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Town Officers

Moderator—Henry M. Currier.

Selectmen—Asa A. Carleton, George W. Harris, Charles C. Richardson.

Town Clerk—George P. Wood.

Town Treasurer—Fred A. Greeley.

Supervisors of Checklist—Richard H. Currier, Daniel G. Carleton, Daniel F. Atwood.

Representative to the General Court—Asa A. Carleton.

Constables—Fred A. Burton, John D. Jeannotte, Shirley R. Vining, William F. Koehler.

Auditors—Sherman Hobbs, Richard H. Currier, Birge C. Day.

Sealer of Weights and Measures—Charles W. Hobbs.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—Edwin J. Atwood, C. Winthrop Hobbs, George M. Muldoon, Frank M. Carleton.

Library Trustees—Harold S. Frost, Sherman Hobbs, Philena Kezer.

Trustees of Cemeteries—Daniel M. Webster, Forrest E. Kelly, 1924; Fred A. Greeley, Arthur H. Peabody,

1925; George P. Wood, Fred S. Tillston, 1926. Sexton,
Ernest W. Richardson.

Trustees of Trust Funds—George P. Wood, 1924;
Charles W. Hobbs, 1925; Forrest E. Kelly, 1926.

Tax Collector—Carl M. Mansfield.

Highway Agents—L. A. O. Hirsch, Amos E. Wood.

Fence Viewers—Frank M. Carleton, Otis A. Gage.

Inspectors of Elections—Sherman Hobbs, Asa A. Carle-
ton, Otis A. Gage, John D. Jeannotte.

Health Officer—James O. Titcomb.

Forest Fire Warden—Richard H. Currier.

Prosecuting Officers—The Selectmen.

Town Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

[L. S.]

To the inhabitants of the Town of Pelham in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in said Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Pelham on Tuesday the eleventh day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To bring in your votes for the election of Delegates-at-large, Alternate Delegates-at-large, District Delegates, Alternate District Delegates to National Convention of the Democratic and Republican parties, to be held for the purpose of nominating party candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States.
4. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairs of highways and

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to distribute the inventory blanks when they make their annual appraisal in April.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money necessary to purchase a two tank chemical engine mounted on a Ford chassis, or act in any other way relative thereto.

15. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of two per cent, on 1924 taxes paid before September 1, 1924.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money necessary to purchase and install a lighting system in the Town Hall, and Library Building and take any other action relative thereto.

17. To see if the Town will vote to require a treasurer of the Trust Funds to furnish a bond, or take any other action relative thereto.

18. To see if the Town acting under the provisions of chapter 123 of laws 1919, will enter into a contract for the continued operation of the Street Railway leading from Hudson Center through the town of Pelham to point A in Salem for the public benefit and convenience upon such terms and conditions as may be authorized by a vote at said meeting, and raise and appropriate money for the purpose of making any payment specified in said contract and to see if the town will appoint a committee to negotiate such contract and report to an ajourned meeting.

bridges for the ensuing year and determine in what manner the same shall be expended.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and set apart the sum of money necessary to secure State aid for the permanent improvements of the highways under the law passed January session 1905.

6. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the extermination of moths, beetles and white pine blister.

7. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise in addition to the amount required by law, for the Public Library.

8. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for cemeteries for the ensuing year.

9. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.

10. To choose two persons for three years for trustees of cemeteries.

11. To choose one person for three years and one person for one year for Trustee of the Public Library.

12. To choose one person for three years for Trustee of the Trust Funds of the town.

19. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Australian Ballot System at March Town Meeting.

20. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this, Twenty-fifth day of February, in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-four.

ASA A. CARLETON,
G. W. HARRIS,
C. C. RICHARDSON,
Selectmen of Pelham.

A true copy of Warrant.
Attest:

ASA A. CARLETON,
G. W. HARRIS,
C. C. RICHARDSON,
Selectmen of Pelham.

BUDGET
OF THE
TOWN OF PELHAM, N. H.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR
THE ENSUING YEAR

JAN. 31, 1924 TO JAN. 31, 1925

COMPARED WITH

ACTUAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE
PREVIOUS YEAR

JAN. 31, 1923 TO JAN. 31, 1924

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1923	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1924	Increase
<i>From State:</i>			
Railroad Tax	\$266.82	\$266.82	
Savings Bank Tax	123.97	123.97	
For Fighting Forest Fires	16.98	25.00	\$ 8.02
(a) For State Aid Maintenance	590.10	750.00	159.90
<i>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</i>			
All Licenses and Permits except Dog Licenses	1,210.00	1,300.00	90.00
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	207.00	207.00	
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	242.00	242.00	
From Poll Taxes	1,754.00	1,754.00	
From other taxes except property taxes		92.84	
(b) Received from tax sales	92.84		
(c) Abatements, 1922 tax	86.63		
Discounts, 1923 tax	187.61	187.61	
<i>Revenue Applicable Only to New Construction and Improvements:</i>			
<i>From State:</i>			
(a) For State Aid Highway Construction	428.58	444.00	15.42
<i>Revenue Which Must be Paid to Other Governmental Divisions:</i>			
Dog Fund	218.20	218.20	
Total Revenues from all sources			
Except Property Taxes:	\$5,424.73	\$5,611.44	\$273.34
Amount Raised by Property Taxes:	16,850.42	17,255.70	405.28
Total Revenues	\$22,275.15	\$22,867.14	\$578.62

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1923	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1924	Increase	Decrease
<i>Current Maintenance Expenses:</i>				
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$775.00	\$775.00		
Town Officers' Expenses	367.81	275.00		\$92.81
Election and Registration Expenses	18.50	50.00	\$31.50	
Care and Supplies for Town Hall	348.22	250.00		98.22
<i>Protection of Persons and Property:</i>				
Police Department	5.25	200.00	194.75	
Fire Department	193.66	100.00		93.66
Damages by Dogs	16.00			
<i>Health:</i>				
Legal Expenses	16.67			
Vital Statistics	12.00	10.00		2.00
State Aid Maintenance				
State's Contribution	609.00	750.00	141.00	
Town's Contribution	609.00	750.00	141.00	
Town Maintenance	2,897.13	4,000.00	1,102.87	
Street Lighting	12.90			
General Expense of Highway Department	1,775.77	200.00		1,575.77
<i>Education:</i>				
Libraries	400.00	400.00		
<i>Patriotic Purposes:</i>				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	8.82	10.00	1.12	
<i>Public Service Enterprises:</i>				
Cemeteries	104.00	75.00		29.00
<i>Interest:</i>				
Taxes Bought by Town	69.44			
Abatement of Tax	86.63			
Discount on Tax	187.61			
On Principal of Trust Funds Used by Town	66.25	66.25		
<i>Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:</i>				
State Aid Construction				
State's Contribution	428.58	444.00	15.42	
Town's Contribution	1,071.42	1,110.00	38.58	
<i>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</i>				
State Taxes	2,216.50	2,200.00		216.50
County Taxes	1,201.89	1,201.89		
Payments to School Districts	9,608.17	10,000.00	1,391.83	
Total Expenditures	23,106.23	22,867.14	3,058.07	2,107.96

Selectmen's Report

Summary Inventory

	Number	Value
No. of \$5.00 polls	451	
No. of \$3.00 polls	8	
No. of acres of real estate		\$636,445.00
No. of horses	157	13,725.00
No. of cows	681	37,735.00
No. of other neat stock	78	2,700.00
No. of hogs	9	250.00
No. of sheep	7	40.00
No. of fowls	6,972	10,458.00
No. of portable mills	2	3,000.00
Wood and lumber, not included in stock and trade		52,010.00
Money on hand at int. or on deposit		625.00
Value of stock in trade		3,275.00
Equipment at ledge		1,000.00
Transmission lines		2,200.00
Total property valuation		\$763,463.00
Amount exempted to soldiers not included in the above		4,500.00
Tax rate (1923) \$22.00 per thousand.		

