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OF THE
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at 364 Commercial St
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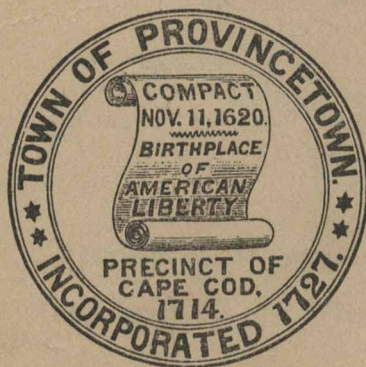
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Auditor

Isaiah A. Small Term expires 1924

Collector of Taxes

John A. Dutra Term expires 1924

School Committee

Myrick C. Young Term expires 1926

Simeon C. Smith Term expires 1924

Frank O. Cass Term expires 1925

Constables

James E. Callaghan Term expires 1924

William D. Carlos Term expires 1924

William B. Dunham Term expires 1924

Reuben O. Kelley Term expires 1924

Irving L. Rosenthal Term expires 1924

Trustees of Public Library

Myrick C. Atwood Term expires 1925

William H. Young Term expires 1925

Simeon C. Smith Term expires 1925

*William B. Bangs Term expires 1924

Howard F. Hopkins Term expires 1924

Irving L. Rosenthal Term expires 1924

Edwin N. Paine Term expires 1926

A. Louis Putnam Term expires 1926

Isaiah A. Small Term expires 1926

Water Commissioners

Franklin E. Hill Term expires 1924

Tilden A. Snow Term expires 1925

T. Julian Lewis Term expires 1926

* Deceased.

Cemetery Commissioners

John A. Cook Term expires 1925

Hersey D. Taylor Term expires 1924

George W. Watson Term expires 1926

Board of Health

George W. Cashman Term expires 1926

Edwin W. Smith Term expires 1924

Edwin A. Whelden Term expires 1925

Tree Warden

Eugene W. Watson Term expires 1924

Monument Committee

Joseph C. Ellis Term expires 1924

APPOINTMENTS BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Term of one year

Superintendent of Streets

Frank Chase

James H. Barnett, Asst.

Janitor of Town Hall

William B. Dunham

Police

Reuben O. Kelley, Chief

*Harry H. Lehsten

*Leo J. Rogers

Ray E. Parker

Registrars of Voters

Louis A. Law

Myrick C. Young

Harry L. Eastman

Louis M. Snow

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Franklin E. Hill

Inspector of Cattle

Eugene W. Watson

Keeper of Lockup

William B. Dunham

*Resigned.

Engineers of the Fire Department

James H. Barnett

Louis A. Law

Thomas J. Lewis

James E. Calaghan

Joseph Perry

Matron of Town Home

Annie E. Butler

Election Officers

Ballot Clerk—Frank Chase.

Tellers—Myrick C. Young, Fred H. Dearborn, Harry E. Simmons, Louis M. Snow, John R. Smith, Franklin E. Hill, Harry L. Eastman, George Rogers, George F. Miller, Jr.

Constables

Constables—Irving L. Rosenthal, Reuben O. Kelley, William B. Dunham.

LIST OF JURORS

Allen, George M.	Retired
Atkins, Charles A.	Plumber
Atkins, Frank K.	Merchant
Atwood, Frank N.	Fisherman
Avellar, Antone J.	Machinist
Baker, Benjamin A.	Baggage Master
Boatman, William	Clerk
Browne, Obidiah	Carpenter
Burch, Charles W. Jr.	Merchant
Burch, Clarence L.	Merchant
Butler, Joseph H.	Laborer
Cashman, Walter G.	Mason
Chapman, George S.	Merchant
Chipman, Russell A.	Merchant
Clark, Harry	Ins. Agent
Cook, John A.	Undertaker
Days, John A., Jr.	Contractor
Davis, John	Foreman
Dearborn, Fred H.	Merchant
Eastman, Harry L.	Hotel Prop.
Enos, Joseph	Clerk
Freeman, Alvin	Foreman
Higgins, Lloyd H.	Lumber Dealer
Hill, Franklin E.	Retired
Hill, Jared W.	Clerk
Hopkins, Howard F.	Publisher
Hudson, George W.	Tonsorial
Lopez, Antone,	Foreman
Lopes, Thomas J., Jr.	Clerk
Marsh, Stephen	Retired

Marshall, Antone, Jr.	Manager
Miller, George F., Jr.	Clerk
Nickerson, Charles E.	Merchant
Patrick, Arthur C.	Clerk
Patrick, Joseph	Merchant
Potter, Frank E.	Hotel Prop.
Rich, Edwin W.	Laborer
Rogers, Frank A.	Taxi Driver
Rogers, George	Merchant
Rogers, Jesse D.	Merchant
Slade, Alfred E. H.	Station Agent
Snow, Louis M.	Merchant
Taylor, Hersey D.	Undertaker
Taylor, William W.	Merchant
Watson, Horace S.	Express Agt.
Young, Henry H.	Merchant

JURORS DRAWN IN 1923

Allen, David L.	Clerk
Cook, Herbert S.	Fisherman
Cudois, Frank S.	Carpenter
DeRiggs, Joseph G.	Ice Dealer
Gibbs, Embert M.	Painter
Morris, Mattias M.	Retired
Rivard, Ephriam J.	Electrician
Silva, John P.	Fish Dealer
Silva, John S.	Merchant
Simmons, Harry E.	Retired
Turner, James R.	Express Agt.

- 29th. Public Library.
- 30th. General work, Health Department.
- 31st. Collecting rubbish.
- 32nd. Cemeteries.
- 33rd. Public Schools.
- 34th. Incidentals and repairs.
- 35th. Free Text Books and Supplies.
- 36th. School Nurse.
- 37th. Evening School.

Fourth. To consider and act upon the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Fifth. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for and elect a Director for the Cape Cod Farm Bureau, as authorized by Sections 41 and 45 of Chapter 128 of the General Laws.

Sixth. To act on a resolution requesting legislation: (1) to fix the maximum price at which coal may be sold in any congressional district or part thereof; (2) to provide for prior sales and shipments to consumers and to retailers of coal.

Seventh. To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed of the triangular parcel of land adjoining Atlantic Avenue, the same being given to the Town to widen said Avenue at the junction of Commercial Street, or take any action relative thereto and act fully thereon.

Eighth. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to acquire by purchase or otherwise, the triangular parcel of land at the junction of the County Road and the State Highway near the Corona Cottage, and appropriate money for the same.

Ninth. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to acquire by purchase or otherwise the triangular parcel of land at the junction of Court Street and Watson's Court,

near the premises of Mary J. Silva and appropriate money for the same.

Tenth. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to acquire by purchase or otherwise the triangular parcel of land at the junction of Franklin and Race Streets, near the premises of Thomas Welsh, and appropriate money for the same.

Eleventh. To see if the Town will vote to sell the triangular parcel of land at the junction of Court and Winthrop Streets, near the Old Cemetery.

Twelfth. To see what action the Town will take in hardening Jerome's Road from Winslow Street to the junction of Court and Winthrop Streets and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Thirteenth. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to instruct the Selectmen to grant the use of the Town Hall to parties or persons seeking it for basket-ball.

Fourteenth. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to grant the use of the Town Hall to the Morris-Light Post, No. 71, American Legion, free of charge, for dancing, basket-ball, or for any entertainment that the Legion may desire.

Fifteenth. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to defend, compromise, or settle any suit that may be brought against the town during the present year.

Sixteenth. To see if the town will vote to erect and maintain a flag pole on the lawn in front of the Town Hall and appropriate money for the same.

Seventeenth. To see if the town will vote to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, a plant for the manufacture and distribution of electricity for municipal use and for the use of the inhabitants of the town, in accordance with Section 36, Chapter 164 of the General Laws.

Eighteenth. To see what action the town will take, if any, to authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to relocate, alter and widen Commercial Street from Johnson Street to Court Street or any portion thereof.

Nineteenth. To see if the town will vote to purchase a tractor to be used by the Road Department in constructing and maintaining town roads and appropriate money for the same.

Twentieth. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the employment of a visiting nurse.

Twenty-first. To see if the town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Central Street and appropriate money for the same.

Twenty-second. To see if the town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Franklin Street near the premises of Mary A. Morrill and appropriate money for the same.

Twenty-third. To see if the town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Miller Hill Road near the premises of Frank J. Vieira and appropriate money for the same.

Twenty-fourth. To see what action the town will take if any, to amend the present Town By-Laws, Article 8, Section 70, relative to the regulation of traffic on the streets of the town.

Twenty-fifth. To see what action the town will take to furnish motor power for the Hook and Ladder truck, also appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Twenty-sixth. To see what action, if any, the town will take to purchase a lot of land suitable to erect a building that will answer as a headquarters for the American Legion and hall and floor to be connected with said head-

quarters to serve for the purpose of a gymnasium and auditorium for the schools and public, the same to be referred to a committee, this committee to report at a special town meeting to be called on or before May 1, 1923.

Twenty-eighth. To see what action the town will take, if any, to appropriate a sum of money for the celebration of the fourth day of July.

Twenty-ninth. To raise and appropriate by ballot such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the current expenses of the town and matters voted on at this meeting.

Thirtieth. To choose the following Town Officers on one ballot:

One Selectman and Overseer of the Poor for three
Town Clerk and Treasurer for one year.

years.

One Assessor for three years.

One Member of the School Committee for three years.

Three Trustees of the Public Library for three years.

One Member of the Board of Health for one year.

One Member of the Board of Health for three years.

One Water Commissioner for three years.

One Auditor for one year.

One Tax Collector for one year.

One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

One Tree Warden for one year.

One Monument Committee for one year.

Three Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber for one year.

Also to vote "Yes" or "No" on the following questions:

"Shall the town petition for the installation of an accounting system by the Commonwealth? (This question is

submitted under the provisions of Chapter 516, Acts of 1922).

Shall license be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places: Stores of William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris, John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-seventh day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three:

CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL, Constable.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss. Provincetown, January 30, 1923

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown by posting up attested copies of the same at Stores of William Tarvie, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D.

Hilliard Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris, John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the Post Office, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting:

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL,
Constable of Town of Provincetown.

Attest: LOUIS A. LAW, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on Monday, the 12th day of February, in the year 1923, and were called to order at 9 o'clock by Louis A. Law, Town Clerk.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. G. A. Grant.

Article First. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting. George F. Miller was elected Moderator and was sworn in by the Town Clerk.

Article Second. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1923, or do or act in any manner relative thereto,

It was voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning January 1, 1923, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year,

Under Article Third it was voted to appropriate and raise for

Interest on Temporary Loans,	\$1,500 00
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Interest on Trust Fund Loans,	320 00
Insurance on School Buildings,	400 00
Voted to insure School Buildings under flat rate.	
Memorial Day,	\$150 00
Moth Extermination,	500 00
Police Department,	3,000 00
Street Lights,	3,100 00
Care Veteran's Graves,	100 00
Town Officers' Salaries, not including School Committee,	5,000 00
Reserve Fund,	2,000 00
Miscellaneous,	3,000 00
Criminal Prosecutions,	200 00
Town Hall,	1,500 00
Town Float,	250 00
Voted that the Selectmen appoint a committee of one to take charge of float.	
Deficiencies, 1922,	2,511 14
Support of Outside Poor, and reimbursements from State,	5,654 90
Mothers, dependent children,	2,000 00
Town Home,	1,800 00
Salaries of Fire Department,	1,000 00
General Expense,	850 00
New Hose,	500 00
Roads,	5,000 00
Walks,	500 00
Clearing rubbish on Com'l St.,	250 00
Clearing snow by hour,	500 00
Man and horse,	1,080 00
Superintendent's Salary,	900 00
Col. of Taxes (incidentals),	200 00
Public Library, The Dog Fund, and	800 00

Health Department:	
General work,	2,000 00
Collecting Rubbish,	1,000 00
Cemeteries, No. 2, the New, and Old Catholic Cemetery No. 1,	450 00 50 00
Public Schools,	38,500 00
Incidentals and Repairs,	3,000 00
Free Text Book and Supplies,	2,500 00
School Nurse,	1,500 00
Evening School,	1,500 00

At 11 o'clock the meeting adjourned to the lower hall to proceed to the election of officers under Article Thirtieth.

John R. Smith was appointed Town Clerk, pro tem during the election; Frank Chase, Ferd H. Dearborn, George F. Miller, Jr., George Rogers, Harry L. Eastman, Franklin E. Hill, Harry E. Simmons and Louis M. Snow, Tellers.

The Tellers were supplied with lists of the registered voters of the town, the ballot box shown to be empty and the key delivered to Constable Irving L. Rosenthal.

The polls were declared open and remained open until 5 P. M. 781 ballots being cast, these were assorted and counted and the result announced by the Moderator as follows:

Town Clerk and Treasurer, one year	
Louis A. Law,	588
Selectmen and Overseer of the Poor, three years	
Thomas D. Campbell	71
John R. Manta	516
Manuel M. Prada	176

Assessor, three years	
Thomas D. Campbell	70
John R. Manta	506
Manuel M. Prada	169
School Committee, three years	
Myrick C. Young	596
Trustee Public Library, three years	
Edwin N. Paine	475
A. Louis Putnam	466
Isaiah A. Small	473
Board of Health, three years	
George W. Cashman	518
Board of Health, one year	
Joseph H. Butler	278
Edwin Walter Smith	394
Water Commissioner, three years.	
T. Julian Lewis	563
Auditor, one year	
Isaiah A. Small	523
Collector of Taxes, one year	
John A. Dutra	636
Cemetery Commissioner, three years	
George W. Watson	508
Constables one year	
James E. Callaghan	499
William D. Carlos	490
William B. Dunham	491
Reuben O. Kelley	488
Irving L. Rosenthal	539
Tree Warden, one year	
Eugene W. Watson	486

Monument Committee, one year	
Joseph C. Ellis	472
Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber, one year	
George Rogers	4
Merle Higgins	4
Leno Dutra	7
Shall the Town petition for the installation of an accounting system by the Commonwealth?	
Yes	285
No	93
Shall license be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?	
Yes	243
No	248

7 P. M.

Took up Article Three.

It was voted that the Selectmen appoint a committee of one to have charge of the Town Float.

Article Fourth, To consider and act upon the Reports of Town Officers and Committees.

The Committee on Electric Lighting made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ELECTRIC LIGHTING

To the Citizens of the Town of Provincetown:—

Your committee appointed at a Special Town meeting April 24, 1922, to consider the feasibility of the town acquiring a plant for the manufacture and distribution of electricity for municipal use and for the use of the inhabitants of the town, met soon after their appointment and organized. It was some time after their organization that they planned to visit the municipal plants in the neighboring towns and cities in our commonwealth. Plans were made to begin the tour on Nov. 19th, but unforeseen circumstances prevented our going at that time. We did finally get away on Dec. 3rd. We intended to visit fourteen different lighting stations and secure data from which to make our report. In no case was there a town with similar conditions to ours, namely a combination of lighting and water pumping under the same roof and operated by the same help. We did find certain plants pumping water by electricity. The order of our visitation was as follows: Middleboro, Taunton, North Attleboro and Mansfield. When your committee had gone this far and found the financial condition nearly the same in each case and securing reports from various other cities and towns without visiting them, concluded it would be a waste of money and time to visit all the plants as originally planned, and went instead to Boston to consult electric engineers on the subject. We had been advised that the General Electric Company would gladly furnish us the necessary assistance (free) that would enable us to report intelligently to this meeting. We desire to say at this time that everywhere we went, or asked information we were most cordially received and assisted in every way. The only incident that happened to mar

the trip occurred as we were entering our town when, just after passing Mayflower Heights, we ran out of gasoline and our chauffeur was at a loss to know where it had gone. We herewith present you a brief summary of the condition we found these plants in financially. In most cases the plants buy their current from some large manufacturing company, and in most cases it is cheaper than they could themselves produce it. The city of Taunton, however, have their own power plant, a visit which will amply repay one for the time and money expended. Up to about two years ago it was not a paying proposition because of its political connections. Since it has been under the management of Mr. George Seibel it is showing wonderful gains and improvements. One of the improvements was the change from coal to fuel oil as a fuel, which, in the first year of its operation saved the city the sum of \$58,550.14. This is due to the fact that fuel oil is cheaper and its use eliminates more than half the help necessary with coal as a fuel. It is a system that nearly all large plants for heating and manufacturing, and smaller ones for manufacturing are either installing or planning to install.

On January 15th, The General Electric Company sent their representative, Mr. Edward E. Peasley to make a survey of the situation and render any assistance that he could to the committee. He was with us Monday afternoon and evening, also Tuesday until 12:30. We visited the Pumping Station and the present light plant, examined the lines, etc., and took all necessary data to prepare his report from which the following is a copy:

Charles N. Rogers, Chairman,
Board of Selectmen.

Dear sir:—

“We estimate as follows on your requirements as given

to me on my visit to Provincetown. The cost of installing a 180 Kw—2200 volt 60 cycle 3 phase Turbine Generator set including foundations for Turbine, surface condenser, 2 HRT boilers, brick-work for boilers, oil burners, feed water heaters, piping, valves and pipe covering, and 1 Turbine exciter set for emergency use, would be approximately

\$22,000 00

The switchboard at the station consisting of combination generator and exciter panel for the above 180 Kw. Turbine set with synchronism indicator and voltage regulator, would cost

1,200 00

At the substation you would need a transformer panel and 2 reclosing equipments for 2 feeders and 1 time switch for street lighting, total

2,700 00

2 Oxide film lightning arresters

3 100 Kva. 2300 volt 6900 volt stepup transformers to increase the voltage from 2300 to 6900 at the station

1,950 00

3 transformers of the same stepping down from 6900 to 2300 volts at the Provincetown end

1,890 00

With the above equipment we figure you would need an induction regulator for maintaining the voltage constant at Provincetown

1,600 00

We estimate that 5 miles of 6600 volt, 3 phase transmission line could be built at a cost of

13,000 00

We estimate that a centrifugal pump having a capacity for your pumping includ-

ing a 50 HP 1800 RPM. 2200 volt 3 phase motor would cost

1,310 00

 \$36,650 00

We have not figured in the above the cost of buildings, chimney, smoke flue, condenser piping outside of the building or any oil storage, oil handling or oil heating facilities.

The sub-station apparatus, at the Provincetown end, could be placed in the basement of the Town Hall, if you please, and only casual inspection would be necessary. Once a day would be sufficient if a thorough examination were given once a week to the apparatus installed there. We have figured that in case of trouble the automatic reclosing equipment would keep the lines in operation except for serious trouble which would have to be remedied at the time. The street lights would automatically be turned on and off by means of the time switch which we have figured.

We have, of course, figured that in case you build the new station you would take the existing 100 Kw. Turbine with its equipment, and place it in the new station along with the new unit figured on above. You will, of course, add to the figures given, the cost of such changes in the existing plant, that is, the cost of removing from the present location and transferring to the new station.

The writer will be glad to give you any further information or data which you may consider necessary and will be glad to assist you in any way possible."

Yours truly,

E. E. PEASLEY.

After consideration of the assets and liabilities of the Provincetown Light and Power Company, as set forth in the report Department of Public Utilities, your committee have formed the opinion that a fair price for the Town to pay for the plant as it now stands would be \$80,000.00, and herewith submit an estimate based on that price should the Town operate the plant and in addition pump the Town water. We have been in consultation with the officers of the light company who seem disposed to co-operate with the Town should the Town elect to purchase the plant; we have not as yet been furnished with any figure that they would sell for but as before stated we feel that the amount of \$80,000.00 would be fair to all concerned.

Estimate

Assuming the purchase price to be	\$80,000 00
Extensions, additions, etc.	36,600 00
New building construction, etc.	13,400 00
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	\$130,000 00

Liabilities

Bond retired annually	\$6,500 00
Interest first year @ 4 per cent	5,200 00
Superintendent	1,800 00
Assistants	1,200 00
Clerical hire	1,500 00
Maintenance	2,000 00
Engineers	4,000 00
Fuel (oil)	5,000 00
Depreciation	4,000 00
Taxes (loss)?	1,800 00
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	\$33,000 00

Assets

Sales, electricity	\$27,438 00
Pumping water,	8,000 00
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	\$35,438 00
Cash depreciation acct.	4,000 00
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Total	\$39,438 00
Less liabilities	33,000 00
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Gross profit	\$6,438 00

In closing this report your committee would advise, that as a result of their investigation, they are unanimous in the opinion that it is advisable for the Town to acquire by purchase, or otherwise, a plant for the manufacture and distribution of electricity for municipal use and for the use of its inhabitants.

Agreeably to the foregoing opinion we recommend that a committee of three be appointed, and that said committee be authorized and instructed to employ necessary expert assistance and report at a Special Town Meeting to be held not later than May 1, 1923, and that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the same.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK A. DAYS, JR.
CHARLES N. ROGERS,
FRANKLIN E. HILL,
Committee.

After some discussion the report was laid upon the table until after action on Article 17.

THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDING LINE AND WIDENING COMMERCIAL STREET MADE THE FOLLOWING REPORT:

To the Citizens of the Town of Provincetown:

The committee to whom was referred the matter of considering the advisability of establishing a building line and the widening of Commercial Street or a portion thereof beg leave to submit the following report of their action on the same.

At the Special town meeting held April 24, 1922, a preliminary report was submitted setting forth that Arthur L. Sparrow had been engaged to make the necessary survey, and recommending that the committee be authorized to continue the work begun. Also that an appointment be made to fill a vacancy existing in the committee. This report was accepted and the recommendations adopted. The Moderator appointed Myrick C. Atwood to the committee.

