

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF UPTON,

FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1904.



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REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 2ND, 1903.

TOWN RECORDS, 1903.

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 second day of March, punctually at six 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—three Selectmen, three Assessors of Taxes, three Overseers of the Poor, Town Treasurer, one School Committee for three years, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, one Highway Surveyor for three years, five Constables, three Fence Viewers, one Cemetery Commissioner 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 for 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 a sum of 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 a sum of 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 a sum of 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 a sum of 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 vote to rescind so much of the vote, whereby they voted on November 5th, 1901, that the Town Clerk serve as clerk of the Overseers of the Poor, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the care and repairs of their Cemeteries, or act thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, or act thereon.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to purchase the set of Cemetery Books, now on exhibition, showing the number of each lot, in Lakeview Cemetery, also the owner's name and the location, and name of each interment in said Cemetery, and appropriate \$225 for the same.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to remove from Pine Grove Cemetery such trees as in their judgment would seem best for the interest of said Cemetery.

Article 18. To see if the Town will establish a by-law or by-laws to regulate the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals and second-hand articles, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 29 to 32 inclusive of Chapter 102 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, 1902.

Article 19. To see if the Town will instruct its Fire Engineers to place reservoirs where needed, to be used as a water supply in case of fire, and appropriate money for the same.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to buy 100 feet of hose, the cost not to exceed 65 cents per foot, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will purchase two Chemical Extinguishers for Brush and Chimney fires, and appropriate money for the same.

Article 22. To see if the Town will pay the School Committee a salary, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will appropriate Fifty Dollars to pay land damage awarded to Charles A. Legge.

Article 24. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 346, Acts of 1902, relating to the election of a Moderator for one year, and act thereon.

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 twelfth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

WILLIAM H. WELLINGTON,
EDWARD C. LYFORD,
CHARLES A. WHITNEY,
Selectmen of Upton.

UPTON, MASS., February 21, 1903.

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 second day of March, 1903, 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 Hall, 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 THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,
MARCH 2ND, 1903.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, SS.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in their Town Hall in said Town on Monday, the second day of March, A. D. 1903, at six 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 the Officer's return thereon.

MODERATOR.

Article 1. The meeting made choice of William H. Wellington for Moderator, as the law directs. He was duly sworn to perform the duties of his office by the Town Clerk.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 3. J. Frank Despeaux, Thomas J. Gorman, Roger Shaughnessy and Frank E. Lyford, having been appointed Ballot Clerks and inspectors, were duly sworn by the Town Clerk. The cards of instruction and specimen ballots having been posted both outside the guard-rail and in the marking shelves, as the law directs.

A package of official ballots to be used at this election were delivered to the Ballot Clerks, for which a receipt for the same was given to the Town Clerk.

The ballot-box furnished by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to be used at all elections, was 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 William F. Parshley, Constable in attendance at said meeting.

The ballot-box was in charge of Roger Shaughnessy and the check-list at the ballot-box was in charge of the Town Clerk.

The polls were declared open for the reception of ballots for Town Officers at 6.12 A. M.

No person was allowed to deposit his vote until his name was found on the check-list and checked.

The ballots were given out and received at the ballot-box, as by law provided.

Voted to close the polls at 4 P. M.

George F. Prentiss, George E. Ambler, William J. Pillion and Frank A. Brown, having been appointed Tellers to count the votes, were duly sworn to faithfully perform that duty, by the Town Clerk.

During the voting the ballot-box was opened by the unanimous consent of the election officers and ballots taken therefrom for the purpose of counting the same. All said ballots and check-lists were kept within the unobstructed view of the voters, as the law directs.

At 1.30 P. M. the Moderator took up the Warrant for consideration.

Article 2. Voted, to accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Article 5. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) to defray in part the expenses 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 what money is needed in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year.

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, as provided in Section 2, Chapter 79, Revised Laws.

MILITARY AID.

Article 8. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) to be used to pay Military Aid, as provided in Section 9, Chapter 79, Revised Laws.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Article 9. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) to be used to pay Soldiers' Relief, as provided in Section 18, Chapter 79, Revised Laws.

JURY LIST.

Article 10. William Walker, whose name was on the list, was excused and Charles H. Rogers' name substituted.

Voted, that the following list of names be placed in the Jury Box for the current year:

Buck, Herbert M.	Hatch, Fred H.
Boyd, Theophilus F.	Lyford, Edward C.
Baldwin, Ellory A.	Lyford, Jefferson H.
Bayer, Rufus G.	Murphy, Michael
Chamberlain, Edwin A.	McBride, Henry W.
Chamberlain, Henry A.	Ormes, Charles A.
Childs, George E.	Pierce, Charles E.
Cooley, Matthew	Prentiss, Eldred H.
Corbin, Henry A.	Rawson, Gilbert
Davenport, Frank E.	Rogers, Charles H.
Despeaux, J. Frank	Sadler, Walter E.
Eames, Arthur B.	Shaughnessy, Patrick
Fiske, Chandler C.	Taft, Orlando F.
Fiske, Livingston C.	Walker, William H.
Fowler, Edwin F.	Wellington, William H.
Holbrook, Daniel W.	Whitney, Alfred L.

STREET LIGHTING.

Article 11. Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of six hundred fifty dollars (\$650) for 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.

CLERK OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Article 13. Voted, to rescind so much of the vote, whereby the Town voted on November 5th, 1901, that the Town Clerk serve as clerk of the Overseers of the Poor.

Article 14. Voted, to pass over Article 14 in regard to an appropriation for care and repairs of Cemeteries.

Article 15. Voted, to pass over Article 15 in regard to an appropriation to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

SET OF BOOKS OF LAKEVIEW CEMETERY.

Article 16. Mr. Stephen B. Fiske, in explanation, said in part, that the set of books were comprised of one large and two small ones. The small books, for some reason, were detained in some express office, as they had been sent and should have been here to-day; that the books contained

a large amount of information relating to interments in Lakeview Cemetery; that in order to gather this information the owner had spent a greater part of last summer; that a great number of persons are buried there without a headstone, and as the people who know who they are, are fast passing away, a book of this kind is becoming a necessity.

Voted, on a motion by Mr. T. F. Boyd that the Town appropriate two hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225) to purchase the Cemetery Books.

PINE GROVE CEMETERY.

Article 17. Voted, to allow the Cemetery Commissioners to remove such trees as in their judgment seems best for the Cemetery.

BY-LAWS RELATING TO SALE OF JUNK, ETC.

Article 18. Voted, to accept and adopt the following By-Laws:—

Section 1. That the Selectmen may license suitable persons to be dealers in and keepers of shops for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or second-hand articles, subject to the provisions of Sections 186 to 189 inclusive, of Chapter 102 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, and may revoke such license at pleasure.

Section 2. That every shop-keeper shall keep a book in which shall be written, at the time of every purchase of any such article, a description thereof, the name, age and residence of the person from whom, and the day and hour when such purchase is made; that such books shall, at all times, be open to the inspection of the selectmen, constables and police officers of the Town; that every keeper of such shop shall put, in some suitable and conspicuous place on his shop, a sign having his name and occupation legibly inscribed thereon in large letters; that such shop and all articles of merchandise therein may be at all times examined by the selectmen, constables and police officers of the Town; and that no keeper of such shop shall, directly or indirectly, either purchase or receive, by the way of barter or exchange, any of the articles of a minor or apprentice, knowing or having reason to believe him to be such; and that no article purchased or received shall be sold until a period of at least one week from the date of its purchase or receipt has elapsed.

Section 3. That whoever, not being so licensed, keeps such shop or is such dealer in such town, or being licensed keeps such shop or is such dealer in any other place or manner than that designated in his license, or after notice to him that his license has been revoked, shall forfeit twenty dollars for each offence, and whoever violates any rule, regulation or restriction contained in his license shall forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence.

Section 4. That these By-Laws shall not take effect until they have been approved by the Superior Court and such approval entered and recorded, as provided in Section 26 of Chapter 25 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 19. Voted, to pass over this article relating to reservoirs.

Article 20. Voted, to pass over this article relating to the purchase of 100 feet of hose.

Article 21. Voted, to purchase two extinguishers and appropriate fifty dollars (\$50) to pay for the same.

Article 22. Voted, to pass over this article relating to salary of School Committee.

Article 23. Voted, that the Town appropriate fifty dollars (\$50) to pay land damage awarded to Charles A. Legge.

Article 24. Voted, to pass over this article relating to the election of the Moderator for one year.

APPROPRIATIONS.

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

Notes and Interest,	\$2,500.00
Support of Schools,	6,000.00
Roads and Bridges,	2,000.00
Support of Poor,	2,000.00
Removing Snow,	400.00
Fire Department,	650.00
Fire Wardens,	50.00
Town Library,	300.00
Carpenter Fund,	60.00
Town Officers,	1,100.00
Incidentals,	1,200.00
Military Aid,	50.00
State Aid,	600.00
Soldiers' Relief,	800.00
Street Lights,	650.00
Memorial Day,	125.00
Fire Extinguishers,	50.00
Cemetery Books,	225.00
Charles A. Legge for land damage,	50.00
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	\$18,810.00

Voted, to raise the above by taxation.

Voted, that all taxes be paid on or before November 15th, 1903; that on all taxes unpaid after that date, interest be added at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum.

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

At the close of the polls the register on the ballot-box showed that 364 ballots had been cast therein. The names checked as voted on each list were then audibly counted and the number checked on the list was 364. The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot-box and audibly counted, making the total number of ballots cast 364.

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

FOR TREASURER.

Stephen B. Fiske had two hundred twenty-three votes,	223
Blanks had one hundred forty-one,	141

Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
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Stephen B. Fiske was declared elected and sworn by the Town Clerk, March 2.

FOR SELECTMEN.

Edward C. Lyford had two hundred fifty-two votes,	252
William B. Walker had one hundred four votes,	104
William H. Walker had one hundred ninety votes,	190
Charles A. Whitney had two hundred thirty-four votes,	234
Appleton P. Williams had one hundred eighty votes,	180
B. A. Jourdan had one vote,	1
Blanks had one hundred thirty-one,	131

Whole number of votes ten hundred ninety-two,	1092
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Edward C. Lyford, William H. Walker and Charles A. Whitney were declared elected and sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Edward C. Lyford March 3, William H. Walker and Charles A. Whitney March 4.

FOR ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

Alex Barton had two hundred seventy-six votes,	276
Herbert M. Buck had two hundred sixty-eight votes,	268
J. Albert Temple had two hundred twenty-four votes,	224
D. A. Farrington had two votes,	2
Blanks had three hundred twenty-two,	322

Whole number of votes ten hundred ninety-two,	1092
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Alex Barton, Herbert M. Buck and J. Albert Temple were declared elected and sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Herbert M. Buck March 4, J. Albert Temple and Alex Barton March 7.

FOR OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Edwin W. Clafin had two hundred twenty-five votes,	225
Walter E. Sadler had two hundred six votes,	206
Benjamin C. Wood had two hundred sixty-two votes,	262
Charles M. Wood had one hundred seventy-nine votes,	179
Blanks had two hundred twenty,	220

Whole number of votes ten hundred ninety-two,	1092
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Edwin W. Clafin, Walter E. Sadler and Benjamin C. Wood were declared elected and sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Edwin W. Clafin and Walter E. Sadler March 4, and Benjamin C. Wood March 7.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

George H. Stoddard had two hundred thirteen votes,	213
Edward E. Whiting had one hundred thirty votes,	130
Blanks had twenty-one,	21
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Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
George H. Stoddard was declared elected and sworn March 3.	

FOR COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Henry J. Batchelor had three hundred one votes,	301
Blanks had sixty-three,	63
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Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
Henry J. Batchelor was declared elected and sworn March 5.	

FOR HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

Gilbert Rawson had two hundred three votes,	203
Fred P. Sanford had one hundred thirty-six votes,	136
T. F. Boyd had one vote,	1
Arthur E. King had one vote,	1
Blanks had twenty-three,	23
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Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
Gilbert Rawson was declared elected and sworn March 4.	

FOR AUDITOR.

Joseph L. Metcalf had one hundred fifty-four votes,	154
Charles A. Ormes had one hundred fifty-seven votes,	157
Blanks had fifty-three,	53
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Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
Charles A. Ormes was declared elected and sworn March 3.	

FOR CONSTABLES.