TAXES ASSESSED

State tax	\$1,322.50
County tax	1,201.89
Town charges	
State aid construction	1,071.42
State aid maintenance	600.00
Highways and bridges	3,000.00
Public library	400.00
Payments to C. W. Hobbs, Jr. district school treasurer	9,608.17
	\$17,203.98
Overlay	1,400.44
Total	\$18,604.42

Detail No. 1. Town Officer's Salaries

George P. Wood, town clerk	\$ 50.00
Fred A. Greely, town treasurer	50.00
A. H. Peabody, selectman	175.00
Asa A. Carleton, selectman	150.00
George W. Harris, selectman	150.00
Carl M. Mansfield, tax collector	200.00
	\$775.00

Detail No. 2. Town Officer's Expenses

George P. Wood, stationery and postage	3.75
A. H. Peabody, telephone, postage	3.85
Edson C. Eastman, vouchers and postage	6.11
F. E. Cole, reports	185.70
Asa A. Carleton, stationery	6.00

C. W. Classon, stamp	2.25
Butterfield Printing Co., ballots	14.00
F. E. Cole, printing tax bills	9.75
Edson C. Eastman, tax book	4.75
George P. Wood, auto permits	22.50
H. S. Frost, tax collector 1920	9.75
George P. Wood, dog collector 1920, and auto price list	9.85
George P. Wood, stationery, postage and auto price list	17.80
Auto permits 151 @ 25 c each	37.75
C. C. Richardson, expenses to hearings, trip to Grasmere, telephones	34.00
	\$367.81

Detail No. 3. Election and Registration

Sherman Hobbs, election inspector	9.00
John D. Jeannotte, ballot clerk	3.00
Otis A. Gage, ballot clerk	3.00
Milan Stickney, setting up ballot booths	3.50
	\$18.50

Detail No. 5. Town Hall Expenses

C. M. Wyman, janitor services	96.00
Thorndike Coal Co., coal	72.50
Henry M. Currier, insurance	65.73
Gulf Refining Co., oil	7.70
Fred A. Bassett, repairing hall	88.29
W. D. Smith, wood for 1919	18.00
	\$348.22

Detail No. 6. Police Department

W. R. Peterson, badges	5.25
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Detail No. 7. Fire Department

Richard Carrier, fire warden	33.95
New Hampshire Forestry Department, fire extinguishers	63.00
Talbot Chemical Co., acid	1.50
Talbot Chemical Co., chemical	3.00
Richard H. Carrier, fire warden	88.70
Richard H. Carrier, fire warden	3.51

\$193.66

Detail No. 10. Damage by Dogs

D. M. Webster, 10 hens and 1 duck	16.00
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Detail No. 12. Vital Statistics

H. O. Smith, M. D., reporting deaths and births	3.75
Arthur Wallace, M. D., recording vitals	.75
George P. Wood, recording vitals	7.50

\$12.00

Detail No. 14. State Aid Maintenance

1923.

April 14.	Amos Wood, road agent	\$74.25
" 27.	Amos Wood, road agent	24.00
May 11.	Amos Wood, road agent	49.95
" 28.	Amos Wood, road agent	20.55
June 11.	Oscar Hirsch, road agent	15.50
" 11.	Amos Wood, road agent	13.75

July	9.	Amos Wood, road agent	9.00
Aug.	6.	Burnaham & Davis, lumber	116.50
Sept.	3.	Amos Wood	15.85
"	3.	L. O. A. Hirsch	44.00
"	17.	C. M. Wyman, cutting bushes	9.00
Oct.	15.	L. A. O. Hirsch, road agent	264.50
"	15.	C. M. Wyman, cutting bushes	12.00
"	23.	L. A. O. Hirsch, road agent	39.50
"	29.	Edward H. Morris, road work	36.00
Oct.	29.	C. M. Wyman, road work	9.00
"	29.	L. A. O. Hirsch, road agent	53.40
Dec.	10.	Antonio Pollatto, construction work	400.00

\$1,206.75

	State	Town	Total
Appropriation, 1923	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$1,200.00
Appropriation, extra	9.90	9.90	19.80
Total	\$609.90	\$609.90	\$1,219.80
Expenditures	609.90	609.90	1,219.80
Paid by State, engineering			\$19.80
Paid to Town by State			590.10

W. N. PRESCOTT,
Division Engineer.

Detail No. 16. Town Maintenance of Highway
Amos E. Wood, Road Agent

April	\$141.84
May	73.45
June	95.59
July	10.45

August	18.62
September	10.50
October	4.50
December, Richard H. Currier	27.00
January, Antonio Polatto	279.42
	\$661.37

W. F. Marsh, Road Agent

May	\$133.00
September	81.34
October	28.50
November	180.11
January	130.35
December	100.00
	\$653.23

L. O. A. Hirsch, Road Agent

April	\$103.40
May	330.59
June	374.00
July	55.50
August	284.18
September	138.19
October	129.10
November	148.50
December	19.00
	\$1,582.46

Detail No. 17. Street Lighting

Amos E. Wood	\$12.90
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Detail No. 18. General Expenses of Highway
Department

A Ducharme, repairs	\$4.80
Antonio Pollatto, Willow Street bridge	1,065.34
A. E. Lyford, engineer on bridge	50.00
	\$1,120.14

Snow Bill

Foisie	\$131.75
Wood	305.91
Hirsch	170.62
C. C. Richardson	18.00
George LaBlanc	4.62
Currier	9.00
Burton	4.95
Webster	10.78
	\$655.63

Detail No. 19. Public Library

H. S. Frost, treasurer	400.00
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Detail No. 22. Aid to G. A. R.

C. W. Hobbs, Jr., supplies	8.82
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Detail No. 27. Cemeteries

Ernest W. Richardson, sexton, 13 graves	104.00
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Detail No. 28. Damages and Legal Expenses

F. M. Woodbury, Thomas B. Moran, legal services	16.67
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Detail No. 29

Taxes bought by town	69.44
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Detail No. 30

Abatement taxes of 1922 list	86.63
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Detail No. 31. Discount on Taxes

Carl M. Mansfield, collector 1923 list	187.61
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Detail No. 35. Interest

Interest on trust fund notes to Jan. 31, 1924	66.25
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Detail No. 36. State Aid Construction

	State	Town	Total
Appropriations, 1924	\$433.20	\$1,083.00	\$1,516.20
Expenditures	428.58	1,071.42	1,500.00
Balance	4.62	11.58	16.20

Paid by Town:

November 17, Carleton	\$974.40
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November 24, Carleton	525.60
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Paid by State to Town	428.58
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W. N. PRESCOTT,
Division Engineer.

