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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**TOWN OFFICERS**  
**OF**  
**KINGSTON**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**For the Financial Year Ending December 31st**

**1929**

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**With the Report of the**  
**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
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REPORT OF SELECTMEN  
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## Report of Town Clerk

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ANNUAL MARCH MEETING At Reed Community Building, March 2, 1929.

Then met the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in town affairs.

The polls opened at 6 o'clock A. M. and closed at 3 o'clock P. M. Whole number of ballots cast 708.

Tellers appointed as follows: George F. Smith, John C. McGrath, Charles F. Cook, Peter F. Dries, Royal C. Randall, Parker A. Glass, John S. Malone, Percy Bailey, Edward E. Bird.

On account of town Moderator Harold J. Weston not in town George Palmer Holmes chosen moderator, Pro Tem.

The following officers were elected:

Selectmen: Frank L. Armstrong for one year; John T. Cushman for one year; George F. Sever for one year.

Town Clerk—Henry S. Everson for one year.

Moderator—Harold J. Weston for one year.

Assessor—John R. Monks for one year.

Town Treasurer—Frank A. Randall for one year.

Collector of Taxes—Frank A. Randall for one year.

Water Commissioner—Harold L. Cook for three years.

Department of Public Welfare—John T. Cushman for one year; Geo. E. Fogg for one year; Albert H. Holmes for one year.

Highway Surveyor—Warren S. Nickerson.

Constables—Herbert L. Glass for one year; Eugene C. Merry for one year.

School Committee—Ruth H. Bailey for three years; Jacob H. Dries for three years.

Trustees of Public Library—Henry L. Barker for three years; Harvey A. Soule for three years.

Tree Warden—Charles H. Childs for one year.  
 The meeting adjourned until Saturday the 9th day of March at 1:30 P. M. at the Reed Community Building.  
 March 9, 1929. Business Meeting. Meeting called to order by Harold J. Weston, Moderator at 1:30 P. M.  
 The following officers were chosen:  
 Pound Keeper—Charles E. Lowe.  
 Field Driver—Thomas Kelliher.  
 Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—Fred G. Brackett, Edgar W. Loring.  
 Director of Farm Bureau—Horace Holmes.  
 Fence Viewers—Roland Bailey, sworn; George E. Cushman, sworn.  
 Fish Committee—Edward E. Bird, George E. Cushman, Arthur B. Holmes.

Art. 3. Voted: That the report of the town officers be accepted.

Art. 4. Voted to raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.

Voted: the following appropriations:

Moderator	\$25.00
Selectmen	900.00
Accounting	1,200.00
Treasurer and Collector	2,010.00
Assessors expenses	

(Salary for each \$350.00)

(Expenses 200.00)

(Chairman 25.00)

	1,275.00
Indemnification to Commonwealth	200.00
Town Survey	1,500.00
Legal Expenses	300.00
Town Clerk, Salary \$100.00	250.00
Election and Registration	200.00
Town House	700.00
Suppression of Crime	1,000.00
Fire Dept.	3,000.00

Sealer of Weights and Measures	300.00
Moth Department	1,575.00
Tree Warden	150.00
Forest Fires	500.00
Trimming Woods Roads	100.00
Board of Health	1,800.00
Inspection of Animals	150.00
Inspection of Slaughtering	100.00
General Highway	10,000.00
Howland's Lane	3,000.00
Land Damage (Landing Road)	898.48
Sidewalk (Construction)	500.00
Sidewalk (Repairs)	1,000.00
Snow Removal	1,000.00
Street Lighting	2,375.00
Public Welfare	10,000.00
State Aid	360.00
Soldier's Relief	365.00
School Department	43,380.00
(Including \$35.00 for ex. outside of Mass.)	
Public Library	2,300.00
Playground	2,500.00
Town Green and Memorial Plot	125.00
Memorial Day	200.00
American Legion	300.00
Farm Bureau	100.00
Miscellaneous (Town Reports)	800.00
Reserve	1,000.00
Water Department	8,325.00
Fish Committee	10.00
Interest	4,500.00
Maturity Debt.	11,500.00
Water Dept. Main and Summer Sts.	1,500.00
Pembroke St. rebuilding	7,500.00
Art. 12 Unpaid Bills	91.79
Art. 13 Unpaid Bills	39.17
Art. 15 Rebinding Records	200.00

Art. 18 Old Burying Ground	100.00
Art. 22 Additional Street Lamps	180.00

\$131,884.44

Voted—That the recommendation of \$500.00 be increased to \$1,000.00 the sum to be expended mainly on the walks for pedestrians to be built in connection with the State Highway construction between Kingston R. R. station and Kingston-Plymouth line.

Voted Article 5. That the treasurer be authorized to borrow money with the approval of a majority of the Board of Selectmen in anticipation of taxes such money to be paid from receipts of Taxes for the current year.

Voted Article 6. To appropriate the sum of \$898.48 to be used in payment of Land and property damages incurred in connection with the rebuilding of Landing Road in 1928.

Voted Article 7. That the appropriation of \$7,500.00 to be expended in cooperative construction of the section of Pembroke St. as proposed, this appropriation to be made on the basis of the participation by the State to the extent of \$1500.00 and by the County of \$7500.00

Voted Article 8. That the Selectmen be authorized to sign in behalf of the town an agreement to indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade, and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out, alteration construction or reconstruction of the State Highway known as Main Street and Summer Street between the Kingston railroad crossing and the Kingston-Plymouth town line or any section or relocation thereof, and appropriate \$200.00 therefor.

Voted Article 9. That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 to be expended in making such changes to mains, hydrants, curb boxes and services as are necessary or advisable in connection with reconstruction of Main and Summer Streets by the State Highway Department.

Voted Article 10. That the town transfer the sum of \$974.28 representing the unexpended balance of appropriation known as Wapping Road C. and the sum of \$395.16 representing the unexpended balance of appropriation known as relaying mains Landing Road to the relaying of mains of Crescent St. and Smith Lane.

Voted Article 12. That the persons named below be paid the sums set against their respective names amounting in the aggregate to \$91.79.

N. K. Noyes bill dated January 3, 1929 for professional services July 1, 1927 to January 1928 Dept of Public Welfare	\$53.50
Memorial Press Dated March 4, 1927 Finance Committee	22.50
Plymouth Electric Light Co., Light for Legion Quarters 1927	.75
J. J. Shepherd & Sons, returning deaths 1928	5.00
Jennie F. McLauthlin Library Expenses 1928	5.04
Edgar W. Loring, Fuel Community Bldg.	5.00

\$91.79

Voted Article 13. That Tura Bros. be paid from Highway Department account of 1925	\$11.35
and from Highway Department account of 1926	27.82

\$39.17

Voted Article 15. That there be appropriated \$200.00 for rebinding certain records, binding into volumes the file of town Reports and indexing, listing and cataloging all records of the town in the custody or control of town officers, as designated by Section 48, Chapter 40 of the General Laws.

Voted Article 17. That the town authorize the Selectmen to sell the Stony Brook School House and lot, it being no longer required by the School Committee for school purposes.

Voted Article 18. That the town appropriate \$100.00 to be used under the direction of the Selectmen for laying out the recently acquired pauper lot adjoining the Old Burying Ground.

Voted Article 22. That the town appropriate \$180.00 for 13 additional street lamps for 1929.

Voted Article 28. That the town authorize the moderator to appoint a committee of three for the purpose of making a study of and drafting by-laws for the conduct of town offices as related to the general government of the Selectmen, Board of Health, Highway and Police regulations and to submit such a draft for action at a subsequent town meeting.

Voted—That there be appropriated \$5260.00 from free unappropriated cash for use of the assessors in reducing the tax levy of the current year.

Adjourned at 5 o'clock P. M.

HENRY S. EVERSON, *Town Clerk*.

#### RESIGNATION OF WELFARE BOARD

Kingston, March 9, 1929.

To Henry S. Everson, Town Clerk.

Based on my two years experience as chairman of the Board of Public Welfare, I am sure the Work of the department can be handled to much better advantage if its membership is the same as the board of Selectmen and Board of Health.

I, therefore, hereby tender my resignation as a member of the Board of Public Welfare, same to take effect not later than March 15, 1929.

Respectfully yours,

John T. Cushman.

Kingston, March 9, 1929.

To Henry S. Everson, Town Clerk.

From my experience as a member of the Board of Public Welfare during the past year, I am of the opinion that the work of the department can be better accomplished if the membership of the Board of Selectmen, Health and Welfare are the same. On that account I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the Kingston Board of Public Welfare, same to become effective not later than March 15.

Respectfully yours,

George E. Fogg.

Kingston, March 9, 1929.

To Henry S. Everson, Town Clerk.

Having closely observed the various requirements and functions of the Kingston Board of Selectmen, Board of Health and Board of Public Welfare during the past eight years, I am firmly convinced the very best interests of the town can only be provided if the personnel of the three Boards is the same as was the case prior to the change made in March 1928. That it may again be possible and in the hope the three Boards will once more function as a unit, I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the Kingston Board of Public Welfare, same to become effective not later than March 15, 1929.

Respectfully yours,

Albert H. Holmes.

Kingston, March 19, 1929.

At a meeting this date of the Selectmen, the following were appointed as Board of Public Welfare.

Mrs. Margaret B. Lyman

Henry J. Prouty

John T. Smith

Henry S. Everson, Town Clerk.

Kingston, March 19, 1929.

At a meeting of the Selectmen the following were appointed police officers:

Colice Tison	Peter F. Dries
Howard L. Rushton	P. Cabot Rushton
Eugene C. Merry	Eugene C. Merry
Nunnie Pederzini	Herbert L. Glass
Willie Terrill	

Henry S. Everson, Town Clerk.

Howard L. Rushton, Colice Tison and Willie Terrill are released of all duties as special police officers.

George F. Sever, appointed Chief of Police.

Kingston, April 5, 1929.

The moderator of the town has made the following appointments on the Finance Committee for three years

John E. Wright,

Dr. H. G. Briggs,

Furlong Hilton

Harold J. Weston, Moderator.

Kingston, May 2, 1929.

The moderator having received the resignation of Furlong Hilton from the Finance Board has appointed Harry Tilton in his place.

Harold J. Weston, Moderator.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING. At Reed Community House, on the evening of September 5, 1929.

Then met the inhabitants of the town qualified to vote in town affairs, about 250 voters present. The meeting was called to order by the moderator Harold J. Weston.

The following motions were acted upon:

Art. 1. On motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6500.00 for additional water supply as this required a 2-3 vote the motion was lost. 90 voting in the affirmative and 73 in the negative.

Voted the indefinite postponement of Articles 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14. Yes 118 No 29.

Voted: That the town accept Section 2 of Chapter 406 of the Acts of 1928 relating to certain sports and games on the Lord's Day.

Voted Art. 9. That the town appropriate \$500.00 from surplus revenue for the purpose of removing the six inch water main now carried on the road surface of the railroad bridge at Howland's Lane and reinstalling it outside the bridge on suitable supports on the westerly side.

Art. 13. Passed over.

Adjourned at 9:15

Henry S. Everson, Town Clerk.



## MARRIAGES RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR 1929

January 1. Emil DeMulder, of Kingston and Dorothy Oldham, of Plymouth, Married in Plymouth.

January 27. Joseph Demingo, of Dedham, and Evelyn Rocco, of Duxbury.

February 7. Henry J. Busi, of Plymouth and Edna A. Leonardi, of Kingston.

February 20. Hugo T. Santheson, of Duxbury, and Miriam Haskell, of Kingston, married in Plymouth.

February 23. Paul R. Bates, of Duxbury, and Annie G. Kane, of Plymouth.

April 3. Archibald E. Queripel, of Kingston, and Della M. Walsh, of Jamaica Plain.

April 6. Joseph F. Bolton, and Hope F. Perkins, both of Duxbury.

April 20. James Maloni, of Kingston, and Norma Fortini, of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.

April 27. Francis H. Niemi, of Cambridge, and Emma Tyla Padelford, of Kingston, married in Providence, R. I.

May 11. Arthur W. Ash, of Pembroke, and Mabel L. Bonney, of Kingston, married in Plymouth.

May 18. Terrence J. McManus, of Kingston, and Loumina Savard, of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.

May 26. Allan J. Bigley and Mary E. Tyman, both of Duxbury.

May 28. Chester R. Newton, and Margaret A. Willett, both of Marshfield.

June 8. William Monti, of Plymouth, and Mary Malaguti, of Kingston, married in Plymouth.

June 8. Elmer Donati, of Bridgewater, and Eleanor Malaguti, of Kingston, married in Plymouth.

June 12. John R. Holmes and Norma L. Tassinari, both of Kingston.

June 15. Vincent Vernazzaro, of Kingston, and Louise Bretti, of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.

June 17. Alfred A. MacLaron, of Lake Worth, Florida, and Alice T. Dore, of Kingston, married in Nashua, N. H.

June 23. Silvio Taruti, of Plymouth, and Mary Correa, of Kingston.

June 29. Albert E. Henry, of Kingston, and Alice Bergami, of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.

July 8. William T. Hanigan, of Boston, and Marianne J. Coughlin, of Duxbury.

July 8. Clifton E. Wood and Gladys E. Lawton, both of Marshfield.

July 21. Kenneth W. Trimper and Edna M. Wright, both of Marshfield.

August 17. Donald W. Richardson, of Needham, and Rae E. White, of Kingston.

August 22. Rolland T. Haskell, of Gloucester, and Beatrice McGrath, of Duxbury.

August 29. Judson B. Chapman and Janet C. Baker, both of Kingston, married in Littleton.

September 1. Lucien A. Laurent, of Plymouth, and Josephine DeMulder, of Kingston, married in Plymouth.

September 1. Ellsworth C. Bailey and Helen M. Farrington, both of Kingston.

September 7. George B. Cushing, Jr., of Duxbury, and Mary H. Stanley, of Whitman.

September 14. Charles E. Rock, of Plymouth, and Olive M. Gould, of Kingston, married in Plymouth.

September 15. Albion C. Davis, of Kingston, and Grace Gaudreau, of Quincy.

September 27. Clarence L. Curtice, of Nashua, N. H., and Florence M. Esy, of Kingston.

September 29. Norman R. Baker, and Hazel J. Merry, both of Kingston, married in Littleton.

October 12. Frank N. Freyermuth, of Kingston, and Margaret M. Seaver, of Plymouth.



October 12. Russell H. Zahn, of Kingston, and Josephine B. Pratt, of Plymouth.

October 12. Edwin S. White, of Quincy, and Ruth M. Malone, of Kingston.

October 14. Irene Thibodeau, of Hull, and Gertrude E. Wright, of Kingston.

October 16. Louis A. French, of Pittsfield, N. H., and Jennie L. Meskelley, of Kingston, married in Winthrop.

October 19. Paul Cabot Rushton and Mary M. Grant, both of Kingston, married in Melrose, Nova Scotia.

October 23. William G. Adams, of Somerville and Rena E. Dunbar, of Kingston.

October 26. Leo Jaeger, of Kingston, and Annie M. Brenner, of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.

October 26. Russell C. Loring, of Kingston, and Irene M. Packard, of Brockton, married in Brockton.

October 26. Jacob W. Brenner, of Plymouth, and Marjorie M. Bruneau, of Kingston, married in Plymouth.

November 28. John J. Hickey, of Kingston, and Rilla G. Nickerson, of Plymouth.

December 14. Charles J. Gollant, of Somerville, and Helen P. Joan, of Kingston, married in Somerville.

December 15. James P. Gonsalves and Mary Lopes, both of Marshfield.

## BIRTHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 1929

Date	Name	Name of Parent's
Jan. 11.	Joseph Alfred Goyoni	Ralph Goyoni and Sylvia Wood
Jan. 22.	Louis Nogueira	Joseph Nogueira and Mary
Jan. 28.	Porter Wadsworth Loring	Robert C. Loring and Lucy B. Porter
Jan. 29.	Lola Tassinari	Robert A. Tassinari and Pauline A. Nickerson
Feb. 1.	Betty Amelia Federzini	Nurmie A. Federzini and Alice L. Balboni
Feb. 15.	Dorothy Mae Santheson	Hugo T. Santheson and Miriam Haskell
Feb. 21.	Illegitimate	and
Feb. 27.	Stillborn	and
Mar. 16.	Stillborn	and
Mar. 21.	Monnet Pires, Jr.	Monnet Pires and Mary Doris
Mar. 24.	James Osborne Everett, Jr.	James O. Everett and Marna Holmes
Mar. 28.	Stirley Mabel Calkins	Rupert V. Calkins and Isabelle T. Bonney
Apr. 11.	Donald Moore	John J. Moore and Pauline Gapon
Apr. 23.	Doris Bailey Chandler	Leon B. Chandler and Ellen J. Watson
Apr. 24.	James Joseph Bosari, Jr.	James J. Bosari and Francis M. Grozenzer
June 11.	Anne Garuti	Primo Garuti and Iside Leonard
June 16.	Julia Yvette Bouchard	Charles Bouchard and Albertina Gagnon
July 1.	Robert Henry Benca	Florinda Benca and Mary B. Dlozzi
July 18.	Dexter Leroy Gasper	Michael A. Gasper and Florence B. Grozenzer
July 21.	Mario Regina Laura Hebert	Philip E. Hebert and Irene B. Martin
July 29.	Robert Louis Verdelli	Paul A. Verdelli and Annie Colt
July 30.	Ethel Mary Finney	Joseph C. Finney and Mary Frles
Aug. 9.	Virginia Ruth Brown	Frankie Brown and Wilhelmina Krieger
Aug. 10.	Betty Jean Cole	George F. Cole and Mildred G. Knight
Aug. 11.	Margaret Marilyn Mueller	Carl Mueller and Mary A. Garvey
Aug. 11.	----- Grozenzer	Walter A. Grozenzer and Virginia
Aug. 29.	Savanna Roselle Tarantino	Savanna A. Tarantino and Laura G. Bontarous
Aug. 30.	Beta Davis Vabrian	Waldo Vabrian and Sarah Minzelli
Sept. 7.	Robert Francis Muthig	Alfred C. Muthig and Helen A. Hickey
Sept. 7.	Theresa Mildred Bonball	Royal C. Bonball and Amanda R. Parsons
Sept. 16.	Richard Thomas Guidaboni	Gustavo Guidaboni and Albertina Gili
Sept. 23.	Arthur Bouchard	Albardo Bouchard and Phebe Gagne
Oct. 7.	Robert Eugene Builini	Amadio C. Builini and Lucy M. Ross
Oct. 8.	Charles Van Wart Thayer	Charles Van Wart Thayer and Martha J. Peck
Nov. 2.	Marion Josephine Peterson	Stimex C. Peterson and Alice J. McPho
Nov. 1.	Pauline Belle Hatch	Paul R. Hatch and Grace B. Phillips
Nov. 7.	Dorothy Alberto Douglas	Alfred W. Douglas and Aili Anderson
Nov. 12.	Francis Vinzen Tura	Alfonzo Tura and Josephine Sacenti
Nov. 16.	Illegitimate	Ferdinand Gollerani and Annie M. Moran
Dec. 6.	Illegitimate	and
Dec. 22.	Alexander Andrew Forni	Alexander A. Forni and Alice L. Rohdeau

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY S. EVERSON,

Town Clerk.

## DEATHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON IN THE YEAR 1929

Date	Name	Age		Cause of Death	Parent's Names
		Y.	M. D.		
Jan. 1	Celina Jean	68	8	26Cerebral Embolism	Prudent Jondreau and Marie Basse
Jan. 22	Charlotte A. Winsor	85	9	6Pneumonia	Henry Green and ... Faunce
Jan. 31	John B. Merry	81	2	29Pneumonia	James Merry and Elizabeth Hendry
Feb. 14	Abbie Soule	76	8	16Pneumonia	Henry Soule and Zilpha W. Cook
Feb. 18	Ada A. Brewster	86	8	24Pneumonia	Elisha Brewster and Elizabeth Bates
Feb. 22	Oliver M. Harrie, Jr.	1	6	12Pneumonia	Oliver M. Harrie and Hazel M. Noyes
Feb. 25	Grace DeMangle	18	7	23Pneumonia	Louis Spinuzzi and Angela Divino
Feb. 27				Stillborn	... and ...
Mar. 4	Henry E. Cook	100	8	15Cerebrosis	Asa Cook and Rebecca Dunham
Mar. 5	Mary H. Wadsworth	82	2	14Cerebral Hemorrhage	Lewis Peterson and Julia A. Brewster
Mar. 16				Stillborn	... and ...
Mar. 17	Rosa B. Lucin	64	6	1Mitral Stenosis	Charles J. Kraft and Elizabeth Margrott
... 7	Phillip J. Smith	70	8	15Myocarditis	Patrick Smith and Nancy Reynolds
Apr. 10	Carrie E. Cold	60	6	16Dilatation of Heart	Herbert Cobb and Juliette Gray
Apr. 20	Doris C. Sampson	41	3	11Suicide	Joseph Priestly and Martha L. Johnston
Apr. 22	Orrick H. Kelley	77	4	28Sepsicemia	Orrick Kelley and Lydia Chase
May 24	Faunde H. Bates	64	9	28Endocarditis	George H. Bryant and Leora Drake
June 2	Frederick B. Wood	7	8	5Fracture of Skull	Bernard F. Wood and Jennie Smith
June 11	Hjalmer Olsson	53	2	27Aortic Insufficiency	Gustave Olsson and Josephine Stray
June 12	Orthon S. Cushman	79	8	20Carcinoma	David H. Farnum and Mary Winslow
June 26	Peter Busler	71	4	20Myocarditis	Philip Busler and Barbara Mueller
July 2	Josephine Peterson	80	5	22Pneumonia of Uterus	Olaf Chandler and Emily Sampson
July 3	Elizabeth T. Chandler	79	4	15Angina	George S. Cushman and Sarah A. Brewster
Aug. 3	Elizabeth H. Taylor	67	3	21Embollism	Carroll Scholley and Janet Fair
Sept. 16	Charles E. A. Bonney	79	6	28Myocarditis	John Bonney and Mary H. Maglathlin
Sept. 26	John W. Turner	76	11	15Pneumonia	John W. Turner and Maria Pratt
Oct. 16	Helen W. Faunce	82	7	10Endocarditis	Joseph Fish and Charley Peter
Oct. 22	William R. Sherwood	11	26	26Pneumonia	Vernon C. Sherwood and Louise Paul
Oct. 23	Annie E. Howland	67	9	12Cerebral Hemorrhage	Charles E. Bryant and Pefcella C. Bradford
Oct. 27	Domenica C. Longinotti	51	8	16Carcinoma	Antonio Longinotti and Josephine Groviatta
Nov. 25	Rose S. Churchill	60	11	21Hemorrhage	Frederic H. Churchill and Elizabeth Burgess
Nov. 30	Angeline Kennedy	92	11	26Pneumonia	James Kennedy and Angeline Holmes
Nov. 30	Mary McGrath	78	3	24Cerebral Hemorrhage	Michael McGrath and Ellen Clatley
Dec. 27	Addie S. Wright	65	1	26Cerebral Hemorrhage	Allen B. Wright and Sarah ...

## Report of the Selectmen

At the annual town meeting March 2nd, 1929, the following were elected to the office of Selectmen and Board of Health:

George F. Sever  
Frank L. Armstrong  
John T. Cushman

These departments organized on the evening of March 5th, 1929 as follows:

Chairman Board of Selectmen: George F. Sever  
Chairman Board of Health: John T. Cushman

These two boards having the same personnel meet at the Selectmen's office in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening of each week.

**STATE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM.** When this system was first installed the cost of organizing and putting it into effect was in the year 1927, \$2500.93. In the year 1928 the bills for this service were \$1268.10. The bill rendered for the audit made in 1929 was \$352.55, making the total cost to date \$4121.58 or an average over the three years of \$1373.86. Thus it is seen as this accounting system becomes more and more effective and the conduct of the work is more exact, that the cost of the yearly audit greatly diminishes.

**STREET LIGHTING.** There are now in use by the town 121-60 C. P. street lamps costing at \$20.00 per year \$2420.00. There are 3-100 C. P. lamps at \$23.00 each costing \$69.00 and there are 2-600 C. P. lamps at \$70.00 per year costing \$140.00 or a total of \$2629.00 per year. Many of the lamps have been shifted from one pole to another so as to give more uniform illumination along our highways and at strategical points. It is recommended by the selectmen that nine additional 60 C. P. lamps be installed at predetermined points and one 600 C. P. lamp

be installed in the business district. These would cost \$250.00 more and make the total recommended appropriation \$2900.00.

**STATE AID.** There was appropriated \$360.00, and \$228.00 of this has been expended. For the first two months of the year there were four recipients of this aid at \$6.00 per month, making an expenditure for this of \$24.00 per month. Commencing in March there were only three recipients at \$6.00 a month, making \$18.00 per month. One of these is a widow of a Civil War Veteran and the other two are veterans of the Civil War.

**SOLDIERS' RELIEF.** One recipient of Soldiers' Relief has established a new settlement so that since August no disbursements have been made from this fund.

**PEMBROKE STREET.** At the annual town meeting in March 1929 the town voted to appropriate \$7500.00 to be used in co-operation with the state and county in the building of Pembroke Street from a point about 2300 feet north of the railroad bridge to Waterman's Lane, so called, a distance of about 5300 feet. The County's appropriation to this was \$7500.00 and the State's \$15,000.00, making the total monies available \$30,000.00. It was found that the work could be carried down to station 62 at or about Evergreen Street, thus making the total completed work 6200 feet. The layout is 50 feet from the beginning to Waterman's Lane and remains 40 feet from that point to Evergreen Street. The hard surface is 20 feet wide and the contractor was Amos D. Bridge's Sons, Inc., of Hazardville, Conn. A cut was made thru the woods at the beginning of the layout so as to avoid the bad curve which parallels that section. Drainage has been provided at the end of the line at the junction of Evergreen, Pembroke Street and Wapping Road so that the storm water is taken down and spills into the river over the embankment on the property of Miss Helen Holmes. The total expenditures

for this work amount to \$29,053.73 and there is left as a balance of the town's appropriation \$235.59 which is available for such use as the selectmen might determine upon in connection with unfinished matters relating to the road construction. The N. Y. N. H. & H. Railroad Co. removed their board fences at the overhead bridge and have put on longitudinal planks so that the vision at this point has been greatly improved and the hazard of an obstructed view has been removed.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT.** The appropriation for this department was \$1500.00 and a transfer was made to this department in the fall of 1929 of \$75.00 and the expenditures have been \$1500.30. The expenditures for wages, including the police assigned to the Rocky Nook Pavilion amount to about 65% of the appropriation. 26% has been spent for traffic and direction signs. Expenses amount to about 5% and equipment for the police to about 4%. The police have been active in making the necessary arrests for violation of the liquor laws and for traffic violations. There have been numerous cases of the killing of geese, hens and rabbits by dogs and the costs to the County for the killing of domestic animals has amounted to quite a considerable sum. There have been numerous cases of domestic difficulty that the police have had to handle and those who have committed small breaks have been apprehended and brought before the court in Plymouth and given appropriate sentences. The operations of the Police Department come under the direction of the selectmen under section 96 of chapter 41 of the General Laws. The selectmen are recommending for this coming year an appropriation of \$2200.00 to cover all those items which come under the operations of a Police Department. This \$2200.00 has been budgeted so as to show the amount for wages, expenses, traffic warning signs and equipment. The automobile traffic imposes hazards on our highways and the Governor's Committee on Street and Highway Safety has appointed the selectmen as the representatives of the town on this



committee. The publicity material which this committee is issuing and the meetings which occur from time to time point out the serious hazards that are in existence and which ought to be controlled, and so far as possible, eliminated for the safety of the townspeople on our highways. There have been installed 25 yellow traffic warning signs at important points, these being built in accordance with the very careful specifications of the American Engineering Council. Since the installation of these signs the Department of Public Works has issued recommendations that signs of the same character be installed by cities and towns at points where the demand is warranted. It is hoped that we can install additional signs which are evidently necessary and provision is made for this in the appropriation for the Police Department. In addition to the traffic warning signs there have been installed numerous direction signs and there are at present 42 direction posts and 130 direction arrows. These are very important aids to the automobilists and others who pass thru town and there are still a few locations where such direction signs should be installed.

**STREET NAME SIGNS.** There has been prepared a careful and accurate list of the location of STREET NAME SIGNS of which there appear to be about 48. These Street Name Signs are different from the direction signs in that they tell what the name of the street is, and they are of the aluminum type, similar to those in use in Plymouth. They are designed to be placed on pipe posts set in cement footings. The total cost of these signs is about \$475.00 and it is suggested that a two year program be arranged for the purchase and installation of such signs, and the selectmen are recommending and appropriation of \$260.00 for the year 1930 to cover the installation of 22 of these street name signs. They would be extremely helpful, enabling people, particularly strangers, during this coming year to know what the names of our streets are.

**OLD BURYING GROUND.** The Selectmen have charge of the Old Burying Ground and this year two employees were active in maintaining the character of this burying ground, the money for this work being derived from the Lucy Prince Ames fund which gives about \$900.00 to \$1000.00 per year for taking care of this interesting portion of the town's property. \$856.50 have been spent on wages and \$54.95 on equipment or a total of \$911.45.

**TOWN GREEN AND MEMORIAL PLOT.** These two places have been kept in excellent condition this year under the direction of William M. Post. It might be a desirable scheme to plant ivy on the face of the stone wall facing on the Town Green which in years to come would add to the attractiveness of the surroundings of this historic plot.

**SIDEWALKS ON MAIN AND SUMMER STREET.** The Department of Public Works this year rebuilt Summer and Main Street from the railroad crossing in front of the postoffice to the Plymouth line, a distance of about 12,200 feet. The opportunity was had for the town to build sidewalks along both sides of this street and this has been accomplished by the dumping of spoil from the roadway excavation and its spreading by both town and contractor's forces. In order to provide a smooth hard surface over the whole length of both sides of the street it is recommended that proper surfacing be undertaken, particularly at those points where rough stone and large gravel has been left. An appropriation of \$1000.00 is recommended for this work.

In these days of high speed traffic along this road and the dense traffic which will exist from this season on, it is important to provide the pedestrians with some place to walk, and from all the reports that have come to us the pedestrians walking on the highway contribute one of the most hazardous things that there is, and if he can be given an opportunity to use a sidewalk and edu-

ented to it, many of our automobile accidents will be eliminated.

**TOWN HOUSE.** This year the town house has been pretty thoroughly cleaned inside, and the long unused blinds have been removed and stored in the house in the rear of the town hall. It is not proposed to paint these blinds or to reinstall them. By the admission of sunlight and air, the town hall has assumed a quite different aspect. Some painting has been done, the smoke pipe from the heater has been protected and the heater has been repaired. The selectmen have prepared an estimate of the repairs of the town house which involves expenditures of about \$4000.00, and this is given in detail herewith.

Item	1930
<b>REPAIRS TO EXTERIOR</b>	
Carpentry & gutters	\$500.00
Painting exterior, (1 coat)	600.00
<b>REPAIRS TO INSIDE</b>	
Carpentry	100.00
Plastering	400.00
Painting interior	500.00
Protection of smoke pipe	30.00
Installation of radiators and change in piping	300.00
Rearrangement of water pipes to boiler room	15.00
Boiler room fireproof & cement on floor	75.00
New toilets	150.00
Window shades	40.00
Grating for lower windows	100.00
Glass in women's room windows	20.00
Pipe rail on front steps	20.00
Move bubbler	10.00
New ventilators	50.00
Stairway from N. W. window to ground	250.00
Hardware for main doors & street door	30.00
Oil Burner	750.00
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	\$3940.00
Overall figure	\$4000.00

The Selectmen are unanimous in the opinion that definite action should be taken this year by the citizens relative to the Town Hall. The Board feels that the present Town Hall, if repaired along the lines suggested by the Selectmen, will be suitable for town offices and for the use of the citizens as a public gathering place. As it stands at present it is *not* a public building of which the citizens can be proud. As a business proposition the citizens ought to decide whether or not they will vote to appropriate a sufficient sum of money to put the building in such condition as will make it comfortable and presentable and useful.

We earnestly urge that the citizens give most serious consideration to this vital subject.

**BOUNDS FOR TOWN WAYS.** Outside of some of the state highways and the co-operative roads built under chapter 90, we have no bounds or markers for our town ways, and it becomes somewhat difficult to locate these lines when they are required for the proper maintenance of the highways and also for the establishment of the line in front of private property. For this reason we are recommending the appropriation of \$500.00 for the commencement of a program for the placement of cement bounds with a bronze cap on the top, similar in character to those which have been recently installed by the Plymouth County Commissioners on our co-operative roads, and the expenses which would be involved cover a master pattern, a hundred of these bronze caps, a hundred cement posts and the balance covering the survey and setting of these posts. This is a very desirable thing to have and would fix for a long period the lines of our roads.

**TOWN BY-LAWS.** At the March meeting of 1929 the Moderator was authorized to appoint a committee of three to prepare by-laws and submit them for action by the town. The moderator appointed the selectmen as a committee to do this work and by-laws have been

prepared and carefully considered by the Board and will be submitted in due course and in conformity with the vote passed by the town.

**WILLIS FUND.** This fund was established by William Henry Willis, a former Kingston citizen. The terms of the will relating to this matter are as follows:

"After the payment of the above named legacies to the parties named, the remainder of my Estate shall be paid to the said Town of Kingston and shall be invested by the Selectmen of said Town and the interest of said investment distributed among the poor children of said Town by the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen."

The income from this fund was first used in the year 1913. The expenditures during the year 1929 amount to \$170.50. \$120.00 of this was used for the benefit of about twenty-six children at or around the Christmas period. These children received clothing of various types, such as sweaters, shirts, stockings, overshoes, gloves, dresses, handkerchiefs, mittens, sleeping garments and other necessary articles of clothing. This method of procedure seems to have met with a great deal of approval and satisfaction by the recipients.

The determination about the clothing was made through the kindly assistance and co-operation of Miss Emma J. Mange, school nurse and Mrs. Margaret B. Lyman, secretary of the Board of Public Welfare.

## List of Jurors for 1929-1930

NAME	OCCUPATION	RESIDENCE
Harry B. Abbott	Mill Worker	Center Street
Karl F. Anderson	Highway Engineer	Pembroke Street
Ellsworth C. Bailey	Retired	Main Street
Roland S. Bailey	Clerk	Linden Street
R. J. Barbieri	Founder	Home Park
Edmund B. Berry	Clerk	Summer Street
David T. Brown	Salesman	Main Street
Frank L. Bryant	Millworker	Elm Street
Wm. C. Bryant	Clerk	Main Street
Oakley A. Chandler	Millworker	Maple Avenue
Kenneth O. Clarke	Electrician	Main Street
Charles F. Cook	Painter	Summer Street
Wilbur W. Dewing	Bookkeeper	Landing Road
Embree S. Farrington	Jeweler	Summer Street
Howard C. Freeman	Salesman	Main Street
Fred A. Hernandez	Millworker	Summer Street
Albert H. Holmes	Traffic clerk	Main Street
Arthur B. Holmes	Retired	Main Street
Chas. W. Leach	Manager	Green Street
Edgar W. Loring	Coal Dealer	Evergreen Street
Waldo F. Loring	Real Estate	Summer Street
Joseph N. Maglathlin	Tacker	Wapping Road
Melburn P. Merry	Storekeeper	Evergreen Street
R. Leslie Merry	Storekeeper	Maple Avenue
John R. Monks	Retired	Main Street
Arthur W. Pierce	Machinist	Main Street
Howard L. Rushton	Machinist	Main Street
Herbert F. Sollis	Contractor	Pembroke St.
Fred J. Wareham	Foreman	Pembroke St.
Harold J. Weston	Manager	Summer Street



## Report of the Forest Fire Department

The year of 1929 I believe established a record as to the number of calls for forest fires. We answered a total of fifty-five for actual forest fires. Also, on the night before the Fourth of July we answered seven calls for bonfires, etc. around town. Then on ten Sundays and holidays we patrolled as a preventative measure. On account of the underground fires which we had there were twenty-seven trips for inspection and to change watch. This makes a total of ninety-nine times that we were called upon between March 12 and September 1.

In spite of the large number of calls the actual acreage burned was small and this is in no small measure due to the good work of the tower man at Monks Hill. Also, I wish to thank those who reported fires by telephone and the autoists who stopped and reported fires. The cooperation of all these people helped us to get there while the fire was small. Our job is to keep it small. Because of the exceptionally dry summer the expense of this department this year was larger than usual, the total being \$810.95.

Another \$100.00 was spent for cutting out woods roads. This is another factor in the prompt extinguishing of fires as it makes possible driving the apparatus right to the fire. I am again asking that \$100.00 be appropriated this year to continue this program.

HAROLD L. COOK,

*Forest Warden.*

## Report of Kingston Water Department

The Board of Water Commissioners submits the following report for the year of 1929.

**General Conditions:** The general condition of the Town water system is in a very satisfactory condition.

The reservoir which was repaired during 1928 is in a satisfactory condition as the slight seepage which was apparent at the repaired spots at the time of the last report has gradually disappeared presumably due to the minute cracks having filled with floating particles carried in the water.

No further spalling of the exterior surface has taken place and by keeping the water at ground level during the winter month any possibility of trouble from this source is avoided.

The total cost of repairs was approximately \$2213.00

Machinery and buildings at the pumping station have been kept in good repair and new steam heating plant has been installed at a very reasonable figure.

**Pipe Cleaning:**—The supply pipe to the reservoir comprising 7845 feet of 8 in. pipe was cleaned early in the spring at a cost of \$1472.10 and the results have been very gratifying as the pressure gauge at the pumping station shows a drop of 8 lbs. from the head formerly pumped against resulting in a large saving of power and a much increased flow from the reservoir in case of fire.

The 4 in. pipe in Main St. from the Hotel corner to the point well was also cleaned at a cost of \$302.40 resulting in a greatly increased flow through this important section of pipe.

The increased protection afforded the property in this section in case of fire justifies the expenditure.

Main St:—Many changes to mains and hydrants on Main St. were made necessary by the road construction from the Seaside line to the Depot.

Changes in grade or location were necessary for ten hydrants, five of which were replaced by new ones of later type.

Two additional shutoff valves were installed at convenient locations for cutting out sections of the main in case of a break.

Many old services which had been in use since the original installation were replaced and this section is now in very good condition.

This work was covered by a special appropriation of \$1500.00 a portion of which remains unexpended.

Extensions:—No extensions have been made during the year.

Replacement of 550 ft. of 4 in. pipe with 6 in. was made in Smiths Lane and 325 ft. of 4 in. was removed, cleaned and relaid in the same Street replacing the same length of 2 in. pipe.

An additional hydrant was placed at the corner of Smiths Lane and Crescent St. and another at the end of the 4 in. line in Smiths Lane.

Hydrant conditions had been bad in this section for several years but are now very satisfactory.

Hydrants:—No replacement of hydrants has been made during the past year except in the sections mentioned.

Hydrants in the more important sections of the Town are now in a satisfactory condition.

Services:—Only eight new services have been added during the year, however the number of fixtures per service is gradually increasing.

