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EIGHTY-THIRD

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Assessors, Selectmen, Auditor
Superintendent of Schools and
Road Commissioners

OF THE

Town of Searsport

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1

1928

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WARRANT

To *FRED A. SMALL, a Constable of the town of Searsport
in the County of Waldo,* Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required by law to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Searsport, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said town Monday, the fifth day of March, 1928, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

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

Art. 3. To see if the town will accept the Report of the Selectmen and Assessors as printed.

Art. 4. To see if the town will accept the Report of the Superintendent of Schools as printed.

Art. 5. To see if the town will accept the Report of the Auditor of Town accounts as printed.

Art. 6. To choose three or more Selectmen.

Art. 7. To choose Assessors of Taxes.

Art. 8. To choose Overseers of the Poor.

Art. 9. To choose a Town Treasurer.

Art. 10. To choose an Auditor of Town Accounts, and Budget Committee.

Art. 11. To choose Constables.

Art. 12. To choose Surveyors of Sawed Lumber.

Art. 13. To choose Surveyors of Wood and Bark.

Art. 14. To choose Surveyors of Spars and Timber.

Art. 15. To choose a Fire Ward.

Art. 16. To choose Fence Viewers.

Art. 17. To choose Sealers of Leather.

Art. 18. To choose Viewers and Cullers of Hoops and Staves.

Art. 19. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the Free High School.

Art. 20. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of Common Schools.

Art. 21. To see how much money the town will raise for the Superintendent of Schools.

Art. 22. To see how much money the town will raise for School Supplies and Incidentals.

Art. 23. To see how much money the town will raise for Text-books for Schools.

Art. 24. To see how much money the town will raise for the repair of Schoolhouses.

Art. 25. To choose a member of the School Committee to serve three years.

Art. 26. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the Carver Memorial Library.

Art. 27. To see how much money the town will raise for General Government and incidentals.

Art. 28. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the Poor.

Art. 29. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light at the end of Cottage Street, opposite Miss Walker's cottage at a cost not to exceed \$15.00 per year.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote "Yes" or "No" as to Perley Andrews building a covering over the gas pumps at

his garage, to extend the overhanging structure ten feet toward the road the width of the building.

Art. 31. To see what action the town will take in regard to a resident doctor. And how much, if any, it will raise therefor.

Art. 32. To see how much money the town will raise for the repairs of Highways and Bridges, and how much to allow per hour for labor.

Art. 33. To see if the town will raise \$500.00 for Patrol Maintenance.

Art. 34. To see how much money the town will raise for the repair of Sidewalks.

Art. 35. To see how much money the town will raise to build Cement Sidewalks and where to build them.

Art. 36. To see how much money the town will raise for Winter Breaking and how much to allow per hour for labor.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote "Yes" or "No" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State Aid as provided in Section 19 of Chapter 25 of the Public Laws of 1916.

Art. 38. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$600.00 for the improvement of the section of State Aid Road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of Ways, Highways and Bridges; the above being the maximum amount that the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Section 19 of Chapter 25 of the Public Laws of 1916, or how much.

Art. 39. To see if the town will raise \$50.00 for a Memorial Service.

Art. 40. To see how much the town will raise for the use of Hydrants.

Art. 41. To see if the town will vote to maintain the present hose companies and if so, how much to allow per hour, or year, or both, and how much money it will raise therefor.

Art. 42. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to make temporary loans for current expenses.

Art. 43. To see if the town will take of the Central Maine Power Co. the incandescent electric street lights as located, at a cost not to exceed \$15.00 per light per year, and how much money it will raise therefor.

Art. 44. To see how much money the town will raise to Gravel the Improved Town Roads.

Art. 45. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to pay no bills against the town to persons who owe the town for taxes.

Art. 46. To see if the town will allow discount for taxes and how much it will raise therefor, or charge interest and how much.

Art. 47. To choose a Tax Collector.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session on Thursday the first day of March, 1928, at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters. Given under our hands at Searsport, A. D. 1928.

J. H. DUNCAN,

I. W. VEAZIE,

F. L. PERKINS,

Selectmen of Searsport.

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

VALUATION

Real estate, resident owners,	\$351,755.00
Personal estate, resident owners,	93,010.00
Total valuation of resident owners,	\$444,765.00

Real estate, non-resident owners,	\$317,545.00
Personal estate, non-resident owners,	52,500.00
Total valuation of non-resident owners,	\$370,045.00

Total valuation of the town April 1, 1926,	\$805,535.00
Total valuation of the town April 1, 1927,	814,810.00

Increase in valuation since April 1, 1926,	\$9,275.00
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Number of polls assessed, 288.

Tax on each poll, \$3.00.

Rate of taxation, \$43.00 per \$1,000.00.

PURPOSES FOR WHICH TAXES WERE ASSESSED

Free high school,	\$2,900.00
Common schools,	5,700.00
Superintendent of schools,	700.00
Text books and supplies,	750.00
Repairs on schoolhouses,	1,900.00
Carver Memorial Library,	350.00
General government,	2,000.00
Town poor,	2,200.00

Fire Hose,	300.00
To paint engine house,	65.00
To repair Union Hall,	400.00
Roads and bridges,	3,000.00
Patrol maintenance,	500.00
Special resolve road,	250.00
Sidewalks and repairs,	200.00
Cement sidewalks,	500.00
Winter breaking,	1,500.00
State Aid road,	600.00
Memorial services,	50.00
Hydrants,	2,575.00
Fire company,	300.00
Lights,	690.00
30-30 road,	200.00

Total amount of appropriation for town use, \$27,630.00

Amount assessed to pay state tax,	\$5,287.19
Amount assessed to pay county tax,	2,073.06
Amount assessed to pay overlay,	910.58
Amount assessed as supplementary tax,	75.00
	<u>\$8,345.83</u>

Total tax assessed, \$35,975.83

ASSESSED AS FOLLOWS

Real estate valued at \$669,300.,	\$28,779.90
Personal estate valued at \$145,510.,	6,256.93
Polls,	864.00
Supplementary tax,	75.00
	<u>\$35,975.83</u>

TAX DEEDS

W..D. Smart, tax collector, \$218.31

ABATEMENTS

W. D. Smart, tax collector,

\$116.68

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. DUNCAN, } Assessors
I. W. VEAZIE, } of
F. L. PERKINS, } Searsport, Me.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Due from W. D. Smart, tax collector, taxes of 1926,	\$ 59.07
Due from W. D. Smart, tax collector, taxes of 1927,	1,076.37
Tax deeds of 1927,	218.31
Tax deeds of 1922-26,	1,222.94
Cash in Searsport Savings Bank, to apply on water suit,	791.54
Due from Alice Carr's guardian,	453.30
Due from City of Rockland, for Mrs. Dickey,	88.00
Due from State for burial of soldier's widow,	100.00
Due from State for bounty on porcupines,	31.25
	\$4,040.78
Searsport Nat. Bank, balance due on note,	2,895.12
	\$1,145.66

STATEMENT OF INCOME

Recd. from tax collector,	\$36,172.72
Licenses and permits,	30.00
	\$36,202.72

GRANTS AND GIFTS

State for:	
School fund,	\$3,074.43
Public Library,	34.12

Third-class road,	2,218.36	
30-30 road,	78.90	
State-aid road,	1,014.16	
Tax on bank stock,	789.58	
Dog licenses refunded,	39.33	
Mothers' Aid,	210.00	
Burial of soldier's widow,	100.00	
Capt. D. C. Nichols, for cement walk, Union Street,	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,658.88

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

State for railroad and telephone tax,	\$26.83
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INTEREST

Interest on treasurer's deposits,	\$16.56
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UNION HALL

Rent,	<hr/> \$237.30
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Total, general and department income collected,	\$44,142.29
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LESS

Expended for state tax,	\$5,287.19
Expended for county tax,	2,073.06
Expended for library, rec'd from state,	34.12
	<hr/> \$7,394.37