Detail No. 50. Taxes Paid to State

Polls Collected to January 31

101 polls, 1922 @ \$2.00	202.00
346 polls, 1923 @ 2.00	692.00
State tax	1,322.50
	\$2,216.50

Detail No. 51

Tax paid to county	1,201.89
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Detail No. 53. Payments to School Districts	
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Paid C. Winthrop Hobbs, school dist. treas.	9,608.17
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Abatement of taxes, 1922 List

Brantighm, Edgar J.	\$ 3.00
Brantighm, Julia	5.00
Blackman, Ruel A.	8.45
Cutter, Martina S.	3.00
Colman, Michael Jr.	5.00
Doherty, Charles A.	3.00
Danuea, Mary	5.00
Danuea, Alfred	5.00
Geragosian, Avedes	5.00
Kendrick, Edgar F.	5.00
Day, Emma	5.00
Mansur, Jennie	5.00
Storm, Julia	5.00
Wilson, Ora	5.00
Pearson & Duckworth	11.00
Houston, William	8.18
	\$86.63

DOGS LICENSED YEAR ENDING, MAY 1, 1924

Acker, Wm., 1 female	\$ 5.00
Atwood, H. H., 1 female	5.00
Allard, G. Z., 1 male	2.00
Baril, A., 1 male	2.00
Beauchene, N., 1 male	2.00
Bigelow, S., 1 male	2.00
Bigelow, E. Q., 1 male	2.00

Bergeron, R. J., 1 s. female	2.00
Bolton, W. J., 1 male	2.00
Blackmun, J. M., 1 male	2.00
Brown, W. C., 1 male	2.00
Burton, F. A., 1 male	2.00
Clark, F. A. Mrs., 1 female	5.00
Coleman, J., 1 male	2.00
Coombs, E. L., 1 male	2.00
Carleton, Asa A., 1 female	5.00
Carleton, Alice A., 1 male	2.00
Currier, H. M., 1 male	2.00
Currier, R. H., 1 male	2.00
Day, B. C., 1 male	2.00
Dalphond, J., 2 male	4.00
Ducharme, E. C., 1 male	2.00
Dutton, W. W. 1 female	5.00
Ellenwood, W. S., 1 male	2.00
Emerson, A. N., 1 male	2.00
Fenton, H. L., 1 female	5.00
Gage, Alice, 1 male	2.00
Gariepy, J., 1 male	2.00
Greenwood, A. 1 male	2.00
Harris, A. Mrs., 1 male	2.00
Herbert, C. G., 1 male	2.00
Hobbs, S., 1 male	2.00
Hirsch, L. A. O., 1 female	5.00
Houle, F. E., 1 female	5.00
Hubley, D. E., 1 male	2.00
Jack, C. H., 1 female	5.00
Koehler, C. H., 1 male	2.00
Kent, C. D., 1 female, 1/2 year	2.50
Koehler, W. S., 1 female. 1 male	7.00
Landry, L., 1 male	2.00

Lary, A., 1 male	2.00
Leblanc, Geo., 1 female	5.00
Lewis, H. E., 1 female, 2 males	9.00
Lees, R., 1 male	2.00
Lyon, F. W., 1 male	2.00
Leblanc, A., 1 female	5.00
Koper, Stanislaw, 2 males	4.00
Mansfield, C. M., 1 male	2.00
Merriam, C. H., 1 male	2.00
Meseth, J. G., 1 male	2.00
Morneau, A., 1 female	5.00
Muldoon, Bros., 1 male	2.00
Morrison, J., 1 male	2.00
Peabody, A. H., 1 male	2.00
Pearson, W. E., 1 male	2.00
Perry, E. E. Mrs., 1 male	2.00
Phelan, G. J. Mrs., 1 male	2.00
Quigley, P., 1 male	2.00
Raymond, E. G., 1 female	5.00
Rediker, G. W., 2 males	4.00
Ross, P., 1 male	2.00
Richardson, E., 1 female	5.00
Richardson, C. C., 1 female, 2 males	9.00
Reissmon, O., 1 male	2.00
Robarge, O., 1 male	2.00
Smith, W. D., 1 s. female	2.00
Smith, E. J., 1 male	2.00
Simpson, D. E., 1 male, 1/2 year	1.00
Smith, Jos., 1 male	2.00
Saucier, O., 1 male	2.00
Simpson, B. F., 1 female, 1 male	7.00
Smietana, V., 1 male, 1/4 year	.50
Stys, Felix, 1 male	2.00

Sherburne, W. G., 1 male	2.00
Stanyon, E. E., 1 female	5.00
Titcomb, O. E., 1 male	2.00
Tallant, Eben, 1 male	2.00
Warden, H. A., 2 females	10.00
Woodbury, F. M., 1 male, 1/2 year	1.00
Wood, A. E., 1 male	2.00
Wood, L. M. Mrs., 1 male	2.00
Yaeh, Emil, 1 male	2.00
Zolkos, John, 1 male	2.00

93 Dogs Licensed

66 Males	@ \$2.00	\$132.00
2 Males, 1/2 year	@ 2.00	2.00
1 Male, 1/4 year	@ 2.00	.50
21 Females	@ 5.00	105.00
1 Female, 1/2 year	@ 5.00	2.50
2 Spayed females	@ 2.00	4.00
		\$246.00

Stationery and postage	\$2.00
89 Licenses @ 20 cents	17.80

Paid treasurer or in hand of the town clerk	\$19.80

\$226.20

190 Motor vehicle permits were issued for 1923, amounting to	\$1,213.11
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GEORGE P. WOOD,
Town Clerk.

Treasurer's Report

The following report for the year ending, January 31, 1924, is respectfully submitted:

Cash in Treasury	\$3,288.36
Received of collector, tax of 1922	3,140.17
Received of collector, int. on 1922 tax	141.25
Abatements allowed on 1922 tax	86.63
Tax sales of 1922 list	69.44
Received of collector, tax of 1923	15,262.61
Discount allowed on 1923 tax	187.61
Received of town clerk, auto permits	1,210.00
Received of town clerk, dog licenses	218.20
Received for rent of town hall	207.00
Received of collector Pothier, tax	69.44
Received of collector Gendreau, tax	24.00
Received of collector Fram, tax	10.84
Received of State Treasurer, fire bill	16.98
Received of State Treas., Railroad tax	266.82
Received of State Treas., Savings Bank tax	123.97
Received of State Treas., State aid construction	428.58
Received of State Treas., State road maintenance	590.10
Received from H. M. Currier, col. Henderson tax	23.40
Received from Union National Bank, int.	100.75
	\$25,466.15
Paid 125 orders issued by selectmen	23,094.97
Leaving balance in treasury	\$2,371.18

Cash in Treasury	
Shufelt Cemetery Fund	\$500.00
Dog Fund	218.20
General Fund	1,652.98
	\$2,371.18
Uncollected taxes of 1923	3,154.20
	\$5,525.38
FRED A. GREELY,	
Treasurer.	

We, the undersigned auditors of the Town of Pelham, for the year ending January 31, 1924, have examined the books of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Collector, and find that the Selectmen have issued orders to the amount of \$23,094.97 and said orders were properly receipted, and we also find that the Treasurer has received \$25,-466.15 and has paid the above mentioned orders, leaving a balance in the treasury, January 31, 1924 of \$2,-371.18 and we also find that the collector has \$3,154.20 to collect.

RICHARD H. CURRIER,
CHARLES WINTHROP HOBBS,
Auditors.

Pelham, N. H., February 11, 1924.

Trustees of Cemeteries

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer of the Trustees submit the following report for the year ending, January 31, 1924:

1923.

Jan. 31.	Balance on hand	\$106.11
April 30.	Received of Alexander J. Boisvert, for a lot in Gibson Addition	2.00
Dec. 3.	Received of George E. Pearson, for a lot in Gibson Addition	15.00

1924.

