

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen, Treasurer, Clerk, Trustees of Trust
Funds, Cemetery Trustees, Public Library
Trustees, School Board and Auditors

FOR THE

TOWN OF PELHAM, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

JANUARY 31, 1923

NASHUA, N. H

F. E. COLE & CO., PRINTERS AND BOOKBINDERS

1923

Town Officers

Moderator—Henry M. Currier.

Selectmen—Arthur H. Peabody, Asa A. Carleton, George W. Harris.

Town Clerk—George P. Wood.

Town Treasurer—Fred A. Greeley.

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

Representative to the General Court—Asa A. Carleton.

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

Auditors—Sherman Hobbs, C. Winthrop Hobbs, Richard H. Currier.

Sealer of Weights and Measures—Charles W. Hobbs.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—Edwin J. Atwood, C. Winthrop Hobbs.

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

Trustees of Cemeteries—George P. Wood, Fred S. Tillston, C. Winthrop Hobbs, 1923, Daniel M. Webster, Forrest E. Kelly, 1924, Fred A. Greeley, 1925, Sexton—Ernest W. Richardson.

Trustees of Trust Funds—Forrest E. Kelley, 1923,
George P. Wood, 1924, Charles W. Hobbs, 1925.

Tax Collector—Carl M. Mansfield.

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

Fence Viewers—Harold S. Frost, Daniel S. At-
wood.

Inspectors of Elections—Mary E. Hobbs, Sher-
man Hobbs, Henry E. Titcomb, Asa A. Carleton.

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 Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Pelham on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next, at ten of the 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 ballots upon the question as to whether the amendment proposed by the Convention to revise the Constitution shall be approved.
4. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairs of highways and 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 amount of money necessary to secure State aid for the permanent improvements of highways under the law passed January session 1905.

6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a portable stone crusher, and engine to operate the same, and raise and appropriate money to carry the same into effect.

7. By petition: To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to spend one hundred dollars (\$100.00) on private way, leading from Otis Gage farm to Gage Park, Island Pond.

8. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the extermination of moths and beetles.

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

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

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

12. To choose two persons for three years for Trustees of cemeteries.

13. To choose one person for three years for Trustee of the Public Library.

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

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

16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) said sum to be used for the purpose of purchasing a two tank chemical engine on a Ford chassis, or act in any other way relative thereto.

17. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount of two per cent, on 1923 taxes paid before September 1, 1923.

18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) to build a cement bridge on Willow Street.

19. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the public highway, subject to bars or gate, leading from the residence of Walter J. Smith, easterly, to what is known as the Mill Road.

20. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the public highway, subject to bars or gate, leading from John Coleman's over Jeremy Hill to residence of Peter Rostoskas.

21. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the public highway, subject to bars or gate, leading from the residence of Silas McCann's to Baldwin Hill Corner.

22. To see if the town will vote to authorize and instruct the Selectmen to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$1,000 for the maintenance of the Pelham-Lowell Electric car line so called of the Mass. Northeastern Street Railway Co., provided said company shall continue the operation of said electric car

line for a period of one year from April 1, 1923, or take any other action relating thereto.

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

Given under our hands and seal, Twenty-sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and Twenty-three.

ARTHUR H. PEABODY,
ASA A. CARLETON,
GEORGE W. HARRIS,
Selectmen of Pelham.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ARTHUR H. PEABODY,
ASA A. CARLETON,
GEORGE W. HARRIS,
Selectmen of Pelham.

BUDGET
OF THE
TOWN OF PELHAM, N. H.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR
THE ENSUING YEAR

JAN. 31, 1923 TO JAN. 31, 1924

COMPARED WITH

ACTUAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE
PREVIOUS YEAR

JAN. 31, 1922 TO JAN. 31, 1923

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1922	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1923	Decrease
From State:			
Railroad Tax,	\$301.63	\$300.00	\$ 1.63
Savings Bank Tax,	126.65	126.65	
For Fighting Forest Fires,	49.96	25.00	24.96
For Highways:			
(a) For State Aid Maintenance,	799.97	600.00	199.97
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
All Licenses and Permits except			
Dog Licenses,	983.27	800.00	183.27
Rent of Town Hall and Other			
Buildings,	305.00	305.00	
Interest Received on Taxes and			
Deposits,	216.44	216.44	
County Poor,	14.66		
Primary Fees,	4.00		
From Poll Taxes	1,816.00	1,800.00	16.00
Received from tax sales,	115.39	115.39	
Abatement of 1921 Tax,	133.81		
Discount on 1921 Tax,	156.21	156.21	
Revenue Applicable only to New Construction and Improve- ments:			
From State:			
(a) For State Aid Highway Construction,	483.35	423.20	60.15
Revenue Which must be Paid to Dog Fund 1922,	155.90	155.90	
Other Governmental Divisions:			
Total Revenues from all sources			
except Property Taxes:	\$5,662.24	\$5,023.79	\$485.98
Amt. Raised to Property Taxes:	17,213.76	16,013.71	1,200.05
Total Revenues	\$22,876.00	\$21,037.50	\$1,686.03

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1922	Previous Expenditures Ensuing Year 1923	Increase	Decrease
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries,	\$827.00	\$827.00		
Town Officers' Expenses,	287.29	275.00		\$12.29
Election and Registration Ex- penses,	75.71	50.00		25.71
Care and Supplies for Town Hall,	261.91	275.00	\$13.09	
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department,	13.00	50.00	37.00	
Fire Department,	99.31	50.00		49.31
Health:				
Health Department,	31.00	30.00		1.00
Vital Statistics,	11.70	10.00		1.70
Highway and Bridges:				
State Aid Maintenance				
State's Contribution,	799.97	600.00		199.97
Town's Contribution,	808.66	600.00		208.66
Town Maintenance,	3,148.31	4,000.00	851.69	
County Poor,	14.66			
General Expenses of Highway Department	136.05	200.00	63.95	
Education:				
Libraries,	400.00	400.00		
Charities:				
Town Poor,	78.14	50.00		28.14
Patriotic Purposes:				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations,	17.74	15.00		2.74
Recreation:				
Damages by dogs,	30.00			
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemeteries	72.00	72.00		
Abatement of Taxes,	133.81			
Interest:				
Taxes bought by Town,	115.39			
Discount on Taxes,	156.21			
On Long-Term Notes,	63.14			
On Principal of Trust Funds Used by Town,	66.25	66.25		
Outlay for New Construction and and Permanent Improvements:				
State Aid Construction				
State's Contribution,	483.35	433.20		50.15
Town's Contribution,	1,246.10	1,083.00		163.10
Indebtedness:				
(b) Long Term Notes	700.00			
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:				
State Taxes,	2,889.00	2,800.00		89.00
County Taxes,	1,151.05	1,151.05		
Payments to School Dist.,	7,669.77	8,000.00	330.23	
Total Expenditures	21,786.52	21,037.50	1,295.96	831.77

Selectmen's Report

SUMMARY INVENTORY

	Number	Value
No. of \$5.00 polls,	474	
No. of \$3.00 polls,	17	
No. of acres of real estate,	16,780	\$622,620.00
No. of horses,	162	14,460.00
No. of cows,	707	37,195.00
No. of oxen,		
No. of other neat stock,	54	1,850.00
No. of hogs,	21	420.00
No. of sheep,	7	42.00
No. of fowls,	5,420	8,122.00
No. of portable mills,	2	3,000.00
Wood and lumber (not included in stock in trade),		24,990.00
Municipal Bonds and notes,		96.00
Stock in National Banks in this State,		1,000.00
Money on hand, at int. or on deposit,		1,225.00
Value of stock in trade,		3,300.00
Equipment at Ledge,		1,600.00
Transmission lines,		2,200.00
Total property valuation,		\$722,120.00
Amount exempted to soldiers not included in the above,		\$4,500.00
Tax rate (1922) \$23.00 per thousand.		