EXPENDITURES

General government,	\$ 2,720.07
Poor department,	4,544.99
Education,	15,743.83
Highways, bridges, sidewalks, sewers and snow,	10,884.46
Fire department,	698.08
Union Hall,	739.60
Street lights,	690.00
Memorial services,	48.06
Library,	350.00
Water rent,	2,575.00
Mothers' Aid,	420.00
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Total expended for municipal purposes for 1927,	\$39,414.09

SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen's salary,	\$600.00
Treasurer's salary,	150.00
Clerk's salary,	45.00
Tax collector's commission,	690.62
Abatements,	116.68
Tax deeds,	218.31
Police department,	26.18
Vital statistics,	44.25
Unclassified,	829.03
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Total expended for general government,	\$2,720.07

POOR DEPARTMENT

Total for poor,	\$4,544.99
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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Superintendent of schools,	\$ 641.65
Common schools,	9,065.30
High school,	3,112.64
Text books, supplies and incidentals,	905 58
Repairs on schoolhouses,	1,878.46
Truant officer,	2.00
Lights,	138.20

Total expended for education department, \$15,743.83

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

General roads,	\$3,700.17
Maintenance patrol,	390.00
State-aid road,	1,678.66
30-30 improved road,	301.42
Third-class road,	2,274.57
Snow,	1,140.75
Sidewalks,	1,172.39
Sewers,	123.74
Road incidentals,	102.76

Total for highways, sidewalks, etc. \$10,884.46

Fire department,	\$ 698.08
Water,	2,575.00
Street lights,	690.00
Union Hall,	739.60
Memorial services,	48.06
Library,	350.00
Mothers' Aid,	420.00
	<u>\$5,520.74</u>

Total orders drawn during municipal year,
1927, \$39,414.09

EXPENSE FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT

J. H. Duncan, selectman, assessor, etc.,	\$200.00
I. W. Veazie, selectman, assessor, etc.,	200.00
F. L. Perkins, selectman, assessor, etc.,	200.00
C. O. Sawyer, treasurer,	150.00
M. S. Dolliver, town clerk,	45.00
W. D. Smart, tax collector, 1926-27,	690.62
	—————\$1,485.62

ABATEMENTS

W. D. Smart, tax collector,	\$116.68
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TAX DEEDS

W. D. Smart, tax collector,	\$218.31
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VITAL STATISTICS

M. S. Dolliver, vital statistics,	\$19.25
F. A. Small, health officer,	25.00
	————— \$44.25

CONSTABLE AND POLICE

Joseph E. Hanley, watching July 4, 1927,	\$3.06
Charles Nickerson, watching July 4, 1927,	3.06
Delbert Nickerson, watching July 4, 1927,	3.06
Norris Webster, watching July 4, 1927,	3.00
Elmer Webster, watching July 4, 1927,	3.00

Omar Cunningham, watching July 4, 1927,	6.00
Fred A. Small, watching July 4, 1927,	2.00
Harry M. Clements, watching July 4, 1927,	3.00
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	\$26.18

INCIDENTALS

Newell White, supplies,	\$ 1.75
F. E. Whitcomb & Son, supplies,	1.90
Loring, Short & Harmon, valuation book,	11.50
Marshall A. Knoulton, printing budget sheets,	8.50
Burr Printing Co., printing town reports,	158.00
Fred A. Small, care of tramps,	63.00
Ira Veazie, wood for selectmen's office,	6.50
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.,	1.60
Searsport Village Cemetery Association,	5.00
B. F. Colcord, auditor,	10.00
B. F. Colcord, insurance on library,	16.60
Burr Printing Co.,	9.62
Marshall O. Knoulton, printing road bill heads,	10.75
Searsport Nat. Bank, interest on temporary loans,	210.68
W. & L. E. Gurley, gasolene measuring can,	18.79
Fred A. Small, collecting dog taxes,	16.02
Fred A. Small, supplies,	5.12
Wilson N. West, ballot clerk 1926,	3.00
Henry L. Rogers, ballot clerk,	3.00
A. E. Trundy & Son, dump,	25.00
Robert Thompson, labor,	1.50
F. L. Perkins, expenses to assessors' convention,	16.57
C. Sumner Small, repairs town house,	5.00
Fred A. Small, repairs town house,	5.53
Fred A. Small, posting warrants,	2.00
Norman A. Nickerson, repairs on wharf,	11.00
Geo. M. Porter, rent of office,	84.00
J. H. Duncan,	18.26
Harry S. Lord, moderator,	5.00
William M. Parse Estate,	1.75

M. S. Dolliver, postage,	1.39
P. C. Harriman, labor,	4.00
C. O. Sawyer & Co.,	24.49
Searsport National Bank, box rent,	10.00
C. B. Chamberlain, labor,	15.18
F. L. Perkins, supplies,	18.10
F. A. Small, labor,	18.93

\$829.03

Total expended for general government,	\$2,720.07
Appropriation,	2,000.00

Amount overdrawn, \$720.07

POOR DEPARTMENT

F. P. Partridge, board of Sarah Blake,	\$416.05
C. E. Britto, M. D., for Sarah Blake,	16.75
Clement & Adams, supplies for Sarah Blake,	14.35
W. M. Parse Est., supplies for Sarah Blake,	3.25
Maud Savory, board of Sarah Blake,	42.00
F. E. Whitcomb & Son, supplies for Percy Brown,	143.19
J. H. Duncan, furniture for Percy Brown,	11.00
Overseers of Poor, Bath, Me., for Percy Brown,	11.50
Clarabel Mosman, rent for Percy Brown,	28.00
W. M. Parse Est., supplies for Percy Brown,	9.50
Clement & Adams, supplies for Percy Brown,	16.45
E. S. Ames, wood for Percy Brown,	10.00
Isaac E. Wallace, rent for Percy Brown,	20.00
F. E. Whitcomb & Son., supplies for Will McKenzie,	12.89
E. F. Russell, supplies for Will McKenzie,	229.38
F. L. Black, supplies for Will McKenzie,	25.23
Clement & Adams, supplies for Will McKenzie,	21.83
W. M. Parse Est., supplies for Will McKenzie,	21.85
John Soffayer, supplies for Will McKenzie,	20.00
Searsport Drug Co., supplies for Will McKenzie,	17.89
M. F. Parker, supplies for Will McKenzie,	53.56

M. F. Parker, rent for Will McKenzie,	150.00
M. F. Parker, eye glasses for Will McKenzie,	9.00
M. E. Moore, wood for Will McKenzie,	18.00
E. S. Ames, wood for Chas. Merrithew,	36.00
S. C. Pattee, M. D., for Chas. Merrithew,	5.00
Chas. Nickerson, wood for Chas. Merrithew,	6.00
Clement & Adams, rent for Chas. Merrithew,	96.00
Ira W. Veazie, wood for Chas. Merrithew,	24.00
P. L. Gilkey, supplies for Chas. Merrithew,	113.64
F. E. Whitcomb & Son, supplies for Chas. Merrithew,	29.48
F. L. Perkins, supplies for Chas. Merrithew,	24.63
Lydia F. Andrews, board of Geo. Reed,	412.00
John Soffayer, supplies for Geo. Reed,	9.00
W. M. Parse Est., supplies for Geo. Reed,	7.70
G. A. Stevens, M. D., for Geo. Reed,	10.00
Searsport Drug Co., supplies for Geo. Reed,	3.80
F. L. Perkins, supplies for Geo. Reed,	9.59
F. L. Perkins, supplies for Alvin Engstrom,	149.46 ✓
H. P. Griffen, for Alvin Engstrom,	4.00 ✓
F. L. Perkins, supplies for Sidney Moody,	280.12
L. D. Littlefield, fuel for Sidney Moody,	26.00
John Soffayer, supplies for Sidney Moody,	30.00
H. W. Sampson, M. D., for Sears Nickerson,	5.00
Mrs. Walter Curtis, board of Sears Nickerson,	127.14
Mrs. Harold Seekins, board of Sears Nickerson,	75.80
W. M. Parse Est., supplies for Sears Nickerson,	13.70
Lydia F. Andrews, board of Sears Nickerson,	210.00
John Soffayer, supplies for Sears Nickerson,	9.50
F. L. Perkins, supplies for Sears Nickerson,	26.60
M. F. Parker, for Sears Nickerson,	3.45
A. K. P. Smith, M. D., Nickerson collect from A. True Nickerson,	5.00
State of Maine, board of Moody children,	403.34
City of Bangor, for Oscar Reed,	72.00
W. R. Gilkey & Son., Inc.,	31.10
Waldo County Hospital, care of A. Carr,	150.80
F. L. Perkins, supplies for Mrs. Dickey, Rockland,	219.30
H. N. Colcord, for Martin Towers,	79.47

