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Annual Reports

OF THE

Town Officers

OF THE

TOWN OF BINGHAM

FOR THE

Year Ending February 17, 1920

Press of
The Independent-Reporter Company
Skowhegan, Maine

Town Officers---1919-1920

Town Clerk:
W. B. GOODRICH

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

S. A. SMITH

HENRY COOLEY

A. B. CARL

Tax Collector
C. W. DUTTON

Treasurer
E. W. MOORE

School Committee
C. W. DUTTON
GEORGE NOTTAGE
W. E. ROBINSON

Board of Health
S. J. WHITNEY
A. B. CARL
W. E. ROBINSON

Constables
ELWIN ROBINSON
W. J. CARL
C. W. DUTTON
GEORGE NOTTAGE

Road Commissioner
N. B. TAYLOR

Superintendent of Schools
MRS. L. A. BRADBURY

Public Weigher
PEARL A. WOODARD

Report of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

To the Citizens of Bingham:

We herewith submit our annual report of the Financial standing of the town for the year ending February 17, 1920.

VALUATION APRIL 1, 1919

Real estate, resident, land	\$123,675.00
Real estate, resident, buildings	271,025.00
	—————\$395,700.00
Real estate, non-resident, land	\$60,010.00
Real estate, non-resident buildings	70,500.00
	—————\$130,510.00
	—————
Total real estate	\$526,210.00
<i>Personal</i> Total estate, resident	\$141,215.00
Personal estate, non-resident	46,200.00
	—————
Total personal estate	\$187,415.00
	—————
Total valuation	\$713,625.00

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1919

For highways and culverts	\$3000.00
bridges	1500.00
breaking snow	650.00
cutting bushes	300.00
State aid road	533.00
Overdraft on highways, 1918	572.93
Overdraft on bridges, 1918	394.91
Common schools	3000.00
Text books	200.00
Free High School	2000.00

Repairs on schoolhouses and school supplies	500.00	
Support of the poor	500.00	
Street lights	450.00	
Police and night watch	730.00	
Miscellaneous expenses including in- terest on town debt	3000.00	
Care of cemeteries	150.00	
Hydrant rental	1200.00	
Fire department	200.00	
Memorial Day	25.00	
Repairs on sidewalks	500.00	
Overlay	371.79	
State tax	5807.42	
County tax	1083.45	
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Total amount of assessments		\$26,668.50

RATE OF TAXATION \$36.00 per \$1000.00

Tax on valuation of \$713,625.00	\$25,690.50	
Tax on 326 polls at \$3.00 each	978.00	
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		\$26,668.50
Supplemental assessment	\$21.60	\$21.60
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Total commitment		\$26,690.10

HIGHWAYS

Amount raised	\$3000.00	
Received from State, State Patrol road.....	291.00	
		\$3291.00

Amount expended:

1919—Orders drawn

No. of Order

3	Bingham Lumber Co.	\$12.32
61	The Good Roads Co.	4.50
99	Traffic Sign & Signal Co.	24.00
104	A. B. Carl, State patrol road	196.00
115	C. M. Conant Company	11.10
118	George Burton	26.25
119	Merton Taylor	42.00
120	Fred Hodgdon	42.00
121	Arlie Whitney	52.50
122	Arlie Whitney	3.50
123	Zenas Fletcher	36.56
124	George Pierce	7.00
125	Charles Hilton	12.25
126	Otho Whitney	33.25
127	Arthur Clark	54.25
128	Carroll Taylor	28.00
129	Arlie Whitney	57.75
130	Otho Whitney	38.50
131	Wilber Flanders	21.00
132	Will Thompson	1.50
133	William Durrell	3.50
134	George Burton	35.00
135	Charles Hilton	12.25
137	Thomas Whitney	10.50
138	Otho Whitney	14.00
139	Charles Hilton	26.25
194	Frank Savage	33.25
195	Frank Savage	12.00
196	Albert Gehrke	29.80
197	Evan Hall	3.75
199	John Redmond	7.00
203	Taylor Brothers	625.40

204	Taylor Brothers	87.50
209	John Green	3.00
211	Thomas Whitney	15.00
217	W. J. Kiger	15.00
218	Arlie Whitney	7.00
219	Arlie Whitney	7.00
220	Otho Whitney	3.50
222	W. S. Steward70
224	Oscar Miller	8.75
227	Stanley Parlin	6.00
228	Thomas Whitney	26.25
257	A. B. Carl, State patrol	241.00
275	Maine Central Ry.	1.69
304	W. J. Kiger	9.75
413	Pat Cassidy	1.80
414	Walter Eames	1.75
415	Coney Robinson	2.65
420	Robert Thompson	63.00
421	E. E. Folsom	10.11
424	George Nottage	10.93
428	Fred Smith	15.00
430	John Mogle	7.00
432	A. P. Murray	10.46
433	Arthur Flanders	5.00
434	Arthur Clark	17.50
436	Ralph Padham	3.50
440	H. B. Whipple	2.70
445	Andrews & Andrews	1.75
447	Robert Thompson	3.50
448	Taylor Bros. & Hill	3.50
449	E. D. Curtis	12.25
450	Taylor Brothers	28.00
451	N. B. Taylor	214.50
452	Joe Hunnewell	5.25
494	Coney Grant	5.25
495	George Gilman	43.75
496	George Gilman	17.50
522	S. J. Whitney	33.34
529	Randall McQuilkin	10.50
534	Granville Goodrich	5.00
540	Arno Padham	3.00