In view of the fact that the only money available to the committee was the appropriation of \$300.00, a survey of the entire length of Commercial Street was impossible; so at this time we can only present this matter to you from a survey of that portion from Johnson Street to Court Street inclusive.

This has been estimated and is presented for your consideration on a theory of an 8 foot sidewalk and 4 feet additional width of street; your committee submit this proposition to you in what is termed for the purpose of this report, 4 phases, known and designated as Phase No. 1, 2, 3, and 4.

First. Phase No. 1, the entire length from Johnson to Court Street inclusive as covered by the survey.

Second. Phase No. 2, the section from Johnson to Standish Street inclusive.

Third. Phase No. 3, the section from Standish to Gosnold Street inclusive.

Fourth. Phase No. 4, the section from Gosnold to Court Street inclusive.

Phase No. 1. Johnson to Court Street.

The total cost including damages, cost of removing old sidewalks, construction of new sidewalks and new street, \$42,422.75.

Phase No. 2. Johnson to Standish Street inclusive.

Total cost including damages, cost of removing old sidewalks, construction of new sidewalks and new street, \$10,768.25.

Phase No. 3. Standish to Gosnold Street inclusive.

Total cost including damages, cost of removing old sidewalks, construction of new sidewalks and new street, \$18,545.50.

Phase No. 4. Gosnold to Court Street inclusive.

Total cost including damages, cost of removing old sidewalks, construction of new sidewalks and new street, \$13,362.00.

Inasmuch as the money necessary to carry into effect any of the above mentioned plans must be raised by taxation, your attention is called to the law that provides that a town may incur debt, within the limit of indebtedness, for the original construction of public ways or the extension or widening thereof, including land damages and the cost of pavement and sidewalks laid at the time of said construction, payable within a period of ten years.

Your committee feel that common convenience and necessity require that Commercial Street be relocated, altered and widened, and submit for your consideration the following recommendations:

First, that the Board of Selectmen be authorized and instructed to petition the County Commissioners to relocate and alter Commercial Street from Johnson Street to Court Street inclusive, designated and understood as Phase No. 1 of this report, or either of the above mentioned section known and designated as Phase No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, or No. 4, as the town may elect, and that the said Board of Selectmen be empowered to do any act necessary to carry the same into effect.

Second, that a building line be established agreeably to the survey and plan above mentioned, from Johnson Street to Court Street inclusive, and thereafter no structures of any nature shall be erected or maintained between such building line and the present line of said Commercial Street.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER WELSH,
CHARLES N. ROGERS,
FRANK CHASE,
JOHN A. MATHESON,
Committee.

MINORITY REPORT ON WIDENING COMMERCIAL STREET

To the Citizens of the Town of Provincetown:—

As a member of the Committee appointed at your annual Town meeting in February, 1923, to consider the matter of widening Commercial Street, to whose report you have just listened, I am compelled after giving the matter considerable thought and study, to differ from the majority of my colleagues on the Committee in their conclusions,

and I knew of no way of presenting my views other than by a minority report, which I herewith respectfully submit for the consideration of the citizens of the Town.

To my mind there are some grave and important reasons why this project should not be undertaken at this time. The first reason that presents itself is the tremendous expense involved, which by the best estimate of your Committee cannot be much if any less than fifty thousand dollars, and will probably be twice that amount, to widen from Johnson Street to Court Street only, which in addition to the burdens already saddled on the Town, for what might be called necessities, or at least more important than street widening, makes liabilities which are staggering indeed, in view of the present depression in the business interests of the Town. It is true that some of this expense may be assumed by the County, but this is uncertain, and not to be depended on, and at best can only be a small part of the cost; it is also true, that the payment of this huge sum could, and probably would, be extended over some years, but it must be paid sooner or later by the taxpayers of the Town, and as every new year brings new schemes and new ways to spend the taxpayers' money, this additional expense will be felt by every citizen who by his industry and prudence has succeeded in owning the roof over the heads of himself and family.

This additional taxation will certainly discourage anyone from owning or building real estate here, or the bringing into the Town of any new industries which can find more favorable tax rates elsewhere.

Then again, do we need this improvement, or can we get along without it? When this Town was at the height of its business prosperity, with the sails of its fishermen and whalemens whitening nearly every sea in the North Atlantic, and the business traffic along our wharfs and streets was

far beyond what it is today, we managed to get along very well with the present street accommodations, and why we should at this late date require more room, I could not well see. It is true that automobiles have increased at a remarkable rate, but as this is largely a matter of pleasure, I could not see why the taxpayers of this Town, a large majority of whom cannot afford automobiles for pleasure or joy riding, should be saddled with a debt from which they would not be relieved for many years to come.

Again, the quaintness or old fashioned appearance of our streets, and of the Town generally, is spoken of by nearly every stranger who has visited the Town, and has brought many here who are fascinated with the place, and built and bought much real estate, and are now citizens and taxpayers. This quaintness would of course be entirely destroyed by this so-called improvement in widening the street.

Again it discommodes the people who are doing business or dwelling along the street, and who would be obliged to move or tear down many buildings which they now occupy for business purposes or dwellings; it is true that damages, land or otherwise, would be paid, but it is a well known fact, that damages paid for such public improvements, never adequately recompense the citizens for the loss to which he is subjected, both on property and in business, and the probabilities are that the Town would be involved in many law suits before all of these cases would be finally settled.

In conclusion allow me to say, that for two hundred years, covering five generations, my forefathers have been born in this old Town, of which, I am proud to say, I am a native born citizen; I love the old Town for its associations and its traditions, and when I reflect that about all

of the ancient landmarks have been torn down or destroyed, I certainly feel that this old rambling street, about the only thing that suggests its ancient lineage, should be preserved as far as possible in its primeval quaintness, and handed down to our successors as a perpetual legacy.

In view of these facts, I could not see my way clear to advise this so-called improvement, and would therefore recommend that this matter of widening Commercial Street, be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted,

M. C. ATWOOD,

Minority Member of the Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Rogers to accept Phase one of the Committee's report.

The motion was not carried.

It was moved by Mr. Cook that the report of the committee relating to building line be adopted.

The motion was not carried.

At 10:20 P. M. the meeting adjourned to Feb. 13th at 7 P. M.

February 13th, 7 P. M.

Article Fifth. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for and elect a Director for the Cape Cod Farm Bureau, as authorized by Sections 41 and 45 of Chapter 128 of the general Laws.

It was voted to raise and appropriate one hundred fifty dollars and to elect a Director for the Cape Cod Farm Bureau. Katherine K. Manuel was elected Director.

Article Sixth. To act on a resolution requesting legislation: (1) to fix the maximum price at which coal may

be sold in any congressional district or part thereof; (2) to provide for prior sales and shipments to consumers and to retailers of coal.

RESOLVED, That we, the citizens of Provincetown in Town meeting assembled, request the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States to designate, or to create, some agency of the federal government, which shall have all the powers essential to fix, and the power to fix, a maximum price on coal whenever and wherever sold either by producer or dealer: any or all such powers to be exercised, the need being shown therefore, for the benefit of any congressional district, or part thereof, whenever said agency is so requested in writing by the member of congress representing said district; any or all such powers to continue in force so long as, in the opinion of the Congressman making the request, the need of such federal control exists.

RESOLVED, That we, further request legislation which shall provide that, in the sale and shipment of coal at the mines or elsewhere, orders for coal from consumers and from dealers selling directly to consumers, shall take precedence over all other orders; said legislation to provide also for the prompt transportation of such shipments.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent by the Town Clerk to the Clerk of each branch of Congress, together with the vote thereon.

Article Seventh. To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed of the triangular parcel of land adjoining Atlantic Avenue, the same being given the Town to widen said Avenue at the junction of Commercial Streets, or take any action relative thereto and act fully thereon.

It was moved by Mr. Adams that the Town accept a deed of the triangular parcel of land at the junction of Atlantic Avenue and Commercial Street.

The motion was carried.

It was voted that Articles Eighth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh, all relating to the same subject matter be referred to a committee of three, said committee to report at the next regular or special Town Meeting and a copy of this committee's report to be filed with the Board of Selectmen, not later than seven days before the holding of the meeting at which action is to be taken thereon.

The Moderator appointed as the committee, B. H. Paige, Joseph A. Days, and John A. Cook.

Article Twelfth. To see what action the Town will take in hardening Jerome's Road from Winslow Street to the junction of Court and Winthrop Streets and appropriate the sum of \$2,625 for the same.

The motion was not carried.

Article Thirteenth. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to instruct the Selectmen to grant the use of the Town Hall to parties or persons seeking it for basket ball.

It was moved by Mr. Cook that the town instruct the Selectmen to grant the use of the Town Hall to parties or persons seeking it for basket ball. Mr. Fogwell moved to amend by striking out the word instruct and inserting the word request.

The amendment was carried and the amended motion was adopted.

Article Fourteenth. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to grant the use of the Town Hall to the Morris-Light Post, No. 71, American Legion, free of charge, for dancing, basket ball, or for any entertainment that the Legion may desire.

It was moved by Mr. Cook that this article be referred to a committee of three consisting of the Chairman of the

Selectmen, the Commander of the American Legion and one lay person to report at some future town meeting.

The motion was carried and the Moderator appointed John Adams as the third member of the committee.

Article Fifteenth. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to defend, compromise, or settle any suit that may be brought against the town during the present year.

It was voted to authorize the Selectmen to defend, compromise or settle any suit that may be brought against the town during the present year.

Article Sixteenth. To see if the town will vote to erect and maintain a flag pole on the lawn in front of Town Hall and appropriate money for same.

It was moved that Article Sixteenth be referred to a committee of three, said committee to report at the next regular or special town meeting and a copy of said committee's report be filed with the Board of Selectmen seven days at least before the holding of the meeting at which action is to be taken thereon.

The motion was carried and the Moderator appointed as the committee, John R. Manta, F. E. Potter, and W. W. Taylor.

Article Seventeenth. To see if the Town will vote to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, a plant for the manufacture and distribution of electricity for municipal use and for the inhabitants of the town, in accordance with section 36, Chapter 164, of the General Laws.

It was moved by Mr. Rogers that the town acquire by purchase or otherwise, a plant for the manufacture and distribution of electricity for municipal use and for the use of the inhabitants of the town in accordance with Section 36, Chapter 164 of the General Laws.

Mr. George Perry, a representative of the Province-

town Light, Heat, and Power Company was invited to the floor and explained the condition of the Company's plant and their position in regard to its sale to the town.

An opportunity was given the Citizens to ask Mr. Perry questions concerning the matter and after discussion the meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock, to February 14th at 7 P. M.

February 14th, 7:30 P. M.

Article seventeenth was again taken up. It was moved by Mr. Prada to lay the motion upon the table. This motion was withdrawn and it was voted to take up the original motion, the checking list and the yea and nay ballots being used. The result was Yes 68. No 154.

Article Four was again taken up, the report of the committee on electric lighting being before the meeting.

The following was offered as a substitute motion by Mr. Marsh:

Moved that it is the sense of the voters assembled in the Provincetown town meeting with reference to the purchase by the town of the Provincetown Light and Power Company, that the town appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars to hire the services of a disinterested, competent, practical, municipal-plant-lighting expert, preferably some one who is at present active manager of a municipal lighting plant.

(1) To inspect thoroughly the condition of and to estimate the value of, the present plant of the Provincetown Light and Power Company.

(2) To make a report personally at a special town meeting to be held not later than two months from this day,

regarding the exact condition of, and the estimated value of, the above plant.

(3) To indicate to the voters assembled at the above mentioned special meeting whether or not in his opinion, the town in the event of the purchase of the above plant, could manage and conduct the same more advantageously and economically than as under the present ownership, and to state in detail his reasons therefor.

(4) To estimate and to report on the total required amount of initial expense, in addition to the amount of the purchase price of the plant, with special reference to changes in the management and operation of the plant, and additions to and replacements for the present plant, in order that the plant may be in sufficiently good condition and have large enough capacity for the next five years of service.

(5) That the Selectmen be and hereby are empowered to proceed at once to hire the services of such a distinguished, competent, practical, municipal-lighting-plant expert, and to proceed in such a manner as to carry out the full intent of this motion.

The motion was carried by a vote of 97 to 55.

Article Eighteenth. To see what action the town will take, if any, to authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to relocate, alter and widen Commercial Street from Johnson Street to Court Street or any portion thereof.

It was moved by Mr. Welsh: That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized and instructed to petition the County Commissioners to relocate, alter and widen that portion of Commercial Street, which commences at Standish Street and terminates at Gosnold Street and that the town issue bonds or notes agreeably to Chapter 44, Section

7, of the General Laws to the amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, to pay the expense of land damage and new walks or new road occasioned by such alteration, relocation, or widening.

The motion was not carried.

Article Nineteenth. To see if the town will vote to purchase a tractor to be used by the road department in constructing and maintaining town roads and appropriate money for the same.

It was voted to indefinitely postpone.

Article Twentieth. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600 for the employment of a visiting nurse.

It was voted that the town appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars for the employment of a visiting nurse, to be expended under the direction of the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

Article Twenty-first. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Central Street and appropriate money for the same.

It was voted that the town establish and maintain a street light on Central Street and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars for same.

Article Twenty-second. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Franklin Street near the premises of Mary A. Morrell and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars for the same.

It was so voted.

Article Twenty-third. To see if the town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Miller Hill Road near the premises of Frank J. Vieira and appropriate money for the same.

It was voted to establish and maintain a street light on

Miller Hill Road near the premises of Frank J. Vieira and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars for the same.

Article Twenty-fourth. To see what action the town will take, if any, to amend the present Town By-Law, Article 8, Section 70, relative to the regulation of traffic on the streets of the Town. It was voted that Article 8, Section 70 of the Town By-Laws be hereby repealed.

Article Twenty-fifth. To see what action the Town will take to furnish motor power for the Hook and Ladder Truck, also appropriate a sum of money for the same.

It was voted that this article be referred to a committee consisting of the Board of Engineers, the Captain of the Hook and Ladder Truck and five lay persons to report at some future town meeting.

The Moderator's appointments to this committee were William F. Silva, Benjamin R. Chapman, Frank Barnett, Manuel Prada, and Louis M. Snow.

Article Twenty-sixth. To see what action, if any, the Town will take to purchase a lot of land suitable to erect a building that will answer as headquarters for the American Legion, the hall and floor to be connected with said headquarters to serve for the purpose of a gymnasium and auditorium for the schools and public, the same to be referred to a committee, this committee to report at a special town meeting to be called on or before May 1, 1923.

It was moved by Mr. Adams that Article 26th be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Adams obtained the permission of the meeting to introduce a privileged motion, as follows:—

That the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, the Commander of the American Legion, the President of the Women's Relief Corps, the President of the Auxiliary, and one

Citizen not a member of either of the above mentioned organizations be appointed as a committee to take into consideration the matter of procuring suitable headquarters for the American Legion, said committee to report at a special town meeting to be held not later than May 1, 1923.

The motion was carried and the Moderator appointed Clarence M. Snow to the committee.

Article Twenty-eighth. To see what action the town will take, if any, to appropriate a sum of money for the celebration of the Fourth day of July.

The following motion was adopted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the celebration of the Fourth day of July; the said appropriation to be expended under a committee of three.

The Moderator appointed as the committee, John Adams, Hersey Taylor and Frank Barnett.

Article Twenty-ninth. To raise and appropriate by ballot such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the current expenses of the town and matters voted on at this meeting.

It was moved that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$96,801.04 to defray the current expenses of the town and matters voted on at this meeting.

After a ballot vote the Moderator declared the motion carried unanimously. The meeting then dissolved.

LOUIS A. LAW,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR PRIMARY

February 13, 1923

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown
in the County of Barnstable, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in Primaries, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of February, next, at twelve o'clock in the forenoon, for the following purpose:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following office:

Representative in General Court for the Third Representative District.

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 4 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places:

Stores of William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris, John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL, Constable.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss. Provincetown, January 30, A. D. 1923

In pursuance of this precept I have this day notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in Primaries, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town Tuesday, the thirteenth day of February next, at twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose herein named by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at each of the following public places: Stores of William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris, John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the Post Office, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL,
Constable, Town of Provincetown.

Attest:

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in Primaries met in the Caucus Hall, Feb. 13, 1923, and were

called to order at 12 o'clock by Charles M. Rogers, Presiding Officer. Polls were closed at 4 o'clock, six hundred thirty votes having been cast and were for the following Republican Candidates:

Frank H. Barnett	323
Zenas A. Howes	208
Edward C. Morgan	76
Francis H. Perry	21

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

February 27, 1923

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown, in
the County of Barnstable, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town, on Tuesday the twenty-seventh day of February next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

To elect the following officers:

Representative in General Court for the Third Representative District.

The polls will be open from 10 o'clock A. M., to 3 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places: Stores of William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co.,

William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard C., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris, John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the Post Office, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,

Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL, Constable.

Barnstable, ss.

Provincetown, February 19, A. D. 1923

In pursuance of the within precept I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the Town Hall at the time and place and for the purpose herein named by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places: Stores of William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris, John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the

Post Office, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL,
Constable of Town of Provincetown.

Attest:

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, met in the Town Hall and were called to order at 10 A. M. Feb. 27, 1923, by Charles N. Rogers, Presiding Officer.

The following were sworn in as Tellers: Frank Chase, Fred H. Dearborn, Myrick C. Young, George Rogers, Louis M. Snow and Harry L. Eastman.

The polls were declared open and remained open until 3 P. M. Ninety-three ballots were cast. Francis H. Perry of Brewster received ninety-three votes.

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

County of Barnstable

At a meeting of the qualified voters of Representative District No. 3, held February 1923, for the choice of Representative to the General Court to fill a vacancy, Francis H. Perry of Brewster was elected to that office.

A. PERCY NEWCOMB, Town Clerk of Brewster,
JOSEPH L. ROGERS, Town Clerk of Orleans,
LESLIE E. CHASE, Town Clerk of Eastham.
FRANK A. WILLIAMS, Town Clerk of Wellfleet,
JOHN B. DYER, Town Clerk of Truro,
LOUIS A. LAW, Town Clerk of Provincetown.

Dated at Provincetown the Third day of March, 1923.

Attest:

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 30, 1923

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown in the County of Barnstable, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on the Thirtieth day of April next, at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

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

Article 2. To act upon the reports and recommendations of committees.

Article 3. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to purchase traffic signs.

Article 4. To see what action the town will take relative to laying a water pipe on Miller Hill road and appropriate money for the same.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to provide for payment of land damage and road construction arising from the relocating of that portion of Commercial Street known as "Lancy's Corner," agreeably to the report of a committee adopted at a special town meeting held July 17, 1917.

Article 6. To raise and appropriate by ballot such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of matters voted on at this meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at store of William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris and John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,

A true copy. Attest: Selectmen of Provincetown.

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL,

Constable of the Town of Provincetown.

Barnstable, ss. Provincetown, April 23, A. D. 1923.

In pursuance of the within precept I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the Town Hall at the time and place and for the purpose herein named by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at each of the following places:

William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris and John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and the Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL,

Constable of the Town of Provincetown.

Attest:

LOUIS A. LAW,

Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at the Town Hall on Monday, the Thirtieth day of April, 1923 and were called to order by Louis A. Law, Town Clerk.

Article One. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

George F. Miller was elected Moderator.

Article Two. To act upon the reports and recommendations of committees.

The committee on use of the Town Hall by the American Legion made the following report:

To the citizens of the Town of Provincetown:

The committee to whom was referred the matter of the use of the Town Hall, without charge, by Morris Light Post No. 71, American Legion, beg leave to submit the following:

We recommend that the Board of Selectmen be requested to permit Morris Light Post No. 71, American Legion to have the use of the Town Hall on holidays at one half the regular rental rate, and on other occasions by payment of actual expense, viz. fuel, lights, etc.; Provided, however, that said Morris Light Post No. 71 shall not be permitted to use said Town Hall on the above mentioned terms more than six times in any calendar year.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN ADAMS,
JUSTIN E. F. JASON.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The committee to whom was referred Articles eight, nine, ten and eleven of the annual warrant made the following report:

Article 8th. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to acquire by purchase or otherwise the triangular parcel of land at the junction of the County Road and the State highway near the Corona Cottage and appropriate money for same.

Your committee recommends that the Town purchase this triangular parcel of land and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for same.

Article 9th. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to acquire by purchase or otherwise the triangular parcel of land at the junction of Court Street and Watson's Court near the premises of Mary J. Silva and appropriate money for same.

Your committee recommends that the Town purchase this parcel of land and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for same.

Article 10th. To see what action the Town will take, if any, to acquire by purchase or otherwise the triangular parcel of land at the junction of Franklin and Race Streets near the premises of Thomas Welsh and appropriate money for same.

Your committee recommends that the Town purchase this parcel of land and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for same.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to sell the triangular parcel of land at the junction of Court and Winthrop Streets near the old Cemetery.

Your committee thinks it unwise to sell this parcel of land therefore recommends that the Town not to sell this parcel of land.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT H. PAIGE,
JOSEPH A. DAYS,
JOHN A. COOK.

The committee's recommendations in regard to Articles eight, nine and ten were not adopted. Their recommendation in regard to Article eleven was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOOK AND LADDER TRUCK

Provincetown, April 27, 1923.