Jan. 12.	Received of Joseph Prescott, for a lot in Gibson Addition	2.00
		\$125.11

Expenditures

1923.

Aug. 11.	Paid Forest E. Kelley, for labor and material for repairing tombs at Gumpus Cemetery	\$25.65
Sept. 14.	Paid Fred A. Greely, for cleaning up Gumpus Cemetery	7.50
Nov. 5.	Paid George P. Wood, for cleaning up Centre Cemetery	16.00
Nov. 8.	Paid box rent at Old Lowell National Bank	5.00

\$54.15

Leaving a balance on hand Jan. 31, 1924 70.96

GEORGE P. WOOD,
Treasurer.

Trust Funds

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

GEORGE P. WOOD,
FORREST E. KELLEY,
Treasurer.

February 15, 1924.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF PELHAM, N. H., ON JANUARY 31, 1924

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DATE OF CREATION	TRUST FUNDS PURPOSE OF CREATION	HOW INVESTED	AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended	During Year Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
July 7, 1897	Skinner Frost	(Care Cemetery Lot)	Town Notes	\$ 50.00 3½ Per Cent	\$.18	\$1.75	\$ -	.75 \$.18
June 1, 1898	Mary J. Jackson	"	"	50.00 "	.18	1.75	1	.75 .18
Aug. 15, 1899	Betsey G. Spear	"	"	150.00 "	17.78	5.25	5	5.00 15.03
Sept. 7, 1900	Calvin Boardman	"	"	50.00 "	1.93	1.75	1	.75 1.93
Mar. 1, 1908	Mrs. F. P. Fox	"	"	50.00 "	.18	1.75	1	.75 .18
May 30, 1908	Griffin Bros.	"	"	50.00 "	.360	1.75	1	.50 3.85
June 1, 1908	James M. Hobbs	"	"	50.00 "	.35	1.75	1	.50 .60
Feb. 15, 1909	Edward W. Gorrell	"	"	95.00 "	10.99	3.33	2	.50 11.82
Feb. 15, 1909	Daniel T. Gage	"	"	47.50 "	.40	1.67	1	.50 .57
Feb. 15, 1909	Mrs. Geo. A. Shufelt	"	"	500.00 "	194.25	17.50	2	.75 209.00
Oct. 15, 1914	Abner Kittredge	"	"	50.00 "	.10	1.75	1	.75 .10
Oct. 15, 1914	Ida M. Johnson	"	"	150.00 "	28.53	5.25	2	.00 31.78
Apr. 15, 1915	Frederick A. Cutter	"	"	50.00 "	.10	1.75	1	.75 .10
Feb. 15, 1917	Sarah Proctor	"	"	100.00 "	2.35	3.50	3	.00 2.85
Feb. 15, 1917	Arthur W. Gage	"	"	150.00 "	11.78	5.25	3	.00 14.03
June 1, 1917	Lillie E. Watt	"	"	100.00 "	3.83	3.50	3	.50 3.83
Jan. 31, 1918	Mrs. H. H. Harris	"	"	100.00 "	5.00	3.50	2	.50 6.00
Mar. 1, 1918	Mrs. Jas. R. Griffin	"	"	100.00 "	6.40	3.50	3	.00 6.90
1918	Mrs. Edward Young	"	U. S. Liberty Bond	100.00 4¼	9.62	4.25	3	.50 10.37
1918	Enoch M. Marsh	"	"	100.00 "	6.62	4.25	3	.50 7.37
• July 23, 1918	Capt. Gilbert Coburn	"	"	100.00 "	8.75	4.25	4	.00 9.00
1918	Ida Sleeper	"	"	50.00 "	1.00	2.13	1	.75 1.38
1918	Mrs. A. H. Cutter	"	"	100.00 "	10.12	4.25	2	.50 11.87

Aug 15, 1910	Mrs. J. R. Bayley	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	"	3.45	2.13	1.00	4.58
May 30, 1919	Adolph Batchelder	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	7.88	4.25	2.50	9.63
1919	David M. Gould	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	"	1.45	2.13	1.50	2.08
1919	Mary J. Keyes	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	2.37	4.25	2.00	4.62
June 23, 1921	Hughes-Richardson	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	"	1.13	2.13	1.00	2.26
1921	Russell Richardson	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	"	1.13	2.13	1.00	2.26
1921	Orlando Richardson	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	2.25	4.25	2.00	4.50
Jan. 17, 1922	Jesse Wilson	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	.63	4.25	2.50	2.38
June 1922	Charles Colburn	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	"		2.13	.50	1.63
Sept. 9, 1922	Mrs. C. W. White	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"		4.25	2.00	2.25
Oct. 18, 1922	Chas. H. Stickney	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"		4.25	2.00	2.25
Oct. 25, 1922	M. Amanda Cloyd	"	"	"	U. S. Treasury Bond	200.00	"	"		8.50	4.00	4.50
Oct. 25, 1922	Chas. H. Cutter	"	"	"	U. S. Liberty Bond	100.00	"	"		4.25	1.50	2.75
Jan. 1923	Isaac Marshall	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"				
Dec. 1923	D. S. & R. S. Fox	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	"		1.06	.50	.56
June 1923	F. A. Cutter (add. fund)	"	"	"	U. S. Victory Bond	100.00 4¼	"	"	25.77	4.75	2.50	28.02
May 1, 1897	Solomon Barker	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	32.85	4.75	2.50	35.10
Aug. 30, 1898	Chas. L. Seavey	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	22.27	4.75	3.50	23.52
Feb. 15, 1907	George A. Shufelt	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	15.02	4.75	4.00	15.77
Nov. 27 1908	Jeptha Coburn	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	22.52	4.75	5.00	22.27
July 1, 1909	Daniel Marshall	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	20.02	4.75	2.00	22.77
Feb. 15, 1910	Matilda J. Marsh	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	16.72	4.75	2.50	18.97
Nov. 15, 1910	Stickney-Spofford	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	20.77	4.75	2.00	23.52
July 15, 1911	Runnells-Harlow	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	14.60	4.75	2.50	35.10
Aug. 15, 1912	Elizabeth Swan	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	28.60	4.75	1.50	31.85
June 15, 1912	Isaac Buttrick	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	12.39	4.75	2.50	14.64
Aug. 15, 1912	Joseph Tyler	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	14.52	4.75	2.50	16.77
Aug. 15, 1912	J. Milton Tyler	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	15.02	4.75	2.50	17.27
Oct. 15, 1912	Joseph Gage	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	16.10	4.75	2.50	18.35
May 3, 1913	Wyman-Tyler	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	19.57	4.75	1.50	22.82
Jan. 4, 1915	Charles Wheeler	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	12.57	4.75	2.50	14.82
Jan. 4, 1915	Gibson-Mitchell	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	8.72	4.75	2.50	10.97
Feb. 15, 1915	Albert S. Gage	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	7.47	4.75	2.50	9.72
Feb. 15, 1915	J. N. Woodman	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	7.27	4.75	3.50	8.52
Aug. 15, 1915	B. F. Richardson	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	"	10.27	4.75	2.50	12.52

The above Victory Bonds have been exchanged for Liberty Bonds.

Public Library

Trustees' Report

There is nothing of moment to report concerning the library this year, but it may be well to mention a few outstanding facts.

Two lots of books have been bought for the library in 1923, and more should be and probably will be added soon.

Because we needed more room in the stock room, some racks have been built in the attic and many of the less used and obsolete volumes have been removed from the stock room and put in them, thus making more room for new books and still having them in a place when they are accessible if needed.