Herbert A. Bagley had two hundred forty-seven votes,	247
Israel I. Harper had two hundred fifty votes,	250
William F. Parshley had two hundred fifty-five votes,	255
Alonzo C. Southland had two hundred seventy-one votes,	271
George F. White had two hundred fifty votes,	250
Blanks had five hundred forty-seven,	547
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Whole number of votes one thousand eight hundred twenty,	1820
Herbert A. Bagley, Israel I. Harper, William F. Parshley, Alonzo C. Southland and George F. White were declared elected and sworn as follows:	
Herbert A. Bagley, William F. Parshley and George F. White March 2,	
Israel I. Harper and Alonzo C. Southland March 7.	

FOR CEMETERY COMMISSIONER

George Z. Williams had two hundred sixty-three votes,	263
Blanks had one hundred one,	101
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Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
George Z. Williams was declared elected and sworn March 4.	

FOR TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

John B. Fay had two hundred seventy votes,	270
Mrs. C. A. Batchelor had two hundred fifty-seven votes,	257
Stephen H. Eames had two hundred sixty-four votes,	264
J. H. Brooks had one vote,	1
Blanks had three hundred,	300
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Whole number of votes ten hundred ninety-two,	1092
John B. Fay, Mrs. C. A. Batchelor and Stephen H. Eames were declared elected.	

FOR SEXTON.

George Z. Williams had two hundred seventy votes,	270
Frank W. Clark had one vote,	1
Blanks had ninety-three,	93
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Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
George Z. Williams was declared elected and sworn March 4.	

FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

Jefferson H. Lyford had two hundred thirty-two votes,	232
Charles Whiting had two hundred thirty-six votes,	236
Alfred Young had two hundred thirty-four votes,	234
Blanks had three hundred ninety,	390
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Whole number of votes ten hundred ninety-two,	1092
Jefferson H. Lyford, Charles Whiting and Alfred Young were declared elected and sworn as follows: Charles Whiting March 2, Alfred Young March 4.	

FOR TREE WARDEN.

Gilbert Rawson had two hundred sixty-one votes,	261
Blanks had one hundred three,	103
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Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
Gilbert Rawson was declared elected and sworn March 4.	

FOR LICENSE.

Yes had one hundred twenty-four votes,	124
No had one hundred ninety-nine votes,	199
Blanks had forty-one,	41

Whole number of votes three hundred sixty-four,	364
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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.

BY-LAWS RELATING TO JUNK DEALERS AND DEALERS
IN SECOND HAND ARTICLES.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, SS.

TO THE HONORABLE THE JUSTICE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Respectfully represent the inhabitants of the Town of Upton at their annual meeting held on Monday, March 2, 1903, the warrant of said meeting contained the following article:—

Article 18. To see if the Town will establish a by-law or by-laws to regulate the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals and second-hand articles, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 29 to 32 inclusive of Chapter 102 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, 1902.

Under said article it was voted by the Town to adopt the by-laws, a copy of which is hereto annexed, and said inhabitants hereby petition that said by-laws as accepted, be approved by this Honorable Court.

By its clerk,

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

Article 18. Voted, to accept and adopt the following by-laws:—

Section 1. That the Selectmen may license suitable persons to be dealers in and keepers of shops for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or second-hand articles subject to the provisions of Sections 186 to 189 inclusive of Chapter 102 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, and may revoke such license at pleasure.

Section 2. That every shop-keeper shall keep a book in which shall be written, at the time of every purchase of any such article, a description thereof, the name, age and residence of the person from whom, and the day and hour when such purchase is made; that such book shall, at all times, be open to the inspection of the selectmen, constables and police officers of the Town; that every keeper of such shop shall put, in some suitable and conspicuous place on his shop, a sign having his name and occupation

legibly inscribed thereon in large letters; that such shop and all articles of merchandise therein, may be at all times examined by the selectmen, constables and police officers of the Town; and that no keeper of such shop shall directly or indirectly, either purchase or receive, by the way of barter or exchange, any of the articles aforesaid, of a minor or apprentice, knowing or having reason to believe him to be such; and that no article purchased or received shall be sold until a period of at least one week from the date of its purchase or receipt has elapsed.

Section 3. That whoever, not being so licensed, keeps such shop or is such dealer in such town, or being licensed keeps such shop or is such dealer in any other place or manner than that designated in his license, or after notice to him that his license has been revoked, shall forfeit twenty dollars for each offence, and whoever violates any rule, regulation or restriction contained in his license shall forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence.

Section 4. That these by-laws shall not take effect until they have been approved by the Superior Court and such approval entered and recorded, as provided in Section 26 of Chapter 25 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts.

A copy of the Record,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

March 10th, 1903.

Articles 1 and 2 approved.

Articles 3 and 4 disapproved.

By the Court,

Attest:

H. W. AIKEN,

Assistant Clerk.

March 10th, 1903.

Entered and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Courts, County of Worcester.

Attest:

H. W. AIKEN,

Assistant Clerk.

A copy,

Attest:

H. W. AIKEN,

Assistant Clerk.

A true record,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1903.

TOWN CLERK.

Francis T. Nelson, term expires 1905.

TOWN TREASURER.

Stephen B. Fiske.

SELECTMEN.

Charles A. Whitney, Edward C. Lyford, William H. Walker.

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

Alex Barton, Herbert M. Buck, J. Albert Temple.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Edwin W. Clafin, Walter E. Sadler, Benjamin C. Wood.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Appleton P. Williams, term expires 1904.

Edward C. Traver, term expires 1905.

George H. Stoddard, term expires 1906.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Henry J. Batchelor.

AUDITOR.

Charles A. Ormes.

CONSTABLES.

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

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

Arthur E. King, term expires 1904.

Theophilus F. Boyd, term expires 1905.

Gilbert Rawson, term expires 1906.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Walter H. Fiske, term expires 1904.

Benjamin A. Jourdan, term expires 1905.

George Z. Williams, term expires 1906.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Henry A. Corbin, Miss Hannah N. Johnson, Edward C. Traver.
Term expires 1904.

Albert Davis, Mrs. M. A. Stoddard, Carl G. Horst.
Term expires 1905.

John B. Fay, Mrs. C. A. Batchelor, Stephen H. Eames.
Term expires 1906.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Alfred Young, Jefferson H. Lyford, Charles Whiting.

SEXTON.

George Z. Williams.

TREE WARDEN.

Gilbert Rawson.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN.

FIELD DRIVERS.

Ziba B. Grandy, Harris J. Potter.

SEALERS OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Ziba B. Grandy.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Walter F. Partridge, term expires 1904.

Grovelon D. Richardson, term expires 1905.

William H. Miskell, term expires 1906.

Francis T. Nelson, *ex-officio*.

WEIGHERS.

Frank Page, Leander A. Snow, Harris J. Potter.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Edward B. Newton, Perry Wood, Fleming Hunter.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

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

INSPECTOR OF COAL OIL.

Edgar A. Willard.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

William H. Wellington.

POUND KEEPER.

Ziba B. Grandy.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Charles A. Whitney, Edward C. Lyford,
William H. Walker, S. R. Capen, 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.

Herbert M. Buck, Edward B. Newton, Frank E. Lyford,
Owen E. Donnelly, Theophilus F. Boyd.

FIRE WARDENS.

Edward B. Newton, Orlando F. Taft, Frank E. Lyford,
Herbert M. Buck, Harris J. Potter, Charles T. Potter,
Owen E. Donnelly, Theophilus F. Boyd.

APPOINTED BY THE 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.

July 1, 1903.

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 1903.

Truant Officers. Henry D. Aldrich, April 9th. William F. Parshley, April 13th.

Inspector of Meat and Provisions. Benjamin A. Jourdan, March 27th.

Inspector of Cattle. George D. Whitney, March 30th.

Weighers. Frank Page, March 16th. Leander A. Snow, March 11th. Harris J. Potter, April 6th.

Field Drivers. Harris J. Potter, April 6th. Ziba B. Grandy, May 2nd.

Measurer of Lumber. Perry Wood, March 14th.

Board of Health. S. R. Capen, M.D., March 12th.

Measurers of Wood and Bark. Harris J. Potter, April 6th. Alex Barton, March 17th. Charles M. Wood, March 18th. Elisha Bradish, March 27th. Irving H. Whiting, June 4th.

Inspector of Coal Oil. Edgar A. Willard, March 17th.

Scaler of Weights and Measures. Ziba B. Grandy, May 2nd.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 27TH, 1903.

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 twenty-seventh 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 appropriate a sum of money to repair the bridge, near the box-mill in West Upton, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to repair the side-walks, 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 Selectmen and Town Clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

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

CHARLES A. WHITNEY,
EDWARD C. LYFORD,
WILLIAM H. WALKER,

Selectmen of Upton.

UPTON, MASS., April 14th, 1903.

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-seventh day of April, 1903, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-Offices in said 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, APRIL 27TH, 1903.

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 Monday, the twenty-seventh day of April A. D. 1903, at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening.

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

MODERATOR.

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

REPAIRS ON BRIDGE AT BOX MILL.

Article 2. Mr. T. F. Boyd said in part, that the following estimates had been received, one from Grafton of \$800, one from Milford of \$575, one from Westborough of \$560, two from Upton of \$550 and \$410.

Voted, on a motion by Mr. Boyd, that the Town appropriate \$600 to repair the bridge near the box-mill, West Upton.

Article 3. A motion by Mr. G. R. Pierce to use \$200 of the money appropriated at the annual meeting for roads and bridges, to repair the sidewalk between the villages.

Carried.

Voted, to dissolve the Warrant.

A true record,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 3RD, 1903.

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 third 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, County Commissioner, Register of Probate and Insolvency, Register of Deeds, County Treasurer, County Commissioner to fill vacancy caused by the death of Henry G. Taft, for the remainder of the term of three years from the first Wednesday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and three, for the County of Worcester.

To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 454, Acts of 1903, entitled "An Act to provide for Joint Caucuses or Primaries of all Political and Municipal Parties." All on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

The polls may be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon on said day of 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 nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

CHARLES A. WHITNEY,

WM. H. WALKER,

EDWARD C. LYFORD,

Selectmen of Upton.

UPTON, MASS., Oct. 22, 1903.

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 third day of November, 1903, 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 Hall, 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.

STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 3RD, 1903.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, SS.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the legal voters of the town of Upton met in their Town Hall in said Upton, on Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, it being the third day of said month in the year one thousand nine hundred and three, for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for State and County Officers.

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

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots having been 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 having been set at 000 it was locked and the keys thereof delivered to A. C. Southland, Constable in attendance at said meeting.

George F. White, Michael Murphy, Frank E. Lyford and Frank A. Brown, having been appointed Ballot Clerks and Inspectors for this meeting, by the Selectmen, they were sworn by the Town Clerk to faithfully perform the duties of the offices to which they had been appointed.

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

The seals on the package of ballots were publicly broken and delivered to the Ballot Clerks.

The polls were declared open at 6.05 o'clock forenoon for the reception of ballots.

At 7.40 A. M. 100 ballots had been deposited in the ballot-box.

At 9.10 A. M. the ballot-box by the unanimous consent of the election officers was opened and one hundred and fifty ballots were taken therefrom.

Thomas J. Gorman, Edwin W. Claffin, William J. Pillion and George E. Ambler, having been appointed by the Selectmen Tellers to canvass the vote, were duly sworn by the Town Clerk and at 9.15 A. M. the first block of ballots was delivered to them.

At 9.35 A. M. the ballot-box was again opened and fifty ballots were taken therefrom, also at 2.10 P. M. and one hundred were taken therefrom.

Voted, to close the polls at 4 P. M.

Due notice having been given, the polls at 4 P. M. were declared closed. At the close of the polls the register stood at 365.

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

List at polls three hundred sixty-five,	365
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List at table three hundred sixty-five,	365
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The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot-box and audibly counted, making the total number of ballots cast,

Three hundred sixty-five,	365
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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 forty-seven votes,	247
Thomas F. Brennan of Salem had no votes,	0
John C. Chase of Haverhill had ten votes,	10
Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton had three votes,	3
William A. Gaston of Boston had ninety-six votes,	96
Blanks had nine,	9
Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams of Amesbury had ten votes,	10
Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston had two hundred thirty-two votes,	232
William F. Merrill of Malden had six votes,	6
Richard Olney, 2nd, of Leicester had ninety-three votes,	93
Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke had no votes,	0
Blanks had twenty-four,	24
Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR SECRETARY.

Olof Bokelund of Worcester had nine votes,	9
John F. Coyle of Lynn had one vote,	1
Alfred L. Cutting of Weston had nine votes,	9
Ezekiel M. Ezekiel of Springfield had seventy-eight votes,	78

William M. Olin of Boston had two hundred thirty-five votes,	235
Blanks had thirty-three,	33
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Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL.