To the citizens of Provincetown:

Your committee met and organized and set about getting figures on the approximate cost of apparatus such as we would require.

We believe it was the idea of the persons responsible for having the article inserted in the warrant that a chassis could be attached to the present Hook and Ladder Truck at small cost, but we were advised that this plan was not practicable.

We found that a new truck would cost from four to nine thousand dollars, according to size and equipment, and in addition some changes would probably be necessary in the house.

We do not think this expenditure justified at this time and recommend no action be taken at present.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. SILVA,
B. R. CHAPMAN,
L. M. SNOW,
JOSEPH PERRY,
FRANK H. BARNETT,
J. H. BARNETT,
T. J. LEWIS,
L. A. LAW,
MANUEL M. PRADA,
JAMES E. CALAHAN,

Committee.

The recommendation of the committee was adopted.

Article Three. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to purchase traffic signs.

It was moved by Mr. Rogers that the sum of two hundred dollars be raised and appropriated and the Board of Selectmen instructed to procure suitable traffic signs. The motion was carried.

Article Four. To see what action the Town will take relative to laying a water pipe on Miller Hill Road and appropriate money for the same. It was voted to indefinitely postpone.

Article Five. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to provide for payment of land damage and road construction arising from the relocating of that portion of Commercial Street known as "Lancy's Corner"; agreeably to the report of a committee adopted at a special town meeting held July 17, 1917.

It was moved that the sum of \$3,000 be raised and appropriated for payment of land damage and road construction arising from the relocating of that portion of Commercial Street known as Lancy's Corner.

The motion was carried.

Article Six. To raise and appropriate by ballot such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of matters voted on at this meeting. It was voted by ballot to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-two hundred dollars.

The meeting then dissolved.

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

May 7, 1923

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown in
the County of Barnstable, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants
of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town
affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday,
the Seventh day of May next, at eight o'clock in the even-
ing, then and there to act on the following articles:

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

Article 2. To act upon the reports and recommenda-
tions of committees.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to acquire, by
purchase or otherwise, a plant for the manufacture and
distribution of electricity for municipal use and for the use
of the inhabitants of the Town, in accordance with Section
36, Chapter 164 of the General Laws.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting
attested copies thereof at stores of William Tarvis, George
Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams,
Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard Co.,
George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris and
John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the Post
Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of
holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant,
with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time
and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this thirtieth day of April in

the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and
twenty-three.

CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL,
Constable of the Town of Provincetown.

April 30th A. D. 1923.

Barnstable, ss.

In pursuance of the within precept I have notified and
warned the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown quali-
fied to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the
Town Hall at the time and place and for the purpose herein
named by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at
each of the following places: William Tarvis, George
Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams,
Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard
Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris
and John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the
Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the
time of holding said meeting.

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL,
Constable of the Town of Provincetown.

Attest:

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants
of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections
and in town affairs met at the Town Hall on Monday, May

7th 1923 at 8 o'clock P. M. and were called to order by Louis A. Law, Town Clerk.

Article one. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

George F. Miller was chosen Moderator.

Article Two. To act upon the reports and recommendations of committees.

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

Agreeably to the action of the citizens at the Annual Town Meeting, in accepting a substitute motion in the place of a recommendation of the Committee on Electric Lighting, empowering the Selectmen to proceed to "secure the services of a disinterested, competent, practical municipal lighting plant expert, to carry out the full intent of the motion."

Your Board of Selectmen desire to present the following report:

It was impossible to secure the services of Mr. George Seibel, Manager of the Municipal Lighting Plant of the City of Taunton, as we had expected but instead secured through his recommendation the services of Jackson & Moreland engineers of long experience in Electric Lighting Plants, in all of its phase, whose representative, Mr. Arthur L. Nelson has made an examination of the present plant and who in accordance with your instructions is present to make his report personally.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,

Selectmen of Provincetown.

Mr. Nelson then addressed the meeting giving the result of his examination of the lighting plant, under the headings as laid down in the motion under which he was

engaged. He answered all questions citizens put to him, after which he was excused.

Article Three. To see if the town will vote to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, a plant for the manufacture and distribution of electricity for municipal use and for the use of the inhabitants of the town, in accordance with Section 36, Chapter 164 of the General Laws.

It was moved by Mr. Adams that the town acquire an electric lighting plant. After a yea and nay ballot by use of the checking list, the Moderator announced the result as Yes 2; No 141.

The meeting then dissolved.

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

July 9, 1923

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown in the County of Barnstable, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town on Monday, the ninth day of July, next at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

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

Article 2. To see if the Town will accept the relocation of that portion of Commercial Street, known as "Lancy's

Corner," as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate the money necessary to provide for the payment of awards and road construction.

Article 3. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the buildings and any land remaining after that portion of Commercial Street known as Lancy's Corner" has been relocated.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate by ballot such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of matters voted on at this meeting.

You are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the stores of William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard & Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris, and John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this second day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy: Attest:
IRVING L. ROSENTHAL,

Constable of the Town of Provincetown.

Provincetown, July 2, 1923.

Barnstable, ss.

In pursuance of the within precept I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the Town Hall at the time and place and for the purpose herein named by posting one attested copy thereof at each of the following places: Stores of William Tarvis, George Rogers, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. Bangs, John D. Adams, Silva's Fish Market, George S. Chapman, J. D. Hilliard Co., George W. Hudson, Clarence L. Burch, John V. Morris, and John A. Francis, also at the Board of Trade and at the Post Office, all in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

IRVING L. ROSENTHAL;
Constable of the Town of Provincetown.

Attest:

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, met in the Town Hall, Monday, July 9th, 1923, at 8 o'clock in the evening and were called to order by Louis A. Law, Town Clerk.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

George F. Miller was elected Moderator.

Article 2. To see if the Town will accept the relocation of that portion of Commercial Street known as "Lancy's Corner" as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate the money necessary to provide for the payment of awards and road construction.

REPORT OF THE RELOCATION OF THAT PORTION
OF COMMERCIAL STREET KNOWN AS
"LANCY'S CORNER"

Upon the petition of John Adams and other inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown to widen, straighten, relocate or locate anew that portion of Commercial Street known as "Lancy's Corner," the Selectmen, Charles N. Rogers, John R. Manta, Clarence M. Snow on June 4, 1923, viewed the premises and adjudged that public necessity and common convenience require that said section of Commercial Street be widened and relocated and proceeded to make the following lay out:

Beginning at a stone bound at the northwest corner of the premises of Frank Brown by Commercial Street, thence running South 35 degrees East 39 feet, thence South 41 degrees East 125 feet to a stone bound on land of the Cape Cod Cold Storage Company; said relocation to lay on the West side of the above described course and being 4 feet in width on the South end and containing about 550 square feet.

Beginning at a bound at the northwest corner of the premises of William Patrick by Commercial Street, thence running South 26 degrees West 41 feet, thence South 40 degrees West 21 feet to a bound; said relocation to lay on the North side of the above described course being 3 feet width on the South end and containing about 550 square feet.

Beginning at a bound at the northeast corner of the premises of Mabel A. Marshall by Commercial Street, thence running South 55 degrees West 46 feet 2 inches to a stake, thence South 40 degrees East 42 feet, thence South 55 degrees East 45 feet 6 inches to a stake on Commercial

Street; said relocation to lay South and East of the above described course and containing about 3,400 square feet.

There is allowed for damages caused by the relocating and widening of said Commercial Street, the following sums:

Frank Brown,	\$50 00
Cape Cod Cold Storage Co.	175 00
Theresa Miller	75 00
Mabel A. Marshall	2,700 00
Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of three thousand (\$3,000.00) dollars.	

This relocation and widening is reported to the Town of Provincetown for its acceptance and when accepted and recorded shall become a part of Commercial Street.

CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

It was moved, That the Town accept the relocation of that portion of Commercial Street known as "Lancy's Corner" as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for payment of land damages; and issue three notes of \$1,000.00 each, payable one in the year 1923, one in 1924, one in 1925.

The motion was carried.

Article 3. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the buildings and any land remaining after that portion of Commercial Street known as "Lancy's Corner" has been relocated.

It was moved, That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized and instructed to sell and convey and execute a deed in behalf of the town of any land or building not nec-

essary to carry out the plan of widening and relocating of that portion of Commercial Street known as "Laney's Corner." The proceeds of any such sale to be applied to the payment of road and walk construction.

The motion was carried.

Article 4, To raise and appropriate by ballot such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of matters voted on at this meeting.

It was moved, That the town raise and appropriate by ballot the sum of \$3,000.

After a ballot vote the Moderator declared the motion carried by a vote of 29 Yes and 0 No.

The meeting then dissolved.

LOUIS A. LAW,
Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1923

- Nov. 6, 1922 Arthur S. Joseph of Truro and Edith May Francis of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
Nov. 6, 1922 Joseph M. Creamer and Catherine G. Fratus, both of Provincetown.

January

- 10 Joseph Vieira of Truro and Mary J. Jason of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
27 Walter A. Adams of Provincetown and Helen Clara Peterson of Quincy. Married in Quincy.

February

- 12 Joseph G. Nunes of Provincetown and Mary Francis Silva of Truro. Married in Truro.

March

- 15 William H. Drisko of Provincetown and Flora Etta Chase of Hyannis. Married in Boston.

April

- 2 Henry Francis McIntosh and Catherine A. Days, both of Provincetown.
2 Dominic S. Avila and Cora M. Prada, both of Provincetown.
2 Henry P. Curran of Boston and Emma M. Curran of Provincetown. Married in Boston.
9 Joseph M. Silva of Provincetown and Catherine A. Gray of Truro. Married in Truro.
12 William T. Frazier and Mabel R. Rivers both of Wellfleet. Married in Provincetown.
25 John I. King and Mary E. Souza, both of Provincetown.

May

- 3 Angus S. MacIntyre of Provincetown and Mary I. MacKenzie of East Greenwich. Married in Providence, R. I.
 15 Manuel P. Henrique of Provincetown and Mary C. Amelia of Gloucester. Married in Provincetown.
 23 Frank Gracia and Nora Carter Fish, both of Provincetown. Married in Warren, R. I.
 25 Frank H. Barnett and Marion Merrill, both of Provincetown.

June

- 2 John F. Cook and Nellie I. Patrick, both of Provincetown.
 16 Manuel Packet and Madeline Souza, both of Provincetown.
 20 Joseph J. Russell and Lucille H. Chipman, both of Provincetown.
 27 John M. Corbett of Somerville and Philomena Silva of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.

July

- 17 Noble R. Enos and Mabel E. Francis, both of Provincetown.
 31 John V. Morris and Margaret E. Thompson, both of Provincetown. Married in Wellfleet.

August

- 8 Frank Souza and Philomena Rego, both of Provincetown.
 15 Herman S. Mayo of Provincetown and Annie M. C. M. Brodersen of Copenhagen, Denmark. Married in Provincetown.
 16 Charles W. Burch, Jr. and Beatrice M. Souza, both of Provincetown. Married in Boston.
 20 Albert B. Loring of Provincetown and Phoebe I. Dunham of Orleans. Married in Barnstable.

September

- 3 Manuel Tarvis and Annie Rego, both of Provincetown.
 4 Charles J. Spear of Brockton and Harriet F. Weeks of Provincetown. Married in Brockton.
 10 Joseph Silva and Mary Souza, both of Provincetown.
 10 Bernard J. Silva of Boston and Julia M. Perry of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
 17 Antone Joseph and Louise Perry, both of Provincetown.
 24 Joseph T. Peters and Edna Patrick, both of Provincetown.
 26 William H. Brady of Sandwich and Emma J. Silva of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.

October

- 2 Louis Andre and Mary R. Raymond, both of Provincetown. Married in Truro.
 3 Marion Perry and Mary A. Fratus, both of Provincetown.
 8 John Viera and Catherine F. DeRiggs, both of Provincetown.
 17 George S. Chapman and Mary V. Loring, both of Provincetown. Married in Wellfleet.
 21 Frank S. Alves, Jr., of Provincetown and Marien E. Irving of West Somerville. Married in Medford.
 23 George W. Starbuck of Bourne and Cora E. Lovell of Provincetown. Married in Bourne.

November

- 3 George T. Corea and Peace E. Warren, both of Provincetown. Married in Truro.
 5 Joseph Lopes, Jr. of Truro and Hope J. Cabral of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
 21 Frank Meads and Mary G. Veara, both of Provincetown.
 26 John Rego and Virginia Bent, both of Provincetown.
 28 Frank S. Perry and Cecilia Rego, both of Provincetown.
 29 George H. Bitgood and Mary Jacobs, both of Provincetown. Married in Wellfleet.
 29 William N. Costa of Somerville and Lillian W. Costa of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.

December

- 11 Neadom Rodgers and Lillian Rodgers, both of Provincetown. Married in Wellfleet.
 17 Terry Almeida and Regina Martin, both of Provincetown.
 26 Antone M. Dennis of Provincetown and Ann F. Croteau of Watertown. Married in Watertown.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1923

Date	Name	Names of parents
Dec. 23, 1922	William Joseph Days	Louis J. and Mary E. nee Silva
Dec. 23, 1922	Catherine J. L. Verheyden	Francois I. T. and Jeanne R. S. Gilbert

January

Date	Name	Names of parents
2	Priscilla Almena Alexander	John J. and Jennie nee Bell.
4	Kathleen Goulart	Francis J. and Margaret Mc-Innis
7	Shirley Eilene Atwood	Frank and Emma nee Hill
20	Donold Valentine Edwards	John A and Georgiana Valentine
22	Marion Marie Merrill	Anthony and Florence nee Alexander
25	Stewart Porter Holmes	Lewis P. and Anna E. nee Stewart
31	Lois Minerva Baker	Charles E and Olive K. nee Handy

February

7	Manuel Ulysses Simmons	Ulysses and Mary nee Silva
7	Anthony Francis Rego	Anthony and Mary nee Marks
8	Barbara Jean Cabral	Joseph and Mary nee Alves
11	John Joseph Geurreiro	Antone and Esther nee Monteiro
20	Leo John Ferriera	John and Mary S. nee Cordiera
24	Joseph Oliver	Manuel and Roselena nee Souza
24	Victor Emmanuel Pacellini	Louis and Clara nee Costa
26	Joseph Souza	Antone and Phoebe S. nee Crawley
28	Vieira	Antone and Nellie nee Williams

March

5	Florence Ann Costa	John and Alvira nee Azervado
8	Jane Warren Atkins	Frank K. and Emma W nee Cook
26	Jorge Ludgers Silva	John D. and Ethel P. nee Viegas

April

3	Creamer	Joseph and Katherine nee Fratus
9	Olivia Burgess	John and Mary nee Costa
9	Yvonne Frances Leavey	James E. and Beatrice nee Martin
13	Warren Ellis Perry	Lewis E. and Mary M. nee Lee.
17	Ernest James Adams	George M. and Ernestina nee Davis
18	Albert Brown	Albert and Mary nee Treynor
30	Marilyn Alicia Twite	Albert H. and Henrietta M. nee Bangs

May

Date	Name	Names of parents
2	Olga Rose Martin	Antone and Margaret nee White
9	Dorothy Marilla Boober	Raleigh and Ruby F. nee Knight
11	Roger Boullas	Isaac and Angie nee Santos
12	Robert Wilber Harding	Walter R. and Hazel nee Morton

June

1	Manuel Packet	Manuel and Madeline nee Souza
29	Philip Alexander Meads	Manuel and Christine nee Enos
30	Gaspie	John and Elsie nee Young

July

6	Bernard Martin	Joseph M. and Mary nee Theresa
12	Arthur Francis Henrique	Manuel and Pauline nee Silva
16	Arthur David Roderick	Stephen and Lucinda nee Souza
31	James Ferry Silva	Jesse F. and Mary nee Lee.

August

4	Warren Thomas	Joseph and Grace nee Simmons
4	Charles Francis Edwards	Charles F. and Margaret nee Palmer
5	Mary Louise Jason	Manuel and Mary nee Roderick
7	Elizabeth Beverly Martin	Manuel V. and Mary nee Rego
14	Insley Joseph Caton	Insley J. and Mary nee Santos
28	Edwin Martin Prada	Manuel and Gladys nee Littlewood

September

4	Josephine Crave	John F. and Emma nee Holmes
28	Evelyn Sylvester Nunes	Frank R. and Johanna nee
28	Albert Manuel Silva	Manuel and Carrie nee Santos

October

12	Reginal Warren Cabral	William P. and Mary nee Taves
15	Cook	Frank and Clara nee Cabral
17	Louise Veronico Silva	Joseph P. and Amelia F. nee King

November

Date	Name	Names of parents
24	Frank John Ventura	Joseph and Emma nee Silva
28	Frank Henrique	Frank and Mary nee Thomas

December

4	Barbara Eleanor Cross	Joaquin and Selina F. nee Williams.
11	Joseph Francis Fitzpatrick	John and Emma nee Ramos
20	John V. Morris	John V. and Margaret nee Williams
25	Matilda Jones Avellar	Albert and Ida, nee Perie

DEATHS REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1923

		January			
Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death
3	Flora K. Brown	75			Apoplexy
13	Delia Foster	82			Pneumonia
19	Elizabeth E. Roberts	75	3	16	Cerebral Hemorrhage
20	Rosa Silva Lucas	66	11	11	Cerebral Apoplexy
22	Joseph S. Pine	75	7	18	Cerebral Hemorrhage
25	Joseph Silva	92			Interstitial Nephritis
		February			
5	Philomena Enos Peters	70			Diabetes Mellitus
8	Fostine Tasha	59			Arterio Sclerosis
10	Antone V. Perry	77			Bronchial Pneumonia
11	Phebe A. Paine	86	8	28	Senile Debility
12	Mary E. DeCosta	14	9	5	Pneumonia
12	John A. Jacobs	30	8	19	Valvular Heart disease
17	Joseph Francis Crave	6	6	24	Fractured Skull
25	Pauline M. Cabral	1	0	13	Capillary Bronchitis
25	Charles A. Fuller	68	4	19	Cerebral Hemorrhage
28	Vierira	0	0	0	Stillborn
		March			
7	Hannah H. Paine	80	4	7	Cardiac disease
17	Mary B. T. D. Silva	73	1	2	Bronchial Pneumonia
18	Antone Jose Almeida	36			Carcinoma of Stomach
19	Luraine A. Emery	80	5	7	General Debility

April

Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death
3	Creamer	0	0	0	Stillborn
14	John Enos	53	10	3	Diabetes Mellitus
24	Mary Marshall	74			Aortic Insufficiency
24	Isabella McKay	98	4		Carcinoma of face
28	Sarah E. Potter	49			Organic Heart Disease

May

12	John E. Corea	56	7	5	Organic Heart Disease
18	Christine Settes	86	5	17	Arterio Sclerosis
28	Augustino Patricio	72			Dilatation of Heart

June

1	Lucretia P. Marks	89	7		Cerebral Hemorrhage
3	Agnes Perry	70	2	28	Gastric Carcinoma
9	*Linne P. Rich	65	0	14	Diabetes Mellitus
10	**Ernest Perry	27	9	11	Pulmonary Tuberculosis.
11	Francis M. Lemos	1	0	10	Bronchial Pneumonia
12	Charles E. Brown	76			Cerebral Apoplexy
12	Roxanna Chapman	81	1	5	Organic Heart Disease
16	Georgie Lema	55			Chronic Myocarditis
19	Joseph C. Creed	57			Bright's Disease
19	Jules Marshall	34			Pulmonary Hemorrhage
23	Mary Rose	73			Uraemia
29	Samuel Small	77	2	15	Cerebral Apoplexy

July

9	Marcos Roderick	58	1	12	Cardio Sclerosis
26	Ella F. Birge	66	6	22	Cardiac Insufficiency
27	**Eva Campbell	33	3	20	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
30	Maria C. Souza	63			Carcinoma of Stomach
30	Emily A. Smith	74	1	9	Mitral Stenosis
30	Albert A. Martines	50	1	16	Carcinoma of Bladder

Died in

*Brookline

**Bourne

August

Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death
18	¶Mary R. Francis	46			Appendicitis
21	Katherine Ann Small	66	3	1	Intestinal Carcinoma

September

4	Julia A. Silva	50	6	11	Abdominal Tumor
19	Maximillian Bohm	56			Cerebral Hemorrhage
20	¶William B. Bangs	56	10	23	Tumor Stella Tursica
26	Robert N. Fisher	55			Organic Heart Disease
27	Sarah A. Burch	77	5	13	Valvular Heart Disease

October

9	George E. Cook	78	3	15	Cerebral Hemorrhage
20	Priscilla Rich	85	11	27	Organic Heart Disease
29	Lorena S. Dyer	81	2	21	Senile Debility

November

4	May I. Taylor	52	10	9	Exhaustion following Asthma
8	**Amelia Fields	26	1	25	Pulmonary Tuberculo- sis
11	Maria S. Carlos	78	7	10	Peritonitis
19	¶Ellen T. Perry	50		20	Senile Debility
21	Hannah C. Cook	86	5	6	Carcinoma Sigmoid
24	Richard Ryder	93	11	9	Fracture of Hip

December

14	Mary Souza	81			Cerebral Hemorrhage
15	Ella A. Small	78			Acute Cardiac Dilata- tion
21	Marguerite Ferris	75			Carcinoma of Bowels
23	Joseph Cabral (Fidalles)	71	4	16	Cerebral Hemorrhage
25	Eliza S. Howland	77			Cerebral Hemorrhage
30	Margaret MacDonald	71	0	6	Carcinoma of Liver

Died in

* • Bourne

¶ Boston

REPORT OF THE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Visiting Nurse Association submits the following report for the year 1923:

Nursing visits	1509
Infant welfare	341
Prenatal	81
Tuberculosis	26
Child welfare	36
Follow up	233
Friendly	167
Others	569
Total visits	2962
Number of patients	191
Metropolitan visits	348
Metropolitan cases	52
Free calls (nursing visits)	214
Maternity cases	21

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA E. BRIGHAM, R. N.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen: I respectfully submit my annual report of the work done and expenses incurred in the Highway Department for the year ending December 31, 1923.