P. J. Good, supplies for Dana Grindle,	5.00
J. G. Hutchins, M. D., for Dana Grindle,	6.00
The Gale Private Hospital, for Dana Grindle,	5.00
J. M. Higgins, supplies for Alonzo Seekins,	4.50
Fred A. Small, Inc.,	6.00
Carl H. Nickerson, for Everett Curtis, Frankfort,	5.00
R. N. Porter, burial of soldiers' widows,	200.00
Eudavilla Foster, for Geo. Hustus,	1.50
Winifred McDonald, R. N., for Geo. Hustus,	28.95
J. H. Duncan, Inc.,	2.39
C. O. Sawyer & Co., Inc.,	18.13
Town of Mount Desert, for Otis Colson,	232.23

\$4,544.99

Amount expended,	\$4,544.99
Appropriation,	2,200.00

Amount overdrawn, \$2,344.99

To be credited to the amount overdrawn on poor:

Due from Alice Carr's guardian,	\$150 80
Due from City of Rockland,	219.30
Due from other towns,	10.00

\$380.80

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Central Maine Power Co., lights,	\$ 12.00
Hervey K. Barnee Co., fire hose,	400.00
John Davis,	1.75
H. F. Partridge, treasurer,	278.83
W. R. Gilkey & Son,	5.50

\$698.08

Appropriation for fire company and hose,	\$600.00
Expended,	698.08

Amount overdrawn, \$98.08

UNION HALL

H. P. Griffen, labor,		\$110.70
Central Maine Power Co., lights and repairs,		30.17
Sidney York, janitor,		39.94
Sidney York, repairs,		42.82
Clements & Adams, supplies,		31.00
O. C. Dean, trucking,		2.80
George S. Sargent, repairs,		41.25
L. D. Crook,		6.00
Harry M. Clements, labor,		1.26
L. D. Littlefield, repairs,		17.31
James Coffin, repairs,		10.00
J. H. Duncan, freight and trucking,		2.00
E. F. Kelley & Sons, repairs,		9.50
C. Sumner Small, repairs,		5.50
G. M. Porter, repairs,		2.70
P. L. Gilkey, repairs,		2.28
Harry Merrithew, repairs,		199.40
Penobscot Coal & Wharf Co., fuel,		8.00
C. N. Swift, repairs,		2.50
C. O. Sawyer & Co., material,		108.47
B. F. Colcord, insurance,		63.00
C. W. Jackson, labor,		3.00

Amount expended,		\$739.60
Appropriation for repairs,	\$400.00	
Amount received from janitor,	237.30	
		<u>\$637.30</u>
Amount overdrawn,		\$102.30

MOTHERS' AID

Mrs. Mertie M. Hamilton,	\$420.00	
Amount received from State,	210.00	
		<u>\$210.00</u>
Amount overdrawn,		\$210.00

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Arthur E. Stantial, flowers,	\$29.56	
Elizabeth Sylvester, evergreen,	4.50	
Lloyd Thompson, evergreen,	4.00	
Searsport Drug Co., flags,	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$48.06
Appropriation,	\$50.00	
Expended,	48.06	
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Amount unexpended,		\$1.94

USE OF HYDRANTS

Searsport Water Co.,	\$2,575.00
Appropriation,	2,575.00

STREET LIGHTS

Central Maine Power Co.,	\$690.00
Appropriation,	690.00

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. DUNCAN,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
I. W. VEAZIE,		<i>of</i>
F. L. PERKINS,		<i>Searsport, Me.</i>

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

DISTRICT NO. 1

J. S. Eaton, labor,	\$ 14.96	
E. A. Colcord, labor,	35.44	
A. P. Colcord, labor,	107.74	
	—————	\$158.14

DISTRICT NO. 2

John R. Ladd, labor,	\$33.39	
Percy Partridge, labor,	10.88	
Harold Partridge, labor,	18.00	
Minard Ellis, gravel,	3.80	
C. A. Bennett, labor,	9.18	
L. C. Eaton, labor,	36.38	
	—————	\$111.63

DISTRICT NO. 3

Omar Cunningham, labor,	\$23.00	
W. H. Ames, labor,	87.50	
Delbert Nickerson, labor,	9.18	
P. C. Andrews, labor,	3.00	
Clifford Seekins, labor,	12.24	
W. S. Downes, labor,	43.04	
Mark Porter, labor,	6.94	
J. F. Eames, labor,	12.90	
Everett Curtis, labor,	6.00	
A. P. Colcord, labor,	1.36	
	—————	\$205.16

DISTRICT NO. 4

Ellsworth Howard, labor,	\$ 3.50
Sidney York, labor,	1.02
Ralph Closson, labor,	8.50
Jack Miner, labor,	3.00
Howe Savory, labor,	5.90
Fred Small, labor,	79.30
Dwight Moody, labor,	27.54
Delbert Nickerson, labor,	80.87
Eudavilla Foster, trucks,	193.00
Chas. U. Curtis, labor,	24.48
Carl Nickerson, labor,	15.00
Omar Cunningham, labor,	26.00
Frank Curtis, labor,	7.15
C. W. Larson, labor,	9.18
Edward Webster, labor,	4.59
C. F. Hill, labor,	18.36
Eugene Ward, labor,	9.18
C. H. Lindsey, gravel,	35.25
L. D. Littlefield, material,	9.73
Leslie Young, labor,	6.12
A. E. Trundy & Son, material,	7.06
C. M. Ward, labor,	2.33
A. J. Card, labor,	3.06
R. N. Porter, labor,	11.67
Harry Wilson, labor,	6.00
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	\$597.79

DISTRICT NO. 5

DISTRICT NO. 6

DISTRICT NO. 7

G. C. Pease, labor,	\$ 13.50
Granville Sargent, labor,	2.55
John Innes, labor,	14.84
Albert M. Parsons, labor,	18 06

Chas. Eames, labor,	106.42	
J. M. Higgins, labor,	4.08	
E. H. Andrews, labor,	10.71	
	<hr/>	\$170.16

DISTRICT NO. 8

J. W. Brock, labor,	\$ 5.00	
Edward Roberts, labor,	57.67	
Tyler Page, labor,	6.46	
Harvey E. Brock, labor,	13.01	
	<hr/>	\$82.14

DISTRICT NO. 9

I. W. Veazie, labor,	\$80.45	
W. H. Ames, hauling gravel,	93.36	
Sumner P. Scribner, labor,	4.00	
Delbert Nickerson, labor,	12.24	
Harold Nickerson, labor,	6.46	
Vernon Nickerson, labor,	9.18	
Augustus Nickerson, labor,	13.77	
E. S. Ames, labor,	58.96	
E. J. Ames, labor,	18.36	
Fred Curtis, labor,	7.14	
Perley Gray,	1.53	
	<hr/>	\$305.45

DISTRICT NO. 10

E. L. Savory, labor,	\$219.61
Myron Curtis, labor,	103.52
Allie Curtis, labor,	3.06
John Myrick, labor,	57.95
Harold Nickerson, labor,	21.08
Maurice Nickerson, labor,	22.95

John Grover, labor,	33.66	
Fred Curtis, labor,	6.12	
Mary J. Nickerson, gravel,	3.00	
W. H. Ames, labor,	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$480.95

DISTRICT NO. 11

E. L. Savory, labor,	\$ 3.00	
Archie Merrithew, labor,	106.10	
Benj. S. Merrithew, labor,	1.40	
Western Curtis, labor,	11.56	
Percy L. Scribner, labor,	36.72	
Chas. A. Nickerson, labor,	42.84	
John Grover, labor,	4.76	
Clif. Seekins, labor,	12.50	
J. H. Littlefield, labor,	45.90	
Fred Curtis, labor,	13.77	
	<hr/>	\$278.55