TAXES ASSESSED

State tax,	\$1,965.00	
County tax,	1,151.05	
Town charges,	1,000.00	
State aid construction,	1,113.00	
State aid maintenance,	600.00	
Highways and bridges,	3,000.00	
Public Library,	400.00	
Mortgage and interest on Town Hall,	740.00	
\$5.00 per thousand on equalized valuation,	3,999.57	
Tuition in High Schools and Academies,	1,200.00	
Repairs of school houses,	150.00	
Payments on principal of debt,	500.00	
Payments on Interest of debt,	367.50	
High school (First year),	1,000.00	
Reimbursed Tuition,	100.00	
Salaries of district officer,	216.00	
\$2.00 per capita tax for supervision,	452.00	
		\$17,954.12
Overlay,		1,075.64
Total		\$19,029.76

Detail No. 1. Town Officer's Salaries

George P. Wood, Town Clerk,	\$ 50.00
Fred A. Greely, Town Treasurer,	50.00
Arthur H. Peabody, Selectman,	150.00
Asa A. Carleton, Selectman,	135.00

George W. Harris, Selectman,	135.00	
Daniel G. Carleton, Supervisor,	30.00	
Richard H. Currier, Supervisor,	30.00	
Henry M. Currier, Tax Collector,	217.00	
		\$872.00

Detail No. 2. Town Officer's Expenses

H. H. Atwood, stationery and postage,	\$ 6.72	
George P. Wood, auto permits,	14.00	
permits),	16.00	
Asa A. Carleton, postage and stationery,	1.00	
Edson C. Eastman Co., Blanks, etc.,	4.62	
F. E. Cole & Co., Printing Town Reports,	197.75	
George P. Woods, auto permits,	14.00	
Edson C. Eastman Co., warrants,	.62	
Asa A. Carleton, expenses on electric lights,	15.00	
Tribune Publishing Co., Printing tax bills,	3.90	
Asso. of New Hampshire As- sessor's membership fee,	2.00	
George P. Wood, auto permits,	22.50	
		\$287.29

Detail No. 3. Election and Registration Expenses

F. E. Cole & Co., printing check list,	\$22.09	
Butterfield Printing Co., printing Town ballots,	14.00	

Milan Stickney, putting up booths,	2.00	
Edson C. Eastman, warrants,	.62	
Otis A. Gage,, ballot clerk,	6.00	
Daniel S. Atwood, election inspector,	12.00	
C. Winthrop Hobbs, election in-		
specter,	3.00	
Mary E. Hobbs, election inspector,	9.00	
Henry E. Titcomb, election in-		
specter,	3.00	
Milan C. Stickney, setting up and		
removing booths,	4.00	
		\$75.71

Detail No. 5. Town Hall Expenses

John P. Quinn, coal,	\$48.75	
Clarence M. Wyman, janitor,	180.00	
M. Steinert & Sons Co., tuning		
piano,	5.00	
Fred W. Lyon, wood,	8.00	
Milan C. Stickney, sawing wood,	1.50	
Arthur W. Greeley, tuning piano,	3.25	
Gulf Refining Co., Kerosene,	7.50	
Harry H. Atwood, merchandise,	7.91	
		\$261.91

Detail No. 6. Police Department

Badges,	\$ 3.00	
Wason & Moran, State vs Mar-		
cotte,	10.00	
		\$13.00

Detail No. 7. Fire Department

C. W. Hobbs, Jr., fire warden,	\$91.34	
Harry H. Atwood, soda and acid,	7.97	
	<u> </u>	\$99.31

Detail No. 10. Damage by Dogs

Mrs. Maria A. Titcomb, turkeys killed,	\$30.00	
	<u> </u>	\$30.00

Detail No. 11. Health Department

Clarence M. Wyman, burying cow,	\$ 1.00	
James O. Titcomb, health officer,	30.00	
	<u> </u>	\$31.00

Detail No. 12. Vital Statistics

George P. Wood, returning vital statistics,	\$6.10	
George P. Wood, returning vital statistics,	5.60	
	<u> </u>	\$11.70

Detail No. 14. State Aid Maintenance

	State	Town	Total
Balance, 1921,	\$206.47	\$206.48	\$412.95
Appropriation, 1922,	600.00	600.00	1,200.00
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	806.47	806.48	1,612.95
Expenditures,	806.47	808.66	1,615.13
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	00.00	2.18	2.18

Paid by Town

Dec. 2, 1921,	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	\$ 3.25
Apr. 14.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	34.38
" 15.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	33.00
" 22.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	53.00
" 29.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	101.50
" 29.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	40.00
May 6.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	7.25
" 13.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	11.50
" 20.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	11.50
" 27.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	18.50
June 24.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	18.75
" 24.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	16.50
July 1.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	14.71
Sep. 9.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	3.25
" 16.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	27.00
" 16.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	133.28
" 23.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	258.50
" 23.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	191.94
" 30.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	114.50
" 30.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	212.50
Oct. 7.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	67.02
" 7.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	111.00
Nov. 7.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	23.50
" 18.	Gravel,	102.30
		\$1,608.63

Paid by State, Engineering,	\$6.50
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Paid to Town, to be paid by State,	\$799.97
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W. N. PRESCOTT,
Div. Engineer.

Detail No. 16. Town Maintenance of Highways

AMOS E. WOOD, Highway Agent

Work in:		
April,	\$188.92	
May,	190.65	
June,	145.41	
August,	29.40	
September,	33.51	
November,	107.52	
December,	22.18	
		\$717.59

CHARLES D. FOISIE, Highway Agent

Work in:		
April,	\$276.58	
May,	301.51	
August,	86.75	
September,	38.00	
		\$702.84

LUDWIG A. O. HIRSCH, Highway Agent

Work in:		
April,	\$169.20	
May,	197.95	
June,	123.50	
July,	274.50	
August,	153.25	
September,	195.60	
October,	28.50	
November,	30.60	
		\$1,173.10

Detail No. 18. General Expenses of Highway

Department

N. E. Road Machine Co., blades,	\$21.00	
Alfred Ducharme,, repairing road		
machine, sharpening pick, etc.	44.55	
N. E. Road Machine Co., repairs		
for machine,	3.12	
Harry H. Atwood, spikes, etc.,	3.38	
Asa A. Carleton, road signs,	25.00	
Muldoon Bros., stringers,	39.00	
		\$136.05

SNOW BILLS

Amos E. Wood,	\$258.59	
Ludwig A. O. Hirsch,	142.84	
Charles D. Foisie,	96.31	
Fred A. Burton,	17.00	
W. F. Marsh,	13.86	
George W. Harris,	11.00	
Daniel M. Webster,	6.00	
A. Jubinville,	3.96	
Carl A. Hirsch,	3.00	
Willis H. Nutting,	2.22	
		\$554.78

Total Highway Expenditures		\$3,284.36
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Detail No. 19. Public Library

Harold S. Frost, Treasurer,	\$400.00	
		\$400.00

Detail No. 20. Town Poor

Asa A. Carleton, car-fare for		
tramps,	\$3.00	
Hillsborough County Farm,		
board Fergus Bannister,	75.14	
		\$78.14

Detail No. 21. County Poor

H. H. Atwood, supplies for		
James Chorely and family,	\$4.70	
B. W. Noyes, supplies for		
James Chorely and family,	9.96	
		\$14.66

Detail No. 22. Aid to G. A. R.
and Memorial Day

C. Winthrop Hobbs, (1921),	\$12.24	
C. Winthrop Hobbs, (1922),	5.50	
		\$17.74

Detail No. 27. Cemeteries

Ernest W. Richardson, sexton		
9 graves,	\$72.00	
		\$72.00

Detail No. 29.