The amounts appropriated for the maintenance of roads, walks, etc., were as follows:

Roads	\$5,000 00
Walks	500 00
Pilgrim Memorial Association (material loaned)	40 00
Tercenary Commissioners, (material loaned)	192 40
Lancy's Corner (material loaned)	168 40
Total	\$5,900 80
Cleaning Street Rubbish	250 00
Cleaning Snow	500 00
Superintendent's Salary	900 00
Assistant with Team	1,080 00

ROADS AND WALKS

Dr.

N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	\$744.72
Independent Coal Tar Co.	632 64
John Burgess	604 95
The Barrett Co.	510 91

N. H. Trap Rock Co.	362 29
Carr Brothers	339 00
James J. Perry	331 52
Manuel J. Francis	329 86
James W. Dunham	326 36
John Hinckley & Sons	316 00
Paige Brothers	200 40
Joseph Cable	184 70
Jesse Cable	91 00
Charles D. Gardner	245 00
Ramos Brothers	38 14
C. M. White Co.	16 00
American Oil Co.	16 41
Higgins Lumber Co.	130 30
F. A. Days & Sons	170 24
George W. Ellis	133 25
B. H. Dyer & Co.	29 12
J. D. Hilliard Co., Inc.	25 00
Provincetown Light & Power Co.	1.75
Edwin W. Rich	7 50
William A. Jason	136 96
Manuel Packet	3 25
Joseph Steele	8 50
John Oliver	2 94
James E. Atkins	2 23
Manuel E. Silva	1 00
Waldo Brothers	15 53
Henry Brown	19 50
Est. Henry F. Pierce	8 00
Est. A. T. Williams	10 00
William B. Bangs	75
John McQuillan, Jr.	5 25
J. H. Williams	21 00

Arthur Joseph	6 90
Walter G. Cashman	14 00
William I. Atwood	7 40
Richmond E. Slade	5 00
Frank A. Rose, Jr.	18 00
Archie Holden	18 00
Balance	52 03

Balance	<u>\$5,900 80</u>
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Appropriation for Roads and Walks	\$5,500 00
Material Loaned	400 80
	<u>\$5,900 80</u>

Cleaning Street Rubbish

Dr.		Cr.
Expended	\$255 00	Appropriation \$250 00
		Deficiency 5 00
	<u>\$255 00</u>	<u>\$255 00</u>

Cleaning Snow

Dr.		Cr.
Expended	\$638 10	Appropriation \$500 00
		Deficiency 138 10
	<u>\$638 10</u>	<u>\$638 10</u>

Superintendent and Assistant with Team

Dr.		Cr.
Expended	\$1,080 00	Appropriation \$1,080 00

I would recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

Roads	\$6,750 00
Walks	500 00
Cleaning Street Rubbish	250 00
Cleaning Snow	500 00
Superintendent's Salary	900 00
Assistant with Team	1,100 00

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK CHASE,
Superintendent of Streets.

**REPORT OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
PUBLIC LIBRARY
DECEMBER 31, 1923**

EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1922	116 87
Rec'd from Town Treasurer on vouchers	1,101 23
Visitors Fund	113 00
	\$1,331 10
Paid:	
Abbie C. Putnam, Librarian	\$420 00
Carrie W. Small, Assistant	203 25
Temporary Assistants	54 00
John F. Francis, Janitor	120 00
Joseph Patrick, Magazines	47 50
Est. J. D. Hilliard, Fuel	90 84
Provincetown Light & Power Co.	45 85
Water Tax	10 00
Wm. H. Young, Insurance	44 00
Mary Fereira, Cleaning	31 00
Fred L. Knowles, Labor & Supplies	9 59
David Farquah, Binding	56 50
W. B. Bangs	8 15
H. M. Merserve, Binding	4 24
Est. T. A. Higgins, Lumber	1 71
Town Treasurer, Visitors Fund	113 00
Balance on hand	71 47
	\$1,331 10

BOOK ACCOUNT

Income Benjamin Small Fund	\$257 50
Paid:	
Deficiency of 1922	\$10 53
Chas. E. Lauriat Co., Books	187 32
H. W. Wilson Co.	7 00
I. A. Small, Books	13 28
American Library Association	2 00
Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce	1 00
Balance on hand	36 37
	\$257 50

CATALOGUE FUND

Balance in Savings Bank Dec. 31, 1922	\$776 08
Fines and catalogues	87 50
Dividends, Savings Bank	36 48
	\$900 06

BENJAMIN SMALL FUND

Benjamin Small fund, Dec. 31, 1922	\$160 99
Dividends, 1923	7 69
	\$168 68

We recommend an appropriation of \$800 00, the Deg Fund and the Visitors Fund, for the ensuing year.

ISAIAH A. SMALL,
MYRICK C. ATWOOD,
EDWARD N. PAINE,
WM. H. YOUNG,
A. LOUIS PUTNAM,
HOWARD F. HOPKINS,
I. L. ROSENTHAL,
SIMEON C. SMITH,
Trustees, Public Library.

Librarian's Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923

Number of books December 31, 1922	16,009
Purchased, 1923	73
Received from State	8
Received from U. S.	6
Donated	48
	16,139
Present number of books	16,139
Number of periodicals	29
Names added in 1922	100
Circulation for the year	20,711
(1,150 less than last year)	
New books to replace old	1
Fines and catalogues	\$100 50
725 strangers visited the library.	
247 selected books for home use.	
Circulation of books among them,	1,928
(408 more than last year)	
Visitors' fund	\$123 50

DONATIONS, 1923

The nature and sources of the law from the Macmillan Co.
 Population and resources of Cape Cod from Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce
 Elementary course in mechanical drawing from Rev. G. A. Grant
 International studio, 7 vols., from Miss Ada Gilmore
 A gift of 13 books from Mrs. Edith H. Paul
 A gift of 11 books from Arthur D. Hopkins
 A gift of 2 books from Edward Mac Rae
 Modern Holland from Nijgh & Van Ditmari Publishing Co.

A gift of 4 books from Mrs. E. A. De Wager
 A gift of 4 books from Miss Isabel G. Dod
 A gift of 2 books from Mrs. W. B. Thayer
 The life and letters of Walter H. Page from Mrs. Alice Gould
 Told under a white oak tree from W. S. Hart
 The Pilgrim land from Plymouth to Provincetown from J. F. Crowell
 A gift of 3 books from Miss Margaret Elder
 A gift of 11 books from Miss M. G. Corbin
 Portuguese Bible from Mrs. C. G. W. Fuller
 Stella Dallas from Mrs. Cora B. Davis
 American nights entertainment from G. H. Doran
 Concerning cats from Miss Betsy D. Freeman
 Innocencia from Maro B. Jones
 National geographic magazine from Mr. E. N. Paine
 Theosophical path
 The nation
 Our dumb animals

REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS
AND
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923

Organization

February 13, 1923

SELECTMEN

Charles N. Rogers, Chairman

ASSESSORS

John R. Manta, Chairman

Clarence M. Snow, Clerk

Charles N. Rogers

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Clarence M. Snow, Chairman

Charles N. Rogers, Clerk

John R. Manta

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

In accordance with the Law, we submit to you the doings of this department for the financial year ending December 31, 1923:

Gross Debt, December 31, 1922	\$56,100 00
Temporary Loans in anticipation of revenue	90,000 00
Relocating Lancy's Corner Loan	2,000 00
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	\$148,100 00

Paid on account of	
Temporary Loans	\$76,000 00
Water Bonds	4,000 00
Cemetery Trust Fund	1,900 00
Cemetery Trust Loan	1,200 00
Demand Loans Refunding	1,000 00
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	84,100 00

Gross Debt	\$64,000 00
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GROSS DEBT ITEMIZED

Water Bonds	\$25,000 00
Cemetery Trust Refunding	6,000 00
Demand Loans Refunding	1,000 00
Lancy's Corner Loan	2,000 00
Temporary Loans	30,000 00
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\$64,000 00

ASSETS

Due from Commonwealth	
State Aid	\$432 00
Military Aid	231 50
Taxes 1922	2,542 40

Taxes 1923	25,290 51
Cash in Treasury	9,687 89
New Cemetery Fund	980 87
Title Colonial Fisheries Ltd.	13,364 00
Net Liabilities	11,470 83
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	\$64,000 00

APPROPRIATIONS

	Dr.
Interest on Temporary Loans	\$1,500 00
Interest on Trust Fund Loans	320 00
Insurance on School Buildings	400 00
Memorial Day	150 00
Moth Extermination	500 00
Police Department	3,000 00
Street Lights	3,175 00
Care of Veteran's Graves	100 00
Town Officers' Salaries	5,000 00
Reserve Fund	2,000 00
Miscellaneous	3,000 00
Criminal Prosecution	200 00
Town Hall	1,500 00
Town Float	250 00
Deficiencies of 1922	2,511 14
Support of the Poor	5,654 90
Mothers with Dependent Children	2,000 00
Town Home	1,800 00
Fire Department	2,350 00
Roads, Walks, etc.	8,230 00
Collector's Incidentals	200 00
Public Library	800 00
Health Department	3,000 00
Cemeteries	500 00
Public Schools	38,500 00

School Incidentals and Repairs	3,000 00
Free Text Books and Supplies	2,500 00
School Nurse	1,500 00
Evening School	1,500 00
Cape Cod Farm Bureau	150 00
Committee on Electric Lights	500 00
Visiting Nurse Association	600 00
Celebration of July 4th	500 00
Traffic Signs	200 00
Relocation of Lancy's Corner	1,000 00
Old Water Supply and Interest	3,105 00
New Water Supply and Interest	2,125 00
Cemetery Refunding Trust, Note	1,200 00
Demand Loans Refunding Note	1,060 00
State Tax	8,400 00
Special State Tax	439 27
Highway Tax	773 60
County Tax	11,536 10
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Less Estimated Receipts	\$126,730 01
	22,010 00
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Polls and Civilian War Tax	\$104,720 01
Overlay	5,025 00
	2,335 77
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Grand Total	\$112,080 78
	Cr.
	Cr.
Polls, 1,005 @ \$5.00	\$5,025 00
Personal Estate \$635,721 @ \$28.00	17,800 18
Real Estate \$3,187,700, @\$28.00	89,255 60
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	\$112,080 78

APPROPRIATIONS

Public Schools			
Dr.		Appropriation	\$38,500 00
Expended	\$38,496 87		
Balance	3 13		
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	\$38,500 00		\$38,500 00

School Incidentals and Repairs			
Dr.		Appropriation	Cr. \$3,000 00
Expended	\$2,999 29		
Balance	71		
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	\$3,000 00		\$3,000 00

Free Text Books and Supplies			
Dr.		Appropriation	\$2,500 00
Expended	\$2,409 79		
Balance	90 21		
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	\$2,500 00		\$2,500 00

Evening School			
Dr.		Appropriation	Cr. \$1,500 00
Expended	\$1,371 00		
Balance	129 00		
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	\$1,500 00		\$1,500 00

School Nurse			
Dr.		Appropriation	Cr. \$1,500 00
Expended	\$1,500 00		

Memorial Day

Dr.		Cr.
Expended	\$127 50	Appropriation \$150 00
Balance	22 50	
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	\$150 00	\$150 00

Care of Veterans' Graves

Dr.		Cr.
Balance	—	Appropriation \$100 00

Insurance on School Buildings

Dr.		Cr.
Expended	\$400 45	Appropriation \$400 00
		Reserve Fund 45
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	\$400 45	\$400 45

Town Float

Dr.		Cr.
Expended	\$249 45	Appropriation \$250 00
Balance	55	
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	\$250 00	\$250 00

Committee on Electric Lights

Dr.		Cr.
Expended	\$478 34	Appropriation \$500 00
Balance	21 66	
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	\$500 00	\$500 00

Celebration of the Fourth Day of July

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$507 75	Appropriation	\$500 00
		Reserve Fund	7 75
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	\$507 75		\$507 75

Dr.			Cr.
Street Lights			
Expended	\$3,105 66	Appropriation	\$3,175 00
Balance	69 34		
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	\$3,175 00		\$3,175 00

Dr.			Cr.
Visiting Nurse			
Expended	\$600 00	Appropriation	\$600 00

Dr.			Cr.
Cape Cod Farm Bureau			
Expended	\$150 00	Appropriation	\$150 00

Dr.			Cr.
Relocating Lancy's Corner			
Expended	\$3,700 00	Appropriation	\$3,000 00
		Sale of land and	
		buildings	700 00
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	\$3,700 00		\$3,700 00

Support of Poor
Town Home

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$1,857 64	Appropriation	\$1,800 00
		Reserve Fund	57 64
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	\$1,857 64		\$1,857 64

Dr.			Cr.
Mothers' Aid			
Expended	\$1,349 75	Appropriation	\$2,000 00
Balance	650 25		
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	\$2,000 00		\$2,000 00

Dr.			Cr.
Outside Poor			
Expended	\$7,285 08	Appropriation	\$5,654 90
Out of town cases	654 90	Commonwealth	1,631 64
		Reserve Fund	653 44
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	\$7,939 98		\$7,939 98

Dr.			Cr.
Police Department			
Expended	\$2,533 10	Appropriation	\$3,000 00
Balance	466 90		
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	\$3,000 00		\$3,000 00

Dr.			Cr.
Water Supply			
Expended	\$18,276 58	Appropriation	\$12,970 26
		Deficiency	5,306 32
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	\$18,276 58		\$18,276 58

Water Supply-Funded Loan

Dr.			Cr.
Debits	\$3,105 00	Credits	\$4,000 00
Balance	1,000 00	Interest	105 00
	<u>\$4,105 00</u>		<u>\$4,105 00</u>

New Water Supply—Funded Loan

Dr.			Cr.
Debits	\$2,125 00	Credits	\$25,000 00
Balance	24,000 00	Interest	1,125 00
	<u>\$26,125 00</u>		<u>\$26,125 00</u>

Cemetery Trust Fund

Dr.			Cr.
Payments	\$3,940 26	Revenue	\$4,150 00
Balance	209 74		
	<u>\$4,150 00</u>		<u>\$4,150 00</u>

Interest Cemetery Trust Fund

Dr.			Cr.
Paid Louis A. Law, Treas.		By Coupons	\$830 00
	\$830 00		

New Cemetery

Dr.			Cr.
Louis A. Law	\$125 00	Sale of lots	\$125 00

Interest Temporary Loans

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$1,979 75	Appropriation	\$1,500 00
		Reserve Fund	479 75
	<u>\$1,979 75</u>		<u>\$1,979 75</u>

Tax Collector's Incidentals

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$123 21	Appropriation	\$200 00
Balance	76 79		
	<u>\$200 00</u>		<u>\$200 00</u>

State Aid

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$893 00	Commonwealth	\$436 00
		Due Commonwealth	457 00
	<u>\$893 00</u>		<u>\$893 00</u>

Military Aid

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$47 50	Balance Commonwealth	\$47 50

Fire Department

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$2,079 33	Appropriation	\$2,350 00
Balance	270 67		
	<u>\$2,350 00</u>		<u>\$2,350 00</u>

Town Hall

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$1,558 98	Appropriation	\$1,500 00
		Reserve Fund	58 98
	<u>\$1,558 98</u>		<u>\$1,558 98</u>

Miscellaneous			
Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$3,045 30	Appropriation Reserve Fund	\$3,000 00 45 30
	<u>\$3,045 30</u>		<u>\$3,045 30</u>

Town Officers			
Dr.			Cr.
Expended Balance	\$4,996 50 3 50	Appropriation	\$5,000 00
	<u>\$5,000 00</u>		<u>\$5,000 00</u>

Refunding Cemetery Trust Loan			
Dr.			Cr.
By payment	\$1,200 00	Balance due Dec. 31, 1922	
Balance due	6,000 00		\$7,200 00
	<u>\$7,200 00</u>		<u>\$7,200 00</u>

Demand Loans—Refunding Loan			
Dr.			Cr.
By payment	\$1,060 00	Balance due Dec. 31, 1922	\$2,000 00
Balance due	1,000 00	Interest	60 00
	<u>\$2,060 00</u>		<u>\$2,060 00</u>

Temporary Loans			
Dr.			Cr.
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1922	\$16,000 00	By payment Outstanding	\$76,000 00 30,000 00
Notes issued	90,000 00		
	<u>\$106,000 00</u>		<u>\$106,000 00</u>

Criminal Prosecutions			
Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$214 72	Appropriation Reserve Fund	\$200 00 14 72
	<u>\$214 72</u>		<u>\$214 72</u>

Health Department, General Work			
Dr.			Cr.
Expended Balance	\$1,715 37 284 63	Appropriation	\$2,000 00
	<u>\$2,000 00</u>		<u>\$2,000 00</u>

Collection of Rubbish			
Dr.			Cr.
Expended Balance	\$938 67 61 33	Appropriation	\$1,000 00
	<u>\$1,000 00</u>		<u>\$1,000 00</u>

Cemeteries			
Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$664 88	Appropriation Cemetery Trust Fund	\$500 00 164 88
	<u>\$664 88</u>		<u>\$664 88</u>

Traffic Signs			
Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$242 07	Appropriation Reserve Fund	\$200 00 42 07
	<u>\$242 07</u>		<u>\$242 07</u>

Interest Cemetery Trust Refunding Loan

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$306 00	Appropriation	\$320 00
Balance	14 00		
	<u>320 00</u>		<u>320 00</u>

Moth Extermination

Dr.			Cr.
Expended	\$188 51	Appropriation	\$500 00
Balance	\$311 49		
	<u>500 00</u>		<u>500 00</u>

State and County Taxes

Dr.			Cr.
State Tax	\$8,400 00	Warrant	
State Highway	773 60	Treasurer Common-	
Special (Auditing)	439 27	wealth	\$9,622 87
Civilian War Poll	3,015 00	Warrant County Com-	
County Tax	11,536 10	missioners	11,536 10
		Poll Tax	3,015 00
	<u>24,173 97</u>		<u>24,173 97</u>

Relocating Lancy's Corner—Loan

Dr.			Cr.
Note due 1924	\$1,000 00	Received	\$2,000 00
Note due 1925	1,000 00		
	<u>2,000 00</u>		<u>2,000 00</u>

Collection of Taxes

1921

Dr.			Cr.
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1922	\$11,419 39	Paid Treasurer	\$8,855 39
		Credit Colonial Fisher-	
		ies Ltd.	2,564 00
	<u>11,419 39</u>		<u>11,419 39</u>
Interest paid Treasurer			\$351 01

1922

Dr.			Cr.
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1922	\$24,483 83	Paid Treasurer	\$16,665 23
		Title, Colonial Fisher-	
		ies Ltd.	5,200 00
		Abatements	76 20
		Uncollected	2,542 40
	<u>24,483 83</u>		<u>24,483 83</u>
Interest paid Treasurer			\$110 56

1923

Dr.			Cr.
Taxes Committed	\$112,080 78	Paid Treasurer	\$80,786 27
		Credit, Title Colonial	
		Fisheries	5,600 00
		Abatements	404 00
		Uncollected	25,290 51
	<u>112,080 78</u>		<u>112,080 78</u>
Interest paid Treasurer	\$2.62		

Overlay 1922		Cr.
Dr.		
Abatements	\$76 20	Balance Dec. 31, 1922
Balance	1,912 50	\$1,988 70
	<u>1,988 70</u>	<u>\$1,988 70</u>

Overlay 1923		Cr.
Abatements 1923	\$404 00	Overlay for 1923 \$2,335 77
	1,931 77	
	<u>\$2,335 77</u>	<u>\$2,335 77</u>

Public Library		Cr.
Dr.		
Expended	\$1,101 23	Appropriation \$800 00
		Dog Fund 178 23
		Visitors' Fund 113 00
		Reserve Fund 10 00
	<u>\$1,101 23</u>	<u>\$1,101 23</u>

Roads and Walks		Cr.
Dr.		
Expended	\$5,848 72	Appropriations \$5,500 00
Balance	52 08	Material loaned 400 80
	<u>\$5,900 80</u>	<u>\$5,900 80</u>

Cleaning Street (Rubbish)		Cr.
Expended	\$255 00	Appropriation \$250 00
		Reserve Fund 5 00
	<u>\$255 00</u>	<u>\$255 00</u>

Cleaning Snow		Cr.
Expended	\$638 10	Appropriation \$500 00
		Reserve Fund 138 10
	<u>\$638 10</u>	<u>\$638 10</u>

Reserve Fund		Cr.
Dr.		
Town Home	\$57 64	Appropriation \$2,000 00
Outside Poor	653 44	
Insurance School Blds.	45	
July Fourth	7 75	
Interest Temporary Loans	479 75	
Town Hall	58 98	
Miscellaneous	45 30	
Criminal Prosecutions	14 72	
Traffic Signs	42 07	
Public Library	10 00	
Cleaning Streets	5 00	
Cleaning Snow	138 10	
	<u>\$1,513 20</u>	
Balance	486 80	
	<u>\$2,000 00</u>	<u>\$2,000 00</u>

The Balances, Deficits and Receipts from the different sources for the year ending December 31, 1923, are as follows:

Sources	Balances	Deficits	Receipts
Criminal Prosecution			\$360 09
Fire Department	\$270 67		
Temporary Loan Interest			94 19
Interest on Cemetery Loans	14 00		
Memorial Day	22 50		
Miscellaneous			1,668 18
Moth Extermination	311 49		
Police Department	466 90		
Town Home			10 00
School Department			2,043 03
Public Schools	3 13		
Free Text Books and Supplies	90 21		
School Incidentals	71		
Evening School	129 00		
Roads and Walks	52 08		
Electric Light Committee	21 66		
Street Lights	69 34		
Tax Collector's Incidentals	76 79		
Interest from Taxes			464 19
Town Float	55		
Town Hall			1,830 00
Town Officers' Salaries	3 50		
Veterans' Graves, Care of	100 00		

Water Supply		\$5,306 32	
Health Department			388 93
General Work	284 63		
Rubbish Division	61 33		
State on Account of Taxes			13,688 58
Reserve Fund	486 80		
Total	\$2,465 29	\$5,306 32	\$20,547 10

TOWN HALL

Dr.

