

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF UPTON,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1903.



Worcester, Mass.
PRESS OF CHARLES HAMILTON,
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1903.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

TOWN RECORDS, 1902.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 3RD, 1902.

WORCESTER, SS.

TO THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF UPTON, IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the Inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Monday, the third day of March next, punctually, at nine o'clock forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

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

Article 2. To hear the reports of all Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Article 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing—Town Clerk for three years, three Selectmen, three Overseers of the Poor, three Assessors of Taxes, Town Treasurer, one School Committee for three years, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, one Highway Surveyor for three years, five Constables, three Fence Viewers, one Trustee of Cemeteries for three years, Sexton, three Library Committee for three years, Tree Warden. Also for said voters to give in their votes, Yes or No, in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted to sell intoxicating liquors in this Town the ensuing year?" all on one ballot.

Article 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, make appropriations of the same, and determine the time the same shall be paid, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to defray in part the expense of Memorial Day.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate money to pay State Aid under Section 2, Chapter 79, Revised Laws of Massachusetts, 1902, and act thereon.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate money to pay Military Aid under Section 9, Chapter 79, Revised Laws of Massachusetts, 1902, and act thereon.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate money to pay Soldiers' Relief under Section 18, Chapter 79, Revised Laws of Massachusetts, 1902, and act thereon.

Article 10. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors submitted by the Selectmen.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate money to care for and light the Street Lamps belonging to the Town Improvement Association, and act thereon.

Article 12. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the annual expense of the Town Library, and act thereon.

Article 13. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the care and repairs of their Cemeteries, or act thereon.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, or act thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will grant the Upton Farmers' Club the free use of the New Town Building at their annual Fairs or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Legacy by Will from the late Mrs. Mary M. Nelson of One Hundred Dollars, in trust, the income thereof to be used for the perpetual care of the lots of Perley P. Taft and James J. Nelson in Lakeview Cemetery in Upton, and act thereon.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept and keep in good order for public use, the Drinking Fountain with all its appurtenances, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars or any other sum for the special repair and improvement of South Street, between the Upton Town Farm Buildings and a point in said street Twelve Hundred Feet southerly from said buildings, or act in any way relating thereto, as petitioned for by Charles Whiting and others.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote whereby they voted on November 14th, 1842, that the Sexton shall attend to all the services required of the Sexton, and in cases where he cannot collect his pay for his services, that the Town pay him.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to abolish the Board of Trustees of its Cemeteries as soon as their term of office expires or they resign.

Article 21. To see if the Town will accept and adopt the provisions of Section 21, and the four following Sections of Chapter 78, Revised Laws of Massachusetts, 1902.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Board of Cemetery Commissioners, consisting of three persons, one to be elected for one year, one to be elected for two years, and one to be elected for three years.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of its new Cemetery Land, recently purchased, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary of its Treasurer or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to pay the Town Clerk a salary, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will instruct its Fire Engineers to place reservoirs, where needed, to be used as a supply for water in case of fire, or to act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will instruct its Highway Surveyors to place street signs where needed, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will take any action in regard to bonding its Treasurer, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will authorize the Overseers of the Poor to sell a certain lot of timber, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be contributed towards the Soldiers' Monument to be dedicated to the memory of all the Worcester County Men who served their country in the late Civil War, the amount not to exceed One Cent for each One Hundred Dollars of the assessed valuation of the Town, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, Ten Days at least before the time of holding said meeting:—At each of the Post-Offices and on the Town House in said Town.

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

Given under our hands at Upton, this thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and two.

W. H. WELLINGTON,

PERRY WOOD,

APPLETON P. WILLIAMS,

Selectmen of Upton.

UPTON, MASS., Feb. 22, 1902.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on Monday, the third day of March, 1902, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-Offices of the Town, and on the Town House, ten days at least before the day of meeting.

A. C. SOUTHLAND, Constable.

A true copy of the Warrant and the Officer's return thereon.

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 3rd, 1902.
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, SS.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the legal voters of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, met at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the third day of March, A. D. 1902, at nine o'clock in the forenoon and proceeded as follows:

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who then read the Warrant and officer's return thereon.

MODERATOR.

Article 1. The meeting made choice by ballot, the check-list being used, of Albert Davis for Moderator; he was then sworn, to faithfully perform the duties of the office, by the Town Clerk.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 3. The Selectmen having appointed J. Frank Despeaux, Walter W. True as Ballot Clerks, Frank E. Lyford and Thomas J. Gorman as Inspectors, George E. Ambler, William H. Miskell, George F. Prentiss and William J. Pillion as Tellers for this meeting, they were sworn to faithfully perform the duties of the offices to which they were appointed, by the Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk having caused the cards of instruction and specimen ballots to be posted outside the guard-rail, and the cards of instruction to be posted in each of the marking shelves or compartments as the law directs.

The Town Clerk delivered to the Ballot Clerks a package containing the official ballots to be used at the election and received a receipt for the same.

The ballot box furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to be used at elections was then opened in public meeting and shown to the voters present to be empty and examined by the Moderator and Town Clerk and found to be empty, the register having been set at 000, said box was locked and the keys thereof delivered to Alonzo C. Southland, constable in attendance at said meeting.

The ballot-box was in charge of Thomas J. Gorman and the check-list at the ballot-box in charge of the Town Clerk.

When the ballots were delivered to the voters by the Ballot Clerks, the check-list was used and the name of each voter receiving a ballot was announced in a loud and distinct tone of voice and checked on a duplicate check-list, and the voter so receiving his ballot, marked it at the marking shelf and then deposited his ballot in the box as the law directs. The name of each voter so casting a ballot was announced and checked upon the check-list by the election officers in charge at said box.

The polls were declared open for the reception of ballots for Town Officers at 9:25 a. m.

Voted to close the polls at 3:30 p. m.

Voted to take up Article 5.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Article 5. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125), to defray in part, the expense of Memorial Day.

BORROWING MONEY.

Article 6. Voted, that the Town Treasurer be, and hereby is authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, such sum or sums of money so borrowed not to exceed in the aggregate \$12,000, and said sum or sums to be paid from said taxes.

Unanimous vote.

STATE AID.

Article 7. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600), to be used to pay State Aid.

MILITARY AID.

Article 8. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200), to be used to pay Military Aid.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Article 9. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800), to be used to pay Soldiers' Relief.

STREET LIGHTING.

Article 11. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of seven hundred dollars (\$700), for the care, lighting and repairs of the street lamps belonging to the Town Improvement Association the ensuing year.

TOWN LIBRARY.

Article 12. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300), for the annual expense of the Town Library.

Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of sixty dollars (\$60), to purchase books for the Carpenter Alcove in the Town Library.

CARE AND REPAIRS OF CEMETERIES.

Article 13. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300), for the care and repairs of their Cemeteries.

ILLEGAL SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUORS.

Article 14. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100), to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

FREE USE OF TOWN HALL BUILDING.

Article 15. Voted, that the Town grant the free use of the Town Hall Building to the Upton Farmers' Club for their annual Fairs.

LEGACY OF MRS. MARY M. NELSON.

Article 16. Voted, that the Town accept the Legacy, by Will, from the late Mrs. Mary M. Nelson, of one hundred dollars (\$100), in trust, the income thereof to be used for the perpetual care of the lots of Perley P. Taft and James J. Nelson in Lakeview Cemetery in Upton.

DRINKING FOUNTAIN ON COMMON.

Article 17. The following is a copy of the petition to the Selectmen in the summer of 1901:

UPTON, MASS., June 3rd, 1901.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF UPTON, MASS.:

As representatives of the Town, we wish you to accept the Water Fountain which has recently been placed on the Common at Upton Centre, for the use of the public and see that it is kept in good order. It is well supplied with excellent water from a well on Henry A. Corbett's land, west of Albert Sadler's house.

The waste water is carried to the watering-trough on the highway, south of the common, and will increase the supply there for animals.

This water privilege has been paid for five years by Mrs. Cynthia C. Wood, who, with the assistance of her son, Charles M. Wood, transacted all the business of getting the fountain in its present position, in good working order, and Mrs. Wood paid a large part of the expense, a small sum having been left by the old Temperance Society.

Respectfully yours,

CYNTHIA C. WOOD,

MELISSA A. STODDARD,

Committee.

Voted, on a motion by Mr. George H. Stoddard, that the Town accept the Fountain, and keep it in good order for public use.

RELATIVE TO PAY OF SEXTON.

Article 19. Mr. Walter F. Partridge made a motion to rescind the vote whereby the Town voted on November 14th, 1842, that the Sexton shall attend to all the services required of the Sexton, and in cases where he cannot collect his pay, for his services, that the Town pay him.

A motion by Mr. George H. Stoddard to pass over this article was lost. After considerable discussion the original motion by Mr. Partridge was carried.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES ABOLISHED.

Article 20. Mr. Benj. A. Jourdan, one of the present trustees, said, in part, that they had found that the Board of Trustees as now constituted, had no powers under the law, but that if the Town would accept and adopt certain sections of the Public Statutes and elect Cemetery Commissioners, they would have the power to protect the Cemeteries.

Voted, on a motion by Mr. S. B. Fiske, that the Trustees of the Cemeteries be abolished as soon as their term of office expires or they resign.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Article 21. The Moderator read Section 21 to 25, inclusive, Chapter 78, Revised Laws of Massachusetts, 1902.

A motion by Mr. S. B. Fiske that the Town accept and adopt the provisions of the above sections.

Declared carried.

Upon the decision being doubted the Moderator called for two constables to count the vote, which resulted in 42 yeas to 18 nays.

ELECTION OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Article 22. Voted to lay on the table.

IMPROVEMENTS FOR NEW CEMETERY.

Article 23. Mr. Marble, a civil engineer, employed by the Cemetery Trustees, had a plan of Lakeview Cemetery, with the recently purchased land adjoining, enclosed, placed on the stage in a conspicuous position.

He explained to the voters the details of the plan, giving an estimate of the expense.

A motion made by Mr. S. B. Fiske, that the Town appropriate (\$3500), to be expended on the Cemetery plan, to raise (\$700), this year and bond the Town for (\$2800), was lost.

TREASURER'S SALARY.

Article 24. Motion by Mr. Charles M. Wood that the salary of the Town Treasurer be one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

Carried, 31 yeas, 25 nays.

TOWN CLERK'S SALARY.

Article 25. Voted, to pay the Town Clerk a salary and that it be determined by the Selectmen.

Article 27. Voted, to pass over the article in regard to street signs.

Article 28. Voted, to pass over the article in regard to bonding the Treasurer.

Article 29. Voted, to authorize the Overseers of the Poor to sell a certain lot of timber.

WORCESTER COUNTY SOLDIERS' MONUMENT.

Article 30. Mr. W. H. Wellington read a circular from a committee appointed to raise money to erect a monument which will be dedicated to the memory of all the Worcester County men who served their Country in the War of the Union.

The monument is to be placed in front of the County Court House in Worcester and is to be surmounted by a bronze equestrian statue of Major-General Charles Devens.

Voted, on a motion by Mr. W. H. Wellington, that the Town appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100), to be contributed towards the erection of the County Soldiers' Monument and Devens Statue.

ROAD AT SOUTH UPTON.

Article 18. Motion by Mr. Irving H. Whiting that the Town appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800), for special repairs of South Street between the Upton Town Farm building and a point in said street twelve hundred feet, southerly from said building.

Voted, to pass over this article.

JURY LIST.

Article 10. Charles A. Whitney, whose name was on the list, was excused, and Arthur B. Eames substituted.

Buck, Herbert M.	Lyford, Edward C.
Boyd, Theophilus F.	Murphy, Michael
Chamberlain, Edwin A.	Nelson, James J.
Chamberlain, Henry A.	Ormes, Charles A.
Childs, George E.	Pierce, Charles E.
Cooley, Matthew	Rawson, Gilbert
Corbin, Henry A.	Ruggles, James M.
Davis, Charles A.	Shaughnessy, Patrick
Eames, Arthur B.	Sadler, Walter
Fay, John B.	Taft, Orlando F.
Fiske, Chandler C.	Walker, William
Fiske, Dennis T.	Whitney, Alfred L.
Fiske, Livingstone C.	Wellington, William H.
Goldthwait, Adin	Wood, Charles M.
Holbrook, Daniel W.	Walker, Edward J.
King, Arthur E.	Walker, William H.

RESERVOIRS FOR WATER SUPPLY.

Article 26. A motion by Mr. J. F. Despeaux that the Town appropriate two hundred dollars (\$200), to be used by the Fire Engineers to build reservoirs where needed for water supply in case of fire.

A motion to dismiss the article was lost.

Original motion carried.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Article 22. A motion by Mr. S. B. Fiske that we proceed to elect Cemetery Commissioners.

A motion to adjourn to Wednesday, March 5th, 7.30 p. m., was lost.

Voted, to lay this article on the table.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Article 4. The following is the list of appropriations made. Each item was acted upon separately.

Notes and Interest,	\$3000.00
Support of Schools, including Sup't's salary,	6000.00
Roads and Bridges,	2000.00
Support of Poor,	2000.00
Removing Snow,	400.00
Fire Department,	650.00
Fire Wardens,	50.00
Town Library,	300.00
Carpenter Fund,	60.00
Town Officers,	1000.00
Town Incidentals,	1200.00
Military Aid,	200.00

State Aid,	600.00
Soldiers' Relief,	800.00
Street Lights,	700.00
Memorial Day,	125.00
Care of Cemeteries,	300.00
Suppress Illegal Sales,	100.00
Monument,	100.00
Reservoirs,	200.00

	\$19,785.00

Voted to raise \$19,785.00 by taxation.

Voted that all taxes be paid on or before November 15th, 1902, that on all taxes unpaid after that date, interest be added at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

TOWN OFFICERS' REPORTS.

Article 2. Motion by Mr. Z. B. Grandy that the reports of Town Officers as printed be accepted.

An objection was made in Selectmen's Report in placing \$1000 held in trust by the town, in assets.

Voted to accept all other reports as printed.

Voted to authorize the Selectmen to appoint all officers not elected.

Due notice having been given, the polls were at 3.30 P. M. declared closed.

During the voting the ballot box was opened by the unanimous consent of the Election Officers at 10.10 A. M. and fifty ballots taken therefrom, again at 11.35 A. M. and fifty ballots taken therefrom, again at 1.45 P. M. and one hundred and fifty taken therefrom for the purpose of counting the same. All of said ballots and check-lists were kept within the unobstructed view of the voters as the law directs.

At the close of the polls the register on the ballot box showed that 396 ballots had been cast therein. The names checked as voted, on each list were then counted in a distinct tone of voice and the number checked on each list were 396.

The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot box and audibly counted make the total number of ballots cast 396.

The ballots having been sorted and counted, public declaration thereof was made in open meeting and recorded as follows:

FOR TOWN CLERK FOR THREE YEARS.

Francis T. Nelson had three hundred thirty-three votes	333
Blanks had sixty-three	63

Whole number of votes, three hundred ninety-six	396

Francis T. Nelson was declared elected and sworn by the Moderator in open town meeting, March 3rd, 1902.

FOR TREASURER.

Stephen B. Fiske had three hundred fifteen votes	315
Francis T. Nelson had one vote	1
Blanks had eighty	80

Whole number of votes three hundred ninety-six 396

Stephen B. Fiske was declared elected and sworn by the Town Clerk, Mar. 6th, 1902.

FOR SELECTMEN.