Taxes bought by town,	\$115.39	
		\$115.39

Detail No. 30.

Discount on Taxes

Carl M. Mansfield, collector		
(1922) list,	\$156.21	
		\$156.21

Detail No. 31. Abatement of Taxes, 1921 List

Padwany, Phillip,	\$5.00
Padwany, Alice,	5.00
Stickney, Charles B.,	3.00
Titcomb, Maurice,	5.00
Titcomb, William C.,	5.00
White, Mary,	5.00
Palmer, Acron,	1.30
Troy, Andrew,	3.00
Quigley, Margaret,	5.00
Miller, Gladys,	5.00
Hillman, Ralph G.,	3.00
Facto, Catherine,	5.00
Bigelow, Ernest Q.,	5.00
Burton, Ervin J.,	5.00
Barron, Fred W.,	5.00
Duffin, William,	5.00
Herbert, Amos K.,	5.00
Herbert, Ruth L.,	5.00
Herbert, Katie F.,	5.00
Kirby, James,	5.00
Kirby, Isabella,	5.00
Keyes, Lillian,	5.00
Lafogg, Delia,	5.00
Mercier Cyprien,	5.00
Mercier, Clara,	5.00
Meseth, Margaret,	5.00
Peacock, Delia,	5.00
Non-Resident	
Marshall, Ethelyn L.,	\$2.60
Emmerest, Julius,	5.91

Detail No. 33. Interest

Interest on Town Hall, mortgage to Nov. 18, 1922,	\$63.14	
		\$63.14

Detail No. 35. Interest

Interest on Trust Fund notes to Jan. 31, 1923,	\$66.25	
		\$66.25

Detail No. 36. State Aid Construction

	State	Town	Total
Balance, 1921,	\$ 51.90	\$ 126.01	\$ 177.91
Appropriation, 1922,	445.20	1,113.00	1,558.20
	497.10	1,239.01	1,736.11
Expenditures,	497.10	1,246.10	1,743.20
Balance,	00.00	7.09	7.09

Paid by Town

Oct. 14.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	\$182.00
" 14.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	29.50
" 21.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	278.00
" 21.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	96.25
" 28.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	301.75
" 28.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	94.00
Nov. 4.	A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	308.15

" 13. A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	208.00
" 18. A. H. Peabody, Chairman,	231.80
	\$1,729.45
Paid by State, Engineering,	\$13.75
Nov. 15. Paid by State to Town	\$250.00
To be paid,	233.35
	\$483.35

W. N. PRESCOTT,
Div. Engineer.

Detail No. 45

Payment on Long Term Notes

Sherman Hobbs, Town Hall note,	\$700.00	
		\$700.00

Detail No. 50. Taxes Paid State

Polls collected to Jan. 31.

106 Polls in (1921) at \$2.00	\$ 212.00	
356 Polls in (1922) at \$2.00	712.00	
State Tax	1,965.00	
		\$2,889.00

Detail No. 51

Taxes Paid to County

County tax,	\$1,151.05	
		\$1,151.05

Detail No. 53

Payments to School Districts

Elementary schools,	\$3,999.57
Tuitions,	1,200.00
Salaries and repairs on school houses,	366.00
Payments on principal of debt,	500.00
Payments on interest of debt,	367.50
High school (first year),	1,000.00
Reimbursed tuition,	100.00
1921, Dog tax,	136.70
Paid Charles W. Hobbs, school District Treasurer,	\$7,669.77
Total payment for all purposes,	\$21,786.52

DOGS LICENSED YEAR ENDING, MAY 1, 1923

Allard, Geo. Z., 1 male,	\$ 2.00
Atwood, H. H., 1 female, ½ year,	2.50
Baril, A., 1 male,	2.00
Belan, A., 1 male,	2.00
Bolton, W. J., 1 male,	2.00
Burton, F. A., 2 males,	4.00
Currier, H. M., 1 male,	2.00
Clement, F. F., 1 male,	2.00
Clark, F. J., 1 female,	5.00
Coleman, J., 1 male,	2.00
Day, B. C., 1 male,	2.00
Dalphond, J., 2 males,	4.00
Ducharme, E., 1 male,	2.00
Dutton, W. W., 1 female, ½ year,	2.50

Emerson, A. N., 1 male,	2.00
Fairbanks, H., 1 male,	2.00
Gariepy, J., 1 male,	2.00
Greenough, H. S., 1 male,	
Greenwood, A., 1 male,	2.00
Greenwood F. J. A., 1 male, 1/2 year,	1.00
Harris, A. B., 1 male,	2.00
Harris, A. F., 1 male,	2.00
Harris, G. W., 1 male,	2.00
Hennesey, A., 1 male,	2.00
Herbert, C. G., 1 male,	2.00
Hobbs, S., 1 male,	2.00
Houle, F. E., 1 female,	5.00
Hirsch, L. A. O., 1 female,	5.00
Hubley, D. E., 1 male,	2.00
Hunter, A. V., 1 male,	2.00
Jack, C. H., 1 female,	5.00
Jones, A. H., 1 male,	2.00
Koehler, C. H., 1 male,	2.00
Leavitt, J. A., 1 male,	2.00
Lewis H. E., 1 male and 1 female,	7.00
Leblanc, Geo., 1 female,	5.00
Lyon, S. H., 1 male,	2.00
Mansfield Bros., 1 male and 1 s. female,	4.00
Morrison, J., 1 male,	2.00
Moore, O., 1 s. female,	2.00
Muldoon Bros., 1 male,	2.00
Pearson, W. E., 1 male,	2.00
Perry, E. E. Mrs., 1 male,	2.00
Phelan, Grace, 1 male,	2.00
Quigley P., 1 male,	2.00
Raymond, E. G., 1 male,	2.00
Raymond, R. M., 1 female,	5.00

Rediker, Geo W., 1 male,	2.00
Ross, P., 1 male,	2.00
Schmidt, Otto, 1 male,	2.00
Simpson, Ed., 1 male,	2.00
Smith, E. J., 1 male,	2.00
Smith, Jos., 1 male,	2.00
Stanyon, E. E., 1 female,	5.00
Sherburne, G. W., 1 male,	2.00
Tallant, Eben, 1 male,	2.00
Watkins, H. C., 1 male,	2.00
Warden, H. A., 2 males and 2 females,	14.00
Wilson, O., 1 male,	2.00
Wilson, Ora, 1 male, ½ year,	1.00
Wood, Amos E., 1 male,	2.00
Yaeh, Emil, 1 male,	2.00

69 DOGS LICENSED

53 Males @ \$2.00,	\$106.00
2 Males ½ year @ 2.00	2.00
10 Females @ 5.00,	50.00
2 Females ½ year @ 5.00,	5.00
2 Spayed females @ 2.00,	4.00

\$167.00

59 licenses @ 20 cents,	\$11.80
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\$155.20

Paid Treasurer or in hands of the Town Clerk,	\$155.20
148 motor vehicles permits were is- sued for 1922, amounting to,	\$1,062.61

GEORGE P. WOOD,
Town Clerk.

