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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF PERU
MAINE

For the Year Ending February 8th

1932

PRESS OF
MERRILL & WEBBER COMPANY
AUBURN, MAINE

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

ELBRIDGE G. CHILD

Town Clerk

HOWARD TURNER

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

E. B. KNOX

A. B. McINTIRE

I. A. GAMMON

Collector of Taxes

S. A. HAZELTON

Treasurer

HOWARD TURNER

Constables

S. A. HAZELTON

RODNEY P. GROVER

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

W. J. BRYANT

C. H. ROBINSON

ISAAC SEARLES

Sextons

BENJAMIN LOVEJOY

A. W. KNIGHT

CHAS. S. LUCE

Road Commissioner

M. M. FARRAR

Superintendent of Schools

FRANK McGOULDRICK

Superintending School Committee

FLORENCE PACKARD

STELLA WIKEN

GLADYS KIDDER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

FRED S. SEARLES

Fire Ward

C. H. ROBINSON

Board of Health

OSCAR T. WOODBURY

SYLVESTER SEARLES

ELLERY C. KIDDER

Health Officer

SYLVESTER SEARLES

Attendance Officer

RICHARD POWELL

148755

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of the Town of Peru:

Your Town Officers herewith submit the following report for the fiscal year ending February 8, 1932.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

VALUATION

Real estate, resident,	\$ 240,475 00	
Real estate, non-resident,	108,816 00	
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Total real estate,		\$ 349,291 00
Personal estate, resident,	\$ 47,414 00	
Personal estate, non-resident,	6,085 00	
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Total personal estate,		\$ 53,499 00
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Total valuation,		\$ 402,790 00
Total value of land,	\$ 177,794 00	
Total value of buildings,	171,497 00	

TAXABLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Av. Val.	Total Val.
Horses,	133	\$ 66 09	\$ 8,790 00
Colts, 3 to 4,	1	75 00	75 00

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Colts, 2 to 3,	1	50 00	50 00
Colts, under 2,	1	25 00	25 00
Cows,	321	31 29	10,043 00
Oxen,	2	75 00	150 00
Three years old,	132	28 49	3,761 00
Two years old,	153	22 46	3,436 00
Sheep,	8	5 00	40 00
Poultry,	241	74	179 00

Total amount,			\$ 26,549 00
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EXEMPT LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

One year old,	154	\$ 13 11	\$ 2,019 00
Sheep,	149	5 00	745 00
Swine,	99	11 02	1,091 00
Poultry,	2,362	71	1,677 00

Total amount,			\$ 5,532 00
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ALL OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in trade,		\$ 14,025 00
Logs,		750 00
Lumber,		3,120 00
Wood,		240 00
Musical instruments,	46,	3,425 00
Radios,	29,	1,675 00
Finished product in mill,		515 00
Unmanufactured stock in mill,		500 00
Other property,		2,700 00

Amount,		\$ 26,950 00
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Amount of live stock and poultry,		26,549 00
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Total personal property,		\$ 53,499 00
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APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED

Common schools,	\$ 3,200 00	
High school tuition,	2,500 00	
Books and supplies,	200 00	
Repairs and equipment,	600 00	
Superintendence,	360 00	
Interest on school fund,	34 38	
Office expense, Supt.,	35 00	
Support of poor,	1,200 00	
Summer roads and bridges,	3,000 00	
Snow removal,	1,500 00	
Maintenance State road,	500 00	
Maintenance Resolve and State Aid roads,	200 00	
Maintenance Third Class road,	519 00	
Town Officers' bills,	1,200 00	
Miscellaneous town charges,	1,200 00	
Care of cemeteries,	50 00	
Cons. State Aid road,	533 00	
Metal culverts,	200 00	
Snow fence,	200 00	
Control Pine Blister Rust,	77 33	
Medical examination scholars,	50 00	
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Appropriated for Town use,	\$ 17,358 71	
State tax,	3,606 24	
County tax,	1,698 93	
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Appropriated,	\$ 22,663 88	
Excise tax,	910 95	
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	\$ 21,752 93	
Overlay,	365 94	
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Assessed,	\$ 22,118 87	
Number of polls assessed, 257.	23.45	
Number of polls not taxed, 36.	<hr/>	
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257
15
2423
2726

Poll tax, \$3.00.

Rate of taxation, .053.

Rate of collection, .013.

SUMMER ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriated,	\$ 3,000 00	
Overdrawn, 1930,	101 35	
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Available,		\$ 2,898 65
M. M. Farrar,	\$ 386 24	
V. W. Farrar,	241 85	
Leslie Gordon,	123 12	
A. L. Harlow,	6 33	
Adolph Grudginsky,	8 68	
Mrs. E. C. Staples,	8 05	
Leslie Irish,	18 20	
Wirt Virgin,	2 00	
W. W. Tainter,	29 44	
Portland Tractor, 1930 account,	187 72	✓
H. E. Knox,	121 11	
E. E. Howard,	238 55	
E. L. Knox,	38 35	
Frank Searles,	120 07	
Benj. Lovejoy,	10 30	
Leonard Riggs,	3 60	
Wm. Flagg,	3 15	
George Downes,	18 32	
H. D. Packard,	217 50	
V. A. Eastman,	7 45	
I. C. Kidder,	26 76	
D. C. Chenery,	128 84	
A. G. Walker,	38 70	
N. B. Lufkin,	11 02	
Fred Searles,	47 25	
W. I. Johnson,	38 33	
E. E. Oldham,	87 15	
Chas. Hammond,	2 00	