John A. Billings of Rockland had ten votes,	10
Edward S. Bradford of Springfield had two hundred twenty-nine votes,	229
Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford had six votes,	6
Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield had one vote,	1
Thomas C. Thacher of Yarmouth had seventy-seven votes,	77
Blanks had forty-two,	42
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Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR AUDITOR.

John H. Hagan of Lynn had two votes,	2
Joseph Orr of Chicopee had nine votes,	9
Alfred E. Steele of Northampton had four votes,	4
Francois X. Tetrault of Southbridge had seventy-seven votes,	77
Henry E. Turner of Malden had two hundred thirty-one votes,	231
Blanks had forty-two,	42
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Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

John A. Anderson of Gardner had one vote,	1
William J. Carroll of Lowell had ten votes,	10
Henry M. Dean of Hyde Park had six votes,	6
John J. Flaherty of Gloucester had seventy-five votes,	75
Herbert Parker of Lancaster had two hundred thirty votes,	230
Blanks had forty-three,	43
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Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR COUNCILLOR, SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Christopher D. Albro of Milford had six votes,	6
Arthur H. Lowe of Fitchburg had two hundred twenty-nine votes,	229
John O'Gara of Spencer had seventy-seven votes,	77
Henry L. Rice of Fitchburg had eleven votes,	11
Blanks had forty-two,	42
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Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR SENATOR, FIFTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.

Burrell W. Morse of Oxford had twelve votes,	12
Edward L. Osgood of Hopedale had one hundred eighty-eight votes,	188
Edward H. Taft of Mendon had fifteen votes,	15
Samuel B. Taft of Uxbridge had one hundred twelve votes,	112
Blanks had thirty-eight,	38
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Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT, TENTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.

George P. Cooke of Milford had seventy-five votes,	75
Lowell E. Fales of Milford had one hundred eighty-six votes,	186
Charles H. Johnson of Upton had eighteen votes,	18
John S. Nason of Westborough had one hundred fifty-eight votes,	158
Walter W. True of Upton had one hundred forty-six votes,	146
John Wulf of Milford had five votes,	5
Blanks had one hundred forty-two,	142
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Whole number of votes seven hundred thirty,	730

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, WORCESTER COUNTY.

Andrew Davidson of Fitchburg had ten votes,	10
Jeremiah Potter of Clinton had seven votes,	7
Emerson Stone of Spencer had two hundred eighteen votes,	218
Loren B. Walker of Clinton had seventy-nine votes,	79
Blanks had fifty-one,	51
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Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, WORCESTER COUNTY.

(TO FILL VACANCY.)

Gideon M. Aldrich of Uxbridge had eighty-three votes,	83
Warren Goodale of Clinton had two hundred nineteen votes,	219
Charles K. Hardy of Worcester had twelve votes,	12
Blanks had fifty-one,	51
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Whole number of ballots, three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY, WORCESTER COUNTY.

George H. Harlow of Worcester had two hundred twenty-eight votes,	228
Maurice L. Katz of Worcester had seventy-five votes,	75
Thomas F. Maroney of Worcester had nine votes,	9
Charles W. Park of Millbury had four votes,	4
Blanks had forty-nine,	49
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Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS, WORCESTER COUNTY.

Herman P. Hopkins of Millbury had seventy-nine votes,	79
Daniel Kent of Worcester had two hundred twenty votes,	220
Blanks had sixty-six,	66
Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

FOR COUNTY TREASURER, WORCESTER COUNTY.

Edward A. Brown of Worcester had two hundred thirty-two votes,	232
John Metcalfe of Worcester had four votes,	4
Nicholas J. Mooney of Worcester had seventy-one votes,	71
Henry E. Potter of Fitchburg had thirteen votes,	13
Blanks had forty-five,	45
Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR JOINT CAUCUSES.

Yes had sixty-one votes,	61
No had one hundred thirty-eight votes,	138
Blanks had one hundred sixty-six,	166
Whole number of ballots three hundred sixty-five,	365

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

The ballots and check-lists used at this election were sealed up in different packages, endorsed by the proper officers and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk, in accordance with the law.

Voted, to dissolve the warrant.

A true record,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERKS' MEETING AT HOPEDALE.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WORCESTER, SS.

HOPEDALE, Nov. 13th, 1903.

In compliance with Section 257, Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws of 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 meeting held in each of said towns for that purpose on the third

day of November, A. D. 1903, and are shown by the following tabular statement.

REPRESENTATIVE VOTE IN THE TENTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.

	Hope- dale.	Mil- ford.	Men- don.	Up- ton.	West- boro'.	Total.
George P. Cooke, of Milford, . . .	40	859	27	75	131	1132
Lowell E. Fales, of Milford, . . .	323	582	69	186	363	1523
Charles H. Johnson, of Upton, . .	27	90	8	18	29	172
John S. Nason, of Westborough, . .	293	497	68	158	413	1429
Walter W. True, of Upton, . . .	36	777	29	146	141	1129
John Wulf, of Milford,	22	115	8	5	17	167
Will E. Southland,		1				1
Blanks,	121	497	51	142	200	1011
Total in each town,	862	3418	260	730	1294	6564

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 thirteenth day of November, A. D. 1903.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN, Town Clerk of Hopedale.

JOHN T. McLAUGHLIN, 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 true record,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1903.

Date.	Name.	Date.	Name.
Jan. 13.	Joseph David Colbert.	July 19	Marion Minerva Williams.
Feb. 12.	Hugh Capen.	" 25.	George Joseph Dipper.
" 28.	Beatrice Evelyn Pierce.	Aug. 5.	Doris Louise Hopkins.
Mar. 20.	Beatrice Capen Jacobs.	" 9.	Clayton Walker Wood.
" 27.	Gordon Benson.	" 10.	Frank Gardner Blake.
" 29.	Marion Louise Cooper.	" 12.	Blanche Laura Marchand.
Apr. 5.	Margaret Maroney.	" 15.	Edward Joseph Smith.
" 20.	Joseph Henry Martin.	" 20.	Joseph Edward Walker.

Apr.	20.	Infant Farrar.	Sept.	6.	Amedors Bessonette.
"	20.	Howard Morse Ingerson.	"	12.	Rosilda Paille.
"	20.	Edward Chadwick Ingerson.	"	12.	Palma Paille.
May	3.	Gwendolin Irene Sears.	"	16.	Stanislawa Stank.
"	17.	Charlotte Louisa Hall.	"	17.	Chester William Walker.
"	18.	Bertha Almira Cooper.	Oct.	8.	Joseph Frank Usher.
June	13.	Raymond Borden Hough-	"	30.	Irving Leroy Foster.
		ton.	Nov.	2.	Velmore Page.
July	4.	Clarence Ross Gould.	"	2.	Infant Wood.
"	6.	Allen Tiffany Whiting.	"	6.	Elwin Francis Follett.
"	6.	George Edward Prentiss.	"	8.	Arthur Boucher, Jr.
"	12.	Mary Magdalena Donnelly	"	15.	John Norman Fiske.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1903.

Date.	Name.	Age.	By whom married.
Feb. 11.	Albert Wheeler Bowman,	25	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
	Annie Gertrude Warren,	23	
Feb. 19.	Joseph Collins Harrington,	29	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	Carlotta Lucy Jencks,	21	
Mar. 4.	Walter Robert Going,	18	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
	Hattie Maria Humes,	18	
Mar. 5.	John W. Berridge,	27	Rev. Ernest L. Mills.
	Lilla Flora Diantha Young,	30	
Apr. 1.	Albert Richardson,	56	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	Sarah Jane "Thayer" Clark,	62	
Apr. 15.	Thomas Francis Cullinan,	28	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Katherine Estelle Cooney,	30	
June 10.	Harry James Sweet,	27	Rev. Ernest L. Mills.
	Grace Amelia Keniston,	18	
June 10.	Walter William True,	44	Rev. O. Wilson Kimball.
	Ellen Marion Newton,	44	
June 17.	Albert B. Curley,	24	Rev. John P. Phelan.
	Mary T. Dillon,	22	
June 17.	Daniel Aloysious Gorman,	24	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Mary Louise Bernard,	24	
June 24.	William Samuel Davis,	22	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	May Verona Stanhope,	24	
June 30.	Henry Salter Searls,	35	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
	Eva Blanche Gould,	26	
Aug. 11.	Anders Fredrik Anderson,	36	Rev. Ernest L. Mills.
	Mary Josephine Wood,	28	
Sept. 7.	William S. Burge,	30	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Elizabeth A. Buckley,	23	
Sept. 22.	Frank Owen Wadman,	28	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
	Mira Louise Davis,	28	

Sept.	30.	Charles H. Sawyer,	21	Rev. Ernest L. Mills.
		Jennie P. Phillips,	18	
Oct.	27.	William W. Smith,	28	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
		Elsie Mae Buffum,	25	
Nov.	4.	Charles H. Fitts,	28	Rev. Elbert W. Whitney.
		Mabel I. Fairbanks,	30	
Nov.	17.	Lee Montrose Waldron,	19	Rev. John J. Walker.
		Maud Evelyn Hall,	17	
Nov.	23.	Louis P. Paille,	21	Rev. James M. Cruse.
		Laura A. Roberts,	19	
Nov.	25.	Thomas McKnight,	23	Rev. James M. Cruse.
		Mary Morrison,	21	
Nov.	26.	Harris Gary Stowe,	30	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
		Nellie Ann Snow,	30	
Dec.	7.	Harry Abijah Mason,	25	Rev. Matthew S. McCord.
		Mary Octavia Pease,	21	
Dec.	24.	Frank Leroy Nelson,	19	Rev. Elbert W. Whitney.
		Grace Frances Brown,	19	

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1903.

Date.	Name.	Cause of Death.	Age.		
			Y.	M.	D.
Jan.	24.	Lemuel G. Morse,	82	8	6
"	30.	John M. Bacon,	51	10	27
Feb.	13.	Hugh Capen,			1
"	17.	Hannah P. Stockwell,	84	3	18
"	26.	Jesse Despeaux,	81	9	21
Mar.	28.	George G. Hall,	64	5	20
Apr.	20.	Howard M. Ingerson,			3 hours.
"	20.	Edward C. Ingerson,			3 hours.
"	20.	Infant Farrar,			$\frac{1}{4}$ hour.
"	24.	Adeline Hatch,	68	0	13
May	11.	Jennie M. Bacon,	53	3	27
"	23.	Edward J. Walker,	47	3	18
June		Julius Turgeon,	29	0	0
"	16.	William Ingerson,	87	9	15
"	27.	Eleanor Hodgdon,	42	6	6
July	6.	Mary A. Hall,	83	7	3
"	22.	Clara Bell Whitney,	42	10	12
"	23.	Charles Augustus Davis,	55	9	14
Sept.	3.	Harvey Lapan,			8
"	20.	Margery F. Morrell,	57	7	13
Oct.	18.	Mary A. Holbrook,	90	0	25
Nov.	8.	Infant Wood,			6

Dec. 12.	Lucy A. Fairbanks,	Carcinoma of the Breast.	53	9	26
" 23.	Henry A. Hatch,	Pneumonia.	70	3	26
" 30.	Lydia W. Baker,	Bronchitis and Old Age.	87	5	11

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

Date.	Name.	Place.	Cause of Death.	Age.		
				Y.	M.	D.
Jan. 30, 1903.	John M. Bacon, at Oakland,	R. I.,	Angina Pectoris,	51	10	27
Feb. 20, "	Elmina L. Batchellor, at Worcester,		Pneumonia.	60	8	28
Feb. 24, "	Joseph W. Taft, at Milford,		Old age.	75	7	2
Mar. 19, "	Frank Alanson Rawson, at Sutton,		Epilepsy.	37	6	12
Apr. 23, "	Susan Ann Cook, at Providence,	R. I.,	Pulm. Tuberculosis.	48	9	3
June 13, "	Mary T. Harrington, at St. Louis,	Mo.,	Cerebral Apoplexy.	72	7	7
June 16, "	William Ingerson, at Westboro,		Senile Debility.	87	9	15
June 17, "	Gertrude May Gay, at Franklin,		Typhoid Pneumonia.	19	7	1
June 22, "	Abbie F. Spooner, at Northbridge,		Paralysis and Heart Failure.	58	1	25
July 11, "	Harold F. Thompson, at Milford,		Lockjaw.	8	9	1
Oct. 6, "	Harriet E. Conant, at Northbridge,		Peritonitis.	56	11	7
Oct. 11, "	Henry Southland, at New York,		Pneumonia.	76	0	0
Nov. 24, "	Lucy F. Leland, at Ashfield,		Grip and Paresis.	82	0	27
Nov. 26, "	Mary Ann Rawson, at Worcester,		Bronchitis.	86	3	26
Dec. 28, "	Anna Walker, at South Framingham.			69	6	26

Births recorded,	40
Marriage Intentions issued,	22
Marriages recorded,	23
Deaths recorded,	25

JURORS DRAWN.