Jan.	1	Prov. Light & Power Co.	\$49 73
	18	W. B. Bangs	1 75
	31	Water Department	15 00
		William B. Dunham	4 90
		James W. Dunham	6 30
Feb.	6	Prov. Light & Power Co.	40 52
	28	C. B. Dolge Co.	31 50
		Albion Kelley	75
		Fred L. Knowles	3 50
		William B. Dunham	3 85
		James W. Dunham	5 08
		Ralph P. Snow	1 40
		J. D. Hilliard Co., Inc.	1 50
		Richard A. Jennings	60
Mar.	6	Prov. Light & Power Co.	53 63
April	5	Prov. Light & Power Co.	12 40
		Stone & Forsyth Co.	6 50
	30	William B. Dunham	8 31
		James W. Dunham	70
		Fred L. Knowles	2 10
		Carr Brothers	6 63
		J. D. Hilliard Co. Inc.	1 60
May	31	Prov. Light & Power Co.	26 70
		H. I. Dallman Co.	14 50
		Richard A. Jennings	4 88

		Ralph P. Snow	1 93
June	12	Whitely & Foedisch (Coal)	218 00
		N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	236 00
		Carr Brothers	54 50
		Jesse F. Silva	12 50
		Arthur Joseph	12 50
		Thomas McQuillan	10 50
		Thomas E. Carr	10 50
	30	Prov. Light & Power Co.	45 90
		Fred L. Knowles	1 40
		William B. Dunham	7 18
		James W. Dunham	1 05
		Ralph P. Snow	1 40
July	31	Prov. Light & Power Co.	20 76
		William B. Dunham	9 45
		William Forrest	7 53
		Richard A. Jennings	35
		W. H. Horton	3 50
Aug.	31	Prov. Light & Power Co.	69 59
		William B. Dunham	2 28
		William Forrest	4 90
Sept.	29	William D. Carlos	32 50
		F. D. Ballou	8 30
		Stone & Forsyth Co.	6 49
		J. S. Silva	3 54
		Walworth Mfg. Co.	1 84
		James W. Dunham	1 58
		Prov. Light & Power Co.	79 10
		A. E. Weeks	5 44
Oct.	31	C. B. Dolge Co.	34 42
		Freight & Carting	1 48
		William B. Dunham	2 80
		James W. Dunham	1 75
		Louis H. Silva	10 00

	Prov. Light & Power Co.	40 52
Nov. 15	Prov. Light & Power Co.	11 90
30	Higgins Lumber Co.	23 75
	William B. Dunham	6 70
	James W. Dunham	1 75
	J. D. Hilliard Co. Inc.	2 55
	Oscar K. Purdy	1 00
Dec. 31	B. H. Dyer & Co.	112 68
	James E. Atkins	59 14
	Prov. Light & Power Co.	37 90
	W. B. Bangs	23 90
	Paige Brothers	2 25
	Ramos Brothers	2 00
	Richard A. Jennigs	75
	William B. Dunham	4 30
	James W. Dunham	2 80
	Total expenditures	<u>\$1,558 98</u>
	Cr.	
Feb. 12	Appropriation	\$1,500 00
	Deficiency	58 98
		<u>\$1,558 98</u>

TOWN HALL

Receipts

Jan. 4	Women's Auxiliary	\$25 00
6	J. A. Dutra	5 00
18	St. Joseph's Society	45 00
23	Court Room Rent (2 years)	600 00
	Tickets	1 50
Feb. 10	J. A. Dutra	2 00
10	Union Council No. 7	45 00
	High School Association	25 00
	American Legion	10 00
16	J. C. Nunes	10 00
28	American Legion	25 00
Mar. 5	J. A. Dutra	4 00
17	St. Peter's Sewing Club	5 00
April 7	American Legion	26 00
April 7	St. Peter's Aid Society	45 00
12	J. A. Dutra	2 00
May 10	Ryma Players	40 00
	J. A. Dutra	2 00
15	P. H. S.	25 00
June 12	J. A. Dutra	3 00
	Justin F. Jason	25 00
23	Alumni Association	35 00
July 2	J. C. Nunes	100 00
	10 J. A. Dutra	102 00
27	American Legion	26 50

		William H. Luce	10 00
Aug. 16		L. J. Bolton	10 00
17		J. C. Nunes	125 00
		St. Peter's Sewing Club	45 50
18		J. A. Dutra	75 00
25		Prov. Art Association	25 00
31		Beachcombers Club	31 50
		Knights of Columbus	26 50
Sept. 6		J. A. Dutra	25 00
11		American Legion	26 50
		19 J. C. Nunes	15 00
Oct. 6		J. C. Nunes	25 00
Nov. 17		St. Peter's Sewing Club	5 00
		Knights of Columbus	30 00
Dec. 3		St. Peter's Aid Society	37 00
8		Nautilus Club	8 50
		American Legion	1 50
13		Knights of Columbus	22 00
		American Legion	52 00
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			\$1,830 00

MISCELLANEOUS

Dr.

Jan. 18	Public Safety Commissioners	1 85
	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	7 78
31	William B. Dunham	65 00
Feb. 6	N. E. Tel & Tel. Co.	11 78
28	William B. Dunham	65 00
	Town Meeting	116 50
	Special Primary	69 50
	Special Election	78 50
	Howard F. Hopkins, printing	64 87
	Thomas Groom & Co.	61 50
	John W. Small Co.	27 50
	Director of Accounts	4 00
	Ward's Company	8 06
	Banker & Tradesman	7 00
	Town Reports	546 15
Mar. 31	William B. Dunham	65 00
	James W. Dunham	6 75
	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	11 06
	H. M. Merserve & Co.	27 56
	Shirley B. Chase	3 50
	William B. Dunham	2 63
April 28	Times Publishing Co.	8 65
	Assessor's Traveling Expense	30 00
	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	14 11
	William B. Dunham	65 00

		Library Bureau	43 84
		Howard F Hopkins	14 75
		Charles R. Campbell	14 25
		Shirley B. Chase	9 01
		Hobbs & Warren	2 06
		H. M. Merserve & Co.	3 00
		Director of Accounts	4 00
		Box Rent	2 00
May	31	Hobbs & Warren	20 07
		Catherine K. Manuel	24 50
		Catherine E. Brown	24 50
		William B. Dunham	65 00
		Shirley B. Chase	2 26
		Frost Company	1 50
		Director of Accounts	2 00
		H. W. Brownell Co.	4 00
June	5	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	20 23
	31	William B. Dunham	65 00
July	3	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	11 51
	31	John A. Francis Jr.	2 00
		Collector's Bond	50 00
		Howard F. Hopkins	31 25
		Shirley B. Chase	2 48
		Hobbs & Warren	2 06
		Director of Accounts	6 00
		William B. Dunham	65 00
		Box Rent	1 00
Aug.	7	Bertha A. Patrick	6 00
	31	William B. Dunham	65 00
		N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	15 83
		Shirley B. Chase	4 46
		H. M. Merserve & Co.	3 29
		I. L. Rosenthal	18 00
		John R. Smith	20 00

Sept.	29	Howard F. Hopkins	30 00
		N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	24 55
		Wakefield Press Co.	2 75
		Shirley B. Chase	1 88
		William B. Dunham	65 00
		Frank J. Goulart	10 00
Oct.	27	Care of Soldier's Monument	50 00
		Shirley B. Chase	2 68
		William B. Dunham	65 00
Nov.	15	Inspector of Animals	30 00
	30	William B. Dunham	65 00
		N. E. Tel & Tel. Co.	11.22
		Bobbs-Merrill Co.	10 00
		A. Marshall Jr.	15 00
		Paige Bros.	50
Dec.	3	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	10 47
		Registrars of Voters	100 00
		Counsel Fees	100 00
		Sealer, Weights & Measurers	300 00
		Sealer's Expenses	11 48
		Howard F. Hopkins	10 50
		W. & L. E. Gurley	10 02
		H. M. Merserve Co.	4 94
		Shirley B. Chase	8 88
		William B. Dunham	65 00
		H. D. Taylor	10 00
		Box Rent	2 00
		Birth returns	7 75
		Envelopes and Postage	21 33
		J. A. Cook	4 25
		Total Expenditures	<u>\$3,045 30</u>

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Feb. 12	Appropriation	\$3,000 00
	Deficiency	45 30
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		\$3,045 30

Miscellaneous Receipts

Jan. 9	Liquor License	\$1.00
Feb. 8	Sale of Voting List	75
Mar. 17	Weir Licenses	100 00
	Weir Fees	121 67
30	Junk License	2 00
April 18	Weir License	25 00
23	Junk Licenses	6 00
26	Weir License	25 00
	Sale of Voting List	75
May 1	Liquor Licenses	2 00
3	Innholders' Licenses	10 00
	Ice Cream Licenses	26 00
	Pool Licenses	6 00
8	Victualler's Licenses	10 00
	Ice Cream Licenses	16 00
	Use of Telephone	90
12	Junk License	2 00
	Bus License	10 00
31	Weir Licenses	175 00
	Box Alley License	2 00
June 2	Ice Cream Licenses	6 00
7	Auto Agent Licenses	20 00
9	Victualler's Licenses	35 00
	Weights and Measurer's receipts	95 29
12	Commonwealth Fee	20 00

	Bus Licenses	20 00
14	Innholders' Licenses	10 00
	Sale of Voting List	75
July 2	Use of Telephone	50
	Innholder's License	5 00
7	Victualler's Licenses	10 00
17	Ice Cream License	3 00
Aug. 1	Sale of Voting List	75
Sept. 1	Weir Fees	54 61
	Auctioneer's License	2 00
Oct. 1	Bus License	10 00
	Weir Licenses	100 00
Dec. 8	Weights and Measurer's receipt	7 63
20	Weir Fees	605 84
	Commonwealth Fee	60 00
Weir Licenses		50 00
	Weir Fees	9 68
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		\$1,668 18

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR THE YEAR

1924

Interest on Temporary Loans	\$2,000 00
Cemetery Trust Refunding Loan and Interest	1,470 00
Insurance on School Buildings	400 00
Memorial Day	150 00
Celebration of Fourth Day of July	500 00
Moth extermination	500 00
Police Department	3,000 00
Street lights	3,100 00
Care of Veteran's graves	100 00
Town Officers' salaries (not including School Committee)	6,800 00
Reserve Fund	2,000 00
Criminal Prosecutions	200 00
Miscellaneous Account, the receipts and	1,000 00
Town Hall, the receipts and	1,000 00
Town Float	250 00
Support of Outside Poor, as recommended by the Overseers of the Poor, Reimbursements and	5,700 00
Mothers' Aid, as recommended by the Overseers of the Poor, Reimbursements and	1,500 00
Town Home	1,800 00
Salaries of Fire Department, as recommended by the Engineers of the Fire Department,	1,000 00
General Expense, as recommended by the Engi- neers of the Fire Department	800 00
Roads as recommended by the Superintendent of Streets	6,750 00
Walks, as recommended by the Superintendent of Streets	500 00
Cleaning rubbish on Commercial Street, as recom- mended by the Superintendent of Streets	250 00

Clearing Snow, as recommended by the Super- intendent of Streets	500 00
Salaries	2,000 00
Collector of Taxes (incidentals)	200 00
Public Library, as recommended by the Trustees of Public Library, the Dog Fund, the Visit- or's Fund and	800 00
Health Department, as recommended by the Board of Health	
General Work	2,000 00
Collecting Rubbish	1,000 00
Cemeteries, as recommended by the Cemetery Commissioners	500 00
Water Department, as recommended by the Water Commissioners:	
Deficiency, 1923	5,306 32
Income from water rates and	2,500 00
Old Water Supply Note and interest	1,040 00
New Water Supply Note and interest	2,080 00
Demand Loan and Refunding Loan	1,020 00
Lancy's Corner Loan, note and interest	1,067 50
Public Schools, as recommended by the School Committee:	
Public Schools	41,500 00
Incidentals and Repairs	3,000 00
Free Text Books and Supplies	2,500 00
School Nurse	1,500 00
Evening School	1,500 00
Visiting Nurse	600 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES N. ROGERS,
JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

The Assessors present the following report:

Valuation April 1st, 1923

Real Estate	
Buildings	\$2,309,325 00
Land	878,375 00
Personal Estate	
Tangible Property	635,721 00
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	\$3,823,421 00
Tax Levied for 1923	
Town Expenditures	\$83,571.04
County Tax	11,536 10
State Tax	8,400 00
Highway Tax	773 60
Special State Tax	439 27
Overlay	2,335 77
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Warrant for Poll Tax	\$107,055 78
	5,025 00
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Total Levy	\$112,080 78
Rate of Taxation per \$1,000 00	\$28 00

Exempted Property

Cemeteries	\$3,500
Churches	53,650
Fire Department	6,000
Public Library	5,000
Schools	46,300
Smith House	2,200
Town Hall	51,000
Town Home	5,700

Women Listed 1923	1,184
Persons assessed for Polls	1,602
Persons assessed for Property	1,171
Persons assessed for Polls only	432
Dwelling Houses assessed	1,167
Acres of Land assessed	718
Horses assessed	33
Cows assessed	57

Population 1920	4,246
Registered Male Voters	713
Registered Female Voters	370

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. MANTA,
CLARENCE M. SNOW,
CHARLES N. ROGERS,
Assessors.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

The following report is submitted for your consideration:

Town Home

Expended

Salary of Matron	\$300 00	Appropriation	\$1,800 00
Groceries and Provisions	905 00	Reimbursed	10 00
Medical Attendance	7 00		
Fuel	462 42		
Lights	28 70		
Water	11 50		
Cleaning	39 60		
Miscellaneous	103 42		
	\$1,857 64		

Mothers' Aid

Cash Allowance	\$1,122 00	Appropriation	\$2,000 00
Fuel	115 75	Commonwealth	775 89
Rent	72 00		
Hospitals	40 00		
	\$1,349 75		

Outside Poor

Cash Allowance	\$1,872 00	Appropriation	\$5,654 90
Groceries and Provisions	3,597 71	Commonwealth	855 75
Shoes and Clothing	333 80	Deficiency	50 83
Fuel	758 66		
Medical Attendance	408 55		
Hospital Expenses	116 62		
Temporary Aid	118 54		
Miscellaneous	79 20		
Out of Town Cases	654 90		
	\$7,285 08		
	\$11,147 37	\$11,147 37	

We recommend the following appropriations for the year ending December 31, 1924:

Town Home	•	\$1,800 00
Mothers Aid, reimbursements and		1,500 00
Outside Poor, reimbursements and		5,700 00

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE M. SNOW,
CHARLES N. ROGERS
JOHN R. MANTA,

Overseers of the Poor.

SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
of the
ENGINEERS OF THE
FIRE DEPARTMENT

FINANCIAL

Salaries to May 1, 1923:	
Chief of Department	\$80 00
Assistant Chief	40 00
Clerk, Board of Engineers	40 00
Two Assistant Engineers	40 00
	\$200 00

Stewards, engineman, assistant enginemen and caretaker	267 50
Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1	125 00
Steamer Co., No. 3	45 00
Chemical Co., No. 4	55 00
Truck Co. No. 5	44 16
*Hose Co. No. 1	55 00
Hose Co. No. 2	60 00
Hose Co. No. 3	45 00
Hose Co. No. 4	60 00
	756 66

Sundry bills to Jan. 1, 1924:	
Building repairs	\$49 91
Apparatus repairs	19 98
Fuel	198 70
Supplies	78 62
Hauling apparatus	121 75
Telephone	21 50
Lights	63 85
Water	8 66
Truck supplies	13 40
Forest fires	40 40
New hose	495 00
Labor on hose	3 90
State Firemen's Association	5 00
Police	2 00
	1,122 67
	\$2,079 33
Balance unexpended.	270 67
	\$2,350 00
Appropriation	\$2,350 00

RECORDS OF FIRES FOR 1923

January 1, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 3:55 P. M. Monday for a fire in the house owned by William F. Baker, No. 478 Commercial Street, caused by soot burning in the chimney. The department responded, laid two lines of hose but did not use them as the fire was soon extinguished. No damage. Insurance on building and contents \$2,500.00.

February 2, 1923

Still alarm at 11 A. M. Thursday for a fire in the house owned by Antone Cabral, No. 228 Commercial Street, caused by a child holding a match too long in trying to light an alcohol lamp. When the match burned her fingers, she threw it on the bed, setting fire to the same. Damage to building and contents \$30.00. Insurance on building and contents \$2,000.00.

March 15, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 9:40 A. M. Thursday for a fire in the house owned by Stephen Marsh, on Winslow Street, near the High School Building, caused by sparks from a hot water heater setting fire to paper in a bin near the heater. The department responded, only one piece of apparatus was used, Auto truck 5, and soon had the fire extinguished. Damage to building and contents \$1,503.85. Insurance on building and contents \$7,000 00. Hose used Truck 5, 900 feet. Water used 7,500 gallons.

April 3, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 10:35 A. M. Tuesday for a fire in a house owned by Manuel Silva and occupied by Manuel Duarte at No. 9 Center Street, caused by an oil stove. The department responded, only one piece of apparatus was used, Truck 5, which soon had the fire extinguished. Damage to building and contents \$35.00. Insurance on building \$2,500.00.

April 3, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 2 P. M., Tuesday, for a fire in the house owned by Mrs. Sophronia Sumner and occupied

by Mrs. Anna Davie at No. 128 Bradford Street, caused by clothes being placed too near an oil heater. The department responded but was not needed as it was extinguished before its arrival. Damage to building \$60.00. Insurance on building \$700.00.

April 5, 1923

Still alarm at 7:30 P. M., Thursday for a fire in the house owned by Beatrice M. Souza, No. 212 Commercial Street, caused by a spark from the fireplace setting fire to the lounge and woodwork in the room. Damage to the building and contents \$75.00. Insurance on building \$3,500.

May 15, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 4:30 P. M., Tuesday for a fire in a house owned by Frank Rego at No. 22 Bradford Street, caused by heating tar on an oil stove. The department responded but was not needed as the fire was extinguished before its arrival. Damage to building and contents \$47.00. Insurance on building and contents \$1,500.00.

May 26, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 1:50 P. M. Saturday for a fire on the roof of the Blacksmith Shop owned by Joseph Ramos at No. 193 Commercial Street. It was caused by sparks from the chimney. The department responded, only two pieces of apparatus were used, Auto truck 5 and Chemical 4, which soon extinguished the fire. Damage to the building \$40.00. Insurance on building \$500.00.

July 4, 1923

A false alarm was sounded at 1:15 A. M. Wednesday, calling out all the department.

August 28, 1923

A needless alarm was sounded at 10:25 A. M. Tuesday, for a fire in the house owned by Antone Souza at No. 25 Franklin Street. It was caused by the room filling with smoke through a defective stove pipe. The department responded but was not needed. There was no damage.

August 30, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 8:05 P. M. Thursday, for a fire in the house at No. 9 Washington Avenue, owned by Mary Souza and occupied, on the lower floor, by Lawrence Silva and on the upper floor by Manuel Cook. It was caused by fire in the chimney. The department responded, only two pieces of apparatus were used, Auto Truck 5 and Hose 3, and soon extinguished the fire. Damage to the building and contents \$850.00. Insurance on building \$1,500.00. Hose used Auto Truck 5, 500 feet, Hose 3, 600 feet. Water used, 3,750 gallons.

September 11, 1923

A false alarm was sounded at 9:05 P. M. Tuesday, caused by smoke at the house of Mrs. Gladys Miller, East End. The department responded by was not needed as there was no fire.

September 18, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 9:40 A. M. Tuesday for a fire on the outside of a building at No. 383 Commercial Street, owned by Higgins Lumber Co., Inc. caused by the careless dropping of a cigarette. The department responded but was not needed as the fire was extinguished when it arrived. Damage to building \$20.00. Insurance on building and contents \$3,000.00.

September 24, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 12:35 P. M. Monday for a fire in the house at No. 17A Franklin Street, owned by the Estate of Joseph Brown and occupied by Anthony Rego. It was caused by a still making moonshine. The department responded but it was not needed as the fire was extinguished when it arrived. Damage to building \$100.00. Insurance on building \$700.00.