D. O. Delano,	23 62
D. W. Lovejoy,	84 90
Henry Hall,	6 30
Clifford Gill,	31 49
C. H. Robinson,	12 60
C. A. Lane,	30 38
W. J. Bryant,	69 20
D. S. Bryant,	19 35
John Kazeris,	37 80
Melvin Lovejoy,	75 97
Roland Burgess,	47 25
S. A. Hazelton,	34 15
Fred Luce,	2 00
Richard Walker,	151 50
C. A. Oldham,	85 40
J. B. Frost,	123 00
Alex. Godish,	2 26
Lubert McGuire,	13 95
A. L. Lovejoy,	15 75
Rodney Grover,	20 47
Hermon Farnham,	43 39
Robert Chase,	31 50
W. A. Dill,	6 00
B. C. Putnam,	31 50
E. W. Sturtevant,	20 00
Willis N. McGuire,	12 45
Linus Libby,	8 45
J. C. Oldham,	116 10
Elgin Rafuse,	2 70
L. E. Knox,	3 15
Hall's Garage,	6 00
James Irish,	7 54
Town of Rumford, road drag,	34 20
A. L. York,	14 00
Clark Foundry,	4 00
Simon Tutlis,	20 00
A. G. Howard,	4 20

Ralph Brown,	2 50
A. J. Farrar, stringers,	4 00
C. F. Davis,	20
Maurice Tracy,	1 50
C. H. Towle,	13 44

Expended,	\$ 3,444 24
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Overdrawn,	\$ 545 59
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STATE ROAD MAINTENANCE

Unexpended, 1930,	\$ 180 65
Appropriated,	500 00

Available,	\$ 680 65
Carroll Oldham, labor,	\$ 43 95
E. E. Oldham, labor,	44 25
Alceid Howard, labor,	10 50
State Treasurer, maintenance,	420 00

Expended,	\$ 518 70
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Unexpended,	\$ 161 95
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PERU-MEXICO BRIDGE

Available, unexpended,	\$ 455 37
Town of Dixfield, for lighting,	74 41

	\$ 380 46
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- SNOW FENCE

Appropriated,	\$ 200 00
Unexpended, 1930,	12 39

Available,	\$ 212 39
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N. East Metal Culvert Co.,	\$ 208 25
State,	27 50

Expended,	\$ 235 75
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Overdrawn,	\$ 23 36
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THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriated,	\$ 519 00
Overdrawn, 1930,	30 90

Available,	\$ 488 10
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M. M. Farrar,	\$ 92 25
H. D. Packard,	119 00
V. W. Farrar,	33 90
Roy Knox,	10 07
Frank Searles,	41 74
H. E. Knox,	3 15
Clifford Gill,	11 02
Melvin Lovejoy,	16 74
Roland Burgess,	6 15
A. G. Walker,	18 00
D. W. Lovejoy,	18 90
S. A. Hazelton, gravel,	21 60
D. C. Chenery,	21 82
C. A. Oldham,	7 78
Leslie Gordon,	23 67
Fred Searles,	3 15
James Kerr,	35 00
Herman Farnham,	3 00
A. L. York,	2 50

Expended,	\$ 489 44
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Overdrawn,	\$ 1 34
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STATE AID AND RESOLVE ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriated,	\$	200 00	
Unexpended, 1930,		57 52	
Received from State,		67 50	
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Available,	\$	325 02	
M. M. Farrar,	\$	15 00	
E. E. Howard,		81 00	
H. D. Packard,		79 00	
S. A. Hazelton, gravel,		22 40	
Richard Walker,		38 50	
A. G. Walker,		9 65	
W. I. Johnson,		11 03	
E. E. Oldham,		12 25	
C. A. Oldham,		14 70	
J. C. Oldham,		3 50	
Leslie Gordon,		4 50	
D. C. Chenery,		4 73	
H. E. Knox,		4 73	
Robert Chase,		13 50	
John Frost,		13 50	
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Expended,	\$	327 99	✓
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Overdrawn,	\$	2 97	

THIRD CLASS ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Appropriated by State,	\$	1,659 47
M. M. Farrar, labor,	\$	262 22
D. C. Chenery,		79 17
V. W. Farrar,		52 85
Fred Searles,		40 17
B. C. Putnam,		41 67
Roy Knox,		46 55
Dwight Oldham,		31 17
Rodney Grover,		31 17
Melvin Lovejoy,		34 17

Leslie Gordon,	74 67
D. W. Lovejoy,	67 17
Roland Burgess,	31 17
Hermon Farnham,	26 67
Frank Searles,	66 67
Robert Chase, with truck,	94 50
E. G. Child,	39 67
Clifford Gill,	24 00
Frank Norris,	13 50
H. E. Knox,	29 17
J. B. Frost, with truck,	118 70
Richard Walker, with truck,	54 00
Frank Jolin,	5 50
L. E. Libby,	37 40
H. D. Packard,	58 50
S. A. Hazelton,	32 70
Elgin Rafuse,	2 40
E. B. Knox, freight on steel,	6 10
Maine Duntile Co., cement,	72 00
O. J. Murry,	40 50
W. N. McGuire,	3 00
Maurice Tracy,	6 00
Lubert McGuire,	3 00
Oscar Putnam,	3 00
Philip Donahue,	1 53
I. C. Kidder, dynamite,	4 88
C. A. Lane,	3 05
W. J. Bryant, lumber,	56 00
James Kerr, steel,	51 57
George Easter, sand,	8 40
Town of Rumford, crushed rock,	28 50
N. E. Culvert Co.,	9 20
C. W. Walker, labor, 1930,	8 88

Expended,

\$ 1,701 14

- 4 out

Overdrawn,

\$ 41 67

METAL CULVERTS

Appropriated,	\$	200 00	
Unexpended, 1930,		26 96	
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Available,	\$	226 96	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.,	\$	98 69	
Berger Mfg. Co.,		107 80	
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Expended,	\$	206 49	-4 out
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Unexpended,	\$	20 47	