Edward C. Lyford had two hundred eighty votes	280
William H. Walker had one hundred ninety-five votes	195
William H. Wellington had two hundred votes	200
Charles A. Whitney had one hundred ninety-eight votes	198
Appleton P. Williams had one hundred ninety-seven votes	197
Blanks had one hundred eighteen	118

Whole number of votes eleven hundred eighty-eight 1188

William H. Wellington, Edward C. Lyford and Charles A. Whitney were declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Edward C. Lyford, March 7th; Charles A. Whitney and William H. Wellington, March 10th.

FOR ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

Alex Barton had two hundred seventy-eight votes	278
Herbert M. Buck had two hundred forty-six votes	246
David A. Farrington had two hundred seventy-six votes	276
Charles O'Connell had ninety-two votes	92
Perley W. Rockwood had one hundred twelve votes	112
Blanks had one hundred eighty-four	184

Whole number of votes, eleven hundred and eighty-eight 1188

Alex Barton, Herbert M. Buck and David A. Farrington were declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Herbert M. Buck, March 4th; David A. Farrington, March 7th and Alex Barton, March 10th.

FOR OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Theophilus F. Boyd had one hundred two votes	102
Thomas T. Brewer had one hundred ninety-eight votes	198
Lowell A. Jordan had two hundred fifty-eight votes	258
Emery W. King had one hundred twenty-three votes	123
Walter E. Sadler had one hundred fifty-two votes	152
Charles M. Wood had one hundred ninety-six votes	196
Blanks had one hundred fifty-nine	159

Whole number of votes, eleven hundred eighty-eight 1188

Thomas T. Brewer, Lowell A. Jordan and Charles M. Wood were declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Thomas T. Brewer and Lowell A. Jordan, March 5th; Charles M. Wood, March 4th.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE, THREE YEARS.

Mrs. Lelia P. Johnson had one hundred nineteen votes	119
Edward C. Traver had two hundred thirty-nine votes	239
Blanks had thirty-eight	38
Whole number of votes three hundred ninety-six	396

Edward C. Traver was declared elected and sworn March 10th, 1902.

FOR COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Henry J. Batchelor had three hundred votes	300
Arthur B. Eames had sixty-six votes	66
Blanks had thirty	30
Whole number of votes three hundred ninety-six	396

Henry J. Batchelor was declared elected and sworn March 10th, 1902.

FOR AUDITOR.

Stedman C. Brown had two hundred sixty-six votes	266
David J. Moroney had forty-two votes	42
Blanks had eighty-eight	88
Whole number of votes, three hundred ninety-six	396

Stedman C. Brown was declared elected and sworn, March 5th, 1902.

FOR CONSTABLES.

Herbert A. Bagley had two hundred twenty-one votes	221
Matthew Cooley had ninety-six votes	96
Martin C. Donnelly had seventy-nine votes	79
Israel I. Harper had two hundred five votes	205
Fred L. Jordan had eighty-nine votes	89
William F. Parsley had two hundred fourteen votes	214
Alonzo C. Southland had two hundred eighty-three votes	283
Jesse B. Warren had one hundred thirty-three votes	133
George F. White had two hundred thirty-five votes	235
Blanks had four hundred thirty-three votes	433

Whole number of votes, nineteen hundred eighty-eight

Herbert A. Bagley, William F. Parsley, Alonzo C. Southland, George F. White and Israel I. Harper were declared elected and sworn as follows: Alonzo C. Southland and Herbert A. Bagley, March 3rd; Israel Harper and George White, March 7th, William F. Parsley, March 10th, 1902.

FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE.

George E. Childs had one hundred fifty-one votes	151
Benjamin A. Jourdan had one hundred eighty-two votes	182
Blanks had sixty-three	63
Whole number of votes, three hundred ninety-six	396

Benjamin A. Jourdan was declared elected.

FOR HIGHWAY SURVEYOR, THREE YEARS.

Theophilus F. Boyd had one hundred sixteen votes.....	116
Frank W. Clark had forty-two votes	42
Michael Murphy had one hundred ten votes.....	110
Fred P. Sanford had ninety-four votes.....	94
Blanks had thirty-four	34
Whole number of votes three hundred ninety-six	396

Theophilus F. Boyd was declared elected and sworn March 5th, 1902.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Albert Davis had two hundred eleven votes	211
Carl G. Horst had two hundred three votes	203
Mrs. Myra Jordan had one hundred thirty-three votes	133
Miss Etta King had one hundred forty-five votes	145
Mrs. Melissa A. Stoddard had one hundred ninety-six votes	196
Blanks had three hundred	300

Whole number of votes, eleven hundred eighty-eight.....	1188
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Albert Davis, Carl C. Horst and Mrs. Melissa A. Stoddard were declared elected.

FOR SEXTON.

Albert Sadler had two hundred eighty-four votes	284
Blanks had one hundred twelve	112

Whole number of votes, three hundred ninety-six	396
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Albert Sadler was declared elected.

FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

Jefferson H. Lyford had two hundred twenty votes.....	220
Harris J. Potter had one hundred fifty votes	150
Charles H. Rogers had eighty-nine votes	89
William B. Walker had one hundred ninety-five votes	195
Alfred Young had one hundred sixty-eight votes	168
Blanks had three hundred sixty-six.....	366

Whole number of votes, eleven hundred eighty-eight	1188
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Jefferson H. Lyford, William B. Walker and Alfred Young were declared elected and were sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Jefferson H. Lyford, March 18th, Alfred Young, March 6th, William B. Walker.

FOR TREE WARDEN.

Albert Davis had one hundred twenty votes	120
George R. Pierce had two hundred twenty votes	220
Blanks had fifty-six	56

Whole number of votes three hundred ninety-six	396
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George R. Pierce was declared elected and sworn by Town Clerk, March 4th, 1902.

FOR LICENSE.

Yes had one hundred fifty votes	150
No had two hundred five votes	205
Blanks had forty-one	41
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Whole number of votes three hundred ninety six	396

The ballots cast and check-lists used at this election were sealed up in open meeting and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk, as the law directs.

Voted to dissolve the Warrant,

A true record,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

UPTON, MASS., April 29th, 1902.

The undersigned, William H. Walker, having been appointed by the Selectmen, to serve as a Registrar of Voters for the Town of Upton, for three years, from the first day of May, A. D. 1902, I do hereby solemnly swear to faithfully perform the duties of said office according to my best skill and judgment.

WILLIAM H. WALKER.

UPTON, MASS., April 29th, 1902.

WORCESTER, ss.

Then personally appeared the above named William H. Walker, and made oath and subscribed to the same.

Before me,

STEPHEN B. FISKE,
Justice of the Peace.

RECOUNT OF VOTES.

UPTON, MASS., March 7th, 1902.

Upon a petition signed by ten legal voters, who, believing that an error exists in the records of the Election Officers of the Town Meeting, held March 3rd, 1902, and that a recount of the ballots cast for Selectmen would change the result of the election, respectfully ask that the ballots cast for Selectmen be recounted.

In accordance with Section 267, Chapter 11, Revised Laws of Massachusetts, 1902, the Registrars met for that purpose at the Selectmen's Room, on the day and year above written.

As Registrar William H. Walker was a candidate for Selectman, and Registrar W. F. Partridge could not be present, the Selectmen appointed Mr. John B. Fay and Mr. Walter W. True to act as Registrars of Voters, who subscribed to the following oath:

UPTON, MASS., March 7th, 1902.

We, having been appointed to act as Registrars of Voters, for the purpose of recounting the ballots cast for Selectmen at the annual meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Upton, on Monday, March 3rd, 1902, do solemnly

swear to perform that duty, honestly and impartially, according to our best skill and judgment.

WALTER W. TRUE,
JOHN B. FAY.

UPTON, MASS., March 7th, 1902.

WORCESTER, ss.

Then personally appeared the above named, Walter W. True and John B. Fay, and made oath and subscribed to the above.

Before me,

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Justice of the Peace.

Mr. Appleton P. Williams was represented by Mr. David A. Farrington.
Mr. Charles A. Whitney was represented by Mr. Otis C. Lackey.

The other candidates, Mr. Edward C. Lyford, Mr. William H. Walker and Mr. William H. Wellington were present.

The ballots were delivered to us and the seals broken and ballots counted as the law directs. The following is the result of the recount:

	Lyford	Walker	Wellington	Whitney	Williams	Blanks
Block 1.	35	27	28	25	24	11
" 2.	40	23	27	22	25	13
" 3.	30	32	18	32	13	25
" 4.	39	21	26	27	26	11
" 5.	36	30	20	25	26	13
" 6.	39	27	22	25	24	13
" 7.	34	14	33	19	33	17
" 8.	27	21	26	23	26	18
<hr/> Total,	280	195	200	198	197	118

The ballots were sealed up and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided.

WM. H. MISKELL,
WALTER W. TRUE,
JOHN B. FAY,
FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Registrars of Voters.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 28, 1902.

WORCESTER, ss.

TO THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF UPTON, IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Monday the twenty-eighth day of April, punctually, at 7.30 o'clock afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

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

Article 2. To see if the Town will elect by ballot a Board of Cemetery Commissioners consisting of three persons, one member to be elected for one year from the day following that fixed by law, for the last preceding annual town meeting, one member for two years, and one member for three years from said day, and annually thereafter, one member so qualified shall at the annual town meeting be elected by ballot for a term of three years.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Clerk to substitute Cemetery Commissioners in place of Cemetery Trustee on the official ballot printed at public expense.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to lay out and work the new cemetery land, according to the plan presented by the Cemetery Trustees, or any part of it, and appropriate money for the same, or act in any way relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to sell, and have removed the pine trees in the cemetery at the south part of the town, or act in any way relating thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to pay any stated sum to the Sexton for the burial of persons not able to pay for the same.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to pay the members of the School Committee a Salary, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250 for the purpose of straightening and repairing up to the line, that part of highway as laid out and decreed by the County Commissioners, Oct. 25th, 1887, on the south side of Main Street, in West Upton, lying between the stone-bounds at northwest corner of land of E. W. Batchelor near the store-house so-called, near Maple Avenue and a stone-bound at land of James F. Connelly, near junction of Main and Mendon Streets, for the safety of travel or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$150 to build a cellar under the ell of the Almshouse, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, ten days at least before the time of holding said meeting:—At each of the Post-offices and on the Town House in said Town.

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

Given under our hands at Upton, this sixteenth day of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and two.

W. H. WELLINGTON,
E. C. LYFORD,
C. A. WHITNEY,

Selectmen of Upton.

UPTON, MASS., April 17th, 1902.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on

Monday, the twenty-eighth day of April for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within Warrant, in each of the post-offices in the Town, and on the Town House, ten days before the day of meeting.

A. C. SOUTHLAND,

Constable of Upton.

A true copy of the Warrant and the officer's return thereon.

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 28TH, 1902.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS.

UPTON, MASS., April 28th, 1902.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs, holden this twenty-eighth day of April A. D. 1902 at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, the said inhabitants proceeded as follows:—

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the Warrant and the officer's return thereon.

MODERATOR.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting. Mr. Appleton P. Williams was chosen Moderator by ballot as the law directs, and sworn by the town clerk.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Article 2. Voted on a motion by Mr. Stephen B. Fiske that we proceed to elect the Cemetery Commissioners, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years all on one ballot.

The following were elected Cemetery Commissioners by ballot, the checklist being used.

Stephen B. Fiske one year from March 3rd, 1902.

George R. Pierce two years from March 3rd, 1902.

Benjamin A. Jourdan three years from March 3rd, 1902.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS ON OFFICIAL BALLOT.

Article 3. Voted, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is authorized to substitute Cemetery Commissioners for Cemetery Trustees on the official ballot printed at public expense.

IMPROVEMENTS FOR NEW CEMETERY.

Article 4. Voted, to lay this article on the table. 31 yeas, 29 nays.

OLD CEMETERY, SOUTH UPTON.

Article 5. Voted, on motion by Mr. Curley to pass over this article.

LIMIT ON SEXTON.

Article 6. A motion to lay this on the table was lost. Voted, to limit the expense which the Sexton shall incur in the burial of persons not able to pay for the same, to twenty-five dollars.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE SALARY.

Article 7. Voted, to pass over this article.

HIGHWAY AT WEST UPTON.

Article 8. Voted, to lay this article on the table.

CELLAR AT ALMSHOUSE.

Article 9. Voted, to pass over this article.

Voted, to dissolve the Warrant at 8.15 p. m.

A true record. Attest :

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1902.**TOWN CLERK.**

Francis T. Nelson, term expires 1905.

TOWN TREASURER.

Stephen B. Fiske.

SELECTMEN.

William H. Wellington,	Charles A. Whitney,	Edward C. Lyford,
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ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

Alex. Barton,	Herbert M. Buck,	David A. Farrington.
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OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Thomas T. Brewer,	Lowell A. Jordan,	Charles M. Wood.
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

George H. Stoddard, term expires 1903.

Appleton P. Williams, term expires 1904.

Edward C. Traver, term expires 1905.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Henry J. Batchelor.

AUDITOR.

Stedman C. Brown.

CONSTABLES.

Herbert A. Bagley,	Alonzo C. Southland,	Israel I. Harper.
William F. Parshley,		George F. White.

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

Gilbert Rawson, term expires 1903.
 Arthur E. King, term expires 1904.
 Theophilus F. Boyd, term expires 1905.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Stephen B. Fiske, term expires 1903.
 George R. Pierce, term expires 1904.
 Benjamin A. Jourdan, term expires 1905.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

John B. Fay,	Mrs. C. A. Batchelor, Term expires 1903.	Fred W. Wood.
Henry A. Corbin,	Miss Hannah N. Johnson, Term expires 1904.	Edward C. Traver.
Albert Davis,	Mrs. M. A. Stoddard, Term expires 1905.	Carl G. Horst.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Alfred Young,	Jefferson H. Lyford,	William B. Walker.
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SEXTON.

Albert Sadler.

TREE WARDEN.

George R. Pierce, resigned.
 Dennis T. Fiske.
 Appointed by the Selectmen.

FIELD DRIVERS.

Ziba B. Grandy,	Harris J. Potter.
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SPECIAL POLICE.

George A. Wood at R. R. Station in West Jpton
 James S. Le Sure at R. R. Station in Upton and at Town Hall Building.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Ziba B. Grandy.

REGISTRARS OF VOTES.

William H. Miskell, term expires 1903.
 Walter F. Partridge, term expires 1904.
 William H. Walker, term expires 1905.
 Francis T. Nelson, ex-officio.

WEIGHERS.

Alvin N. Hodge,	Leander A. Snow,	Harris J. Potter.
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MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Edward B. Newton,	Perry Wood,	Fleming Hunter.
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MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Harris J. Potter,	Charles M. Wood,	Edward B. Newton.
Alex. Barton.		Elisha Bradish.
		Irving H. Whiting.

INSPECTOR OF COAL OIL.

Edgar A. Willard.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

George R. Pierce.

POUND KEEPER.

Ziba B. Grandy.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

William H. Wellington,	Edward C. Lyford,
Charles A. Whitney,	Edward C. Traver, M. D.,
Francis T. Nelson, Agent to issue Burial Permits.	

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE.

George D. Whitney.

INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

Benjamin A. Jourdan.

FIRE ENGINEERS.

Theophilus F. Boyd,	Walter W. True,	Owen E. Donnelly,
Frank Lyford,		Herbert M. Buck.

FIRE WARDENS.

Nelson Hagar,	Frank E. Lyford,	Owen E. Donnelly,
Walter W. True,	Herbert M. Buck,	Theophilus F. Boyd,
O. F. Taft,	Harris J. Potter,	C. T. Potter.

APPOINTED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE, TRUANT OFFICERS.

William F. Parshley, Henry D. Aldrich.

