipts

Amount raised by town,	\$1,300.00	
Equalization fund from State,	83.09	
Common school fund from State,	545.65	
School and Mill fund from State,	847.04	
Tuition from town of Hartford,	11.00	
Interest on school fund,	34.38	
Unexpended balance from last year	64.19	
		\$2,885.35

Expenditures

Paid bills approved by superintending school committee,		\$2,760.01
Unexpended balance,		\$125.34

TUITION FOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Appropriation,	\$200.00	
Unexpended balance,	13.72	
Due from State,	168.50	
	<hr/>	\$382.22

Expenditures

Paid bills as approved by the superintending school committee,		\$337.00
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Unexpended balance,		\$45.22

REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSES

Appropriation,	\$125.00	
Unexpended balance from last year,	11.34	
	<hr/>	\$136.34

Expenditures

Paid bills approved by the superintending school committee,		\$144.87
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Overdrawn,		\$8.53

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Appropriation,		\$250.00
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Expenditures

Paid bills approved by superintending school committee,		\$244.94
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Unexpended balance		\$5.06

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN

Resources

Cash in hands of Treasurer,	\$3,924.60	
Tax deeds on hand,	133.83	
Due from Dixfield, on account of ferry,	82.80	
Due from State on account of State Pensions,	9.00	
Due from State on account of tuition,	19.82	
Due from State on account of paupers,	80.66	
Due from A. B. McIntire, on account of farm,	50.00	
Town farm and personal property,	533.00	
		\$4,833.71

Liabilities

Outstanding Orders,	\$714.06	
Due common schools,	125.34	
		\$839.40
Resources more than liabilities,		\$3,994.31

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. HOLMAN,
 AMBROSE B. McINTIRE,
 CLARENCE H. ROBINSON,
Selectmen of Peru.

Report of Treasurer

HENRY R. ROBINSON, TREASURER

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Feb. 12, To cash,	\$3,976.61
Feb. 12, To tax deeds on hand,	110.95
Feb. 12, To amount due on tax bills of 1911,	122.50
Feb. 12, To amount due on tax bills of 1910,	148.49
Feb. 12, To amount due on tax bills of 1909,	8.42
Feb. 14, To cash from Dixfield on ferry,	72.24
Feb. 20, To cash from State on account of paupers,	81.41
Feb. 21, To cash from selectmen, cement sold,	9.62
Feb. 23, To cash from State on account state pensions,	84.00
Feb. 23, To cash from State on account paupers,	84.06
Apr. 16, To cash from State on account dog licenses, refunded,	84.16
May 1, To interest on bank certificate,	16.67
May 1, To tax bills of 1912,	8,146.86
May 23, To cash from town of Liver- more, on account of paupers,	2.50
May 29, To cash from town clerk on account dog licenses,	95.00
June 2, To cash from State, on account of paupers,	78.00
June 4, To interest on bank certificate,	30.67
Aug. 15, To cash from A.B McIntire, for rent of farm,	34.00
Sept. 9, To interest on tax deeds,	1.30

Oct. 24, To cash from State on account of paupers,	93.00
Nov. 22, To cash from State equalization fund,	83.09
Dec. 3, To cash from State for State road, 1913.	212.60
Jan. 2, To cash from State for free high schools,	203.34
Jan. 2, To cash from State for State pensions,	27.00
Jan. 2, To cash from State, common school fund,	545.65
Jan. 2, To cash from State school and mill fund,	847.04
Feb. 3, To cash from State for burial expenses of Oscar Gammon, refunded,	35.00
Feb. 3, To interest on tax deeds,	.57
Feb. 4, To cash from State on account of paupers,	82.36
Feb. 4, To cash from Town of Hartford, tuition,	11.00
Feb. 11, To cash from A. B. McIntire, for rent of farm,	75.00
	\$15,403.11

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Apr. 15, By paid on State tax,	\$84.16
July 2, By paid State pension of Esther J. Gordon,	18.00
Sept. 6, By paid State Treasurer, dog licenses,	95.00
Oct. 2, By paid State pension of Esther J. Gordon,	9.00
Nov. 30, By County tax,	406.38

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Jan. 1, By State pension of Esther J. Gordon,	9.00
Jan. 1, By balance State tax,	1,016.42
Feb. 11, By amount due from State on pensions,	9.00
Feb. 11, By town orders turned over,	9,697.72
Feb. 11, By tax deeds on hand,	133.83
Feb. 11, By cash to balance,	3,924.60
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	\$15,403.11

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee and citizens of the Town of Peru:

I have the pleasure of submitting to you my report as Superintendent of Schools.