DISTRICT NO. 12

Allie Curtis, labor,	\$ 28.73	
John C. Grover, labor,	22.61	
Chas. Seekins, Jr., labor,	27.54	
Clifford Seekins, labor,	98.49	
Myron Curtis, labor,	9.18	
Lawrence Kimball, labor,	3.17	
C. L. Kimball, labor,	31.62	
	<hr/>	\$221.34

DISTRICT NO. 13

W. J. Koch, labor 1926,	\$ 3.00
L. H. Dickey, labor,	169.20
Geo. E. Moody, labor,	9.00

Stanley Dickey, labor,	4.08	
O. B. George, labor,	27.54	
James Nickels, labor,	73.61	
W. J. Koch, labor,	9.18	
J. S. Larrabee, labor,	13.95	
Ernest Grant, labor,	9.18	
	<hr/>	\$318.74

DISTRICT NO. 14

Maurice E. Rivers, labor,	\$15.30	
M. C. Ward, labor,	26.52	
G. H. Stevens, labor,	19.38	
F. O. Marden, labor,	48.74	
F. Jarrett, labor,	4.59	
W. L. Carter, labor,	17.38	
E. R. Carter, labor,	12.58	
	<hr/>	\$144.49

DISTRICT NO. 15

O. P. Whitcomb, labor,	\$ 1.87	
Charles Seekins, Jr., labor,	57.29	
	<hr/>	\$59.16

DISTRICT NO. 16

Otis Colson, labor,	\$ 2.97	
E. A. Nickerson, labor,	84.38	
Benj. Collins, labor,	18.87	
Vernon Kenney, labor,	9.18	
Frank Stairs, labor,	29.75	
Oren Seekins, labor,	3.06	
George Barnes, labor,	31.96	

N. S. Clements, labor,	18.36	
E. S. Ames, labor,	12.00	
W. H. Ames, labor,	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$218.53

DISTRICT NO. 17

Oren R. Seekins, labor,	\$27.31	
Vernon Kenney, labor,	21.42	
Philip Mathews, labor,	4.25	
E. E. Clements, labor,	33.49	
G. A. Seekins, labor,	53.73	
N. S. Clements, labor,	69.33	
E. S. Ames, labor,	3.00	
W. H. Ames, labor,	2.00	
Heber Kenney, labor,	36.55	
	<hr/>	\$251.08

DISTRICT NO. 18

DISTRICT NO. 19

Arthur L. Ridley, labor,	\$ 4.42	
F. I. Mortland, labor,	53.55	
S. L. Ridley, labor,	9.46	
Clifford Seekins, labor,	3.06	
C. F. Hill, labor,	6.12	
Harold Moulton, labor,	9.18	
Leslie Closson, labor,	8.67	
Mrs. R. W. Pattershall, gravel,	2.40	
	<hr/>	\$96.86

Total expended by dist. road commissioners, \$3,700.17

HIGHWAY INCIDENTALS

C. M. Conant Co.,	\$ 13.00
Kelley's Express,	.75

J. H. Duncan,	14.25	
Fred A. Small,	28.28	
C. H. Lindsey, watering trough,	5.00	
E. J. Ames, watering trough,	5.00	
Ira W. Veazie,	18.55	
Fred Monroe,	4.50	
C. O. Sawyer & Co.,	3.43	
Carolyn S. Koch, watering trough 1926,	5.00	
W. J. Koch, watering trough 1927,	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$102.76
Appropriation,	\$3,000.00	
Total amount expended,	3,802.93	
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Amount overdrawn,		\$802.93

MAINTENANCE PATROL

Treasurer State of Maine, State highway patrol,	\$390.00	
Appropriation,	500.00	
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Amount unexpended,		\$110.00

SEWERS

Carl Nickerson, labor,	\$11.22	
Everett Curtis, labor,	5.43	
Edwin Brown, labor,	9.18	
Delbert Nickerson, labor,	9.35	
A. E. Trundy & Son, material,	7.00	
Fred Small, labor,	7.65	
Fred Small, labor on cesspool at Nichols School,	13.22	
C. O. Sawyer & Co., material,	18.69	
Ashley Littlefield, rails for cesspoll at Nichols School,	42.00	
	<hr/>	\$123.74
No appropriation		
Amount overdrawn,		\$123.74

STATE AID ROAD

North East Metal Culvert Co., material,	\$301.26
Lloyd Thompson, labor,	68.85
Charles Lloyd, labor,	65.79
Ralph Sargent, labor,	36.72
Raymond Davis, labor,	36.72
Ralph Webster, labor,	56.61
Frank Curtis, labor,	70.38
Allie Curtis, labor,	70.38
W. S. Downes, labor,	134.64
Clifford T. Seekins, labor,	140.76
Leslie Closson, labor,	61.20
Jacob Eames, labor,	119.34
C. F. Hill, labor,	113.22
John Wallace, labor,	24.48
Sidney Moody, labor,	38.25
Ralph Curtis, labor,	19.89
W. R. Gilkey & Son,	120.90
F. I. Mortland, labor,	150.14
Alton Small, cutting bushes,	3.06
Delbert Nickerson, cutting bushes,	10.37
Fred Curtis, labor,	5.44
Perley Gray, cutting bushes,	12.24
Harold Nickerson, cutting bushes,	1.53
Maurice Nickerson, cutting bushes,	6.12
A. P. Colcord, cutting bushes,	5.78
Edwin A. Colcord, cutting bushes,	4.59
	<hr/> \$1,678.66
Appropriation,	\$ 600.00
Received from State,	1,014.16
	<hr/> \$1,614.16
Amount overdrawn,	<hr/> \$64.50

THIRD CLASS HIGHWAY

North East Metal Culvert Co.,	\$134.06	
Florian Moody, labor,	89.08	
Ellsworth Howard, labor,	114.75	
Robert Ridley, labor,	2.04	
Allie Curtis, labor,	98.26	
C. F. Hill, labor,	196.52	
Frank Curtis, labor,	104.38	
Forrest Closson, labor,	75.31	
Harold Moulton, labor,	78.20	
John Wallace, labor,	61.20	
Clifford Seekins, labor,	205.70	
Willis Nickerson, labor,	101.83	
Leslie Closson, labor,	105.91	
J. F. Eames, labor,	85.68	
W. S. Downes, labor,	202.64	
Sidney Moody, labor,	90.61	
Frank Gray, labor,	70.38	
F. I. Mortland, labor,	227.80	
Hall Hardware Co., dynamite,	55.16	
John Grindle, labor,	6.12	
A. E. Trundy & Son, material,	30.60	
Ralph I. Mortland, gravel,	75.50	
Clifton Ward, labor,	42.84	
W. H. Ames, labor,	20.00	
		<hr/> \$2,274.57
Amount expended,	\$2,274.57	
Received from State,	2,218.36	
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Amount overdrawn,		\$56.21

30-30 IMPROVED ROAD

W. H. Ames, truck,	\$54.00
Carl Nickerson, labor,	40.00
Delbert Nickerson, labor,	12.24
Harold E. Nickerson, truck,	40.00

Maurice Nickerson, labor,	1.53	
John Wallace, labor,	12.24	
Dwight Moody, labor,	9.18	
F. O. Marden, truck,	30.00	
A. S. Rivers, labor,	9.18	
Charles U. Curtis, labor,	9.18	
J. H. Duncan,	12.24	
A. M. & V. R. Hogan, gravel,	23.18	
Clifford Seekins, labor,	6.12	
Elmer F. Staples, labor,	9.18	
Fred Curtis, labor,	16.32	
Ira Veazie, labor,	6.12	
E. S. Ames, labor,	6.12	
G. W. Larson, labor,	4.59	
	<hr/>	\$301.42
Appropriation,	\$200.00	
Received from State,	78.90	
	<hr/>	\$278.90
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Amount overdrawn,		\$22.52