Power and Water Consumption:—Water consumption during the past year exceeded that of 1928 and the protracted drouth of May and June forced the Department to curtail the use of hose somewhat and caution

was urged in the consumption of water for other purposes.

Shortage of water for power and increased demand for water resulted in the largest expenditure for power for several years, exceeding the estimate by nearly \$300.00

### WATER DEPARTMENT BALANCE SHEET FOR 1929 MAINTAINENCE APPROPRIATION

Appropriations:		
March 9th, 1929	\$8,325.00	
Refund, National Boston Lead Co.	19.00	
		<hr/> \$8,344.00
Expenditures:		
Station supplies	\$49.18	
Auto Truck Maintainence	214.43	
Pipe and Fittings	340.87	
Hydrants	21.36	
Power and Light	976.68	
Repairs to Machinery	145.22	
Tools	53.31	
Wood and Coal	86.00	
Freight and Trucking	50.28	
Building Repairs	14.35	
Printing and Office Supplies	38.04	
Telephone	59.50	
Salaries and Wages	3,937.12	
Miscellaneous Expenditures	128.30	
Pipe cleaning	1,759.50	
New Pumping Station Heating Plant	419.20	
		<hr/> \$8,343.34
Balance to Surplus Revenue	.66	
		<hr/> \$8,344.00

### Financial Statement

Total Department Receipts 1929		
Business	\$12,989.62	
1929 Accounts receivable Dec. 31	1,839.28	
	<hr/>	\$14,828.90
Expenditures:		
Maintenance Account	\$8,344.00	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	.66	
	<hr/>	\$8,343.34
Funding of Department Debt.		
Principal	\$5,000.00	
Interest	1,285.38	
	<hr/>	\$14,628.72
Operating Profit	200.18	
	<hr/>	\$14,828.90

### Special Reservoir Repair Account.

Appropriations:		
Balance on hand Jan. 1st, 1929	\$1,208.75	
	<hr/>	\$1,208.75
Expenditures:		
Telephone call	\$35	
Labor and material for extra work over the contract price	161.54	
Final payment to Thomas Mulcare Inc., on contract	259.95	
	<hr/>	\$421.84
Unexpended Balance Dec. 31st 1929		\$786.91

### Special Main St. Account.

Appropriations		
March 9th, 1929	\$1,500.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,500.00

### Expenditures:

Labor	628.00	
Material	703.50	
	<hr/>	\$1,331.50

Unexpended Balance Dec. 31st, 1929		\$168.50
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### Special Crescent St. and Smiths Lane Appropriation.

Appropriations		
March 9th, 1929	\$1,369.44	
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Expenditures:		
Labor	498.00	
Material	776.63	
	<hr/>	\$1,184.63

Unexpended Balance Dec. 31st, 1929		\$184.81
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E. L. HASKELL,  
C. B. HUDSON,  
HAROLD L. COOK,  
Water Commissioners,  
Town of Kingston.

## Report of the Highway Department

At the regular Town Meeting there was appropriated \$10,000.00 and later \$100.00 from the Finance Committee, for general highway repairs. With this each year we have to make a certain amount of repairs on the different machinery, which this year amounts to \$799.48. Then the salary of the Highway surveyor which is \$1,600.00, also for cold and Winter patching material \$196.75; for road oil, other oil and gas \$1,435.00; and for inspecting boilers, insurance, tools, and fencing material there was paid about \$230.00. After these amounts were deducted we had less than \$6,000.00 to do work with this year.

First, we had a certain amount of scraping and raking stone to do to get our roads up in shape, after an open winter. We made repairs on Green St. which cost about \$600.00. Then there were the repairs and fencing on the bridge on Lake St. which cost about \$400.00. We also gravelled about a mile, very heavy on Grove St., but owing to the shortage of funds was unable to do the tarring we intended doing.

We gravelled about 3000 feet on East Ave., Ocean Ave. and Oak St., 3000 feet on Winthrop St., 3000 feet on Winter St. and about 4000 feet on the Ring Road. Then we did quite a lot of gravelling on the following streets, namely, Lake, West, Elm, Brook and Brookdale Ave. and minor repairs on many other streets.

Besides this we have the getting out of sand and spreading for oiling.

We have also done extensive trimming out along our woods roads, which has taken the balance of our appropriation.

There was \$3000.00 appropriated to be used on Howland's Lane this year. We have built 1800 feet in length

18 feet wide of stone surface asphalt binder of 2 gallons to the square yard. As we got our stone from the gravel bank the greater cost was for labor. Asphalt was \$540.00, coal \$45.88, stone and gravel \$69.50 and labor \$2,343.50 totalling \$2,998.88.

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1930.** For General Highways \$11,000.00, repairs on sidewalks \$1,000.00; \$1,500.00 for Snow and Ice.

It would cost about \$3,000.00 to complete the north-erly end of Howland's Lane, and I would recommend that this amount be appropriated. If the anticipated work is done on the approach to Howland's Lane this could be used on either end.

I would also recommend that a necessary amount be appropriated to finish Main Street, and if the State and County are willing to help us on Brook and Elm Streets that we should appropriate money for this work.

While there is quite a lot of criticism about the condition of our roads, and in the way the money is divided up, I want to say that last year we gave about 70 of our citizens work on the Highway, and feel safe to say that the condition of the roads have been greatly improved in the last few years.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. S. NICKERSON, Highway Surveyor.

## Report of Board of Health

During the year of 1929 the health of the town has been excellent. There have been reported to the Board of Health five cases of influenza, one case of mumps, two cases of scarlet fever and one case of chicken pox. There have been no epidemics.

The Board was put to considerable expense due to a case which was under the direction of the Board of Health in Fall River where the amount which we had to pay was \$478.57. The disbursements made for the different items are as follows:

Items	Amounts	Percents
Towns	\$483.57	32.00
Dump (wages)	120.00	27.80
Salaries	325.00	21.60
Dental Clinic	161.85	10.70
Miscellaneous:		
Medical Service, Aid, Legal Printing, Transportation and others	119.11	7.90
	<u>\$1,509.53</u>	<u>100.00</u>

The attention of the citizens of the town is herewith drawn to the fact that we have a town dump at the top of Stony Brook Hill which is open twice a week, Wednesdays and Saturdays from 8:00 to 5:00 with an attendant, and all waste material in the town is supposed to be disposed of at this location and at no other place. It has been observed during the last year that citizens have been dumping their waste material and refuse at all sorts of localities about the town. This should not be done for the reason that there is a suitable dumping place pro-

vided, and furthermore, such practices detract from the appearance of the localities where the unauthorized dumping occurs.

The same appropriations for the conduct of this department for the year 1930 is being asked for as in 1929.

The dental clinic for the school children is paid for out of the funds of the Board of Health. This amounts to about \$200.00 per year and enables the school children to derive much benefit from a careful inspection and treatment of their teeth, and also leads to the knowledge obtained by the parents as to the desirability of giving attention to their own teeth. This operation at the schools appears to have developed into an established procedure and is most valuable.

The Board of Health at its regular meetings adopted two important resolutions which are quoted below:

"On and after May 31st, nineteen thirty, no person, firm or corporation, shall, in the Town of Kingston, sell, exchange, deliver or have in his or their custody or possession with intent to sell, exchange or deliver, milk produced or brought into said Town unless the cows from which said milk was produced, or in case said cows are in a herd of cattle, all the cattle of such herd have been tested, within six months prior thereto, by the tuberculin test as established under the laws of Massachusetts, and have been certified not to react to the tuberculin injection and to be otherwise healthy. This regulation shall not apply to pasteurized milk or milk intended for pasteurization.

Whoever violates the foregoing regulation shall forfeit to the Town of Kingston not more than one hundred dollars.

This regulation was adopted at a meeting of the Kingston Board of Health held on October 22nd, 1929.

Whenever a cesspool or house drain becomes offensive or obstructed, the owner, agent or occupant of the

premises shall, after due notice in writing from the Board of Health, cause same to be cleansed and made free within the time specified in said notice.

No cess-pool shall be emptied until a permit has first been obtained from the Board of Health. Contents upon removal must be disposed of in such a manner as to cause no nuisance or menace to the public health.

JOHN T. CUSHMAN, Chairman.  
GEORGE F. SEVER,  
FRANK L. ARMSTRONG,  
Board of Health.

## Report of the Town Treasurer

For the year ending December 31, 1929

Balance, January 1, 1929	\$1,551.71
Receipts	233,183.94
Total	\$234,735.65
Payments	\$230,601.57
Balance, December 31, 1929	4,134.08
	\$234,735.65

For detail of Collector's report see report of Town Accountant.

FRANK A. RANDALL,  
Treasurer.

## Report of Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering

The annual inspection of animals and premises was completed in January, 1929 with the following results:

Cows	219
Young Stock	59
Bulls	8
Pigs	21
Goats	1
Barns and premises inspected	62

One hundred seventy-six of these animals are also under Federal Inspection, which means that they receive the Tuberculin Test twice each year, and all animals reacting are removed from the herd, the barns and premises disinfected by the owner and inspected by the local inspector.

No cows were condemned on physical examination this year, thus showing a marked improvement over some previous years.

Since the annual inspection in January, 1929, 101 cows have been shipped into town from out-of-state. These are all tested cows and have to be indentified by the local inspector and the ear tag numbers sent to the Division of Animal Industry at the State House, before they can be released.

The inspector has been obliged to quarantine 4 dogs which had bitten children during the year. These dogs developed no symptoms of Rabies and were released after the time of quarantine.

In all I have found the animals in better condition and the barns and premises cleaner than in past years.

Few of the pigs killed were sold, only 12 being inspected for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,  
HORACE HOLMES,  
Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering.

## Report of Assessors

Valuation of Personal Estates,	\$309,425	
Valuation of Real Estates,	4,090,860	
Total Valuation,		\$4,400,285.00
Number of Polls taxed at \$2.00 each,	864	
Rate of taxation, \$21.65 per \$1,000.00		
Town Appropriations,	\$131,884.44	
State Tax,	5,015.00	
County Tax,	8,542.69	
Highway Tax,	828.00	
Accounting,	352.55	
Plymouth County Hospital,	845.30	
Powder Point Bridge,	325.90	
Snow Removal,	175.64	
Overdrawn Overlay, 1927,	284.17	
Overlay (of Current Year)	777.48	
Total Appropriations		\$149,031.17
Income received from other sources,	\$52,037.00	
Amount to be raised by taxation		\$96,994.17
Number of Horse taxed,	40	
Number of Cows taxed,	218	
Number of Other Cattle taxed,	46	
Number of Fowl taxed,	3,206	
Number of Dwellings taxed,	1,026	
Number of Acres of Land taxed,	10,831.2	
Number of Persons, Partnerships and Corporations taxed,	1,314	
Number of Excise Taxes,	896	
Amount of Excise Taxes Committed	\$7,619.53	
JOHN R. MONKS, BRIGGS CUSHMAN, WALDO F. LORING,		Assessors of Kingston.

## Report of Board of Public Welfare

At the Annual Election of Town Officers for 1929, Mr. Albert H. Holmes, Mr. John T. Cushman and Mr. George E. Fogg were elected to serve you for that period. The above gentlemen resigned. Immediately thereafter your Selectmen appointed Mrs. Margaret Lyman, Mr. Henry J. Prouty and Mr. John T. Smith to serve as your Board for the unexpired term.

Immediately thereafter, the appointees qualified and organized as follows:—Mr. John T. Smith was chosen chairman and Mrs. Margaret Lyman secretary.

At the beginning of their activities it appeared that there was an unexpended balance of the 1929 appropriation of \$7,279.31.

After a careful consideration of the schedule of the recipients, your Board believed that a material saving might be made without any serious inconvenience to the parties. In consequence of our deliberations, each case was investigated. In case of some, the amount allowed seemed to us excessive and was materially reduced; in case of others, discontinued. This was not done without substantial reasons for so doing, your Board acting at all times in good faith, in fairness to the recipients and also to the tax-payers who, in the last analysis, are to pay the bills.

As your Board understands its duties and obligations the Department is not a charitable Board, neither is the amount appropriated a charitable fund. On the contrary, it is a Board whose duty is to investigate the different applications for aid, to determine if it is a Town, State or neighboring town case, and to act accordingly. If by reason of infirmity, bereavement or temporary disability, where the applicant cannot finance himself, he is a proper subject for welfare aid for such time as is necessary and in such amounts as his needs appear, and no more. It follows, that applicants who may finance their



needs are not proper subjects for aid. Again, as the obligation of the parent to support the child to such time as he is self-supporting is absolute, it may then appear that a parent without means and incapable of self-support may call upon the child having means, to support the parent. This is a reciprocal obligation and is also absolute. It is when the parent and child are without means, that the obligation devolves upon the Town or State. The reasonableness of this is obvious.

In our recommendation for 1930, we have carefully taken each case separately, and have based the same upon actual present requirements, plus a small sum for unforeseen happenings.

At present there are five cases having no settlement in any town in this Commonwealth; have been investigated by the Department of Aid and Relief, State House, Boston, and certain amounts are allowed, which amounts are drawn from your appropriation. Eventually, these sums are returned to the Town treasury, but must be reappropriated. The above cases during 1929 received \$1,928.95. In 1930, the sum required will be \$3,060.00.

There are two "Mother's Aid cases," one having a settlement in another Massachusetts town, and one settled in Kingston. Our requirements for the above cases in 1930 will be \$1,450.00. In the case of one, the entire amount advanced eventually comes back, and in our case one third is returned by the State. Amount expended in 1929, \$1,466.80.

No. 1 Aided thru our department to the extent of \$236.50. This case had a Holbrook settlement. Family removed from Town in July.

No. 2. Mother and child having Duxbury settlement. Aided thru our Department to the extent of \$384.40.

No. 3. Family having Plymouth settlement aided thru your department to the extent of \$218.50. Upon investigation this case was closed in April. In the last three cases the total amount of \$839.40 is charged to the different towns and will be returned to the treasury.

No. 5 and 18 have been aided by your Department for a considerable time and cared for in families at an expense of \$611, and will require the same amount in 1930. These two cases and the following are settled in Kingston.

No. 8, 9, 13 and 24 are individuals taking care of themselves and have been allowed sums varying from \$3 to \$5 weekly. Two of the recipients are very old, and two are infirm. The total cost to your Department in 1929 was \$869.83, and will require \$929 in 1930.

No. 14. This is a case of an individual afflicted with a chronic ailment and was being cared for in a private institution at a charge of \$25 weekly at the time your board began activities. We have tried to place this patient in a less costly institution but as yet have not succeeded. However, we did succeed in getting a reduction to \$18 weekly charge. The total expense of this patient in 1929, was \$1,042. At the present time it would seem that \$936 would be required in 1930.

No. 11. Is that of another chronic case, and was a patient at the Jordan Hospital at the time of our appointment. During 1929, bills have been paid for surgical, hospital, medical attention and board amounting in all to \$663.86. Present condition of the patient would indicate that \$520 would be required in 1930.

No. 6. Case of a widow and four children having a drawing account of \$12 weekly at the time of our appointment. Upon investigation, this amount was reduced to \$5 weekly. Total amount expended in 1929 \$363.

No. 32. Case of widow and six children having drawing account of \$12 weekly. Upon investigation this amount was reduced to \$6 weekly. Total amount expended in 1929 \$407.90. The reduction produced no ill effect.

No. 33. Mother and three children having a drawing account of \$12 weekly plus fuel. Total amount expended \$628. At present aided to the extent of \$12 weekly.

No. 34. Case of an aged gentleman aided thru Plymouth to the extent of \$42. Removed in April and case closed.

No. 4. Case of an individual boarded in a near by Town at a total expense during 1929 of \$304. Case closed in November. Lost settlement.

No. 15. Case of an aged couple having drawing account of \$7.50 weekly. Your Board upon investigation believed that children of recipients should care for the above. Total amount expended \$90.

No. 16. Case of an individual aided to the extent of \$15 monthly. Closed in November at a total expense of \$228. Recipient deceased.

No. 23. Case of child boarded in family pending appeal to the Superior Court, at an expense of \$91.70. Closed in June. State taking custody of the same.

No. 17. Case of two children boarded at an expense of \$8 weekly. Upon investigation, your Board believed that grand parent should care for same. Total expense \$84.50.

No. 20. Case of an individual cared for in a near by Town at an expense of \$8 weekly. Closed in May at an expense of \$261.55. Recipient deceased.

No. 22. Case of an individual cared for in hospital at the time of our appointment at a total cost of \$169. closed.

No. 7. Case of blind man and four children. Closed in June at an expense of \$203.75. Removed from Town.

No. 31. Case of two children finding their way into institution for feeble minded. Amount paid Commonwealth in 1929 \$475.71. Another quarterly payment outstanding amounting to \$130. due. These two cases will be with us for some time to come.

No. 10. Case of widow boarded at an expense of \$5 weekly. Your Board upon investigation, believed that children should care for this case and matter closed. Total amount expended \$70.

No. 27. Case of a family temporarily aided at an expense of \$207.89. Closed in September.

No. 28. Case of a family having Kingston settlement aided thru City of Lynn. Total amount paid Lynn \$90.40

No. 26. Case of family receiving temporary aid. Closed in April. Total amount of aid given \$89.78.

No. 21, 25, 19, 12, 29, and 30 are cases of individuals and families receiving aid during the year in various sums amounting in all to \$170.88.

During 1929, twenty-three individuals and twenty-one families have been aided at a total expenditure of \$11,814.06, exceeding the amount appropriated at the March Meeting. At the present time, taking into consideration the number of State cases, the "Mother's Aid cases" and the other Town cases which, during 1929 amounted to \$3,526.45, and deducting this amount from the total amount expended leaves \$8,287.61 the net cost to the Department. This would seem to indicate that your Department actually cost \$3.29 per capita during 1929. However, bearing in mind the cases taken care of by your Department and over which we have no control, and also the unusual amounts expended in certain cases, and the amount of balance at our disposal when your Board began to function, we feel that it is unnecessary to offer excuses for our conduct. The above total amount expended includes the salaries of the members of the Board, and the expenses of the Department amounting to \$99.56.

One more word with reference to welfare work: We will have this work with us always. Care must be exercised in matter of distributing aid so that one's civic pride be preserved, and ability to care for oneself be not destroyed. Frequent visitation is the best method we can suggest if the expenditures are to be held within reasonable bounds.

Respectfully submitted,  
JOHN T. SMITH, Chairman,  
HENRY J. PROUTY,  
MARGARET B. LYMAN.

## Report of Fire Department

To the Citizens of Kingston:

There is one matter which can no longer be put off; that is the replacement of your Buick Chemical Combination.

This machine of the year 1916 was purchased and rebuilt at a small cost some years ago.

After nearly 14 years of service it is mechanically worn out and it is false economy to try to keep it going.

Furthermore there is a real danger of some member being killed responding with it. After due consideration the members of Engine Co. No. 1 have refused to drive it, except in cases of extreme emergency.

Preliminary plans are being considered with a view toward purchasing a new 1½ ton Ford chassis and using the present hose body and chemical tank. This can be done for approximately \$800.00 and will give us a fine piece of apparatus.

A similar outfit is in use at Cohasset and Scituate, with Marshfield and Hull putting an outfit in commission soon.

We have responded to 51 fires the past year, several of them being out of town calls.

By helping Duxbury with our pump upon one occasion, we have caused them to start plans to secure a pumping outfit.

Plymouth has responded with their usual fine spirit whenever we have called for help, for which we thank them.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. DREW,

Chief.

## Frederic C. Adams Public Library

### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### INCOME OF FREDERIC C. ADAMS FUND

Jan. 1, 1929, balance on hand	\$8,339.92	
Income for the year	1,149.57	
Received from the Adams School Fund, one-fifth of \$259.94	51.99	
		\$9,541.48
Paid for books, magazine, etc	\$745.70	
Balance on hand	8,795.78	
		\$9,541.48

#### Changes in the Fund:

July 1, 1929, \$1,000. American Telephone & Telegraph Co., 4% bond was redeemed and the proceeds, \$1,000, deposited in the Whitman Savings Bank, July 13, 1929.