541	Charles B. Gilman	8.40	
545	Selden Buzzell	20.00	
547	Preble & Robinson80	
548	Hugh Hammon	10.00	
575	Treasurer of State, State Patrol fund..	480.00	
581	A. B. Carl	11.75	
412	C. W. Dutton	33.50	
458	N. B. Taylor, State patrol	22.50	
140	Charles Hilton	12.25	
205	Taylor Brothers	56.00	
207	Alston Robinson	1.75	
198	Cecil Libby	3.50	
225	George Burton	3.50	
229	Otho Whitney	12.25	
126	Otho Whitney, State patrol	1.75	
125	Charles Hilton	12.25	
592	John Cassidy	7.00	
595	Frank Savage	6.50	
549	John Cassidy, lumber	25.00	
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			\$3216.26
	Unexpended		74.74
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			\$3291.00

BRIDGE ACCOUNT

Amount raised	\$1500.00	
Due from town of Concord for repairs on Bingham and Concord bridge	189.66	
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		\$1689.66

Amount expended:

Orders Drawn		
No. of Order		
130	Otho Whitney	\$ 3.50
139	Otho Whitney	7.00
193	Oma Frith	1.75
201	Alfred Miller	17.50
203	Gilbert Miller	1.75
205	Taylor Brothers	61.25

219	Arlie Whitney	28.00
221	Otho Whitney	3.50
223	Oscar Miller	21.00
225	Merton Taylor	10.50
230	Howard Moore	3.25
315	Coney Robinson, lumber	35.52
420	Robert Thompson	33.25
422	Albert Gehrke	12.00
424	George Nottage	3.50
425	Alfred Miller	1.75
429	David Bean	5.00
445	Andrews & Andrews, plank	83.68
446	Peter Farley	3.50
451	N. B. Taylor	25.00
456	Albert Gehrke	1.75
457	Henry Sands, board of painters	10.00
459	N. B. Taylor	62.50
461	A. Fowler & Son, paint and painting..	69.45
441	Fred Smith, express on plank	3.24
592	John Cassidy	3.00
597	Solon Lumber Co., plank, Bingham and Concord bridge	11.88
426	E. E. Folsom, supplies	10.81
448	Taylor Bros. & Hill, trucking on painters outfit	21.60
457	Henry Sands, board of painters	90.72
460	A. Fowler & Son, labor and paint	623.15
522	S. J. Whitney, paint	143.55
423	Bingham Lumber Co., plank	187.77
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		\$1601.62
	Unexpended	88.04
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		\$1689.66

SNOW ROADS

Amount raised	\$650.00	
Unexpended last year	309.05	
		\$959.05

Amount expended:

Orders Drawn

No. of Order

17	John Mogle	\$9.30
18	Arno Padham	4.80
20	C. W. Dutton	99.00
141	Robert Davis	21.00
142	Pat Cassidy	8.30
216	W. J. Kiger	27.75
304	W. J. Kiger, damage to field	5.00
416	Ethel Burwick, damage to field, 1918-1919	10.00
427	A. C. McClintick	13.50
433	Arthur Flanders	12.00
434	Arthur Clark	14.00
417	Melphem Horn	10.50
494	Coney Grant	19.80
498	George Gilman	10.50
519	A. P. Murray	21.00
529	Randall McQuilkin	34.65
530	Charles B. Gilman	23.00
531	Robert Davis	16.80
534	Granville Goodrich	5.00
535	Joseph Hunnewell	12.25
541	Charles B. Gilman	9.10
542	Geo. Burtin	7.00
543	Arthur Clark	31.50
544	Ollan Robinson	29.50
545	C. W. Dutton	14.00
550	Arthur Flanders	21.00
571	Geo. Nottage	14.80
572	Henry Cooley	3.00
576	Arthur Flanders	3.20
577	Arno Padham	26.50
578	Albert Gehrke	26.25
579	Robert Davis	5.27

580	John Mogle	21.00	
582	A. B. Carl	10.40	
583	John Redmond	10.50	
445	Selden Buzzell	13.90	
486	Edgar McClintick	13.80	
590	Frank Curtis	4.80	
592	John Casidy	9.34	
594	Frank Savage	31.50	
595	John Greene	3.00	
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			\$687.51
	Unexpended		271.54
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			\$959.05

CUTTING BUSHES

Amount raised	\$300.00
Unexpended last year	336.85
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Amount expended	\$636.85
Orders drawn	
No. of Orders	
118 Geo. Burtin	\$1.75
122 Arlie Whitney	3.50
129 Arlie Whitney	3.50
133 William Durrell	15.00
136 William Durrell	14.00
139 Otho Whitney	3.50
193 Omar Frith	1.75
195 Frank Savage	3.50
197 Evan Hall	6.25
218 Arlie Whitney	3.00
226 Mertin Taylor	9.00
287 Fred Hodgdon	10.50
304 W. J. Kiger	30.00
408 Mertin Taylor	35.00
409 Geo. Burton	35.00
410 George Burton	35.00
411 George Burton	31.50
417 Melphene Horn	10.00

418	Ed McClintick	19.25	
425	Alfred Miller	19.25	
430	John Mogle	17.50	
431	George Burton	38.50	
437	George Burton	29.75	
438	Fred Hodgdon	19.25	
439	Fred Hodgdon	8.75	
442	Fred Hodgdon	14.00	
443	George Burton	54.25	
444	Fred Hodgdon	10.50	
447	Robert Thompson	38.50	
453	Fred Hodgdon	15.75	
454	Merton Taylor	38.50	
455	George Burton	12.25	
456	Albert Gehrke	10.50	
461	Fred Hodgdon	17.50	
525	Randall McQuilkin	40.00	
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			\$655.75
	Overdrawn		\$18.90
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			\$636.85

SIDEWALKS

Amount raised	\$500.00	
Received from other sources	155.02	
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		\$655.02

Amount expended:

Orders Drawn

No. of Order

98	The Barrett Co.	\$289.84
197	The Barrett Co.	9.31
200	Evan Hall	1.25
206	Otho Whitney	3.50
205	Taylor Brothers	21.50
208	Arlie Whitney	3.50
209	Enoch Osgood	36.00
212	Leonard Hamilton	31.50
213	Earl Hamilton	35.00
214	Frank Gleason	28.00

215	Gilbert Miller	22.75	
219	Arlie Whitney	21.00	
220	Otho Whitney	10.50	
229	Otho Whitney	12.50	
258	Maine Central Ry.	48.75	
274	Maine Central Ry.	2.73	
412	C. W. Dutton	8.25	
419	Robert Thompson	1.75	
426	E. E. Folsom	14.40	
464	N. B. Taylor	49.00	
547	Preble & Robinson80	
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			\$651.83
	Unexpended		3.19
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			\$655.02

Over Expenditure
STATE AID ROAD ACCOUNT

Appropriated by town, Sect. 18	\$533.00	
Appropriated by town, Sect. 21		
Apportioned by State, Sect. 20	708.89	
Apportioned by State, Sect. 21		
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Balance, joint fund		\$1241.89
Expended by State	\$28.21	
Expended by town	2110.60	
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Cost of road		\$2138.81
Town account	\$2110.60	
Town appropriation	533.00	
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Excess of appropriation		\$1577.60
Total State apportionment	\$708.89	
Cost of inspection and engineering	28.21	
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Available from State		\$680.68

Overexpended \$896.92 to be applied on 1920 work

SUPPORT OF THE POOR

Amount raised	\$500.00	
Unexpended last year	471.00	
Received from town of Brunswick for support of Henry E. Fournier's family....	230.68	
Due from Caratunk for support of Frank Washburn's family	195.42	
	<hr/>	\$1397.10

Amount expended:

Henry E. Fournier's family	\$230.68	
Dennis Knights	15.00	
Nelson E. Knights	75.09	
David Gilman	320.00	
Herbert Gilman	292.60	
Cash paid for legal services in Herbert Gilman case	32.50	
Frank Washburn's family	195.42	
	<hr/>	\$1161.29

Unexpended		\$235.81
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STATE PAUPER ACCOUNT

Ellen Wintle	\$329.96	
Joseph L. Handy	167.38	
John O'Brine	77.66	
John Gilbert	20.17	
Eleanor Hunt	53.00	
	<hr/>	\$648.17
Received from State		\$498.12
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Due from State		\$150.05

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Amount raised	\$200.00	
Unexpended last year	206.91	
Cash returned	6.80	
		\$413.71

Amount expended:

Orders Drawn

No. of Order

3	Central Maine Power Co.	\$.65	
58	John Hughes	2.00	
59	John Hardy	2.00	
59	Bingham Fire Dept.	33.25	
94	John P. Hardy	1.35	
105	Jack McCollor	4.50	
106	John Hughes, inspecting chimneys	20.00	
116	Bingham Fire Dept.	19.20	
144	Central Maine Power Co.	2.50	
152	Central Maine Power Co.	3.60	
196	Central Maine Power Co.	3.75	
230	Howard Moore	2.50	
276	Central Maine Power Co.65	
278	Central Maine Power Co.	1.80	
291	Bingham Fire Dept.	3.72	
303	John P. Hardy	5.65	
310	Central Maine Power Co.	2.66	
472	Bingham Fire Dept.	23.60	
476	Central Maine Power Co.	4.90	
487	C. W. Dutton	5.50	
517	S. J. Whitney	7.01	
559	Bingham Fire Dept.	58.00	
563	E. E. Andrews	1.60	
564	Jack McCollor	1.60	
565	Howard Moore	1.60	
			\$213.59
	Unexpended		\$200.12
			\$413.71

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Amount raised	\$730.00	
Unexpended last year	119.25	
		<u>\$849.25</u>
Amount expended:		
Orders Drawn		
E. C. Robinson, police and night watchman	\$732.00	
Extra police	25.50	
		<u>\$757.50</u>
Unexpended		91.75
		<u>\$849.25</u>

STREET LIGHTS

Amount raised	\$450.00	
Unexpended last year	21.43	
		<u>\$471.43</u>
Amount expended:		
Orders drawn, Central Maine Power Co.....	\$488.08	
Overdrawn	16.65	
		<u>\$471.43</u>

HYDRANT RENTAL

Amount raised	\$1200.00	
Unexpended last year50	
		<u>\$1200.50</u>
Amount expended:		
Orders drawn, Bingham Water Dist.	\$1203.00	
Overdrawn	2.50	
		<u>\$1200.50</u>

COMMON SCHOOLS

Amount raised	\$3000.00	
School fund and mill tax	858.10	
Common school fund	1234.31	
Tuition	38.00	
Interest on school fund note	63.00	
		<u>\$5193.41</u>

Amount expended:

Teachers' wages including board	\$4208.99	
Conveyance of pupils	373.50	
Janitor service	420.00	
Paid for fuel	575.00	
Overdrawn last year	244.04	
		<u>\$5821.53</u>
Overdrawn		\$628.12
		<u>\$5193.41</u>

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES

Amount raised	\$500.00	
Unexpended last year	283.06	
Received from State High School, chemical apparatus	150.00	
		<u>\$933.06</u>
Amount expended	\$654.24	
Unexpended	278.82	
		<u>\$933.06</u>

TEXT BOOKS

Amount raised	\$200.00	
Unexpended last year	163.39	
		<u>\$363.39</u>
Amount expended	\$260.20	
Unexpended	103.19	
		<u>\$363.39</u>

FREE HIGH SCHOOL

Amount raised	\$2000.00	
Received from State	500.00	
Tuition	63.00	
Unexpended last year	220.45	
Received from State, extra fund	200.00	
		<u>\$2983.45</u>