List of Teachers

Mabelle Robinson, Peru Ctr. spring term,	\$9.00	\$99.00
Ethel Robinson, Center, spring and fall term,	9.50	209.00
Marcia Springer, W. Peru, Prim., spring,	9.50	104.50
Edith Burgess, W. Peru Prim., fall 6 1-2 w	10.00	65.00
Lula J. Lovejoy, W. Peru Prim., fall, 4 w.	9.00	36.00
Ethel Bennett, W. Peru Prim., winter	9.50	104.50
Marguerite O'Connor, W. Peru Gram., spg.	9.50	104.50
Marguerite O'Connor, " fall and winter	10.00	220.00
Lena Sidelinger, Dickvale, spring, 4 wks.	9.50	38.00
Eva B. Springer, Dickvale, spring 7 wks.	9.50	66.50
B. W. Kilbreth, Dickvale, fall	10.00	110.00
B. W. Kilbreth, Dickvale, winter,	10.50	115.50
Lena Maddocks, Highland, spring,	7.00	77.00
Ethel Knox, Highland, fall and winter,	7.50	165.00
Flora Sawyer, Union, spring,	9.00	99.00
Laura Long, Union, fall,	8.00	88.00
Laura Long, Union, winter,	8.50	93.50
Alice Irish, E. Peru, spring,	8.50	93.50
Alice Irish, E. Peru, fall and winter,	9.00	198.00
Hazle Hutchinson, Worthley Pond, spring,	9.50	104.50
Hazle Hutchinson, " fall and winter,	10.00	210.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Unexpended balance, March, 1912,	\$ 64.19	
Appropriation, March 1912,	1,300.00	
Common School Fund,	545.65	
School and Mill Fund,	847.04	
Equalization Fund,	83.09	
School Land Fund,	34.38	
Town of Hartford, tuition,	11.00	
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Total amount available,		\$2,885.35

Expenditures

Teachers' wages,	\$2,401.00	
Conveyance,	176.00	
Janitors,	34.00	
Fuel,	149.01	
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		\$2,760.01
Unexpended balance,		\$125.34

CONVEYANCE

Helen Child, 3 terms, \$5. wk.,	\$160.00	
Joseph Curveil, 1 1-2 terms, \$1. wk.,	16.00	
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		\$176.00

JANITORS

Elwood Kidder, 2 terms, spring and winter,	\$3.50
Alice Irish, 2 terms, spring and fall,	2.00
Mabelle Robinson, 1 term, spring,	1.00
Flora Sawyer, 1 term, spring,	1.00
Lena Maddocks, 1 term, spring,	1.00
Richard Smith, 1 term, spring,	1.00
Henry Hall, 1 term, spring,	1.00
Hazle Hutchinson, 1 term, fall,	1.00
Ethel Robinson, 2 terms, fall and winter,	3.50
Marguerite O'Connor, 1 term, fall,	1.00
Laura Long, 2 terms, fall and winter,	3.50
Ethel Knox, 1 term, fall,	1.00

B. W. Kilbreth, 1 term, fall,	1.00	
Leslie Irish, 1 term, winter,	2.50	
Etta Davenport, 1 term, winter,	2.50	
Hoarld Forbes, 1 term, winter,	2.50	
Hayden Child, 1 term, winter,	2.50	
Ethel Bennett, 1 term, winter,	2.50	
	<hr/>	\$34.00