With these changes, the Frederic C. Adams Fund stands invested as follows:—

- 2 shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co.
- 6 shares Boston Elevated Railway Co., common stock.
- 1 share Boston Elevated Railway Co., preferred stock.
- 6 shares Boston Elevated Railway Co., second preferred stock.
- 2 shares Old Colony National Bank, Plymouth, Mass.
- 28 shares Plymouth Cordage Co.
- 8 shares Plymouth National Bank, Plymouth, Mass.
- \$500, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co., 4% bond due 1995.
- \$1,000, Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., 5% bond due 1942.
- \$1,000, Rio Grande Western Railway Co., 4% bond due 1939.

\$1,000, on deposit in the New Bedford Five Cents Savings Bank.  
 \$864.60, on deposit in the Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank.  
 \$447.11, on deposit in the South Scituate Savings Bank.  
 \$2,000, on deposit in the Whitman Savings Bank.

#### INCOME OF BYRON C. QUINBY FUND

Jan. 1, 1929 balance on hand,	\$444.36	
Income for the year	24.75	
		\$469.11

This fund is on deposit in the Plymouth Savings Bank.

#### INCOME OF ROSA A. COLE FUND

Jan. 1, 1929, balance on hand	\$373.82	
Income for the year,	260.07	
		\$633.89

Paid:—

For Supplies	\$2.55	
For Electric Current	5.61	
For Repairs	63.70	
For Insurance	51.60	
For Rent of Safe	3.00	
For Blue Prints etc.	4.96	
Treasurer, salary for 1929	50.00	
Balance on hand	452.47	
		\$633.89

#### Changes in the Fund:—

August 1, 1929, \$1,000. Seattle Electric Co., 5% bond was redeemed and the proceeds, \$1,000, deposited in the Bridgewater Savings Bank, August 1, 1929.

And with these changes, the Rosa A. Cole Fund stands invested as follows:—

\$1,000, Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co., 5% bond due 1937.  
 \$1,000, Middlesex & Boston Street Railway Co., 4½% bond due 1932.

\$1,000, Southern California Edison Co., 5% bond due 1939.  
 \$1,135.20, on deposit in the Rockland Savings Bank.  
 \$1,000, on deposit in the Bridgewater Savings Bank.

#### INCOME OF ANNIE C. THOMAS FUND

Jan. 1, 1929, balance on hand	\$108.71	
Income for the year	56.56	
		\$165.27

Paid:—

For repairs	\$73.02	
For trucking	7.22	
For sign, etc.	51.86	
Balance on hand	33.17	
		\$165.27

The Annie C. Thomas Fund stands invested as follows:—

\$1,129.70, on deposit in the Fairhaven Institution for Savings.

#### BOOK FINES

During the year 1929, fines to the amount of \$106.44 were collected by the Librarian and paid to the Town Treasurer.

#### TOWN APPROPRIATION

Expenditures from town appropriation will be found in report of Town Accountant.

HENRY L. BARKER,

January 21, 1930.

Treasurer.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT 1929

Number of books in Library	12,037
Added the past year	189
Of which 20 replace worn copies and 5 are gifts.	
Number of magazines	34
Number of weeklies	13
Number of dailies	4
Total attendance in Reading room	4,479
Average attendance per day	15
Total circulation of books	10,911
Average circulation per day	36

Total circulation by classes as follows:

Genealogy and General works	42
Philosophy	43
Religion	23
Sociology and Education	133
Science	97
Useful arts	81
Fine arts	150
Literature	217
History	252
Travels	354
Biography	489
Magazines single \$7: bound 11	
Fiction	8,932

Received from Fines and paid to Town  
Treasurer

\$106.44

JENNIE F. McLAUTHLEN,

Librarian.

## GIFTS

"Anatole France Himself",

from Rev. L. Gordon Adamson.

"America Triumphant Under God and His Christ";  
"Vital Issues in Christian Science"; "Greetings and a  
message to the Dear Children", from Mrs. J. H. Alex-  
ander.

"Any one can Bake", from Royal Baking Powder Co.

"The Long Chance", from Mr. Harry Cranshaw.

"American Institutions and their Preservation", from  
Mr. Wm. Cook.

F. RUSSELL ADAMS,  
HARVEY A. SOULE,  
GEORGE W. ADAMS,  
ARTHUR W. PIERCE,  
FRANK W. MAGLATHLIN,  
HENRY L. BARKER,

Trustees.

## Report of Playground Commission

During the past year there have been many activities carried on at the Kingston Playground: Baseball, football and field hockey. Tennis has been added since the tennis court was completed and caged last spring. We hope to have a running track included some day.

The Reed Community House has been used more extensively for Town, public and school purposes where no rentals have been charged them previously. The Boy Scouts have had the use of the Basement for their meetings and drills and we hope that a Girl Scout Troop will be started so that they can have the same privileges, the shower baths are being used more each year.

During the year a very nice gift was received from Mr. Edgar Reed of two car loads of coal, also a gift of a beautiful set of scenery for the stage by Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Holmes for which we are very grateful and extend our thanks.

We ask your co-operation and backing to make the Kingston Playground our Community center.

### RATES FOR 1930

Auditorium	\$20.00
Basements	15.00
Side Rooms, day	2.00
Side Rooms, evening	3.00
Whole Building	35.00

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriation	\$2500.00
Receipts from Rentals	628.00
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	\$1,872.00

### Payments

Janitor	\$1,300.00	
Janitor's supplies	47.99	
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	\$1,347.99	\$1,347.99
Fuel:—		
Carting Coal	\$112.41	
Removing Ashes	50.15	
Gas	4.45	
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	\$167.01	\$167.01
Electric Light	\$201.71	\$201.71
Repairs:—		
W. L. Murray	56.85	
F. A. Sampson	227.04	
H. A. Cook, welding	.35	
Labor	60.00	
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	\$344.24	\$344.24
Fire Insurance	\$428.00	\$423.00
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		\$2,488.95

For the Kingston Playground Commission.

FRED L. BAILEY, Chairman.

## Report of the Trustees for Plymouth County Aid to Agriculture, 1929

The Plymouth County Extension Service cooperated with citizens in every town in the county this past year in bringing to them information about agriculture and home-making. Local and county-wide meetings were held for this purpose. Through the meetings and by means of correspondence, press notices, and by individual service, thousands of men, women, boys, and girls, were instructed in the better performance of farm operations and home duties.

Kingston poultrymen and dairymen take advantage of the opportunity to attend the meetings. The county agent has given personal service to many of them and sends bulletins and letters bearing agricultural information to 57 Kingston farmers.

During the last year the county home demonstration program has stressed nutrition and clothing projects, and has also devoted time to problems of Child Development, Home Management, and Home Ground Improvement. Kingston has participated especially in the clothing and home management projects.

HORACE HOLMES, Director.

## Report of Town Accountant

Kingston, Mass., February 3, 1930.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Town of Kingston:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith a report of the financial transactions of the Town for the year ending December 31, 1929.

ROLAND BAILEY, Town Accountant.

### RECEIPTS

#### GENERAL REVENUE

##### TAXES:

##### Town:

##### Current Year

Property,	\$53,016.63
Poll,	1,684.00
Motor Vehicle Excise,	6,659.84

\$61,360.47

##### Agency:

State,	\$5,015.00
Auditing Municipal Ac-	
counts,	352.55
State Highway,	828.00
State Snow Removal,	175.64
County,	8,542.00



Maintenance Plym-			
outh County Hospital.	\$45.30		
Repairs Powder			
Point Bridge,	325.90		
		\$16,084.30	
Previous Years,	\$29,446.68		
		\$29,446.68	
Tax Title Redemption,	\$426.20		
		\$426.20	
			\$107,317.74
STATE			
Corp. Tax,	\$3,893.79		
Bank Tax,	281.10		
Income Tax,	16,669.79		
Veteran's Exemption	88.79		
		\$20,843.47	
LICENSES—FINES			
Licenses,	\$58.00		
Court Fines,	506.50		
		\$564.50	
GRANTS AND GIFTS			
Dog Licenses from			
County,	\$439.14		
		\$439.14	
OTHER GENERAL REVENUE			
Sale of Stony Brook			
School House,	\$1,005.00		
		\$1,005.00	
			\$22,852.11
			\$130,169.85

## COMMERCIAL REVENUE (Departmental)

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### Collector:

Adv. deferred taxes,	4.79		
			\$4.79
Town Hall Rents,	40.00		
Stony Brook School House			
Rents,	40.00		
All others,	12.85		
Sale of Junk,	.50		
			\$93.35

### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Services of Police,	\$333.30		
Scaler of Weights and			
Measures,	50.07		
Forest Fires,	.90		
Bounties on Seals			
(State),	58.00		
Gypsy Moths, (State),	47.00		
			\$489.27

### HIGHWAYS

Use of Equipment,	\$867.00		
			\$867.00

### FOR OUTLAY

#### Landing Road:

From State,	\$3,063.54		
From County,	500.89		
From County for Land			
Damage,	50.00		
			\$3,704.43

#### Pembroke Street:

From State,	\$11,136.29		
From County,	10,653.03		
From County Land			
Damage,	56.50		
			\$21,845.82

### CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

#### Reimbursements:

From Cities and Towns,	\$1,072.38	
Mother's Aid:		
From Cities and Towns,	459.66	
From State,	761.49	
	<hr/>	\$2,296.53

#### Soldiers' Benefits:

State Aid,	\$420.00	
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#### SCHOOLS

Tuition, State,	\$533.30	
Tuition, Other,	227.25	
All Other,	1.25	
	<hr/>	\$761.80

#### PUBLIC LIBRARY

Book Fines,	156.75	
	<hr/>	\$156.75

#### RECREATION

Community House Rents,	\$628.00	
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### PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

#### WATER DEPARTMENT

Water rates, etc.,	\$13,334.05	
Miscellaneous,	23.40	
	<hr/>	\$13,357.45

### INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

#### INTEREST

On Taxes,	\$1,430.70	
On Tax Title Redemp-		
tion,	26.33	
On Trust Funds,	1,626.66	
	<hr/>	\$3,083.69

### MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

#### Anticipation of Rev-

enue,	\$55,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$55,000.00

#### REFUNDS

Treasurer and Collec-		
tor,	\$2.24	
Snow Removal,	30.00	
Land Damage Landing		
Road,	100.00	
Public Welfare,	20.00	
School,	117.47	
Playground,	16.50	
Water,	19.00	
	<hr/>	\$305.21
	<hr/>	\$103,014.69

Cash January 1, 1929,

233,183.94
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1,551.71
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\$234,735.65

# PAYMENTS GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

Moderator	\$25.00	
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## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Salaries	\$325.00	
Stenographer	149.14	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	61.54	
Printing Town Meeting Warrants	66.00	
Travel	13.30	
Telephone	119.43	
Supplies	7.77	
Laying out New Roads	124.16	
Expense of Auction of School House	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$899.34

## AUDITING DEPARTMENT

Accountant	\$1,000.00	
Travel	12.10	
Auditing Municipal Ac- counts	352.55	
Stenographer	3.50	
Printing Stationery and Postage	80.51	
Supplies	3.22	
	<hr/>	\$1,451.88

## TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

Treasurer and Collector		
Salary	\$1,200.00	
Collector, Fees	78.00	
Travel	170.85	

Surety Bonds	225.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	262.11	
Recording Tax Title Deeds	45.60	
All Other	3.37	
	<hr/>	\$1,984.93

## ASSESSOR'S DEPARTMENT

Salaries	\$1,075.00	
Travel	141.75	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	58.14	
	<hr/>	\$1,274.89
Town Survey	\$1,500.00	
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## OTHER FINANCE OFFICERS

Certifying Notes	\$12.00	
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## LAW DEPARTMENT

Counsel for Selectmen's Dept.	\$43.00	
Police Dept.	20.00	
Health Dept.	25.00	
School Dept.	5.00	
Water Dept.	107.50	
Tax Title Costs	76.37	
	<hr/>	\$276.87

## TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

Salary	\$100.00	
Fees for recording	93.50	
Travel	30.00	
Printing, etc.	10.05	
Surety Bond	5.00	
Preserving Town Records	144.00	
	<hr/>	\$382.55

### ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Registrars, salary	\$120.00	
Election Officers	50.00	
Printing	27.25	
All other	6.00	
	<hr/>	\$203.25

### TOWN HALL

Janitor	\$248.10	
Janitor's Supplies	50.15	
Other Labor	78.00	
Fuel	140.25	
Light	67.09	
Boiler and Plumbing repairs	59.51	
Office Equipment and Supplies	26.44	
Building repairs and alterations	130.79	
	<hr/>	\$800.33
		\$8,811.04

### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Wages	\$839.03	
Travel	141.25	
Telephone	3.65	
Traffic Warning Signs	245.38	
Traffic Direction Signs	170.93	
Other Signs	3.00	
Police Equipment	62.66	
Transporting Liquor	50.00	
Killing and Burying Dogs	12.00	
Other expenses	1.90	
	<hr/>	\$1,529.80

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

1928 account paid in 1929

Repairs to Fire Alarm	\$8.59	\$8.59
Salary Chief	\$55.00	
Salary 25 men	625.00	
Wages at Fires, etc.	724.00	
Supplies	54.66	
Supplies and Care of Fire Trucks	239.42	
Hose	21.45	
Equipment for Fires	155.50	
Equipment for Men	142.09	
Hydrant Service	14.75	
Fuel	1.80	
Light	18.45	
Rent	604.33	
Furnishing's and repairs to Quarters	94.68	
Care and repair of Fire Alarm	143.69	
Transporting and install- ing Siren	59.16	
All Other	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,955.98

#### SEALING OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Sealer, salary	\$125.00	
Travel	105.65	
Telephone	1.90	
Supplies	19.87	
New Equipment	45.59	
	<hr/>	\$298.01

#### MOTH EXTERMINATION

Superintendent	\$468.00	
Wages	648.00	
Auto and Teams	301.52	

Gas and Oil	19.25	
Repairs	5.73	
Arsenate of Lead	127.84	
	<hr/>	\$1,570.34
TREE WARDEN		
Wages	\$108.00	
Transportation	30.38	
Carting Brush	6.13	
	<hr/>	\$144.51
FOREST FIRES		
Fighting Fires	\$780.75	
Supplies	21.50	
Repairs	11.70	
Trimming Woods Roads	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$913.95
OTHER PROTECTION		
Bounties on Seals	\$50.00	
Dog Officers	43.60	
	<hr/>	\$93.60
	<hr/>	\$7,514.78

### HEALTH AND SANITATION

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		
Salaries	\$325.00	
Other Expenses	28.61	
	<hr/>	\$353.61
QUARANTINE AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASES		
Board and Treatment	\$478.57	
Medicine and Medical		
Treatment	39.50	
Transportation of		
Patients	15.00	
Aid because of Quarantine	24.00	
	<hr/>	\$557.07

### VITAL STATISTICS

#### 1928 account paid in 1929

Deaths	\$5.00	\$5.00
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Deaths	\$5.00	\$5.00
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### INSPECTION

#### School Children

Physician	\$175.00	
Nurse	\$70.00	
Nurse's Transportation	100.00	
Dental	161.85	
	<hr/>	\$1,306.85
Animals	\$150.00	
Slaughtering	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$250.00

### OTHER HEALTH

Care of Public Dump	\$420.00	
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	<hr/>	\$2,897.53

### HIGHWAYS

#### 1928 account paid in 1929

Stone	\$47.80	
Tura Bros.	39.17	
	<hr/>	\$86.97

### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Highway Surveyor,		
Salary	\$1,600.00	
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### GENERAL

Pay Rolls	\$5,234.50	
Stone, Gravel etc.	271.00	

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Oil and Tar	1,124.07	
Fence Guard	52.00	
Equipment and Repairs	914.35	
Supplies, Gas and Oil	616.40	
Insurance of Buildings	97.05	
Automobile Liability		
Insurance	51.00	
Boiler Inspection	20.00	
Registering Motor		
Vehicles	8.00	
Rent	105.00	
Light	4.50	
	<hr/>	\$8,497.87
SIDEWALK REPAIRS		
Spreading Spoil	8789.00	
	<hr/>	\$789.00
SNOW REMOVAL		
Wages	\$482.50	
Equipment and Repairs	30.61	
Supplies, Gas and Oil	184.03	
Rent	90.00	
Light	2.25	
	<hr/>	\$789.42
STREET LIGHTING		
Lights	\$2,502.80	
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	<hr/>	\$14,266.06

#### SPECIAL HIGHWAYS

HOWLAND'S LANE		
Pay Rolls	\$2,343.50	
Stone, Gravel etc.	69.50	
Oil and Tar	540.00	
Fuel	45.88	
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LANDING ROAD		
Contract	\$3,310.67	
Driveway entrance,		
Miss Thorp's	139.00	
Playground entrance	108.77	
Sidewalk	76.15	
	<hr/>	\$3,634.59

PEMBROKE STREET		
Advertising for Bids	\$25.00	
Contract	28,946.02	
Catch Basin Frames	82.71	
	<hr/>	\$29,053.73

LAND DAMAGE		
Wapping Road, Decree		
No. 680	\$69.50	
Landing Road, Decree		
No. 729	\$1,154.21	
	<hr/>	\$1,223.71
	<hr/>	\$36,910.91

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

1928 account paid in 1929		
Medicine and Medical		
attendance	\$53.50	
State Institution	85.71	
	<hr/>	\$139.21

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		
Salaries	\$325.00	
Travel, etc.	130.68	
	<hr/>	\$455.68

OUTSIDE RELIEF BY TOWN		
Groceries and Provis-		
ions	\$2,070.33	

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Coal and Wood	245.45		
Rent	278.00		
Board and Care	1,723.60		
Medicine and Medical attendance	871.36		
State Institution	390.00		
Cash Aid	4,323.18		
		<u>\$9,902.22</u>	
RELIEF BY OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS			
Towns	\$406.45		
		<u>\$406.45</u>	
MOTHERS AID BY TOWN			
Cash	\$743.00		
Fuel	89.00		
Rent	120.00		
Medical Aid	12.00		
		<u>\$964.00</u>	
			<u>\$11,867.56</u>
SOLDIERS BENEFITS			
State Aid	\$228.00		
Soldiers Relief	261.00		
		<u>\$489.00</u>	
			<u>\$489.00</u>
SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES			
SCHOOLS			
GENERAL			
Superintendent	\$1,356.25		
Clerk	310.00		
Printing, Stationery etc.	28.82		
Telephone	53.65		
Travel	155.00		
School Census	50.00		
		<u>\$1,953.22</u>	

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TEACHERS SALARIES			
Teachers	\$24,922.50		
Supervisors	1,000.00		
		<u>\$25,922.50</u>	
TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES			
Books	\$722.00		
Supplies	1,859.78		
		<u>\$2,581.78</u>	
TRANSPORTATION			
Contract	\$4,176.00		
Street Railway	396.30		
		<u>\$4,572.30</u>	
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS			
Janitors, salaries	\$2,522.00		
Other labor	40.96		
Fuel	2,271.05		
Light	91.19		
Repairs, alteration etc.	1,803.26		
Janitor's Supplies	139.16		
Boiler Inspection	30.00		
Insurance	249.55		
		<u>\$7,147.17</u>	
			<u>\$42,176.97</u>
Expenses outside the Commonwealth			
	\$35.00		
		<u>\$35.00</u>	
			<u>\$35.00</u>
PUBLIC LIBRARY			
1928 account paid in 1929	\$5.04		
		<u>\$5.04</u>	
Treasurer's Bond	\$50.00		
Librarian	1,000.00		
Janitor	360.00		