Edwin F. Fowler, April 6, 1903.
Ellory A. Baldwin, Nov. 28, 1903.

DOGS LICENSED.

182 Males. 8 Females.

Amount sent to County Treasurer, \$366.00

MORTGAGE RECORDS.

Chattel Mortgages recorded,	12
Mortgage Discharge recorded,	3
Assignment of Wages recorded,	1
Married Woman's Certificate recorded,	1

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Number of Horses Assessed	300
Cows Assessed	379
Sheep Assessed	3
Neat Cattle Assessed	116
Swine Assessed	42
Dwelling Houses Assessed	448
Acres of Land Assessed	12,968
Fowls Assessed	6,007

Rate per \$1,000 \$18 00

Value of Assessed Personal Estate . . \$242,781 00

Value of Assessed Real Estate . . . \$828,590 00

Total Valuation of Assessed Estate, May 1st. . \$1,071,371 00

Tax for State, County and Town purposes including overlayings.

On Personal Estate \$ 4,370 10

On Real Estate 14,914 63

On Polls 1,178 00

Total \$20,462 73

Number of Polls . . . 589

Number of Persons Assessed on Property and for Poll Tax, 913

County Tax for 1903 \$1,552 00

State Tax for 1903 1,125 00

HERBERT M. BUCK,

ALEX BARTON,

J. ALBERT TEMPLE,

Assessors of Upton.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

BOOK 1900. Due Feb. 1, 1903,		\$58 05
Abated,	\$18 80	
Collected,	39 25	
		\$58 05
Interest Collected,	\$6 53	
 BOOK 1901. Due Feb. 1, 1903,		\$2,459 55
Abated,	\$84 64	
Collected,	2,090 53	
Due Feb. 1, 1904,	284 38	\$2,459 55
Interest Collected,	142 19	
 BOOK 1902. Due Feb. 1, 1903,		\$7,420 02
Abated,	\$189 14	
Collected,	4,286 75	
Due Feb. 1, 1904,	2,944 13	\$7,420 02
Interest Collected,	117 48	
 BOOK 1903. Tax Levied,		\$20,462 73
Abated,	\$18 00	
Collected,	13,411 36	
Due Feb. 1, 1904,	7,033 37	\$20,462 73
Interest Collected,	11 22	

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 Selectmen	\$2,931 42
“ Cash received of Overseers of Poor, on account of Town Farm	1,568 42
“ Cash received of Fire Department, on account	1 80
“ Cash received of Fire Warden, on account	12 75
“ Cash received of Highway Dept., on account of Roads . . .	58 17
“ Cash received of Town of Hopkinton, on Incidentals account	37 05
“ Cash received Third District Court Fines	62 00
“ Cash R. H. Chamberlain, Jailor	15 00
“ Cash C. W. Comstock, rent of Town Hall	42 00
“ Cash C. F. O'Connell, Junk License	5 00
“ Cash received Milford Savings Bank, Town Notes . . .	14,000 00

To Cash G. E. Southland, rent of Town Hall	116 00
" Cash Edward W. Howe, Jr., Junk License	5 00
" Cash H. F. Pellet, Pool License	2 00
" Cash State Treasurer, Compensation for Inspection of Animals	38 25
" Cash received of E. A. Willard, Auctioneer's License	2 00
" Cash James Birmingham, Junk License	5 00
" Cash State Treasurer, Corporation Tax	969 27
" Cash State Treasurer National Bank Tax	69 42
" Cash received Military Aid Chap. 79, Revised Laws	43 00
" Cash received State Aid Chap. 79, Revised Laws,	1,432 00
" Cash received State Treasurer, Burial of Indigent Soldiers	35 00
" Cash received of T. F. Boyd, Pool License	2 00
" Cash received Interest on Car- penter Fund	40 20
" Cash received Interest on Depo- sits	16 94
" Cash received Post 105 G. A. R., Rent of Hall	1 00
" Cash received of Columbian Chap- ter O. E. S., Rent of Hall	10 00
" Cash received H. J. Batchelor, Collector for Taxes	20,105 31
" Cash received City of Boston	34 00
" Cash State Supt., School Fund	312 50

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To Cash State Board of Charity . .	193 50	
“ Cash County Dog Fund	341 11	
“ Cash Income Mass. School Fund	622 39	
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		\$43,129 50

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By Cash paid on Selectmen's orders,	\$41,406 10	
“ Cash paid Selectmen to Balance	1,723 40	
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		\$43,129 50

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. FISKE,
Assistant Treasurer.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Cash paid for Notes and Interest:—

Salem Savings Bank, Interest on Municipal Bond	\$320 00	
Estabrook & Co., Note	10,000 00	
E. S. Bradford, Treasurer, Interest on School-house Bonds	560 00	
E. S. Bradford, Treasurer, School-house Bond and Interest on the same . .	1,040 00	
Milford Savings Bank, Note	2,000 00	
Milford Savings Bank, Interest on the above Note	68 33	
Milford Savings Bank, on Account of Note	4,000 00	
Milford Savings Bank, Interest on money borrowed in anticipation of Taxes .	485 00	
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		\$18,473 33

Cash paid State and County Tax:—

E. S. Bradford, State Tax	\$1,125 00	
Edward A. Brown, County Tax	1,552 00	
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		\$2,677 00

Cash paid for Town Library:—

John B. Fay, Treasurer	\$360 00	
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		\$360 00

Cash paid for Military Aid:—

Calvin A. Taft	\$30 00
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\$30.00

Cash paid for State Aid:—

Aaron Aldrich	\$60 00
George E. Aldrich	48 00
Dollie P. Brooks	48 00
Cyrus W. Bryant	48 00
Caroline M. Clark	24 00
John Clifford	48 00
Louise Cushing	48 00
William Davenport	48 00
Jennie Davenport	48 00
Charles A. Davis	25 00
Louise Despeaux	48 00
Ora S. Gibbs	60 00
George G. Hall	4 00
Samuel P. Hall	60 00
E. W. Harback	72 00
George Hatch	60 00
Elizabeth E. Holbrook	48 00
Charles D. Holmes	48 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
Betsey Taft	48 00
Sarah Tenney	48 00
Ursula Taylor	48 00
Nancy Hall	40 00

Sylvanus W. Farrington	32 00	
Ellen McKean	20 00	
Dolly Walker	16 00	
Albert Davis	24 00	
Mary Gerry	16 00	
George E. Childs	16 00	
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		\$1,585 00
Cash paid for Memorial Day:—		
D. W. Morse, Treasurer, 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	\$7,495 09	
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		\$7,495 09
Cash paid for Support of Poor:—		
Bills, as reported by Overseers	\$3,252 54	
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		\$3,252 54
Cash paid for Roads and Bridges:—		
Bills, as reported by Commissioners . .	\$2,058 06	
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		\$2,058 06
Cash paid for Removing Snow:—		
Bills, as reported by Commissioners . .	\$177 94	
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		\$177 94
Cash paid for Fire Department:—		
Bills, as reported by Engineers	\$651 98	
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		\$651 98

Cash paid for Fire Wardens:—

Bills, as reported by Wardens	\$115 96
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\$115 96

Cash paid for Street Lights:—

C. F. O'Connell, Care of Lamps	\$438 85
E. T. Hall, Oil	62 64
Clark-Sawyer Co., Supplies	8 37
A. A. Bowker, Oil	27 74
Standard Oil Co.	103 13
S. B. Fiske	2 33
Supplies	1 00
C. F. O'Connell, Supplies	2 20

\$646 26

Cash paid for Extinguishers:—

For two Extinguishers	\$50 00
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\$50 00

Cash paid for Land Damage:—

Charles Legge	\$50 00
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\$50 00

Cash paid for Bridge at Box Mill:—

Bills as reported by Commissioners	\$447 94
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\$447 94

Cash paid for Books of Cemetery:—

S. B. Fiske	\$225 00
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\$225 00

Cash paid Town Officers:—

Francis T. Nelson, Town Clerk	\$91 00
S. B. Fiske, Town Treasurer	125 00

Francis T. Nelson, Clerk of Selectmen	25 00
Henry J. Batchelor, Collector	208 30
Charles A. Whitney, Selectman	50 00
Edward C. Lyford, Selectman	25 00
Wm. H. Walker, Selectman	25 00
Herbert M. Buck, Assessor	62 00
Alex Barton, Assessor	50 00
J. Albert Temple, Assessor	45 00
Edwin W. Claffin, Overseer	25 00
Walter E. Sadler, Overseer	25 00
Benj. C. Wood, Overseer	25 00
T. F. Boyd, Highway Surveyor	15 00
Arthur E. King, Highway Surveyor	15 00
Gilbert Rawson, Highway Surveyor	15 00
S. R. Capen, Board of Health	10 00
Charles A. Ormes, Auditor	10 00
Francis T. Nelson, Board of Registrars	70 00
George D. Whitney, Cattle Inspector	76 50
Gilbert Rawson, Tree Warden	3 15
B. A. Jourdan, Inspector of Provisions	10 00
A. C. Southland, Police Duty	9 00
Wm. F. Parshley, Police Duty	9 00
Herbert A. Bagley, Police Duty	6 00
Geo. F. White, Police Duty	6 00
Israel I. Harper, Police Duty	6 00
Geo. F. White, Notifying Officers	5 00
Wm. H. Wellington, Election Officer	3 00
Edwin W. Claffin, Election Officer	3 00
Michael Murphy, Election Officer	3 00
Geo. F. White, Election Officer	3 00
Frank A. Brown, Election Officer	6 00
Geo. F. Prentiss, Election Officer	3 00
Wm. J. Pillion, Election Officer	6 00
George E. Ambler, Election Officer	6 00
Roger Shaughnessy, Election Officer	3 00
J. Frank Despeaux, Election Officer	3 00

T. J. Gorman, Election Officer	6 00
F. E. Lyford, Election Officer	6 00

\$1,097 95

Cash paid for Soldiers' Relief:—

Nettie M. Largess, Board for Judson Southland	\$24 00
C. H. Scott, Board for Fred Harback .	104 00
G. H. Stoddard, Milk for Geo. E. Hatch	18 00
James Smart, Bread for Geo. E. Hatch	6 00
Worcester Children's Friend Society, Board for Harback children . . .	159 00
Sarah J. Potter	104 00
C. S. Temple, Groceries for Geo. E. Hatch	77 76
Mrs. Elizabeth E. Holbrook	140 00
W. B. Douglas, Board for Judson Southland	72 00
C. W. Childs, Bread for Geo. E. Hatch	12 15
H. L. Keith, Services for Sarah J. Potter	4 30
Town of Milford, Aid for Susan Bates .	78 00

\$799 21

Cash paid for Town Incidentals:—

Cook & Sons, Printing Warrants . . .	\$5 50
G. M. Billings, Printing Ballots . . .	10 00
Charles Hamilton, Printing Town Reports	139 20
T. J. Harper, Appraiser	3 00
W. E. Sadler, Appraiser	3 00
H. A. Corbett, Appraiser	3 00
E. T. Hall, Supplies for Town Hall . .	11 70
Charles Hamilton, Printing School Reports	10 75
G. M. Billings, Printing Licenses . . .	4 00
Sanford, Putnam Co., Book for Assessors	3 00
A. A. Bowker, Supplies for Town Hall .	10 35

C. W. Comstock, Repairing Ballot-box .	2 50
H. A. Bagley, for Board of Health . . .	2 50
C. W. Comstock, Janitor of Town Hall	31 25
L. C. Fiske, Roofing for Town Hall . .	1 05
G. E. Southland, Janitor of Town Hall .	90 00
Phelps & Porter, Repairs of Town Hall .	33 72
C. W. Comstock, Repairs on G. A. R. Hall	1 00
Ambrose Lassell, Land Damage	30 00
Herbert A. Bagley, Services at Court .	66 36
Clark Ellis & Sons, Supplies Town Hall	9 95
Cook & Sons, Publishing By-Laws . .	6 00
Worcester County Abstract Co., for Assessors	2 00
G. M. Billings, Printing Tax List . . .	10 00
C. S. Temple, Supplies for Town Hall .	2 40
A. C. Southland, Services at Court . . .	14 76
Alex Barton, Wood for Town Hall . . .	2 75
G. E. Southland, Repairs at Town Hall	14 66
Robert E. Aldrich, Repairs at Town Hall	3 00
Standard Oil Company	24 30
C. W. Comstock, Painting Fence	2 00
C. M. Wood, Dressing for Common . .	1 90
H. M. Buck, Supplies for Assessors . .	1 70
Carter's Ink Co.	1 25
E. A. Willard, Insurance on School- house	209 39
A. C. Southland, Posting Warrants . .	4 00
W. G. Fiske, Repairs of Hall	37 11
S. B. Fiske, Drugs for Board of Health	12 65
S. B. Fiske, Syringe for Board of Health	3 50
E. C. Traver, Services for Board of Health	23 00
W. E. Sadler, Milk for Board of Health	1 40
William F. Parshley, Services at Court .	15 46
S. B. Fiske, Supplies for Town Hall . .	20 40