FUEL

E. C. Staples,	\$38.00	
Cleston Knox,	2.75	
J. G. & R. J. Tyler,	12.00	
Frank Irish,	1.25	
C. H. Robinson,	4.00	
Howard Turner,	8.50	
O. T. Woodbury,	1.75	
Earl Howard,	5.00	
E. C. Chase,	4.00	
B. W. Kilbreth,	5.23	
E. M. Worthley Co.,	6.00	
H. R. Robinson & Son,	1.90	
E. A. Irish,	1.50	
Alex McFee,	24.50	
Frank Barrett,	2.25	
B. W. Kilbreth,	6.69	
E. P. Haynes,	6.88	
Howard Turner,	3.00	
C. H. Robinson,	2.00	
L. H. Davenport,	4.31	
E. G. Bassett,	7.50	
	<hr/>	\$149.01

HIGH SCHOOL

Appropriation, March 1912,	\$200.00	
Unexpended balance,	13.72	
Received from State,	168.50	
	<hr/>	\$382.22
Total amount available,		\$382.22

Expenditures

Hebron Academy, Carroll Robinson, 2 terms, \$10.,		\$20.00
Maine Wesleyan Seminary, Esther Woodsum, 2 terms, \$10., Lorraine Hall, 2 terms, \$10.,		\$20.00 20.00
Town of Canton, Merton Walker, 1 term, \$5., Stella Walker, 3 terms, \$5., Arthur McFee, 3 terms, \$5., Frank Irish, 2 terms, \$5., Stewart Gammon, 1 term, Carroll Robinson, 1 term, Charles Clark, 1 term, Merle Knox, 1 term, Edwin Staples, 2 terms,	\$5.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 10.00	
		<hr/> \$75.00
A. H. Hall, cash paid M. W. S., for tuition of Lorraine Hall, 1911, 3 terms,		\$30.00
Town of Dixfield, Hazel McIntire, 3 terms, \$10., Mabelle Richardson, 3 terms, Wm. Jordan, 3 terms, Carl Smith, 2 terms, Blanche McIntire, 1 term, Bruce Chase, 1 term, Esther Woodsum, 1 term, Clarence Atkins, 1 term, Hazel Curtis, 1 term, Helen Pinkham, 1 term, Mabelle Campbell, 1-5 term,	\$30.00 30.00 30.00 20.00 10.00 10.00 10.00 10.00 10.00 10.00 10.00 2.00	
		<hr/> \$172.00
Total amount paid out,		<hr/> \$337.00

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Appropriation, \$250.00

Expenditures

American Book Co.,	\$20.64	
B. W. Kilbreth,	1.60	
Johnson, Blagden, McTurnan,	40.64	
B. W. Kilbreth,	3.65	
Ginn & Co.,	52.56	
American Book Co.,	68.32	
B. W. Kilbreth,	8.45	
Silver Burdett,	1.80	
B. W. Kilbreth,	2.36	
		\$200.02
E. E. Babb & Co., for practice paper and U. S. Flag,	\$5.25	
E. E. Babb & Co., for 200 Spelling Blanks, 3 thermometers, and 500 book covers,	14.65	
E. E. Babb & Co., for 9 class records,	2.88	
Smith & Sale, for 6 Barton's School Reg- isters,	4.50	
Kidder Bros., for Ink, Pens, Tablets, Crayon, and Broom,	4.47	
Jos. A. Putnam, for Ink, Pens, Tablets, Broom, and 2 Fire Shovels,	7.40	
C. S. Luce, for Ink, Tablets, and 3 brooms,	3.32	
G. E. Goding, for Tablets, 4 brooms, and damper,	2.45	
		\$44.92
Total expended,		\$244.94
Balance unexpended,		\$5.06

Repairs

Appropriation, March 1912,	\$125.00	
Unexpended balance,	11.34	
		\$136.34

Expenditures

Harry J. Conley,	\$49.80	
C. H. Towle,	4.00	
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	3.25	
C. H. Robinson,	1.00	
C. N. Childs,	6.25	
B. W. Kilbreth,	5.67	
Lottie Hammond,	2.50	
S. N. Knox,	3.50	
C. N. Childs,	9.46	
W. G. Harlow,	4.50	
May Goggin,	6.00	
Ethel Robinson,	2.50	
E. A. Irish,	3.50	
Sadie Kidder,	2.50	
Flora McIntire,	2.50	
Mrs. Elmer Knox,	2.50	
C. M. Small,	11.40	
W. W. Waite,	1.48	
G. L. Wadlin,	4.25	
May F. Robinson,	3.00	
H. R. Robinson,	2.87	
B. W. Kilbreth,	1.00	
J. S. Russell,	6.38	
C. S. Luce,	2.63	
J. G. Tyler,	1.75	
H. R. Robinson,	.68	
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		\$144.87
Overdrawn,		\$8.53