Treasurer's Report

The following report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1923, is respectfully submitted:

Cash in treasury,	\$ 2,629.44
Received of collector, tax of 1921,	3,021.89
Received of collector, interest on 1921 tax,	149.09
Abatements of 1921 tax,	133.81
Tax sales of 1921 list,	115.39
Received of collector, tax of 1922,	15,577.31
Discount allowed on 1922 tax,	156.21
Received of town clerk, auto permits, for 1922,	638.27
Received of town clerk, auto permits for 1923,	345.00
Received of town clerk, dog licenses for 1922,	136.70
Received of town clerk, dog licenses for 1921,	19.20
Received for rent of Town Hall,	305.00
Received of State Treasurer, fire bill,	49.96
Received of State Treasurer, Railroad tax,	301.63
Received of State Treasurer, Savings Bank tax,	126.65
Received of State Treasurer, State Aid construction,	483.35
Received of State Treasurer, State Road maintenance,	799.97

Received of town clerk, primary fees,	4.00
Received from County of Hillsboro,	14.66
Received from Union National Bank, int.,	67.35
	\$25,074.88
Paid 135 orders issued by Selectmen,	21,786.52
Leaving balance in Treasury,	\$3,288.36

Cash in Treasury

Shufelt Cemetery Fund,	\$ 500.00
Dog Fund,	155.90
General Fund,	2,632.46
	\$3,288.36
Uncollected taxes of 1921,	25.80
Uncollected taxes of 1922,	3,296.24
	\$6,610.40

FRED A. GREELEY,
Treasurer

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Pelham, for the year ending January 31, 1923, have examined the books of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Collector, and find that the Selectmen have issued orders on the Treasurer to the amount of \$21,786.52 and said orders were properly receipted, and we also find that the Treasurer has received \$25,074.88 and

has paid the above mentioned orders, leaving a balance in the treasury Jan. 31, 1923 of \$3,288.36 and we also find that the collector has \$3,296.24 to collect. There is also \$25.80 of the 1921 tax to be collected.

SHERMAN HOBBS,
RICHARD H. CURRIER,
Auditors.

Trustees of Cemeteries

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer of the Trustees submits the following report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1923.

Receipts

1922	
Jan. 31.	Balance on hand, \$101.71
Feb. 25.	Received of George F. Smith for a lot in Gibson Addition, 2.00
May 29.	Received of Patrick Quigley for a lot in Gibson Addition, 2.00
May 30.	Received of Edwin F. Bell for a lot in Centre cemetery, 15.00
July 5.	Received of Austin T. Merrill, for a lot in Gibson Addition, 2.00
July 12.	Received of Birge C. Day, for a lot in Gibson Addition, 2.00
Sept. 9.	Received of Mrs. Charles W. White for a lot in Gibson Addition, 15.00
Dec. 23.	Received of Alfred Leblanc for a lot in Gibson Addition, 2.00
	\$141.71

Expenditures

1922	
May. 18.	Paid Howard H. Chase, for re- turn of lot in Gibson Addition, \$ 2.00
Sept. 29.	Paid J. W. Coburn, for clean- ing up Gumpus cemetery, 11.60

Nov. 8. Paid box rent at Old Lowell Bank,	5.00
Dec. 5. Paid George P. Wood, for cleaning up Centre cemetery,	14.00
Dec. 21. Paid Daniel M. Webster, for cleaning up N. Pelham cemetery,	3.00
	\$35.60
Leaving a balance on hand Jan. 31, 1923,	\$106.11

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. KELLY,
Trustees.

February 15, 1923.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF PELHAM, N. H., ON JANUARY 31, 1923

DATE OF CREATION	TRUST FUNDS— PURPOSE OF CREATIONS	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 Note	\$ 50.00	3½ Per Cent	\$.18	\$ 1.75	\$ 1.75	\$.18
June 1, 1898	Mary J. Jackson	"	50.00	"	.18	1.75	1.75	.18
Aug. 15, 1899	Betsey G. Spear	"	150.00	"	20.03	5.25	7.75	17.78
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	"	3.35	1.75	1.75	3.60
June 1, 1908	James M. Hobbs	"	50.00	"	.10	1.75	1.75	.35
Feb. 15, 1909	Edward W. Gorrell	"	95.00	"	10.16	3.33	2.75	10.99
Feb. 15, 1909	Daniel T. Gage	"	47.50	"	23	1.67	1.75	.40
Feb. 15, 1909	Mrs. Geo. A. Shufelt	"	500.00	"	176.75	17.50		194.25
Oct. 15, 1914	Abner Kittredge	"	50.00	"	.10	1.75	1.75	.10
Oct. 15, 1914	Ida M. Johnson	"	150.00	"	25.28	5.25	2.75	28.53
Apr. 15, 1915	Frederic A. Cutter	"	50.00	"	.10	1.75	1.75	.10
Feb. 15, 1917	Sarah Proctor	"	100.00	"	1.85	3.50	3.75	2.35
Feb. 15, 1917	Arthur N. Gage	"	150.00	"	10.03	5.25	3.75	11.78
June 1, 1917	Lillie E. Watt	"	100.00	"	4.83	3.50	4.75	3.83
Jan. 31, 1918	Mrs. H. H. Harris	"	100.00	"	4.00	3.50	2.75	5.00
Mar. 1, 1918	Mrs. Jas. R. Griffin	"	100.00	"	4.90	3.50	2.75	6.40
	Mrs. Edward Young	"	100.00	4¼ Per Cent	7.87	4.25	2.75	9.62
	Enoch M. Marsh	"	100.00	"	6.37	4.25	4.75	6.62
July 23, 1918	Capt. Gilbert Coburn	"	100.00	"	7.50	4.25	3.75	8.75