H. E. Mason, Papering at Town Hall .	7 00
Samuel R. Capen, M. D., Returning 6 births	1 50
Edward C. Traver, M. D., Returning 33 births	8 25
Frank W. Clark, Returning 5 deaths .	1 25
Geo. Z. Williams, Returning 17 deaths .	4 25
James S. LeSure, Express	2 95
F. T. Nelson, Supplies for Town Clerk .	13 30
C. W. Comstock, Care of Town Clock . .	6 00
E. A. Willard, Insurance G. A. R. Hall	40 00
C. F. O'Connell, Care of Common and Water Works	12 00
Upton Town Farm, Supplies for Town Hall	60 00
J. H. Austin, Labor on Lockup	5 63
Wm. F. Parshley, Special Services . . .	3 00
Geo. E. Southland, Supplies	60
S. B. Fiske, Supplies and use of Tele- phone	12 30
S. B. Fiske, Supplies for Common . . .	1 85
Geo. F. White, Special Services	7 50
Commonwealth Press, Supplies for Treas- urer	15 00

\$1,087 84

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Department.	Appropriation.	Income.	Total Receipts.	Expenditures.	Balance.	
					Unexpended.	Overdrawn.
Notes and Interest,	\$2,500.00	\$14,000.00	\$16,500.00	\$18,473.33	.....	\$1,973.33
Roads and Bridges,	2,000.00	58.17	2,058.17	2,058.06	\$.11	.....
Support of Poor,	2,000.00	1,568.42	3,568.42	3,252.54	315.88	.....
Support of Schools,	6,000.00	1,503.50	7,503.50	7,495.09	8.41	.....
Fire Department,	650.00	1.80	651.80	651.98	.....	.18
Removing Snow,	400.00	.....	400.00	177.94	222.06	.....
Street Lights,	650.00	.....	650.00	646.26	3.74	.....
Incidentals,	1,200.00	37.05	1,237.05	1,087.84	149.21	.....
Town Officers,	1,100.00	.....	1,100.00	1,097.95	2.05	.....
Fire Wardens,	50.00	12.75	62.75	115.96	.....	53.21
Memorial Day,	125.00	.....	125.00	125.00	.....	.....
Books for Cemeteries,	225.00	.....	225.00	225.00	.....	.....
Town Library,	360.00	.....	360.00	360.00	.....	.....
Soldiers' Relief,	800.00	.....	800.00	799.21	.79	.....
Military Aid,	50.00	43.00	93.00	30.00	63.00	.....
State Aid,	600.00	1,452.00	2,052.00	1,585.00	467.00	.....
New Bridge,	600.00	.....	600.00	447.94	152.06	.....
Fire Extinguishers,	50.00	.....	50.00	50.00	.....	.....
State Tax, .....	.....	.....	.....	1,125.00	.....	.....
County Tax, .....	.....	.....	.....	1,552.00	.....	.....
Land Damage, Charles Legge,	50.00	.....	50.00	50.00	.....	.....

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

FEBRUARY 1st, 1904.

Town owes Treasurer and Receiver General, Boston, School House Bonds	\$14,000 00
Town owes Salem Savings Bank, Salem, Municipal Bonds	8,000 00
Town owes Milford Savings Bank, Milford, Note in Anticipation of Taxes	8,000 00
Unpaid Bills, Highway Department .	53 65
Unpaid Bills, School Department . .	182 70
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	\$30,236 35

Due the Town for Taxes, 1901	\$284 38
Due the Town for Taxes, 1902	2,944 13
Due the Town for Taxes, 1903	7,033 37
Due the Town for State Aid	1,585 00
Due the Town for Military Aid	15 00
Cash in hands of Selectmen	1,723 40
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	\$13,585 28

Balance against the Town Feb. 1st, 1904	\$16,651 07
Balance against the Town Feb. 1st, 1903	18,185 91
Decrease of net debt	1,534 84

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings, known as the Carpenter Fund, \$1,000.00, from which the town receives the income so long as certain conditions

are fulfilled. This has been done the past year and the town received \$40.20, as shown by the Treasurer's report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES A. WHITNEY,
EDWARD C. LYFORD,
WILLIAM H. WALKER,

Selectmen, of Upton.

JURY LIST.

The following list of persons qualified to serve as jurors, as prepared by the Selectmen, will be submitted for revision and acceptance, at a meeting to be held Monday, March 7, 1904:—

Batchelor, Henry J.,	Farmer.
Boyd, Theophilus F.,	Hotel Proprietor.
Chamberlain, Edwin A.,	Hat Blocker.
Chamberlain, Henry A.,	Hat Blocker.
Childs, George E.,	Retired.
Cooley, Matthew,	Shoemaker.
Corbin, Henry A.,	Hat Inspector.
Davenport, Frank E.,	Carpenter.
Despeaux, J. Frank,	Hat Packer.
Eames, Arthur B.,	Woodworker.
Fiske, Livingstone C.,	Machinist.
Fitts, Charles H.,	Hat Presser.
Gorman, Thomas J.,	Boxmaker.
Holbrook, Daniel W.,	Hat Blocker.
Hatch, Frederick H.,	Hat Presser.
Lyford, Edward C.,	Carpenter.
Lyford, Jefferson H.,	Hat Inspector.
McBride, Henry W.,	Hat Presser.
Miskell, William H.,	Hat Blocker.
Murphy, Michael,	Hat Blocker.

Ormes, Charles A.,	Hat Blocker.
Pierce, Charles E.,	Retired.
Prentiss, Eldred H.,	Teamster.
Prentiss, George F.,	Hat Inspector.
Rogers, Charles H.,	Farmer.
Sadler, Walter E.,	Farmer.
Shaughnessy, Patrick,	Hat Packer.
Taft, Orlando F.,	Farmer.
Walker, William H.,	Clerk.
Wellington, William H.,	Farmer.
Whitney, Alfred L.,	Hat Blocker.
Whitney, Charles O.,	Hat Inspector.

CHARLES A. WHITNEY,
EDWARD C. LYFORD,
WILLIAM H. WALKER,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Feb. 8, 1904.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Cr. by Appropriation	\$2,000 00	
Cash paid to Treasurer	58 17	
		\$2,058 17
Dr. to cash received by order of Selectmen		2,058 06
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Balance		

Cash paid for Labor on Highways:—

T. F. Boyd, Labor with Team	\$473 41
A. E. King, Labor with Team	472 36
Gilbert Rawson, Labor	180 55
James Boland, Labor	196 85
Samuel Walker, Labor	140 61
Wm. West, Labor	165 13
E. H. Prentiss, Labor	119 89
Marcus Cooper, Labor	36 75
Edward Rawson, Labor	64 52
Clarence Spencer, Labor	7 72
P. Fox, Labor	5 25
Chas. Pierce, Labor	3 00
Wm. Holland, Labor	5 25
Robert Aldrich, Labor	1 00
Geo. Fisher, Labor	15 75

\$1,888 04

Cash paid for Incidentals:—

G. Rawson, Express	\$1 15
W. G. Fisk, Lumber and Nails	7 50
Clark Ellis & Son, Hardware	10 95
John Wellspeak	1 75
W. N. Prentiss, Lumber	67 46
Geo. E. Allen, Scraper Blade	8 60
Geo. W. Wood, Blacksmithing	4 55
B. C. Wood, Lumber	23 84
L. A. Snow, Tools and Oil	3 79
Alex Barton, Lumber	13 36
J. H. Martin, Express and Hardware .	2 50
Nelson Brown, Filing Saws	40
O. E. Donnelly, Blacksmithing	1 95
Perry Wood, Lumber	7 27
G. Rawson, Lumber	2 80
Alfred L. Whitney, Gravel	5 50.
Albert Nason, Gravel	4 50
Walter E. Sadler, Gravel	2 15

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LIABILITIES.

Unpaid Bills	\$53 65
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REMOVING SNOW.

Appropriation	\$400 00
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Cash paid:—

A. E. King	\$57 23
T. F. Boyd	46 34
Alex Barton	15 50
Thomas Cullinan	11 06
Thomas Moore	1 67
Wm. Holland	66

Robert Keniston	66
Dexter Wood	66
Wm. Cullinan	1 00
P. Dollane	1 00
M. Bradshaw	66
John Wellspeak	9 50
G. Rawson	2 45
Henry Norton	66
O. F. Taft	2 90
Sewell Pugsley	2 40
Fred Scammon	1 00
Joseph Carroll	67
C. Whiting & Son	8 04
C. T. Potter	9 20
James Lee	4 00
Calvin Taft	68

\$177 94

Repairing Bridge, Box Mill Hill:—

Appropriation \$600 00

Cash paid:—

W. L. Wood, Labor	\$410 00
G. Rawson, Labor	5 00
M. J. Linnane, Plan	5 00
A. E. King, Labor	12 62
T. F. Boyd, Labor	60
T. L. Arsenault, Blacksmithing . . .	6 64
W. G. Fisk, Railing	6 33
James Walker, Labor	1 75

Cash received by order Selectmen \$447 94

GILBERT RAWSON,
A. E. KING,
T. F. BOYD,

Highway Surveyors.

REPORT OF GUIDE-BOARDS.

- 2 near Box Mill.
- 2 " Fountain.
- 2 " M. Reynold's.
- 2 " Joshua Aldrich's.
- 1 " Sadler's Bridge.
- 1 " Chas. Keniston's.
- 2 " Chas. Leland's.
- 1 " Thomas Miskell's.
- 1 " Warren Corner.
- 2 " C. F. Kimball's.
- 3 " A. A. Bowker's.
- 1 " Packard's Corner.
- 2 " E. W. Bradish's.
- 2 " D. W. Whitney's.
- 2 " D. J. Maroney's.
- 1 " W. H. Wellington's.
- 2 " H. P. Gerald's.
- 5 " O. G. Newton's.
- 2 " N. H. Holbrook's.
- 2 " D. W. Morse's.
- 1 " Henry A. Corbin's.
- 1 " C. H. Johnson's.
- 1 " Waverly Hall.
- 1 " Methodist Church.
- 1 " C. W. Dana's.
- 1 " E. A. Baldwin's.
- 1 " Chas. Phipps'.
- 1 " O. F. Taft's.
- 2 " G. H. Evans'.
- 1 " Chas. Chin's.
- 1 " Wm. R. Albertson's.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

To Cash, Balance Last Year	\$412 12
H. F. Sadler, Care 1902	1 00
C. L. Clark, Repairs 1902	2 00
H. R. Bartlett, Care 1902	1 00
A. W. Emerson, Care 1902	1 00
Mrs. Chas. E. Gould, Care 1903	1 00
Edward Dipper, Repairs 1902	1 00
C. A. Davis, Care '01, '02	2 00
Jennie Bacon, Care 1903	1 00
J. N. Marshall, Care 1902	1 00
J. N. Marshall, Flowers	2 00
S. H. and H. L. Eames, Care 1902	1 50
S. H. Eames, Admr., Repairs '02	2 00
S. H. Eames, Admr., Repairs O. C.	1 00
B. A. Jourdan, Care 1902	1 00
D. W. Holbrook, Care 1902	1 50
Ellen Rawson, Repairs '02	1 00
James Smart, Care 1903	1 00
Henry Hatch, Care 1903	1 00
Carrie Wood, Care 1902	2 00
M. C. LeSure, Care 1903	1 00
Annie E. Freeman, Care 1903	1 00
Mrs. John Dipper, Care 1903	1 00
Emma Wood, Care 1903	1 00
R. L. Keniston, Care '01, '02	2 00