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Other Labor	6.57	
Janitor's Supplies	1.80	
Library Supplies	12.00	
Fuel	225.00	
Light	24.96	
Repairs	583.67	
Sign	36.00	
	<u>\$2,300.00</u>	
		\$2,305.04

## RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

### RECREATION

Playground:		
1928 account paid in 1929	\$22.10	
		\$22.10
Janitor	\$1,300.00	
Janitor's Supplies	47.99	
Fuel	116.86	
Light	201.71	
Equipment and Repairs	110.31	
Boiler repairs	173.93	
Insurance	428.00	
Labor	110.15	
	<u>\$2,488.95</u>	

### TOWN GREEN AND MEMORIAL PLOT

Care of Green	\$98.96	
Care of Memorial Plot	15.16	
Painting Lamp Posts	5.00	
	<u>\$119.12</u>	

### UNCLASSIFIED

1928 account paid in 1929		
Town Reports	\$22.50	
American Legion	.75	
	<u>\$23.25</u>	

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Memorial Day	\$158.42	
American Legion	260.93	
Plymouth County Aid to Agriculture	100.00	
Printing and Distributing Town Reports	352.23	
Care of Flag and Flag Pole	29.44	
	<u>\$901.02</u>	
		\$3,554.44

## ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

### WATER DEPARTMENT

1928 account paid in 1929	\$52.22	
		\$52.22
ADMINISTRATION		
Superintendent	\$1,999.92	
Assistant Superintendent	1,497.60	
Commitment Clerk	200.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	88.04	
Telephone	54.55	
All other	127.12	
	<u>\$3,967.23</u>	

### GENERAL

Labor	\$239.60	
Pipe and Fittings	411.43	
Supplies	253.69	
Cleaning Mains	1,759.50	
	<u>\$2,664.22</u>	

### PUMPING STATION

Fuel	\$86.00	
Light and Power	943.37	

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Equipment and Repairs	166.77	
Supplies	49.18	
		<u>\$1,245.32</u>

RELAYING MAINS SUMMER AND MAIN STREET		
Labor	\$628.00	
Material	703.50	
		<u>\$1,331.50</u>

RESERVOIR REPAIRS		
Contract	\$259.95	
Extra	161.54	
All other	.35	
		<u>\$421.84</u>

RELAYING MAINS SMITH'S LANE		
Labor	\$408.00	
Material	776.63	
		<u>\$1,184.63</u>
		<u>\$10,866.96</u>

#### INTEREST

TEMPORARY LOANS		
Anticipation of Revenue	\$1,444.68	
Invalid Tax Titles	11.31	
		<u>\$1,454.99</u>

GENERAL LOANS		
Highway	\$75.00	
School	1,345.00	
Hospital	65.62	
		<u>\$1,685.62</u>

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE LOANS		
Water	\$1,285.38	
		<u>\$1,285.38</u>
		<u>\$4,425.99</u>

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#### MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

TEMPORARY LOANS		
Anticipation of Revenue	\$55,000.00	
		<u>\$55,000.00</u>

GENERAL LOANS		
Highway	\$1,000.00	
School	5,000.00	
Hospital	500.00	
		<u>\$6,500.00</u>

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE LOANS		
Water	\$5,000.00	
		<u>\$5,000.00</u>
		<u>\$66,500.00</u>

#### AGENCY TRUST AND INVESTMENT

AGENCY TAXES		
STATE		
State tax	\$5,015.00	
State Highway Tax	\$28.00	
State Highway Snow Removal	175.64	
		<u>\$6,018.64</u>

COUNTY		
County Tax	\$8,542.69	
Maintenance of Plymouth County Hospital	\$45.30	
Repairs to Powder Point Bridge	325.90	
		<u>\$9,713.89</u>
		<u>\$15,732.53</u>

## TRUST AND INVESTMENT

## INCOME WILLIAM H. WILLIS FUND

Aid to needy children	\$170.59	
		\$170.50

## INCOME THOMAS PRINCE BENEVOLENT FUND

Aid to poor and sick	\$560.34	
		\$560.34

## INCOME SCHOOL FUNDS

Library Trustees	\$51.99	
Cash School Prizes	48.58	
Free Lectures	317.00	
		\$417.57

## INCOME LUCY PRINCE AMES MEMORIAL FUND

Care, of Old Burying		
Ground	\$911.45	
		\$911.45

## INCOME MADELINE E. WITHERELL FUND

Care of Witherell Lot,		
Evergreen Cem.	\$5.00	
		\$5.00

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\$2,064.86

## REFUNDS

Taxes	\$124.70	
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Tax	53.74	
Water Rates 1929	3.00	
National Bank Tax 1926	2.29	
National Bank Tax 1928	.07	
		\$218.90

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\$218.90

Cash December 31, 1929

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\$230,601.57

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4,134.08

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\$234,735.65

# DEBT STATEMENT

Name of Loan	Issued	Amount	Rate	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1928	Paid 1929	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1929	Due 1930
Plymouth County Hospital Loan	May 1, 1921	\$5,000.00	5 1/4 %	\$1,500.00	3500.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00
Highway Land Damage Loan	Dec. 21, 1921	8,500.00	5 %	1,500.00	1,000.00	500.00	500.00
High School Loan 1921	Aug. 1, 1921	15,000.00	5 1/2 %	8,000.00	1,000.00	7,000.00	1,000.00
High School Additional Loan, 1926	July 1, 1926	31,000.00	4 1/4 %	26,000.00	1,000.00	22,000.00	4,000.00
Water Loan, 1920	May 1, 1920	10,000.00	5 1/4 %	6,000.00	500.00	5,500.00	500.00
Water Loan, 1921	April 1, 1921	10,000.00	5 1/4 %	3,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
Water Loan, 1923	May 21, 1923	18,000.00	4 3/4 %	13,000.00	1,000.00	12,000.00	1,000.00
Water Loan, 1925	May 1, 1925	6,000.00	4 1/4 %	2,400.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Water Loan, 1927	May 1, 1927	6,500.00	4 %	5,200.00	1,300.00	3,900.00	1,300.00
				66,600.00	11,500.00	55,100.00	11,000.00

## APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES LEDGER ACCOUNTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	Bd. Jan. 1 1929	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total	Expended	Revenue	Closed to - 1929	Bd. Dec. 31 1929
Administration		25.00				25.00	25.00			
Commissioner		900.00		104.68		1,004.68	904.02	100.66		
Accountant and Auditor		1,200.00				1,200.00	1,059.53	100.67		
Assessors and Collectors		2,040.00		21.94	2.24	2,064.18	2,048.87	15.31		
Assessors		1,275.00				1,275.00	1,274.89	.11		
Public Library		1,500.00				1,500.00	1,500.00			
Legal Expenses		500.00				500.00	359.87	140.13		
Public Health		250.00				250.00	243.55	6.45		
Cemeteries and Registration		200.00		5.00		205.00	203.25	1.75		
Death House		500.00		100.00		600.00	594.83	5.17		
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY										
Suppression of Crime		1,500.00		75.00		1,575.00	1,500.30	74.70		
Fire Department		3,000.00				3,000.00	2,964.57	11.02		
Police and Wardens and Marshals		200.00				200.00	208.01	1.99		
Suppression of Molasses		1,375.00				1,375.00	1,370.34	4.66		
Fire Wardens		1,000.00				1,000.00	1,141.51	5.49		
Forest Fires		200.00				200.00	813.95	86.05		
Firemen, Wards, Beards		100.00				100.00	100.00			
HEALTH AND SANITATION										
Health		1,800.00				1,800.00	1,500.53	290.47		
Inspection of Animals		150.00				150.00	150.00			
Inspector of Slaughtering		100.00				100.00	100.00			
HIGHWAYS										
General Highway	47.80	10,000.00		100.00		10,147.80	10,115.67	2.13		
Howland's Lane		3,000.00				3,000.00	2,998.88			1.12
Land Damage, Wapping Road										
Deerco 680										
Land Damage, Landing Road	157.00					157.00	69.50			87.50
Deerco 729										
Land Damage, Pembroke Street	866.48	898.44	50.00		100.00	1,914.92	1,454.21			760.73
Deerco 772										
Land Damage, Main & Summer Sts.		200.00				200.00				56.50
Sidewalks, Permanent Construction	220.89	500.00				720.89				500.00
Sidewalk, Repairs		1,000.00				1,000.00				720.89

Sidewalk Repairs, Bills Payable		211.00	211.00		211.00
Snow Removal	1,000.00		1,000.00	789.12	210.58
Street Lighting	2,555.00		2,555.00	2,502.80	52.20
Landing Road Reconstruction	57.11	3,651.13	3,711.81	3,631.59	77.25
Pendroke Street Reconstruction	7,500.00	21,789.32	29,289.32	29,053.73	235.59

CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS				
Public Welfare	85.71	10,009.00	20.00	10,105.71
Public Welfare, Overdraft				1,708.35
Eugene William H. Willis Fund		170.50		170.50
Income Thomas Prince Benevolent Fund		560.31		560.31
Income Overdraft 1928, \$71.66		71.66		71.66
State Aid		365.00		365.00
Soldiers' Relief and Burials		365.00		365.00

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES					
School	14,315.00	98.00	14,117.00	13,321.97	121.03
School Dept. expense outside Comm.	35.00		35.00	35.00	
Income School Funds	115.78		115.78	117.57	28.21
Fredrick C. Adams Public Library	2,300.00		2,300.00	2,300.00	

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED					
Playground	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,188.95	11.05
Town Green and War Memorial Plot	125.00		125.00	119.12	5.88
Memorial Day	200.00		200.00	158.12	11.58
American Legion	1.68		101.68	260.93	10.75
Early Bureau			100.00	100.00	
World War Memorial	8.18		8.18		8.18
Unpaid Bills, 1928 and previous	130.96	17.10	118.06	118.06	
Town Records	200.00		200.00	141.00	56.00
Miscellaneous inc. Town Reports	1.00		301.00	549.27	220.73
Reserve	1,000.00		1,000.00	780.00	220.00

ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES				
Water Maintenance	52.22	8,325.00	19.00	8,496.22
Water Maintenance bills payable			166.57	166.57
Water mains relocation, Main and Summer Sts.		1,500.00		1,500.00
Water Repairs to Reservoir	1,208.75			1,208.75
Fish Committee		10.00		10.00
Laying and addition to Old Burial Ground		100.00		100.00

Income Lucy Prince Ames Memorial Fund	92.29	\$12.46	\$11.45	\$11.45
Income Madeline L. Wilberell Fund		5.00	5.00	5.00
<b>INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT</b>				
Interest		1,500.00	1,500.00	1,425.99
Maturing Debt		11,500.00	11,500.00	74.01
<b>NON REVENUE</b>				
High School Addition	297.70		297.70	297.70
Relay Water Mains, Wapping Road "L"	974.28		974.28	974.28
Relay Water Mains, Landing Road	295.16		295.16	295.16
Relay Water Mains, Crescent Street		1,181.81	1,181.81	1,181.81
*Transfer by vote of town				

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# TOWN OF KINGSTON BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1929 GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$4,134.08	Tailings	\$80.83
Accounts Receivable:		Sale of Public Property	1,005.00
Taxes:		Unexpended Appropriation Balances:	
Levy of 1927	\$5.71	Howland's Lane	\$1.12
Levy of 1928	3,262.81	Land Damage, Wapping Road	87.50
Levy of 1929	25,756.52	Land Damage, Landing Road	760.75
		Land Damage, Pembroke Street	56.50
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$29,025.04	Main and Summer Street indemnification	200.00
Tax Titles	588.73	Sidewalk Construction	729.89
Departmental:	1,473.46	Sidewalk Bills Payable	211.00
Selectmen	\$5.00	Landing Road Reconstruction	77.25
Town House	41.00	Pembroke Street Reconstruction	235.59
Forest Fires	21.00	World War Memorial	8.18
Health	1.00	Town Records	56.00
Highway	93.25	Water maintenance Bills Payable	466.57
Public Welfare	1,522.83	Water Summer and Main Street	168.50
Comm. of Mass., State Aid	228.00	Reservoir Repairs	786.91
	\$1,912.08	Laying out addition to Old Burying Ground	100.00
Water:		High School Addition	297.70
Rates, etc. 1928 and previous	102.60	Relaying Mains Crescent Street	181.81
Rates, etc. 1929	1,839.28		
	\$1,941.88	Income School Funds	\$28.21
Overdrawn Accounts:		Overlay (reserved for abatements)	\$28.21
Overlay 1927	\$147.90	Levy of 1928	\$190.96
Public Welfare	1,708.35	Levy of 1929	491.47
			\$982.43

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## Revenue (reserved until Collected)

Departmental	\$1,912.08
Motor Vehicle Excise	588.73
Water	1,941.88
Tax Title	1,473.46

\$5,916.15

Reverce Fund, Overlay Surplus  
Surplus Revenue

327.99  
28,162.64

\$10,931.52

\$10,931.52

## DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

\$55,100.00	Plymouth County Hospital Loan	\$1,000.00
	Highway Land Damage Loan	500.00
	High School Loan (1921)	7,000.00
	High School Addition Loan 1929	22,000.00
	High School Addition Loan, (1926)	22,000.00
		\$29,000.00
	Water Loan 1920	5,500.00
	Water Loan 1921	2,000.00
	Water Loan 1923	12,000.00
	Water Loan 1925	1,200.00
	Water Loan 1927	3,900.00
		\$24,600.00
\$55,100.00		\$55,100.00

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## TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities

\$109,267.61	In Custody of Treasurer:	
	Willis Fund	\$8,832.86
	Thomas Prince Benevolent Fund	22,317.48
	Arthur F. Wadsworth Welfare Fund	1,867.74
		\$33,018.08
	F. C. Adams School Fund	5,502.82
	Rosa A. Cole School Fund	1,120.02
	Annie C. Thomas School Fund	5,632.70
		12,155.54
	Elizabeth F. Glover Drinking Fountain Fund	371.03
	E. W. & W. F. Loring Guarantee Fund	4,211.11
		4,582.14
	Lacy Prince Ance Memorial Fund	20,373.72
	St. Joseph's Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	44.80
	Evergreen Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	116.57
		\$20,535.09
	In Custody of Trustees:	
	Isabod Washburn Fund	10,819.65
	In Custody of Library Trustees:	
	F. C. Adams Library Fund	\$20,307.49
	Rosa A. Cole Library Fund	5,587.67
	Annie C. Thomas Library Fund	1,162.87
	Byron C. Quinby Library Fund	469.11
		\$28,127.14
\$109,267.61		\$109,267.61

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**REPORT OF AN AUDIT**  
of  
**THE ACCOUNTS**  
of the  
**TOWN of KINGSTON**  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1929

Made in accordance with the Provisions of  
Chapter 44, General Laws

February 11, 1930

## ABSTRACT OF STATE AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

An audit of the accounts of the Town of Kingston for the year ending December 31, 1929, has been made in accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws, by the Department of Corporations and Taxation Division of Accounts of the State. No recommendations having been made, only that portion of the report containing the summary tables, showing the condition of the several tax levies, water accounts, the various funds, and other items of financial interest to the citizens are printed.

Following are the tables:

### RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance January 1, 1929,	\$1,551.71	
Receipts,	233,183.94	
	<hr/>	\$234,735.65
Payments,	\$230,601.57	
Balance December 31, 1929,	4,134.08	
	<hr/>	\$234,735.65
Balance January 1, 1930,	\$4,134.08	
Receipts January 1 to 15, 1930,	2,904.47	
Cash over,	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,048.55
Payments January 1 to 15, 1930,	\$2,094.16	
Balance Plymouth National Bank,		
January 15, 1930,	4,954.39	
	<hr/>	\$7,048.55

### PLYMOUTH NATIONAL BANK

Payments January 15, 1930, per statement,		\$5,754.11
Balance January 15, 1930, per check register,	\$4,954.39	
Outstanding checks January 15, 1930, per list,	799.72	
	<hr/>	\$5,754.11

### TAXES—1926

Outstanding January 1, 1929,	\$735.10	
Abatement after payment, refunded	27.00	
	<hr/>	\$762.10
Payments to treasurer,	\$512.24	
Abatements,	249.86	
	<hr/>	\$762.10

### TAXES—1927

Outstanding January 1, 1929,	\$3,530.67	
Abatements after payment, refunded,	23.20	
Overpayment, refunded,	2.10	
Overpayment, to be refunded,	.09	
	<hr/>	\$3,556.06
Payments to treasurer,	\$2,716.03	
Abatements,	463.03	
Added to tax titles,	371.20	
Due from collector December 31, 1929, and January 15, 1930,	5.80	
	<hr/>	\$3,556.06

### TAXES—1928

Outstanding January 1, 1929,	\$29,911.50	
Abatements after payment, refunded,	43.20	
Invalid tax title,	36.00	
Overpayment, to be refunded,	.12	
	<hr/>	\$29,990.82
Payments to treasurer,	\$26,218.41	
Abatements,	264.68	
Added to tax titles,	244.80	
Outstanding December 31, 1929,	3,262.93	
	<hr/>	\$29,990.82
Outstanding January 1, 1930,		\$3,262.93
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 15, 1930,	\$2.70	
Outstanding January 15, 1930, per list,	3,260.23	
	<hr/>	\$3,262.93

### TAXES—1929

Commitment per warrant,	\$96,994.17	
Additional commitment,	120.14	
Commitment list in excess of warrant,	.01	
Abatements after payment, refunded,	28.20	
Added to tax titles in error,	34.65	
Error in reporting abatements,	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$97,179.17
Payments to treasurer,	\$70,785.02	
Abatements,	288.01	
Added to tax titles,	349.62	
Outstanding December 31, 1929,	25,756.52	
	<hr/>	\$97,179.17
Outstanding January 1, 1930,		\$25,756.52
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 15, 1930,	\$688.60	
Outstanding January 15, 1930, per list,	25,067.92	
	<hr/>	\$25,756.52

### MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1929

Commitment per warrants,	\$7,879.53	
Abatements after payment, refunded,	53.74	
	<hr/>	\$7,933.27
Payments to treasurer,	\$6,659.84	
Abatements,	684.64	
Warrants in excess of commitment lists,	.06	
Outstanding December 31, 1929,	588.73	
	<hr/>	\$7,933.27
Outstanding January 1, 1930,		\$588.73
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 15, 1930,	\$14.99	
Outstanding January 15, 1930, per list,	571.56	
Due from collector January 15, 1930,	2.18	
	<hr/>	\$588.73

### INTEREST ON TAXES AND TAX TITLES

#### Collections 1929:

Taxes 1926,	\$67.63	
Taxes 1927,	257.15	
Taxes 1928,	1,041.39	
Taxes 1929,	55.25	
Motor vehicle excise taxes 1929,	9.28	
Tax titles,	26.33	
	<hr/>	\$1,457.03
Payments to treasurer,		\$1,457.03
Collections January 1 to 15, 1930,		\$11.16
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 15, 1930,		\$11.16

#### TAX TITLES

On hand January 1, 1929,		\$839.60
Tax Sales:		
Levy of 1927,	\$371.20	
Interest and costs,	186.38	
	<hr/>	557.58
Added to tax titles:		
Levy of 1928,	\$244.80	
Levy of 1929,	349.62	
	<hr/>	594.42
		\$1,991.60
Tax titles redeemed,		\$426.20
Invalid tax sale—levy of 1928,	\$36.00	
Added to tax titles in error, levy of 1929,	34.65	
Tax titles released, errors in sale,	21.29	
	<hr/>	\$91.94
On hand December 31, 1929 and January 15, 1930, per list,	1,469.56	
Due from collector December 31, 1929, and January 15, 1930,	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,991.60