	1918	Ida Sleeper	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	.62	2.13	1.75	1.00
	1918	Mrs. A. H. Cutter	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	8.37	4.25	2.50	10.12
May 30,	1919	Adolph Batchelder	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	2.32	2.13	1.00	3.45
	1919	David M. Gould	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	8.13	4.25	4.50	7.88
	1919	Mary J. Keyes	"	"	"	"	50.00	"	.82	2.13	1.50	1.45
June 23,	1921	Hughes Richardson	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	.12	4.25	2.00	2.37
	1921	Russell Richardson	"	"	"	"	50.00	"		2.13	1.00	1.13
	1921	Orlando Richardson	"	"	"	"	50.00	"		2.13	1.00	1.13
Jan. 17,	1922	Jesse Wilson	"	"	"	"	100.00	"		4.25	2.00	2.25
Sept. 9,	1922	Mrs. Chas W. White	"	"	"	"	50.00	"				
Oct. 18,	1922	Chas H. Stickney	"	"	"	"	100.00	"				
Oct. 25,	1922	M. Amanda Cloyd	"	"	"	"	100.00	"				
Oct. 25,	1922	Chas. H. Cutter				U. S. Treas. Bonds	200.00	"				
Jan. 1923,		Isaac Marshall				U. S. Lib. Bonds	100.00	"				
May 1,	1897	Solomon Barker				U. S. Vic. Bonds	100.00	4¾ Per Cent	23.52	4.75	2.50	25.77
Aug. 30,	1898	Chas. L. Seavey	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	31.10	4.75	3.00	32.85
Feb 15,	1907	George A. Shufelt	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	20.52	4.75	3.00	22.27
Nov. 27,	1908	Jeptha Coburn	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	13.27	4.75	3.00	15.02
July 1,	1909	Daniel Marshall	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	21.52	4.75	3.75	22.52
Feb. 15,	1910	Matilda J. Marsh	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	17.27	4.75	2.00	20.02
Aug. 15,	1910	Mrs. J. R. Bagley	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	18.02	4.75	2.00	20.77
Nov. 15,	1910	Stickney-Spofford	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	14.97	4.75	3.00	16.72
July 15,	1911	Runnells-Harlow	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	13.60	4.75	3.75	14.60
Apr. 15,	1912	Elizabeth Swan	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	25.35	4.75	1.50	28.60
June 25,	1912	Isaac Buttrick	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	10.14	4.75	2.50	12.39
Aug. 15,	1912	Joseph Tyler	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	12.27	4.75	2.50	14.52
Aug. 15,	1912	J. Milton Tyler	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	12.77	4.75	2.50	15.02
Oct. 15,	1912	Joseph Gage	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	13.85	4.75	2.50	16.10
Jan. 4,	1915	Charles Wheeler	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	10.22	4.75	2.50	12.57
Jan. 4,	1915	Gibson-Mitchell	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	6.97	4.75	3.00	8.72
May 3,	1913	Wyman-Tyler	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	16.32	4.75	1.50	19.57
Feb. 15,	1915	Albert S. Gage	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	5.22	4.75	2.50	7.47
Feb. 15,	1915	J. N. Woodman	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	5.52	4.75	3.00	7.27
Aug. 15	1915	B. F. Richardson	"	"	"	"	100.00	"	8.02	4.75	2.50	10.27

Public Library

TRUSTEES' REPORT

The condition of the library remains practically the same as last year and there seems to be nothing of consequence that need be said concerning it by the trustees to the people of the town.

Only one purchase of new books has been made in the past year but another lot will be added very soon; probably before this report is printed.

A nice, old fashioned, black walnut book case, formerly the property of Mr. Wm. Sherburne, was presented to the library by J. W. Clark last summer, also a large picture of Dr. Amos Batchelder, who was for many years a prominent physician and highly esteemed citizen of the town. The picture was given by members of the family.

The book case was put in the Town Officers' room and the picture was hung in the Memorial and Reading room.

The Treasurer's report shows a larger balance than it really should, for the present purchase of books should have been made sooner and the amount, probably around \$100, come out of the current year appropriation.

We think that an appropriation of the same amount as last year will be sufficient and recommend it.

We again thank those who have made gifts to the library for their interest and assistance and assure them that their help is appreciated by the people and the trustees.

SHERMAN HOBBS,
HAROLD S. FROST,
LENA A. KEZER,
Library Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Trustees of the Public Library:

The following report is respectfully submitted:

Number of volumes in library,	5363
Number acquired during year by purchase,	51
Number acquired by gift,	5
Circulation of books for year,	5214
Largest circulation in one month, March,	598
Smallest circulation in one month, Nov.,	340
Average circulation per month,	434
Number of cards issued during year,	37
Amount received in fines,	\$9.75

Gifts received during year: National Geographic Magazine, Mr. Sherman Hobbs; The Dearborn Independent, Mr. Henry Ford; A framed picture of Dr. Amos Batchelder, a practicing physician in town for many years. A book-case from the estate of Wm. Sherburn by Mr. Clark.

MARY E. HOBBS,
Librarian.

SUPPLEMENTARY FINDING LIST OF BOOKS IN
THE PELHAM LIBRARY

(By authors)

January, 1921-1922

Bacheller, Irving, In the Days of Poor Richard,	2255
Beach, Rex, Flowing Gold,	2256
Bindloss, Harold, Northwest!	2257
Bower, B. M., The Trail of the White Mule,	2258
Burt, Katherine Newlin, "Q"	2259
Cobb, Irvin S., J. Poindexter Colored,	2260
Cullum, Ridgwell, The man in the Twilight,	2261
Curwood, J. O., The Country Beyond,	2262
Harrison, Henry Sydnor, Saint Teresa,	2263
Hough, Emerson, The Covered Wagon,	2264
Hutchinson, A. S. M., This Freedom,	2265
Harte, Bret, Salomy Jane's Kiss,	2266
Keable, Robert, The Mother of All Living,	2267
Lutz, Grace L. H., The City of Fire,	2268
Marshall, Edison, The Skyline of Spruce,	2282
Norris, Kathleen, Certain People of Importance,	2269
Oppenheim, E. P., The Great Prince Shan,	2270
Oppenheim, E. P., Nobody's Man,	2271
Raine, Wm. Macleod, Man-size,	2272
Reynolds, Mrs. Baillie, The Judgment of Charis,	2273
Rinehart, Mary Roberts, The Breaking Point,	2274
Ritchie, Robert Welles, Dust of the Desert,	2275
Sabatini, Rafael, Captain Blood,	2276
Sterett, Frances, The Amazing Inheritance,	2277
Tarkington, Booth, Gentle Julia,	2278
Wharton, Edith, Glimpses of the Moon,	2279
Wilsie, Honore, Judith of Godless Valley,	2280
White, Stewart Edward, On Tiptoe,	2281

JUVENILE FICTION—"J."

Pied Piper of Hamelin,	780
The Swedish Fairy Book,	781
Abbott, Jane, Red Robin,	782
Baden-Powell, Sir Robt., An Old Wolf's Favorites,	783
Brown, Edna A., The Chinese Kitten,	784
Blanchard, Lucy M., Chico. A Homing Pigeon,	785
Seaman, Augusta H., The Slipper Point Mystery,	786
Seaman, Augusta H., Three Sides of Paradise Green,	787
Schwltz, J. W., Trail of the Spanish Horse,	788
Sherman, N. A., The Children's Bible,	789
Turpin, Edna, Whistling Jimps,	790

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Dr.

Cash in Treasury Jan. 31, 1922,	\$ 48.43
Aug. 5, received half of appropriation,	200.00
Dec. 20, received balance of appropriation,	200.00
Received from Librarian for book,	1.36
Fines collected by Librarian,	9.75
	\$459.54

Cr.

Paid

DeWolfe & Fiske Co., for books,	\$90.92
H. H. Atwood, for trucking,	1.25
W. W. Dutton, for 2 cords of wood,	20.00
Currier Publishing Co., for supplies,	3.11
A. Jubinville, for sawing wood,	2.75
M. C. Stickney, for sawing wood,	1.00
Janitor,	75.00
Librarian,	75.00
Bottle of ink,	.35
H. H. Atwood, for supplies,	8.31
	\$277.69
Cash in Treasury Jan. 31, 1923,	181.85
	\$459.54

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD S. FROST,
Treasurer Library Trustees.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD
OF THE
TOWN OF PELHAM, N. H.
FROM
MARCH, 1921, TO SCHOOL YEAR ENDING
AUGUST 31, 1922

ERRATA

The first paragraph of this warrant should read:

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-seventh day of March, 1923, at half past one o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

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 twentieth day of March, 1923, 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 report 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 toilets.

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 Officer, 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 establish a second year of High School 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 20th day of February,
A. D. 1923.