To — Smith, Foundation Labor	5 00
Fred Lezerne, Care 1903	1 00
John Bacon, Labor	8 00
C. W. Aldrich, Care 1902	1 00
E. H. Slocum, Care 1903	1 00
A. H. Chapman, Repairs 1902	8 00
B. A. Jourdan, Care 1903	1 00
Lewis Shaw, Care 1903	1 00
Geo. F. White, Repairs 1903	1 50
Chas. Stone, Repairs 1903	9 00
W. B. Keith, Care 1903	1 00
John Tuttle, Care 1903	1 00
Albert Pierce, Care 1903	1 50
W. F. Collins, Repairs 1903	1 00
Carrie Wood, Care 1903	2 00
John B. Fay, Care 1902	1 50
C. W. Comstock, Repairs 1903	1 00
E. B. Adair, Care '02, '03	2 00
S. J. Hall, Repairs	2 00
H. O. Harrington, Care 1902	1 00
H. O. Harrington, Repairs 1903	50
Nettie E. Jones, Care 1903	1 00
A. C. Kinney, Labor	12 50
Etta Southland, Repairs	10 00
Jane M. Shaw, Repairs	21 00
D. E. Fisk, Repairs	6 00
O. N. Harrington, Repairs	5 00
J. B. Mansfield, Care 1903	1 00
Alice Wood, Care 1903	1 00
J. W. Alexander, Care 1903	1 00
Chas. Leland, Care 1902	1 00
A. A. Ballou, Care 1903	1 00
Mary C. Rawson, Repairs 1903	4 00
Mary C. Rawson, Care 1904	1 00
Mrs. Emma Waldron, Care 1903	2 00
Jane Olney, Care 1903	1 00

To L. D. Nelson, Care 1903	1 00
Josie Walker, Repairs	4 00
Ellen Taft, Care 1903	1 00
Ellen Taft, Repairs	50
R. V. Chamberlain, Care 1903	1 00
Henry Bradford, Care and Repairs	5 00
Mrs. David Brown, Care 1903	1 00
Frank Nourse, Foundations	14 00
Albert Sadler, Est., Labor	50
J. R. Beck, Pasturing	5 00
M. C. LeSure, Repairs 1903	1 00
B. A. Whitcomb, Jr., Repairs 1903	8 00
A. Goldthwait, Care 1903	1 50
Flora G. Call, Care 1903	1 00
W. N. Prentice, Lumber	40 00
O. B. Cook, Cord Wood	8 00
Dolly W. Walker, Care 1903	1 00
Jane M. Rockwood, Care 1903	1 00
Jane M. Rockwood, Repairs	1 00
George Buck, Care '02, '03	2 00
A. Wood, Repairs 1903	1 00
C. L. Fair, Repairs 1903	5 00
A. C. Kinney, Repairs 1903	2 00
Alex Barton, Care 1903	1 00
Mrs. Alex Barton, Care 1903	1 00
J. B. Fay, Care 1903	1 50
Geo. F. White, Care 1903	1 00
Mrs. U. A. Taylor, Care 1903	1 00
E. T. Hall, Care '02, '03	3 00
Mrs. Edwin Nelson, Care 1903	1 00
G. Z. Williams, Hay	10 00
H. B. Young, Care 1903	1 00
O. T. Taft, Care '02, '03	2 00

 \$690 62

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By Cash, Alex Pilkinton, Labor	\$13 75
W. G. Fiske, Cement	11 80
L. A. Snow, Seed	4 80
Samuel Walker, Labor	3 00
C. M. Wood, Dressing	14 08
Geo. W. Wood, Repairs	1 05
O. C. Lackey, Lead	60
Stephen Inman, Labor	75
F. B. Sanford, Labor	34 45
E. A. Baldwin, Surveying	2 50
O. B. Wood, Printing	6 50
F. E. Sessions & Co., Straps	1 25
A. C. Hussey, Repairs	50
H. O. Harrington, Flowers	8 49
S. B. Fiske, Supplies	21 66
J. R. Beck, Labor	312 91
James Walker, Labor	115 65
G. Z. Williams, Secretary 1903	10 00
G. Z. Williams, Postage and Stationery	6 85
Balance on Hand	120 03

\$690 62

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 and Chandler J. Pike, Fund	75 00
Mary M. Nelson, by Will	100 00
Enoch Batchelor, Fund	50 00
Joseph W. Alexander, Fund	50 00
Melita S. Fisk, Fund	100 00
Daniel Fisk, Fund	200 00
Jane M. Shaw, Fund	50 00
Carrie Wood and Orra Wood, by Will . .	200 00
J. N. Marshall, Fund	100 00

\$2,225 00

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. FISKE,

Assistant Treasurer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF ENGINEERS.

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1904.

DR.

Received on Selectmen's Payroll Orders, \$651.98

CR.

Herbert M. Buck, Services as Engineer,	\$10 00
Owen E. Donnelly, " " "	10 00
Frank E. Lyford, " " "	10 00
T. F. Boyd, " " "	10 00
Walter W. True, " " "	10 00
Geo. E. Southland, Engineer of Steamer,	120 00
Geo. F. Prentiss, Treasurer of Steamer Co., Salaries of Members,	144 16
Martin C. Donnelly, Treasurer of H. & L. Co., Salaries of Members,	135 00
Henry D. Aldrich, Asst. Engineer of Steamer,	40 00
H. E. Mason, Paper for H. & L. Room,	1 80
S. B. Fiske, Supplies,	9 82
Alex Barton, Wood, Team to Fires,	18 20
L. A. Snow, Supplies, " "	2 15
H. M. Buck, Repairs H. & L. Room,	50
G. D. Richardson, Oil and Chimneys,	5 75
Charles Southland, Work at Chimney Fires,	3 00
Clark Ellis & Sons, Grate and Lining,	2 25
Eli W. Batchelor, Coal,	8 50
Frank Smith, Steward of H. & L. Co., six months,	6 00
Jas. F. Sheehan, Steward of H. & L. Co., six months,	6 00
John F. Damon, Tubes and Repairs,	1 85

John T. Crowell, Straps,	3 00
Geo. E. Southland, Work at Chimney	
Fires, Putting Pump in H. & L. Room,	12 35
Norris, Staples & Gould, Pump and Sink	
for H. & L.,	4 50
Upton Lead Aqueduct Co., 26 feet pipe,	2 60
Gilbert Rawson, Pipe,	80
John Gorman, Express,	3 15
Geo. Walker, Ringing Fire Alarms,	3 00
James Walker, Watching at Gould's Fire,	4 00
Fred B. Sanford, Teams to Fires,	17 00
W. G. Fisk, Lumber and Supplies,	1 80
E. T. Hall, Oil Can,	25
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, Iron pipe,	1 90
H. K. Barnes, 112 lbs. Soda, Repairs on Hose,	3 59
T. F. Boyd, Teams to Fires,	9 00
Jos. Martin, Team to Fires, Keys, Express,	5 60
E. J. O'Connell, Rubber Boots,	9 75
Geo. Williams, 4 yards Canvas,	56
A. A. Bowker, Lock and Supplies,	85
L. D. Childs, Team,	1 25
O. E. Donnelly, Whiffletree, Labor,	4 75
Upton Dry Goods Store, 10 Yards Flannel,	65
Roy S. Wood, Labor,	1 50
Mrs. B. C. Wood, Rent of Barn for	
Hand Tub,	4 65
E. W. Howe, Jr., Supplies,	50

 \$651 98

By cash returned to Town Treasurer from H. K. Barnes, 1 80

 Total Expenses, \$650 18

Number Chimney Fires for Year, 15.

Number General alarms for Year, 3.

EDWARD B. NEWTON,

Treasurer.

FOREST FIRE WARDENS.

REPORT OF ENGINEERS.

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1904.

DR.

Received on Selectmen's Payroll Orders,	\$115 60
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CR.

April 20.	Team and men to Northbridge,	\$12 50
" 25.	" " " W. G. Fiske,	
	land,	25 90
" 25.	E. T. Hall, Supplies,	85
" 28.	Team and Men, E. W. King land,	6 00
May 3.	Men to Albee Land,	4 00
" 3.	Cans and Express,	9 75
" 10.	Team and Men to Wm.	
	Knowlton & Sons' Land,	
	General Alarm,	35 00
Nov. 30.	Team and Men, Shaughnessy	
	Land,	21 60
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		\$115 60
By cash returned to Town Treasurer from Town of		
Northbridge,		12 75
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Total Expenses,		\$102 85

EDWARD B. NEWTON,

Treasurer.

TOWN LIBRARY.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.

Balance Cash on Hand March 1, 1903	\$7 93
Received Cash of Selectmen	\$75 00
on Selectmen's Payroll Orders	285 00
for Fines Collected and Catalogues Sold	9 56
of Mrs. E. W. Batchelor for Popular Monthly	1 00
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	\$370 56
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	\$378 49

CR.

Paid Mrs. L. C. Sadler, Services as Librarian	\$117 50
Mrs. L. C. Sadler, Extra Labor	4 00
Mrs. L. C. Sadler, Library Expenses	4 40
Cleaning Library Room	5 70
Magazines	15 78
Silver, Burdett & Co., Books for Carpenter Alcove	9 88
Chas. E. Lauriat Co., Books for Carpenter Alcove	45 62
Chas. E. Lauriat Co., Books	89 61
H. C. Dimond, Express on Stamp	40
W. G. Fiske, Bulletin Boards, etc.	6 03
F. J. Barnard, Binding Books	27 45
J. S. LeSure for Adams Express Co.	4 35
J. S. LeSure as Janitor	24 00
J. S. LeSure, Library Supplies	3 37

Paid G. M. Billings, for Labels	1 75
Henry H. Sampson, Magazines	17 35
Money Orders, Postage, etc.	60
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	\$377 79
Balance Cash in Treasurer's Hands	70

JOHN B. FAY,
Treasurer Town Library.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The number of volumes in the Upton Town Library, July 1st, 1902, was, 4,253.

There were added during the year 131 volumes, making at the beginning of the Library year, July 1st, 1903, 4,384 volumes; of these 71 volumes were added from Town Appropriation, and 60 volumes from the "Dr. Carpenter Fund."

The number of books rebound were 39 volumes in juvenile, 34 in fiction, and 4 volumes of magazines; total, 77 volumes.

There were 24 volumes of magazines bound.

8,359 volumes were circulated during the year, and the Library was open 92 days.

By a vote of the Committee, the Library was opened Wednesday evening of each week, from 7 to 9 o'clock, beginning in July, 1902.

The number of volumes circulated on that evening were 2,121; the number on Saturday afternoon and evening were 6,238.

The gifts to the Library were as follows:—

Atlas of Mass., 1884-1890 Topographical Survey, Commonwealth of Mass.; "Birds of North and Middle America," Smithsonian Institute; Annual Report of Smithsonian Institute 1900; "Mass. Soldiers and Sailors of Revolutionary War"; Acts and Resolves of Mass., 1902; 65th and 66th Report of Board of Education 1900-01; Reports from "The Hatch Experiment Station of Mass. Agricultural college"; Reports from "Commission of Education 1901"; "Interstate Com-

merce Commission"; Journal of the House; Journal of the Senate; Revised Laws of Mass.; Vital Records; "Crofton Boys"; "Around the Capital with Uncle Hanks," by Thomas Fleming; "Lawson History of America's Cup."

Several improvements have been made in our Library room, but we would call especial attention to our reading-table, and to our magazines, which are kept on the table for one month before shelving.

We find our magazines are being read to such an extent, that we anticipate, in the near future, having a second, larger table and more reading matter each month.

A nice comfortable reading-room is one of our great needs, which we hope soon to see fully equipped and patronized by many of our readers.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UPTON TOWN LIBRARY.

ARTICLE I.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Section 1. The Board of Trustees shall annually at their first meeting after the annual town-meeting elect by ballot a Chairman, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Executive Committee of three, of which the Chairman shall be a member.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Chairman to preside at all the meetings of the Board of Trustees and Executive Committee.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to attend all meetings of the Board of Trustees, to keep a faithful record of their meetings, to hold in custody all papers belonging to the Library, and to perform such other duties as may naturally devolve upon his office.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to hold in custody all funds of the Library, to keep an account of all receipts and expenditures, to pay such bills as may be approved by any one member of the Executive Committee, and to render

at the annual meeting and at such other meetings as may be required a financial statement of the Library.

Section 5. The Executive Committee shall have general charge of the conduct of all business affairs of the Library and the control of its administration, but no contract involving any expenditure of money exceeding ten dollars shall be made without a vote of the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE II.

MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees shall be held the third Monday in March for the election of officers and transaction of all proper business.

Stated meetings shall be held the third Monday in June, September and December.

Special meetings may be called at the order of the Chairman.

ARTICLE III.

QUORUM.

A majority of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IV.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws may be amended or changed at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees by a two-thirds vote of those present, provided notice of such amendment or change shall have been proposed at a previous meeting.

ARTICLE V.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Roll Call.
2. Secretary's Report.
3. Treasurer's and other Reports.
4. Old Business.
5. New Business.
6. Adjournment.