SNOW

Chas. O. Seekins, Jr., labor,	\$35.66
P. L. Scribner, labor,	16.00
Maurice Nickerson, labor,	5.86
Myron Curtis, labor,	32.88
L. H. Dickey, labor,	11.83
A. L. Merrithew, labor,	31.77
E. L. Savory, labor,	41.66
Alonzo Seekins, labor,	3.66
I. W. Veazie, labor,	24.49
Oren Seekins, labor,	6.95
Otis Colson, labor,	1.65
E. A. Nickerson, labor,	21.45
James Nickels, labor,	35.97
Sidney York, labor,	1.70
Philip Mathews, labor,	5.33

William George, labor,	20.00
Arthur Ridley, labor,	7.16
E. F. Roberts, labor,	14.93
Kenneth Walker, labor,	1.50
Chas. O. Seekins, labor,	7.00
Stanley Dickey, labor,	18.36
George Closson, labor,	5.44
Lewis Nickerson, labor,	13.43
Clifford Seekins, labor,	21.67
Edwin A. Colcord, labor,	16.83
A. P. Colcord, labor,	24.16
Walter L. Mathews, labor,	14.93
R. C. Gilkey, labor,	2.72
Allie Curtis, labor,	4.00
John Myrick, labor,	8.68
F. L. Gray, labor,	16.76
L. M. Nickerson, labor,	21.50
Geo. Gatchell, labor,	1.02
W. A. Jackson, labor,	5.44
F. O. Marden, labor,	6.67
A. S. Rivers, labor,	1.66
M. E. Rivers, labor,	5.05
G. L. Ford, labor,	7.41
O. P. Whitecomb, labor,	4.00
W. S. Downes, labor,	6.00
E. E. Clements, labor,	12.41
G. A. Seekins, labor,	16.66
P. L. Seekins, labor,	3.74
N. S. Clements, labor,	32.96
Norris Webster, labor,	15.69
Chas. A. Nickerson, labor,	20.62
F. I. Mortland, labor,	19.04
Fred A. Small, labor,	26.25
M. C. Ward, labor,	4.78
S. L. Ridley, labor,	10.14
E. S. Ames, labor,	19.00
E. J. Ames, labor,	17.50
L. D. Littlefield, labor,	305.00

W. H. Ames, labor,	17.67	
G. H. Stevens, labor,	11.56	
Chas. Eames, labor,	17.07	
Percy Partridge, labor,	15.64	
Sumner Small, labor,	6.80	
Fred Curtis, labor,	6.63	
Heber Kenney, labor,	6.73	
C. L. Kimball, labor,	9.68	
R. N. Porter, labor,	12.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,140.75
Appropriation,	\$1,500.00	
Amount expended,	1,140.75	
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Amount unexpended,		\$359.25

SIDEWALKS

Cecil Card, labor,	\$ 6.10	
O. C. Dean, labor,	1.25	
Robert Thompson, labor,	72.25	
S. J. Card, labor,	7.50	
	<hr/>	\$87.10
Appropriation,	\$200.00	
Amount expended,	87.10	
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Amount unexpended,		\$112.90

CEMENT WALKS, WEST MAIN STREET

Omar Cunningham, labor,	\$157.50
Cecil J. Card, labor,	79.44
Sidney York, labor,	42.18
Stanley Card, labor,	55.40
C. O. Sawyer & Co., cement,	179.78
Charles W. Card, labor,	10.50
S. J. Card, labor,	101.65

John Wallace, labor,	1.00	
A. E. Trundy & Son, material,	11.10	
	<hr/>	\$638.55
Amount expended,	\$638.55	
Appropriation,	500.00	
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Amount overdrawn,		\$138.55

CEMENT WALK, UNION STREET

Sidney York, labor,	\$ 17.50	
C. W. Card, labor,	15.33	
A. S. Card, labor,	18.26	
Cecil Card, labor,	38.33	
C. O. Sawyer & Co., cement,	108.60	
Stanley Card, labor,	5.90	
S. J. Card, labor,	34.00	
	<hr/>	\$237.92
No appropriation		
Received from Capt. D. C. Nichols,		100.00
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Amount overdrawn,		\$137.92

CEMENT WALK, EAST MAIN STREET

Sidney York, labor,	\$11.30	
Stanley Card, labor,	24.50	
Chas. W. Card, labor,	4.07	
Cecil J. Card, labor,	45.55	
S. J. Card, labor,	52.50	
C. O. Sawyer & Co., cement,	70.90	
	<hr/>	\$208.82
No appropriation		
Amount overdrawn,		\$208.82

This walk beginning at end of town walk and joining walk presented to the town by Mr. Fred A. Gilbert, 350 feet.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. DUNCAN,	} <i>Road Commissioners</i>
I. W. VEAZIE,	
F. L. PERKINS,	

*of
Searsport, Maine.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the foregoing accounts, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. COLCORD,
Auditor of Town Accounts.

REPORT OF CARVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Searsport:

Herewith is my report as treasurer of the Carver Memorial Library Association for the year ending January 31, 1928.

RECEIPTS

Balance January 31, 1927,	\$ 56.04	
Interest from invested funds,	24.24	
Town appropriation,	,350.00	
Sale of hay on grounds,	2.00	
Membership dues,	38.00	
State allowance for the purchase of books,	34.12	
	\$504.40	
Total receipts,		\$504.40

EXPENDITURES

E. S. Ames, 1 cord of wood,	\$ 12.00	
John Davis, janitor,	120.00	
Central Maine Power Co., light,	23.90	
Elsie H. Gilkey, assistant librarian,	6.00	
Mildred E. Shute, librarian,	104.00	
C. O. Sawyer & Co., supplies,	24.76	
Searsport Coal Co., 5 tons coal,	85.00	
Ira W. Veazie, 1 cord of wood,	12.00	
J. H. Duncan, postage and small items,	2.96	

E. F. Porter, repairs on front door,	2.83
Clement & Adams, books,	50.00
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Total expenditures,	\$461.45
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Balance in hand January 31, 1928,	\$42.95

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. DUNCAN,
Treasurer.

Scarsport, Maine,
January 31, 1928.

REPORT OF FIRE WARD

Number of calls in 1927, 22.
11 chimney fires, small damage.
10 brush and grass fires, no damage.
January 4, 1928, Methodist Church, small damage.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. PARTRIDGE,
Fire Ward.

February 1, 1928.

REPORT OF TREASURER

C. O. SAWYER, Treasurer

RECEIPTS

Searsport National Bank, temporary loans,	\$ 9,500.00
W. D. Smart, collector, taxes 1925,	61.93
W. D. Smart, collector, taxes 1926,	1,196.11
W. D. Smart, collector, taxes 1927,	34,914.68
North East Culvert Co., refund on pipe,	15.37
Silver, Burdett & Co., refund overpayment,	.60
M. S. Dolliver, town clerk, dog licenses 1927,	155.00
City of Rockland, on account Mrs. Dickey,	131.30
Treasurer of State:	
Improved state roads,	1,014.16
On account public library,	34.12
State Aid dependent mothers,	210.00
Highway department,	78.90
Third class highway,	2,218.36
Dog licenses refunded,	39.33
State school fund,	3,074.43
Railroad and telegraph tax,	26.83
State pensions, 1926 and 1927,	330.00
Tax on bank stock,	789.58
Burial expenses of soldier,	100.00
Bangor Investment Co., tax deeds, S. S. Striar	46.50
Hubert Tozier, tax deed, 1925,	37.10
A. J. Dickey, agt., E. Meservey, tax deed, 1925,	28.70
A. J. Dickey, agt., E. Meservey, tax deed, 1926,	28.70
Howe Savory, tax deed,	26.60
The Grigg Pub. Co., refund overpayment,	3.48
E. E. Roderick, refund, Royal Typewriter Co.,	.75
J. H. Duncan, on account Town of Trenton,	53.75
J. H. Duncan, refund on account Martin Towers,	2.25

E. E. Roderick, on text book account,	2.07
D. C. Nichols, on account cement walk,	100.00
Receipts, rent of Union Hall,	237.30
Loessa Curtis, on account driveway,	2.00
C. E. Green, moving picture license,	10.00
Edmon Eno, poolroom license, 1926-27,	20.00
Interest on deposits,	16.56
Town of Frankfort, account E. Curtis,	5.00
Received of True Nickerson,	10.00
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	\$54,521.46
Overdraft,	2,895.12
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	\$57,416.58