W. E. PEARSON,
E. G. SHERBURNE,
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant Attest:

W. E. PEARSON,
E. G. SHERBURNE,
School Board.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board of Pelham.

Greeting:

It is my honor to submit herewith my fourth annual report as superintendent of your schools, and to this I have attached the report of the principal of your high school.

The teacher is the one predominating factor in determining the excellence of a school. Although it is true that a poorly lighted or heated room may be a menace to the health of the pupils, and the lack of equipment may be a handicap to the work of any teacher, it is equally true that a properly planned, heated, and equipped room, as important as all these matters are, is of no avail in securing results when presided over by an incompetent teacher. The excellent teacher never has been and never will be paid what her services are worth to the community. No community is rich enough to pay her in full. The poor teacher is always over paid whatever her salary may be.

It should be the policy of any school district to retain its best teachers by encouragement in every way, whether it be by criticism, pleasant living conditions, or social recognition. It is very discouraging to any school official to be obliged to beg for a proper home for a teacher, and good schools cannot be long maintained under such conditions.

Four of the seven teachers in your employ hold their positions over from last year and four live permanently or temporarily within the district. This

is a better showing than in the immediate past and your schools reflect the advantage of having a permanent, resident teaching force. I believe that all your schools at the present time are doing creditable work.

The installation of the heating plants in the new school building renders the rooms much more comfortable and attractive. The share in the expense sustained by the school can but foster in the pupils an interest and a pride in caring for public property, a valuable lesson in civics. However, the improvements in this school serve to make the contrast with the other school buildings in the district the more marked. There can be but little doubt that four of the other five school buildings in the district will be used for an indefinite period. I believe that funds expended in rendering these houses more comfortable and convenient would prove an excellent investment for the town, in appreciating property values and in attracting to move into the community a desirable population, a population which will not wait for a visit from the truant officer before sending their children to school.

You have in attendance at the present time at your high school sixteen pupils in the first year of a secondary course, a larger number than you have attending in all the other three years of a similar course in high schools or academies outside of the town. This seems to indicate that a much larger number of parents will send their children to a local high school, if there be one, than will patronize such schools situated farther distant from their homes. Whatever the motives may be which influence parents to send their

children to a local school when they would not send them out of the town, need not enter into the discussion, but it is probable that the inaccessibility of such schools is a large factor in determining the decision. The immediate prospect of better transportation facilities is negative.

These facts raise the question as to whether it would not be profitable to add another year to your course and make it a two year high school. Would not similar benefits be derived from an extended course as are now enjoyed from the one year course? This year is the proper time for the district to adopt some policy in this matter. The cost of maintaining such a school might not differ greatly from the expense of paying for a like number of tuitions elsewhere, and it would mean that a larger number of your pupils would probably get another year of education at least. Such a move would call for another teacher capable of teaching commercial subjects and for the equipping of a room for it. Are you ready to make the sacrifice at this time for the children of the district which such a plan necessitates?

I am including in this report an extract from the General Statistics Report for the school year of 1921-22. I wish to call your attention to the increase in membership of your schools over that of the previous year, and also to the decrease in per cent of attendance. This has fallen to 85.7 per cent, or nearly $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent below the average of the state, which is 93.11 per cent. It places us in the unenviable position of being the tenth from the lowest in per cent of attendance of the 255 school districts in the state. This $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent of the children who are absent but who

ought to be present to make our attendance even an average for the state, lose all school instruction while absent and when again present, retard the work of the rest. The effect of this poor attendance, even conservatively reckoned, must cause at least a 15 per cent decrease in the efficiency of the schools. This condition ought not continue. The parent who keeps a child unnecessarily from school not only robs his own child but hinders the work of the whole school. It is a crime committed against the community and is punishable in our courts.

EXTRACT FROM GENERAL STATISTICS REPORT
FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1921-22

Number of schools maintained,	7
Number of teaching positions,	7
Number of changes in teaching force during the year,	2
Number of different pupils registered in elementary schools,	168
Number of different pupils registered in junior high,	57
Number of different pupils registered in high school,	9
Total registration,	234
Average membership in all schools,	203
Average attendance in all schools,	174
Per cent of attendance in all schools,	85.7
Enrollment by grades: Grade I, 37; II, 29; III, 29; IV, 26; V, 26; VI, 21; VII, 32; VIII, 25; IX, 9.	
Enrollment by schools, No. 1, 44; No. 2, 30; No. 3,	

35; No. 4, 35; No. 5, 26. Junior High, 57; High, 9.
Total 237.

Repeated registrations,	3
Increase in total enrollment over school year of 1920-21,	19
Increase in average membership over school year of 1920-21,	17
Increase in attendance over school year of 1920-21,	11
Decrease in per cent of attendance from school year of 1920-21,	2.3
Number of visits by board members,	62
Number of visits by superintendent,	128
Number of visits by citizens and others,	165

I wish to call your attention also to the excellent report of the headmaster of your high school, and I hope it will receive your consideration.

With an expression of appreciation to the teachers for their cooperation, to the board for its support, and to the public for its consideration, this report is,

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS D. RECORD,
Supt. of Schools, Union No. 27.

February 6, 1923.

HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Pelham, N. H.

Feb. 5, 1923

Mr. Louis D. Record, Supt. of Schools,
Pelham School Committee,
Citizens of Pelham:

I herewith submit a report of activities and work accomplished in the Pelham High School from Sept. 11, 1922 to date.

On Sept. 11, 1922, the Pelham High School entered upon the second year of its existence with greater confidence than attended that event the previous year. On the opening day sixteen pupils were enrolled as opposed to eight in nineteen twenty-one. At the present time the membership has increased to seventeen, while at the same date last year it numbered only four. This year's increased enrollment is due to several causes.

The opening of a High School in Pelham was an experiment, attended with uncertainty of success. It was not an assured thing at the beginning of the year that the school would receive the approval of the State Department of Education. There seemed a slight doubt about pupils going on to the second year work in other institutions without examination. Those who knew these conditions and still sent their children to the Pelham High School showed the confidence they must have felt in the school committee, the superintendent and the teaching force. It is, indeed, gratifying that their trust was rewarded. For,

after a personal inspection by Walter M. May, Deputy Commissioner of Education, the school was placed upon the approved list. At the close of the year five pupils were sent to do second year work in other institutions, without examination. One of these has done exceptionally fine work, having received an average above ninety in all subjects. The increase in enrollment this year cannot but be interpreted as an expression of approval by the citizens of Pelham of the work done in Pelham High School during 1921-22.

One change was made in the teaching force this year, Miss Theresa Shea of Nashua, N. H., succeeding Miss Abby Whitney. Miss Shea is a graduate of New Hampshire State College and well prepared to handle the subjects of which she is in charge.

The first activity undertaken by the Junior High and High School was a Clean-up Campaign. Probably comparatively few people realize the amount of work which must be done by the pupils in order to keep the building clean where there is no janitor. The school is organized into a Civic League and has its housekeeping department. But in order that too much work might not fall on any few, the campaign was started. The work was outlined and divided into some fifty different tasks, such as washing a window, throwing in wood, piling wood, sweeping the basements, cleaning the yard and many others. Volunteers were called for and at the end of the week practically everything was taken care of. Each piece of work was inspected by the head housekeeper and, if properly done, the doer received a badge as evidence. The campaign was a decided success but much of the work did not stay done and must be constantly re-

peated, if anything like sanitary conditions are to prevail. The periods of relaxation during the school day are short and the task is great so that, even though the spirit of the workers is good, we sometimes fall short of our ideals. A sink, improved toilets and a part-time janitor would make the sanitary conditions of Pelham High School more nearly what they should be and at the same time lighten the cares of both pupils and teachers. Janitor work is not usually a part of a high school teacher's program.