Amount expended:

Teachers wages including board	\$2213.11	
Paid for fuel	664.05	
Paid for janitor services	210.00	
		<u>\$3087.16</u>
Overdrawn		\$103.71
		<u>\$2983.45</u>

MEMORIAL DAY APPROPRIATION

Amount raised	\$25.00	
Unexpended last year	25.00	
		<u>\$50.00</u>
Amount expended	\$33.00	
Unexpended	17.00	
		<u>\$50.00</u>

CARE OF CEMETERIES

Amount raised	\$150.00	
Unexpended last year	40.00	
		<u>\$190.00</u>
Amount expended	\$150.00	
Unexpended	40.00	
		<u>\$190.00</u>

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES INCLUDING INTEREST ON
TOWN DEBT

Amount raised	\$3000.00	
Unexpended last year	125.48	
		\$3125.48

Amount expended:

Orders Drawn

No. of Order

1	Skowhegan Trust Co., interest	\$99.05
4	E. C. Robinson	6.20
11	Kennebec Hall Co., use of hall	10.00
12	Clarrisa J. Andrews, interest	16.00
21	C. W. Dutton	5.00
23	R. C. Brown, returning births and deaths	13.00
26	Loring, Short & Harmon, town supplies	14.75
27	Josie Small, interest	12.00
29	Loring, Short & Harmon, town order book	10.00
43	Mrs. L. A. Bradbury, Supt. Schools....	25.00
53	Mark Savage & Co.	16.30
57	Clarrisa J. Andrews, interest	22.31
60	Independent-Reporter Co., printing town reports	52.00
64	G. L. Baker, stamped envelopes	3.25
66	Charles M. Hill, interest	20.00
69	S. A. Smith, cash paid out State paupers	75.00
71	Josie Small, interest	9.04
72	Josie Small, part payment on order No. 549, 1918	100.00
75	Sarah Baker, interest	2.06
78	Loring, Short & Harmon	7.50
80	John Butler, interest	12.20
84	State department of Health, cash paid for nurses in Flu epidemic	70.15
107	S. A. Smith, cash paid out	19.25
112	Lee C. Smith, posting fire notices	5.00
182	Mrs. L. A. Bradbury, Supt. Schools	25.00
183	Mrs. L. A. Bradbury, Supt. Schools ..	25.00

195	Taylor Bros. & Hill, supplies furnished in Flu epidemic	17.50
250	Mrs. L. A. Bradbury, Supt. Schools..	25.00
271	E. C. Robinson, support of tramps ..	2.46
280	State Board of Health	24.35
288	Clara Richardson, interest	10.60
289	Juliett F. Adams, interest	9.00
292	George Burton	4.00
293	S. A. Smith, cash paid out	32.78
294	Central Maine Power Co.	3.95
295	C. R. Conant Co.	365
302	S. A. Smith, service and cash paid out	125.00
306	C. W. Dutton, commission on tax bills 1918	88.86
315	C. W. Dutton, wood for Fremmen's Hall	15.00
318	Mrs. L. A. Bradbury, Supt. Schools ..	25.00
354	Mrs. L. A. Bradbury, Supt. Schools ..	25.00
391	Mrs. L. A. Bradbury, Supt. Schools ..	25.00
474	E. C. Robinson, repairs on lock-up	2.00
483	Loring, Short & Harmon	3.00
484	Independent-Reporter Co.	1.10
485	Preble & Robinson	1.25
489	W. B. Goodrich	16.64
490	W. B. Goodrich, interest	16.00
491	W. B. Goodrich, recording vital statis- tics	14.55
492	Alice M. Goodrich, interest	32.00
497	George Gilman, interest	100.00
513	Maurice M. Chase, interest	16.00
516	Maria Baker, interest	20.00
518	S. J. Whitney, board of health	15.00
517	S. J. Whitney, board of health	18.40
520	A. P. Murray, interest	4.00
520	C. E. Millett, services as ballot clerk	2.50
523	S. J. Whitney, repairs on Fraternity Building used in Flue epidemic ..	25.15
524	C. B. Gilman, interest	212.00
526	Charles H. Givens, interest	20.00
527	Roy M. Savage, interest	40.00
528	John and Thomas Owens, interest	24.00
532	Charles B. Gilman	4.00

533	R. V. Brown	13.25	
536	Isaac Holway, interest	40.84	
537	Mrs. Isaac Holway, interest	139.16	
538	Blanch Gordon, interest	46.50	
539	John H. Gordon, interest	12.50	
562	Skowhegan Trust Co., interest	200.00	
565	E. W. Moore, material for fumigating	46.51	
566	E. W. Moore, services as treasurer and postage	57.48	
570	Carrie Hunnewell, interest	12.00	
571	Sarah F. Baker, interest	33.35	
584	S. A. Smith, services	201.50	
585	S. A. Smith, cash paid out	22.35	
586	C. W. Dutton, abatements, 1919	92.40	
587	C. W. Dutton, commission on tax bills 1919	533.86	
588	Henry Cooley, services	172.19	
589	A. B. Carl, services	181.80	
596	Skowhegan Trust Co.	50.00	
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			\$3555.49
	Overdrawn		430.01
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			\$3125.48

LIST OF ABATEMENTS

W. J. Bowers, paid in The Forks	\$ 3.00
Roland Boynton, paid in Concord	9.00
Raymond Carl in France	3.00
Ernest Dunton, paid in New Portland	3.00
Ralph Fogg in France	3.00
Carl Green, paid in Madison	3.00
Harry Hutchinson, not found	3.00
Robie Howes, error	9.00
Clarence Hodgdon, deceased	3.00
Wallace Howes, paid in Concord	3.00
Warren Lane, paid in Attleboro, Mass.	3.00
James Mills, not in town	3.00
Frank McCannell, not found	3.00
George Pierce, paid in Portland	3.00
Robie Robinson, paid in Embden	10.80
James Ryan, not found	3.00
Dell Stewart, paid in Moscow	3.00
Frank Spearing, not found	3.00
G. A. Withee, error	3.00
Everett Williams, paid in Athens	3.00
C. A. Willard, not found	3.00
Joseph Cassidy, paid in Rockwood	3.00
George Quint, deceased	3.00
Philip Casey, not in town	3.00

I herewith submit a list of unpaid taxes for the years 1918 and 1919:

Forest O. Beane, poll tax, \$3.00 left with an Attorney for collection.