IMPROVEMENT OF STATE AID ROAD

Appropriated,	\$	533 00	
Expended, 77% of appropriation,		410 41	-4
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Unexpended,	\$	122 59	

STATE AID AND RESOLVE ROADS
CONSTRUCTION

Town's apportioned part,	\$	410 41	
State's apportioned part,		820 82	
Special resolve, 1930,		1,000 00	
Special resolve, 1391,		750 00	
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Available, joint fund,	\$	2,981 23	
Harry Rand,	\$	154 00	
Delbert Rand,		176 67	
Stanwood Rand,		149 00	
Walter Rand,		12 00	
Robert Chase,		162 23	
A. G. Walker,		161 67	
Albert Mareau,		85 75	
H. E. Knox,		54 83	

Fred Russell,	54 83
W. I. Johnson,	56 33
H. D. Packard,	45 83
E. E. Oldham,	39 83
George Snow,	44 44
Leslie Stienfield,	60 00
Leonard Hall,	22 50
Willard Gammon,	75 00
Leslie Irish,	22 50
Robert Bean,	65 00
Merritt McIntire,	52 78
John Tucker,	55 00
Tyler Hutchinson,	40 00
Mexico, Town Truck,	20 00
C. A. Oldham,	19 50
Howard Child,	16 50
Joseph Child,	61 67
Douglass Swett,	10 00
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.,	403 37
M. M. Farrar,	8 00
E. E. Howard,	6 47
C. A. Oldham,	9 45
E. E. Oldham,	7 00
C. H. Towle, supplies,	3 75
State, for shovel,	518 34
State, road signs,	3 00
State, stakes,	2 50
State, supervision,	1 10
Miss Swasey, land damage,	100 00

Expended,

\$ 2,780 84 — 4 out.

Unexpended, joint fund,

\$ 200 39

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriated,	\$ 1,500 00
Unexpended, 1930,	229 09

Received from State, refund,	457 13	
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Available,		\$ 2,186 22
M. M. Farrar, labor,	\$ 85 66	
William Flagg,	2 63	
Chas. Norton,	3 85	
Will Knox,	7 55	
E. C. Knox, 1930,	15 55	
Israelson Motor Co., 1930,	6 00	
D. S. Bryant,	458 92	
R. V. Robinson,	72 81	
L. P. Knox,	2 45	
Clifford Gill,	15 31	
H. E. Knox,	23 35	
William Johnson,	1 05	
A. G. Walker,	6 30	
Richard Walker,	6 30	
Ellis Walker,	1 75	
Leon Luce,	6 18	
Clark's Foundry,	61 68	
C. A. Oldham,	1 40	
Howard Child,	3 68	
E. E. Oldham,	3 50	
M. H. Oldham,	1 75	
J. C. Oldham,	3 50	
Chas. Porter,	2 80	
W. B. Gillespie,	1 40	
D. Majakies,	10 30	
Lemuel Gill,	4 90	
Will Cross,	2 80	
Arthur McFee,	1 40	
Alex. McFee,	4 90	
Felix Godish,	4 90	
I. C. Kidder,	15 10	
Austin Rd. Mach. Co.,	12 65	
E. A. Farnum,	4 40	
Hall's Garage, gas,	2 10	

Hall's Garage, glycerine for tractor,	25 00
L. L. Gordon,	148 39
Wm. Balcunis,	7 35
Fred Searles,	28 30
W. J. Smith,	36 15
Melvin Virgin,	3 50
Nelson Lufkin,	19 95
Percy Frost,	12 25
Chas. Frost,	12 25
Frank Searles,	144 15
Benj. Lovejoy,	5 10
F. A. Smith,	48 80
Oscar Austin,	9 40
Wirt Virgin,	1 50
M. B. Knox,	12 84
E. H. Luce,	15 20
Portland Tractor Co., 1930 account,	161 00
Portland Tractor Co.,	44 40
C. A. Lane,	25 08
B. Malone,	1 00
D. C. Chenery,	33 95
Kenneth Kidder,	2 00
L. H. Irish,	9 00
E. B. Knox,	11 25
D. W. Lovejoy,	6 30
V. W. Farrar,	7 35
G. B. Gordon,	8 00
Elwin Cunningham,	1 05
Adolph Grudginsky,	2 55
Dwight Bigelow,	1 40
C. S. Luce,	19 40
H. H. Pease,	33 48
Rollins Kidder,	1 65
A. G. Howard,	1 67
Fred Luce,	1 40
George Easter, gravel,	4 05
Leonard Hall,	3 67

J. B. Frost,	3 00
H. D. Packard,	4 50

Expended,	\$ 1,776 10 - 4
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Unexpended,	\$ 410 12
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TOWN CEMETERIES

Unexpended, 1930,	\$ 52 62
Appropriated,	50 00

Available,	\$ 102 62
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C. S. Luce, labor,	\$ 12 00
J. C. Oldham, labor,	4 00
A. W. Knight, labor,	4 00
Benj. Lovejoy, labor,	12 00
C. W. Knox, labor,	15 20
E. G. Child, labor,	11 41
C. A. Lane, material,	4 00
I. C. Kidder, material,	13 50

Expended,	\$ 76 11 - 10
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Unexpended,	\$ 26 51
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TURNER CEMETERIES FUND

Unexpended, 1930,	\$ 25 63
Interest for 1931,	29 74 ✓

Available,	\$ 55 37
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A. W. Knight, labor,	\$ 4 00
C. W. Knox, labor,	22 00
I. C. Kidder, paint,	19 50
H. R. Robinson & Son, labor,	15 80

Expended,	\$ 61 30 - 8
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Overdrawn,	\$ 5 93
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CUSHMAN CEMETERY FUND