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# DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Outstanding January 1, 1929:

Selectmen,	\$27.85
Forest fires,	21.00
Health,	1.00
Highway,	3.00
Public welfare,	1,077.49
State aid,	420.00

\$1,550.34

Commitments:

Selectmen,	\$45.00
Town house,	71.00
Highway,	957.25
Public welfare,	2,741.87
School,	246.00
State aid,	228.00

4,289.12

\$5,839.46

Payments to treasurer,

\$3,927.38

Outstanding December 31, 1929:

Selectmen,	\$5.00
Forest fires,	21.00
Town house,	41.00
Health,	1.00
Highway,	93.25
Public welfare,	1,522.83
State aid,	228.00

1,912.08

\$5,839.46

## WATER RATES, ETC., 1928 AND PRIOR YEARS

Outstanding January 1, 1929:

Water rates,	\$453.58
Miscellaneous,	16.85

\$470.43

Collections not committed,

1.05

Abatement after payment, to be adjusted,

2.00

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Excess abatement, to be adjusted, 3.00  
Water rates 1929 reported as 1928, 19.50

\$495.98

Payments to treasurer, \$340.83  
Abatements, 27.00

Outstanding December 31, 1929 and  
January 15, 1930, per list, 127.15

Due from collector December 31, 1929  
and January 15, 1930, 1.00

\$495.98

## WATER RATES—1929

Commitments, \$15,057.33  
Collection not committed, 1.00  
Abatement after payment, refunded, 3.00  
Excess abatement, to be adjusted, 3.00  
Overpayment to treasurer, 1.00

\$15,065.33

Payments to treasurer, \$12,993.22  
Abatements, 227.83  
Water rates 1929 reported as 1928, 19.50  
Outstanding December 31, 1929, 1,824.78

\$15,065.33

Outstanding January 1, 1930, \$1,824.78

Payments to treasurer January 1 to  
15, 1930, \$14.00

Outstanding January 15, 1930, per list 1,810.71

Due from collector January 15, 1930, .07

\$1,824.78

## WATER RATES—1930

Commitment, \$6,026.12

Payments to treasurer January 1 to  
15, 1930, \$1,686.45

Outstanding January 15, 1930, per  
list, 4,339.67

\$6,026.12

WILLIS POOR FUND  
In Custody of Treasurer

	Savings	Securi-	
	Deposits	ties	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929.	\$7,017.87	\$1,500.00	\$8,517.87
On hand at end of year 1929.	\$7,332.86	\$1,500.00	\$8,832.86
Receipts		Payments	
Income, \$485.49	Deposited in bank,	\$314.59	
	Transferred to town,	170.50	
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	\$485.49		\$485.49

THOMAS PRINCE BENEVOLENT FUND

In Custody of Treasurer

	Savings	
	Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929.	\$21,714.29	\$21,714.29
On hand at end of year 1929.	\$22,317.48	\$22,317.48
Receipts		Payments
Income, \$1,235.19	Deposited in bank,	\$603.45
	Transferred to town,	632.74
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	\$1,235.19	\$1,235.19

ARTHUR F. WADSWORTH FUND  
PUBLIC WELFARE

In Custody of Treasurer

	Savings	
	Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929.	\$1,769.14	\$1,769.14
On hand at end of year 1929.	\$1,867.74	\$1,867.74
Receipts		Payments
Income, \$98.60	Deposited in bank,	\$98.60

F. C. ADAMS SCHOOL FUND  
In Custody of Selectmen and Treasurer

	Savings	
	Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929.	\$5,242.88	\$5,242.88
On hand at end of year 1929.	\$5,502.82	\$5,502.82
Receipts		Payments
Income, \$259.94	Deposited in bank,	\$259.94

ANNIE C. THOMAS SCHOOL FUND

In Custody of Treasurer

	Savings	
	Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929.	\$5,263.43	\$5,263.43
On hand at end of year 1929.	\$5,532.70	\$5,532.70
Receipts		Payments
Income, \$269.27	Deposited in bank,	\$269.27

ROSA A. COLE SCHOOL FUND

In Custody of Treasurer

	Savings	
	Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929.	\$1,060.90	\$1,060.90
On hand at end of year 1929.	\$1,120.02	\$1,120.02
Receipts		Payments
Income, \$59.12	Deposited in bank,	\$59.12

ELIZABETH F. GLOVER FOUNTAIN FUND

In Custody of Treasurer

	Savings	
	Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929.	\$351.46	\$351.46
On hand at end of year 1929.	\$371.03	\$371.03
Receipts		Payments
Income, \$19.57	Deposited in bank,	\$19.57

# F. C. ADAMS LIBRARY FUND---PRINCIPAL

In Custody of Trustees

	Savings Deposits	Securi- ties	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,	\$3,311.71	\$8,800.00	\$12,111.71
On hand at end of year 1929,	\$4,311.71	\$7,800.00	\$12,111.71

Receipts		Payments	
Securities matured	\$1,000.00	Deposited in savings bank,	\$1,000.00
Income,	737.01	Transferred to income account,	745.01
Sale of rights,	8.00		
	<u>\$1,745.01</u>		<u>\$1,745.01</u>

# F. C. ADAMS LIBRARY FUND---INCOME

In Custody of Trustees

	Cash	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,			
	\$771.81	\$7,568.11	\$8,339.92
On hand at end of year 1929,	\$841.46	\$7,954.32	\$8,795.78

Receipts		Payments	
Income,	\$404.56	Added to savings de-	
Transfer from town,		posits	\$386.21
1-5 of Adams School		Library expense,	745.60
Fund Income,	\$51.99	Commission, sale of	
Transfer from prin-		rights,	.10
cipal,	745.01	Cash on hand Decem-	
Cash on hand Janu-		ber 31, 1929,	\$41.46
ary 1, 1929,	771.81		
	<u>\$1,973.37</u>		<u>\$1,973.37</u>

# ROSA A. COLE LIBRARY FUND

	Cash	Savings Deposits	Secur- ities Par Value	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,	\$373.82	\$1,135.20	\$4,000.00	\$5,509.02
On hand at end of year 1929,	\$452.47	\$2,135.20	\$3,000.00	\$5,587.67

  

Receipts		Payments	
Securities ma-		Added to savings de-	
tured,	\$1,000.00	posits,	\$1,000.00
Income,	260.07	Library expense,	181.42
Cash on hand Janu-		Cash on hand Decem-	
ary 1, 1929,	373.82	ber 31, 1929,	452.47
	<u>\$1,633.89</u>		<u>\$1,633.89</u>

# ANNIE C. THOMAS LIBRARY FUND

In Custody of Trustees

	Cash	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,	\$108.71	\$1,120.70	\$1,238.41
On hand at end of year 1929,	\$33.17	\$1,120.70	\$1,162.87

  

Receipts		Payments	
Income,	\$56.56	Library expenses,	\$132.10
Cash on hand Janu-		Cash on hand Decem-	
ary 1, 1929,	108.71	ber 31, 1929,	33.17
	<u>\$165.27</u>		<u>\$165.27</u>

# BYRON C. QUIMBY LIBRARY FUND

In Custody of Trustees

		Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,		\$444.36	\$444.36
On hand at end of year 1929,		\$469.11	\$469.11

  

Receipts		Payments	
Income,	\$24.75	Deposited in bank,	\$24.75

### EVERGREEN CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

In Custody of Treasurer

		Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929		\$115.17	\$115.17
On hand at end of year 1929,		\$116.57	\$116.57
	Receipts	Payments	
Income,	\$6.40	Deposited in bank,	\$1.40
		Transferred to town,	5.00
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	\$6.40		\$6.40

### LUCY PRINCE AMES CEMETERY FUND

In Custody of Selectmen and Treasurer

		Savings Deposits	Securi- ties	total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,		\$7,823.83	\$12,500.00	\$20,323.83
On hand at end of year 1929,		\$7,873.72	\$12,500.00	\$20,373.72
	Receipts	Payments		
Income,	\$869.05	Deposited in bank,		\$49.89
		Transferred to town,		\$19.10
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	\$869.05			\$869.05

### ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

In Custody of Treasurer

		Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,		\$42.47	\$42.47
On hand at end of year 1929,		\$44.80	\$44.80
	Receipts	Payments	
Income,	\$2.33	Deposited in bank,	\$2.33

### ICHABOD WASHBURN FUND

In Custody of Trustees

	Cash	Savings Deposits	Securi- ties	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,	\$ .50	\$919.25	\$10,000.00	\$10,919.75
On hand at end of year 1929,	—	\$849.65	\$10,000.00	\$10,849.65
	Receipts	Payments		
Withdrawn from sav- ings bank,	\$69.60	Beneficiaries,		\$460.00
Income,	449.40	Surety bond,		37.50
		Expenses,		22.00
Cash on hand Janu- ary 1, 1929,	.50			
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	\$519.50			\$519.50

### EDGAR LORING WATER GUARANTEE DEPOSIT FUND

In Custody of Selectmen

		Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1929,		\$4,211.11	\$4,211.11
On hand at end of year 1929,		\$4,211.11	\$4,211.11
	Receipts	Payments	
Income paid direct to Edgar Loring,			



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN of KINGSTON

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For the Year Ending December 31st

1929

## SCHOOL DIRECTORY

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Roland S. Bailey, Chairman,	Term Expires 1931
Maude M. Bracket, Secretary,	Term Expires 1930
Ruth H. Bailey,	Term Expires 1932
Jacob H. Dries,	Term Expires 1932
Margaret B. Lyman,	Term Expires 1930
Edward E. Freeman,	Term Expires 1931

The School Committee meets at the High School Building, at 7:45 P. M. on the second Monday of each month.

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

John H. Parker, residence Telephone—Kingston 96.

Office hours 8:30 to 9:30 A. M. on school days

Clerk, Carrie Dunbar Holmes

Office hours 9 to 11 A. M. and 1 to 5 P. M., school days.

Office telephone—Kingston 75.

### STAFF

Lee S. Merrill, Bates College,	Principal High
Clifton R. Johnson, Mass Agricultural College	High
Lucy E. Treat, Colby College,	High
Elsie A. Cowles, Brown University,	High
Dorothy W. Oliver, Burdett College,	High
Helen B. Cushing, Bridgewater Normal,	Junior High
Lottie G. Cornealy, Regina, Sask. Normal	Junior High
Thelma A. Peterson, Bridgewater Normal	Junior High
Helen M. Keville, Salem Normal School,	Junior High
Elva L. Brown, Concord High School,	Maple Avenue
Florence S. Blume, Hyannis Normal,	Maple Avenue

Ethel Henderson, Bridgewater Normal,	Patuxet
Adeline M. Keevey, Abington High School,	Cobb
Mary A. Curran, Bridgewater Normal,	Cobb
Rose B. Delano, Millsbury High School, N. Y.,	Cobb
Helen A. Kendall, Hyannis Normal,	Cobb
Elsbeth Hardy, Salem Normal,	Howland's Lane
Narda D. Anti, Keene Normal, N. H.,	Howland's Lane

May Blair McClosky, Music and Drawing  
H. G. Briggs, M. D., School Physician  
Emma J. Mange, School Nurse

### JANITORS

Edwin I. Sherman, High, Maple Avenue, Patuxet Schools.  
Alfred C. Brown, Cobb and Howland's Lane Schools.

### CALENDAR

1930 Winter Term—Dec. 30, 1929 to Mar. 14, 1930.

1930 Spring Term—March 24 to June 13 incl.

High School Graduation—Wednesday evening, June 11.

1930 Fall Term—September 3 to December 19.

1931 Winter Term—Dec. 29, 1930 to Mar. 13, 1931.

In addition to all legal holidays the schools will be closed for a Teachers' Convention in the Fall Term, on the Friday following Thanksgiving Day, and once for a Teachers' Visiting Day.

In the event of no School for other reasons the fire siren will signal 2-2 repeated, at 7:45 A. M.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Kingston:

This report of the condition of the public schools is made by the committee in compliance with Section 4, Chapter 73 of the General Laws of Massachusetts. Also in accordance with suggestions from the Department of Education, there is incorporated in it the report to the committee from the superintendent of schools. The report of the superintendent in its turn includes reports from the several department heads.

For the fiscal year of 1929 it is gratifying to report the accomplishment of all work which was laid out a year ago. Your committee is trying to operate the department on a conservative plan. Repairs and replacements are anticipated as far in advance as possible and budgeted over a period of years. This item of expense and that for new equipment are subject to a greater possible variation than any of the others and the plan is to apportion all expenses as evenly as may be from year to year. All school property is in excellent condition.

The gross expenditure in 1929 was \$390 less than in 1928 and the requirements for 1930 are estimated to be about the same as for the past year.

It is unfortunate that the valuation by the State and the consequent proportion of state and county tax paid by Kingston have been greatly increased. An immediate effect upon this town has been a decrease of over \$6700, in the amount of state aid received for public schools. With a valuation of more than four million five hundred thousand the town no longer receives any payment from the State toward the salary and traveling expenses of a union superintendent.

An outstanding activity of the past year has been the establishment of group teaching of instrumental music. This is managed personally by the superintendent and is not a part of the regular school curriculum. Money to finance it has come from benefit entertainments, contributions and payment by the pupils.

The Adams Free Lectures have been conducted under a novel plan in an endeavor to overcome the general adverse criticism of the past behavior of the audiences. A part of the available funds are being used for lectures in the High School. These lectures have been given at the assembly hour on Friday morning and are open to the public the same as all lectures in the Adams Free Lecture Course. This programme has been a progressive step and if continued, eventually all our pupils will be presented with two or more good lectures during each year.

Nearly anything of educational value along this line that is of interest to the adult or children of High School age must of necessity be over the heads of the younger children. In view of the fact that very young children attend the evening lectures unescorted by their parents or elders it is many times difficult to keep order if the subject is advanced. It is felt that the greater number of mature minds would be reached in the above manner.

The series of moving pictures that were presented in the Reed Community House during the past two winters have not been as well attended as we had hoped. These Yale Chronicles were moving pictures of the outstanding episodes in the History of the United States of America and are considered one of the best things on the market in the line of visual education. They are sponsored by the University Extension Department.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee:

The 63rd report of the Superintendent of Schools of Kingston, and the 5th of the present superintendent, is herewith respectfully submitted.

The two most noteworthy changes made during the past year were the introduction of instrumental music and a modest beginning in the industrial arts: wood-

working for the boys and sewing and cooking for the girls.

During the winter the eighth grade boys planned and constructed ninety music stands to be used for orchestral work. In addition many individual projects were completed.

Although the end of this activity is primarily training, it is well to have in mind the production of useful and ornamental things, rather than production of materials which can only be thrown away after having served the purpose of increasing the skill of the pupil.

Every boy should know how to set a plane, use both types of saws, have a knowledge of the kinds of nails and screws, and be trained so as to be able to perform the small jobs always necessary in the upkeep of a home. Such training as we are able to give along these lines does not aim to make carpenters and mechanics. We try to give the boy a working knowledge of common tools and teach him to handle his hands and fingers in a fairly expert manner.

If boys are to be thus trained, so also should girls be well schooled in the use of the needle and thread, so that ordinary repairs can be made to clothing, hats, etc. A knowledge of the fundamentals of food and cooking is an invaluable asset to every girl. These fundamentals the school should also teach, as under modern conditions, the average mother does not have the time for such instruction.

Classes in instrumental music are making fine progress. There are now two organizations: an orchestra, composed of all pupils studying instruments of any kind, including the "strings", and a band which meets Tuesday evenings. The latter is made up of all instruments except the strings.

#### READING

During the past year special stress has been put upon reading from the standpoint of interpretation and com-

prehension. Too many pupils read words very glibly, without much idea of the meaning of what they read. We are trying to train them to think and comprehend more of what they read.

If this can be accomplished, there will result a vast improvement in solving arithmetical problems, and in the understanding of historical and geographical problems; in fact, in all phases of school work where reading is the foundation of information and knowledge.

The condition of penmanship in our schools is not in a satisfactory condition. This is chiefly on account of the lack of training on the part of many of our teachers in the correct methods of teaching that subject.

I recommend that teachers be required to perfect themselves in proper methods, and that such methods be carried into all written work during the school day.

#### HEATING AND VENTILATING

One of the most troublesome matters of the school room is proper heating and ventilating, ventilating especially. The heating problem has been greatly improved by the use of temperature charts whereby the teachers at regular stated intervals, consult the thermometer and make whatever adjustments as are available, either to raise or lower the temperature. Ventilation is a much more difficult and complicated proposition. None of our buildings are equipped with positive means of supplying fresh air, or for carrying away foul air, so we have to do the best we can, using windows, etc. The town could well consider the installation of mechanical apparatus for ventilating purposes.

#### RETARDED PUPILS

There are in every grade two or more pupils who always have, and always will have difficulty in doing normal grade work. Such pupils are a grave problem because they consume the time of the teacher, time, which belongs to other members of the class. They not

only cannot advance themselves, they are a drawback to the rest of the class.

I recommend that the committee begin to consider the advisability of the establishment of a special class in which retarded pupils may be placed.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. PARKER,

Superintendent.

# ATTENDANCE STATISTICS 1928-1929

	Elementary	High	Total
Pupils enrolled,	397	109	506
Average Membership,	384	105	489
Average Daily Attendance,	360	101	461
Percent of Attendance,	94%	96%	

## CENSUS OCTOBER 1, 1929

	Boys	Girls	Total
Persons 5 years of age and under 7 years	15	39	84
Persons 7 years of age and under 14 years	156	151	307
Persons 14 years of age and under 16 years	51	41	92
Totals	252	231	483

## MEMBERSHIP AND DISTRIBUTION OF PUPILS

JANUARY 1, 1930

School	GRADE												Tot.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
High—Senior										39	17	23	107
Junior High							35	48					83
Maple Avenue				16	19	17	20						72
Patuxet	20	18											38
Howland's Lane	35	25											61
Cobb				27	30	30	36						123
Totals	56	43	43	49	47	56	35	48	39	17	23	23	484

## SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools:

More than ever this year, we are realizing the importance of tone production in the individual pupils, especially in the lower grades.

The proof of this is shown when a child comes into a first grade, being able neither to sing a tone or hear one and after reaching the third grade, shows the development of good tone and an aptitude to sing correctly and sweetly.

Also more time and earnest work is being put upon note reading and theory, realizing more every year that if this is not done through the grades below the Junior High School, it will never be successfully and thoroughly taught for the reason that the crowded program in the Junior High only gives them a limited time for music.

The object then in the work this year is to lay a more solid foundation in theory and all the rudiments of music.

The usual procedure is being followed in the High School this year, reviewing the songs of last year and trying to strengthen our tenor and bass section.

Work on graduation songs will begin in January.

Respectfully submitted,

MAY BLAIR McCLOSKEY,

Supervisor.

## SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Very few changes have been made in the plans for drawing this year.

In the lower grades our endeavor has been to intensify the children's interest by combining drawing with reading and other daily work. To bring about a more extensive freedom and to encourage a greater play of the imagination, two phases have been introduced: free hand drawing and paper cutting.

The Junior High, has been working on studies and scenes, using mostly the water color, merely for the purpose of getting practice in handling this medium.

The Freshman Class in the High School has had the choice of taking drawing in the art class or mechanical drawing, with the result that the more talented members will have a better opportunity to do special work next year.

This class will work through the year in pastel crayon, and, for the first time, water color.

In the three upper classes, composed of some remarkably talented students, the work so far has consisted in making outdoor sketches of Kingston houses and landmarks, finished in pastel, crayon and water color.

With the program outlined above as a beginning, we hope to have a very creditable showing for an art exhibit in the Spring.

At this time I should like to thank the Kingston teachers for their helpful co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MAY BLAIR McCLOSKEY,

Supervisor.