Soon after the close of our Clean-up Campaign, we were visited by Mr. William Morrison of the State Department of Education. He expressed his satisfaction with the work which had been done and again Pelham High School was placed upon the approved list.

The next activity of importance was the third annual bazaar. These bazaars bring a two-fold joy to the scholars—the joy of running a store and providing the things for us to buy. After all, the training received in school is only preparation for life. Where could these boys and girls better put into use the knowledge they have already gained than in managing and producing such a bazaar and entertainment? There is a chance to show mathematical and business ability, artistic tastes, good English, musical and dramatic ability and self-control. That such an affair is not distracting from the daily routine of study is proven by the fact that the average rank of the classes, for the marking period during which the bazaar was in preparation, was higher than for either of the other periods this year. On the other hand a bit of social life in connection with school

work is an essential to interest. The public responded splendidly to our efforts and a good sum was realized. It was turned over to the school committee who augmented it sufficiently to purchase two one-pipe furnaces. They do fine work, are a great source of comfort and at the same time rid the classrooms of ugly looking stoves.

From the sale of candy enough was gained to purchase two wall clocks. These replaced one dilapidated alarm clock and are both useful and ornamental. There is now a balance on hand which will be used for further improvement at an early date.

The course of study remains the same as last year except for the addition of Latin as an optional study. There are four students taking the course which, considering the size of the class, is a normal percentage. The work consists mainly of grammar study with some drill in translation. Since most colleges require at least two years of Latin, the introduction of this subject to the curriculum offers to those who may wish to go to college the course which they most need.

The work in the other subjects has progressed well, having advanced, in some cases, farther than at this time last year.

There has been rumor of adding another year to the course, making this a two-year high school instead of a one-year. There is no question that such action would be a decided advantage to the present first year class and those to follow. For a large number of those who finish this year's work will probably go no farther. If there were another year here, most of them would undoubtedly take advantage of it.

I wish to extend the thanks of the teachers of the Pelham High School, to the superintendent, the school committee, parents and any citizens of Pelham who have contributed in any way to whatever degree of success may have been attained during the present year.

Respectfully,

BERTHA E. HOOKE,
Headmaster.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT FOR
THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1922.

Dr.

To cash in treasury, June 30, 1921,	\$1,525.56
Received extra tuition of pupils attending Lowell High School,	146.14
Received of Town Treasurer, appropriation (including per capita tax),	8,162.57
Received of Town Treasurer, dog tax of 1920,	193.10
Received of Kenney Bros. and Wolkins (refund),	7.82
Received of State Treasurer School Equalization,	3,568.88
Total receipts,	<u>\$13,604.07</u>

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Paid 153 orders issued by School Board,	\$11,839.43
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Leaving a balance on hand, June 30, 1922,	1,764.64
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CHARLES W. HOBBS,
District Treas.

REPORT OF AUDITORS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT

We have this day examined the School District Treasurers accounts and find that he has received \$13,604.07 and has paid 153 orders issued by the School Board amounting to

\$11,839.43

Leaving a balance in the Treasury of	\$1,764.64
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Pelham, N. H. Aug. 3, 1922.

SHERMAN HOBBS,
CLARENCE H. MULDOON,
Auditors.

ESTIMATED AMOUNT NECESSARY FOR SCHOOLS 1923-1924

Estimated amount 5 per cent tax,	\$3,999.57
Estimated High School Tuition,	1,880.00
Estimated District Officers,	216.00
Interest and Note,	840.00
Estimated Repairs,	300.00
Estimated High School First Year,	1,000.00
Superintendent excess salary,	175.00
Insurance three years,	175.00
Estimated per capita tax,	480.00

Financial Report

CERTIFICATE

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

ARTHUR H. PEABODY,
ASA A. CARLETON,
GEORGE W. HARRIS,
Selectmen.

FRED A. GREELEY,
Treasurer.

February 19, 1923.

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of treas.	\$2,629.44
Taxes not collected: (a) Levy of 1921,	\$ 25.80
(b) Levy of 1922,	3,296.24
Grand Total,	<u>\$5,951.48</u>

Surplus, January 31, 1922	\$1,498.64
Surplus, January 31, 1923,	3,903.08
Due to School District:	
Dog licenses, 1921,	\$ 19.20
Dog licenses, 1922,	136.70
Cemetery Trust Funds,	1,392.50
Shufelt Trust Fund,	500.00
Total Liabilities,	<u>\$2,048.40</u>
Surplus,	<u>3,903.08</u>
Grand Total,	\$5,951.48

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes:

Property taxes com- mitted to col- lector, 1922,	\$19,029.76	
Less discounts and abatements, 1922,	156.21	\$18,873.55
Less uncollected, 1922,	3,296.24	15,577.31
Property taxes, current year, actually collected,	\$13,761.31	13,761.31
Poll taxes, current year,		

actually collected, 12 @ \$3,	36.00	
Poll taxes, current year,		
actually collected, 356 @ \$5,	1,780.00	
Property and poll taxes,		
previous years, actually		
collected,	3,021.89	
Total of above collections,	<u> </u>	\$18,599.20

From State:

For State Aid maintenance,	\$799.97
For State Aid construction,	483.35
Railroad tax,	301.63
Savings bank tax,	126.65
Fighting forest fires,	49.96

From County:

For support of poor,	14.66
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From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog licenses,	155.90	
Rent of town hall,	305.00	
Interest received on taxes,	149.09	
Interest received on deposits,	67.35	
Primary Fees,	4.00	
Permits for the registration		
of motor vehicles,	983.27	
Abatement of 1921 tax,	133.81	
Discount on 1922 tax,	156.21	
Tax sales, 1921 list,	115.39	
	<u> </u>	\$3,846.24

Total receipts from all sources,	\$22,445.44
Cash on hand February 1, 1922,	2,629.44

Grand Total	<u> </u>	\$25,074.88
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PAYMENTS

General Government:

Town officers' salaries,	\$827.00
Town officers' expenses,	287.29
Election and registration ex- penses,	75.71
Expenses town hall and other town buildings,	261.91

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department, includ- ing care of tramps,	13.00
Fire department, including forest fires,	99.31
Damage by dogs,	30.00

Health:

Health department, includ- ing hospitals,	31.00
Vital statistics,	11.70

Highways and Bridges:

State Aid maintenance,	1,608.63
Town maintenance,	3,148.31
General expenses of highway department, including watering troughs,	136.05

Libraries:

Libraries,	400.00
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Charities:

Town poor,	78.14
County poor,	14.66

Patriotic Purposes:

Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises,	17.74
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries, including hearse hire,	72.00
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Unclassified:

Taxes bought by town,	115.39
Abatements refunded,	133.81
Discount on taxes,	156.21

Total current maintenance expenses,	\$7,517.86
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Interest:

Paid on long term notes,	\$63.14
Paid on principal of trust funds used by town,	66.25

Total interest payments,	\$129.39
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Outlay for New Construction and
Permanent Improvements:

Highways and bridges, State Aid construction,	\$1,729.45
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Total outlay payments,	\$1,729.45
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Indebtedness:

Paid on long term notes,	700.00	
Total indebtedness payments		\$700.00

Divisions:

Taxes paid to State,	\$2,889.00	
Taxes paid to County,	1,151.05	
Payments to School Districts, including 1921 dog fund,	7,669.77	
Total payments to other Govern- mental Divisions,		\$11,709.82
Total payments for all purposes		\$21,786.52
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1923,		\$3,288.36
Grand Total		\$25,074.88

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings,	\$2,500.00
Town Hall, Furniture and Equipment,	400.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings,	5,000.00
Libraries, Furniture and Equipment,	3,000.00
Fire Department, Equipment,	100.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings,	300.00
Highway Department, Equipment,	400.00
Total	\$11,700.00



Vital Statistics

Births registered in the Town of Pelham for the year ending December 31, 1922

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 of Mother
Jan. 16	Gingras	F	L	12	W	Edmond Gingras	Evelyn St. Onge	Farmer	Canada	Canada
Feb. 24	Hazel A. Harris	F	L	2	W	George W. Harris	Doris J. Titcomb	Farmer	Pelham	Pelham
Feb. 26	Georgianna Dionne	F	L	5	W	George Dionne	Rose Gagnon	Machinist	Canada	Amesbury, Mass.
Mar. 7	Marie L. G. Bedard	F	L	..	W	Arthur Bedard	Georgianna Rondeau	Carpenter	Canada	Lawrence, Mass.
Mar. 30	Jeanette E. Greenwood	F	L	..	W	Frank J. A. Greenwood	Blanche F. Peltier	Meat Dealer	Pelham	Prov. of Quebec
April 8	Charles C. Jack	M	L	1	W	Charles H. Jack	Clara C. Cutter	Machinist	Chester	Pelham
April 16	Finnmon	F	L	7	W	Samuel Finnman	Polly Metcock	Butcher	Russia	Russia
April 30	Frank W. Atwood	M	L	14	W	Harry H. Atwood	Carrie M. Stickney	Grocer	Pelham	Pelham
May 30	Normand J. Fortier	M	L	..	W	John J. Fortier	Marion Badard	Machinist	Holyoke, Mass.	Canada
June 8	Leo M. Rousseau	M	L	..	W	Ovila Rousseau	Marie A. Gagne	Carpenter	Canada	Canada
June 30	Arthur Greenwood	M	L	..	W	Arthur Greenwood	Alice M. Ashworth	Farmer	Lawrence, Mass.	Manchester, Eng.
July 4	Elizabeth F. Ducharme	F	L	..	W	Alfred Ducharme	Cora Eno	Blacksmith	Canada	Canada
July 23	Ethel M. Tessimond	F	L	1	W	Robert L. Tessimond	Grace E. Lewis	Car Repairer	Amesbury, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
Aug. 19	Simpson	M	L	..	W	Edward Simpson	Ida B. Alexander	Gardener	Pelham	Pelham
Oct. 20	Mary E. Koehler	F	L	1	W	Charles H. Koehler	Dorothy F. Atwood	Gardener	Pelham	Pelham
Oct. 26	Priscilla Rowell	F	L	..	W	Sidney F. Rowell	Bertha Stevens	Sawyer	Brentwood	Lowell, Mass.
Oct. 31	Martine Merriam	F	L	3	W	Clifton H. Merriam	Virginia F. Cutter	Farmer	Winchendon, Mass.	Pelham
Nov. 4	Emil V. Smietana	M	L	6	W	Victor Smietana	Helen Smith	Painter	Poland	Poland
Nov. 14	Nuseman	M	L	..	W	Sam Nuseman	Ida Sideman	Butcher	Russia	Russia
Dec. 21	Ellie L. Rowan	F	L	3	W	William H. Rowan	Alice M. Titcomb	Silk Weaver	Willimantic, Conn.	Derry

Marriages Registered in the Town of Pelham for the year ending December 31, 1922

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
Feb. 24	Pelham	Edwin M. Shore	Dracut, Mass.	24	Baker	Lowell, Mass.	1st	Charles W. Hobbs
		Mildred Benoit	Lowell, Mass.	22	At Home	Ayer, Mass.	1st	Justice of the Peace
Mar. 4	Pelham	Lionel Smith	"	21	Laborer	Toronto, Canada	1st	Charles W. Hobbs
		Muriel Rodger	"	21	At Home	Lowell, Mass.	1st	Justice of the Peace
April 19	Pelham	Joseph A. Ayotte	"	23	Machinist	"	1st	T. C. Laughlin, D. D.
		Marie Y. Garipey	Pelham	26	At Home	Canada	1st	Catholic Priest
May 6	Hudson	Victor A. Clark	Hudson	28	Carpenter	Lincoln, Vt.	1st	Charles T. Reekie
		Florence Smith	Pelham	23	At Home	Pelham	1st	Clergyman
June 17	Pelham	Arthur W. Melvin	Lowell, Mass.	26	Electrician	Lowell, Mass.	1st	Milton V. McAlister
		Marjorie L. Fairbrother	"	26	Clerk	"	1st	Clergyman
Aug. 12	Salem	Louis J. Casala	Boston, Mass.	26	Roofer	Boston, Mass.	1st	T. C. Laughlin, D. D.
		Louise Christian	Pelham	18	Mill Operative	Lowell, Mass.	1st	Catholic Priest
Oct. 13	Hudson	Charles H. Austin	"	36	Carpenter	Leeds, Maine	1st	Charles T. Reekie
		Annie L. Stiles	"	43	Housewife	Sudbury, Mass.	2d	Clergyman

Deaths registered in the Town of Pelham, for the year ending December 31, 1922

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. 12	Pelham.....	E. Jane Marshall.....	81	14	Farmington.....	F	W			Housewife.....	Jonathan Whitehouse	Eliza J. Spofford.....
Jan. 25	"	Charles L. Seavey.....	82	10	Pelham.....	M	M			Retired.....	Nathan B. Seavey.....	Almira Swan.....
Feb. 24	"	Frank Hyden.....	75		Norway.....	M	W			Retired.....	Unknown.....	Unknown.....
April 7	"	Mathew Calvert.....	60	4	England.....	M	M			Engineer.....		
April 8	"	August Duchesne.....	80	4	Prov. of Quebec.....	M	M			Retired.....	François Duchesne.....	"
April 8	"	Milton E. Titcomb.....	82	2	Pelham.....	M	M			Farmer.....	William Titcomb.....	Louise J. Woodbury...
April 8	Andover, Mass.	Elijah R. Jones.....	43	10	"	M	S			Lumber Dealer.....	Henry A. Jones.....	Abbie Richardson.....
June 21	Pelham.....	Edwin D. Smith.....	90	4	Southbridge, Mass.	M	M			Retired.....	John K. Smith.....	Abigail Childs.....
July 5	Nashua.....	Austin T. Merrill.....	74	7	Hudson.....	M	M			Farmer.....	Benj. Merrill.....	Mary J. Winn.....
July 11	Pelham.....	Emma Day.....	60	10	Pelham.....	F	M			Housewife.....	Wm. G. Chase.....	Lydia Grant.....
Oct. 25	"	William Mowat.....	75	1	Scotland.....	M	M			Retired.....	David Mowat.....	Ann Findlay.....
Nov. 17	"	Aroline M. Currier.....	82	29	Pelham.....	F	M			Housewife.....	Joseph Marsh.....	Rhoda R. Gage.....

I hereby certify that the foregoing records of the Vital Statistics of the Town of Pelham for the year ending December 31, 1922, are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE P. WOOD, *Town Clerk.*