Unexpended, 1930,	\$	7 34	
Interest for 1931,		2 02	✓
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Available,	\$	9 36	
E. G. Child, labor,		1 00	- 1 0
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Unexpended,	\$	8 36	

LOVEJOY CEMETERY FUND

Unexpended, 1930,	\$	7 43	
Interest for 1931,		4 04	✓
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Available,	\$	11 47	
E. G. Child, labor,		1 00	- 1 0
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Unexpended,	\$	10 47	

AUSTIN CEMETERY FUND

Unexpended, 1930,	\$	12 81	
Interest for 1931,		4 04	✓
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	\$	16 85	
Wm. Austin, repairs and care,	\$	16 85	- 1 0

H. CLARK HEADSTONE

Appropriated,	\$	50 00	
Como Monumental Works,	\$	50 00	✓ page 19

MEMORIAL

Available,	\$	7 71	
I. C. Kidder, flags, 1930,	\$	4 50	

I. C. Kidder, flags, 1931,

3 50

Expended,

\$ 8 00

Overdrawn,

\$ 29

SUPPORT OF POOR

Appropriated,

\$ 1,200 00

Unexpended, 1930,

59 95

From Town of Bethel,

302 65

From Town of Corinth,

63 00

From Town of Mexico,

7 00

Available,

\$ 1,632 60

TOWN'S POOR

Etta Bowker account:

Selma Farrar, board and care, \$ 38 60

G. G. Defoe, M.D., 6 00

Harry Marsh, undertaker, 85 00

E. G. Child, sexton, 7 00

Expended,

\$ 136 60

Thomas Newman account:

J. S. Sturtevant, M.D., \$ 16 00

Leon Harding, undertaker, 109 25

C. S. Luce, sexton, 5 00

Expended,

\$ 130 25

Will Knox account:

E. A. Farnum, groceries, \$ 40 76

J. S. Sturtevant, M.D., 35 50

C. R. Eastman, auto to Dr., 3 00

J. A. Putnam, groceries,	52 69
Mrs. R. Gill, milk,	6 88
G. G. Defoe, M.D.,	7 50
A. B. McIntire, 1/2 ton hay,	5 00

Expended,	\$ 151 33
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Stillman Bishop account:

Mrs. Arthur Child, board and care,	\$ 1 50
C. A. Lane, clothing,	2 50
L. P. Knox, board and care,	20 00
Selma Farrar, board and care,	1 00
Emma Dunton, board and care,	27 86

Expended,	\$ 52 86
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Bernadine Putnam account:

Eva J. Fuller, board and care,	\$ 35 00
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F. J. Wing account:

S. B. Parker, groceries,	\$ 226 73
Town of Leeds,	8 36
Town of Greene,	28 95

Expended,	\$ 264 64
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Selma Farrar, keeping tramp,	\$ 1 00
N. Flagg, keeping tramp,	1 00

Expended for keeping tramps,	\$ 2 00
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Como Monumental Works, from effects of Horace Clark included in this fund,

\$ 50 00

Expended for Town's Poor,

\$ 822 68

POOR BELONGING TO OTHER TOWNS

William Hutchinson account:

Myrtie Woodbury, board and care, expended, and due from Town of Mexico,	\$	18 50
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R. Corson account:

Bertha Searles, board and care,	\$	27 00
C. A. Lane, clothing,		80
J. A. Putnam, clothing,		4 00
Selma Farrar, board and care,		40 75

Expended, paid by Town of Bethel,	\$	72 55
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Montford Johnson account:

C. A. Lane, groceries,	\$	36 05
To be paid by some other Town.		

George Gammon and Family account:

H. B. Smith, board and care,	\$	40 00
To be paid by some other Town.		

Expended for poor of other Towns,	\$	167 10
Total expense of poor,		989 78

Unexpended,	\$	642 82
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SOLDIER'S FAMILY

Supplies furnished and labor,	\$	337 95
Furnished for 1930,		27 28

Expended,	\$	365 23
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Paid by Town of Mexico,		358 37
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Due from Town of Mexico,	\$	6 86
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MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF SCHOLARS

Appropriated and available,	\$	50 00
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WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST

Appropriated,	\$	77 33
Unexpended, 1930,		22 67
Refund from State,		49 87
Available,	\$	149 87
S. W. Cutting,	\$	42 07
A. Cutting,		36 75
N. Whitman,		36 75
Gilbert Brackett,		34 03

Expended,	\$	149 60
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Unexpended,	\$	27
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MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriated,	\$	1,200 00
Unexpended, 1930,		14 22

Available,	\$	1,214 22
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Rumford Falls Pub. Co., Report,	\$	56 00 /
Clarence Jackson, fumigation,		8 00 3
G. G. Defoe, M.D., vaccination,		4 30 3
H. W. Stanwood, M.D., exam. U. G. McIntire,		10 00 5
W. M. Eustis, comt. U. G. McIntire,		24 65 5
Loring, Short & Harmon, books and supplies,		39 50 /
M. McCarthy, legal advice,		4 00 /
J. S. Sturtevant, M.D., examination, U. G. M.,		10 00 5
I. C. Kidder, adding machine paper,		1 50 /
Howard Turner, J. P., fees on ballots,		1 50 /