William Taylor, poll tax, \$3.00 left with an Attorney for collection.

Juno Curtis, 1918 tax real estate \$38.40 and Juno Curtis, 1919 tax real estate \$43.20, on which suit has been brought, and real estate attachments made. The above amounts have been paid to the town by the collector.

C. W. DUTTON, Tax Collector.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROPRIATIONS

Highways and culverts	\$3500.00
Bridges	1000.00
Snow roads	900.00
Cutting and burning bushes	600.00
Repairs of sidewalks	500.00
Support of the poor	650.00
Fire Department	500.00
For the purchase of hose	400.00
Common schools	5000.00
For repairs of schoolhouses and school supplies	500.00
For the purchase of text books	200.00
For the support of High School	4000.00
Miscellaneous expenses	4000.00

Financial Standing of the Town February 17, 1920

LIABILITIES

Outstanding orders on interest	\$22,258.67
Outstanding orders not on interest	293.85
	\$22,552.52

RESOURCES

Money in Treasury	\$4418.05
Due from State, State Pensions	228.00
Due from State, State paupers	150.05
Due from town of Concord, repairs on Bingham and Concord bridge	189.66
Due from Caratunk for support of Frank Washburn family	195.42
	\$5181.18

TOWN PROPERTY

Town Farm	\$600.00
Storehouse and lot	8.00
Fire Station and outfit	3000.00
Town safe	40.00
Machinery and tools	400.00
William J. Knight land	100.00
	\$4940.00

Liabilities above available resources	\$17,371.34
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Respectfully submitted,

S. A. SMITH
HENRY COOLEY
A. B. CARL

Selectmen of Bingham.

Treasurer's Report

ERVIN W. MOORE, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN
OF BINGHAM

DR.

To cash from last settlement	\$4462.61
State Treasurer, State pensions	324.00
State Treasurer, aid to soldiers' families	95.21
State Treasurer, support of paupers	498.11
State Treasurer, dog license re- funded	3.38
State Treasurer, highway depart- ment	291.00
State Treasurer, patrolled highway	680.68
State Treasurer, free high school..	500.00
State Treasurer, aid to high school	350.00
State Treasurer, R. R. & Tel. Tax	56.53
State Treasurer, school and mill fund	858.10
State Treasurer, common school fund	1234.31
W. B. Goodrich, dog license	32.00
Town of Concord, repairs on bridge	105.80
Town of Concord, high school tuition	63.00
Town of Concord, common school tuition	18.00
Town of Madison, support of pau- pers	187.88
Town of Brunswick, support of paupers	230.68
Henry Sands, victulars license	1.00
Isannah Moore, victulars license..	1.00
F. S. Hunnewell, victulars license	1.00
John Redmond, inn-keepers license	1.00
Bert Hunnewell, pool room license	12.50

E. F. Webster, common school tuition	12.00	
R. B. Howes, nurse services	17.90	
Jos. Bachelder, nurse services	9.63	
C. A. Bigelow, nurse services	9.63	
Mrs. Guy Williams, nurse services..	17.00	
National Lumber Co., gravel	8.50	
W. B. Goodrich, repairing walk ..	14.83	
F. W. Preble, repairing walk	19.00	
Chas. Colby, repairing walk	4.44	
A. C. Dinsmore, repairing walk	29.44	
Harry Cummings, repairing walk ..	10.65	
S. J. Whitney, lumber	105.00	
Bingham Fire Dept., refunded	6.80	
Interest on bank deposits	33.61	
Cash hired by town	6000.00	
C. W. Dutton on tax of 1918	4097.67	
C. W. Dutton on tax of 1919	26,693.10	
		<u>\$47,096.99</u>

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By cash paid for town orders	\$35,411.07	
paid for Soldiers' pensions	345.00	
paid for dog tax	32.00	
paid for State tax	5807.42	
paid for County tax	1083.45	
Cash balance on hand	4418.05	
		<u>\$47,096.99</u>

Report of Board of Engineers of the Bingham Fire Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Bingham:
Gentlemen:

The board of Engineers of the Bingham Fire Department hereby submit the following report for the past year.

ORGANIZATION

The Fire Department is organized as follows: The Department is in charge of a board of Engineers, consisting of a chief and two assistants, one hook and ladder company with fourteen men and a Captain and a Lieutenant; one hose company with fourteen men and a Captain and Lieutenant; a record keeper, who keeps the report of fires and meetings of each company.

APPARATUS

The apparatus consists of one hook and ladder truck, two hundred feet of ladder, one two, and one four-wheeled hose cart, eighteen hundred feet of hose in good condition, five hundred feet too poor for further service; four play pipes, two hydrant wrenches, two hydrant gates, fifteen spanners, one tin roof cutter, one crowbar, three gate wrenches, seven lanterns, forty-five galvanized pails, two axes, one hose jacket, thirty-one rubber coats and hats, one hydrant pump.

FIRES

Feb. 25, 1919—Call from box 15. Chimney fire in residence of Frank Hilton. No damage, 1 hour.

March 29—Call from box 12. Small blaze at mill of American Shoe Finding Co. No damage, 1 hour.