DISBURSEMENTS

State pensions of 1927,	\$ 300.00
Searsport National Bank, amount of notes,	9,500.00
Amount overdraft, 1926 account,	621.87
State treasurer, dog licenses 1927,	155.00
County treasurer, county tax 1927,	2,073.06
County treasurer, state tax 1927,	5,287.19
J. H. Duncan, treasurer Library Assn., amount re- ceived from State,	34.12
Bounty on Porcupines,	31.25
Town orders of 1927,	39,414.09
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	\$57,416.58

TRUST FUNDS

Balance interest of 1926,	\$21.69
Received of Henrietta T. Nichols Fund,	70.00
Received of Angie N. Gilmore Fund,	50.00
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	\$141.69
Paid from above amount,	\$97.05
Balance unexpended,	44.64
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	\$141.69

Interest Cyrus True Library Fund,	\$20.24	
Interest Hannah T. Pendleton Fund,	4.04	
	<hr/>	\$24.28
Paid J. H. Duncan, treasurer Library Assn.,		\$24.28

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

As per lists in reports, 1916-26,		\$17,274.92
New Funds:		
Evergreen Cemetery Fd., No. Sears.,	\$350.00	
Samuel Ford Cemetery Fund,	38.98	
Wilfred V. Nichols Cemetery Fund,	200.00	
Wilbur E. Barker Cemetery Fund,	100.00	
Frederick R. Sweetser Cemetery Fund,	100.00	
Andrew S. Pendleton Cemetery Fund,	30.00	
Wm. M. Parse Cemetery Fund,	100.00	
Alfred B. Pendleton Cemetery Fund,	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,218.98
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		\$18,493.90

TAX DEEDS

1922-1926

Less amount paid in 1927, \$167.00,		\$1,222.94
Tax Deeds, 1926:		
Henry Pike Heirs,	\$45.08	
Raymond Howard,	12.10	
E. O. Bailey,	9.30	
T. Norman Whitcomb,	34.10	
H. P. Carver,	73.30	
Dorothy Decrow Heirs,	13.60	
F. A. Nye,	6.08	

Fred Pulos,	9.30
W. H. Goddard,	6.15
F. E. Pierce,	9.30
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	\$218.31
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	\$1,441.25

Respectfully submitted,

C. O. SAWYER,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Amount committed May 19, 1927,		\$35,901.43
Unpaid taxes of 1926,		1,255.18
Unpaid taxes of 1925,		61.93
Supplementary taxes,		75.00
Interest on taxes,		14.62
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Total commitments,		\$37,308.16
Paid to Treasurer:		
For taxes of 1925,	\$	61.93
For taxes of 1926,		1,196.11
For taxes of 1927,		34,914.68
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Total amount paid,		\$36,172.72
Uncollected taxes of 1926,		59.07
Uncollected taxes of 1927,		1,076.37
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UNCOLLECTED TAXES OF 1926

Ernest Murphy,		\$52.77
John Seekins,		2.10
F. E. Pierce,		4.20
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Amount uncollected of 1926 taxes, \$59.07

LIST OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES OF 1927

Marion Andrews,		\$15.09
William Bragdon,		11.60
Stephen Card,		12.90
Maynard Carr,		7.30
Charles Chamberlain,		6.97

Ralph Closson,	3.00
James Coffin,	20.20
Edward Colcord,	3.00
Jonathan Colcord Heirs,	12.90
Harry Collins,	3.00
Western Curtis,	7.30
Clinton Dakin,	3.00
I. M. Frazier,	5.15
Leslie Grindle,	15.90
George Getchell,	11.23
Ernest Grant,	14.68
Raymond Hall,	7.30
Charles Hamilton,	8.38
George Hustus,	32.89
Maud Hammonds,	10.86
Carl Howard,	20.20
Raymond Howard,	3.00
Charles Irvin,	3.00
Warren Jackson,	8.71
Lindley Kneeland,	34.83
S. Carolyn Koch,	58.69
C. L. Kimball,	30.61
Gordon Lloyd,	3.00
Leon Moody,	11.02
George Moody,	3.00
William Merrithew Estate,	31.29
Harold Moulton,	26.00
Lewis Nickerson,	27.94
E. A. Nickerson,	15.30
Osmond Nickerson,	7.30
Elmer D. Nickerson,	7.30
W. C. Pendleton Estate,	23.00
E. C. Pike,	39.24
Tyler Page,	15.14
Albert Parsons,	71.80
W. P. Rich,	20.20
Lewis Rich,	13.75
George Seekins,	15.95

Alonzo Seekins,	3.00
J. W. Smart,	8.60
Harold Stone,	3.00
Harriet Sylvester,	17.20
Raymond Ward,	9.45
Estella Ward,	23.65
W. B. Worcester,	28.80
T. N. Whitcomb,	7.30
Roscoe Arey,	1.08
H. C. Buzzell,	51.60
Remember Donaldson,	3.23
Herbert F. Hunter,	64.50
Thomas Nickerson,	32.25
Colby Nickerson,	5.38
Raymond Aldus,	2.15
Fractional parts uncollected,	112.26
	<hr/> \$1,076.37

Total amount uncollected, 1926 and 1927, \$1,135.44

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. SMART,
Collector.

Searsport, Maine,
February 6, 1928.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and Citizens of Searsport, Maine:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN :

Our school system shows a marked degree of progress during the past year. There has been a splendid spirit of co-operation on the part of the teachers, pupils and citizens. So marked has been this spirit that some of our new teachers coming from other systems have noticed it and remarked about it. Team work can work wonders and it will, for us, if we can continue it.

One specific way in which this co-operation has made itself felt is the way the parents have reacted to the suggestion which was made last year relative to *home study*. Few, if any, realize, unless connected with the school program, how very crowded the school curriculum is. So many things are required by law to be taught, aside from the regular subjects, that great inroads have been cut into the time allotted for the regular school program of a few years ago. This in part has brought about the criticism that our boys and girls are not as well prepared in the 3 R's when they leave the elementary schools as those of former years. There is a measure of truth in the criticism. But, in addition to the above mentioned difficulty, our elementary program has been cut short a full year, and that, coupled with the fact that children are getting through their elementary work much younger than they did ten years or so ago, leads us to a very definite conclusion, and that is, that more time must be found in which to do all that is required to be done in the given time.

Several important changes have taken place in our teaching force this year. At the opening of the present school-year it became necessary to fill two very important vacancies in the high school staff. Miss Lillian G. Runnells, principal of

the school for nearly a score of years and Mr. Arthur Hillman, the assistant, resigned. Both of these teachers did excellent work; the former, a teacher of more than ordinary ability, gave very generously of her time and energy for the success of the school.

We were very fortunate, however, in filling these vacancies. Mr. and Mrs. William Springer, both teachers of training and experience, came to us very highly recommended and they have lived up to their recommendations in every respect. They are serious, hardworking and very conscientious. They are very popular with the student body and have already made a place for themselves in the school life of the community.

Miss Avis Bakeman was employed to teach the Porter School. She had had one year of training in Castine Normal School and is doing excellent work.

Miss Evelyn Ryder, who gave such a good account of her teaching ability last year at the Porter School was transferred to the Nichols at the opening of the present school year.

Miss Evelyn Buswell of Exeter, a teacher of six years of experience, was employed to teach the Mt. Ephraim School. She is doing good work. She is faithful, conscientious and very anxious to bring her school up to a very high standard of efficiency.

Mrs. Ada Harriman Haskell has been teaching the Union Intermediate, Grades Two and Three. She is a graduate of Castine Normal School with some experience. Mrs. Haskell is a superior teacher doing superior work.

The other schools are taught by teachers who have been with us for several years and the quality of their work is too well known to need any comment at this time. On the whole, we are very fortunate in having a staff of able teachers and that is the best reason we can advance for the progress we are making.

I am pleased to be able to report that all of our rural school toilets have been remodelled to meet the state specifications and requirements. They are clean, sanitary, well ventilated,

easy of access and cleaned of the demoralizing effect of obscene markings. This is one of the best pieces of work which we have done for some time.