In accordance with Section 238, Chapter 548, Act of 1898, I hereby attest that the package containing the ballots cast during the year was this day destroyed by fire, unopened and unexamined.

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

I have administered the oath of office to the following named persons (they having been appointed to office) on the date set against their respective names, all in the year 1902.

Truant Officers. William F. Parshley, March 18th. Henry D. Aldrich, April 19th.

Inspector of Meats and Provisions. Benj. A. Jourdan, March 24th.

Inspector of Cattle. George D. Whitney, March 31st.

Weighers. Leander A. Snow, March 20th. Alvin N. Hodge, March 21st. Harris J. Potter, April 11th.

Field Drivers. Ziba B. Grandy, March 28th. Harris J. Potter, April 11th.
 Special Police. George A. Wood, March 22d.
 Measurer of Lumber. Fleming Hunter, April 7th.
 Measurers of Wood and Bark. Elisha Bradish, April 17th; Harris J. Potter, April 11th; Irving H. Whiting, August 20th.
 Tree Warden. Dennis T. Fiske, August 7th.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OCTOBER 18, 1902.
WORCESTER, ss.

TO THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF UPTON, IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Saturday, the eighteenth day of October, punctually at 7.30 o'clock, afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit :

- Article 1. To chose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Article 2. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to build a vegetable cellar at the Town Farm, or take any action pertaining thereto.
- Article 3. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the Support of Poor, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.
- Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of Chapter 346, Acts of 1902, in relation to the election of Moderator.
- Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Clerk to place the name of the Moderator on the official ballot printed at public expense.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, ten days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting :—At each of the Post-Offices, and on the Town House in said Town.

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

Given under our hands at Upton, this sixth day of October, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and two.

W. H. WELLINGTON,
 E. C. LYFORD,
 C. A. WHITNEY,

Selectmen of Upton.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, herein described, to assemble in the Town Hall, on Saturday, the eighteenth day of October, 1902, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within Warrant, in each of the Post-Offices of the Town, and on the Town House, ten days before the day of meeting.

A. C. SOUTHLAND,
 Constable.

A true copy of the Warrant and the officer's return thereon.

Attest :

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
 Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 18, 1902.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, SS.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in Town affairs, met in their Town Hall, in said Upton, on Saturday, the eighteenth day of October, A. D., 1902, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening.

The meeting was then called to order by the Town Clerk, who then read the Warrant.

MODERATOR.

Article 1. Upon the fourth ballot, the check-list being used, Albert Davis was chosen Moderator. He was sworn by the Town Clerk.

VEGETABLE CELLAR AT TOWN FARM.

Article 2. After considerable discussion, a motion by Mr. Charles M. Wood, that the Town appropriate \$275 to build a vegetable cellar at the Town Farm was lost.

SUPPORT OF TOWN POOR.

Article 3. Voted, on motion by Mr. Charles A. Whitney that the Town appropriate \$300 to support the Poor.

CHOICE OF A MODERATOR.

Article 4. Voted, not to accept the Provisions of Chapter 346, Acts of 1902, in regard to the election of a Moderator.

Article 5. Voted, to pass over this article.

Voted, to dissolve the Warrant.

A true record. Attest :

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 4, 1902.

WORCESTER, SS.

TO THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF UPTON, IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER.

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday, the fourth day of November, punctually, at six o'clock, forenoon, at which time the polls will be open for said voters to give in their ballots to the Selectmen of said Town for :

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor, Attorney-General, Councillor for the Seventh Councillor District, Senator for the Fifth Worcester Senatorial District, two Representatives to the General Court to represent the Tenth Worcester Representative District for said Commonwealth, one County Commissioner, for the County of Worcester, all on one ballot.

The polls may be closed at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, ten days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting :—At each of the Post-Offices and on the Town House in said Town.

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

Given under our hands at Upton, this twentieth day of October, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and two.

W. H. WELLINGTON,
E. C. LYFORD,
C. A. WHITNEY,

Selectmen of Upton.

OCTOBER 22, 1902.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the fourth day of November, 1902, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-Offices and on the Town House of said Town, ten days, at least, before the day of meeting.

A. C. SOUTHLAND,
Constable.

A true copy of the Warrant and the Officer's return thereon.

Attest :

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 4, 1902.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, ss.

In pursuance to the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, met in their Town Hall, on Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, it being the fourth day of said month, in the year one thousand nine hundred and two, for the purpose of giving in their votes for State and County Officers.

The meeting was called to order at six o'clock, A. M., by the Town Clerk, who read the Warrant and the Officer's return thereon.

The specimen ballots and the cards of instruction were posted as the law directs. The ballot box furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be used at elections, was then opened in public meeting and shown to the voters present to be empty, the register of the box being set at 000; the box was then locked, and the keys thereof delivered to Alonzo C. Southland, constable in attendance at said meeting.

Frank Lyford and Albert Davis were duly sworn to faithfully perform the duties of Ballot Clerks and Tellers, by the Town Clerk.

George White and Michael Murphy were duly sworn to faithfully perform the duties of Inspectors and Tellers by the Town Clerk.

A package said to contain 600 official ballots, issued by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be used at this election, was delivered to William H. Wellington, presiding officer, and his receipt therefor given to the Town Clerk.

George E. Ambler, William J. Pillion, Edwin W. Clafflin and Grovelon D. Richardson, were sworn to faithfully perform the duties of Tellers by the Town Clerk.

All the above election officers were appointed by the Selectmen, as the law directs.

The seals of the package of ballots were then broken, and the blocks of ballots delivered to the Ballot Clerks.

The polls were declared open for the reception of ballots at 6.05 A. M. At 9 A. M. the ballot-box was opened and 150 ballots taken therefrom. Again, at 11 A. M., 1 P. M., and 1.30 P. M. the box was opened and fifty ballots were taken out each time. Again at 3 P. M. fifty ballots were taken therefrom for the purpose of sorting and counting the same. Voted, to close the polls at 4 P. M.

Due notice having been given, the polls at 4 P. M. were declared closed.

At close of polls the register stood at 357.

The names of those on the list of voters, both at the polls and at the table of Ballot Clerks, which had been checked, were audibly counted and found to be as follows :

List at polls, three hundred fifty-seven	357
List at table, three hundred fifty-seven	357
The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot-box and audibly counted, making the total number of ballots cast three hundred fifty-seven	357

The Tellers having sorted and counted the votes given in, declaration thereof was made in open meeting and recorded as follows :

FOR GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates of Boston, had two hundred thirty-four votes	234
Michael T. Berry, of Haverhill, had one vote	1
John C. Chase, of Haverhill, had fourteen votes	14
William A. Gaston, of Boston, had ninety-seven votes	97
William H. Partridge, of Newton, had four votes	4
Blanks had seven	7
Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven	357

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams, of Amesbury, had sixteen votes	16
Thomas F. Brennan of Salem, had two votes	2
Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton had ten votes	10
Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston, had two hundred twenty-eight votes	228

Herbert C. Joyner of Great Barrington, had eighty-four votes	84
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Blanks had seventeen	17
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Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven,	357
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FOR SECRETARY.

Edward A. Buckland of Holyoke, had sixteen votes	16
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Herbert B. Griffin of Winthrop, had four votes	4
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Jeremiah O'Fihelly of Abington, had two votes	2
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William M. Olin of Boston, had two hundred thirty-two votes	232
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Willmore B. Stone of Springfield, had eighty-two votes	82
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Blanks had twenty-one	21
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Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven	357
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FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Edward S. Bradford of Springfield, had two hundred thirty-five votes	235
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Joseph L. Chalifoux of Lowell, had seventy-eight votes	78
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Daniel Parlin of Worcester had three votes	3
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Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield, had four votes	4
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David Taylor of Boston, had fifteen votes	15
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Blanks had twenty-two	22
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Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven	357
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FOR AUDITOR.

David Morrison of Fall River, had four votes	4
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S. Freemont Packard of Brockton, had sixteen votes	16
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Charles Stoeber of Adams, had three votes	3
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Thomas C. Thacher of Yarmouth, had eighty-three votes	83
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Henry E. Turner of Malden, had two hundred twenty-five votes	225
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Blanks had twenty-six votes	26
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Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven	357
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FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Allen Coffin of Nantucket, had five votes	5
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Charles E. Fenner of Worcester, had nineteen votes	19
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John J. Flaherty of Gloucester, had seventy-five votes	75
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John A. Henly of Lynn, had two votes	2
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Herbert Parker of Lancaster, had two hundred thirty votes	230
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Blanks had twenty-six	26
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Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven	357
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REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, TWELFTH DISTRICT.

J. Frank Hayward of Hyde Park, had sixteen votes	16
Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford, had six votes	6
Samuel L. Powers of Newton, had two hundred twenty-nine votes	229
Frederic J. Stimson of Dedham, had ninety-three votes	93
Blanks had thirteen	13

Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven 357

COUNCILLOR, SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Charles M. Bowers of Clinton, had three votes	3
Charles M. Day of Winchendon, had eighty-one votes	81
John J. Kelley of Warren, had twenty votes	20
Arthur H. Lowe of Fitchburg, had two hundred twenty-six votes	226
Blanks had twenty-seven	27

Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven 357

SENATOR, FIFTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.

Burrell W. Morse of Oxford, had nineteen votes	19
Edward L. Osgood of Hopedale, had one hundred seventy-two votes	172
Edward H. Taft of Mendon, had thirteen votes	13
Samuel B. Taft of Uxbridge, had one hundred nineteen votes	119
Blanks had thirty-four	34

Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven 357

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT, TENTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.

Lowell E. Fales of Milford, had two hundred six votes	206
Charles H. Johnson of Upton, had thirty-seven votes	37
John S. Nason of Westborough had one hundred eighty-eight votes	188
Thomas H. Reilly of Westborough, had sixty-one votes	61
George E. Stanley of Milford, had twenty-six votes	26
John E. Swift of Milford, had sixty-six votes	66
John Wulf of Milford, had fourteen votes	14
Blanks had one hundred sixteen	116

Whole number of votes, seven hundred fourteen 714

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, WORCESTER

Thomas Laney of Fitchburg, had seventeen votes	17
James C. Luby of Worcester, had seventy-six votes	76
Charles A. Parminter of Spencer, had four votes	4
Henry G. Taft of Uxbridge, had two hundred thirty-three votes	233
Blanks had twenty-seven	27

Whole number of votes, three hundred fifty-seven 357

The returns were then filled out, signed by the Selectmen, attested by the Town Clerk and sealed up and forwarded to the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the law directs.

The votes cast and the check-lists used by the election officers were then sealed up in different packages, endorsed by the proper officers, and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERKS' MEETING AT HOPEDALE.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, ss.

HOPEDALE, MASS., Nov. 14th, 1902.

In compliance with Section 257, Chapter 11, of the Revised Laws, 1902, we, the clerks of the Towns of Hopedale, Milford, Mendon, Upton and Westborough, which towns comprise the Tenth Worcester Representative District, this day met at the Town Hall, in said Hopedale, and compared the returns of votes cast in the said towns for two Representatives to the General Court, to be holden in Boston, on the first Wednesday in January, next.

Said votes were returned to us as by law required, and were given in at legal meetings held in each of said towns for that purpose, on the fourth day of November, A. D., 1902, and are shown by the following tabular statement:

REPRESENTATIVE VOTE IN THE TENTH WORCESTER REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.

	Hope- dale,	Mil- ford,	Men- don,	Up- ton,	West- boro',	Total.
Lowell E. Fales, of Milford,	296	611	73	206	314	1500
Charles H. Johnson, of Upton,	15	87	12	37	21	172
John S. Nason, of Westborough,	285	516	75	188	434	1498
Thomas H. Reilly, of Westborough,	30	554	16	61	235	896
George E. Stanley, of Milford,	43	466	12	26	56	603
John E. Swift, of Milford,	41	677	14	66	157	955
John Wulf, of Milford,	14	102	11	14	16	157
A. B. Ward,	0	0	0	0	1	1
A. T. Brown,	0	0	0	0	1	1
J. L. Brigham,	0	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks,	94	529	51	116	172	962
Total in each town,	818	3542	264	714	1408	6746

Lowell E. Fales of Milford, and John S. Nason of Westborough, having received the largest number of votes, were declared elected, and to them

were certificates of election issued, also a duplicate certificate sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, as the law directs.

In witness whereof, we, the clerks of the towns of Hopedale, Milford, Mendon, Upton and Westborough hereunto set our names this fourteenth day of November, A. D., 1902.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN, Town Clerk of Hopedale.
 JOHN T. McLOUGHLIN, Town Clerk of Milford.
 HORACE C. ADAMS, Town Clerk of Mendon.
 FRANCIS T. NELSON, Town Clerk of Upton.
 JOSEPH S. GATES, Town Clerk of Westborough.

A copy. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
 Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1902.

Date.	Name.	Date.	Name.
Jan. 8.	Sterns O. Inman.	June 12.	Paul Phipps.
Jan. 26.	Viola Howard Inman.	June 10.	Edward Francis Smith.
Feb. 20.	Stillborn.	July 24.	Lillian May Hopkins.
Mar. 7.	Raymond Benj. Wellman.	Aug. 14.	Raymond Francis Brown.
Mar. 13.	Esther Gorman.	Aug. 31.	Eddie Schuyler Fisher.
Mar. 13.	Norman Batherick Hall.	Sept. 3.	Claire Louise Childs.
Mar. 20.	Bernice Marion Sweet.	Sept. 7.	Gardner Hunter Brewer.
Mar. 26.	Carrie Isabelle Walker.	Oct. 3.	Lillian Agnes Jordan.
Apr. 8.	Amedors Page.	Oct. 6.	Adonias Lewis Roberts.
Apr. 22.	Edith Marion Bates.	Oct. 9.	— Fisk.
Apr. 30.	James Fox Gorman.	Oct. 12.	Forrest Packard Salisbury.
May 16.	Beatrice Ayer Paul.	Oct. 13.	Raymond Charles Whiting.
May 21.	Ida Lambert.	Oct. 20.	Stillborn.
May 26.	Stillborn.	Nov. 4.	Walter M. Ruggles.
Apr. 18.	Marion Lina Bayer.	Nov. 4.	Raymond Perry Alexander.
May 29.	Kenneth Merion Blodgett.		

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1902.

Date.	Name.	Age.	By whom married.
Jan. 1.	George William Rollins, Ellen Barton,	24 22	Rev. George S. Ball.
Jan. 1.	Olen William Kenney, Helena White,	24 26	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
Mar. 24.	Patrick Ferguson, Ida Mary "Walker" Callanan,	38 34	William G. Pond, Justice of the Peace.
Apr. 11.	Arthur Raymond Cobbett, Gertrude Lincoln,	24 20	Rev. William P. Ray.
June 3.	William Henry Miskell, Mary Eliza Mahan,	36 29	Rev. Richard S. J. Burke.