INCIDENTALS FOR SUPERINTENDENT

Holt Bros., for printing letter heads and envelopes,	10.70
B. W. Kilbreth, cash paid for telephoning,	2.72

S. N. Knox, use of horse delivering school-books, 1 trip to Dickvale with C. N. Childs,	1.75	
Eva B. Springer, car fare to Franklin,	5.00	
Philip Pinkham, for trip to Selectmen's office,	.75	
Holt Bros., for printing 500 promotion cards,	2.35	
S. N. Knox, for use of horse delivering books, fall term,	3.00	
B. W. Kilbreth, for cash paid out to mail man for postage,	4.88	
		\$31.15

The school census taken last April was 232 children in town between the ages of 5 and 21 years.

The attendance the past year has not been up to the average of the few years past. It was due mostly to the fact that the whooping cough was prevalent in nearly all the schools and the smallpox scare in the fall caused nearly all of the children to be vaccinated and many were obliged to stay at home on account of sore arms. We had a few truants however, and they were ably attended to by our truant officer, A. W. Atkins. He was notified at eight different times during the year and all pupils were promptly returned. E. G. Bassett was chosen to act as truant officer for the Pond, East Peru, and Center schools, but I am unable to report on his work as I have received no report from him.

Teachers

The work done by the most of our teachers during the past year has been well handled. The Committee believe that it is the best policy to retain a teacher in the same school as long as her work is satisfactory. We took special pains at the beginning of the school year to select teachers of high grade and raised the wages of the experienced teachers 50c per week. Such a policy I most heartily approve. By a substantial increase the results

have fully justified the action. I have found the teachers interested and always ready to receive most cordially such suggestions as I have been able to give.

The School Year

The town is to be congratulated that with the increase of the State school funds, it has been possible to extend our school year to 33 weeks. Three eleven-week terms. Larger towns are giving from 36 to 40 weeks of school a year and are finding it none too much to prepare their children for successful living.

Conveyance

Pupils have been conveyed from the head of the Pond to the Worthley Pond School throughout the year, also Joseph Curneils' children were conveyed to the McDonald School during the spring and fall terms.

Text Books

We have only met existing needs in our text-books during the past year, supplying books to replace old ones mostly.

New arithmetics, called The Nichol's Graded Lessons were tried in some of our schools and are highly recommended by most all of the teachers. The children are not careful enough with their books; there are cases where they have destroyed their books in one or two terms' use. Such cases ought to be reported at once by the teacher to the Superintendent or School Committee.

Repairs

The first order drawn on this account was for the balance due on the desks purchased for the Pond School the year before.

We have during the past year changed the seats in the Dickvale and West Peru Primary Schools, also built a fence around a lot of land given by Raleigh Babb to the children of the East Peru School, to be used as a playground. He has at any time a right to take the land back if it is not used for the above named purpose. The School Committee and citizens of East Peru appreciate this generous gift as the children have had no chance to play whatever, without trespassing on some other property.

We thought it a grand idea to have all of the schoolhouses fumigated before the fall term opened; other repairs such as, house cleaning, setting glass, and varnishing school desks at Peru were done.

The woodshed at Dickvale has got to be shingled soon. The foundation at East Peru Schoolhouse has got to be attended to next year. All schoolrooms need a coat or two of paint inside.