Howard Turner, express and check-			
lists,	6	15	/
M. McCarthy, making papers,	5	00	/
J. A. Thibedeau, M.D., exam. B.			
Malone,	5	00	5
H. W. Stanwood, M.D., exam. B.			
Malone,	5	00	5
State, support Verion Wing,	140	64	5
Sign Shop, signs used at Worthley,	10	00	4
Lillian Packard, land rent, tractor			
house,	10	00	4
State, Mother's aid,	80	00	9
H. D. Packard, gravel, S. A. and Res.			
Road,	136	30	4 out
C. E. Hines, gravel, S. A. and Res.			
Road,	41	60	4 out
E. Kidder, lock for Town Hall,	1	75	/
V. A. Eastman, smithing,	1	00	4
I. A. Gammon, lock for tractor house,	1	50	4
Florence Shaw, use water tub,	2	50	4
Jas. Irish, use water tub,	2	00	4
C. H. Robinson, use water tub,	3	50	4
Hall's Garage, gas. Augusta trip,	2	70	/
Hedgehog bounty,	93	50	15
Interest on loans,	387	51	11
Incidentals of Clerk and Treasurer,	6	03	/
Incidentals of E. B. Knox,	10	40	/
Expended,			\$ 1,111 53
Unexpended,			\$ 102 69

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriated,	1,200	00
Unexpended, 1930,		69
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Available,	\$ 1,200 69	

E. G. Child, Moderator,	\$ 4 00	1
Howard Turner, Clerk,	70 00	1
E. B. Knox, Selectmen,	225 00	1
A. B. McIntire, Selectman,	206 00	1
Ira A. Gammon, Selectman,	194 00	120.00 = 1 74.00 = 5
S. A. Hazelton, Collector,	295 98	-1
Howard Turner, Treasurer,	110 00	1
Sylvester Searles, Health Officer,	104 00	-3
C. H. Robinson, Fire Ward, 1930,	6 00	2
Ellery Kidder, Mem. Bd. Health,	10 00	3
Florence Packard, School Com.,	14 00	6
Estella Wiken, School Com.,	14 00	6
Gladys Kidder, School Com.,	12 25	6
Leslie Gordon, Ballot Clerk,	4 00	1
Fred Luce, Ballot Clerk,	4 00	1
A. W. Knight, Ballot Clerk,	4 00	1
H. R. Robinson, Ballot Clerk,	4 00	1
Howard Turner, check lists made,	7 00	1
Howard Turner, typing Town Report and Warrant,	6 00	1

Expended, \$ 1,294 23 ✓

Overdrawn, \$ 93 54

DELINQUENT

Lester Child, poll,	\$ 3 00
Eldon G. Dolloff, poll,	3 00
Arthur Eastman, poll,	3 00
Percy Frost, poll,	3 00
John Kazregis, poll and personal,	12 28
Eugene L. Kennedy, poll,	3 00
Lubert McGuire, poll,	3 00
Clifford Robertson, poll,	3 00
Hubbard L. Shaw, poll and personal,	4 70
Wm. Talmanchuck, poll,	3 00
Simon Tutlis, poll and personal,	23 14

Wm. E. Flagg, poll and personal,	5 12
Rumford Oil Co., personal,	10 60
Enos Farnum, personal,	53 00
Earl Frost, poll and personal,	5 65

Amount, \$ 138 49

ABATEMENTS

Elmer C. Child, unable to pay,	\$ 36 15
Emma Dunton, exempt by law,	26 50
A. W. Davis and Susie Staples, ill. asst.,	21 20
Clarence Farnham, unable to locate,	5 65
Walter Hodge, paid in Milton,	3 00
C. W. Knox, unable to pay,	4 33
Jas. O. Palmer, exempt by law,	4 33
Gulas Gillis, paid in Rumford,	3 00
Arthur Hall, exempt by law,	5 30
Stanley McRay, ill. asst.,	2 65

Amount, \$ 112 11

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN

February 8, 1932

Cash on hand,	\$ 2,276 25
Tax deeds on hand,	1,732 52
Due on tax bills of 1928,	7 55
Due on tax bills of 1929,	41 78
Due on tax bills of 1930,	11 50
Due on tax bills of 1931,	138 49
Due from State, acct. Ethel Huhta,	17 32
Due from Town of Mexico, Soldier's Family acct.,	6 86
Due from Town of Mexico, acct. Wm. Hutchinson,	18 50

Due from other towns, acct. Montford Johnson,	36 05
Due from other towns, acct. Geo. Gammon,	40 00
Due from Leonard Riggs, for cement,	7 20
Due from Clavis Frost, for lumber,	40 00
Due from State, hedgehog bounty,	100 00
Due from Cunningham Est., for cemetery lot,	10 00
Lot 9, Range 10, Thomp. Grant, 100 acres,	300 00
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Total resources,	\$ 4,784 02

LIABILITIES

Loan, Jennie Child,	\$ 1,000 00
Loan, H. R. Robinson,	3,000 00
Loan, G. B. Gordon, Trustee for F. Shaw,	1,000 00
Loan, M. H. Oldham,	2,000 00
Loan, Marjorie Oldham,	500 00
Loan, A. S. Holman,	2,550 00
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Liabilities,	\$ 10,050 00
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Liabilities over resources,	\$ 5,265 98
1932 auto excise tax on hand,	\$ 270 14

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. KNOX,
A. B. McINTIRE,
I. A. GAMMON,

Selectmen of Peru.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dr.

Due, bills of 1928,	\$	7	55	15
Due, bills of 1929,		41	78	
Due, bills of 1930,		53	80	
Tax deeds on hand,		1,372	22	15
Cash on hand,		3,960	98	16
L. Riggs, use of tractor,		1	00	10
Town of Mexico, soldier's family,		358	37	10
State, hedgehog bounty.		24	75	15
Town of Mexico, S. Virgin acct.,		7	00	10
Loans R. F. Trust Co.,		4,800	00	13
Town of Bethel, Corson acct.,		302	65	10
Interest on tax deeds,		11	40	1
Dog tax,		152	00	15
Town of Corinth, Batchelder acct.,		63	20	10
Poland tax deeds,		2	50	1
Snow removal, from State,		429	63	10
A. Campbell, auctioneer's lic.,		2	00	4
State, bank tax,		17	04	20
For road material, Third Class road,		26	60	10
State, blister rust account,		49	87	10
State, Third Class road cons.,		1,659	47	7
Interest on cemetery funds,		39	84	11
Tractor loans,		4,000	00	13
State, equalization fund,		180	00	7
School fund,		101	06	7
State, res. and S. A. cons.,		1,745	49	7
State aid main,		67	50	7
State, Com. School fund,		2,242	80	7
State, dog license refund,		15	38	7