Although the library has enjoyed its usual degree of prosperity during the year, it has been particularly unfortunate in losing two of its trustees—Mrs. Lena A. Kezer and Harold S. Frost, both of whom have removed from town. This will make it necessary to elect two instead of one trustee at the coming Town Meeting.

Several gifts of books, magazines and other things have been made to the library and we desire to thank those who have given them.

Any suggestions in regard to the purchase of new books or the conduct of the general affairs of the library by those who are intrusted will be gratefully received and considered.

As there is nothing in view for the coming year that

will regain any additional money, perhaps a few minor repairs, the usual appropriation of \$400 is recommended.

SHERMAN HOBBS,
Library Trustee.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Trustees of the Public Library:

The following report is respectfully submitted:

Number of volumes in library	5,562
Number acquired during year by purchase	124
Number acquired by gift	75
Circulation books for year	5288
Largest circulation in one month, April	490
Smallest circulation in one month, June	382
Average circulation per month	440
Number of cards issued during year	46
Amount received in fines	\$7.53
Amount received from sale of old papers	\$1.61

Gifts received during year: National Geographic Magazine, Mr. Sherman Hobbs; The Dearborn Independent, Mr. Henry Ford; The Literary Digest, Mrs. G. W. Sherburne; Gifts of books and two pictures, Mrs. Katherine Cox of Haverhill, Mass.; books, stuffed animals and birds, Mr. F. H. Hillman of St. Petersburg, Florida; a gun carried in the Revolutionary War by Capt. Jesse Wilson of this town, Miss Samantha Wilson of Pelham.

MARY E. HOBBS,
Librarian.

SUPPLEMENTARY FINDING LIST OF BOOKS IN
THE PELHAM LIBRARY

(By authors)
January 1923-1924

The Enchanted April	2319
Bailey, Temple, The Dim Lantern	2316
Braley, Berton, The Sheriff of Silver Bow	2317
Brand, Max, The Night Horseman	2318
Canfield, Dorothy, Rough Hewn	2283
Cody, H. A., Jess of the Rebel Trail	2284
Curwood, J. O., Barre, Son of Kazan	2285
Curwood, J. O., The Grizzly King	2286
Curwood, J. O., The Courage of Marge O'Doon	2287
Curwood, J. O., Nomads of the North	2288
Curwood, J. O., The Alaskan	2329
Connor, Ralph, The Gaspard's of Pinecroft	2328
Day, Holman, Joan of Arc of the North Woods	2289
Evarts, Hal G., Tumbleweeds	2290
Farnol, Jeffery, Peregrine's Progress	2291
Farnol, Jeffery, Sir John Dering	2330
Grey, Zane, Wanderer of the Wasteland	2292
Gale, Zona, Birth	2351
Hardy, Thomas, Far from the Madding Crowd	2293
Hendryx, James B., North	2294
Johnston, Mary, Croatan	2333
Kyne, Peter B., Never the Twain Shall Meet	2334
Lewis, Sinclair, Babbitt	2295
Lincoln, Joseph C., Fair Harbor	2296
Lincoln, Joseph C., Doctor Nye	2335
Lytton, Edw. Bulwer, Last Days of Pompeii	2322
Lytton, Edw. Bulwer, Harold, 2 Volumes	2323-24

Lutz, Grace L. H., Tomorrow About This Time	2331
Lytton, Edw. Bulwer, Last of the Barons	
2 Volumes	2325-26
Lytton, Edw. Bulwer, Rienzi	2327
Locke, Wm. J., The Lengthened Shadow	2336
MacGrath, Harold, The World Outside	2297
Marshall, Edison, The Isle of Retribution	2298
Marshall, Edison, The Strength of the Pines	2299
Mulber, Max, Memories	2320
Morley, Christophe, Where the Blue Begins	2337
Nicholson, Meredith, The Hope of Happiness	2338
Norris, Kathleen, Butterfly	2339
Pedler, Margaret, The Vision of Desire	2300
Porter, Gene Stratton, The White Flag	2340
Quick, Herbert, The Hawkeye	2352
Raine, Wm. McLeod, The High Grader	2301
Raine, Wm. McLeod, Oh, You Tex!	2302
Raine, Wm. McLeod, The Big Town Round Up	2303
Ruck, Berta, Sir or Madam	2304
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Roe, E. P., A Day of Fate	2321
Richards, Laura E., The Squire	2341
Richmond, Grace S., Rufus	2342
Sabatini, Rafael, The Sea Hawk	2306
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Sinclair, Bertrand W., Burned Bridges	2307
Sinclair, Bertrand W., Big Timber	2308
Terhune, Albert Payson, Black Caesar's Clay	2309
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Tracy, Lewis, The Pelham Affair	2310
Tarkington, Booth, The Fascinating Stranger	2344
Tompkins, Juliet Wilbor, A Line a Day	2346

Van Schaick, Geo., The Peace of Roaring River	2311
Walpole, Hugh, The Cathedral	2312
Wharton, Edith, The Age of Innocence	2313
Wharton, Edith, A Son at the Front	2347
White, Wm. Patterson, The Wagon Wheel	2314
Widdemer, Margaret, I've Married Marjorie	2315
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Day, Holman, Leadbetter's Luck	817
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Green, Fitzhugh, Mystery of the Eric	818
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Dr.

Cash in treasury Jan. 31, 1923	\$181.85
Aug. 20. Received 1923 appropriation	400.00
Nov. 13. Old books and pamphlets sold	1.61
Dec. 22. Book sold	2.25
Jan. 31. Fines	7.53
	\$593.24

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Paid—

De Wolfe & Fiske Co., books	\$97.78
Courier Publishing Co.	2.59
M. C. Stickney for sawing wood	3.75
Muldoon Bros. for lumber	1.71
De Wolfe & Fiske Co., books	97.68
W. D. Smith, 2 1/2 cords wood	30.00
C. Winthrop Hobbs, janitor	75.00
Mary E. Hobbs, Librarian	75.00
Harry H. Atwood, supplies	7.40
	\$390.91
Cash in Treasury Jan. 31, 1924	202.33
	\$593.24

Respectfully submitted,

SHERMAN HOBBS,
Treasurer Protem.

Financial Report

Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1924

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.
February 20, 1924.

ASA A. CARLETON,
GEORGE W. HARRIS,
C. C. RICHARDSON,
Selectmen.

FRED A. GREELEY,
Treasurer.