October 9, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 1:05 A. M., Tuesday for a fire on the outside of the house at No. 115 Commercial Street, owned by the Cape Cod Cold Storage Co., and occupied by Everett Small. It was caused by the careless dropping of a cigarette. Hose 2 responded and soon put out the fire. Damage to building \$10.00. No insurance.

November 13, 1923

An alarm was sounded at 1:40 P. M. Tuesday for a fire in a building owned by Higgins Lumber Co., Inc. at 383 Commercial Street on the end of a pier, caused by a defective fireplace. Auto Truck 5 responded to the call but was not needed at it was extinguished upon its arrival. Damage to building \$30.00. Insurance on building \$2,000.00.

Amount of loss by fire during the year	\$2,800 85
Amount of insurance on same	\$27,400 00

Fire Alarm

The Town has been divided into three Fire Districts:

First: From West End to Court Street.

Second. From Court Street to Johnson Street.

Third. From Johnson Street to East End.

The Fire alarm whistles will blow the regular fire alarm of four blasts, followed by one for the first district, two for the second district, and three for the third district.

Houses

The different houses of the department are in good condition and will need only the ordinary repairs and painting usually required by such building to keep them so.

Apparatus

We try to keep the apparatus in good condition and ready for use. At present it consists of the following: One Steam Fire Engine, one Auto Combination Truck, one Double Tank Chemical Engine, one Hose Wagon, one Ladder Truck, six Hose Reels, also two Hand Engines in reserve.

Hose

We have now on hand 8,500 feet of 2½ inch cotton rubber lined hose. This is sufficient for an entire change after a fire. 2,400 feet of this is comparatively new, 5,300 feet is good, but 800 feet of it is poor. No more hose is needed at present.

Appropriations Required and Recommended

Salaries, one year to May 1, 1924	\$1,000 00
Other expenses to January 1, 1925	850 00
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Total appropriation	\$1,850 00

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. BARNETT,
T. JULIAN LEWIS,
LOUIS A. LAW,
JOSEPH PERRY,
JAMES E. CALLAHAN,

REPORT OF POLICE

December 31, 1923.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen: I respectfully submit my report of the done in the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1923:

Total number of arrests		69
Males	61	
Females	8	
	69	

For the following causes:

Assault and Battery		15
Larceny	7	
Disturbing Peace	5	
Violation of School Laws	9	
Violation of Town By-Laws	2	
Illegal Sale of Liquor	2	
Unlicensed Dogs	2	
Drunkenness	1	
Violation of Automobile Laws	7	
Violation of Board of Health Laws	5	
Non-support	2	
Trespassing	1	
Bastardy	1	

Non-support of children		1
Non-support of wife		3
Neglected Children		4
Stubborn child		1
Lewd and lascivious behavior		1
		69

Assault and battery:

1 suspended sentence		
1 fined		\$15
1 fined		20
1 filed		
4 fined \$10 each		40
6 discharge		
1 nolo		

Larceny:

1 filed		
2 pending		
1 fined		10
1 six months House Correction, sentence suspended		
six months		
2 discharged		

Disturbing Peace:

2 filed		
1 discharged		
1 fined		\$10
1 fined		5

Violation of School Laws:

8 filed		
1 fined		10

Violation of Town By-Laws:	
1 fined	10
1 discharged	
Illegal Sale of Liquor:	
2 fined \$100 each	200
Unlicensed Dogs:	
2 fined \$15 each	30
Drunkenness:	
1 fined	10
Violation of Automobile Laws:	
5 placed on file	
2 paid \$5 each	10
Violation of Board of Health Laws:	
5 paid \$10 each	50
Non-support:	
1 filed	
1 six months House Correction	
Trespassing:	
1 discharged	
Bastardy:	
1 ordered to pay \$2 week.	
Non-support of wife:	
1 appealed, case pending	
1 six months House of Correction	
1 probation one year.	

Non-support of children:	
1 ordered to pay \$5 week.	
Neglected children:	
3 sent to Public Welfare	
1 discharged	
Stubborn child:	
1 probation for one month	
Lewd and lascivious behavior:	
1 probation.	
Seach Warrants served	14
Value of property recovered	\$350 00
Miscellaneous:	
Complaints investigated without arrest	40
Disturbances quelled without arrest	25
Male Dogs licensed	119
Female Dogs licensed	7
Lights reported out	20
Arrested for Out of Town Police	3
Total amount of fines	\$420 00

Respectfully submitted,

REUBEN O. KELLEY,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

I respectfully submit to you my report for the year ending December 31st 1923:

1921

Balance uncollected December 31st 1922	\$11,419 39	
Paid Treasurer per vouchers	\$8,855 39	
Credit, title to Colonial Fisheries, Ltd.	2,564 00	
	\$11,419 39	\$11,419 39

Interest paid Treasurer, \$351 01.

1922

Balance uncollected December 31st, 1922	\$24,483 83	
Paid Treasurer per vouchers	\$16,665 23	
Credit, title to Colonial Fisheries, Ltd.	5,200 00	
Abatements to December 31st 1923	76 20	
Balance uncollected	2,542 40	
	\$24,483 83	\$24,483 83

Interest paid Treasurer \$110 56.

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1923

Tax committed by Assessors for the year 1923:

Taxes on Polls	\$5,025 00	
Taxes on Personal Estate	17,800 18	
Taxes on Real Estate	89,255 60	
Paid Treasurer per vouchers	\$80,786 27	
Credit, title to Colonial Fisheries, Ltd.	5,600 00	
Abatements to December 31st 1923	404 00	
Balance uncollected	25,290 51	

\$112,080 78 \$112,080 78

Interest paid Treasurer \$2 62.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. DUTRA,

Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of Provincetown;

Your Board of Water Commissioners submit the following report for the year ending December 31st, 1923:

Total Water pumped in 1923	116,024,180 gals.
Largest week, July 16th--July 23rd,	3,856,799 gals.
Largest day, July 23d	646,800 gals.
Smallest week, Feb. 5th--Feb. 12th	1,123,535 gals.
Smallest day, November 25th	171,512 gals.
Expenditures	\$18,276 58

Received, Water Rates	\$12,718 02
Excess	118 86
Coal	143 00
Telephone	1 40
Meters	50 00

	\$13,031 28
Rebates	61 02

	\$12,970 26
Deficiency	5,306 32

	\$18,276 58	\$18,276 58
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Bonds maturing	\$4,000 00
Interest on all Bonds	1,230 00

Credits:

Pumping Station Inventory	\$8,000 00
Meters, Pipe and Fittings	4,800 00
Water Rates unpaid	1,567 80
Balance	9,146 80

	\$14,376 80	\$14,376 80
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PUMPING STATION

Engineers	\$2,700 00
Coal	6,874 70
Telephone	90 00
Freight	60 00
Frank S. Alves	18 90
Charles Baker	245 70
Labor	100 00
Garlock Packing Co.	83 21
John Mansville Co.	5 00
Standard Oil Co.	112 78
Eagle Oil & Supply Co.	556 65
John Silva	2 00
John A. Francis	33 92
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., rent	1 00
Dorchester Rubber Co.	7 93
George W. Denyven	1,377 18
Roy Crocker	12 00
Jesse Paine	3 00
A. I. Freeman	90

C. A. Clifton Co.	92
A. W. Christerton Co.	5 85
F. E. Fitts Co.	8 00
Town of Truro, Taxes	7 60
Worthington Pump Co.	142 40
V. H. Nickerson	84 00
William H. Young, Insurance	101 09

\$12,634 73

GENERAL EXPENSE

Telephone	\$43 21
Freight	46 86
Envelopes	10 11
James E. Atkins	6 65
J. S. Silva Son	5 56
Ramos Brothers	12 80
Water Commissioners	100 00
B. H. Dyer & Co.	38 77
W. B. Bangs	12 50
Superintendent	1,200 00
Car	690 00
M. M. Prada	1 75
W. F. Silva	2 56
J. A. Dutra	5 00
L. B. Pinckney	2 23
F. A. Day & Sons	36 88
Collector	175 00
Est. J. D. Hilliard	4 00
Paige Brothers	75
W. H. Young, Insurance	144 02

\$2,538 65

SERVICE WORK

William H. Gallison Co.	\$143 28
Chadwick Lead Co.	28 35
Buffalo Meter Co.	129 00
National Meter Co.	120 10
Union Meter Co.	71 40
Pittsburgh Meter Co.	79 09
Labor	1,462 59
Builders Iron Foundry	11 82
W. B. Hubbard & Sons	81 75
Ludlow Valve Co.	156 47
Wacco Supply Co.	48 28
George A. Caldwell	88 50
H. Mueller Mfg. Co.	109 99
Frank Rich	2 50
Leon Rogers	1 50
Vola Trading Co.	10 00
Russell Chipman	80
Red Head Mfg. Co.	18 60
Waldo Brothers & Bond	44 90
George H. Snell	92 25
Walworth Mfg. Co.	402 03

\$3,103 20

BONDS AND NOTES OUTSTANDING

Old Supply	\$1,000 00	4 per cent due April 1st, 1924.
New Supply	4,000 00	4½ per cent due November, 1924 —1927, inclusive \$1,000 00 each.
	20,000 00	4½ per cent due November 1928 —1937, inclusive \$2,000 00 each

Number of Services January 1st, 1924	1,326
Metered	646
Installed	26
Tapped	19

We were obliged to spend a large amount of money at the Pumping Station the past year, the two Boilers which were installed in 1907 were retubed at a cost of about \$2,000.00 and the coal situation at a time became serious, so we purchased a very large amount of coal, leaving a surplus on hand at present, to the value of about \$4,000 00.

We recommend the following appropriations for the year ending December 31st, 1924;—

First:

Deficiency for the year ending December 31st, 1923,
\$5,306.32.

Second:

An appropriation of \$2,500.00 in addition to the income derived from the water rates, to pay the operating expenses for the year ending December 31st, 1924.

Third:

A sum sufficient to pay the interest accruing on Bonds and notes issued by Town for its water supply, and the principal as required by statute.

FRANKLIN E. HILL,
T. JULIAN LEWIS,
TILDEN A. SNOW,

Commissioners.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

The Board of Health herewith submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1923.

The second season for the collection of rubbish from the dwellings has proven the success of the project. The waterfront and the general cleanliness of the town has shown marked improvement due to the systematic collection of the rubbish.

We are glad to report a decided decrease in the number of cases of contagious diseases reported to this Board over those reported last year.

An epidemic of Scarlet Fever has begun in the month of December but the Board feels that the early quarantine placed on the town has checked further spread of the disease.

The cases of contagious diseases reported to the Board of Health during the year 1923 are as follows:

Mumps	68
Measles	24
Tuberculosis	5
Whooping Cough	16
Chicken Pox	1
Scarlet Fever	12
Diphtheria	2
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1
Dog Bite (Rabid Dog)	1

Expenditures (Collecting Rubbish)

E. A. Whelden	\$142 50
E. W. Smith	135 50
G. W. Cashman	77 00
M. Packett	551 75
J. Peters	10 50
M. Patrick	10 92
H. Brown	5 25
C. Snow	5 25
Total	<hr/>
	\$938 67

Receipts

Appropriations	\$1,000 00
Expended	938 67
Balance unexpended	<hr/>
	\$61 33

Expenditures (General Work)

E. A. Whelden	\$258 00	Appropriation	\$2,000 00
J. Butler	23 75		
G. W. Cashman	208 03		
Barnstable Infirmery	488 62		
G. L. Cashman	29 75		
E. W. Smith	203 84		
B. R. Chapman	100 00		
W. G. Cashman	3 50		
M. Packett	43 55		
J. DeRiggs	17 50		
H. Hopkins	76 00		
J. Lyle	20 00		
B. Andrews	2 73		
E. S. Newcomb	9 66		

A. E. Newcomb	5 88
Est. T. A. Higgins	8 89
Dolge Co.	3 32
P. Silva	49 00
F. Rogers	2 00
E. Lewis	18 00
Westfield Sanatorium	60 00
B. H. Dyer & Co.	4 25
F. O. Cass	2 00
W. Smith	1 00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	54 72

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	\$1,715 37		
Balance	284 63		
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	\$2,000 00		\$2,000 00

There is due from the Commonwealth the sum of \$215 94.

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

General work	\$2,000 00
Rubbish collection	1,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN A. WHELDEN,
GEORGE W. CASHMAN,
EDWIN W. SMITH,

Board of Health.

REPORT OF
INSPECTOR OF MILK

Inspection were made each month and the dairies were all found to be in good condition.

There were 31 licenses issued and \$15.50 collected for same.

There have been no complaints received during the year.

PETER P. SILVA,

Inspector of Milk.

REPORT OF
INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Provincetown, Mass., Dec. 31, 1923.

To the Board of Health,

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:

I submit the following report as Inspector of Slaughtering for 1923:

The following cattle were inspected and passed:

8 calves

16 hogs.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN R. CHAPMAN,

Inspector of Slaughtering.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

The Cemetery Commissioners respectfully submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1923:

Expenditures

Higgins Lumber Co:	\$3 24
Matthias W. Burt	17 50
Frank M. Rose	16 83
Carr Brothers	210 00
B. H. Dyer & Co.	5 92
Paige Brothers	2 50
John Anthony	10 00
M. P. Morrill	17 60
Jesse Gaspa	50 53
Wm. Pierce	23 00
John Perry	59 75
Joseph Silva	29 63
J. A. Cook	69 00
G. W. Watson	42 00
H. D. Taylor	12 00
N. E. Browne	1 00
Wm. Carlos	3 50
F. A. Days & Sons	46 78

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Ramos Brothers	2 25
Joseph Steele	8 80
J. D. Hilliard Co., Inc.	33 25
	\$664 88

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Appropriation	\$500 00
Cemetery Trust Fund	164 88
	\$664 88

We would recommend the following amount for the ensuing year:

Cemetery No. 1, No. 2, the Old Catholic Cemetery and the New Cemetery, \$500 00.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. COOK,
HERSEY D. TAYLOR,
GEORGE W. WATSON,

Cemetery Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923

RECEIPTS

January 1, 1923, Cash in the Treasury	\$57 52
Taxes of 1921	8,855 39
Interest, Taxes of 1921	351 01
Taxes of 1922	16,665 23
Interest, Taxes of 1922	110 56
Taxes of 1923	80,786 27
Interest, Taxes of 1923	2 62
Cemetery Trust Fund	2,250 00
Interest, Cemetery Trust Fund	830 00
Public Library, Dog Licenses	178 23
Visitors Fund	113 00
Cemeteries	164 88
New Cemetery Fund	125 00
Interest on Bank Balances	94 19
Health Department	388 93
Roads and Walks	232 40
Support of Poor	855 75
Mothers with Dependent Children	775 89
Public Schools, Tuition	2,043 03
State Aid	436 00
Town Hall	1,830 00
Water Department	12,970 26
Temporary Loans	90,000 00

Corporation Tax	5,635 44
Income Tax	8,216 27
National Bank Tax	9 80
Soldiers' Exemptions	55 61
Tercentenary Commission	100 00
Town Home	10 00
Criminal Prosecutions	360 00
Relocation Lancy's Corner	700 00
Relocation Lancy's Corner Loan	2,000 00
Miscellaneous:	

Weir License Fees	1,266 80
Victuallers, Licenses	55 00
Innholders Licenses	25 00
Ice Cream Licenses	51 00
Auto Bus Licenses	40 00
Agents' Licenses	20 00
Pedlers' Licenses	80 00
Liquor Licenses	3 00
Junk Licenses	10 00
Auctioneer's Licenses	2 00
Pool Licenses	8 00
Sealing Weights and Measures	102 98
Sale of Voting Lists	3 00
Use of Telephone	1 40
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	1,668 18
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	\$238,871 46

EXPENDITURES

The Treasurer has paid out upon vouchers the following amounts:

Water Supply Bonds	\$4,000 00
Interest Water Supply Bonds	1,230 00

Refunding Cemetery Trust Loan and Interest	1,506 00
Demand Loans Refunding and Interst	1,060 00
Temporary Loans	76,000 00
Interest Temporary Loans	1,979 75
Cemetery Trust Fund	4,150 00
Interest Cemetery Trust Fund	830 00
Public Library	1,101 23
Cemeteries	664 88
New Cemetery Fund	125 00
Health Department	2,654 04
Roads and Walks	8,721 82
Support of Poor	8,055 73
Town Home	1,857 64
Mothers with Dependent Children	1,234 00
Fire Department	2,079 33
Police Department	2,483 10
Tax Collector's Incidentals	123 21
Public Schools	38,496 87
School Incidentals and Repairs	2,999 29
Free Text Books and Supplies	2,409 79
Evening School	1,371 00
School Nurse	1,500 00
Street Lights	3,105 66
State Aid	432 00
Military Aid	47 50
Town Hall	1,558 98
Water Department	18,276 58
Miscellaneous Expenses	3,045 30
Town Officers	4,996 50
Corporation Tax	15 54
Civilian War Poll Tax	3,228 00
State Tax	8,400 00
Repairing State Highways	773 60
Auditing Municipal Accounts	439 27

County Tax	11,536 10
Visiting Nurse	600 00
Cape Cod Farm Bureau	150 00
Criminal Prosecutions	214 72
Memorial Day	127 50
Moth Extermination	188 51
Insurance School Buildings	400 45
Town Float	249 45
Overpayment of Interest	166 37
Committee on Electric Lights	478 34
Celebration July 4th	507 75
Traffic Signs	242 07
Re-location Laney's Corner	3,370 70
Cash in Treasury	9,687 89
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	\$233,871 46

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS A. LAW,

Treasurer.

DOG LICENSES

Dogs licensed in Provincetown	126
Paid County Treasurer	\$247 89

LOUIS A. LAW,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Vote of the Town February 15, 1894

“That the Town Treasurer be authorized to receive the money donated to the town for the care of Cemetery Lots, not less than twenty-five dollars.”

Name	When Rece'd	Amt.of Deposit	Accrued Interest to Oct. 1, 1923	Payments 1923	Condition Oct. 1, 1923
Francis Godfrey	1879	\$50 00	\$2 50	2 50	50 00
Nancy Handley	1893	500 00	107 50	107 50	500 00
James Emery	1893	200 00	10 60	10 00	200 00
Richard E. Nickerson	1894	300 00	16 50	12 00	304 50
Benjamin Small	1897	375 00	39 79	20 50	394 29
Mary Stidd	1897	100 00	5 00	4 50	100 50
William A. Atkins	1898	500 00	38 50	19 50	519 00
Henry J. Lancy	1898	500 00	142 30	21 00	621 30
Philip S. Rich	1898	100 00	5 00	4 50	100 50
John Nickerson	1899	500 00	140 95	14 00	626 95
Eben S. Smith and Philip Cook	1915 1914 1898	91 83 100 00 200 00			
Nehemiah Nickerson	1899	200 00	11 00	7 50	203 50
Amelia O. Rich	1920	250 00	16 50	12 00	304 50
Amelia O. Rich	1900	50 00			
Charlotte M. Weeks	1900	200 00	55 50	6 00	249 50
Millie W. Young	1900	600 00	176 43	25 50	750 93

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Seth Smith	1901	300 00	25 00	15 00	410 00
Seth Smith	1914	100 00			
Stephen Mott	1902	300 00	31 38	13 00	318 38
Eliza L. Atkins	1903	200 00	48 00	8 00	240 00
John W. Atwood	1903	250 00	12 75	12 00	250 75
Francis Nickerson	1904	400 00	117 40	22 00	495 40
Annie L. Hooten	1904	400 00	9 00	5 00	104 00
Reuben Snow	1904	300 00	19 80	12 00	307 80
Stephen Nickerson	1904	300 00	50 50	14 00	336 50
Thomas Lothrop	1905	400 00	22 00	16 00	406 00
Joshua Nickerson	1905	150 00	21 75	7 50	164 25
Edward C. Burt	1905	300 00	30 90	14 00	316 90
Sarah B. Freeman	1906	500 00	30 33	27 00	503 33
Urania T. Atwood	1906	300 00	13 50	13 50	300 00
Solomon D. Nickerson	1907	200 00	136 16	—	336 16
Addison Nickerson	1907	300 00	17 50	12 00	305 50
Caleb D. Smith	1907	200 00	10 00	8 00	202 00
John McIntosh	1908	150 00	14 75	6 00	158 75
Rich and Small	1908	300 00	43 60	11 00	332 60
Josiah T. Summer	1908	200 00	25 65	6 50	219 15
Alexander McKenzie	1908	200 00	11 00	7 50	203 50
Franklin Atkins	1908	500 00	70 50	12 00	558 50
Alzina E. Atkins	1908	200 00	47 00	5 00	242 00
Charles B. Snow	1908	300 00	13 50	13 50	300 00
George Allen	1908	300 00	13 50	13 50	300 00
Charles F. Cate	1909	100 00	21 92	3 00	118 92
Eliza W. Cook	1909	100 00	21 92	3 00	118 92
Thomas Lewis	1909	200 00	41 00	6 50	234 50
Adelaide P. Williams	1909	200 00	21 33	12 00	209 33
Josiah F. Small	1909	300 00	13 50	13 50	300 00
Higgins and Holmes	1909	400 00	24 87	18 00	406 87
Edwin C. Mayo	1909	400 00	13 50	12 00	301 50
John B. Bangs	1909	200 00	53 22	6 00	247 22
Lucy A., Julia C. and Angie Knowles	1910	400 00	221 16	—	621 16
Mary G. Curran	1910	300 00	15 50	13 00	302 50
Stephen Cook	1910	959 50	84 41	29 00	1014 91
Betsy C. Long	1910	300 00	15 73	12 00	303 73
Charles Nickerson	1911	300 00	30 50	13 00	317 50
Jesse Cook	1911	300 00	27 00	12 00	315 00
Jesse Cook, Jr.	1911	300 00	32 00	12 00	320 00