June 4.	Francis Clifton Blunt, Mary Louise Baker,	21 24	Rev. Richard S. J. Burke.
June 10.	Frank Elmer Williams, Bertha May Baldwin,	31 24	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
June 11.	Halbert Lynn Keith, Alice Gertrude "Clapp" Williamson,	42 32	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
June 16.	James Phillip Ramee, Emma Elizabeth Phipps,	31 22	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
June 25.	Arthur Jackson Powell, Irene Canning,	37 37	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
June 25.	Fred Wilmarth Wood, Flora Walker,	30 24	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
Sept. 3.	Daniel J. Hamill, Alice Cary,	24 17	Rev. Ernest L. Mills.
Sept. 24.	W. Schuyler Smith, Maude A. Knowlton,	22 22	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
Oct. 22.	Walter Hayward Fiske, Ernestine May Saunders,	20 20	Rev. Elbert W. Whitney.
Oct. 23.	Charles R. Farrar, Mary M. Carey,	29 19	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
Oct. 25.	Albert B. Stearns, Alba A. Hager,	24 21	Rev. Ernest L. Mills.
Oct. 28.	Irving Everett Walker, May Esther Tenney,	25 25	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
Oct. 29.	William Henry Noe, Margaret Cecilia O'Neill,	22 20	Rev. James M. Cruse.
Oct. 29.	Merton Arba Wood, Edith Arnold Nichols,	22 21	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
Nov. 4.	John A. Stank, Delia Pillion,	35 20	Rev. James M. Cruse.
Nov. 27.	Walter J. Wiggins, Jennie Wrenn,	26 27	Rev. Ernest L. Mills.
Nov. 27.	Henry Wallace McBride, Mary Elizabeth Keightley,	41 32	Rev. James H. Childs.

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1902.

Date.	Name.	Cause of Death.	Age. Y. M. D.
Jan. 4.	Jeremiah J. Leary,	Strangulated Hernia.	51 9 28
Jan. 31.	Eleanor Hunter,	Heart Disease.	66 0 18
Feb. 6.	Catherine Mary True,	Pneumonia.	41 2 9
Feb. 9.	Mary A. Connolly,	Pneumonia.	60 0 0
Feb. 20.	Stillborn.		0 0 0

Mar. 22.	Eliza Ann Rogers,	Old Age.	82	0	9
Mar. 23.	Sarah N. F. Fisk,	Senility.	80	8	9
Mar. 31.	Charles K. Fowler,	Pneumonia.	50	0	13
Apr. 24.	Benjamin F. Carey,	Marasmus.	0	1	7
Apr. 25.	Mary Jessup Strong,	Pleurisy.	68	1	8
May 2.	Mary F. Allard,	Paralysis.	43	11	3
May 26.	Stillborn.				
May 30.	Gilbert Keithley,	Phthisis.	64	0	0
June 14.	Paul Phipps,	Heart Disease.	0	0	2
July 11.	Mary L. Noe,	Heart Disease.	39	10	12
July 16.	Lawrance E. Southland,	Hodgkins Disease.	5	2	0
Aug. 27.	Stephen E. Temple,	Cancer.	59	11	28
Sept. 6.	George Sumner Ball,	Arterial Sclerosis.	80	3	15
Sept. 10.	William Williamson,	Old Age & Stomach Trouble.	79	10	10
Oct. 14.	Henry E. Taylor,	Uraemia and Valvular Heart Disease.	68	10	15
Oct. 21.	— Reynolds,	Premature Birth.	0	0	2
Oct. 26.	Matthew Euinton,	Apoplexy.	68	5	11
Nov. 6.	Sarah E. Barber,	Hypertrophy of Heart and Ascites.	87	8	8
Nov. 28.	Lucy A. Wood,	Apoplexy.	95	7	20
Nov. 30.	Laura L. Munyan,	Phthisis.	34	9	14
Dec. 17.	Albert Sadler,	Cerebral Apoplexy.	76	10	13
Dec. 19.	Nancy A. Bosworth,	Pneumonia.	79	11	2

The following named persons died elsewhere, and have been brought to Upton for interment during the past year:—

Date.	Name.	Place.	Age.
June 7, 1872.	Annie M. Taylor, at Milford, Mass.		37 0 0
May 7, 1882.	Henry L. Taylor, at Milford, Mass.		14 0 0
Dec. 20, 1901.	Hannah L. Ward, at Boston, Mass.		64 8 6
May 19, 1902.	Oliver C. Haven, at Boston, Mass.		67 1 19
July 19, "	Hannah Warren, at Hopkinton, Mass.		54 0 0
Aug. 5, "	Waldo W. Forbush, at Arlington, Mass.		39 4 18
Aug. 27, "	George H. Thompson, at Milford, Mass.		39 7 14
Oct. 26, "	Lucy J. Aldrich, at Brookline, Mass.		87 7 14
Dec. 30, "	Phylis M. Lombard, at Springfield, Mass.		0 3 0
Jan. 17, 1903.	Lydia Ingerson, at Providence, R. I.		85 0 0
Jan. 18, "	Percy B. Turner, at Levant, Me.		32 8 15

Births recorded,	32
Marriage Intentions issued,	20
Marriages recorded,	22
Deaths recorded,	27

JURORS DRAWN.

J. M. Ruggles, May 5th, 1902.
E. J. Walker, Nov. 3d, 1902.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED.

161 Males.

10 Females.

Amount sent to County Treasurer, \$337 80

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1898 Book.	Due Feb. 1, 1902,	\$11 38
	Collected,	11 38
	Interest collected,	\$1 93
1899 Book.	Due Feb. 1, 1902,	\$141 35
	Abated by Assessors,	\$9 65
	Collected,	131 70 141 35
	Interest collected,	22 06
1900 Book.	Due Feb. 1, 1902,	\$2,416 82
	Abated by Assessors,	\$115 84
	Collected,	2,242 93
	Due Feb. 1, 1903,	58 05 2,416 82
	Interest collected,	175 58
1901 Book.	Due Feb. 1, 1902,	\$8,732 04
	Abated by Assessors,	\$1,839 63
	Collected,	4,432 86
	Due Feb. 1, 1903,	2,459 55 8,732 04
	Interest collected,	117 66
1902 Book.	Tax levied,	\$21,479 35
	Collected,	\$14,059 33
	Due Feb. 1, 1903,	7,420 02 21,479 35
	Interest Collected,	10 39

H. J. BATCHELOR,

Collector.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

S. B. FISKE, Treasurer,

In Account with the TOWN OF UPTON.

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To Cash balance received of Select-	
men,	\$1,396 83
" Cash received of Highway Sur-	
veyors on account of roads,	31 09
" Cash received of Overseers of	
Poor, sale of woodlot,	450 00
" Cash received of Overseers of	
Poor, on account of Town	
Farm,	1,419 48
" Cash received Estabrook & Co.,	
Town Note,	9,628 93
" Cash received Jose Parker & Co.,	
Town Note,	1,962 00
" Cash received Geo. C. Olney,	
Pool license,	2 00
" Cash received H. F. Pellett, Pool	
License,	2 00
" Cash received J. S. LeSure, rent	
of Town Hall,	63 50
" Cash C. W. Comstock, rent of	
Town Hall,	93 50
" Cash received H. J. Batchelor,	
Collector, for taxes,	21,205 82
" Cash received Corporation Tax,	855 26
" Cash received National Bank Tax,	130 81
" Cash received State Aid, Chap.	
79, Revised Laws,	1,333 00
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“ Cash received Military Aid, Chap. 79, Revised Laws,	99 00
“ Cash received Third District Court Fines,	15 46
“ Cash received State Treasurer, burial of Indigent Soldiers,	70 00
“ Cash received State Treasurer, Compensation for Inspec- tion of Animals,	25 75
“ Cash received E. A. Willard, Auctioneer's License,	2 00
“ Cash received, Interest on Car- penter Fund,	40 20
“ Cash received, Post 105, G. A. R., Rent of Hall,	1 00
“ Cash received of Columbian Chapt., O. E. S., Rent of Hall,	10 00
“ Cash received, Interest on De- posits,	21 69
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	\$38,859 32

CASH RECEIVED FROM VARIOUS SOURCES ON
ACCOUNT OF SCHOOLS.

To Cash received for Old Iron,	\$4 20
“ Cash received, County Dog Fund,	324 20
“ Cash received, Income Mass. School Fund,	344 76
“ Cash received, on account School Tickets,	12 00
“ Cash received, Schooling State Wards,	255 00
“ Cash received, State Supt. School Fund,	312 50 1,252 66
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	\$40,111 98

By Cash paid on Selectmen's Orders,	\$34,477	33
" Cash paid Overseers of Poor, In-		
come of Farm,	1,419	48
" Cash paid Highway Surveyors		
on account Income Various		
Sources,	31	09
" Cash paid School Committee,		
Income Various School		
Funds,	1,252	66
" Cash paid Selectmen to Balance,	2,931	42

		\$40,111 98

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. FISKE.

Treasurer.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Cash paid for Notes and Interest:

Salem Savings Bank, Interest on Municipal Bond,	\$320 00
New England Trust Co. Note,	5,000 00
Commonwealth of Mass., School- house Bond and Interest Due,	1,040 00
Commonwealth of Mass., Interest School-house Registered Bonds,	600 00
Grafton Savings Bank, Interest on \$5,000 to Oct. 1, 1902,	225 00
Jose Parker & Co., Note,	2,000 00
Grafton Savings Bank, Note and Interest,	5,077 50
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	\$14,262 50

Cash paid State and County Tax:—

E. Bradford, State Tax,	\$675 00
Edward A. Brown, County Tax,	1,448 00
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	\$2,123 00

Cash paid for Town Library:—

Fred W. Wood, Treasurer,	\$100 00
John B. Fay,	260 00
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	\$360 00

Cash paid for Military Aid:—

George E. Hatch,	\$48 00
Calvin A. Taft,	30 00
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	\$78 00

Cash paid for State Aid:—

Aaron Aldrich,	\$60 00
George E. Aldrich,	48 00
Dolly P. Brooks,	48 00
Cyrus W. Bryant,	36 00
Louisa P. Cushing,	48 00
John Clifford,	48 00
Caroline M. Clark,	24 00
William Davenport,	48 00
Jennie S. Davenport,	48 00
Charles A. Davis,	40 00
Louisa F. Despeaux,	48 00
Betsey Taft,	48 00
Ora S. Gibbs,	60 00
George G. Hall,	48 00
Samuel P. Hall,	60 00
Elizabeth E. Holbrook,	48 00
Charles D. Holmes,	48 00
E. W. Harback,	72 00
George E. Hatch,	20 00
Charles H. Nichols,	48 00
Charles E. Pierce,	48 00
Charles W. Pierce,	48 00
Harrison Pierce,	48 00
Jane Rockwood,	48 00
John P. Saunders,	48 00
Martha Snelling,	48 00
Mary Stone,	48 00
Hannah Sullivan,	48 00
Henry E. Taylor,	48 00
Sarah J. Tenney,	36 00
Mary Walker,	24 00
Ursula A. Taylor,	12 00

\$1,452 00

Cash paid for Memorial Day:—

D. W. Morse, Treas., J. Orson Fiske Post, G. A. R.,	\$125 00
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\$125 00

Cash paid for Support of Schools:—	
Bills, as reported by Committee,	<u>\$5,999 51</u>
	\$5,999 51
Cash paid for Support of Poor:—	
Bills, as reported by Overseers,	<u>\$2,380 61</u>
	\$2,380 61
Cash paid for Roads and Bridges:—	
Bills, as reported by Commissioners,	<u>\$2,029 30</u>
	\$2,029 30
Cash paid for Removing Snow:—	
Bills, as reported by Commissioners,	<u>\$509 22</u>
	\$509 22
Cash paid for Fire Department:—	
Bills, as reported by Engineers,	<u>\$728 84</u>
	\$728 84
Cash paid for Fire Wardens:—	
Bills, as reported by Wardens,	<u>\$128 43</u>
	\$128 43
Cash paid for Worcester Co. Sol- diers' Monument:—	
Nathaniel Paine, Treas.,	<u>\$100 00</u>
	\$100 00
Cash paid for Street Lights:—	
George E. Southland, Care of Lamps,	\$97 20
C. F. O'Connell, Care of Lamps,	352 50
E. T. Hall, Oil,	172 30
S. B. Fiske, Sundries,	6 31
C. F. O'Connell, Repairs, etc.,	<u>11 22</u>
	\$639 53

Cash paid for Suppression of Liquor Traffic:—	
W. F. Parshley,	\$12 00
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	\$12 00
Cash paid for Reservoirs:—	
Cash paid to Engineers,	\$95 96
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	\$95 96
Cash paid Town Officers:—	
Wm. H. Wellington, Selectman,	\$50 00
E. C. Lyford, Selectman,	25 00
C. A. Whitney, Selectman,	25 00
Francis T. Nelson, Town Clerk,	92 80
S. B. Fiske, Town Treasurer,	125 00
D. A. Farrington, Assessor,	52 50
Alex Barton, Assessor,	47 50
Herbert M. Buck, Assessor,	45 00
H. M. Buck, Copying Assessor's Record,	12 00
C. M. Wood, Overseer,	25 00
Thomas T. Brewer, Overseer,	25 00
Lowell A. Jordan, Overseer,	25 00
George H. Stoddard, School Com- mittee, 1901,	30 72
Gilbert Rawson, Highway Surveyor,	15 00
Arthur E. King, Highway Surveyor,	15 00
T. F. Boyd, Highway Surveyor,	15 00
Stedman C. Brown, Auditor,	10 00
H. J. Batchelor, Collector,	218 50
George D. Whitney, Inspector of Cattle,	51 50
B. A. Jourdan, Inspector of Provisions,	10 00
Geo. R. Pierce, Tree Warden,	12 34
E. C. Traver, Board of Health,	10 00
Francis T. Nelson, Board of Registrars,	70 00
George E. Ambler, Election Officer,	6 00
George F. Prentiss, Election Officer,	3 00
Frank E. Lyford, Election Officer,	6 00
J. Frank Despeaux, Election Officer,	3 00
Wm. H. Miskell, Election Officer,	3 00
Walter W. True, Election Officer,	3 00
Thomas J. Gorman, Election Officer,	3 00

William J. Pillion, Election Officer,	6 00
A. C. Southland, Election Officer,	6 00
Albert Davis, Election Officer,	6 00
H. A. Bagley, Notifying Officers,	8 00
Wm. F. Parshley, Police Duty,	6 00
George F. White, Police Duty,	9 00
H. A. Bagley, Police Duty,	6 00
A. C. Southland, Police Duty,	15 00
Israel I. Harper, Police Duty,	6 00
Michael Murphy, Election Officer,	3 00
Edwin W. Clafin, Election Officer,	3 00
Grovelon D. Richardson, Election Officer,	3 00

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Cash paid for Cemeteries:—

Cash paid to Cemetery Commissioners,	\$316 64
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Cash paid for Soldiers' Relief:—

Nettie M. Largess, Board for Judson Southland,	\$96 00
Anderson Bros., Bread for Geo. E. Hatch,	2 10
George H. Stoddard, Milk for Geo. E. Hatch,	18 00
Edward M. Baker, Jr., Meat for Geo. E. Hatch,	33 18
James Smart, Bread for Geo. E. Hatch,	15 90
C. S. Temple, Groceries for Geo. E. Hatch,	76 78
Sarah J. Potter,	104 00
C. H. Scott, Board for Fred Harback,	108 00
Abbie T. White, Board for Harback children,	156 00
Mrs. Elizabeth E. Holbrook,	140 00
H. L. Keith, Services for Sarah J. Potter,	6 50
Town of Westborough, Aid for Charles H. Burnham,	17 00

E. C. Traver, Services for Samuel P.	
Hall,	2 50
Town of Milford, Aid for Susan Bates,	78 00
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	\$853 96