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of treasurer (Do not include sinking funds) \$2,371.18

Other Bills Due Town:

Rent from town hall 32.00

Taxes not collected:

Levy of 1923 3,154.20

Total Assets \$5,557.38

Grand Total \$5,557.38

Net Debt—surplus, January 31, 1923 \$3,903.08

Net Debt—Surplus, January 31, 1924 3,446.68

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Due to School Districts:

Dog licenses of 1923 \$218.20

Trust Funds, Amount of Principal used by Town:

Cemetery Trust Fund 1,392.50

Shufelt Cemetery Trust Fund 500.00

Total Liabilities \$2,110.70

Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus) 3,446.68

Grand Total \$5,557.38

Receipts

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property taxes committed to collector, 1923	\$18,604.42	
Less discounts and Abatements, 1923	187.61	
Less uncollected, 1923	3,154.20	
Property taxes, current year, actually collected	\$13,508.61	
Poll taxes, current year, actually collected	8 @ \$3	24.00
Poll taxes, current year, actually collected	346 @ \$5	1,730.00
Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected	3,140.17	
Total of above collections		\$18,402.78
Tax sales redeemed		104.28

From State:

For State Aid Maintenance	590.10
For State Aid Construction	428.58
Railroad tax	266.82
Savings bank tax	123.97
Fighting forest fires	16.98

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	218.20
Rent of town hall	207.00
Interest received on taxes	141.25
Interest received on deposits	100.75
Permits for the registration of motor vehicles	1,210.00

Abatements of 1922 taxes	86.63
Discounts on 1923 taxes	187.61
Tax Sales of 1922 list	69.44
Henderson tax, 1920 list	23.40
Total Current Receipts Revenue	\$22,177.79
Total Receipts From all Sources	\$22,177.79
Cash on hand February 1, 1923	3,288.36
Grand Total	\$25,466.15

Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:	
General Government:	
Town officers' salaries	\$775.00
Town officers' expenses	367.81
Election and registration expenses	18.50
Expenses town hall and other	
town buildings	348.22
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police department, including	
care of tramps	5.25
Fire department, including	
forest fires	193.66
Damage by dogs	16.00
Health:	
Vital statistics	12.00
Highways and Bridges:	
State Aid maintenance	1,206.75
Town maintenance	2,897.13
Street lighting and sprinkling	12.90
General expenses of highway	

department, including watering troughs	1,775.77	
Libraries:		
Library	400.00	
Patriotic Purposes:		
Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises	8.82	
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	104.00	
Unclassified:		
Damages and legal expenses	16.67	
Taxes bought by town	69.44	
Abatements refunded, 1922 list	86.63	
Discount on taxes, 1923 list	187.61	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$8,502.16
Interest:		
Paid on principal of trust funds used by town	\$66.25	
Total Interest Payments		\$66.25
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:		
Highways and budges—State construction	\$1,500.00	
Total Outlay Payments		\$1,500.00

Payments to Other Governmental

Divisions:

Taxes paid to State	\$2,216.50
Taxes paid to County	1,201.89
Payments to School Districts	9,608.17
Total Payments to Other Gov- ernmental Divisions	\$13,026.56
Total Payments for all Purposes	\$23,094.97
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1924	2,371.18
Grand Total	\$25,466.15

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	
Town Hall, lands and buildings	\$3,500.00
Furniture and equipment	400.00
Libraries, lands and buildings	8,000.00
Furniture and equipment	3,000.00
Fire Department:	
Equipment	100.00
Highway Department, lands and buildings	300.00
Equipment	350.00
Schools, lands and buildings	15,000.00
Equipment	2,000.00
Total	\$32,650.00

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD
OF THE
TOWN OF PELHAM, N. H.
FROM
MARCH, 1922, TO SCHOOL YEAR ENDING
AUGUST 31, 1923

TOWN DISTRICT SCHOOL WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

[L. S.]

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Pelham, qualified to vote in District affairs you are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district, on the twenty-second day of March, 1924, at half past one o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
7. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools.
8. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate for the Tuition of pupils attending High Schools or Academies.

9. To see how much money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairs of School houses and buildings.

10. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum asked for to pay their proportion of the excess salary of the Superintendent.

11. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, Truant Officers, District Clerk, and all other District Officers.

12. To see how much money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the first year work of local High School.

13. To see if the District will vote to extend the course of the present High School one or more years, and if voted in the affirmative, to see how much money the district will raise and appropriate to carry this article into effect.

14. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 27th day of February, A. D., 1924.

W. E. PEARSON,
E. G. SHERBURNE,
H. M. CURRIER,
School Board.

A true copy of warrant attest.

W. E. PEARSON,
E. G. SHERBURNE,
H. M. CURRIER,
School Board.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board of Pelham.

Gentlemen:

I have the pleasure of presenting herewith my fifth annual report as superintendent of your schools.

Teachers

Your schools opened this year with three of your former teachers in service and with four new ones; two at the High and Junior High School, and new teachers at No. 1, and No. 4. Miss Griffin resigned at the beginning of the Christmas vacation and her place has been filled. I feel that the board has been very fortunate in the selection of its teachers this year, and that Pelham has been particularly favored in securing the services of a young man of the scholarship and personality of Mr. Phinney. I believe that the teaching force of Pelham is the strongest at the present moment that it has been at any time in the past five years.

Enrollment

The membership in your schools has dropped appreciably in the past year. Your average membership for the school year 1922-23 was 185, your present membership is 160. However, a survey recently made seems to indicate that the low-water mark has been reached. Pelham is too close to Nashua, Lowell and Lawrence to suffer much more in depletion of its population regardless of transportation facilities.

High School

Your one year high school is small again this year, having an enrollment of 9 and a present membership of 7 pupils. As long as secondary work for but one year is offered by the school, we cannot expect a membership of much more than a dozen or 15. But even with the small number we now have, I believe the school decidedly worth while. Seven pupils each year, should they continue through the other three years of secondary work, would give Pelham a high school attendance of about 50 pupils, a much larger number than this town has had in recent years at least.

I am afraid that some of the parents do not seriously enough consider our effort to maintain a high school. Twice in the three years of its existence the approval of the school has been held up for a time because of a low attendance percent. Approval of a small high school is absolutely essential. Without it the pupils on graduating have no rating when they apply for advanced standing in other high schools in the State. They cannot be certified for work beyond that of the first year when coming from unapproved schools. In such a contingency the time of the pupils is wasted as far as securing any advancement in another school is concerned. This fall the Pelham school was approved until January 31, 1924, with future approval conditional on the school showing an improvement in its attendance record. After repeated exhortations and warnings in this matter, I had to resort to drastic measures to secure the required improvement. One pupil, because of his poor attendance record, was dropped back into grade VIII. This was necessarily done to protect the other seven. The parents

should cooperate with us in trying to make this school a success.

The Marking System

A word of explanation at this time of our marking system may not be amiss. Lack of understanding the significance of the marks on the pupils' cards very frequently causes much uneasiness for the parents and leads to unpleasant situations for the teacher, and sometimes for other school officials.

We have adopted in our marking system a five point scale, with four grades above the passing mark, and one to indicate any degree of attainment, however poor, which is below such a standard. The vital point is the standard of attainment fixed for a passing mark. This should represent an absolute quantity and should not be subject to the caprice of any school official, whether teacher, superintendent, or board member. It should represent such attainment for each grade as is known to be secured, on promotion, by the pupils in the average school. To fix such a standard with any degree of certainty has been, up to very recent years, an impossibility. Any teacher or administrative officer could guess, but there has been no data for forming a reliable judgement. From the many and much used scales and standardized tests of today, the teacher or the superintendent can form a very definite idea of where the passing mark should be in the scale of attainment in any school subject.

When the crucial point has been fixed, the grading of those above the passing mark is a comparatively easy matter. In the five point scale, we give a mark of A, for the exceptional attainment, such as is found from the curve of normal distribution is secured by 7 per cent or

8 per cent of the pupils in schools in the aggregate. B, is given for the rest of the upper third, C, for the middle third, D, for that portion of the lowest third which is above the passing standard, and F, for all below passing.

The mark C, then, represents the attainment of the largest class, the great class of average ability, while B, is a mark which any parent should be proud to see on the child's card, and A, is for the exceptional few. Understanding this, it is inconsistent for a parent, claiming but average ability or behavior for his child, to expect marks of A and B. These are marks for pupils of more than average abilities or behavior. We have such pupils and we have provided this way in our marking system of expressing it.