Extensive repairing must be undertaken in the Union school building. In the first place, the roof of that building is very much in need of attention. During every rain storm it leaks down through, and the result is that great patches of plaster have come down. It has been patched and repatched, on walls and ceiling, and this patching has become a continuous process. I would recommend that steel walls and ceilings be put up to stop this never-ending nuisance and expense. Besides the dirt and inconvenience, there is an element of danger to the teachers and children. When these patches of plaster come down, several square feet at a time, and many pounds in weight, falling from that height, it might seriously injure someone. We cannot afford to overlook this condition much longer.

It would be good business to seriously consider making a flat-roofed building, tearing out the inside of that building, cutting in new windows to let in a sufficient amount of light, re-arrange the rooms, making more of them, and moving back to that building the two schools that are now in Union Hall. It is possible to consolidate our school program in the village, taking in the Nichols and Porter Schools, and eliminate at least one teacher, which alone would mean a saving of from \$600 to \$700 per year. In the long run this would prove to be a sound piece of business both from the standpoint of the academic results we would obtain and the financial gain that this move would bring about. This suggestion, it seems to me, is worthy of your serious consideration.

In closing this report I want to take this opportunity to thank all those who have in any way contributed to the success of the school program during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD E. RODERICK,

Superintendent of Schools.

Searsport, Maine,

February 1, 1928.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Rev. Melvin S. Hutchins, Chairman,	Term expires 1929
Donald Vaughn,	Term expires 1930
Frank I. Mortland,	Term expires 1928

CALENDAR 1927-1928

FALL TERM, 15 WEEKS

Fall Term began,	September 6, 1927
Teachers' County Convention,	September 21, 1927
Teachers' State Convention,	October 27-28, 1927
Thanksgiving Recess,	November 24-25, 1927
Armistice Day,	Nov. 11, 1927
Fall Term closed,	December 16, 1927

WINTER TERM, 12 WEEKS

Winter Term began,	January 2, 1928
Washington's Birthday (holiday),	February 22, 1928
Winter Term ends,	March 23, 1928

SPRING TERM, 9 WEEKS

Spring Term begins,	April 2, 1928
Patriot's Day (holiday),	April 19, 1928
Spring Term ends,	June 1, 1928

GENERAL INFORMATION

No.	School	Grade	Name of Teachers	Salary Per Week
1	Park	Rural	Lillias F. Buck	\$18.00
2	Nichols	1-5	Evelyn Ryder	17.00
3	Union Hall Int.	5 and 6	Agnes Gilkey	21.00
4	Union Hall Primary	1 and 2	Faustina Harding	21.00
5	Junior High	7-8-9	Vernon Haslam	22.00
6	Union Intermediate	3 and 4	Ada Harriman Haskell	18.00
7	Porter	Rural	Avis Bakeman	15.00
8	Mt. Ephraim	Rural	M. Evelyn Buswell	17.00
9	North Searsport	Rural	Nellie Marden	16.00
10	High	Principal	William Springer	41.66
11	High	Assistant	Doris Springer	25.00
12	High	Assistant	Henrietta McCaslin	21.00

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Year Ending July 1, 1927

1. Attendance and registration: (a) Number of different pupils registered in Common Schools from July 1, 1926, to July 1, 1927—Girls, 138; Boys, 127; Total, 265. (b) Number of different pupils registered in High School from July 1, 1926, to July 1, 1927—Girls, 38; Boys, 18; Total, 56.
2. Number conveyed at expense of town: 23.
3. Number of weeks schools were maintained by terms: Fall Term, 15; Winter Term, 12; Spring Term, 9; Total, 36.
4. Number who completed the last year of the Elementary Schools: Girls, 13; Boys, 14; Total, 27.
5. Grades in Elementary System and High School System: Elementary Grades, 6; Junior High, 3; Senior High, 3.
6. Aggregate attendance of all pupils in grades: 36,004.5 days.
7. Aggregate attendance of all pupils in high school: 8,744 days.
8. Average length in days of school year: 177.5 days.
9. Number graduating from Senior High School in June: Boys, 4; Girls, 4; Total, 8.
10. Enrollment by Classes: Freshmen, 19; Sophomores, 11; Juniors, 16; Seniors, 9; Total, 55.
11. Enrollment by Courses: College Preparatory—Girls, 4; Boys, 0; Total, 4 Commercial—Girls, 32; Boys, 17; Total, 49. Special—Girls, 2; Boys, 0; Total, 2.
12. Number of high and elementary pupils given the eye and ear test: 247. (a) Number found defective in hearing, 3; (b) Number found defective in sight, 12.

ITEMIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

General School Purposes and High School Accounts

TEACHERS' SALARIES, COMMON SCHOOLS

No.		
1	Vernon Haslam, Prin., Junior High School,	\$814.00
2	Eva Dow, teaching grades 3-4 Union bldg.,	340.00
3	Agnes Gilkey, teaching grades 5-6 Union Hall,	777.00
4	Faustina Harding, teaching gr. 1-2 Union Hall,	777.00
5	Laura McFarlane, teaching Nichols School,	113.20
6	Eldora DeMerritt, teaching Nichols School,	23.80
7	Lillias F. Buck, teaching Park School,	666.00
8	Evelyn Ryder, teaching Nichols and Porter Schools,	589.00
9	Beatrice Tarbell, teaching Mt. Ephraim School,	187.00
10	Nellie Marden, teaching No. Searsport School,	541.00
11	Catharine McCarthy, teaching Nichols School,	208.80
12	Eloise Frances Webber, teaching Mt. Ephraim School,	153.00
13	Ada Harriman Haskell, teaching grades 3-4,	302.40
14	Avis Bakeman, teaching Porter School,	255.00
15	M. Evelyn Buswell, teaching Mt. Ephraim Sch.,	289.00
16	Ethel Nichols, substituting,	3.60
		\$6,039.80

TEACHERS' SALARIES, HIGH SCHOOLS

No.		
1	Lillian G. Runnells, Principal High School,	\$666.65
2	Arthur S. Hillman, assisting in High School,	555.60

3	Henrietta McCaslin, assisting in High School,	757.00
4	William Springer, Principal High School,	708.39
5	Doris Springer, assisting in High School,	425.00
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		\$3,112.64

FUEL ACCOUNT

No.		
1	Penobscot Coal & Wharf Co., coal for schools,	\$312.00
2	Willis Nickerson, fitting wood for schools,	42.00
3	C. F. Hill, trucking fuel,	6.00
4	Vernon Haslam, housing fuel,	8.00
5	Archie Merrithew, fuel for Mt. Ephraim School,	90.00
6	O. C. Dean, trucking coal,	67.50
7	F. I. Mortland, fuel for schools,	96.00
8	John Frame, Jr., housing fuel at Nichols,	4.00
9	L. C. Eaton, fuel for Park,	56.00
10	Robert Thompson, trucking fuel,	21.00
11	E. S. Ames, wood for Porter,	24.00
12	F. O. Marden, wood for No. Searsport School,	62.00
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		\$788.50

TRANSPORTATION

No.		
1	Will George, Mt. Ephraim Route,	\$200.00
2	Miles Towers, Back Road Route,	537.00
3	Fred Thistle, Searsport Avenue,	332.50
4	William Koch, Mt. Ephraim Route,	90.00
5	Eugene Nickerson, Mt. Ephraim,	45.00
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		\$1,204.50

JANITORS' ACCOUNT

No.		
1	Willis Nickerson, Union Hall School,	\$ 59.00
2	Eva Whitcomb, No. Searsport School,	31.50
3	Ada Bailey, Mt. Ephraim School,	54.00
4	Mildred Curtis, Porter School,	31.50
5	Eldora DeMerritt, Nichols School,	7.50
6	Harvard Bowdoin, Park School,	31.50
7	Willard Dakin, Nichols School,	46.50
8	Charlotte Curtis, Porter School,	22.50
9	Nellie Marden, No. Searsport School,	21.00
10	James Colcord, Park School,	22.50
11	Fred Small, attendance,	1.00
12	Vernon Haslam, Union Hall and Union Schools,	572.00
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		\$900.50