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R. R. and Tel. tax,
 Excise tax since report,
 Cemetery lot sold,
 School league refund,
 Tax com. for 1931,
 Excise tax on 1932 on hand,

12 20
 598 05 1 excise
 10 00 10
 32 15 15 refund (P6)
 22,142 32 1
 270 14 1 excise

Receipts,

\$ 44,788 66

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Orders paid,
 Tax deeds on hand,
 Due on tax bills of 1928,
 Due on tax bills of 1929,
 Due on tax bills of 1930,
 Due on tax bills of 1931,
 Cash on hand,

\$ 40,310 43
 1,732 52 - 360,303
 7 55
 41 78 15
 11 50
 138 49 15
 2,546 39 16

Expenditures,

\$ 44,788 66

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD TURNER,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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

I hereby submit my seventh annual report of your schools.

TEACHERS

School	Teacher	Home Address	Experience	Salary per Week
West Peru Prim.	Agnes York	West Peru, Me.	13 Terms	\$21.00
West Peru Gram.	Mabel Pendleton	Dixfield, Me.	31 Terms	21.00
Dickvale	Howard Hilton	Dennysville, Me.	37 Terms	25.00
Knox	Lucille Dill	Dixfield, Me.	4 Terms	20.00
Peru Center	Marion Hilton	Dennysville, Me.	47 Terms	21.00
East Peru	Doris Berry	Berry Mills, Me.	22 Terms	20.00

The only new teacher in the list is Miss Lucille Dill who succeeded Miss Esther Littlefield at the Knox School. Miss Dill is a graduate of the Farmington Normal School and is very well prepared for her work. The qualifications of the other teachers have been given in previous reports.

ENROLLMENT

The enrollment by grades and schools the present school year is as follows:

School	S.P.	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
W. Peru Prim.	9	6	8	10	12					45
W. Peru Gram.						7	4	6	5	22

Dickvale	4	5	2	2	3	4	1	8	29
Knox	1	5	1	3	4	1	3	4	22
Peru Center	3	5	6		4		6	1	25
East Peru	2	2	4	1	1	1		1	12
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Totals	14	18	28	14	22	15	15	12	155

ATTENDANCE

Following is the whole number in attendance and average attendance for each term of the year ending December 31, 1931.

School	Winter Term		Spring Term		Fall Term	
	No. of Pupils	Av. Att.	No. of Pupils	Av. Att.	No. of Pupils	Av. Att.
West Peru Prim.	44	33.7	37	34.33	45	38.15
West Peru Gram.	17	13.8	16	13.16	22	17.7
Dickvale	26	19.74	28	21.06	29	26.6
Knox	23	20.6	23	20.24	22	16.8
Peru Center	26	23.	26	24.	22	21.44
East Peru	9	7.4	9	8.3	12	11.4
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	145	118.24	139	121.09	152	132.09

The total enrollment of the town is four more than last year. Five pupils were not absent for the school year ending June 12, 1931. They are Urie Wiken of West Peru Primary; Roger Brown of the Knox School; Rubina Vaughn of Peru Center; Christine Luce and Pauline Luce of East Peru.

For the fall term of fourteen weeks ending December 18, 1930, the following pupils were not absent: Thurl Dymment, Walter Dymment, Lillian Frost and Alphonse Thomas of West Peru Primary; Josephine Tutlis and Donald Lane of West Peru Grammar; Joseph Lovejoy, Virginia Roott, Dorothy Shaw, Vivian Putnam and Everett Child of Dickvale; Roger Brown, Mildred Kazregis, Julia

Kazregis and John Kazregis of the Knox School; Ernest Gill, Margaret Henry, Harold Gill, Henry Edison, Florence Robinson, Louise Godish and Raymond Linnell of Peru Center; Eleanor Bigelow, Pauline Luce, Christine Luce, Merle Knox, Jr., Wilbur Cote and Zibia Hosley of East Peru.

Christine and Pauline Knox of East Peru and Roger Brown of the Knox School have perfect attendance records for the past four terms. They did not miss a day for 50 weeks.

REPAIRS AND EQUIPMENT

All schoolhouse chimney flues and all toilet vaults were thoroughly cleaned. All school rooms and toilet rooms were cleaned and the floors oiled. Four chimney tops were so loose it was necessary to repair them to prevent roof fires and injury to children from falling bricks. The roof on the southern side of the West Peru School was re-shingled. Dickvale school was refurnished so that all the pupils have new seats and desks of the most modern type. A new desk with all the conveniences for the teacher's work was purchased. The door steps were repaired and a new lock provided for the outside door. At the Knox school the roof, door steps and toilets were repaired. The school grounds were much improved by cutting all the bushes and removing the rubbish. The fence was in need of repairs in several places and this matter was attended to also. New window shades were furnished for the main room and a case of maps installed. The chemical toilets of the Peru Center school were repaired, windows reputtied, new grates bought for the heater, lock furnished for the outside door and new door steps built. At East Peru smaller seats were provided because the old ones were so high the children could not rest their feet on the floor. A new lock was installed in the outside door.