This scheme for marking the attainment of pupils is the one used, or approximated, in nearly all school systems of today. It can be reduced to a per cent basis wherever there is an advantage in so doing.

Transportation

Fear of immediate discontinuance of the service of the Massachusetts North Eastern road has been temporarily allayed, but a prudent policy would seem to demand that we be prepared for such an event. Should the service be discontinued, transportation for pupils in grades VII and VIII could probably be secured, but at a much greater expense than is now incurred. Such discontinuance would, however, work a severe hardship for some families now sending, or wishing in the near future to send, children to the Nashua High School. Without the electric road, commuting would be out of the question, while the expense of boarding children away from home would be too great for some of our families, besides the unde-

Average salaries of teachers	\$954
Number of visits made to all schools by board members	29
Number of visits made to all schools by superintendent	178
Number of visits made to all schools by citizens	141
Number of Pelham pupils in a secondary school elsewhere than in Pelham	19
Number pupils examined	163
Number pupils found to have defective teeth	55
Number pupils found to have hypertrophied tonsils	39
Number pupils underweight (7 lbs. or over)	10
Number pupils unvaccinated	85
Number pupils found with defective vision	8
Number pupils found with defective hearing	
Number pupils found with pediculosis	10
Number pupils who have had treatment for teeth	15
Number pupils who have had treatment for vision	4
Number pupils who have had treatment for tonsils	3
Number pupils who have other defects	4

The problem of securing corrective treatment for the pupils of Pelham is more difficult than in some towns due chiefly to the travelling facilities.

The pupils have responded well to health suggestions, and I find each year more interest is shown.

The black boards in some of the rural schools are very poor and I believe the pupils are greatly handicapped be-

cause of this. Aside from an epidemic of whooping cough at the Gumpus School, there have been very few contagious diseases.

Respectfully submitted,

MAUD H. PRISKE,
School Nurse.

MINOR REPAIRS AND EXPENSES, 1922-23

Gage Hill—

Trueing up and strengthening east wall

New outside door frame

Painting interior walls and woodwork two coats and drawing sash

. Miscellaneous Small Repairs

Labor $28\frac{3}{4}$ hours @ .85c

Labor $28\frac{3}{4}$ hours @ .55c

Gumpus—

Painting interior walls and wood work two coats and drawing sash

New floor in boys' entry

Labor $17\frac{3}{4}$ hours @ .85

Labor 20 hours @ .55

Junior High—

New septic tank

On all School Buildings

Miscellaneous repairs, setting glass, puttying sash, painting porch roofs, patching plaster walls, night lock and bolts, oiling floors, repairing desks, repairing out-buildings.

Paid—

C. B. Coburn, paint and oil		\$44.13
Sherburn Bros., lumber		11.46
Pratt & Forrest, lumber and door frame		18.33
Hardware		24.00
Midgley Steel & Wire Co.		20.23
Nashua Building Co., septic tank		65.00
E. C. Sherburn, labor	83 hrs. @ .85c	70.55
R. Sherburn, labor	59½ hrs. @ .55c	32.72
W. C. Brown, labor	8 hrs. @ .70c	5.60
		\$292.02

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR 1924-25

Estimated amount \$5 on a M inventory	\$3,849.98
Estimated High School Tuition	2,000.00
District Officers	260.00
Interest and Notes, \$312.50 plus \$500	812.50
Repairs	250.00
Estimated for High School, first year	1,200.00
Superintendent's excess salary	175.00
Estimated per capita tax	450.00

EXPENDITURES, 1922-23

Salaries—District Officers:

C. W. Hobbs, moderator and treasurer	
\$24 plus \$6	\$30.00
F. A. Burton, truant officer	24.00
Mary E. Hobbs, clerk	6.00
Henry M. Currier	48.00

Willis E. Pearson	60.00
Ernest G. Sherburn	48.00
	\$216.00

Teachers Salaries—Junior High:

Bertha Hooke	\$1,300.00
Teresa Shea	1,100.00
No. 1. Rita Palmer	950.00
No. 2. Catherine Donovan	800.00
No. 3. Mary Winn	354.15
No. 3. Louie Merriman	525.00
No. 4. Frances McGill	954.00
No. 5. May McCarthy	900.00
	\$6,883.15

Text books	\$336.78
Supplies	304.59

DEBT SERVICE—PAID AND UNPAID

Total Debt Outstanding—July 15, 1920

8 notes at \$500 each with interest @ $5\frac{1}{2}$	per cent
7 Notes at \$500 each with interest @ 5	per cent

15 notes serial, 1 mature yearly.

July 30, 1921-22-23

Paid principal in three \$500 notes	\$1,500.00
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July 30, 1921

Interest on 8 notes at $5\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	220.00
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Interest on 7 notes at 5 per cent	175.00
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July 30, 1922

Interest on 7 notes at 5½ per cent	192.50
Interest on 7 notes at 5 per cent	175.00
July 30, 1923	
Interest on 6 notes at 5½ per cent	165.00
Interest on 7 notes at 5 per cent	175.00
	\$2,602.50

Debt Outstanding July 30, 1923

- 5 notes @ 5½ per cent, \$500 each to mature in 1, 6,
8, 10 and 11 years
7 notes @ 5 per cent, \$500 each to mature in 2, 3, 4,
5, 7, 9 and 12 years.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending June 30, 1923

Dr.

To cash in treasury, June 30, 1922	\$1,764.64
Received—	
School District of Windham tuition	70.00
W. E. Pearson; transportation rebate	18.00
Extra tuition of pupil at Lowell High School	72.00
Town treasurer appropriation	7,533.07
Town treasurer dog tax (1921)	136.70
Indian Head National Bank, interest	47.08
State treasurer equallization	4,031.95
Total receipts	\$13,673.44

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Paid 165 orders issued by School Board	\$12,525.47
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Leaving a balance on hand June 30, 1923	\$1,147.97
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CHARLES W. HOBBS,
District Treasurer.

Report of Auditors

We have this day examined the School District Treasurer's accounts and find that he has received \$13,673.44.

And paid 165 orders issued by the School Board amounting to	\$12,525.47
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Leaving a balance in the treasury of	\$1,147.97
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Pelham, N. H., July 13, 1923.

SHERMAN HOBBS,
CLARENCE H. MULDOON,
Auditors.