Cash paid for Town Incidentals:—	
G. M. Billings, Printing Ballots,	\$14 00
Edward J. Dalton, 3rd District Court,	7 79
Harrison Young, Removing Snow	
from Common,	1 75
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, Post for	
Street Lamp,	2 10
A. A. Bowker, Groceries for Board	
of Health,	16 66
Miss Campbell, Curtains,	1 45
Charles Hamilton, Printing Town	
Reports,	145 51
Henry W. Gaskill, Laying out South St.,	13 00
Thomas Groom & Sons, Treasurer's	
Books,	8 80
Oliver B. Wood, Printing for Treasurer,	15 40
J. S. LeSure, Supplies for Town Hall,	20 32
J. S. LeSure, Salary up to May 5,	31 25
E. A. Willard, Insurance on Town	
Farm, Building,	4 56
N. H. Brown, Rent and Labor Board	
of Health,	37 00
T. B. Pratt, Repairing Sidewalk,	5 00
W. G. Fiske, Lumber,	2 62
Ross Bros., Lawn Mower,	5 50
E. A. Willard, Insurance on Town	
Hall for three years,	332 70
Sanford, Putnam & Co., Printing for	
Assessors,	6 00
Norris & Staples, Force Pump,	13 00
E. A. Willard, Insurance on Town	
Farm for three years,	27 64
Knight & Thomas, Fire Extinguishers,	23 00
H. Leighton, Fire Extinguisher,	22 00
Leon D. Childs, Repairs on G. A. R.	
Hall,	1 00
H. S. Cushman, Cushions,	5 00

A. C. Southland, Service at Court,	7 53
Cook & Son's, Tax Bills,	3 50
Fred B. Sanford, Carting Wood,	1 25
W. L. Wood, Moving Safe,	5 00
S. B. Fiske, Check Perforator,	5 00
H. E. Taylor, Burial Expense,	35 00
Haverhill Appliance Co., 12 Extinguishers,	21 00
C. W. Comstock, Supplies,	34 36
C. W. Comstock, Salary,	93 75
Norris & Staples, Plumbing at Town Hall,	14 10
A. C. Southland,	3 50
A. A. Bowker, Oil for Town Hall,	11 87
Herbert E. Nelson, Mowing Town Lawns,	1 20
Paint for Tree Warden,	50
A. C. Southland, Services 3rd District Court,	3 48
Henry C. Snell, Services 3rd District Court,	7 52
Alex Pilkington, Repairing Water Trough,	2 00
Hixon Bros., Two Chairs,	3 00
Geo. W. Wood, Repairing Bell,	1 50
Abbott Jenkins,	23 45
C. F. O'Connell, Shoveling Snow,	1 00
E. A. Willard, Insurance Waverly Building,	40 00
S. B. Fiske, Supplies and use of Telephone,	14 82
C. F. O'Connell, care of Common and Waterworks,	12 00
C. M. Wood, Topdressing for Common,	3 80
S. R. Capen, Returning 4 births,	1 00
E. C. Traver, Returning 28 births,	7 00
Geo. Z. Williams, Returning 7 deaths,	1 75
F. T. Nelson, Cash Paid Out,	20 73
Clark, Ellis & Son, Repair of Pump,	1 15
C. W. Comstock, care of Clock and Repairing Book-case,	7 25
G. D. Whitney, Appraiser 1902,	3 00
H. J. Potter, Appraiser 1902,	3 00

Clark, Ellis & Son, Lock and Keys,	
Waverly Building,	4 00
F. T. Nelson, Clerk of Selectmen,	25 00
F. T. Nelson, Clerk of Overseers,	15 00
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	\$1,202 06

RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid Notes and Interest,	\$14,262 00
Appropriation,	3,000 00
State Tax,	675 00
No Appropriation,	
County Tax,	1,448 00
No Appropriation,	
Town Library with Carpenter Fund,	360 00
Appropriation Fund,	360 00
Military Aid, Chap. 79, Revised Laws,	78 00
Appropriation,	200 00
State Aid, Chap. 79, Revised Laws,	1,452 00
Appropriation,	600 00
Soldiers' Relief,	853 96
Appropriation,	800 00
Memorial Day,	125 00
Appropriation,	125 00
Care of Cemeteries,	316 64
Appropriation,	300 00
Schools, including Superintendent,	5,999 51
Appropriation,	6,000 00
Support of Poor,	2,380 61
Appropriation,	2,300 00
Roads and Bridges,	2,029 30
Appropriation,	2,000 00
Fire Department,	728 84
Appropriation,	650 00
Removing Snow,	509 22
Appropriation,	400 00
Lighting Streets,	639 53
Appropriation,	700 00

Town Incidentals,		1,202 06
Appropriation,	1,200 00	
Fire Wardens,	50 00	128 43
Appropriation,		
Town Officers,	1,000 00	1,111 86
Appropriation,	100 00	
Worcester Co. Soldiers' Monument,	100 00	
Appropriation,		
Reservoirs,	200 00	95 96
Appropriation,		
Suppression of Illegal Sale of Liquor,	100 00	12 00
Appropriation,		

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN,

FEBRUARY 1, 1903.

Town owes Treasurer and Receiver General, Boston, School House Bonds,	\$15,000 00
Town owes Salem Savings Bank, Salem, Municipal Bonds,	8,000 00
Town owes Estabrook & Co., Boston, Note, in Anticipation of Taxes,	10,000 00
	————— \$33,000 00
Due the Town for Taxes, 1900,	\$58 05
Due the Town for Taxes, 1901,	2,459 55
Due the Town for Taxes, 1902,	7,420 02
Due the Town for Burial of Indigent Soldiers,	35 00
Due the Town for State Aid, Chap. 79, Revised Laws,	1,452 00
Due the Town for Military Aid, Chap. 79, Revised Laws,	39 00
Cash in hands of Library Trustees,	7 93
Cash in hands of Cemetery Commissioners,	412 12

Cash in hands of Selectmen,	<u>2,930 42</u>	
		\$14,814 09
Balance against the Town Feb. 1, 1903,		\$18,185 91
Balance against the Town Feb. 1, 1902,		19,560 17

There is deposited in Worcester County Institution for Savings, known as the Carpenter Fund, \$1,000.00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. H. WELLINGTON,
E. C. LYFORD,
C. A. WHITNEY,

Selectmen of Upton.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

REPORT OF SURVEYORS.

Cash received on order of Selectmen,	\$2,029 30
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Cash paid for Labor on Highways:—

A. E. King, with Team,	\$500 88
T. F. Boyd, with Team,	361 00
C. M. Wood, with Team,	16 00
Alex Barton, with Team,	72 80
Gilbert Rawson, Labor,	190 56
James Boland, Labor,	206 87
Samuel Walker, Labor,	155 73
Edward Rawson, Labor,	171 09
Marcus Cooper, Labor,	123 87
Stephen Smith, Labor,	39 55
Henry Norton, Labor,	4 50
Patrick Ferguson, Labor,	3 69
Geo. Southland, Jr., Labor,	2 92
Oliver Capistraw,	7 00
Joshua Ballou,	8 75
Ernest Hunter,	60
Labor for Board of Health,	13 25

	\$1,879 66
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Cash paid for Incidentally:—

O. F. Taft, for Lumber,	\$4 64
Alex. Barton, for Lumber,	27 53
W. G. Fisk, for Lumber and Nails,	27 05
O. E. Donnelly,	3 50
Geo. W. Wood,	3 56
Clark, Ellis & Sons,	2 58
L. A. Snow, Tools and Oil,	2 19
Perry Adams, Stones,	5 00
D. T. Fisk, Stones,	5 50
Geo. Allen & Co., Scraper Blade,	9 64
Wm. Wood, use of Derrick,	3 00
For Gravel,	56 05

	\$2,029 30
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By Cash returned Town Treasurer for Labor for
Outside Parties,

\$31 09

\$1,998 21

Cash received on orders of Selectmen for
Removing Snow,

\$509 22

Cash paid for Removing Snow:—

O. F. Taft,	\$127 90
A. E. King,	78 25
Chas. Potter,	56 98
Alex. Barton,	33 25
T. F. Boyd,	18 10
N. Hager,	4 25
Joseph Kelley,	4 25
Irving Whiting,	12 77
Town Farm,	19 65
Adin Gouldwaith,	4 17
Levi Rawson,	2 67
Alex Lavallee,	2 92
G. Jenner Aldrich,	3 00
Loren Austin,	6 00
Samuel Walker,	9 17
James Walker,	7 67
Fred Aldrich,	75
John Bray,	2 25
Gilbert Rawson,	15 37
Frank Crooker,	8 25
B. F. Crooker, Jr.,	1 25
Geo. Walker,	3 75
James Boland,	8 58
Archie Beck,	1 50
John Wellspeak,	9 75
I. D. Phelps,	1 50
H. Young,	75
E. J. Prentiss,	6 75
D. Cooper,	1 50
Robert Aldrich,	1 50
Thomas Cullinan,	19 21
Stephen Temple,	6 00
Alex. Pilkinton,	2 00

Wm. Miskell,	1 67
Sanford Bruce,	2 83
Geo. Goodhue,	1 33
Otto Urban,	1 13
Edward Rawson,	83
Marcus Cooper,	1 33
H. J. Batchelor,	2 54
Chas. Ormes,	67
Geo. Evans,	2 20
Fred Scannon,	2 20
Sewell Pugsley,	6 00
Joseph Carroll,	1 50
O. L. Goodrich,	2 00
Olen Kenney,	1 33

\$509 22

TOOLS ON HAND.

Iron Bars,	2
Rakes,	3
Picks,	4
Grub Hoes,	4
Short-handle Shovels,	4
Long-handle Shovels,	4
Bush Scythe Sticks,	3
Bush Scythe Sticks,	3
Axe,	1
Drill Hammers,	2
Wedges and Half-rounds,	4 lbs.
Forks,	8
Drills,	10
Sledge Hammer,	1
Pick Handles,	5
Oil Can,	1
Saws,	2
Plow,	1
Screen,	1
Post-hole Digger,	1

GILBERT RAWSON,

A. E. KING,

T. F. BOYD,

Highway Surveyors.

REPORT OF GUIDE-BOARDS.

2 near Box Mill.
 2 " Fountain.
 2 " Michael Reynolds'.
 2 " Joshua Aldrich's.
 1 " Sadler's Bridge.
 1 " Chas. Kenniston's.
 2 " Chas. Leland's.
 1 " Thomas Miskell's.
 1 " Warren Corner.
 2 " L. A. Jourdan's.
 3 " A. A. Bowker's.
 1 " Packard's Corner.
 2 " Rawson Farm.
 2 " D. W. Whitney's.
 2 " D. J. Maroney's.
 1 " Anna Walker's.
 2 " H. N. True's.
 5 " O. G. Newton's.
 2 " N. H. Holbrook's.
 2 " D. W. Morse's.
 1 " Mrs. M. O'Connell's.
 1 " Henry Johnson's.
 1 " Waverly Hall.
 1 " Methodist Church.
 1 " C. W. Dana's.
 1 " E. A. Baldwin's.
 1 " John Sadler Place.
 4 " O. F. Taft's.
 2 " G. H. Evans'.
 1 " Chas. Chin's.
 1 " C. W. Childs'.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

To Cash, Balance Last Year,	\$325 07
Oliver Cahoon, Care 1901,	1 00
W. W. True, Care 1901,	1 00
A. J. Dyer, Care 1901,	1 00
Rev. B. C. Wood, Labor,	17 00
C. W. Childs, Care 1901,	1 00
Mrs. G. H. Stoddard, Care 1901,	1 00
Aaron Emerson, Care 1901,	1 00
Wm. A. Hayward, Care 1901,	1 00
Chas. E. Barbour, Care 1901,	1 00
A. C. Kinney, Labor,	17 00
Arthur Forbush, Labor,	6 50
Arthur Forbush, Care '99, '00, '01,	4 50
Colista Wheeler, Care 1901,	1 00
Colista Wheeler, Repairs,	8 00
Mrs. L. P. Bradish, Care 1901,	1 00
Henry Rogers, Care 1901,	1 00
Geo. W. Young, Care 1901,	1 00
E. T. Hall, Care 1901,	1 50
Mrs. J. H. Brooks, Care 1902,	1 50
T. T. Brewer, Care 1901,	1 00
A. T. Hill, Care 1901,	1 00
A. E. King, Care 1901,	1 00
A. A. Batchelor, Care 1901,	1 00
Geo. E. White, Care 1901,	1 00
Chas. Leland, Care 1901,	1 00
Hattie Davenport, Care 1901,	1 00
Z. B. Grandy, Care 1901,	1 00
C. H. Johnson, Care 1901,	1 00
H. D. Johnson Lot, Care 1901,	1 00
M. J. Ruggles, Care 1901,	1 00

Anna B. Drake, Care 1901,	1 00
Effie Hill, Care 1901,	2 00
A. A. Bowker, Care 1901,	1 00
Frank Rollins, Care 1901,	2 00
Henry A. Chamberlin, Care 1901,	1 00
Mrs. H. N. Barrett, Care 1901,	1 00
H. O. Rawson, Care 1901,	1 00
Geo. A. Norcross, Repairs 1901,	1 00
Etta R. Weston, Repairs 1901,	2 00
Mrs. Lucy Eames, Care '99, '00, '01,	3 00
S. H. & H. L. Eames, Care 1901,	1 50
Heirs of David Eames, Care 1901,	1 00
Salina Fiske, Care 1901,	1 00
Nettie E. Jones, Care '01, '02,	2 00
Matilda C. LeSure, Care 1902,	1 00
Sarah J. Hall, Care 1901,	1 00
D. W. Holbrook, Care 1901,	2 50
Albert Davis, Care 1901,	1 00
G. J. Aldrich, Care 1901,	1 00
Mrs. J. N. Marshall, Care 1901,	1 00
Mrs. J. N. Marshall, Repairs,	4 00
Mrs. David Brown, Care 1902,	1 00
Lewis Shaw, Walker Lot, Care 1902,	1 00
Mrs. Chas. Gould, Care 1902,	1 00
Mrs. G. H. Peary, Care 1902,	1 00
Mrs. G. H. Peary, Flowers and Care,	2 00
Hiram Batchelor, Foundation,	8 00
Mr. Smart, Care 1902,	1 00
John B. Fay, Care 1901,	1 00
J. S. Le Sure, Care 1901,	1 00
Mrs. John Dipper, Care 1902,	1 00
Samuel Willis, Care 1901,	1 00
Samuel Fowler, Care 1902,	1 00
Fred Luzerne, Care 1902,	1 00
Mrs. S. A. Carpenter, Care 1901,	1 00
John W. Alexander, Care 1902,	1 00
Annie E. Freeman, Care 1902,	1 00
Henry Hatch, Care 1902,	1 00
John H. Tuttle, Care 1902,	1 00
W. B. Keith, Care 1902,	1 00
Miss Addie Clark, Repairs,	4 00
Mrs. R. C. Chapin, Care 1902,	1 00

Albert Pierce, Care 1902,	2 00
John H. Holbrook, Care 1901,	1 00
Dolly Walker, Care 1902,	1 00
Delia A. Ballou, Repairs,	7 00
Francis C. Wood, Care 1902,	1 00
A. E. Woods, Care 1902,	1 00
A. E. Woods, Repairs,	1 00
Jennie Davenport, Repairs,	2 00
Nelson Cox Lot, Repairs,	8 00
H. A. Bagley, Repairs,	50
Samuel Lesure, Repairs,	2 00
C. E. Church, Care '00, '01,	2 00
Alice M. Benson, Care 1901,	1 00
J. B. Mansfield, Care 1902,	1 00
Emma Wood, Care 1902,	1 00
Ellen Taft, Care 1902,	1 00
Mrs. Johnson, Cement,	1 50
Mrs. Jane Olney, Care 1902,	1 00
C. A. Ormes, Care 1902,	1 00
Fred Farrington, Care 1901,	1 00
Mrs. L. P. Bradish, Repairs,	8 00
Nat. Morgan, Care 1902,	1 00
Samuel Wilson, Repairs 1902,	6 00
A. A. Ballou, Care 1902,	1 00
L. D. Nelson, Repairs 1902,	10 00
A. E. King, Grass,	10 00
McDonnell & Sons, Labor,	20 00
James Alexander, Repairs,	50
Emma Aldrich, Care '01, '02,	2 00
Mrs. P. G. Harrington, Care 1902,	1 00
Arthur Forbush, Repairs,	1 00
S. J. Batchelor, Care 1902,	1 00
Mrs. Flora Call, Care 1902,	1 00
Mrs. Flora Call, Care of Flowers,	1 00
Adin Goldthwait, Care 1902,	50
Alex Barton, Care 1902,	2 00
H. B. Young, Care 1902,	1 00
John B. Whalen, Foundation,	4 00
Colista Wheeler, Care 1902,	1 00
C. H. Rogers, Repairs,	4 00
F. C. Cummings, Labor,	2 00
Mrs. W. A. Humes, Repairs,	2 00
Worcester Monument Co., Labor,	4 00

Mrs. F. E. Greene, Repairs,	16 00
Mrs. Henry Taylor, Repairs,	8 00
Sarah J. Cooper, Care 1902,	1 00
C. S. Alexander, Repairs,	5 00
Annie M. Nelson, Repairs,	6 00
Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, Repairs,	8 00
Interest on Deposits in Worcester Institution for Savings,	54 01
S. B. Fiske, Care 1902,	1 50
F. T. Nelson, Care 1902,	1 00
Town of Upton,	316 64
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	\$1,006 22

Cr.