Conclusion

I would recommend the following sums to be raised for schools:

Common schools,	\$1, 300.00
Text books and supplies,	225.00
Repairs,	125.00
High school tuition,	150.00

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to the teachers for their readiness to assist me in everything tending to the betterment of the schools. Also to the Superintending School Committee and citizens for the loyal support they have given me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BURT W. KILBRETH,

Superintendent of Schools.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS RECORDED BY TOWN CLERK FROM JAN. 1, 1912 TO JAN. 1, 1913

- Jan. 16, to wife of B. C. Kidder, a son.
Jan. 22, to wife of M. T. DeShon, a son.
May 10, to wife of Esbjom Wiken, a son.
May 26, to wife of William F. Tyler, a daughter.
July 23, to wife of John A. McIntire, a son.
Aug. 14, to wife of Fred B. Holt, a son.
Aug. 27, to wife of Wilmer B. Kidder, a daughter.
Nov. 3, to wife of Daniel Bunker, a son.
Dec. 15, to wife of G. Ernest Goding, a son.
Dec. 23, to wife of Clarence H. Robinson, a daughter.

MARRIAGES RECORDED BY TOWN CLERK FROM JAN. 1, 1912 TO JAN. 1, 1913

April 16, at East Sumner, by George A. Chandler, Mr. Roscoe V. Robinson of Sumner, and Miss Ethel B. Bryant of Peru.

May 12, at Peru, by Howard Turner, Mr. Manley M. Farrar and Mrs. Selma M. Brown, both of Peru.

May 29, at Dixfield, by Ransom E. Gilkey, Mr. Linwood T. Knox and Miss Georgie E. Pinkham, both of Peru.

June 14, at Rumford, by James B. Stevenson, Mr. Clinton C. Young and Mrs. Ella A. Standish, both of Peru.

June 15, at Rumford by Harold L. Hanson, Mr. Daniel H. Sargent of Mexico and Miss Grace M. Tracy, of Peru.

Aug. 28, at Boothbay by A. J. Verrill, Mr. Ray J. Tyler of Peru, and Miss Vinnettie L. Sidelinger, of Boothbay.

Sept. 18, at Westbrook, by Geo. B. Isley, Mr. Herbert C. Wilbur of Peru, and Miss Florence B. Leighton, of Westbrook.

Nov. 30, at Dixfield, by Ransom E. Gilkey, Mr. Clyde C. Burgess and Miss Wilma M. Frost, both of Peru.

Dec. 24, at Dixfield, by Ransom E. Gilkey, Mr. Benjamin J. Roberts and Mrs. Josephine A. Oldham, both of Peru.

Omitted from 1911 Report:

June 3, 1911, at Peru, by Jos. A. Putnam, Mr. Arthur L. Child, and Mrs. Dora B. McAlister, both of Peru.

**DEATHS RECORDED BY TOWN CLERK OF PERU
FROM JAN. 1, 1912, TO JAN. 1, 1913**

Jan. 19, Peru, Elbridge G. Austin, 77 years, 7 months, 26 days.
 Feb. 18, Peru, Alice J. Hall, 67 years, 2 months.
 Feb. 19, Peru, Celia B. Lovejoy, 76 years, 3 days.
 Mar. 11, Brunswick, David Morse, 75 years 10 months, 20 days.
 April 7, Peru, Josiah Hall, 88 years, 1 month, 3 days.
 May 12, Peru, Alice Hopkins, 58 years, 7 months, 23 days.
 May 30, Peru, Charles B. Lovejoy, 78 years, 1 month, 14 days.
 June 18, Peru, Blanche J. Oldham, 30 years, 1 day.
 June 18, Weld, Flora E. Cushman, 47 years, 4 months, 16 days.
 June 25, Peru, David L. Chenery, 66 years, 11 months, 18 days.
 July 4, Peru, Mary R. Oldham, 65 years, 10 months, 9 days.
 July 6, Peru, Joseph H. Lovejoy, 70 years, 11 months, 6 days.
 Sept. 20, Peru, Amanda M. Trask, 60 years, 3 months, 27 days.
 Oct. 3, Lewiston, Lucellus D. Leadbetter, 55 years, 5 mos. 21 days.
 Nov. 23, Peru, Oscar F. Gammon, 69 years, 8 months, 12 days.

W. S. ARNOLD,

Town Clerk.