Vital Statistics

Births Registered in the Town of Pelham for the year ending December 31, 1923

Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace Mother
Jan. 4	Ethel A. Koehler	F	L	1	W	Wm. S. Koehler	Lucy Lyon	Postman	Cherokee, Iowa	Lowell, Mass.
Jan. 10	Helen L. Carleton	F	L	..	W	Asa A. Carleton	Estella A. Wyman	Motorman	Pelham	Pelham
Jan. 25	Zilpha B. Carleton	F	L	3	W	Daniel G. Carleton	Cora L. Smith	Motorman	Pelham	Hudson
Jan. 27	Mary Sexton	F	L	..	W	John Sexton	Hannah Donnelly	Farmer	Ireland	N. Andover, Mass.
Feb. 15	George Silva	M	L	..	W	Joseph Silva	Caroline Souza	Farmer	Portugal	Portugal
Feb. 20	Albert Boisvert	M	L	..	W	Alexander G. Boisvert	Alma Morneau	Farmer	Pelham	Lowell, Mass.
Mar. 19	Marie E. L. Landry	F	L	1	W	Alexander F. Landry	Marie A. Bedard	Carpenter	Salem, Mass.	Canada
April 9	Brady	F	L	..	W	William H. Brady	Marion Kyle	Salesman	N. Cambridge, Mass.	Boston, Mass.
May 26	Bernice Landry	F	L	12	W	Joseph E. Landry	Victoria Levasseur	Farmer	Lowell, Mass.	Canada
July 8	John Niesky	M	L	5	W	Stephen Niesky	Damoselle Genich	Wire Worker	Russia	Russia
July 9	Janina Z. Zolkos	F	L	..	W	John Zolkos	Mary Gajda	Farmer	Poland	Poland
July 22	William J. Lawlor	M	L	4	W	John J. Lawlor	Julia A. Lawlor	Machinest	Ireland	Cambridge, Mass.
Aug. 14	Gladys M. Beaupre	F	L	4	W	Arthur J. Beaupre	Edith Martin	Iceman	Derby Line, Vt.	W. Derby, Vt.
Aug. 16	Marie P. G. Bedard	F	L	..	W	Arthur Bedard	Georgianna Rondeau	Carpenter	Canada	S. Lawrence, Mass.
Sept. 7	Leslie I. Harris	F	L	3	W	George W. Harris	Doris Titcomb	Farmer	Pelham	Pelham
Sept. 13	Miraston Melincki	M	L	6	W	Andrew Melincki	Pawlina Solmon	Farmer	Austria	Austria
Sept. 26	Marie A. J. Rousseau	F	L	..	W	Ovela Rousseau	Marie A. Gagnier	Carpenter	Canada	Canada
Oct. 20	Smietana	M	L	7	W	Victor Smietana	Helen Smith	Painter	Austria	Austria
Nov. 23	Joseph E. R. Fortier	M	L	..	W	John J. Fortier	Marion Bedard	Machinist	Holyoke, Mass.	Canada

Marriages Registered in the Town of Pelham for the year ending December 31, 1923

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Number of Marriage	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married
July 5	Methuen, Mass.	Wallace L. Galeucia.....	Pelham.....	29	Steamfitter.....	Peabody, Mass.....	1	A. Gertrude Earle
		Emily Dierig.....		24	Dressmaker.....	Pelham.....	2	Minister of the Gospel
July 25	Hudson.....	George F. Burton.....	".....	26	Farmer.....	Pelham.....	1	Fred C. Rollis
		Gladys M. G. Mooney.....	".....	26	Housework.....	Dracut, Mass.....	2	Clergyman
Aug. 8	Pelham.....	Christos C. Afezalous.....	".....	48	Farmer.....	Albania.....	1	Dhosi T. Kotundi, Priest
		Thomaida Jiancho.....	Akron Ohio.....	42	Housewife.....	".....	2	of Alb. Orth. Church
Aug. 12	Manchester.....	Hollon C. Avery.....	York Maine.....	24	Steel worker.....	York, Maine.....	1	George S. Morrill
		Alta S. Tholander.....	Pelham.....	20	At home.....	Somerville, Mass.....	1	Clergyman
Sept. 16	Nashua.....	Lawrence E. Sampson.....	Melrose, Mass.....	21	Lumber Dealer.....	Sydney, N. S.....	1	Henry H. French
		Lillian M. Davies.....	Everett, Mass.....	20	Stenographer.....	Everett, Mass.....	1	Clergyman
Oct. 4	Salem.....	Jacob A. Issacson.....	Boston, Mass.....	57	Salesman.....	Boston, Mass.....	1	Arthur B. Peebles
		Ella M. Saunders.....	Rosindale, Mass.....	47	At home.....	St. John, N. B.....	2	Clergyman
Nov. 24	Hudson.....	Arthur R. Parker.....	Groveland, Mass.....	21	Mason.....	Groveland, Mass.....	1	J. N. Armitstead
		May Thompson.....	Pelham.....	18	Mill worker.....	N. Andover, Mass.....	1	Clergyman
Dec. 10	Nashua.....	Silas S. McCann.....	".....	43	Farmer.....	Pelham.....	2	Henry H. French
		Jennie O'Brien.....	".....	30	At home.....	Richfield, N. J.....	2	Clergyman
Dec. 15	Hudson.....	Charles B. Coombs.....	".....	49	Blacksmith.....	Bowdoin, Me.....	2	Charles T. Reekie
		Mildred L. Theall.....	".....	18	At home.....	Everett, Mass.....	1	Clergyman

Deaths Registered in the Town of Pelham, for the year ending December 31, 1923

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex	Single Mar. Wid.	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Y	M	D						
Jan. 14	Nashua	Helen L. Carleton			4	Nashua	F	S	Infant	Asa A. Carleton	Estella A. Wyman
Feb. 5	Pelham	Mary F. Hillman	89	10		Rockland, Me.	F	S	Dressmaker	Whitten Hillman	Harriet Barnard
Feb. 10	Nashua	Sidney Banford	72	1	17	Boston, Mass.	M	W	Farmer	Albert Banford	Unknown
Feb. 13	Pelham	Harriet N. Titcomb	80	11	16	Norway, Me.	F	W	Housewife	Unknown	Lucy Needham
March 10	"	Serena S. Stickney	73	2	7	Pelham	F	W		Amos Batchelder	Rebecca Atwood
March 30	"	Orton Moore	79	11	25	Georgetown, Mass.	M	M	Farmer	Nathaniel Moore	Rebecca Spofford
April 30	"	Albert Boisvert		2	10	Pelham	M	S	Infant	Alex J. Boisvert	Alma Morneau
April 30	"	Orlando Wilson	67	3		"	M	M	Farmer	Jesse Wilson	Sarah J. Wilson
June 2	"	Emeline Fox	80	6	22	Lowell, Mass.	F	W	At home	John Carr	Ann Fox
June 6	"	Alvino Stabile	26	2	23	Lawrence, Mass.	M	S	Salesman	Antonio Stabile	Filomena Anziano
June 9	"	Jane Smith	88	1	16	Buffalo, N.Y.	F	W	Retired	Unknown	Unknown
June 21	"	Abbie J. Jones	78	4	16	Dracut, Mass.	F	W	At home	Thaddeus Richardson	Betsey Bradford
July 6	"	Ella Atwood Marsh	77	5	18	Lowell, Mass.	F	W		Nathan S. Sleeper	Sarah A. Hardy
July 29	"	Emma Helm	55	6	23	Lawrence, Mass.	F	S	Housewife	Henry W. Helm	Ernestine Matthes
Aug. 10	"	Dennison D. Collins	82	1		Canada	M	W	Retired	Unknown	Unknown
Aug. 18	"	David Mailloux	57			Champlain, N. Y.	M	M	Foreman		
Sept. 7	"	Martin L. Jones	76	5	30	Pelham	M	M	Farmer	John L. Jones	Betsey Richardson
Oct. 2	"	Rose Hagasopian	1	7		Lowell, Mass.	F	S	Infant	John Hogasopian	Annie Kapranean
Nov. 30	Lowell, Mass.	James A. Hobbs	69	1	5	Pelham	M	S	Retired	James M. Hobbs	Hannah Woodbury
Dec. 10	Pelham	George Silva		10		"	M	S	Infant	Joseph Silva	Caroline Souza
Dec. 22	"	Julia A. Coombs	57			Weld, Me.	F	M	Housewife	Benj. A. Ramsdell	Elenor True

I hereby certify that the foregoing records of the Vital Statistics of the Town of Pelham for the year ending December 31, 1923, are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE P. WOOD, Town Clerk.