LAURA C. SADLER,
Librarian Upton Town Library.

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, 1904, and beg leave to submit the following report:—

STOCK, HAY AND GRAIN.

2 Horses	\$175 00
7 Cows	210 00
2 Yearlings	30 00
2 Yearlings	25 00
1 Bull	12 50
1 Calf	5 00
6 Shoats	36 00
1 Hog	8 00
1 Sow	12 00
70 Fowls	35 00
12 Tons English Hay	216 00
3 Tons Meadow Hay	18 00
1½ Tons Oat Fodder	15 00
½ Ton Corn Fodder	3 00
1 Bag Meal	1 15
1 Bag W. Corn	1 15
1 Bag Mixed Feed	1 25
Pratt's Food	50
1 Bush. Corn	58

\$805 13

LUMBER AND WOOD.

1500 Feet Pine Lumber	\$30 00
Lumber	2 00
686 Feet Chestnut Timber.	13 72
10 Logs	2 50
60 Posts	4 80
300 Feet Pine Timber.	6 00
Random Lumber	10 00
16 Cords Chestnut Wood.	48 00
10 Cords Hard Wood.	40 00
3000 Shingles	7 50

 \$164 52

FARMING TOOLS.

1 Horse Rake	\$5 00
3 Harrows	20 00
1 Two-Horse Wagon	50 00
1 Scalding Tub.	50
4 Ladders	3 00
2 Plows	10 00
2 Cultivators	4 00
1 Corn Planter	10 00
1 Weeder	3 00
1 Mowing Machine	20 00
1 Sulky Plow.	20 00
2 Hay Cutters	6 00
1 Fan Mill.	2 00
1 Ox Yoke.	50
4 Saw Horses.	50
1 Iron Seat and Springs	50
1 Wheelbarrow	1 00
1 Barrel Header	50
1 Truck and Feed-box.	5 00
4 Baskets	1 50

2 Measures	50
2 Hay Rakes.	50
4 Hay Forks.	1 00
Cattle Cards and Brushes	75
1 Cooley Creamer.	20 00
1 Suction Pump	2 00
1 Water Pot.	25
1 Two-horse Sled.	8 00
1 Pung	6 00
1 Wagon Umbrella	50
Lot Carpenters' Tools and Bench	4 00
1 Cross-cut Saw	1 00
3 Wrenches	1 50
25 lbs. Nails	75
Rope and Axe Handle	60
7 Scythes and Snaths	3 00
Track and Truck	2 00
1 Apple Picker	25
1 Tackle and Rope	3 00
5 Grass Hooks	50
1 Ice Dog	1 00
2 Ice Chisels	2 00
2 Pairs Ice Tongs	1 50
2 Ice Picks	1 00
4 Axes	1 50
2 Bill Hooks	1 50
1 Pair Trace Chains	50
1 Set Double Harness	10 00
2 Horse Collars	2 00
1 Horse Weight	50
2 Single Harnesses	10 00
2 Horse Blankets	1 50
1 Robe	2 00
2 Feed Bags	50
2 Ox Muzzles	25
1 Seed Sower	2 00

1 Scythe Grinder	2 50
1 Whiffletree and Evener	1 00
1 Cranberry Rake	25
1 Harness Clamp	50
1 Corn Sheller	1 50
1 Grain Cradle	1 00
1 Drag Rake	50
20 Flour Barrels	3 00
Lot Bags	1 00
Lot Bolts	50
Lot Junk	50
1 Sprayer	50
1 Sleigh	6 00
1 Democrat Wagon	10 00
1 Express Wagon	15 00
1 Two-horse Tip Cart	100 00
1 Peg Box	1 00
1 One-horse Farm Wagon	40 00
1 Pig Box	25
3 Grain Chests	10 00
1 Bull Chain	50
6 Trace Chains	1 00
4 Stake Chains	1 00
1 Spreader Chain	1 00
1 Spreader Chain	50
2 Draft Chains	2 00
1 Hay Knife	1 00
2 Iron Bars	1 25
1 Iron Rake	25
6 Garden Hoes	1 50
4 Hoes	50
2 Potato Diggers	50
6 Shovels	1 50
1 Scoop Shovel	50
1 Post axe	50
1 Snow Shovel	10

1 Wagon Jack	50
5 Manure Forks	1 25
1 Post Hole Digger	1 00
1 Evener	1 00
1 Cant Hook	50
1 Lawn Mower	1 00
1 Garden Drill	6 00
3 Ox Poles	1 50
1 One-horse Sled	5 00
2 Iron Pulleys	1 00
1 Hog Hook	25
1 Meat Saw and Bench	3 00
1 Pair Balances	2 50
1 Grindstone	50
3 Pork Barrels	1 50
Rubber Hose	5 00
2 Wood Saws	1 00
2 Saw Horses	1 00
1 Flail	25

\$499 20

MEAT AND PROVISIONS.

28 Lbs. Shoulder	\$2 24
32 Lbs. Ham	3 20
100 Galls. Vinegar	10 00
75 Lbs. Salt Pork	6 00
13 Bush. Potatoes	11 05
$\frac{1}{2}$ Bush. Beets	38
1 Bush. Carrots	75
5 Bush. Turnips	2 50
45 Galls. Cider	4 50
15 Jars Preserves	3 00
60 Bars Soap	2 40
$1\frac{1}{2}$ Bush. Sweet Corn	5 00
100 Lbs. Pumpkins	1 00

$\frac{1}{2}$ Bush. Garden Beans	1 50
$\frac{1}{4}$ Bush. Pea Beans	65
$\frac{1}{8}$ Bbl. Bread Flour	75
$\frac{3}{8}$ Bbl. Pastry Flour	1 80
15 Lbs. Rolled Oats	60
4 Galls. Molasses	2 00
Lot Jelly	75
Lot Mince Meat	50
Tea, Coffee and Spices	1 50
2 Galls. Pickles	1 00
Raisins and Corn Starch	20
15 Lbs. Lard	1 50
Medicines	2 00
Pickled Pears	50
Tobacco	2 70

\$69 97

FURNITURE.

Furniture in Attic	\$5 00
Furniture in Bath Room	5 00
Furniture in Kitchen	45 00
Furniture in Sitting Rooms	7 00
Furniture in Sleeping Rooms	135 00
Furniture in Store Room	5 00
1 Mixing Bowl	50
38 Window Shades	5 00
1 Faucet	75
1 Ice Cream Freezer	2 00
1 Dinner Bell	50
1 Stilson Wrench	1 37
8 Milk Cans	4 00
12 Fruit Jars	1 00
8 Tumblers	24
1 Knife Steel	50
6 Table Cloths	6 00

20 Towels	3 00
1 Putty Knife	25
Lot Sheets and Pillow Cases . . .	10 00
10 Bed Spreads	5 00
12 Lamps	6 00
Crockery	13 00
Spoons	5 00
Knives and Forks	2 00
Tinware	7 00
9 Lamp Chimneys	75
Coal Hod and Shovel	50
2 Ironing Boards	50
1 Table	1 00
1 Clothes Wringer	2 00
1 Washboiler	1 00
2 Washboards	50
2 Wash Tubs	1 50
1 Wire Clothes Line	90
1 Cotton Clothes Line	25
2 5-Gal. Oil Cans	2 00
1 Ice Chest	12 50
3 Lanterns	1 00
1 Clothes Frame	1 00
1 Step Ladder and Brush	75
4 Water Pails	50
1 Nut Cracker	25
4 Clocks	7 00
1 Extension Table	4 00
1 Lounge	5 00
11 Chairs	1 65
8 Chairs	4 00
3 Milk Pails	1 50
3 Buckets	50
2 Meat Choppers	2 50
3 Flat Irons	75
1 Set Potts Flat Irons	75

5 Jugs	1 25
1 Pair Scales	1 50
2 Bread Cases	1 50
6 Earthen Jars	1 50
1 Rubber Bed Pan	3 00
1 Rubber Blanket	1 00
2 Fire Extinguishers	26 00
Mats and Matting	6 00
Grindstone	50
Moulding Board and Pin	1 00

\$372 91

Farm and Buildings	\$5,000 00
Personal Property at Town Farm	1,911 73
Personal Property at Town House	5 00

Total appraisal Feb. 1, 1904 . . . \$6,916 73

Farm as appraised Feb. 1, 1903	\$5,000 00
Personal Property, &c.	2,556 54

Total appraisal Feb. 1, 1903 . . . \$7,556 54

Decrease of Valuation \$639 81

Respectfully submitted,

EBEN T. HALL,
WM. H. WELLINGTON,
ALEX BARTON,

Appraisers.

REPORT

OF

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

EXPENSES AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1st, 1904.

To Cash Paid:—

Nelson Hagar, Superintendent	\$66 67
Geo. W. Follansbee, Superintendent . .	333 30
Clifton Hagar, Labor	30 00
E. M. Jones, Labor	1 65
Ella Bruce, Labor	7 50
Susie Flynn, Labor	33 00
Nellie McGrath, Labor	13 50
Jennie Kelly, Labor	3 00
Mary N. Plympton, Labor	13 50
Mrs. Warren, Labor	1 00
Leslie McWilliams, Labor	18 00
Margaret Repoch, Labor	36 00
Ann Davis, Labor	5 35
C. S. Temple, Groceries	97 06
E. T. Hall, Groceries	105 15
E. T. Hall, Grain	117 37
F. P. Miskell, Groceries	94 78
G. D. Richardson, Groceries	59
L. A. Snow, Grain	269 72
Prentice & Son, Grain	36 50
E. M. Baker, Meats and Provisions . .	125 76
E. T. Hall, Meat	1 35
E. T. Hall, Sundries	2 93
S. B. Fiske, Drugs	51 89

To Clark Ellis & Sons, Hardware, Seeds and Plumbing	45 79
W. G. Fiske, Hardware and Labor . .	18 16
Dr. E. C. Traver, Medical Attendance .	46 50
H. S. Cushman, Harness Repairs . . .	7 05
E. J. O'Connell, Boots and Shoes . . .	8 50
O. E. Donnelly, Blacksmithing	18 20
G. W. Wood, Blacksmithing	24 50
H. A. Barney, Lime and Cement, Bought Sept., 1902	14 65
Massachusetts Ploughman, Dues from April, 1901 to April, 1903	4 00
New England Homestead, One Year . .	1 00
Fertilizer	34 80
Calf	2 00
Chopping Wood	78 36
Plow Cutter	1 00
Shoes	2 00
Repairing Boots	55
Butter-Milk	1 50
Seed Corn	1 25
Butter	7 50
Expense Moving Benj. Pettis	2 10
Expense Getting Girls	4 90
C. M. Wood, Team	2 00
G. C. Adams, Team	1 50
Service of Bull	2 00
Service of Boar	1 00
Making Cider	90
Wholesale Outfit Co., Clothing	15 36
King Bros., Clothing	1 00
H. D. Bowker, Clothing	6 01
J. W. O'Connor, Shoes	7 35
Upton Dry Goods Store	5 82
R. C. Eldridge	2 00
Geo. I. Aldrich	8 10

To N. W. Morgan, Repairs	2 00
Worcester Telegram, Advertising	84
Milford Daily News, Advertising	1 15
Geo. Z. Williams, Burial Expense	25 00
Avery & Woodbury, Mattress	2 00
Cloth	60
Filing Saws	60
Medicine	3 00
Cash to Inmates	1 00
Sundries	1 89

\$1,881 71

RECEIPTS AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1st, 1904.

Cash from Farm	\$48 34
Cow Killed by Cattle Commission	18 00
Service of Bull	1 50
Eggs	2 72
Killing Hog	1 00
Hen Sold	50
Bull Sold	34 00
Received for Ties from G. & U. R. R. . . .	43 90
Bread	05
Vegetables	20 86
Lumber	26 57
Wood	110 00
Calves	6 50
Milk	14 57
Pigs	210 75
Cows	110 00
Cream	254 53

\$903 79

RECEIPTS AWAY FROM TOWN FARM FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1ST, 1904.

Town of Milford, Board J. E. Coats . . .	\$120 00
Town of Milford, Supplies for Family, P. Ferguson	37 78
Town of Hopkinton, Medical Attendance Callinan Children	10 00
Town of Hopkinton, Board of Mrs. Whipple 4½ weeks	9 00
Worcester Insane Hospital, Reimbursed Cases	296 21
Town of Mendon, Supplies for Edna French	55 78
City of Worcester, Supplies for J. H. Lee	105 25
Received from Westboro & Hopkinton St. Railway Co. to Defray Expense of Alex Pilkinton	50 00

\$684 02

NAMES OF PERSONS SUPPORTED AT THE TOWN
FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 1ST, 1904.