By Cash, O. G. Cahoon, Labor,	\$47 00
J. R. Beck, Labor,	294 04
S. B. Fiske, Stamps and Envelopes,	6 33
G. M. Billings, Printing,	1 25
Daniel Cooper, Labor,	30 00
L. A. Snow, Seed,	3 75
James Walker, Labor,	31 60
F. W. Clark, Stone and Labor,	13 90
James Boland,	18 00
Fred P. Sanford, Labor,	27 60
H. M. Curtis, Cement,	2 00
Duncan & Goodell Co., Repairs,	1 50
G. E. Southland, Repairs,	75
L. D. Childs, Labor,	3 50
W. G. Fiske, Cement,	2 75
H. O. Harrington, Flowers,	7 80
Geo. S. Stone, Books,	24 00
C. M. Wood, Dressing,	11 40
S. B. Fiske, Supplies,	22 43
Alex. Pilkington, Labor,	34 50
S. B. Fiske, Sec. and Treas.,	10 00
Balance on Hand,	412 12
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	\$1,006 22

LEGACIES.

The following Legacies in trust are deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings:—

Henry Chapin, by Will,	\$200 00
Johanna B. Rawson, by Will,	50 00
Ann Maria Torrey, by Will,	200 00
Otis C. Lackey Fund,	100 00
William K. Follett Fund,	100 00
J. B. and H. W. Chapin, by Will,	200 00
Elisha Walker, by Will,	100 00
Mary B. Partridge Fund,	200 00
Delucia Ward, by Will,	100 00
Calvin H. Ruggles, by Will,	50 00
Melinda B. Eames, Chandler J. Pike Fund,	75 00
Mary M. Nelson, by Will,	100 00
Enoch Batchelor Fund,	50 00
Joseph W. Alexander Fund	50 00
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	\$1,575 00

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. FISKE,

Treasurer of Cemetery Commissioners.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF ENGINEERS.

YEAR ENDING FEB. 1, 1903.

Dr.

Received on Selectmen's Pay-roll Orders, \$728 84

Cr.

Geo. F. Prentiss, Treas. of Steamer Co., Salaries of Members,	\$149 17
H. J. Seymour, Treas. of H. & L. Co., Salaries of Members,	149 15
Edw. M. Baker, Jr., Services as Engineer,	10 00
Jos. E. Walker, Services as Engineer,	10 00
Prescott W. Prouty, Services as Engineer,	10 00
Arthur E. King, Services as Engineer,	10 00
Alex. Barton, Services as Engineer,	10 00
Geo. E. Southland, Engineer of Steamer,	107 00
Walter W. Kay, Steward of H. & L. Truck,	12 00
S. B. Fiske, Supplies,	12 06
Alex. Barton, Wood,	6 50
Jos. E. Walker, Gong for H. & L. Truck,	12 75
Henry D. Aldrich, Asst. Engineer of Steamer,	40 00
G. D. Richardson, Supplies,	20
W. G. Fiske, Kindlings,	30
Grafton and Upton R. R. Express,	1 90
Eli. W. Batchelor, Coal,	14 50

Expense of Department under New Board of Engineers, from May 3, 1902:—

Geo. E. Southland, Engineer of Steamer,	90 00
Knight & Thomas, Repairs of Extinguishers,	3 50
Clark, Ellis & Sons, Supplies,	2 15
H. A. Barney, Steamer Coal,	8 17

L. D. Childs, Carting Coal,	1 50
Duncan & Goodell, Lock and Keys,	4 46
E. T. Hall, Lantern for H. & L. Truck,	50
Grafton & Upton R. R., Express,	1 84
S. B. Fiske, Supplies,	3 75
H. M. Buck, Supplies,	1 50
Owen E. Donnelly, Labor and Supplies,	6 85
E. J. Sadler, Wrench,	50
E. J. O'Connell, Rubber Boots, 3 Pairs,	9 75
W. G. Fiske, Kindlings,	1 00
J. H. Martin, Waste and Express,	1 25
G. D. Richardson, Oil and Supplies,	3 69
Upton Dry Goods Store, 5 3-4 yds.	
Flannel,	35
J. F. Damon, Oil Gauge and Repairs,	15 65
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co.,	
Suction Hose Basket,	1 50
J. T. Crowell, 1 Pair of Breast Straps	
for Hose Wagon,	3 00
T. F. Boyd, Labor,	20
Alex. Barton, Wood,	7 00
Geo. E. Southland, Work and Supplies,	5 20
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\$728 84

6 Still Alarms for Chimney Fires.

3 Still Alarms for Brush Fires.

WALTER W. TRUE,
Treasurer.

FIRE WARDEN.

REPORT OF ENGINEERS.

YEAR ENDING FEB. 1ST, 1903.

Dr.

Cash received on Selectmen's Pay-roll Orders,	\$128 43
Cr.	
By Cash on Old Board's Account,	\$99 00
By Cash on New Board's Account	
as Follows:—	
May 31. By Cash, Brush Fire May	
14, near McTague	
Place, Labor and Team,	13 25

July 5.	By Cash, Brush Fire, near Old Cemetery June 9, Labor and Team,	1 74
Aug. 2.	112 lbs. Soda, 190 lbs. Acid and Carbon,	8 19
Aug. 30.	By Cash, Brush Fire at Little Egypt, Aug. 10, Labor and Team,	6 25
		<hr/> \$128 43

Respectfully submitted,
For year ending Feb. 1, 1903,
WALTER W. TRUE,
Treasurer.

RESERVOIR APPROPRIATION.

REPORT OF ENGINEERS.

Dr.

Received on Selectmen's Pay-roll Orders,	\$95 96
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Cr.

For Water Supply for Fire Dept.:—

W. G. Fisk, Lumber,	\$11 02
T. F. Boyd, Team and Help,	34 18
L. A. Snow, Cement 1 2-5 bbl.,	3 85
Robt. Aldrich, Mason Work,	5 00
W. K. & Sons, Cement,	1 68
A. E. King, Team,	12 00
O. E. Donnelly, Sharpening Drills,	35
Jas. Boland, Labor,	10 50
Edw. Rawson, Labor,	10 50
Sam'l Walker, Labor,	6 13
Marcus Cooper, Labor,	75
	<hr/> \$95 96

WALTER W. TRUE,
Treasurer.

TOWN LIBRARY.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

Balance Cash on Hand March 1, 1902,	\$23 34
Received Town Appropriation,	\$360 00
Received for Fines Collected and	
Catalogues Sold,	4 26
	364 26
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	\$387 60

Cr.

Paid Mrs. L. C. Sadler, Services as Librarian,	\$120 00
Mrs. L. C. Sadler, Extra Labor,	5 10
Mrs. L. C. Sadler Library Ex- penses, etc.,	7 12
John Wanamaker, for Century Cyclopedias, and Express,	72 00
Book, "Audrey,"	1 05
Magazines,	13 00
Cleaning Library Room,	4 00
S. B. Fiske, Account Book,	70
G. M. Billings, Printing,	2 00
H. C. Dimond, Stamps,	5 00
Silver, Burdett & Co., Books, for Carpenter Alcove,	14 14
Chas. E. Lauriat, Books for Car- penter Alcove,	46 32
Chas. E. Lauriat, Books,	41 12
W. G. Fiske, Shelf, etc.,	15 75
J. B. Barnard, Binding Books,	20 90

J. S. LeSure, Express and Freight, 1901 and 1902,	10 70
Money Orders, postage, etc.,	77
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	\$379 67

Balance Cash in Treasurer's Hands,	\$7 93
	JOHN B. FAY,
	Treasurer Town Library.

Upton, Feb. 7, 1903.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

There were in the Library July 1, 1901, 4,118 Volumes.

During the year there were added, 135 volumes, making at the beginning of the library year (July 1, 1902) 4,253 volumes; of these 41 were added from the Dr. Carpenter Fund, and 94 from town appropriation.

The number of volumes, rebound, in Fiction, were 30, in Juvenile 12, and 3 volumes of Magazines, making a total of 45 volumes.

Six volumes were duplicated.

The usual number of gifts were received: Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors, 2 volumes, National Museum 1 volume, Official Records of Union and Confederate Soldiers, Civil Service Commission, Journal of Senate, Manual of General Court, 1902, Vital Records, Pamphlets, &c.

There are 8 copies of different Monthly Magazines taken, all of which have a large circulation.

The whole number of names registered were 280, and 8,275 volumes were circulated during the year.

The Library was open 47 Saturdays, and the weekly circulation was 176.

Article II of the "Rules of the Library" has been changed, thus giving our young people 12 years of age the opportunity of drawing books in their own name.

In Article III the fine of 25 cents for retaining a book over the "two weeks," has been changed to 2 cents for each day over-due.

July 1, 1902, a new system for distributing books was adopted, which seems to be working well.

LAURA C. SADLER,
Librarian Upton Town Library.

Feb. 4, 1903.

REPORT OF APPRAISERS.

We, the undersigned, Appraisers of the Town Farm and Personal Property thereon, hereby certify that we met at the said farm on the first day of February, 1903, and beg leave to submit the following report:—

STOCK, HAY AND GRAIN.

2 Horses,	\$175 00
9 Cows,	270 00
1 Two-year-old,	20 00
1 Yearling,	15 00
4 Calves,	25 00
1 Bull,	25 00
4 Breeding Sows,	50 00
1 Breeding Sow,	18 00
1 Breeding Sow,	15 00
2 Hogs,	20 00
2 Sows with Pigs,	30 00
15 Pigs,	30 00
1 Boar,	15 00
64 Fowls,	32 00
7 Tons English Hay,	126 00
5 Tons Swale Hay,	50 00
2 Tons Corn Fodder,	10 00
50 Bu. Corn,	25 00
1 Bu. Timothy,	1 50
6 Bu. Buckwheat,	4 80
3 Bu. Oats,	1 35
Finefeed,	1 25
Ensilage,	30 00
85 Tons Ice,	85 00
25 Bu. Carrots,	12 50
Calf-feed,	50

\$1,087 90

LUMBER AND WOOD.

1 Lot Posts,	\$2 80
4000 Shingles,	10 00
1200 Feet Chestnut Timber,	24 00
6800 Feet Lumber,	102 00
30 Cords Green Hard Wood,	90 00
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	\$228 80

FARMING TOOLS.

1 Democrat Wagon,	\$10 00
1 Express Wagon,	20 00
1 Two-Horse Wagon,	50 00
1 Farm Wagon,	45 00
1 Two-Horse Cart,	100 00
1 Sleigh,	8 00
1 Two-Horse Sled,	8 00
1 One-Horse Sled,	5 00
1 Pung Sleigh,	6 00
1 Wagon Umbrella,	50
1 Horse-rake,	5 00
1 Mowing Machine,	25 00
2 Cultivators,	4 00
3 Harrows,	20 00
1 Weeder,	3 00
2 Pickaxes,	25
1 Hay-knife,	1 00
1 Hay Puller,	25
2 Crow-bars,	1 25
5 Grass Hooks,	1 00
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	\$313 25

FARMING TOOLS.

1 Carpenter Bench and Tools,	\$4 00
3 Wrenches,	1 50
2 Wagon Jacks,	75
1 Snow Shovel,	25
1 Set Double Harness,	15 00
2 Single Harness,	18 00
1 Corn Sheller,	2 00

1	Seed-sower,	2 00
1	Grain Cradle,	1 00
1	Cranberry Rake,	25
5	Axes,	3 00
1	Planet, Jr., Hoe,	8 00
1	Suction Pump,	2 00
1	Bull Chain,	75
1	Cooley Creamer,	20 00
2	Pairs Ice Tongs,	1 50
2	Ice Picks,	1 00
1	Ice Dog,	1 00
2	Flail,	25
2	Bill Hooks,	50
3	Grain Chests,	12 00
5	Hay Forks,	1 50
1	Set Measures,	25
1	Post Ax,	1 00
	Scythe Grinder,	2 50
	Sulky Plow,	20 00
	Lot Nails,	2 00
	Lot Iron,	25
	String Bells,	10
	Rat Trap,	25
	Paint and Oil,	3 00
2	Ox Muzzles,	50
300	Lbs. Cement,	1 50
	Lime,	60
1	Ice Chisel,	50
2	Feed Bags,	1 00
10	Whiffletrees,	5 00
4	Chains,	3 00
5	Potato Hooks,	1 00
13	Hand Hoes,	1 00
9	Shovels	1 50
1	Set Clamps,	50
1	Garden Rake,	15
5	Manure Forks,	2 50
1	Canting Dog,	1 00
1	Post-hole Digger,	1 00
9	Scythes and Snaths,	4 00
1	Bog-hoe,	50
3	Wood Saws,	1 50
2	Saw Horses,	1 00

1	Cross-cut Saw,	1 00
7	Baskets,	2 50
1	Door Track,	1 20
1	Grindstone,	50
1	Grindstone,	1 00
1	Scalding Tub,	50
250	Bags,	1 00
1	Lawn Mower,	2 00
100	Ft. Rubber Hose,	10 00
2	Hay Cutters,	6 00
2	Plows,	10 00
1	Tackle and Rope,	3 00
1	Pair Balances,	2 50
2	Ox Yokes,	1 00
5	Ladders,	4 00
1	Fanning Mill,	2 00
1	Meat Bench and Saw,	3 00
1	Wheelbarrow,	2 50
1	Truck and Feed Box,	8 00
3	Ox Poles,	2 00
5	Stake Chains,	1 25
1	Whiffletree Chain,	1 00
	Lot Tin Roofing,	1 00
1	Corn Planter,	10 00
	Cupboard,	1 00
3	Blankets,	3 00
	Whip,	50
	Can and Oil,	75
1	Pair Mud Shoes,	25
1	Sprayer,	25
1	Bull Rake,	75
2	Whitewash Brushes,	1 50
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		\$238 30

MEAT AND PROVISIONS.