April 10—Call from box 17. Small blaze in car house of M. C. R. R. Co. Slight damage, 1 hour.

August 23—Call from box 12. Fire in boiler house of New England Lumber Co. House badly damaged, 2 hours.

September 13—Call from box 14. Fire at Footman's mill. Building destroyed. Two hours.

November 22—Call from box 14. Auto truck on fire in Main street near box. No damage, 1 hour.

Dec. 11—Call from box 12. Fire in log pile of American Shoe Finding Co. Slight damage, 2 hours.

December 17—Call from box 15. Chimney fire in residence of Mrs. Guild. No damage, 1 hour.

December 17—Call from box 17. Fire in car house of M. C. R. R. Co. Building destroyed, 1 hour.

December 26—Call from box 14. Chimney fire at residence of James Mahoney. No damage, 1 hour.

CHIMNEY INSPECTION

By vote of the town the chief of the Fire Department was appointed to inspect chimneys and herewith submits his report.

The chimneys of all occupied houses in the village have been examined. Two were condemned and have been rebuilt. Ten have been re-topped. Forty-eight clean-out doors have been put in and other minor repairing done.

The placing of asbestos on woodwork exposed to excessive heat and the cleaning out of many chimneys have been brought about by this inspection.

I take this opportunity to thank all those who have kindly co-operated with me in this work.

Respec'fully,

J. W. HUGHES, Chief

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the town vote to raise the sum of \$400.00 for the purpose of buying hose the ensuing year.

That the town vote to raise the sum of \$500.00 for the support of the Fire Department for the ensuing year.

We wish to thank the officers and members for their promptness of calls at fires, also the selectmen for their co-operation with the company.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. HUGHES, Chief

JOHN McCOLLAR, 1st Asst.

S. B. CLARK, 2nd Asst.

Town Clerk's Report

BIRTHS

Births recorded in Bingham, Me., during year 1919.

January 15—To Mr. and Mrs. Emile Fecteau, a daughter.
 January 27—To Mr. and Mrs. Alston H. Robinson, a son.
 April 7—To Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Gehrke, a daughter.
 April 15—To Mr. and Mrs. George Giberson, a son.
 April 25—To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gehrke, a daughter.
 June 22—To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Collins, a daughter.
 July 1—To Mr. and Mrs. Benj. L. Berry, a son.
 August 3—To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bacon, a daughter.
 August 18—To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Clark, a daughter.
 August 21—To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred B. Crotto, a daughter.
 August 21—To Mr. and Mrs. John Bean, a son.
 September 4—To Mr. and Mrs. Maynard W. Thomas, a son.
 September 14—To Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel W. Williams, a son.
 September 25—To Mr. and Mrs. Horace J. Craig, a son.
 October 6—To Mr. and Mrs. Carrol F. Taylor, a daughter.
 November 8—To Mr. and Mrs. Benj. F. Atwood, a son.
 November 18—To Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sterling, a son.
 November 24—To Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Wing, a son.
 December 2—To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Spearin, a son.

MARRIAGES

Marriages recorded in Bingham for the year 1919

January 1—Elwin C. Robinson to Jennie E. Hawes.
 February 19—Albert F. Gehrke to Mabel S. Kiger.
 March 27—Ai M. Hilton to Sarah Nottage.
 May 24—Thomas G. Burleigh to Elsia B. Holway.
 June 14—Joseph L. Spaulding to Louise A. Corson.
 June 16—Amos Laweryson to Jessie Smith.
 June 28—Leonard J. Hebert to Eda Perry.
 June 28—Beecher N. Vincent to Norma L. Lapoint.
 July 10—Earl W. Berry to Lorna A. Sands.

July 12—Norman R. Collins to Helen M. Rowe.
 September 1—Ambrose M. Givens to Gladys L. Collins.
 September 13—Isaac F. Davis to Arra A. Libbey.
 September 5—Austin J. Taylor to Rachael York.
 October 6—Ray W. Rickards to Lephe C. Howes.
 October 7—Forrest I. Gilman to Alma D. Bloom.
 October 10—Ross D. Bean to Iona Nelson.
 October 18—Harley S. Leighton to Lillian Burton.
 November 11—Walter E. Phelps to Caroline Buchanan.
 November 11—Parker W. Otis to Velma M. Sizeland.
 December 25—Arnold Miller to Lettie M. Gallivan.

DEATHS

Record of Deaths in the town of Bingham, Me., from January 1, 1919 to February 1, 1920

January 6—Amon Baker, age 76.
 January 6—Elizabeth S. Rollins, age 70.
 January 12—Earl R. Newton, age 17.
 January 12—Addie Dutton, aged 38.
 January 15—Katie H. Goodell, age 26.
 January 15—Caroline G. Savage, age 33.
 January 15—Philander Newton, age 48.
 January 18—Harold C. Footman, age 15.
 January 21—Annie Davis, age 37.
 January 22—Carrie D. Rollins, age 29.
 January 25—Guy F. Williams, age 39.
 January 28—Eva A. McCollar, age 34.
 January 28—Ardis P. Carl, age 2.
 January 30—Mary Wing, age 7.
 February 1—Blanche Ramsey, age 2.
 February 14—Martin P. Colbath, age 76.
 March 30—Ethel Robinson, age 31.
 June 24—Collins (infant), age 2 days.
 July 1—Clarence Hodgdon, age 67 years.
 July 1—Benjamin L. Berry, Jr., age 21 days.
 August 24—Edwina L. Hunnewell, age 23.
 August 30—Nancy F. Spofford, age 95.
 October 4—Elijah G. Hall, age 82 years.
 November 5—Benjamin Franklin Towne, age 78.