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The medical inspection of the pupils showed the following results:—

There was an increase in the number of pupils who had pediculosis, commonly known as head lice. The former nomenclature sounds better but the latter is more descriptive. As stated in a report a few years back, this is a condition which is unnecessary, unsightly, and somewhat unhealthy. Some people having head lice thrust upon them, get rid of them quickly by taking proper treatment, others not taking proper treatment keep the

condition and pass it along to make new cases from year to year.

It is hoped that there will be sufficient cooperation to irradiate an unnecessary condition.

Throat examinations were not so encouraging this year as they have been in previous years. It might be mentioned here that even though a throat is noted as normal, it does not necessarily follow that the tonsils should not be removed in some cases. If at the time of our examination the tonsil is diseased or enlarged, a notation is made of this fact. Regardless of the size of the tonsils, if a patient has repeated attacks of tonsillitis, colds, or possibly is undernourished, the removal of the tonsils might improve the health considerably. In some cases the improvement following a tonsillectomy seems remarkable.

The posture of the pupils as a whole did not seem as good as during the previous year. It is generally acknowledged that good posture is a factor in good health.

There was a slight decrease in the number of cases which showed enlarged cervical glands. Some were a continuance of cases from the previous year and some were new cases. If the cause can be found, have it treated.

So far this year there has been no epidemic of contagion. In fact the health of the pupils to date has been especially good. Very few pupils have come for return slips because of absence due to infectious or contagious diseases. I doubt if half a dozen slips have been made out by the school physician since school started. Last year, for one spell there were from 15 to 35 slips made out each day. The possibilities are that more will be made out the next three months, however.

I believe that it might be called to your attention that this year a definite time has been set aside for pupils to obtain return slips from the school physician—namely, from 8:20 to 8:45 A. M. and from 2 to 3 P. M. on school

days only. Until further notice this schedule will be followed.

This year, a tabulation of conditions was made in order that definite comparison might be made from year to year.

School	No. of Pupils	Adenoids & Tonsils	Cervical Glands	Thyroid Glands or Goitre	Heart Leakage	Pedicularitis
High	107	17	7	4	3	0
Jr. High	7th 35	12	8	3	1	0
Jr. High	8th 49	8	4	0	1	0
Maple Ave.	3-4 34	7	9	0	0	3
Maple Ave.	5-6 37	4	12	0	0	0
Patuxet	1-2 38	14	0	0	1	1
Cobb	3-4 58	11	16	0	0	4
Cobb	5-6 68	15	24	3	3	7
Howland's						
Lane	1-2 63	18	8	0	0	7
Total	489	106	88	10	9	22

Of the 106 pupils who had tonsils showing various degrees of abnormality, there were 15 cases which were recommended for tonsillectomy.

Not only guard against illness but when illness prevails, do not neglect it. Consult your family physician.

I thank my Co-workers.

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. BRIGGS, M. D.

#### SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby respectfully submit the following report of the Health work carried on in the Kingston Schools for the year ending December 31, 1929.



Four hundred thirty children were examined by the School Physician, assisted by the School Nurse, during September and October 1929.

Four hundred home calls relative to illness and truancy, have been made by the School Nurse the past year.

In March, 1929, an epidemic of Scarlet Fever started in Plymouth, but with the co-operation of the Board of Health, School Physician, School Nurse, Teachers, and Parents we were successful in keeping our schools free from the disease, and only one adult case was reported in town. No contagious diseases have been reported in town or in the schools.

The Retarded School Child Clinic was held in the Kingston High School April 29. Five boys and girls were brought before Dr. Roskin of the Taunton State Hospital. The reports from these examinations are very helpful to teachers and parents. Preparing for the Clinic takes considerable time, as all histories have to be taken by the School Nurse before the doctor can make the examination.

May 17, a very successful Clinic for the first grade children who were to enter school in September, was held in the High School building, under the direction of Dr. Susan Coffin and Staff from the Department of Public Health, Boston, Mass. Thirty six children were examined, thirty-one mothers were present and five children were brought by the School Nurse. Dr. Briggs assisted Dr. Coffin, and Mrs. Mary Freeman, District Nurse, of Kingston and Plymouth, with Mrs. Margaret B. Lyman, assisted the School Nurse.

The following work is done by the School Nurse; the parents showing much interest in having the defects found in the children corrected. I trust we shall be able to have a clinic again this year, as I feel it is very interesting and helpful to all. The parents get a more definite idea of preparing their children entering school the first year.

Weighing and measuring of the school children has been done four times during the school year. A large per-cent of under-weights were found in the Junior High School.

During May and June a very successful Dental Clinic was held at the Cobb and High School buildings, under the efficient direction of Miss Evelyn Delorys, Dental Hygienist. 400 children took advantage of this opportunity, and many parents have had corrective work done for their children, owing to the advice given there. The interest shown by children and parents is very encouraging.

Six defective eye cases have been fitted to glasses and three defective ear cases have been sent to Dr. Holbrook Shaw's Clinic. Ten defective tonsil cases have been corrected at the Jordan Hospital Clinic during the past year.

Hot water bottles have been placed in each of the following schools by the school nurse, from the Christmas Seal Fund: Junior High, Maple Avenue, Patuxet, Cobb and Howland's Lane.

Warm clothing has been given to school children needing help. People have been very kind in helping out in this way. One family was supplied with free milk during July and August, from the Christmas Seal Fund. Three children needing shoes and stockings were supplied by the American Red Cross. Many other children have been helped by the fund and by the help of the community. This work is done by the school nurse, outside of the usual school work.

School Census was completed in October, finding 483 boys and girls between the ages of five and sixteen. About 40 children will enter school in September, 1930.

Ear tests of all children, from the third grade through the Senior High School, were given this year by Audiometer, under the direction of Miss Anna Foley of the Plymouth County Health Association. Six defective ear cases were reported after the re-test made November 27.

This work is followed up by the school nurse and parents are advised as to their condition. This test is very helpful to the boy or girl who is slightly deaf, and to the teacher, who, understanding their condition, will give them the required help. The Audiometer is owned by the Plymouth County Health Association and as we are in that County, we are entitled to free use of the same.

The teachers had a very interesting Health outline for May Day exercises. All children are working for weight and posture tags given out on May Day.

Fifteen dollars and fifty cents was collected from teachers and pupils of the Kingston Schools for the American Red Cross.

Thirty-three Christmas stockings have been filled for the soldiers at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital, by the Junior Red Cross Children in our schools.

The health program is growing larger each year, showing more cooperation from parents, and children enjoy the many interesting activities.

The teachers are very helpful, and their co-operation is very pleasant.

I wish to extend my thanks to all who so kindly aid me in this work.

With the co-operation of the Superintendent, School Committee, Doctor and Teachers, I feel that one more step has been made in the good we are striving to do.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA J. MANGE,

Nurse.

# HIGH SCHOOL

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I am submitting my report together with the financial report of the school activities that involve the handling of money; that is, the report of the Supervisor of the

Lunch Room, the Treasurer of "The Quill", and the Treasurer of the Gift Fund.

It may be of interest if we consider briefly what our graduates have been doing since leaving high school. We find that the graduates of the past eight years have been seemingly ambitious, almost fifty percent of them having continued their education after leaving high School.

The following table, covering a period of eight years beginning with 1923, indicates the distribution of graduates:

The number of graduates during this period	131
The number attending college	18
The number attending normal school	15
The number attending other schools of all kinds	26
The number going directly into business	40
Unclassified	35

A study of the activities of those pupils who have attended colleges, normal schools, or other schools, indicates that they have been uniformly successful, completing their courses in most cases with a high standing and securing good positions after graduation. A survey of those pupils who have gone directly into business indicates that they have been doing their jobs well and moving forward in their chosen profession.

A word in regard to those who are yet in high school but have some plans for further schooling after graduation. To insure the thorough preparation for admission to college or normal school it is wise to consider what is to be done as early as the first year in high school. In order to secure the best results there must be intelligent co-operation among the parent, the pupil, and the school.

May I take this opportunity to thank all those people who have co-operated in the work of the school?

LEE S. MERRILL,

Principal.

## HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM

Financial report of the Lunch Room for the year of 1929.

	Receipts	Payments
January, (Balance on hand)	\$82.78	
January,	152.49	150.14
February,	135.44	107.41
March,	104.56	97.97
April,	137.92	143.97
May,	137.40	141.40
June,	46.05	53.56
September,	129.30	120.89
October,	161.98	165.41
November,	130.39	129.62
December,	108.87	107.28
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		\$1,197.18
January 1930, Balance,		79.70
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	\$1,277.18	\$1,277.18

Inventory of food, \$19.75

DOROTHY W. OLIVER,

Supervisor.

150.14  
107.41  
97.97  
142.97  
141.40  
89.36  
120.89  
165.44  
129.62  
107.28

\$1,197.48  
79.70  
\$1,277.18

ER.  
Supervisor

# KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Financial report for the year of 1929.

## RECEIPTS

January Balance,	\$63.45
Magazine Drive,	155.30
Gate Receipts,	255.25
Dues,	97.65
Proceeds of Play,	150.97
Gift,	10.00
Refund,	26.00

## PAYMENTS

Athletic Goods,	\$405.96
Police Duty,	13.00
Telephone and Postage,	16.52
Hardware and Lime	8.30
Printing,	43.00
Visiting Teams,	42.50
Laundry Work,	3.00
Express,	1.57
Official Services at games,	50.00
Buttner Company,	3.30
Account Book,	.60
Medical Services,	22.00
First Aid Supplies,	7.88
Transportation,	67.00
Hockey Coach,	36.00
Hockey Team,	9.47
Refund to Junior Class,	26.29

Balance,

\$756.39  
2.23

\$758.62

\$758.62

January, 1930, Balance

\$2.23

LUCY E. TREAT,  
Treasurer.

# THE QUILL MAGAZINE, 1929

## RECEIPTS

January Balance,	\$15.97
Advertisements,	250.50
Subscriptions,	67.80
	\$434.27

## PAYMENTS

Memorial Press,	\$407.25
Postage and Stationery,	4.37
Photographs,	17.00
Expense Note,	.75
Freight on proof,	4.00
	\$433.37

LUCY E. TREAT,  
Treasurer.

# GIFT FUND, 1929

## RECEIPTS

January Balance,	\$11.08
Chemistry Fund,	2.75
Class of 1929,	50.00
Patuxet Club,	50.00
	\$113.83
January, 1930, Balance,	\$102.23

## PAYMENTS

Interest on Piano Note,	5.50
Gold Medal Company,	6.10
	\$11.60
Balance,	102.23
	\$113.83

LUCY E. TREAT,  
Treasurer.

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# KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

Class of 1929

Reed Community Building,

Wednesday, June 12, at 8 o'clock

1. March
2. Orchestra
3. Invocation  
Rev. Frederick L. Cleveland
4. Chorus—"Sundown" Londonerry Air
5. The Screen Finds its Voice  
Second Honor—Henry Antoniotti
6. Chorus— (a) "Waitin' in the Shadows" Wellesley  
(b) "Comrades of the Road" Wilson
7. Methods of Radio Broadcasting  
Third Honor—Leon P. Tura
8. Chorus—"On the Moonlit Sea" Wilson
9. The Development of the American Drama  
Fourth Honor—Margaret L. Valeriani
10. Orchestra
11. Culture  
First Honor—Henry W. Hardy
12. Class Song  
Words by Russell J. Cooke
13. Awarding of Prizes  
Lee S. Merrill, Principal
14. Awarding of the Ann White Washburn Scholarship  
Miss Emily F. Drew
15. Presentation of Diplomas  
Roland S. Bailey, Chairman of School Committee
16. Orchestra  
Class Motto: Deeds not Words  
Class Colors: Maroon and Gold  
Clarke's Orchestra

# GRADUATES

Henry Antoniotti	Herbert Connell Walters
John Russell Cooke	Carl Raymond Peterson
Luelli Paul Tassinari	Isadora Kathryn Michelini
Kathryn Frances Corrow	Olive Morton Gould
Playton Carter Hemeon	Leon Peter Tura
Jessica Ellen Tobey	Mary Harriet Glass
Harold Webster Stiles	George William Cushman
Doris Charlotte Brown	Katherine Ida Mahler
John Louis Carrier	Gladys Ella Mowll
Margaret Louise Valeriani	Frank Raby Gardner
Henry Wheeler Hardy	Kathleen Louise Phinney
Louis Carl Gallerani	Margaret Justine West
Herbert Frederick Seigel	Evelyn Elizabeth Rogers
Charles Oscar Richter	Hillard Andrew Pratt

\*Has been neither absent or tardy for four years.

## ADAMS PRIZES AWARDED TO

Frank Raby Gardner	Emilia Pimental
Charles Oscar Richter	Eunice Bonney
Richard Earl Kelley	Lucy Agnes Tura
Stanley Bailey	Margaret Louise Valeriani
Clayton Carter Hemeon	Emilda Teresa Santerre

Washington and Franklin Medal given for excellence in the study of our Country's history awarded to  
Henry Antoniotti

# HONOR ROLL

Pupils Neither Absent Nor Tardy  
1928-1929

## HIGH SCHOOL

J. Russell Cooke	Eleanor Glass
George W. Cushman	Louise Reidenbach
Evelyn Rogerson	Harriet Havey
Jessica Tobey	Eleanor Mahler
Emilda Santerre	Eleanor Chandler

## JUNIOR HIGH

Edward Cadwell	Peter Cortelli
Roger Lane	Josephine Mucci
Walter Davis	Dorothy Merry
Alfred Bruneau	Antone Correa
Louis Valeriani	Ralph Tangley
Barbara Zahn	Fonda Pease
Arlene Chandler	Eileen Tangley
Emma Cadwell	Kenneth Kite

Wentworth McAuliffe

## MAPLE AVENUE

Evelyn Demulda	Charles Stamatopolus
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## COBB

Emerson Hurcombe	Tony Govoni
	Doris Brown

## HOWLAND'S LANE

George Walters



Statement of Expenditures for the Fiscal Year of 1929.

Appropriation for Maintenance	\$43,345.00
Appropriation for Outside Commonwealth	35.00
Expenses of Instruction	
Item	
20. Salaries of Teachers,	\$25,922.50
22. Text books,	722.00
23. Stationery, supplies and other expense,	1,859.78
Operation of School Plant	
24. Janitor service,	2,562.96
25. Fuel,	2,271.95
26. Miscellaneous expense of operation,	260.35
Maintenance of School Plant	
27. Repairs, replacement and upkeep,	1,706.71
Auxiliary Agencies	
29. Promotion of health,	1,145.00
30. Transportation,	4,474.30
33. Insurance of school buildings,	249.55
General Control	
36. Superintendent:	
Salary and expenses of office,	1,953.22
Outlay	
41. New equipment,	96.55
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	\$43,223.97
For Expenses Outside the Commonwealth	
50. Superintendent to N. E. A. convention,	35.00
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Total for School Department,	\$43,258.97
Unexpended,	121.03
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Total of Appropriations,	\$43,380.00

Estimate of Amounts Necessary for Proper Maintenance  
During the Fiscal Year of 1930.

Expenses of Instruction	
Item	
20. Salaries of Teachers,	\$26,180.00
22. Text books,	900.00
23. Stationery, supplies and other expense	1,700.00
Operation of School Plant	
24. Janitor service,	2,560.00
25. Fuel,	2,500.00
26. Miscellaneous expenses of operation,	330.00
Maintenance of School Plant	
27. Repairs, replacement and upkeep,	1,100.00
Auxiliary Agencies	
29. Promotion of health,	1,200.00
30. Transportation,	4,440.00
33. Insurance of School buildings,	160.00
General Control	
36. Superintendent:	
Salary and expenses of office	1,970.00
Outlay	
41. New equipment,	130.00
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	\$43,170.00

For Expenses Outside the Commonwealth	
50. Superintendent to N. E. A. convention,	30.00
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Total for School Department,	\$43,200.00

Statement of School Department Receipts, 1929

from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

a. Reimbursement from Income Tax,	\$3,328.66
b. Tuition and transportation of State wards,	533.30
from Town of Pembroke, for tuition,	175.50
from Town of Plympton, for tuition,	51.75
from Edward E. Babb & Co., refund,	18.75
payment received for lost textbook,	1.25
salary overdraft in 1928, refund item 36,	.72

Total of receipts,	\$4,109.27
net expenditures from funds raised by local taxation,	\$39,119.70

total expenditures from all sources,	\$43,258.97
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ROLAND S. BAILEY, Chairman,  
MAUDE M. BRACKETT, Secretary,  
MARGARET B. LYMAN,  
EDWARD E. FREEMAN,  
RUTH H. BAILEY,  
JACOB H. DRIES,

School Committee.

## PROPOSED BY-LAWS FOR THE TOWN of KINGSTON

November 5, 1929.

Chairman of Board of Selectmen,  
Kingston, Mass.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the vote passed at the last annual town meeting, I am appointing the selectmen of the town as a committee to submit a set of by-laws in accordance with the vote.

Respectfully yours,

H. J. WESTON, Moderator.

Immediately upon receipt of the above appointment as a By-Law Committee, the Selectmen proceeded to draft a set of by-laws that would be workable for a town the size of Kingston.

Herewith is submitted the result of the labor of the Selectmen in this matter. The proposed by-laws are based on by-laws that have worked out well in other towns. They have been approved by counsel. They are submitted for the consideration of the citizens and if found satisfactory may be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. SEVER,  
JOHN T. CUSHMAN,  
FRANK L. ARMSTRONG,

By-laws Committee.

## ARTICLE I GENERAL GOVERNMENT

### TOWN MEETING

Section 1. The annual town meeting shall be held on the first Saturday in March of each year.

Section 2. The polls shall be open at six fifteen o'clock in the morning and shall remain open until three o'clock in the afternoon, or until such later hour as the meeting may by vote determine.

Section 3. All business of the annual meeting, other than the election of town officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be determined by ballot, shall be referred to an adjournment thereof to the following Saturday at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Section 4. Notice of every town meeting shall be given by posting an attested copy of the warrant calling the same at the main entrance to the Town Hall, and in at least three other public places in the town, not less than seven days before the day appointed for such meeting, and the return of the officer, stating the manner of notice, shall be endorsed on the warrant.

Section 5. Whenever a town meeting shall adjourn to a future date, the Town Clerk shall cause a notice of the time and place of such adjourned meeting to be posted at the main entrance to the Town Hall as soon as practicable after the adjournment. Such notice shall briefly state the business to come before the adjourned meeting.

## ARTICLE II

### PROCEDURE AT TOWN MEETINGS

Section 1. Only voters shall be admitted to the place of meeting or to a defined portion thereof, except by order of the meeting, and the check list shall be used in the enforcement of such order.

Section 2. All articles in the warrant shall be acted upon in the order of their arrangement, unless the meeting by vote otherwise determines.

Section 3. All reports, motions and resolutions submitted for the consideration of the meeting involving the expenditure of money shall be in writing. Any other report, resolution or motion shall be reduced to writing, if the moderator so directs.

Section 4. No person shall address the meeting unless recognized by the moderator, nor speak more than once on the same subject to the exclusion of any other person who may desire to speak.

Section 5. Every person speaking shall address the chair, shall confine himself to the question under debate and avoid personalities; and no person shall be permitted to speak without first obtaining leave of the presiding officer.

Section 6. Any person who is employed as an attorney by another interested in any matter under discussion at a town meeting shall disclose the fact of his employment before speaking thereon.

Section 7. In case of motions to amend, or to fill blanks, the one expressing the largest sum or the longest time shall be put first, and an affirmative vote thereon shall be a negative vote on any smaller sum or shorter time.

Section 8. All committees shall be appointed by the moderator, unless the town otherwise directs, and shall report as directed by the town. If a committee does not report as directed, or at the next annual town meeting held thereafter, it shall be deemed discharged, unless an extension of time be granted by the town.