Dr. Isaiah Whitney	1911	500 00	65 50	21 00	544 50
Prince Freeman	1911	67 00	3 00	3 00	67 00
Ruth E. Small	1911	300 00	27 50	12 00	315 50
Experience L. Dowling	1911	300 00	34 10	11 50	322 60
Seth Nickerson	1912	400 00	18 00	18 00	400 00
Benjamin A. Atkins	1912	150 00	8 25	6 00	152 25
Josiah C. Fluker	1912	300 00	15 50	14 00	301 50
William Roberts	1912	300 00	13 50	12 00	301 50
Walter I. Nickerson	1912	300 00	13 50	13 50	300 00
John M. Carnes	1913	100 00	31 68	7 00	324 68
Esther T. Mayo	1913	125 00	7 95	6 00	126 95
Francis Nickerson, Pittsfield	1913	300 00	25 00	13 00	312 00
Isaiah and John Atkins	1913	300 09	15 50	13 50	302 00
Dyer and Ewell	1913	300 00	26 85	13 00	313 85
Lydia A. Maddock	1913	125 00	20 87	6 00	139 87
Zerrie Small	1914	200 00	21 50	—	221 50
Hannah Soule	1914	300 09	28 50	11 00	317 50
Gifford and Elder	1914	400 00	18 00	18 00	400 00
John A. Lewis	1914	100 00	39 50	—	139 50
Thomas A. Weeks	1914	50 00	13 25	2 00	61 25
Richard G. Tarrant	1914	200 00	11 00	7 00	204 00
Annie P. Lewis	1914	400 00	32 23	13 00	419 23
Russell Atkins	1914	400 00	77 98	15 00	462 98
Artemas Paine	1914	300 00	20 00	11 00	309 00
Henry Shortle	1914	300 00	21 75	15 00	306 75
Samuel J. Rich	1915	300 00	34 50	14 00	320 50
Edward J. Kilburn	1915	300 00	16 50	11 00	305 50
Rufus H. Hopkins	1915	200 00	46 00	15 00	331 00
Rufus H. Hopkins	1916	100 00	6 00	4 00	102 00
Eliza S. Small	1915	100 00	19 00	13 00	306 00
Kelley and Fuller	1915	300 00	10 00	10 00	200 00
Kelley and Hinman	1915	200 00	10 00	10 00	200 00
Mary S. Fisher	1916	300 00	22 50	19 00	303 50
Rebecca L. Nickerson	1916	500 00	47 50	20 00	527 50
John Bell	1916	300 00	13 50	12 00	301 50
Duncan Matheson	1916	300 00	19 00	12 00	307 00
Jonathan Nickerson	1916	300 00	86 50	7 00	397 50
Enos N. Young	1916	300 00	51 00	10 00	341 00
Enos Nickerson	1916	200 00	9 00	—	209 00

Daniel W. Atwood	1916	200 00	11 00	8 00	203 00
Mary N. Lewis	1917	200 00	53 00	7 00	246 00
Betsy Cobb	1917	150 00	7 25	6 00	151 25
Thomas Whorf	1917	300 00	24 50	17 00	307 50
Nathaniel Paine	1917	300 00	38 50	11 00	327 50
George DeWolf	1917	175 00	25 36	6 00	194 36
Charles C. Atkins	1918	100 00	22 50	8 00	114 50
John C. Heim	1918	100 00	5 50	4 00	101 50
Isaiah Gifford	1918	100 00	17 50	—	117 50
Samuel Smith	1918	100 00	21 50	17 00	104 50
Georgianna F. Rich	1918	200 00	19 00	7 00	212 00
Silas C. Mott	1919	200 00	16 00	6 00	210 00
David Rich	1919	200 00	16 00	7 00	209 00
James H. Smith	1919	200 00	11 00	8 00	203 00
George W. King	1919	100 00	6 50	4 00	102 50
Bangs A. Lewis	1919	150 00	9 25	5 50	153 75
Joseph E. Weeks	1919	100 00	17 50	—	117 50
James E. Kelley	1919	250 00	12 75	12 00	250 75
Charles Freeman	1919	100 00	13 50	—	113 50
Francis P. Cook	1920	200 00	27 00	—	227 00
Isaiah Young	1920	50 00	6 75	—	56 75
Elisha Cook	1920	200 00	15 00	6 00	209 00
John Marshall	1920	500 00	33 00	12 50	520 50
Helena E. Hodgdon	1920	50 00	3 50	1 25	52 25
Marinda J. Nickerson	1921	1643 00	190 79	28 00	1805 79
Rebecca D. Vinton	1921	200 00	12 50	6 00	206 50
Isaac A. Dyer	1921	200 00	9 00	9 00	200 00
John D. Silva	1921	150 00	6 75	6 75	150 00
Atkins N. Cook	1921	300 00	25 00	5 00	320 00
Reuben F. Freeman	1921	300 00	14 00	4 00	310 00
Harvey O. Sparrow	1921	100 00	5 00	4 00	101 00
Andrew Kennedy	1921	300 00	15 00	11 00	304 00
George H. Lewis	1921	200 00	13 00	6 00	207 00
Daniel F. Lewis	1921	300 00	27 00	11 00	316 00
Mary E. Rich	1921	300 00	15 00	12 00	303 00
George H. Marshall	1921	135 00	6 69	6 69	135 00
Philip R. Smith	1922	150 00	6 75	6 75	150 00
Jesse Wiley	1922	100 00	5 62	5 50	100 12
Michael J. Cavanagh	1922	600 00	27 00	18 00	609 00
Thomas S. Taylor	1922	300 00	16 87	11 00	305 87
Emma F. Sears	1922	150 00	7 94	6 00	151 94

Stephen Chapman	1922	150 00	6 75	5 50	151 25
Joshua T. Small	1922	200 00	9 00	9 00	200 00
Josiah Nickerson	1922	100 00	4 50	4 00	100 50
Willis Higgins	1922	150 00	6 75	6 50	150 25
Amasa S. Dyer	1922	100 00	4 50	4 50	100 00
Joseph Manta	1923	300 00	6 75	6 75	300 00
Joseph H. Emery	1923	300 00	6 75	6 00	300 75
Charles E. Johnson	1923	150 00	3 37	—	153 37
John D. Adams	1923	300 00	—	—	300 00

\$38,046 33 \$4,142 83 1,475 69 40,713 45

The fund consists of:

Bonds at par	\$36,000 00
Deposit, Seaman's Saving Bank	575 64
Deposit, First National Bank	1,629 50
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	\$38,205 14
Less Premium Account	158 81
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	\$38,046 33

The income from the investment of the fund the past year was \$1,614 89. The several accounts were credited with dividends at the rate of four and one-half percent, requiring \$1,677.17, the difference of \$62.28 being taken from the premium account.

The unused balances of the several accounts now amount to \$2,667.12, which amount is on deposit in the Seaman's Saving Bank. After transferring \$164.88 for the use of the Cemetery Commissioners in Cemetery improvement the past year, the interest now amounts to \$169.42.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS A. LAW,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF AUDITOR

The Auditor of Accounts of the Town has carefully examined the Treasurer's Cash Book, Ledger, Account of Cemetery Trust Funds, and General Order Book; also the accounts of the Water Department and Public Library, and would respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1923:

Balance in Town Treasury, December 30, 1922,	\$57 52
Receipts for the year,	238,813 94
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	\$238,871 46
Paid on approved vouchers,	\$229,183 57
Balance, December 31, 1923,	9,687 89
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	\$238,871 46

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Cash on hand, December 30, 1922,	\$2,465 64
Total Trust Funds, December 30, 1922	36,796 33
New Trusts added in 1923,	1,250 00
Interest to October 1, 1923,	1,677 17
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	\$42,189 14
Bills paid by Treasurer,	\$1,475 69
Total Trust Funds, December 31, 1923,	38,046 33
Cash on hand, December 31, 1923,	2,667 12
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	\$42,189 14

WATER DEPARTMENT

Received from Water rates	\$12,718 02
Excess,	118 86
Meters,	50 00
All other sources,	144 40
Deficiency,	5,306 32
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	\$18,337 60
Bills paid by Treasurer,	\$18,276 58
Rebates,	61 02
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	\$18,337 60

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Expense Account

Balance, December 30, 1922,	\$116 87
Received from Treasurer on vouchers,	1,101 23
Visitors Fund	113 00
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	\$1,331 10
Expenses for the year,	\$1,146 63
Visitors Fund, paid to Town Treasurer,	113 00
Balance, December 31, 1923,	71 47
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	\$1,331 10

Book Account

Received from Benjamin Small Fund,	\$257 50
Deficiency, 1922,	\$10 53
Paid for books, magazines, etc.,	210 60
Balance, December 31, 1923,	36 37
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	\$257 50

Catalogue Fund

Balance, December 30, 1922,	\$776 08
Received from fines, catalogues, etc.,	87 50
Dividends, Seamen's Savings Bank,	36 48
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	\$900 06
Paid Librarian of Congress,	\$10 00
Balance, December 31, 1923,	890 06
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	\$900 06

Premium Account, Benjamin Small Fund

Balance, December 30, 1922,	\$160 99
Dividends, Seamen's Savings Bank,	7 69
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Balance, December 31, 1923,	\$168 68

The Benjamin Small Trust Fund Securities remain the same, \$5,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

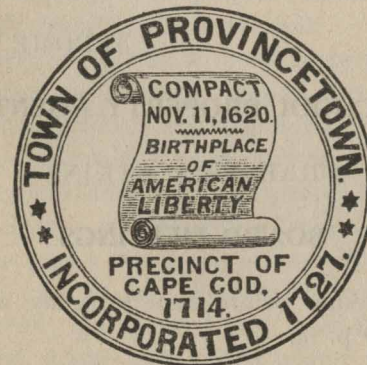
ISAIAH A. SMALL,

Auditor.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
OF
Provincetown, Mass.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1923



HYANNIS, MASS.
F. B. & F. P. GOSS, PUBLISHERS and PRINTERS
The "Patriot" Press

1924.

SCHOOL BOARD

SIMEON C. SMITH, Chairman	Term expires 1924
MYRICK C. YOUNG, Secretary	Term expires 1926
FRANK O. CASS, M.D.	Term expires 1925

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

JEROME P. FOGWELL
SCHOOL PHYSICIAN
FRANK O. CASS, M.D.

SCHOOL NURSE (Full Time)

EDITH V. HOLMES

ATTENDANCE OFFICERS

RAUL MATTA

JEROME P. FOGWELL

SCHOOL PROPERTY AGENT

CHARLES A. ATKINS

BOARD MEETINGS

Every Wednesday before last Saturday each month at Town Hall, 7.30 p. m.

OFFICE HOURS OF SUPERINTENDENT

School Board Office, Town Hall, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 4.00 to 5.00 o'clock when schools are in session.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923

The work of the schools during the past year has been maintained at a high standard, and co-operation between the Superintendent and teachers and committee has made for efficiency. Improvements have been made in the various school buildings as money allowed. The double desk long in use, has been converted into a single desk, and single seats and desks have been installed in all the rooms and are giving great satisfaction to teachers and pupils. Great good in many ways will result from this improvement.

Outdoor sports are taking a more important place in the educational system, and during the past few years our High School has had a baseball and football team that has competed advantageously with similar organizations on the Cape. The Superintendent and the Principal of the High School have given much time and thought in training the boys and to seeing that the games were played in a sportsmanship-like manner. With almost no facilities the young men have practised faithfully and derived good from their exercise. It is still a crying shame that in the winter when exercise is most needed, that no place is available in which they can play basketball. The need for a gymnasium, where all the pupils, boys and girls alike, can build their bodies in systematic exercise is a very real one. It is to be hoped that the Town

at no distant date will be able to supply this needed improvement to our school system.

The Evening School and the retarded room have been instituted since the last report was made, and under faithful and efficient teachers are doing excellent work. The Evening School is attracting an earnest body of citizens who, deprived of educational advantages in youth, are now intent on supplying the deficiency. Their earnestness is to be applauded. After one year of work and trying out methods, the body of students and the seasoned teachers that are now conducting the second session of the Evening School are working in perfect harmony that presages great things for the future of the Evening School.

The health of the pupils during the year has been exceptionally good, no epidemic interfering with the regular work. The efficient school nurse and the careful examination and supervision of the health director are to be commended. An important Health Conference held in the Town Hall in November was largely attended by the people of the town and will doubtless do much to further the co-operation that is needed between the school authorities and the parents in maintaining the proper health measures.

At no distant date it is to be hoped that Manual Training and Sewing may be added to the curriculum. More and more, educators are realizing that work for the hand is quite as important as work for the brain.

A visit of inspection from a prominent official from the Department of Education in the Fall, enheartened the Superintendent and the Board by his report that the town's money is being well and advantageously spent, that the teachers are faithful and competent, and that our school system is in good

condition and making constant improvement, and that we had reason to be proud of the schools and what is being done.

SIMEON C. SMITH, Chairman.

MYRICK C. YOUNG, Secretary.

FRANK O. CASS, M.D.

School Committee.

SCHEDULE A

FREE TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Paid:

Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$339.77
Phonographic Inst. Co.	19.52
F. B. & F. P. Goss	6.35
D. F. Monroe Co.	47.54
Literary Digest	8.64
L. E. Knott App. Co.	34.03
F. E. Compton & Co.	55.00
Allyn & Bacon	37.00
Chas. Scribner's Sons	68.99
Albion E. Kelley	141.07
J. L. Hammett & Co.	9.48
American Book Co.	11.50
Silver Burdett & Co.	127.67
F. H. Dearborn	21.00
H. F. Hopkins	7.50
Popular Science	1.80
J. L. Hammett Co.	16.24
National Child Welfare Association	39.69
Masury, Young Co.	51.92
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	15.69
Edward E. Babb Co.	18.69
Ginn & Co.	8.25
D. F. Monroe	80.50
F. A. Owing Pub. Co.	6.50
Milton Bradley Co.	14.19
F. A. Owing Pub. Co.	24.00

H. M. Meserve	1.25
Chas. Scribner's Sons	26.40
L. E. Knott App. Co.	2.70
Scott, Foresman & Co.	15.99
Public School Pub. Co.	6.60
H. I. Dallman Co.	112.05
Neostyle Sales Co.	2.75
Kenny Bros. & Wolkins	102.45
Milton Bradley Co.	130.34
MacMillan Co.	149.28
Rand, McNally Co.	25.31
Literary Digest	3.24
W. M. Welsh Mfg. Co.	14.35
Jessie T. Matheson	10.55
W. B. Hubbard & Sons	7.45
Milton Bradley Co.	13.52
F. B. & F. P. Goss	13.25
Remington Typewriter Co.	185.00
J. L. Hammett & Co.	58.59
Ginn & Co.	126.86
Ginn & Co.	189.33
Balance	90.21
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	\$2,500.00 \$2,500.00

SCHEDULE B

Incidentals and Repairs

Appropriation \$3,000.00

Paid:

Est. T. A. Higgins	\$56.77
P-town Light & Power Co.	16.90
Jacobs & Raymond	50.12
R. A. Jennings	6.00

J. D. Adams	9.60
E. J. Rivard	123.78
J. P. Fogwell	30.03
B. A. Dyer	77.30
Josephine Patterson	10.00
Mrs. Matilda Perry	9.00
F. H. Dearborn	3.00
Carr Bros.	35.75
W. B. Dunham	9.75
N. F. Somes	.75
W. B. Bangs	3.25
J. S. Goulart	1.25
W. A. Stone	16.35
Adams Express	3.92
J. S. Goulart	3.00
J. P. Fogwell	140.00
B. H. Dyer & Co.	113.35
J. E. Atkins	108.37
P-town Light & Power Co.	11.50
H. F. Hopkins	102.00
J. S. Goulart	2.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.32
W. B. Bangs	2.50
Albion E. Kelley	1.11
W. B. Hubbard & Co.	15.03
American Railway Express Co.	3.37
Est. T. A. Higgins	6.13
J. E. Atkins	386.21
Carr Bros.	7.00
W. B. Dunham	5.35
R. B. Boober	22.50
S. C. Smith	4.71
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.62
W. B. Dunham	4.35

Est. T. A. Higgins	14.28
Katherine Enos	25.00
J. S. Goulart	3.00
P-town Light & Power	11.30
A. E. Kelley	1.80
Stone-Underhill Heating Co.	112.16
W. B. Bangs	.85
Jacobs & Raymond	41.60
Edith V. Holmes	2.00
J. P. Fogwell	4.92
W. B. Hubbard & Sons	4.50
W. B. Dunham	6.40
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.12
J. P. Fogwell	5.81
J. E. Atkins	12.76
Harry Leishton	48.25
Carr Bros.	89.00
C. S. Stowe	2.50
P-town Light & Power Co.	1.10
Harry Leishton	66.75
Ralph Snow	.40
W. B. Dunham	8.58
Edith V. Holmes	8.40
Paige Bros.	.75
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	20.25
J. L. Young	26.04
Jacobs & Raymond	49.15
W. B. Dunham	5.00
Carr Bros.	1.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	7.79
Higgins Lumber Co.	69.94
J. P. Fogwell	2.63
Dupearls' Musical	25.00
P-town Advocate	15.00

Raul Matta	56.00	
Harry Leishton	84.00	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	3.87	
W. B. Dunham	4.00	
J. P. Fogwell	3.82	
W. B. Dunham	4.00	
F. A. Days & Sons	70.50	
P-town Light & Power Co.	7.45	
Kilburn & Lincoln	306.00	
Wm. Tarvis	4.32	
P-town Light & Power Co.	1.10	
W. B. Dunham	5.70	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	2.58	
Edith V. Holmes	2.00	
J. P. Fogwell	7.04	
J. T. Matheson	11.20	
Higgins Lumber Co.	53.00	
Standard Oil Co.	18.20	
J. P. Fogwell	6.96	
W. B. Dunham	6.10	
Harry Leishton	21.00	
J. L. Young	37.46	
Nina S. Williams	3.00	
P-town Light & Power Co.	1.90	
Higgins Lumber Co.	25.01	
Raul Matta	8.75	
J. P. Fogwell	9.08	
W. B. Dunham	21.33	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	1.50	
B. H. Dyer & Co.	43.45	
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	\$2,999.29	
Balance	.71	
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	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

SCHEDULE C

Teachers

R. B. Boober, Principal High School	\$2,120.00
Phebe E. Freeman, Assistant High School	1,400.00
Adeline Wetmore, Assistant High School	130.00
Florence C. Wilder, Assistant High School	1,170.00
Peace Warren, Assistant High School	747.50
Agnes Bidwell, Assistant High School	520.00
Ann Featherstone, Assistant High School	1,300.00
Sara A. Cavanagh, Principal Grammar School	1,200.00
Nina S. Williams, Assistant Grammar School	1,000.00
Katherine MacIntyre, Assistant Grammar School	1,000.00
Mertie C. Kelley, Assistant Grammar School	850.00
Lillian N. Brooks, Grade	850.00
Edith V. King, Grade	850.00
Jennie Barton	850.00
Carrie A. Cowing	850.00
Miriam Corea	750.00
Mary Enos	750.00
Mary Henderson	750.00
Irene Baker	750.00
Bessie Corea	750.00
Helen Sylvia	750.00
Nora Perry	750.00
Katherine Jason	750.00
Blanche Holmes	750.00
Mary Jacobs	750.00
Angie Swett	750.00
Florence Hudson	750.00
Virginia Williams	750.00
Clara L. Watson	750.00

Julia Perry	450.00
Josephine Patterson, Supervisor of Music	850.00
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	\$26,637.50

Substitute Teachers

Mrs. Mary O'Neil	\$888.75
Mrs. Mary Cambra Silva	30.12
Mrs. Anna M. Rogers	28.12
Mrs. Delphine DeRiggs	61.50
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	\$1,008.49

Janitors

Charles Nickerson, High School	\$1,000.00
Raul Matta, Bradford and Conant Street	798.00
Edward Whelden, Eastern	410.00
James Williams, Western	410.00
Elroy Crocker, Johnson Street	205.00
Charles A. Atkins, Center and (General mechanic)	1,560.00
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	\$4,383.00

Truant Officer

Raul Matta	\$200.00
Raul Matta (delivering supplies)	18.00
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	\$218.00

Fuel

F. A. Days & Sons	\$695.20
J. D. Hilliard Co.	\$2,300.00
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	\$2,995.20

Salaries

School Committee	\$225.00
School Physician (F. O. Cass, M.D.)	250.00
Superintendent (Jerome P. Fogwell)	2,292.48
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	\$2,767.48

Sundries

Hannah Ramos	\$ 23.00
Mary Lopes	23.00
Harry Leighton	189.00
Raul Matta	124.00
M. C. Young	125.00
Mrs. Elroy Crocker	3.20
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	\$487.20

Appropriation	\$38,500.00
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Paid:

Teachers	\$26,637.50
Substitutes	1,008.49
Truant Officer	200.00
Delivering supplies	18.00
Janitors	4,383.00
Salaries	2,767.48
Sundries	487.20
Fuel	2,995.20
Balance	3.13
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	\$38,500.00 \$38,500.00

SCHEDULE D

School Nurse

Appropriation		\$1,500.00
Paid:		
Edith V. Holmes	\$1,500.00	

SCHEDULE E

Evening School

Appropriation		\$1,500.00
Paid—Teachers:		
J. P. Fogwell	\$360.00	
Mary Jacobs	57.00	
Catherine Jason	216.00	
Mary Henderson	204.00	
Ann Featherstone	126.00	
Peace Warren	54.00	
Florence Hudson	54.00	
Julia Perry	15.00	
Helen Sylvia	135.00	
		\$1,221.00
Chas. Nickerson janitor	\$72.00	
Raul Matta, truant officer	72.00	
Harry Leishton, officer	6.00	

	\$150.00	
Balance	\$129.00	
	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	\$1,500.00

RECAPITULATION

Appropriation, text books and supplies	\$2,500.00
Incidentals and repairs	3,000.00
Public Schools	38,500.00
School nurse	1,500.00
Evening School	1,500.00
	<u>\$47,000.00</u>

Paid:

As per Sched. (A)	\$2,409.79
As per Sched. (B)	2,999.29
As per Sched. (C)	38,496.87
As per Sched. (D)	1,500.00
As per Sched. (E)	1,371.00
	<u>\$46,776.95</u>

Balance, unexpended (A)	\$90.21
Balance, unexpended (B)	.71
Balance, unexpended (C)	3.13
Balance, unexpended (E)	129.00

\$23.05

\$47,000.00 \$47,000.00

ESTIMATES 1924

Public Schools	\$41,500.00
Evening School	1,500.00
Free text books and supplies	2,500.00

Incidentals and repairs	3,000.00
School nurse	1,500.00
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	\$50,000.00

SIMEON C. SMITH, Chairman.
 MYRICK C. YOUNG,
 FRANK O. CASS,

School Committee.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and Citizens of Provincetown:

I submit herewith my third annual report showing the organization of and the attendance in the school system from the High School through the Elementary Schools. The reports of the Principal of the High School, the Music Supervisor, and the School Physician, and Nurse, follow this report.