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January 3—Frank O. Spearin, age 1 month.
January 6—Naomi W. Jackson, age 76 years.
January 23—James H. O'Brien, age 49 years.
January 29—Albert B. Chase, age 75 years.
February 1—Joel P. Whitney, age 65 years.

W. B. GOODRICH, Town Clerk.

Bingham, Me., Feb. 20, 1920

Report of Superintendent of Schools

The annual report of the Superintendent and Superintending School Committee is herewith submitted:

During the past year, since the last annual town meeting the schools of Bingham have enjoyed a very fair degree of prosperity. Only once has it been found necessary to close the schools because of epidemic, and then for a comparatively short time. The teachers have been faithful, the parents, helpful and appreciative. The rural schools have been good. It would be most desirable to have some plan of consolidation worked out in the case of two or three rural schools, if this can be done to the advantage of the pupils, and without too great hardship.

In the village graded schools the greatest need at present is for the division of the upper primary department, where fifty pupils, or more, are convened in one room. Immediate action should be taken to move the grammar school to one of the upper rooms of the High School building. This would allow room for a more satisfactory housing and teaching of the third and fourth grades. This arrangement would require the employment of one additional teacher. Bingham High School seems to present an unusually gratifying prospect, and deservedly so, with its efficient corp of teachers, and it should be the care of every thoughtful citizen of this village that all students who enter this school are finely equipped for their high school work. This cannot be done so long as the lower grade rooms are so badly crowded. We would also recommend that music and drawing be taught in all the schools as soon as the necessary funds can be obtained.

A tabulated list of the schools with names of teachers with wages received is herein given:

School	Term	Name of Teacher	Wages
Grammar	Spring	Mrs. Marion Bryant	\$15.00
	Fall	Mrs. Gladys Ross	16.00
	Winter	Bertha L. Paul	16.00
Intermediate	Spring	Anna Savage	15.00
	Fall	Anna Savage	16.00
	Winter	Anna Savage	16.00
Upper Primary	Spring	Ruth I. Goss	15.00
	Fall	Helen Paine	16.00
	Winter	Helen Paine	16.00
Primary	Spring	Mrs. Mae B. Tupper	15.00
	Fall	Mrs. Mae B. Tupper	16.00
	Winter	Mrs. Mae B. Tupper	16.00
Goodrich	Spring	Martha L. Paul	12.50
	Fall	Marita Huff	12.50
	Winter	Marita Huff	12.50
Coburn	Spring	Owen Oliver	15.00
Whittier	Fall	Owen Oliver	15.00
Whittier	Winter	Owen Oliver	15.00
Blaine	Spring	Mrs. George Nottage	12.50
	Fall	Mrs. Geo. Nottage	12.50
	Winter	Mrs. George Nottage	12.50
Webster	Spring	Eunice Moody	12.50
	Fall	Mrs. Emma Andrews	12.50
	Winter	Mrs. Emma Andrews	12.50

As will be seen by the tabulated report, the average wage rate has been kept at a low figure if we consider the increased cost of living expenses. It is certainly to be hoped that all citizens will see the urgent necessity of retaining the efficient teacher even at a considered advance in wages. With due consideration, therefore, of the rights of both the teachers and the tax payers, we would present for your consideration the following sums to be raised for the support of Bingham public schools for the fiscal year beginning March 1, 1920.

RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATIONS

High School	\$3500.00
Common Schools	5000.00
Text Books	300.00
Supplies	200.00
Repairs	500.00
Music	200.00
Drawing	200.00

The town of Bingham is prosperous and one sure proof of its prosperity is the excellence of its schools and the painstaking efforts made for their added efficiency. In closing this report, we would add a word of appreciation for all who have aided us in our work during the past year, with special mention of the ladies of the Century Club who have met our efforts with the kindest sympathy.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. BRADBURY, Supt.

C. W. DUTTON

GEORGE NOTTAGE

W. E. ROBINSON

Superintending School Committee

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

HIGH SCHOOL

Receipts

Town appropriation	\$2000.00	
State Aid, regular	500.00	
State Aid, special	350.00	
Tuition	63.00	
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		\$2913.00
Unexpended, February 15, 1919		426.14
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Total resources		\$3339.14

Expenditures

Teachers:

C. H. Moore	\$600.00	
Marguerite Fox	180.00	
Evelyn Scott	394.62	
Mrs. Edith Dinsmore	16.45	\$1191.07
H. R. Boutelle	500.00	
Hester M. Pullen	437.50	
Grace Tripp	437.51	
M. C. Foss	350.00	
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		\$1725.01
Deduct 1—5 of last three teachers' salaries for ninth grade work, (\$1725.01—245.00)		\$1380.01
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Total for High School teachers		\$2571.08

Fuel:

C. W. Dutton	\$80.00	
S. J. Whitney	174.75	
Roscoe Smith	3.00	
Selectmen's orders	396.49	
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		\$654.24

Janitors:	
Maurice Chase	\$210.00
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	\$210.00
Total Expenditures	\$3435.32
Overexpended	96.18

COMMON SCHOOLS

Receipts

Town appropriation	\$3000.00
School and mill fund	858.10
Common school fund	1234.31
Tuition	30.00
Interest on permanent school fund	63.00
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	\$5185.41

Expenditures

Overdraft, February 17, 1919	\$244.04
Teachers' Salaries:	
Mrs. Mae B. Tupper	\$513.00
Marguerite Fox	108.00
Evelyn Scott	66.00
Mrs. Edith Dinsmore	3.00
Martha L. Paul	187.50
Mrs. Marion S. Bryant	233.00
Mrs. George Nottage	417.50
Owen Oliver	495.00
Eunice Moody	75.00
Mrs. Emma Andrews	237.50
Mrs. Gladys P. Ross	192.00
Marita Huff	225.00
Helen Paine	272.00
Mrs. Florence Owens	28.80
Loantha Pike	90.00
Ruth I. Goss	270.00
Anna Savage	598.00
Bertha L. Paul	64.00
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	\$4384.22