Section 9. No reports of committees shall be in order at any special town meeting unless made under an article in the warrant which indicates the subject to be reported upon.



Section 10. When a report of a committee is placed in the hands of the moderator, it shall be deemed to be properly before the meeting for its action thereon, and a vote to accept the same shall discharge the committee; for the adoption of the recommendations of the committee, however, a specific vote shall be required. No appropriation shall be made under the report of any committee of the town until the matter has been considered and reported upon by the finance committee.

Section 11. No vote after being once passed at a meeting shall be reconsidered at that meeting or at an adjournment thereof, except by a two-thirds vote.

Section 12. No motion, the effect of which would be to dissolve the meeting, shall be in order until every article in the warrant has been duly considered and acted upon, but this shall not preclude the postponement of the consideration of any article to an adjournment of the meeting to a stated time.

Section 13. The duties of the moderator, not specially provided by law or by these by-laws, shall be determined by the rules of practice contained in Robert's Manual of Parliamentary Practice, so far as the same is applicable to a town meeting.

Section 14. The presiding officer may speak to points of order in preference to all other persons.

### ARTICLE III

#### SELECTMEN

Section 1. The Selectmen shall have the general directing and management of the property and affairs of the town in all matters not otherwise provided for by law or these by-laws.

Section 2. The selectmen may appear in the interests of the town, either personally or by the town counsel or by special counsel, before any court, committee of the legislature, or any state or county board or commission;

they shall have full authority as agents of the town, acting upon the advice of the town counsel or special counsel, to institute and prosecute any and all necessary suits and proceedings in favor of the town, and to appear and defend any and all suits and legal proceedings against or involving the town's interests.

Section 3. All conveyances of land or interests in land which may hereafter be authorized by a vote of the town, or otherwise, shall be signed by a majority of the board of selectmen, unless otherwise provided by law or by vote of the town, and shall be sealed with the town seal.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Selectmen to impose and enforce rules and regulations for the government of the Police Department and for the guidance of the members thereof.

Section 5. The Selectmen shall have charge of and shall draw orders on any and all moneys appropriated for the departments under their control and all appropriations not specifically entrusted to the control of any particular board or committee.

Section 6. The Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Board of Health, Water Commissioners, Board of Assessors, Registrars of Voters, Superintendent of Streets and Town Counsel shall be furnished with an office by the Selectmen in the Town Hall, so far as practicable, and any of said officials who cannot be there accommodated shall be furnished with an office in some convenient place by the Selectmen.

### ARTICLE IV

#### TREASURER

Section 1. The treasurer shall be the custodian of all deeds, bonds, and insurance policies belonging to the town, except that the bond of the treasurer shall be in the custody of the chairman of the board of selectmen.

Section 2. The treasurer shall make an annual report which shall contain a statement of the amount of money received and paid out by him during the year; a full exhibit of all moneys, properties and securities which may be placed in his charge by virtue of any statute or by-law, or by virtue of any gift, devise, bequest or deposit; a list of all notes issued during the year, showing the purposes for which the money was borrowed, and giving the date, term, rate of interest, time of maturity, and the premium, if any, received thereon; a list of all notes paid during the year, and a list of all outstanding notes, with the dates on which they will mature. His report, however, need not contain such details as are required by law to be shown in the report of the town accountant.

Section 3. He shall have stated hours for the transaction of business, and shall give public notice thereof.

#### ARTICLE V

##### COLLECTOR

Section 1. That the Collector of Taxes shall collect all accounts due the Town committed to him by the Assessors, as well as all those which become due and payable through any other Department of the Town.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING

Section 1. The town accountant shall in his annual report, in addition to such matters as are required by law, furnish a condensed statement of the financial condition of the town and financial transactions for the year covered by such report.

Section 2. The town accountant may, with the approval of the selectmen, by a writing deposited with the town treasurer, appoint an assistant who shall, for such time not exceeding four weeks from the date of such appointment as shall be specified in the writing, perform

the duties by law required of the accountant, and for his acts the accountant shall be responsible.

Section 3. There shall be an annual audit of the town's accounts under the supervision of the director of accounts in the department of corporations and taxation, in accordance with the provisions of section 35, chapter 44 of the General Laws, or any acts in addition thereto or in amendment thereof.

#### ARTICLE VII

##### TOWN COUNSEL

Section 1. The selectmen shall annually, in the month of March, appoint a town counsel, who shall be an attorney and counsellor at law and a resident of the County of Plymouth, and who shall hold office for the term of one year from the first day of April following and until his successor is appointed and qualified. He shall receive such compensation as the selectmen may determine, subject to the appropriation of the town therefor.

Section 2. The town counsel shall act as the legal adviser and counsellor of the town. It shall be his duty to examine or cause to be examined all titles to property in which the town may acquire an interest, to draft all deeds, obligations, contracts, bonds, leases, conveyances, agreements and other legal instruments, of whatever nature, which may be required by any by-law, vote or action of the town, or any board or officer, to which the town or its agents may be a party, and which by law, usage, or agreement the town is to be at the expense of drawing. The selectmen may, however, in any case, at their discretion, employ additional or special counsel.

Section 3. All articles in warrants for town meetings which contemplate the appropriation of money or the negotiation of town bonds or notes shall be submitted to the town counsel for his examination and opinion.

Section 4. The Selectmen shall have power to remove the Town Counsel at any time if in their judgment the

interests of the town so require; and in case of a vacancy in the office, the Selectmen shall fill the same by a new appointment.

Section 5. He shall make an annual report of the work done by his department during the year preceding, and the conditions of all the business of the same at the close of such year.

Section 6. No town officer or board shall, unless authorized by a vote of the town, employ, advise with or consult any attorney or counsellor at law other than the Town Counsel, with regard to any town business, or the business of any of the departments, or the duties of any such officers or boards, whenever any charge therefor is to be made to the town, or is to be paid out of the funds of the town, or out of any department thereof.

## ARTICLE VIII

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Section 1. There shall be nine members constituting the finance committee. The members shall be appointed by the moderator. When the committee is first constituted three shall be appointed for three years each, three shall be appointed for two years each and three shall be appointed for one year each.

At each annual meeting thereafter the moderator shall appoint three members for a term of three years each.

The members shall serve without compensation.

Section 2. Vacancies. Whenever any vacancy shall occur in said committee by resignation, removal from town, death, failing to qualify, or otherwise, said vacancy shall be filled by said committee, and if any member is absent from five (5) consecutive meetings of said committee, except in case of illness, said committee shall consider his position vacant, and shall proceed to fill the same.

Section 3. Term of Office. The term of office of all persons chosen as aforesaid to fill vacancies shall expire at the close of final adjournment of the annual town meeting next succeeding such vacancy, and at said annual town meeting the moderator thereof shall appoint a successor to fill out the unexpired term of each member whose office has been so vacated in the same manner as the original appointment.

Section 4. Duties. The duties of the finance committee will be to consider and report upon all requests for appropriations made by the different departments of the town, and make such recommendation for action at the town meetings as they deem for the best interests of the town.

Section 5. Municipal questions. They also shall consider all matters which involve municipal questions or policies and make recommendations as to these to the Town Meetings. It shall be the duty of said committee to make an annual report, in print, of its doings, with recommendations relative to financial matters and policies for the town.

Section 6. Town Warrant. The Selectmen after drawing any warrant for a town meeting shall transmit immediately a copy thereof to each member of the Finance Committee and said Committee shall consider all such articles.

## ARTICLE IX

### TOWN CLERK

Section 1. The town clerk shall, immediately after every town meeting, notify, or cause to be notified, any person elected, chosen or appointed to any town office, or to serve upon any board or committee of the town, of his election, choice or appointment; and shall also furnish the various town officers, committees, boards or departments with a copy of all votes affecting their respective offices or departments.



Section 2. The town clerk shall keep and cause to be permanently bound one or more files of the town reports.

Section 3. He shall not allow original papers or documents of the town to be taken from his office, except as they remain in his custody, or by authority of law.

Section 4. He shall have stated hours for the transaction of business, and give public notice thereof.

## ARTICLE X

### GENERAL PROVISIONS GOVERNING ALL DEPARTMENTS

Section 1. All officers, boards and committees shall notify the town clerk of their organization, and of their office hours or time of stated meetings.

Section 2. No board or committee of town officers having the power or authority to appoint any town officer or agent shall appoint any member of such board or committee to any salaried office or position the salary of which is in excess of \$200 per annum; but this shall not prohibit any town officer from being chairman or clerk of the board or committee of which he may be a member.

Section 3. No officer or board of the town shall make any contract on behalf of the town in which such officer or any member of such board is directly or indirectly financially interested, except competitive contracts.

Section 4. No contract involving an obligation of the town, exceeding the sum of five hundred dollars shall be binding upon the town unless it is in writing and is signed by at least a majority of the board or committee duly authorized or having control of the appropriation against which such obligation is incurred; and such board or committee shall make a record of every such contract in a book which shall be the property of the town.

Section 5. No board or officer shall make any contract in behalf of the town, the execution of which shall necessarily extend beyond one year from the date there-

of, unless specific authority so to do has been given by vote of the town.

Section 6. Every officer, board or committee of the town charged with the expenditure of money shall furnish the town accountant with a copy of all orders for the purchase of equipment, supplies or materials, and all requisitions for personal services—except services payment for which is to be made on the regular pay roll of the department, board or committee contracting for the same,—at the time such purchases or requisitions are made. Every officer, board or committee making or entering into any written contract shall file such contract with the town accountant before any payment is made thereon. Every board or committee shall at once furnish the town accountant with a copy of any vote of such board or committee involving the expenditure of money.

Section 7. Every officer or board of the town, at the time of rendering or transmitting any bill or demand for any money due or payable to the town, shall, at the time of rendering or transmitting any such bill, file a statement thereof with the town accountant; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to bills or demands for taxes or other municipal assessments.

Section 8. Any officer or board in charge of a department may, with the approval of the selectmen, sell any personal property or material lawfully in the custody of and belonging to such department, not required for its use and not exceeding five hundred dollars in value. No property of the town of value in excess of two hundred dollars shall be sold except at public auction, after not less than seven days' notice in one or more newspapers published in the town, or, if no such paper is published, then in one or more newspapers published in the County of Plymouth.

Section 9. Every officer in charge of a department

shall annually, on or before the fifteenth day of January, transmit to the selectmen, in writing, a report containing a statement of the acts and doings of his department for the past financial year, to be printed in the annual report as the selectmen may deem expedient.

## ARTICLE XI

### STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

Section 1. No person shall break or dig up any public sidewalk, street or highway of the town, or place thereon any staging or other temporary structure, without a written permit from the Board of Selectmen or the board having charge of the streets in such cases. Any person having such a permit shall, before the expiration of the same, restore such sidewalk, street or highway to its original condition or to a condition satisfactory to such Board. Any permit issued under the provisions of this section shall be in force for such time as the Board may specify and shall be subject to such other conditions as the Board may prescribe, and especially in every case upon condition that during the whole of every night from sunset to sunrise, lighted lanterns and proper barriers shall be so placed as to secure travellers from danger. No person having obtained such permit shall fail to comply with the conditions thereof. The Board granting such permit shall have the right to revoke the same at any time, and may require a bond either before or after the commencement of work or during its progress, to secure its proper performance.

Section 2. No person shall coast on or across any public sidewalk or street of the town, except at such times and in such places as may from time to time be designated by the Board of Selectmen.

Section 3. No person shall fire or discharge any gun, pistol or other firearms in or across any of the streets or public places within the town; but this section shall not apply to the use of such weapons in the lawful defence

of one's person, family or property, or in performance of any duty required or authorized by law, nor upon such days as may be designated by the Board of Selectmen.

Section 4. No person shall throw or place or cause to be thrown or placed upon any public street or highway of the town, any nails, spikes, screws, glass, tin cans, or other similar articles.

Section 5. No person shall suffer a platform, or grate of an entrance, or opening to a cellar or basement in any public street or sidewalk to rise above the surface of any such street or sidewalk, and every such entrance or opening shall at all times be covered by a suitable platform or grate, and in case of a coal hole, by a suitable covering. Such entrances or openings, when in use, shall be properly guarded.

Section 6. No person shall throw or place upon any public sidewalk or street crossing any banana skin, orange skin or other slippery substance.

Section 7. No person shall place ashes, rubbish, or merchandise of any kind in a public street or upon any sidewalk so as to obstruct the free passage thereon.

Section 8. No owner or person having the care of a building, abutting upon any brick, concrete or other curbed or finished sidewalk, the roof of which building slants toward such sidewalk, shall permit such building to be without a barrier, snow-guard or other device to prevent the falling of snow or ice from such roof to the sidewalk.

Section 9. No person shall drive or stop any vehicle on the left-hand side of any street or way in the town, and no person having the charge of a vehicle in any of the streets of the town shall refuse or neglect to stop the same, or to place the same when stopped as directed by a police officer of the town when in uniform or when displaying his badge. Any offender under this section shall



forfeit and pay the sum of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars for such offense.

Section 10. No person shall place or cause to be placed in any of the public streets or squares, or upon any public sidewalk, without first obtaining a written permit from the Selectmen therefor, any wood, lumber, coal, barrel or other obstruction.

Section 11. No person shall drive, wheel or draw any vehicle, wheelbarrow or hand cart (except children's carriages drawn by hand) upon any sidewalk in the town; nor shall any person drive or draw any vehicle not propelled by hand power across any sidewalk, where no driveway has been constructed, without having first obtained from the Selectmen a written permit therefor.

Section 12. Any person who intends to erect, alter, repair or take down any building, or part thereof, on land abutting on any way which the town is obliged to keep in repair, and desires to make use of any portion of said way for the purpose of placing thereon building materials or rubbish, shall give notice thereof to the Selectmen. Thereupon the Selectmen may grant a permit to occupy such portion of said way to be used for such purpose as in their judgment the necessity of the case demands and the security of the public allows; such permit in no case to be in force longer than ninety days, and to be on such conditions, and by furnishing such security, by bond or otherwise, for the observance and performance of the conditions and for the protection of the town, as the Selectmen may require; and especially in every case upon condition that during the whole of every night, from sunset in the evening until sunrise in the morning, lighted lanterns shall be so placed as effectually to secure all travelers from liability to injury.

Section 13. Any person violating any of the provisions of this article shall be liable to a fine of not more than twenty dollars, unless otherwise especially provided herein.

## ARTICLE XII DISORDERLY BEHAVIOR

Section 1. No person shall behave himself in a rude or disorderly manner, nor use any indecent, profane or insulting language, in any public way or place in the town.

Section 2. No person shall throw balls, snowballs, or other missiles, nor unnecessarily make any alarming or tumultuous noise, nor make nor light bonfires, or other fires, nor ride upon the hind part of any vehicles without leave, nor play at football or other games, in any street, public way or square in this town.

Section 3. No person shall loiter or continue to stand on any sidewalk or public place in the town so as to obstruct the passage of or to impede or in any manner annoy other persons; nor shall any person in a street or way stand or loiter after being directed by a police officer to move on.

Section 4. No person shall extinguish any street light, or extinguish or remove any light placed to warn the public against an obstruction or a defect in any street or way, without such person is authorized by those having charge of such lights, or of the street or way, so to do.

Section 5. No person shall disturb or disfigure any sign or guideboard within the Town, and no such sign or guideboard shall be moved without permission of the Selectmen.

## ARTICLE XIII PARADES AND PUBLIC GATHERINGS

Section 1. No person shall form or conduct any parade in any public street, public sidewalk or public way within the town, or form or conduct for the purpose of display or demonstration, any procession or assembly of people, except a military or funeral parade or procession, within such public street, sidewalk or way, without first obtaining a written permit from the Selectmen, and no

person shall take part in any such parade, procession or assembly which is not authorized by such a permit.

Section 2. No person shall give any public address, speech or harangue in any public street, public square or public park within the town, without a written permit from the Selectmen.

Section 3. Any person violating any of the provisions of this article shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

#### ARTICLE XIV

##### JUNK COLLECTOR'S AND DEALERS

Section 1. The selectmen may license suitable persons to be collectors of, dealers in or keepers of shops for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals, or second-hand articles; and no such person shall be a dealer in or keeper of a shop as aforesaid without such a license.

Section 2. The selectmen may require that any place, vehicle or receptacle used for the collecting or keeping of the articles aforesaid, may be examined at all times by the selectmen or by any person by them authorized to make such examinations.

Section 3. No person licensed as a junk collector shall, directly or indirectly, either purchase or receive by way of barter or exchange any of the articles aforesaid, except rags or bottles, of a minor or apprentice, knowing or having reason to believe him to be such.

#### ARTICLE XV

##### PENALTY

Section 1. Whoever violates any of the provisions of these By-Laws, unless otherwise specifically provided therein, or otherwise provided by law, shall be punished with a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

#### ARTICLE XVI

##### REPEAL

Section 1. All By-Laws or parts of By-Laws heretofore adopted, which are inconsistent with the provisions of the foregoing By-Laws, are hereby repealed and annulled; but the provisions of the foregoing By-Laws, so far as they are the same as the provisions of By-Laws heretofore adopted, shall be construed as a continuation of said By-Laws, and not as new enactments.

Section 2. The repeal of a By-Law heretofore adopted shall not affect any act done, ratified or confirmed, or any right accrued or established, nor any action, suit or proceeding commenced or had, nor affect any punishment, penalty, or forfeiture incurred under such By-Law.

#### ARTICLE XVII

##### AMENDMENT

Section 1. These By-Laws may be modified or amended at any annual town meeting by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, any article or articles for the purpose having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

# OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

Acts accepted by Kingston

Town Clerk notifies under Section 3 of Chap. 8.

No.	Year	Act	Subject		
†1	1885	239	Water Supply Nov. 21, 1885	264 Yes	128 No
2	1893	417	Ballots to be provided by the town Feb. 1, 1895		
3	1912	503	Pensioning laborers, State election Nov. 16, 1912	86 Yes	63 No
4	1912	57	Taking claims. Vote unanimous		
*5	1913	807	Nov. 4, 1913 State election Workmen's compensation	110 Yes	43 No
6	1914	217	Laborers Vacations	88 Yes	87 No
7	1914	688	Saturday half holiday	104 Yes	81 No
8	1914	790	Party enrollment	111 Yes	46 No
9	1919	311	Continuation Schools	138 Yes	26 No
10	1922	516	Accounting System	23 Yes	52 No

† Two thirds vote being required to accept it, the vote was by printed ballots, the check list was used and the Selectmen presided.

Daniel Prince, Town Clerk.

Kingston, January 23, 1888.

The above is a true copy of record Attest, Joseph S. Robbins, Town Clerk.

*5	1913	807	Workmen's Compensation adopted by the Town at the election on March 7, 1914	Yes 128	No 58
				Blanks 135	

Henry S. Everson.

# ARTICLES ADOPTED

Page 6 of Town Report of 1924

Matter of Accounting system was referred to a Committee March 8, 1924.

Page 8. Voted to accept the rept of the Committee on the Accounting system.

Voted to petition for an installation of an Accounting system by the Commonwealth.

Page 7 of Town report of 1925.

Voted, that the Town accept Section 3 of Chapter 143 of the General Laws covering issuance of permit by towns to cover building, remodeling, etc. in the Town.

Page 10 of 1926 report

Voted, that the Town hereby accept Section 55 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, thereby authorizing the Selectmen to appoint a town accountant.

Page 12 of 1926 report

Voted, that the Town accept Section 16, Chapter 39 as amended by Chapter 388, Acts of 1923 to provide for the appointment and duties of an appropriation or Finance Committee.

Sunday Sports

Chapter 406, year of 1928. Adopted September 5, 1929.

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