250	Lbs. Meat,	\$17 50
300	Lbs. Squashes,	3 75
1-2	Bbl. Crackers,	2 00
10	Bottles Catsup,	1 00
9	Bu. Beets,	3 60
5	Bbls. Apples,	5 00

60 Bars Soap,	2 00
1 Bu. Salt,	50
2 Bu. Mixed Beans,	3 00
25 Galls. Molasses,	10 00
2 Lbs. Coffee,	60
1 1-2 Lbs. Corn Starch,	15
1 Bbl. Flour,	5 25
1 Lot Quaker Oats,	1 00
240 Lbs. Sugar,	12 00
150 Bu. Potatoes,	112 50
23 Galls. Pickles,	5 75
1-2 Bu. Onions,	50
400 Lbs. Pork,	48 00
6 Bbls. Vinegar,	20 00
40 Lbs. Lard,	4 40
1 Lot Spices,	1 00
Drugs and Medicines,	4 00
15 Jars Preserves,	1 65
40 Lbs. Starch,	2 75
Chest Tea,	12 00

\$279 90

FURNITURE.

1 Mixing Bowl,	\$ 50
6 Milk Cans,	5 00
1 Ice Cream Freezer,	2 00
1 Faucet,	75
38 Window Curtains,	5 00
12 Jars,	1 00
2 Dinner Bells,	50
1-2 Doz. Tumblers,	12
1 Stilson Wrench,	1 37
1 Knife Steel,	1 00
1 Lot Table Linen,	6 00
2 Doz. Towels,	3 00
1 Putty Knife,	25
Sheets and Pillow Cases,	10 00
11 Bed Spreads,	2 75
Lamps and Burners,	12 00
Lot Crockery,	13 00
Spoons,	5 00

Knives and Forks,	2 00
Tinware,	7 00
Fly Sprayer,	1 00
10 Lamp Chimneys,	1 00
4 Lantern Globes,	40
Coal Hod and Shovel,	50
2 Ironing Boards,	50
1 Table,	1 00
Kitchen Furniture,	50 00
1 Clothes Wringer,	2 00
1 Wash-boiler,	1 00
2 Wash-boards,	50
1 Wash Tub,	75
4 Clothes Lines,	50
5 Oil Cans,	2 00
2 Ice Chests,	15 00
4 Lanterns,	1 00
1 Clothes Frame,	1 00
1 Step Ladder and Brush,	75
4 Water Pails,	1 00
1 Nut Cracker,	25
4 Clocks,	7 00
2 Extension Tables,	8 00
1 Lounge,	5 00
10 Chairs,	1 50
4 Milk Pails,	2 00
3 Buckets,	50
2 Meat Choppers,	2 50
6 Flatirons,	2 75
6 Jugs,	1 50
1 Set Scales,	2 00
9 Stone Jars,	2 75
2 Bread Cases,	1 50
Furniture in Men's Sitting-room,	3 00
Furniture in Women's Sitting- room,	4 00
Furniture in Sleeping-rooms,	140 00
Furniture in Store-rooms,	20 00
2 Fire Extinguishers,	26 00
Mats and Matting,	6 00
Furniture in Bath-room,	9 00

\$223 50

Farm and Buildings,	\$5,000 00
Personal Property at Town Farm,	\$2551 54
Personal Property at Town House,	5 00

	\$2,556 54

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. A. COBBETT,
W. E. SADLER,
T. J. HARPER,

Appraisers.

REPORT
OF
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

EXPENSES AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1903.

To Cash Paid:—

C. S. Temple, Groceries,	\$14 76
E. T. Hall, Groceries and Grain,	335 46
L. A. Snow, Grain,	554 56
E. M. Baker, Jr., Fish and Provisions,	38 81
G. D. Richardson, Groceries,	10 17
A. P. Perry, Blacksmithing,	10 00
Geo. W. Wood, Blacksmithing,	5 87
Owen Donnelly, Blacksmithing,	12 70
H. S. Cushman, Blankets,	6 25
W. B. Whiting, Dry Goods,	10 58
A. A. Coburn, Dry Goods,	2 80
E. A. Willard, Dry Goods,	1 58
Eldredge & Son, Repairs,	78 15
W. S. Marden, Bread,	7 85
Ross Bros., Seeds,	8 13
W. G. Fiske, Hardware,	5 89
S. B. Fiske, Sundries,	67 87
A. A. Bowker, Groceries and Plumbing,	9 27
H. Hunter, Provisions,	14 89
George H. Stoddard, Hay,	28 37
F. P. Miskell, Groceries,	5 72
C. M. Wood, Fertilizer, etc.,	204 13
P. T. Kinsley, Meat,	78 75
King Bros., Clothing,	7 25
H. D. Bowker, Clothing,	26 25
W. P. Wood, Hay,	7 89

S. A. Eastman, Grain,	14 50
H. L. Patrick, Grain,	13 75
Clark Ellis & Sons, Hardware and Seeds,	70 75
J. S. Le Sure, Express,	60
Prentice & Son, Grain,	1 50
Mrs. L. P. Bradish, Sulky Plow,	20 00
T. F. Boyd,	4 00
Forest Stuart, Services at Farm,	66 67
Kate Raymond, Labor,	24 00
J. Thompson, Labor,	30 00
Sewell Pugsley, Labor,	8 00
Frank L. Brewer, Labor,	4 50
Adin Goldthwaite, Labor,	4 00
Nelson Hager, Pasturing Cattle,	7 00
Nelson Hager, Service at Farm,	333 33
Alba Hager, Labor,	74 15
Clifton Hager, Labor,	113 65
Ella Bruce, Labor,	32 50
E. M. Jones, Labor,	78 30
S. R. Capen, M. D., Medical Attendance at Farm,	5 25
E. C. Traver, M. D., Medical Attendance at Farm,	24 00
Avery & Woodbury,	5 40
E. F. Lilley, Glasses,	1 00
F. W. Clark, Plowing Ice,	3 50
Dry Goods and Clothing,	9 18
Labor,	33 00
Groceries,	11 14
C. W. Hopkins, Sawing Lumber,	23 05
C. W. Hopkins, Cutting Trees,	25 00
Use of Ensilage Cutter,	10 00
Peter F. Curley, Building Cellar,	18 50
Chopping Wood,	49 65
Shoes for Dennis Gurry,	1 00
Blackstone Creamery Co., for Butter,	68 83
Alonzo Fisk,	75
George Fisk,	2 50
Benj. Pettis,	1 25
Sundries,	5 50

\$2,753 65

RECEIPTS AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1903.

Milk Sold,	\$29 56
Cream Sold to Blackstone Creamery Co.,	589 64
Service of Bull,	16 00
Lumber,	161 42
Transient,	13 20
Eggs,	21 39
Calves,	14 30
Cash for Killing Pigs,	13 50
Beef,	21 42
Pigs,	71 00
Vegetables,	52 85
Cowhide,	2 36
Cash, Brush Fires,	1 50
Old Iron,	2 00
Pork,	26 68
Drawing Wood,	1 50
Grain,	2 79
Bags,	3 18
Service of Boar,	1 00
Butter,	7 12
Board,	31 98
Cash, Removing Snow,	19 61
Cows Sold,	73 50
Wood,	23 00
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	\$1,200 50

EXPENSES AWAY FROM TOWN FARM FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1903.

D. T. Fiske, Rent Mrs. A. Butler,	\$16 00
D. T. Fiske, Rent Mrs. J. Bosworth,	24 00
Mrs. Elizabeth Warren, Care of Mrs. J. Bosworth,	10 00
Mrs. A. Butler, Care of Mrs. J. Bosworth,	5 00
Mrs. Susan Mason, Board of John E. Coats,	120 00
Town of Grafton, Care of Alfred Maynard and Family,	172 00

Worcester Insane Hospital, John W.	
Holbrook,	169 46
Worcester Insane Hospital, Jno. E.	
Hayden,	169 46
Worcester Insane Hospital, Re-	
imbursed to Town,	338 92
Mass. Epileptic Hosp., Henry L. Hill,	151 01
Alonzo C. Southland, Care of Tramps,	39 62
G. D. Richardson, Groceries Fur-	
nished Edna French,	16 00
C. S. Temple, Groceries Furnished	
Edna French,	8 10
S. B. Fiske, Medicine Furnished	
Edna French,	60
Albert Sadler, Burial of the Carey Child,	10 00
E. C. Traver, M. D., Attending Mrs.	
J. Bosworth,	23 00
Ann Davis, Wood,	16 00
	—
	\$1,289 17

RECEIPTS AWAY FROM TOWN FARM FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1903.

State-Richardson Case,	\$16 34
Worcester Insane Hosp., Reim-	
bursed Cases,	338 92
City of Lawrence, Burial Carey Child,	10 00
Town of Milford, Board John E. Coats,	120 00
Town of Mendon, Supplies Fur-	
nished Edna French,	28 70
	—
	\$513 96

DUE THE TOWN, FEBRUARY 1, 1903.

From State, for Cow Killed by Cat-	
tle Commission,	\$18 00
Town of Milford, John E. Coats,	10 00
Town of Mendon, Edna French,	11 50
Town of Hopkinton, Ida Callinan,	10 00
City of Worcester, J. H. Lee,	24 25
Balance for a Cow,	10 00
	—
	\$83 75

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN ACCOUNT WITH
THE TOWN OF UPTON.

Dr.

Farm as Appraised Feb. 1, 1902,	\$6,000 00
Personal Property as Appraised Feb.	
1, 1902,	2,404 42
Sales at Farm as Per Account	
Rendered,	1,200 50
Receipts Away from Farm,	513 96
Received from Treasurer,	2,380 61
Due the Town from Milford,	10 00
Balance,	21 41
	—
	\$12,530 90

Cr.

Farm as Appraised Feb. 1, 1903,	\$5,000 00
Personal Property as Appraised Feb.	
1, 1903,	2,556 54
Expense Away from Farm,	1,289 17
Expense at the Farm,	2,753 65
Due the Town in Account with	
Other Towns,	83 75
Decrease in Valuation,	847 88
	—
	\$12,530 90

TOWN FARM IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
TOWN OF UPTON.

Dr.

To Amount Expended at the Farm,	\$2,753 65
Interest on Investment (\$8404.42) at	
5 Per Cent.,	420 22
Decrease in Valuation,	847 88
	—
	\$4,021 75

Cr.

By Receipts at the Farm,	\$1,200 50
Standing Wood Sold, Authorized by	
Town, March 3, 1902,	450 00
Boarding Paupers 437 2-7 Weeks @	
\$5.42,	2,371 25
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	\$4,021 75

NAMES OF PAUPERS SUPPORTED AT THE TOWN
FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 1, 1903.

George H. Fiske,	52 1-7 Weeks
Alonzo Fiske,	52 1-7 Weeks
Benj. Pettice,	52 1-7 Weeks
Mrs. Lydia Baker,	52 1-7 Weeks
Mrs. Martha Gould,	52 1-7 Weeks
Dennis Gurry,	52 1-7 Weeks
Mrs. Jennette Johnson,	52 1-7 Weeks
Mrs. Sarah C. Rockwood,	52 1-7 Weeks
Walter Taft,	4-7 Weeks
Mrs. Julania Bosworth,	19 2-7 Weeks
Samuel D. Follett,	2-7 Weeks
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	437 2-7 Weeks

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. WOOD,
T. T. BREWER,
LOWELL A. JORDAN.

Overseers of the Poor of Upton.

1902.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF UPTON.

APPLETON P. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

EDWARD C. TRAVER, M.D., *Secretary.*

GEORGE H. STODDARD.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS :

WILLIAM H. HOLMES, JR.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE :

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

OFFICE HOUR :

TUESDAYS DURING TERM TIME, FROM 1.30 TO 2 P. M.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF SCHOOL BOARD :

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

LAST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 2 P. M.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Jan. 27, 1903.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND TO ADOPT THE SAME AS THE REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REPORT
OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF UPTON:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit to you my fourth Annual Report as Superintendent of Schools, covering the school year 1902.

STATISTICS.

The Statistics are as follows:

Population of Upton	1,937
Number of schools	8
Number of teachers	10
Number of children between the ages of five and fifteen years, September, 1902.....	304
Whole number of pupils enrolled for the year ending June 30, 1902	324
Average membership...	303.62
Average daily attendance	278.25
Per cent. of attendance to membership.....	91.7
Number of pupils in the different grades, Sept., 1902:	
Grades, I. II. III. IV. V. VI. VII. VIII.	Total,
Number, 36 28 46 29 40 24 29 18	250
Number of pupils in the High School	58
 Total number of pupils in all schools.....	 308

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOLS.	Grades.	Average Membership.	Average Daily Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance to Membership.	Number Enrolled.
High	9 & 10 & 11 & 12	60.35	56.06	98.5	69
Grammar	7 & 8	31.9	30.4	95.	34
Grammar	5 & 6	50.4	46.7	92.6	51
Center	3 & 4	41.	38.1	93.	43
West.	3 & 4	24.36	22.64	93.	24
Center	1 & 2	39.24	35.79	91.	40
West.	1 & 2	35.	30.	85.	41
East Part	1 to 9	21.37	18.88	88.	22
Totals and Averages. .		303.62	278.25	91.7	324

EXPENSES.

Teachers,	\$4,273 10
Transportation,	711 25
Fuel,	504 44
Repairs,	249 13
Books, Stationery, Etc.,	411 89
Janitors,	537 02
Miscellaneous,	140 34
Superintendent,	425 00

Total expenses, \$7,252 17

EXPENSE PER PUPIL.

Total expenses,	\$7,252 17
Expense per pupil, based on enrollment,	22 38

Expense per pupil, based on membership,	23 85
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TAXATION COST.

Expense for all items except repairs, less State and other aid,	\$5,750 38
Expense per pupil, based on enrollment,	17 74
Expense per pupil, based on membership,	18 91

BOOKS, STATIONERY, SUPPLIES, ETC.

Expenses for text-books, stationery, supplies, etc.,	\$411 89
Expense per pupil, based on enrollment,	1 27
Expense per pupil, based on membership,	1 35

The attention of the voters is called to the Financial Report of the Committee which appears at the close of this report. The financial condition of the School Department was never better. The appropriation was not over-drawn, although a number of extraordinary repairs were made. In view of the increased cost of all material the financial standing is worthy of notice.

ATTENDANCE.

The record of attendance for the year 1902 shows an improvement over that for 1901. With one exception there was an improvement in the attendance of each of the schools. In some instances the improvement was only slight; in others, it was marked.

The attendance for the High School was not so good as it should have been. A high school should not have less than 95 for its per cent. of attendance. There were 84 cases of tardiness in the High School. These cases were confined to 28 pupils. There were more cases of tardiness in the elementary grades than there should have been. The majority of these cases were chargeable to a small number of pupils who were tardy again and again. There are necessary cases of tardiness, and the teachers should be very careful in distinguishing between the necessary and the unnecessary. In general, however, it is safe to say that at least one-half of all the tardiness is entirely unnecessary. Parents should take great pains not to allow their children to be tardy for trivial reasons. To allow a child to be tardy for any but the most weighty reason is detrimental to his future welfare. Punctuality is one of the greatest virtues. It must become a habit through practice.

THE WORK OF THE SCHOOLS.

The quality of the work done in the schools continues about the same from year to year. The quality is in general, good, and in some instances it is excellent. With two exceptions, the personnel of the teaching force has changed entirely during the last three years. Taking this fact into consideration, and the additional fact that most of the teachers come to us with little or no experience, the work done reflects credit upon the system.

CHANGES IN TEACHERS.

The new teachers have taken up the work with intelligence and enthusiasm. By use of the Plan Book, which contains a daily record of the work done by the previous teacher, the new teacher is able to take up and carry on the work more effectively than would otherwise be the case.

It is also possible for a teacher to obtain from the Plan Book of some experienced teacher, an idea of the general kind and quality of the work demanded in the schools. I think that the uniformly good work from year to year may be attributed in some degree to the wise use of the Daily Plan Book.

A SUGGESTION.