M. C. Foss

Grace Tripp

Hester Pullen, teaching ninth grade
in High School

\$325.00

Fuel:		
C. W. Dutton	\$405.00	
Claude Goodrich	24.00	
Arthur Clark	50.00	
Roscoe Smith	18.00	
S. J. Nottage & Son	24.00	
Bingham Lumber Co.	24.00	
Selectmen's orders outside of Superintendent's vouchers	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$575.00

Janitor:		
Maurice Chase	\$420.00	
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Conveyance		
C. N. Robinson	\$36.00	
Arthur Clark	120.00	
John Cassidy	54.00	
A. C. McClintick	163.50	
Loantha Pike	2.90	
	<hr/>	\$376.40
Common School Tuition	\$38.00	
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Total Common School expenditures ..		\$5698.62
With overdraft, previous year		5942.66
Overexpended, February 15, 1920		857.19

TEXT BOOK

Receipts

Town appropriation	\$200.00	\$200.00
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Expenditures—High School

Allyn & Bacon	\$8.99	
Ginn & Co.	45.08	
Maine Historical Society	25.00	
MacMillan Co.	3.85	
	<hr/>	\$82.92

Common Schools:

Benj. H. Sanborn	\$10.27	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	10.08	
D. H. Knowlton & Co.60	
Chas. E. Merrill Co.	9.89	
Ginn & Co.	45.79	
American Book Co.	21.84	
Helen Paine, express on books54	
D. C. Heath & Co.	42.26	
		<u>\$141.27</u>
Total for Text Books		\$224.19
Overdrawn		24.19

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES

Receipts

Town appropriation		
Repairs	\$200.00	
Supplies	300.00	
		<u>\$500.00</u>

Expenditures

As per vouchers and selectmen's orders	\$654.24
Overdrawn	154.24

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

SOMERSET, SS.

STATE OF MAINE

To E. C. ROBINSON, Constable of the Town of Bingham, in said
County. Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Bingham, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Kennebec Hall, in said town of Bingham, on Monday, the first day of March, A. D. 1920, 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 choose Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 4—To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 5—To choose a collector of taxes for the ensuing year and pass all necessary votes respecting the same.

Art. 6—To choose one or more members of the Superintending School Committee.

Art. 7—To choose all other necessary town officers.

Art. 8—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for building and repairing highways and culverts in town for the ensuing year, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Art. 9—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for building and repairing bridges in town for the ensuing year, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Art. 10—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for breaking snow roads for the ensuing year.

Art. 11—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purpose of cutting and burning bushes within the

limits of the public streets and highways as per Section 11, Chapter 15, of the Public Laws of 1907.

Art. 12—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 Revised Statutes of 1916.

Art. 13—To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$533.00 for the improvement of 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 which the town is allowed to raise under the provision of Section 18, Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes of 1916.

Art. 14—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of common schools for the ensuing year, and pass all necessary votes respecting the same.

Art. 15—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purchase of text books for the ensuing year.

Art. 16—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to support a free high school in Bingham Village for the ensuing year.

Art. 17—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repair of schoolhouses, for school supplies and for other incidental school expenses.

Art. 18—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the town poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 19—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purpose of lighting the streets for the ensuing year.

Art. 20—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for nightwatch and police protection for the ensuing year.

Art. 21—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for miscellaneous expenses and liabilities of the town for the ensuing year, and pass all necessary votes respecting the same.

Art. 22—To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$150 to be used for the purpose of taking care of cemeteries in town.

Art. 23—To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$1200 for hydrant rental.

Art. 24—To see if the town will vote to authorize the Superintending School Committee to continue any schools that have failed to maintain the legal average attendance during the past year, and re-open any schools that have been suspended when they find it necessary to do so.

Art. 25—To see if the town will vote authorizing and instructing its selectmen to make temporary loans of money throughout the year when required for the payment of bills.

Art. 26—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the maintenance of Bingham Fire Department for the ensuing year, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Art. 27—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purchase of hose for the ensuing year.

Art. 28—To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Memorial services.

Art. 29—To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the repair of sidewalks for the ensuing year, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Art. 30—To see if the town will vote to raise \$30.00 for the purpose of making necessary repairs on the old church.

Art. 31—To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$500.00 for the purchase of land owned by Bingham Realty Company, situated on the north and east side of schoolhouse lot on Main Street, containing approximately 7-8 acres.

Art. 32—To see if the town will vote to extend the sidewalk from Carrol Clark's house to point opposite hydrant near Robie Sands house, and see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the same.

Art. 33—To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of \$200.00 from the estate of the late J. P. Thompson, the income to be used for the care of J. P. Thompson lot in Bingham Village Cemetery.

Art. 34—To see what action the town will take in regard to building a tomb, and pass all necessary votes respecting the same.

Art 35—To see if the town will elect a tree warden and pass all necessary votes respecting the same.

Art. 36—To see what action the town will take in regard to appointing a health officer, and pass all necessary votes respecting the same.

Art. 37—To see if the town will vote to elect a Road Commissioner, and pass all votes necessary respecting the same.

Art. 38—To see if the town will vote to accept a code of by-laws or town ordinances of the town of Bingham, within the limits of the Bingham Water District, as framed by the selectmen and fire chief.

Art. 39—To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting, including the passing of any and all votes that may be considered necessary to carry into effect any and all votes passed under this warrant.

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

Hereof fail not, and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

S. A. SMITH
HENRY COOLEY
A. B. CARL

Selectmen of Bingham.

A true copy, attest:

E. C. ROBINSON

A constable of Bingham, Maine.