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

For the school year which opened in September, 1931, the enrollment of high school tuition pupils was as follows:

Pupil	Home	High School
Charles Chapman	West Peru	Dixfield High School
Dana Eastman	West Peru	Dixfield High School
Cleston Garneau	West Peru	Dixfield High School
Mae Googin	West Peru	Dixfield High School
Charles Norris	West Peru	Dixfield High School
Benjamin Packard	West Peru	Dixfield High School
Dorothy Packard	West Peru	Dixfield High School
Evelyn Wilson	West Peru	Dixfield High School
Lloyd McGuire	Dickvale	Dixfield High School
Jennie Roott	Dickvale	Dixfield High School
Mary Searles	Dickvale	Dixfield High School
Joseph Arnold	West Peru	Stephens High School
Verna Arnold	West Peru	Stephens High School
Charles Packard	West Peru	Stephens High School
Verner Wiken	West Peru	Stephens High School
Ernest Donahue	Dickvale	Stephens High School
Fannie Lovejoy	Dickvale	Stephens High School
Alvin Vaughn	Peru Center	Stephens High School
Rubina Vaughn	Peru Center	Stephens High School
Webster Walker	Peru Center	Stephens High School
Ilda Kidder	Peru Center	Mexico High School
Rollins Kidder	Peru Center	Mexico High School
Anna Sharko	Peru Center	Mexico High School
Ellen Sharko	Peru Center	Mexico High School
Marshall Child	East Peru	Canton High School
Waldo Cunningham	East Peru	Canton High School
Leon Luce	East Peru	Canton High School
Ellis Walker	Worthley Pond	Canton High School
Elizabeth Packard	West Peru	Leavitt Institute

The high school tuition list contains 29 names. The town paid tuition for that number of pupils for the fall term. Next June about 7 will be removed from the list by graduation, decreasing the number to 22, but there are 15 eighth grade pupils and possibly more who will complete the common school course. Consequently the town may be required to pay tuition for 37 high school pupils next fall.

BUDGET FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Your School Committee and Superintendent have considered the needs of the schools for the ensuing year and submit the following budget for the annual town meeting.

Common Schools,	\$ 3,600 00
High School Tuition,	2,100 00
Books and Supplies,	200 00
Repairs and Equipment,	300 00
Superintendence,	360 00
Interest on School Fund,	34 38
Office Expense,	35 00
	—————\$ 6,629 38

The recommendation for the common schools is \$400 more than last year because the amount of money on hand in that account is \$836.78 less than the amount unexpended a year ago. Since there is more money left in the high school tuition account than usual, the sum asked for is \$400 less than the amount raised in 1931. The recommendation for repairs and equipment is just one-half the amount of last year. The other items are the same as they have been for a long time. The total budget is \$300 less than last March, and \$1,020 less than the amount raised for schools in 1930.

The financial statement of the schools is appended to this report. No account is overdrawn. The total amount unexpended in the school department is \$781.64.

CONCLUSION

In closing this report I submit a few lines recently released by Dr. Bertram E. Packard, State Commissioner of Education: "I am confident that the people of Maine have faith in public education. I am confident that our citizens will see to it that the present generation in our public schools are in no way deprived of their fair share of educational opportunity. We must see to it that in our zeal for economy we do not go to the extent of impairing our public school system and thereby deprive the future citizenship of the state of the opportunities to which it is rightfully entitled."

I take this opportunity to thank all the citizens of Peru who have aided the schools in any way the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK McGOULDRICK,

Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

COMMON SCHOOLS

Balance, 1930-31,	\$ 1,055 84	
Appropriation,	3,200 00	
Interest on School Fund,	34 38	
State School Fund,	1,900 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,190 22
Teachers' Salaries,	\$ 4,579 00	
Transportation,	741 05	
Fuel,	399 81	
Janitors,	251 30	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,971 16 — ✓
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$ 219 06

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Balance, 1930-31,	\$ 109 63	
Appropriation,	2,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,609 63
Paid Town of Rumford,	\$ 900 00	
Paid Town of Dixfield,	830 00	
Paid Town of Canton,	210 00	
Paid Town of Mexico,	112 00	
Paid Leavitt Institute,	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,082 00 ✓
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$ 527 63

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Balance, 1930-31,	\$ 2 90	
Appropriation,	200 00	
State School Fund,	443 86	
	<hr/>	\$ 646 76
Expended,		645 00 ✓
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$ 1 76

GENERAL REPAIRS AND EQUIPMENT

Appropriation,	\$ 600 00	
Received from Dickvale School League,	29 15	
Received for 3 old seats,	3 00	
Equalization Fund from State,	180 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 812 15
Overdraft, 1930-31,	\$ 57 83	
Expended,	745 84	
	<hr/>	\$ 803 67 ✓
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$ 8 48

SPECIAL REPAIRS

Balance, 1930-31,	\$	43 45	
Expended,		43 45	✓

SUPERINTENDENCE

Appropriation,	\$	360 00	
Expended,		360 00	✓

OFFICE EXPENSE

Balance, 1930-31,	\$	1 97	
Appropriation,		35 00	
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	\$	36 97	
Expended,		34 93	✓
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	\$	2 04	

FLAGS

Balance, 1930-31,	\$	22 67
Expended,		00 00
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Unexpended,	\$	22 67

STATE OF MAINE

State School Fund,	\$	2,343 86
Equalization Fund,		180 00
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Total amount received from State,	\$	2,523 86
Transferred to Common School		
Account,	\$	1,900 00
Transferred to Books and Supplies,		443 86
Transferred to Repairs and Equip-		
ment,		180 00
	<hr/>	\$ 2,523 86

RECAPITULATION

Accounts	Receipts	Expenditures	Unexpended
Common Schools,	\$ 6,190 22	\$ 5,971 16	\$ 219 06
High School Tuition,	2,609 63	2,082 00	527 63
Books and Supplies,	646 76	645 00	1 76
General Repairs,	812 15	803 67	8 48
Special Repairs,	43 45	43 45	
Superintendence,	360 00	360 00	
Office Expense,	36 97	34 93	2 04
Flags,	22 67	00 00	22 67
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	\$ 10,721 85	\$ 9,940 21	\$ 781 64

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Record of Marriages, Births and Deaths returned to this office for the year ending February 1, 1932.