Ever since the occupation of the present quarters in the High School Building, the Fifth and Sixth Grades have been more or less crowded. The membership of the two grades has seldom been less than 55 pupils, and at the beginning of the current year it reached 63. Of course, it would be unreasonable to expect a good quality of work with one teacher in charge of so many pupils. In view of this fact, and in justice to the children, the committee felt obliged, at the beginning of the current year, to engage an assistant teacher for these grades. By utilizing one of the High School recitation rooms, the teachers have been able to do a better quality of work than it would have been possible to do in a single room.

While the plan of employing an assistant in these grades has to some extent improved the situation, it has not, to my mind, solved the problem. Under this plan the High School is deprived of a much needed recitation room for a large part of the day. The chairs in this room which the small pupils of the grades are obliged to use, are not at all fitted to their statures. There are several other minor objections to the plan which it is not necessary to mention.

How shall we solve the problem? Upton's school population is not decreasing. There is every reason to believe that it will slowly increase. So long as this is true the congestion in the Fifth and Sixth Grades will continue.

There are, it seems to me, two ways out of the difficulty: The first is to provide an extra room either at the Centre or at the High School Building and put it in charge of a regular teacher. It would, of course, not be impossible to fit up a room for the Fifth Grade pupils from the Centre in the old High School Building; neither would it be impossible to provide such a room for the pupils from both the Centre and West Upton at the new High School Building. Both these plans would be possible, but from the necessity of some expenditure of money to carry them into execution I doubt if they would be practicable.

The second, and it seems to me better way, would necessitate no inconvenience and no expense. My idea would be to reduce the course below the High School to seven grades or years, provided the age of entering the First Grade could be raised to six years. This, it is evident, would make it possible to have only one grade, the Fifth, in the room now occupied by the Fifth and Sixth Grades. It would also do away with the necessity of employing an assistant. I am convinced that with the age of entrance to the First Grade fixed at six years, just as good a quality and a like amount of work can be accomplished in seven years as is now accomplished in eight. The idea of raising the age limit and decreasing the number of years in the elementary course is in line with the best educational thought of the present time.

OTHER CHANGES.

A new series of text-books in music has been adopted. The results obtained from its use are pronounced satisfactory by the music teacher and by the regular teachers. The other text-books remain the same.

New text-books are needed in history for the Eighth Grade, and several of the different texts may need replenishing from time to time.

New adjustable standards have been placed on the desks and the chairs in the Third and Fourth Grade room at Upton Centre. It would be advisable to have the desks and chairs in the Fifth and Sixth Grade room at the High School Building fitted with adjustable standards at an early date.

It would also add much to the appearance of this room if the desk tops and some parts of the chairs could be refinished. The refinishing of the desks in the Seventh and Eighth Grade room has, I think, tended to promote greater care and neatness on the part of the pupils in all their work. I am confident that money spent in keeping school rooms and school furniture clean, neat and attractive in appearance yields more than a money return.

REPAIRS.

During the summer vacation the outside woodwork of the High School Building was newly painted and a large part of the inside finish was re-varnished. During the coming year there are several things that will need attention.

1. If possible storm windows should be supplied at the West Upton building. Such windows would render the heating of the building an easier matter and would save a considerable amount of fuel.
2. The front, at least, of the West Upton building should have a coat of paint, as should also the upper and lower hallways.
3. It would also be economy to supply the foul-air ducts at this building with dampers. By closing these dampers after school at night the warm air could be kept in the building; without the dampers the warm air passes rapidly out of the building as soon as the fire becomes low.
4. The building at Upton Centre should be painted during the coming summer.

5. The East Part school-house should also be given a coat of paint as early as possible.

CONCLUSION.

It is my endeavor to keep the work of the schools up to the highest standard of excellence consistent with the conditions under which this work must be done. In such an endeavor I feel that my efforts are seconded by the teachers, by the committee, and by the people of the town. It is only through the hearty co-operation of all these forces that the best work can be done.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. HOLMES, JR.

January 27, 1903.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. Wm. H. Holmes, Jr., Superintendent of Schools,

DEAR SIR :

The amount of effort put forth by the different members of the school during the past year has been very encouraging and the results achieved worthy of notice.

Since my last report one member of the school took the entrance examination for Harvard and did not fail in a single test. This is something new for the Upton High School and it reflects credit not only on the young man himself, but also on the Superintendent and School Board, who made such a complete preparation possible.

In former years quite a large proportion of the young men expecting to enter higher institutions of learning took five years to prepare, but this year, although 75 per cent. (the greatest in the school's history) anticipate entering a higher institution, not a single one feels that a post-graduate year

is necessary. In our Junior Class over 40 per cent. of the whole class expect to enter some college or technical school after they graduate. This large proportion of the two upper classes having a desire for a higher education gives the school a tone decidedly higher than that of a year ago.

If the true success of a school is based on scholarship we believe, considering the age and mental powers of the pupils, that the success of the school during the past year will compare favorably with that of any year in its history.

Through the kindness of our Superintendent we have been supplied with several volumes of selected readings, from which the pupils have been able to select parts adapted to their ability and age. This has improved the literary exercises of the school and has created considerable interest among the students.

Again we wish to thank our School Board and Superintendent for their interest in us, for we realize that only through their untiring efforts can the school be successful.

The change in recitation rooms causes Mr. Aldrich extra work, yet he does it cheerfully and faithfully.

With prospects far more promising than a year ago we predict that this year will be even more successful than the last.

I am, with respect,

WM. MIDDLETON MARR,

Principal.

Upton, January 26, 1903.

REPORT OF THE TEACHER OF DRAWING AND MUSIC.

Mr. Wm. H. Holmes, Jr., Superintendent of Schools,

DEAR SIR :

In retracing the work of the past year in music and drawing I find there is much to stimulate us to greater enthusiasm and better teaching in the year upon which we enter.

But few changes have been made in the general outlines of work or the methods pursued in teaching. Certain modifications which were suggested at the beginning of the year are being carried out with satisfactory results.

In drawing we have endeavored to make the work of practical value to the pupils, and to awaken an interest in the life around them. From the unfolding of the first bud of spring to the falling of the last autumn leaf we have studied nature for its beauties of form and color. We have tried not only to teach pupils to see correctly, and to reproduce what they see, but to create something from their own observation and experience. A great deal of originality of thought has been shown in illustrative drawings by primary pupils, and some excellent designs for various purposes have been thought out and executed by pupils of the grammar grades.

The interest and support that the teachers have constantly given me in carrying out my suggestions for the daily lessons have been a source of inspiration to me. The result in music has been a better grading of the work from the primary, through the High School, so that no serious breaks are to be found.

Our aim is high; but to attain perfection is, of course, impossible. If, however, children are given good music to sing they learn to appreciate it as they do good literature. Musical taste grows with technique, and the more ability a class possesses, the better music it demands. Our effort of the past year has been to keep the best and highest ideals before the pupils, and to so instruct them in note reading

that they shall be able to sing music at sight with the same ease and certainty that they are taught to read languages from books.

Three of the schools are now supplied with new music-books of the Natural Course which comprises the most modern methods of teaching music. Although this system has been used but a short time the results attained by the pupils show a marked advancement in sight reading and singing.

The assistance that I have received from the Principal of the High School in giving his pupils good daily drill in music has enabled the chorus to make such rapid progress in note reading that we were obliged to ask for an additional supply of music last term. This has also been exhausted and we are now ready for more.

My thanks are due to all who have so generously aided me in the work of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORA M. RANDALL.

North Grafton, January 31, 1903.

GRADUATION EXERCISES, UPTON HIGH
SCHOOL, CLASS OF 1902.

UPTON TOWN HALL, THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 1902.

PROGRAMME.

OVERTURE AND MARCH.

INVOCATION,	REV. ALEXANDER WISWALL
SINGING,	THE SCHOOL
SALUTATORY AND ESSAY, "Elements of Success,"	EMMA LOUISE WOOD
ESSAY, "The 19th Century,"	HARVEY KENT LEASURE
MUSIC.	

ESSAY, "Abraham Lincoln,"	CLIFTON FRANCIS HAGAR
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ESSAY, "Character,"	EVELYN MAY NELSON
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ESSAY, "The American Indian,"	JOHN CHROSOSTOM CARROLL
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MUSIC.

ESSAY, "Life,"	ELIZABETH MAZY WRENN
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VALEDICTORY, "The Pilgrim Fathers,"	FRANK WALTER BAILEY
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MUSIC.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS,

W. H. HOLMES, JR., Superintendent of Schools	
SINGING,	THE SCHOOL

GRADUATES.

FOUR-YEARS' COURSE.

Frank Walter Bailey,	Harvey Kent LeSure,
John Chrosostom Carroll,	Emma Louise Wood.

THREE-YEARS' COURSE.

Clifton Francis Hagar,	Evelyn May Nelson,
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Elizabeth Mazy Wrenn.

Class Colors—Crimson and White.

Class Motto—"Character Wins Success."

Music by The Alhambra String Trio.

List of teachers employed in Upton, February 1, 1903.

Names.	Grades.	School.	Home Residence.	Where Educated.
W. M. Marr.	9-10-11-12	High.	Westerly, R. I.	Bates College
Anna C. Metcalf.	9-10-11-12	High.	Upton, Mass.	Brown University.
Annabel C. Roe.	9-10-11-12	High.	Worcester, Mass.	Mt. Holyoke College.
Ella C. Elderkin.	7-8	Grammar.	Boston, Mass.	Radcliffe College.
Helen Benson.	5-6	Grammar.	Dorchester, Mass.	Friends' School.
Claire W. Hastings.	3-4	Upton Center.	Upton, Mass.	Framingham Normal.
Alice R. Barton.	1-2	Upton Center.	Upton, Mass.	Worcester Normal.
Nellie A. Snow.	3-4	West Upton.	Upton, Mass.	Kindergarten Training School.
Charlotte M. Skinner.	1-2	West Upton.	Upton, Mass.	Kindergarten Training School.
Florence Gilbert.	Mixed.	East Part.	Upton, Mass.	Sioux City Normal.
Flora M. Randall.	All.	Music and Drawing.	Grafton, Mass.	Worcester Schools.

CALENDAR 1902-1903.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring and Summer Term opens Monday, April 6, 1903; closes Friday, June 19, 1903. Eleven weeks.

Fall Term opens Tuesday, September 8, 1903; closes Friday, December 18, 1903. Fifteen weeks.

Winter Term opens Monday, January 4, 1904; closes March 18, 1904. Eleven weeks.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Spring and Summer Term opens Monday, April 6, 1903; closes Friday, June 12, 1903. Ten weeks.

Fall Term opens Tuesday, September 8, 1903; closes Friday, December 18, 1903. Fifteen weeks.

Winter Term opens Monday, January 4, 1904; closes Friday, March 18, 1904. Eleven weeks.

HOLIDAYS.

Every Saturday; Labor Day; February 22; May 30; November 26 and 27.

SESSIONS.

Common Schools.—9 A. M. to 11.45 A. M.; 1.15 P. M. to 3.45 P. M.

High School.—8 A. M. to 1 P. M.

RECESSES.

Common Schools.—Fifteen minutes each session.

High School.—Fifteen minutes each session.

STORM SIGNALS FOR NO SESSION OF THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

Signals given at 7.45 A. M. by blowing the whistle at W. G. Fiske's mill, one long and two short blasts repeated once.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

SUPERINTENDENT.

Wm. H. Holmes, Jr.,	\$425 00
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	\$425 00

TEACHERS.

Wm. M. Marr,	\$825 00
Anna L. Metcalf,	367 50
Annabelle C. Roe,	360 00
Nellie A. Grout,	200 00
Ella C. Elderkin,	209 00
Helen Benson,	360 00
Flora Walker,	66 00
Claire Hastings,	256 00
Alice R. Barton,	350 00
Charlotte Skinner,	315 50
Cassie A. Brehaut,	160 00
Nellie A. Snow,	161 50
Florence Gilbert,	325 00
Annie P. Gerald,	114 00
Flora M. Randall,	200 00
Mary J. Shaugnessy,	3 60
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	\$4,273 10

TRANSPORTATION.

T. A. Aldrich,	\$293 50
J. J. Gould,	221 50

P. W. Rockwood,	166.25
Milford & Uxbridge St. R. R. Co.,	30.00

	\$711.25

CARE OF SCHOOLS.

H. D. Aldrich,	\$500.00
Elmer Taft,	13.50
Geo. C. Whitney,	14.47
Harry Turner,	7.05
O. F. Taft,	2.00

	\$537.02

SUPPLIES.

University Publishing Co.,	\$8.88
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	7.50
Kenny Bros. & Walkins,	6.38
Werner School Book Co.,	8.80
Esterbrook Pen Co.,	12.40
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.,	14.45
Ben. H. Sanborn,	1.00
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.,	7.75
A. W. Baker & Co.,	12.25
Thé Beale Press,	2.94
E. E. Babb & Co.,	57.80
Ginn & Co.,	16.33
J. L. Hammett Co.,	143.03
Public School Publishing Co.,	7.98
A. Sartorius & Co.,	5.40
Cupples, Schoenhof & Co.,	3.21
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	2.87
D. C. Heath & Co.,	5.25
American Book Co.,	37.96
Davis & Banister,	6.05

Town of Grafton,	2 80
Sterling School Specialty Co.,	4 50
White, Smith Publishing Co.,	2 40
Rand, McNally Co.,	8 80
Newson & Co.,	4 41
Atkinson & Mentzer Co.,	7 50
Gilbert G. Davis,	13 25
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	\$411 89

FUEL.

E. W. Batchelor,	\$362 25
Alex Barton,	59 75
W. G. Fiske,	52 44
W. P. Wood,	20 00
F. Aldrich,	5 00
G. Rawson,	5 00
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	\$504 44

REPAIRS.

C. W. Comstock,	\$34 28
C. F. O'Connell,	3 70
Leon Childs,	6 38
Town of Grafton,	1 00
A. A. Bowker,	9 98
Chandler Adjustable Desk Co.,	56 55
H. D. Aldrich,	1 50
H. M. Riggs,	2 00
G. E. Southland,	5 75
E. T. Hall,	5 55
Clark, Ellis & Sons,	35 81
Nelson Brown,	14 40
R. E. Aldrich,	4 75

R. E. Kidder,	50 00
W. G. Fiske,	15 25
Clark-Sawyer Co.,	1 58
J. F. Gorham,	65
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	\$249 13

MISCELLANEOUS.

H. D. Aldrich,	\$12 98
G. G. Davis,	3 60
R. E. Aldrich,	3 50
A. E. Warren,	11 15
J. E. Sheridan,	2 00
Mrs. M. L. Childs,	18 55
E. W. Tracy,	3 50
W. P. Clarke,	6 25
S. J. Batchelor,	12 32
J. E. McClellan,	2 45
J. S. Lesure,	13 50
S. B. Fiske,	38 54
Haverhill Fire Extinguisher Co.,	12 00
	—
	\$140 34

RECAPITULATION.

RESOURCES.

Appropriation for Schools,	\$5,800 00
Appropriation for Superintendent,	200 00
Massachusetts School Fund,	344 76
County Dog Fund,	324 20
State Superintendent's Fund,	312 50
Schooling State Wards,	255 00
School Tickets, Old Iron, &c.,	16 20
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	\$7,252 66

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers,	\$4,273 10
Superintendent,	425 00
Fuel,	504 44
Care of Schools,	537 02
Transportation,	711 25
Supplies,	411 89
Repairs,	249 13
Miscellaneous,	140 34
Unexpended Balance,	49

	\$7,252 66

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I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing report
and find it correct.

STEDMAN C. BROWN,
Auditor.