The school year of 1923 has been successful and progressive for the School Department. Much has been accomplished resulting in increased efficiency of teachers and pupils. A spirit of loyalty and co-operation exists between all school officials and instructors resulting in a year of good will and harmony.

The text book situation at the High school has been remedied in great measure by the purchase of up-to-date text books for the different courses. New typewriters for the Commercial Department have been procured. Supplies for the Course in Chemistry were necessary also. Some excellent historical charts were placed in the History Room. The High School is in fine condition mechanically. It may be necessary at an early date to construct a room in the basement for the use of the Commercial Department. Quarters are somewhat cramped.

The football team this year deserves much credit for the work it has effected. Under the fine coaching of Mr. Boober

the team has had a very successful year. Football builds mentally and physically. Thanks is due to the generous citizens who placed automobiles at the service of the team. Without the machines many games could not have been played. A prominent town official has "backed" the team throughout the season, driven the boys to games a long distance from town, and even acted as an official at many of the games. A fine type of sportsmanship and helping spirit.

Since last Spring all double desks in the Elementary Schools have been changed to single desks and seats. Instead of buying new desks and seats, an expensive proposition, the old-fashioned ones were cut into "singles." The Grammar School "doubles" are now being changed and when completed the seating problem of the town's schools is solved, at an immense saving to the town and at little actual cost. Much credit is due Mr. Atkins, School Property Agent, for his faithful service in this change. Mr. Matta also has proven his worth as an able assistant to Mr. Atkins.

During the past summer the inside of the Center School Building was thoroughly cleaned and painted. Ceilings and walls were repaired and minor renovations made. When the teachers and children returned in September they entered a wholesome, modern, school plant. The yard was hardened with cinders and basketball cages erected. We may well be proud of the change.

Following the policy of school officials the Eastern School House will be treated in like manner during the Summer of 1924. With the High School and Center buildings and yards in proper condition we are surely "gaining ground" to put *all* the school buildings in the condition necessary for progressive action with the youth of Provincetown. Due to lack of funds it has been necessary for us to do the work ourselves. Needless to state that much money has been saved. Mr. Atkins, assisted by Harry Lehsten and Raul Matta did the

work. There is so much to be done that it is hard to know where to begin in the way of repairs. The problem is to "get things done" at the least expense. We have adopted a sure method, however. Many more matters effected during the year could be enumerated, that have been noticed by observant citizens.

The Evening Schools are a successful experiment and now a regular factor in the system. An average attendance, of seventy-five pupils, was maintained. Considering the severe winter this is a fine showing. The English Classes for the foreign-born are bearing good fruit and the students are an interested, hard-working group of men and women. An agent, Mr. Everett Clark, from the State Board of Education, inspected the schools and pronounced them O. K. Later he presided at the banquet at the end of the school (evening) year.

The room for Retarded Pupils on Johnston Street, under the able instruction of Mrs. O'Neil, is progressing in a favorable manner. The work is severe and nerve-racking. Fine results are being obtained. Basketry and simple wood-working are now being taught in this room. The children are happy and are advancing very much more rapidly than when unavoidably neglected in the regular grade rooms.

Health conditions in the public schools are very fine due to the untiring efforts of Dr. Cass and Miss Holmes, the School Nurse. Now that pupils are not "herded" together in double seats, but enjoy their own private desk and seat, general health projects are successfully combating the evils attacking school children. "*Power of the Initiative*" is taught; the pupil depends on himself now and not his neighbor, in his studies and is not affected nearly as much by the physical condition of his mates.

Under the direction of Dr. Cass and the Nurse, Miss Beal, of the County Farm Bureau and U. S. Department of Agri-

culture, including Health, has instituted a Health Campaign in the schools. Regular instruction in Health Projects is now being given the children. This work in Nutrition, etc., is of inestimable value to the community. The public viewed some of this project during the Health Days held on November 8th and 9th at the Town Hall.

The two full examinations made of school children by the School Physician during the past year has had the usual good result. Many troublesome cases have been helped for the best welfare of school and community.

The past year the teachers of Provincetown have enjoyed and benefited from, the visits of prominent educators and state officials from the State Boards of Health and Education. Several meetings have been held and instruction given in order that teachers might more efficiently assist their pupils along the "line of march." Our schools have been inspected and pronounced well on the road to better things.

Hundreds of text books have been placed in the Grade Schools. "The Progressive Road to Reading," a system of reading books with its attendant sentence method of instruction, is producing gratifying results. Modern history, geography, language, and arithmetic books, also have been installed as far as funds allow. The schools are in good condition in this respect. A fine series of geographical charts hang on the wall of Miss McIntyre's room. I hope to place the Zaner-Bloser writing system in the schools in the near future.

The increased number of pupils in the High and Grammar Schools deserve particular notice at this time. It is encouraging to note that the High School has the largest attendance in its history; an increase of about twenty-five per cent over average years. The Grammar School, seventh and eighth grades, is overflowing and has classes of over twenty-five per

cent increase over the usual number. Evidently more thinking about the advantages of education is ripe in the minds of our people.

The Principal of the High School deserves commendation for his excellent handling of the school and the problems arising. The school has improved to a great extent in the two years he has been in charge.

I wish to thank at this time, Mr. John Adams of the Post Office, for his fine gift, last month, of a set of Winston Encyclopedias to the High School. The set will be very useful and instructive to the students.

School officials and teachers have been loyal and courteous to me. I have tried in my poor way to reciprocate. The School Committee has advised and co-operated in a manner that I appreciate highly and thank them.

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME P. FOGWELL,

Supt. of Schools.

Report of the Principal of the High School

Mr. Jerome P. Fogwell,
Superintendent of Schools,
Provincetown, Mass.

Dear Sir: In compliance with your request I am writing this, my second annual report as Principal of the Provincetown High School.

During the past year I believe we have done much to elevate our standards and to increase our efficiency. The students are responding to the more favorable conditions by a greater display of interest and a more wholesome respect for their work. They are showing more desire to remain in school and complete their courses than formerly. We have this year the largest enrollment that the school has ever known. There has been an increase of twenty-nine students over last year's registration. Fifty-four Freshmen entered this fall and, better still, only one has dropped out. Such a record is unusual for first-year pupils. It augurs well for our future.

One of the biggest problems confronting school authorities today is that of lowering the mortality rate of students in the first two years of their secondary education. I feel that we are making progress along this line and it is my aim to make the pupils so interested in their work that they will have no desire to leave until they can take with them a diploma. The young man or woman who seeks employment today without at least a high school education is greatly handicapped and in the future will be even more so. Let us give the boys and

girls of Provincetown the best that there is. They are worth it.

Plans are on foot for the printing of a school paper during the winter. Such a school magazine will help greatly in bringing our Alumni and friends into closer touch with us and will aid the students themselves in an innumerable number of respects.

I would like to add here a word concerning our school library. This highly important phase of our student life has hithertofore received too little attention. This year we are making special efforts to remedy the situation. The book-cases have been renovated; an efficient system of cataloguing has been introduced; and student librarians have been appointed so that reference books are accessible during each period of the day. Several valuable books have been presented to us during the year and we hope to keep adding to our list until we have a library of which any school might be proud.

Along the line of athletics I think I can say with all candor that we are in a decidedly healthful condition. The football team was a real success this fall. The best teams on the Cape were played and defeated. Out of eight games we won four, tied in two, and lost two. The team has received many compliments on its fair tactics and good sportsmanship and that alone justifies its existence. I might also add that it has been through the help and co-operation of some of the boys' parents that we have been able to complete our difficult schedule. We are greatly handicapped in that we are so far removed from other teams but, if we continue to have the support of the towns people as we had it last fall, we need not worry over that drawback.

The school is fortunate this year in having such an earnest and conscientious corps of assistant teachers. They are working wholeheartedly for the best interests of the pupils

and are to be complimented on the excellent results they are obtaining.

The social life of the school is progressing normally. The Seniors are preparing to give a musical comedy similar to the one so successfully presented last year. Other student affairs will doubtless be given during the year under proper faculty supervision.

I think I ought to stress at this time the need of a helpful and kindly spirit of co-operation between the community and the High School. Education is the result of community co-operation and without it we can never hope to accomplish worthwhile results. I think the townspeople are taking more interest in our work than they did last year but, even so, a still greater display of sentiment would be appreciated. For instance, I would like to have them visit the school and learn for themselves the problems that are confronting us and how we are trying to solve them. If we are to give Provincetown High School the prestige that is her due, we must all pull together. The old maxim, "United We Stand, Divided We Fall," expresses our situation exactly. Let's all boost P. H. S.

In conclusion I wish to add a word of thanks and appreciation for your kindly help and assistance during the past year.

Very truly yours,

RALEIGH B. BOOBER.

Report of Music Supervisor

Mr. Jerome P. Fogwell, Superintendent of Schools,

Provincetown, Mass.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my seventh annual report as Supervisor of Music in the Provincetown Schools.

Music in the lower grades I find, must have certain characteristics in order to gain the attention of a child of six years, so we have added this year a few kindergarten orchestral instruments; the cymbals, tambourine, triangle and bells, to be used in the teaching of rhythm which the particular phase of music that appeals most strongly at this age. Heretofore, we have developed the rhythmic feeling by the clapping of hands, but with the use of the instruments a more definite training can be given along this line, and I would suggest that a set be given to each first grade.

The fourth grade music books are in such a poor condition that some of the pupils are without them and have to listen throughout the lesson; may I suggest a change of books instead of replacing with the same, as I find insufficient material in the book now used for this grade? However, the teachers have done splendid work under these unfavorable conditions.

The fifth and sixth grades are doing very fine work, individual, duets, and trio singing being the interesting features of these grades.

Owing to the crowded conditions of the classrooms in the Grammar School, we were unable to give a public graduation last June; however, a short program was enjoyed by the pupils; the violin class which was started a year ago contributing two numbers. This class, by the way, is still continuing its good work.

September showed a still larger Grammar School attendance, necessitating the dividing of the school into two music classes, which perhaps will stimulate a little competition.

The work in the High School has been very satisfactory, and with the increased number of pupils, we should make a worthwhile showing.

During the winter a Minstrel Show was given under the auspices of the High School Association which was very well done both by the soloists and chorus.

Thanking you for the ever-ready support you have always given, I am

Respectfully yours,

JOSEPHINE PATTERSON.

Report of School Physician and School Nurse

Mr. Jerome P. Fogwell,

Superintendent of Schools,

Provincetown, Mass.

Dear Sir: We wish to submit the second annual joint report of School Physician and School Nurse:

The work of the past year has been a continuance of the routine of school visits, physical examinations and follow-up work, as established the previous year.

In November, we tried to stimulate new interest among parents as well as children, in the school health work, by giving a Health Show. This was under the direction of the Visiting Nurse Association, and School Nurse, with the cooperation of the State Department of Health, which provided speakers for the two days as well as a nutrition and baby clothing exhibit. "Brother Brownie" of the Massachusetts Tuberculosis League, with his puppet show, and songs, was received with enthusiasm by the grown-ups as well as children.

A series of classes in nutrition has been started for the teachers, with the purpose of helping them to present this subject in an interesting and effective manner. This course is conducted by Miss Thelma Beal of the Farm Bureau. The pupils, who are 10 percent or more underweight, are

weighed each month and the progress in the nutrition work is already shown by a noticeable increase in their weights. We hope to be able at the beginning of the new term, to complete plans already started, whereby the pupils may be furnished milk once daily at cost.

Some of the increase in the corrective dental work has been brought about through the help of the Visiting Nurse Association, which has made it possible for about thirty pupils to receive treatment, who otherwise would be unable to have this work done.

School visits	238
Treatments in school	36
Inspection of pediculosis	3,905
Consultation with pupils	44
Home visits	475
Hygienic talks	48
Symptoms of diseased tonsils	83
Symptoms of defective teeth	300
Symptoms of cardiac trouble	4
Corrective tonsil work	19
Corrective dental work	196
Corrective vision work	12
Trips to dentist with pupils	12
Pupils examined by Dr. Wagner	6
Pupils taken to Pocassett for X-Ray	1
Pupils sent to Westfield Sanitorium	1

Thanking you and the School Board for your continued help and support, we are

Respectfully,

FRANK O. CASS, M.D.

EDITH V. HOLMES.

TEACHERS OF PROVINCETOWN SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1923.

Teachers	Where Educated	Total enrollment	Terms taught before	Weeks taught	Salary per week	Average membership	Average attendance	Per Cent attendance
HIGH SCHOOL								
Raleigh B. Bubar	Bates College	110	4	40	\$50.00	99	95	94
Phebe E. Freeman	Salem Normal		109	40	35.00			
Florence Wilder	Smith College		2	20	32.50			
Ann Featherstone	Bryant & Stratton Com'l. School		8	40	32.50			
Adeline Wetmore	Brown University		6	20	32.50			
Peace Warren	Wells College		0	40	32.50			
GRAMMAR SCHOOL								
Grade 8 Sara A. Cavanaugh	Plymouth (N. H.) Normal	65	130	40	\$30.00	59	55	93
Grade 7 Nina S. Williams	Hyannis Normal	30	69	40	25.00	27	24	92
Grade 7 Myrtie A. Kelly	Hyannis Normal*	32	48	40	21.25	26	25	90
Grade 8 Katherine McIntyre	Hyannis Normal	32	66	40	25.00	30	28	90

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Teachers	Where Educated	Total enrollment	Terms taught before	Weeks taught	Salary per week	Average membership	Average attendance	Per Cent attendance
GOVERNOR BRADFORD SCHOOL								
Grade 6 Lillian N. Brooks	Hyannis Normal*	41	96	40	\$21.25	37	34	92
Grade 4 Miriam Corea	Hyannis Normal	39	33	40	18.75	34	31	90
Grade 2 Irene Baker	Providence Normal*	35	72	40	18.75	32	26	84
Grade 1 Florence E. Hudson	Hyannis Normal*	39	36	40	18.75	32	27	85
CENTER SCHOOL								
Grade 6 Edith M. King	Hyannis Normal	41	30	40	\$21.25	39	36	91
Grade 4 Blanche A. Holmes	Hyannis Normal*	32	108	40	21.25	30	27	90
Grade 4 Mary C. Enos	Hyannis Normal	30	54	40	18.75	29	27	92
Grade 1 Angie M. Swett	Bridgewater Normal	28	24	40	18.75	27	24	88
CONANT STREET SCHOOL								
Grade 6 Katherine B. Jason	Hyannis Normal	35	8	40	\$18.75	33	30	90
Grade 5 Julia M. Perry	Hyannis Normal	29	12	40	18.75	27	24	89

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Teachers	Where Educated	Total enrollment	Terms taught before	Weeks taught	Salary per week	Average membership	Average attendance	Per Cent attendance
EASTERN SCHOOL								
Grade 4 Jennie M. Barton	Worcester Normal	32	68	40	\$21.25	32	30	93
Grade 3 Mary Henderson	Hyannis Normal	32	8	40	18.75	31	27	86
Grade 2 Bessie E. Corea	Hyannis Normal	36	23	40	18.75	32	29	89
Grade 1 Mary J. Jacobs	Hyannis Normal	36	15	40	18.75	34	30	96
WESTERN SCHOOL								
Grade 4 Clara L. Watson	Hyannis Normal	35	8	40	\$18.75	29	28	88
Grade 3 Carrie A. Cowing	Normal Training School	43	114	40	21.25	35	32	90
Grade 2 Helen M. Sylvia	Hyannis Normal	42	24	40	18.75	41	39	95
Grade 1 Virginia Williams	Bridgewater Normal	30	33	40	18.75	27	24	87
SPECIAL SCHOOL								
Mary A. O'Neill, Ungr.	Hyannis Normal	18	2	20	\$22.50	16	14	88
MUSIC SUPERVISOR								
Josephine A. Patterson	Nth. Adams Summer	904	18	40	\$21.50			
	*Attended without graduating							

CENSUS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

Boys between ages 5 and 7	71	
Girls between ages 5 and 7		76
Boys between ages 7 and 14	278	
Girls between ages 7 and 14		296
Boys between ages 14 and 16	95	
Girls between ages 14 and 16		91
Total number of boys	444	
Total number of girls		463
Total number of boys and girls		907

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1922-1923

Total enrollment	904
Average membership	826
Average attendance	775
Percent of attendance	93
Number enrolled between 5 and 7	147
Number enrolled between 7 and 14	574
Number enrolled between 14 and 16	143
Number enrolled over 16	40

REPORT OF SIGHT AND HEARING TEST

	No. examined	No. defective sight	No. defective hearing	No. parents notified
High School	139	7	0	7
Governor Bradford Center	127	12	1	13
Conant	124	13	0	13
Eastern	56	10	1	11
Western	144	18	1	15
Grammar	117	5	0	5
Special	172	18	3	21
	15	6	1	7
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Totals	894	89	7	92

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 1924

Winter term, 14 weeks, January 2 to April 5, 1924.

Spring term, 10 weeks, April 14 to June 21, 1924.

Fall term, 16 weeks, September 3 to December 20, 1924.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS FOR 1924

January 1, New Year's Day.

February 22, Washington's Birthday.

April 19, Patriot's Day.

May 30, Memorial Day.

July 4, Independence Day.

September 1, Labor Day.

October 12, Columbus Day.

November 27, Thanksgiving Day.

November 28, Day following Thanksgiving.

December 25, Christmas Day.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE PROVINCE-
TOWN HIGH SCHOOL
THURSDAY, JUNE TWENTY-FIRST, NINETEEN
TWENTY-THREE, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

PROGRAM

Selections—Orchestra

March—Orchestra

Audience remain seated

Invocation

Rev. George A. Grant, S.T.D.

Chorus—The Water Mill

J. C. Macy

School

Salutatory

Elizabeth Malvina Hamblin

Class History

William Antone Forrest

Essay—The French Invasion of the Ruhr Valley

Phyllis Alden Higgins

Chorus—The Light of Youth

J. C. Macy

Male Chorus

Class Trip to Washington

Catherine Rose Silva

Oration—Athletics in Our High School

Myron Carlton Viera

Class Prophecy

Charles Warren Lema

Class Will

Emma Louise Smith

Chorus—The Mail-Plane

George B. Nevin

School

Valedictory

Harriet Frances McInnis

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Simeon C. Smith, Chairman of School Board

Class Song

Benediction

Rev. George A. Grant, S.T.D.

CLASS SONG

Oh, classmates dear, the time has come
 When we must say good-bye,
 And from each other we must part,
 With many, many, many sighs.
 The happy times we've had together
 In our dear old P.H.S.
 Will cheer us in the times in life
 When things have gone amiss.

CHORUS

Farewell, dear classmates, farewell,
 Farewell, I say
 And farewell, dear P. H. S., to thee,
 Farewell to thee,
 We leave our haven by the sea
 Farewell, farewell, P. H. S. to thee.

CLASS ROLL

William Antone Forrest	Harriet Frances McInnis
Elizabeth Malvina Hamblin	Catherine Rose Silva
Phyllis Alden Higgins	Emma Louise Smith
Charles Warren Lema	Myron Carlton Viera

CLASS MOTTO

We Build the Ladder by Which We Rise

CLASS COLORS

Blue and Gold

FACULTY

Pheobe E. Freeman	Peace E. Warren
Ann M. Featherstone	Florence C. Wilder

MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Mrs. Josephine Patterson

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Simeon C. Smith, Chairman

Dr. Frank O. Cass

Myrick C. Young

SUPERINTENDENT

Jerome P. Fogwell

Geraldine Tavers
 Helen C. Tavers.
 Geraldine Tavers

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Geraldine Tavers
 Helen Tavers