MARRIAGES

1931

March 7, at Dixfield, Joseph A. Putnam of Peru and Bertha Killam of Dixfield.

April 4, at Rumford Ctr., Jas. K. Palmer of Starks and Bernice M. Child of Peru.

April 11, at Mexico, Lawrence C. Vaughn of Peru and Gertrude M. Judkins of Dixfield.

June 19, at Peru, Frank Norris and Patronela Jesselskis both of Peru.

June 20, at Mexico, Kenneth B. Spaulding and Ruth E. Killam, both of Peru.

July 31, at Rumford, Walter J. Smith and Angie M. Oldham, both of Peru.

August 6, at Mexico, Stanton E. Horne of Mexico and Floris L. Child of Peru.

August 8, at Mexico, John Merton Luce of Peru and Debora Eunice Fuller of Canton.

September 26, at Rumford Ctr., Elmer L. Knox and Marguerite B. Dolloff, both of Peru.

November 29, at Peru, Wm. Milislansky and Mary D. Stonis, both of Mexico.

December 1, at Gardiner, Erlon V. Hammond of Peru and Tena M. Colburn, of Pittston.

BIRTHS

1912

September 24, to Zella and Obie K. Barteaux, a daughter, Phyllis Barbara.

1930

September 6, to Sadie L. and Leslie H. Irish, a daughter, Mary Elizabeth.

November 27, to Grace A. and Henry G. Hall, a daughter, Jean Alice.

November 28, to Mabel A. and Omer W. Garneau, a daughter, Priscilla Selma.

1931

February 17, to Hazel M. and James M. Dermody, a daughter, Leah Nathalie.

March 7, to Laura M. and Lester A. Hall, a son, David Lester.

March 16, at Rumford, to Ethel M. and Floyd D. Child, a son, Chas. Delmon.

April 11, to Ruth E. and Waldo A. Porter, a daughter, Betty Ruth.

April 14, to Esther M. and Ralph M. Brown, a daughter, Gloria Mary.

April 19, to Lydia A. and Charles W. Knox, a son Donald Elmore.

April 26, to Amelia R. and James O. Palmer, a son, Stanley Elmer.

May 31, to Lucille B. and Duncan A. Gill, a daughter, Marion Gladys.

June 5, to Winifred L. and Ezra S. Hunt, a daughter, Margaret Lillian.

June 20, to Muriel E. and Erwin C. Child, a daughter, Betty Lou.

July 3, to Ethelyn G. and Jos. L. E. Chabot, a daughter, Janet Elva.

July 6, to Beulah E. and Paul C. Emery, a son, Robert Carlton.

July 13, to Victoria and Alex. Godish, a daughter, Margaret Justine.

July 30, to Mary A. and Wm. E. Shoultz, a son, Clifford Nelson.

August 6, to Hildreth M. and Thomas E. Saunders, a son, James Edward.

August 8, to Lilla M. and Charles C. Conrad, a daughter, Eunice Joyce.

August 19, to Lillian K. Gill, a son, Baby Gill.

August 29, to Gertrude M. and Lawrence C. Vaughn, a son, Donald Everett.

September 2, to Delia M. and George A. Donahue, a daughter, Alice Isabelle.

September 6, to Gladys M. and Gerald A. Knox, a daughter, Lila Ethel.

September 23, to Florence and H. Lowell Shaw, a son, Arthur Everett.

October 10, to Ella S. and Fred Luce, a daughter, Marlene Joyce.

October 22, to Sara L. and Edmond A. Dolloff, a daughter, Janice Ruth.

November 26, to Esther M. and Leonard B. Hall, a son, Conrad William.

November 28, to Iva M. and Elmer L. Child, a daughter, Avis Leora.

December 12, to Wilma S. and Orman F. Dunham, a son, Orman Bryant.

December 13, to Lena and Amedie Gallant, a daughter, Marie Cleristine Bertha.

December 27, to Annetta and Arthur McFee, a daughter, Pauline Ruth.

1932

January 31, to Angie M. and Walter J. Smith, a daughter, Ferne Anne.

DEATHS

1931

February 19, at Rumford, Ezra C. Staples, aged 67 yrs. 2 mos. 14 days.

February 25, C. Louise Knight, aged 56 yrs. 1 mo. 24 days.

March 23, Etta C. Bowker, aged 55 yrs. 5 mos. 5 days.

March 26, Emily M. Howard, aged 74 yrs. 2 mos. 15 days.

March 26, Milo G. Morrill, aged 83 yrs. 10 mos. 1 day.

March 28, at Rumford, Walter H. Cunningham, aged 55 yrs. 1 mo. 12 days.

April 14, Thomas Newman, aged 69 yrs. 9 mos. 23 days.

April 16, at Waterford, Belle H. Randall, aged 77 yrs. 10 mos.

April 20, Teddy J. Sharko, aged 5 yrs. 4 mos. 7 days.

May 26, Harold Knox, aged 37 yrs. 9 mos. 14 days.

June 4, Leroy W. Knight, aged 72 yrs. 10 mos. 8 days.

June 14, Roland G. Sturtevant, aged 17 yrs. 6 mos. 26 days.

July 30, Clifford N. Shoultz.

August 19, Baby Gill, 2/3 day.

August 20, Robert C. Emery, 1 mo. 15 days.

November 27, Marcia L. Hall, aged 70 yrs. 6 mos. 21 days.

December 16, Harl C. Dymment, aged 1 yr. 2 mos. 29 days.

1932

January 3, at Mexico, George W. Oldham, aged 64 yrs. 8 mos. 21 days.

HOWARD TURNER,

Town Clerk.