PUPIL'S BOARD

No.		
1	Mary Nichols, board of Arthur Ridley's child,	\$25.00
2	Etta Nickerson, board of Arthur Ridley's child,	50.00
3	Ivory Frazier, board of Arthur Ridley's child,	25.00
4	Mrs. Lester Conary, board of A. Ridley's child,	33.00
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		\$133.00

REPAIRS AND INSURANCE

No.		
1	Vernon Haslam, repairs on school buildings,	\$ 36.07
2	A. M. Parks, carpentering,	7.00
3	Starkey & Toner, Inc., supplies,	21.24
4	Ralph Closson, labor,	1.50
5	W. R. Gilkey & Son, trucking, etc.,	17.00
6	O. C. Dean, trucking,	1.00
7	Clifford Jackson, labor on toilets and repairs,	189.00
8	Eaudauville Foster, cleaning bldgs.,	8.00
9	Harry Clements, contracts on Park and No. Searsport School toilets,	590.00

10	John Davis, painting Nichols School,	24.00
11	Hiram Russell, painting,	10.00
12	John Littlefield, contract on Mt. Ephraim School toilets and repairs,	262.70
13	Matthews Bros., lumber and mill work,	19.30
14	F. L. Gray, cleaning buildings,	72.00
15	Cooper & Co., lumber,	116.69
16	Central Maine Power Co., lights and repairs,	153.28
17	Correct Posture Seating Co., chairs-desks.	40.00
18	C. O. Sawyer Co., hardware,	120.78
19	H. P. Griffin, plumbing,	129.01
20	A. E. Trundy, lumber,	1.00
21	L. M. Glover, supplies,	4.14
22	A. L. Mosman, labor on repairs,	5.50
23	B. F. Colcord, insurance on school buildings,	182.45
24	F. O. Marden, banking No. Searsport building,	5.00
		\$2,016.66

FREE TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

No.		
1	J. L. Hammett & Co., school supplies,	\$120.15
2	E. E. Babb & Co., school supplies,	99.02
3	F. E. Whitcomb, cleaning powder,	.50
4	E. E. Roderick, office supplies, postage, ex- press, etc.,	18.37
5	American Book Co., books,	107.92
6	Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, supplies,	25.75
7	Houghton, Mifflin Co., books,	4.05
8	John C. Winston Co., books,	59.70
9	L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., chemicals, etc.,	23.50
10	City Job Print, printing,	8.70
11	Silver, Burdett & Co., books,	120.82
12	Masury-Young Co., janitors' supplies,	3.62
13	Scott, Foresman & Co., books,	21.25
14	Ginn & Co., books,	80.44
15	D. C. Heath & Co., books,	19.33

16	Chas. E. Merrill & Co., books,	13.38
17	Rand & McNally, books,	33.36
18	Howard & Brown, diplomas,	7.68
19	Royal Typewriter Co., ribbon,	.75
20	Donald Clark, furniture,	6.00
21	Benjamin Sanborn Co., books,	3.49
22	The Macmillan Co., books,	26.74
23	Little, Brown & Co., books,	9.89
24	Allyn, Bacon & Co., books,	11.54
25	A. N. Palmer Co., penmanship books,	4.80
26	World Books Co., books,	34.90
27	Henry Dubois Co., typewriter ribbons,	9.00
28	Gregg Publishing Co., books,	16.88
29	Iriquois Publishing Co., books,	1.78
30	Wilbur Gilpatric, papers,	10.12
31	Southwestern Publishing Co., books,	2.15
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		\$905.58

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

GENERAL SCHOOL PURPOSES

RESOURCES

Appropriation, March, 1927,	\$5,700.00
Balance March 1, 1927,	674.32
From State School Fund,	2,385.98
	<hr/> \$8,760.30

EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries,	\$6,039.80
Fuel,	632.50
Janitors,	700.50
Transportation,	1,204.50
Pupil's board,	133.00
Balance March 1, 1928,	50.00
	<hr/> \$8,760.30

HIGH SCHOOL

RESOURCES

Appropriation, March, 1927,	\$2,900.00
Balance March 1, 1927,	46.37
From State School Fund,	565.27
	—————\$3,511.64

EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries,	\$3,112.64
Janitor,	200.00
Fuel,	156.00
Balance March 1, 1928,	43.00
	—————\$3,511.64

FREE TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

RESOURCES

Appropriation, March, 1927,	\$750.00
The Gregg Pub. Co., refund,	3.48
The Royal Typewriter Co., refund,	.75
Silver, Burdett & Co., refund,	.60
Balance March 1, 1927,	76.97
F. L. Perkins, for textbooks,	2.07
From State School Fund,	123.18
	————— \$957.05

EXPENDITURES

Books, supplies and incidentals,	\$905.58
Balance March 1, 1928,	51.47
	————— \$957.05

REPAIRS, INSURANCE AND TOILETS

RESOURCES

Appropriation, March, 1927,	\$1,900.00
Overdraft, March 1, 1928,	116.66
	<hr/> \$2,016.66

EXPENDITURES

Insurance, repairs and new toilets as per itemized statement,	\$2,016.66
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SUPERINTENDENCY

RESOURCES

Appropriation, March, 1927,	\$700.00
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EXPENDITURES

For professional services,	\$641.65
Balance on hand, March 1, 1928,	58.35
	<hr/> \$700.00

RECAPITULATION

	Balance	Overdraft	Balance Overall
General School Purposes,	\$50.00		
Free Text Books and Supplies, High School,	51.47		
	43.00		
Repairs, Insurance and Toilets,		\$116.66	
	<hr/> \$144.47	\$116.66	\$27.81

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

*To Mr. E. E. Roderick, Superintendent of Schools, the
School Committee, and the Citizens of Searsport:*

I respectfully submit my first report of the high school for your consideration. Fifty-nine pupils are enrolled in the senior section and forty-three in the junior. The main room will accommodate only thirty-nine and the remainder are seated in the Commercial room. Because of these cramped conditions, the teachers are obliged to conduct classes in the presence of those studying.

It is pleasing to report that the typewriters have been moved to the commercial room where the pupils may enjoy the benefits of better heating, lighting, and ventilation. This could be much further improved by a partition, setting off this space for a permanent typewriting room. The Commercial room is further handicapped by scarcity of adequate seats. Under the present conditions with stationary desks, two pupils must sit in the same seat. This makes discipline doubly difficult and could be easily remedied by a sufficient number of desk chairs.

Mrs. McCaslin has had very good success with her department in spite of these adverse conditions. Misses Beryle E. Thompson, Ruth M. Hendrick, and M. Evarista Tower have been awarded certificates of Proficiency in Typewriting.

The prizes which were given last year by the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Angell to the pupils obtaining the highest average in the commercial course were won by R. Lloyd Thompson and Beryle E. Thompson.

The combination recitation room and laboratory on the third floor is in poor condition. There has hardly been a day this school year when the room has been fit for occupancy. The room has only a thin sheathing for a partition and this has become warped and twisted so that numerous vents and cracks afford unlimited chances for draft. These conditions make it impossible to heat adequately. The roof is another factor that needs immediate attention. During the several storms, snow has blown in on the ceiling of the laboratory to such an extent, that on melting, it dripped through the laboratory ceiling and floor and loosened the ceiling in the main room. Already large portions of the plaster have fallen directly over the teacher's and pupils' desks. I would suggest that the building be used for the Senior and Junior High School exclusively. This would eliminate the need of sending classes up a narrow flight of stairs to the third floor for recitation.

In spite of these conditions the school has made satisfactory progress. In general, both the boys and girls have shown a marked interest in their work. The senior class has fifteen members and from that number, Alice Trundy, Melvina Hutchins, Madelyn Lord, and Carl Sawyer have made known their intentions of attending college.

The boys have done remarkably well in basketball. Athletics should be supported and encouraged more by the town people, as the pupils know they cannot participate in any school activity unless their scholastic standing warrants such. This acts as an incentive and creates more interest in the school.

I wish to thank the town people for their many acts of consideration and especially Mr. Roderick and the School Committee for their fine spirit of co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. SPRINGER,
Principal.