Nelson Hagar, Superintendent	8 3-7 Weeks
Mrs. Hagar, Matron	8 3-7 Weeks
Geo. W. Follansbee, Superintendent	43 4-7 Weeks
Mrs. M. J. Follansbee, Matron	43 4-7 Weeks
Clifton Hagar, Laborer	8 3-7 Weeks
Susie Flynn, Laborer	7 Weeks
Nellie McGrath, Laborer	4 4-7 Weeks
Jennie Kelly, Laborer	1 Weeks
Mary N. Plymton, Laborer	6 3-7 Weeks
Leslie McWilliams, Laborer	8 Weeks
Margaret Repoch, Laborer	7 1-7 Weeks
Ella Bruce, Laborer	3 Weeks
Geo. H. Fisk, Inmate	52 1-7 Weeks
Alonzo Fisk, Inmate	52 1-7 Weeks

Dennis Gurry, Inmate	52 1-7 Weeks
Benj. Pettice, Inmate	30 4-7 Weeks
Samuel D. Follett, Inmate	48 3-7 Weeks
Mrs. Martha Gould, Inmate	52 1-7 Weeks
Mrs. Sarah C. Rockwood, Inmate	52 1-7 Weeks
Mrs. Jennett Johnson, Inmate	52 1-7 Weeks
Mrs. Julania Bosworth, Inmate	52 1-7 Weeks
Mrs. Lydia Baker, Inmate	47 3-7 Weeks
Alex Pilkinton, Inmate	2 Weeks
Mrs. Maria A. Whipple, Inmate	4 4-7 Weeks
Newton Marshall, Inmate	1 2-7 Weeks
William Bedard, Inmate	3 Weeks

651 6-7 Weeks

EXPENSES AWAY FROM TOWN FARM FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1st, 1904.

Mass. Epileptic Hospital, Henry Hill . .	\$163 43
C. S. Temple, Groceries for J. H. Lee . .	75 00
C. S. Temple, Groceries for Edna French	8 00
C. S. Temple, Groceries for Alex Pilkinton	8 00
E. M. Baker, Meat for P. Ferguson Family	8 48
F. P. Miskell, Groceries for J. H. Lee . .	2 00
Dr. E. C. Traver, Medical Attendance A. Pilkinton	10 00
Dr. E. C. Traver, Medical Attendance Edna French	14 00
Dr. E. C. Traver, Medical Attendance P. Ferguson Family	3 00
Dr. E. C. Traver, Medical Attendance New- ton Marshall	1 00
Dr. E. C. Traver, Medical Attendance William Bedard	8 50
L. N. Harper, Groceries for Edna French	36 28
L. N. Harper, Groceries for P. Ferguson Family	20 11

E. J. O'Connell, Boots and Shoes for J. H. Lee	8 50	
Cook & Sons, Printing	3 50	
A. C. Southland, Care of Tramps	50 30	
New England Homestead	1 00	
Stamps and Record Book	2 50	
Out of Town Expense, Edw. W. Claflin .	2 50	
Out of Town Expense for Overseers . . .	6 00	
W. E. Sadler, Milk for Mrs. Ferguson . .	4 50	
W. E. Sadler, Out of Town Expense . .	7 80	
Dr. Charles Knight, Medical Attendance		
A. Pilkinton	20 00	
Ann Davis for Fuel	20 00	
Town of Grafton, Care of Alfred Maynard	104 34	
Worcester Insane Hospital, J. W. Holbrook	169 46	
Worcester Insane Hospital, Edward Hunter	42 71	
Worcester Insane Hospital, Jonathan Hayden	169 46	
Worcester Insane Hospital, Reimbursed to the Town	296 21	
Alex Barton, Wood for the Ferguson Family	3 75	
Susan Mason, Board of J. Coats	130 00	
		<hr/> \$1,410 33

DUE THE TOWN ENDING THE YEAR FEB. 1, 1904.

From the Town of Milford, J. E. Coats .	\$20 00	
State Board of Charity, Board of Benj. Pettice and Expense to Boston . . .	7 39	
City of Worcester, J. H. Lee	4 50	
State Board of Charity, Board of Newton Marshall	3 25	
State Board of Charity, Board and Medical Attendance, Wm. Bedard	11 50	
Town of Milford, Ferguson Family . .	3 00	
Town of Mendon, Edna French	14 00	
		<hr/> \$63 64

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

DR.

Bills Due the Town, Feb. 1, 1903 . . .	\$83 75
Rec'd from Farm	903 79
Rec'd Away from Farm	684 02
Rec'd from Treasurer	1,684 12
	\$3,355 68

CR.

Expense Away from Town Farm . . .	\$1,410 33
Expense at the Town Farm	1,881 71
Due the Town in Account with other Towns	63 64
	\$3,355 68

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. SADLER,
EDWIN W. CLAFLIN,
BENJ. C. WOOD.

Overseers of Poor.

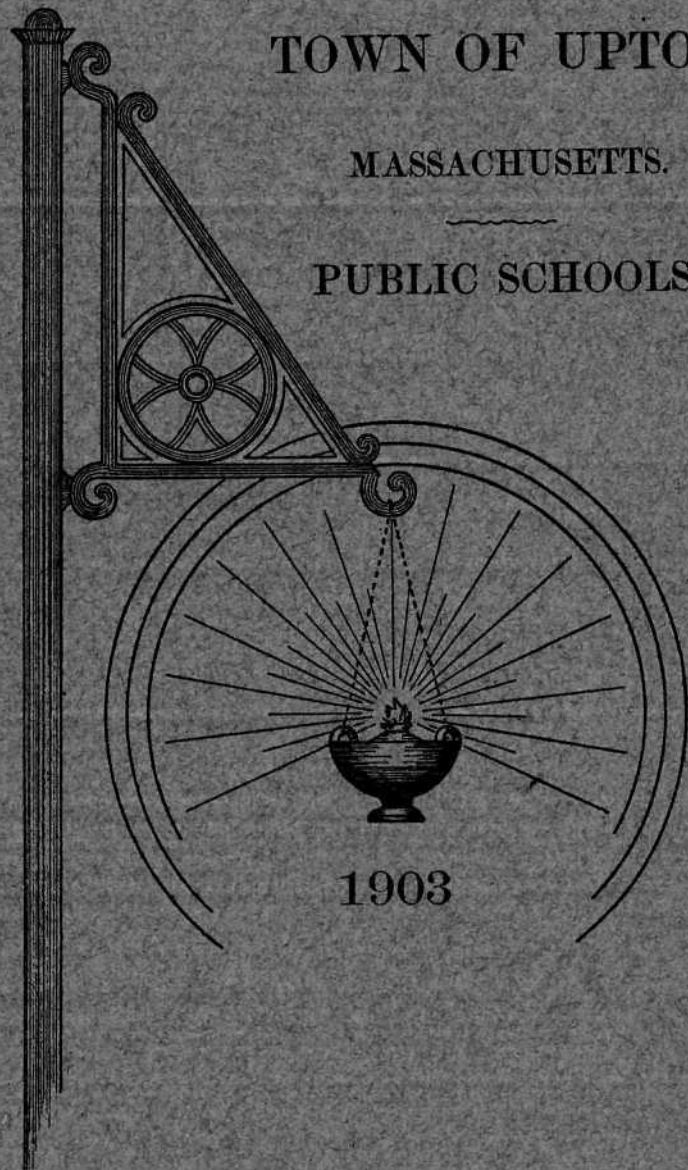
I hereby certify that I have examined all of the foregoing reports and find them correct.

CHAS. A. ORMES,
Auditor.

TOWN OF UPTON

MASSACHUSETTS.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.



1903

Designed by GEORGE H. DAVIS, Grade VIII.

HONORABLE MENTION.

The design for this decorative cover was chosen from thirty-three designs submitted in competition by the pupils of Grades VII and VIII. The designs of the following pupils deserve honorable mention:

FLORENCE WALKER,
BERTHA HALL,
SADIE MORSE,
ALICE OLNEY,
ROLLIE H. MANSFIELD.

1903.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF UPTON,

FOR THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINTH MUNICIPAL YEAR,
ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1904.

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IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Jan. 26th, 1904.

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

MANUAL
OF THE
PUBLIC SCHOOLS,
UPTON, MASS.,

FEBRUARY 1, 1904.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

SCHOOL OFFICE, HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING, MAIN STREET.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ORGANIZATION FOR 1903.

APPLETON P. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*, term expires 1904.
West Upton.

EDWARD C. TRAVER, M.D., *Secretary*, term expires 1905.
Upton Center.

GEORGE H. STODDARD, term expires 1906.
Upton Center.

ROBERT ORANGE SMALL, *Superintendent of Schools*.
P. O. Address, Grafton, Mass.
Local Office, High School Building.

OFFICE HOURS FOR SCHOOL BUSINESS.

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Regular meetings in the School Office: 2 P. M., last Tuesday of each month during term time.

THE SUPERINTENDENT.

At Upton High School Building: Tuesdays in term time, 9 to 10 A. M.

At Grafton Town Block, Grafton Center: Mondays in term time, 7 to 8 P. M.; Thursdays in term time, 4.30 to 5.30 P. M.

CALENDAR 1904-1905.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring Term (12 weeks), April 4—June 24, 1904.

Fall Term (15 weeks), Sept. 6—Dec. 16, 1904.

Winter Term (11 weeks), Jan. 2—March 17, 1905.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Spring Term (10 weeks), April 4—June 10, 1904.

Fall Term (15 weeks), Sept. 6—Dec. 16, 1904.

Winter Term (11 weeks), Jan. 2—March 17, 1905.

HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME.

Every Saturday; February 22; April 19; May 30; Nov. 24 and 25.

SCHOOL SESSIONS AND RECESSES.

High School, 8 A. M. to 1 P. M., with 15 minutes recess.

Common Schools, 9 to 11.45 A. M.; 1.15 to 3.45 P. M., with 15 minutes recess each session.

STORM SIGNALS FOR NO SESSION OF THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

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

There is not a storm signal for no session of the High School.

LIST OF TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN UPTON, FEBRUARY 1, 1904.

Names.	Grades.	School.	Home Residence.	Where Educated.
Wm. M. Marr,	Principal.	High.	Westerly, R. I.	Bates College.
Anna L. Metcalf,	Assistant.	High.	Upton, Mass.	Brown University.
Anna Burnside,	Assistant.	High.	Providence, R. I.	Brown University.
Ella C. Elderkin,	7-8	Grammar.	Boston, Mass.	Radcliffe College.
Helen Benson,	5-6	Grammar.	Dorchester, Mass.	Friends' School.
Margaret F. Wood,	5	Upton Center.	Whitinsville, Mass.	Bridgewater Normal.
Annie P. Gerald,	3-4	Upton Center.	Upton, Mass.	Brookfield High School.
Alice R. Barton,	1-2	Upton Center.	Upton, Mass.	Worcester Normal.
Claire W. Hastings,	3-4	West Upton.	W. Upton, Mass.	Framingham Normal.
Lillian G. Hunter,	1-2	West Upton.	W. Upton, Mass.	Bridgewater Normal.
Florence Gilbert,	1-8	East Upton.	Upton, Mass.	Sioux City Normal.
Flora M. Randall,	1-12	Music and Drawing.	N. Grafton, Mass.	Worcester Schools.

Truant Officer, Henry D. Aldrich.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

GENTLEMEN OF THE UPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

I hereby submit to you my report. It covers the school year 1903, and in point of order is my first.

The province of a report is that of furnishing information regarding the department considered; combined with information I shall present recommendations and suggestions which should be submitted to the citizens as well as the School Committee.

CONCERNING THE SCHOOLS IN GENERAL.

Statistics.	Population of Upton (census of 1900)	1,937
	Number of schools	9
	Number of teachers	11
	Number of children between the ages of five and fifteen years, September, 1903	313
	Whole number of pupils enrolled in Upton schools for year ending June 30	333
	Average membership	305.105
	Average daily attendance	281.82
	Per cent. of attendance to membership	95.1

In September, 1903, there were enrolled in the schools of Upton 326 pupils: they were distributed as follows,

Grades,	I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	VI.	VII.	VIII.	High School.				Total.
									IX.	X.	XI.	XII.	
Number,	41	27	38	37	39	34	24	29	16	13	16	12	326

In the grades below the High School there were 269 pupils; in the High School 57 pupils: the per cent. of pupils in the High School to all pupils enrolled was 17.5. For the State it is 8.4 per cent.

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOLS.	Grades.	Average Membership.	Average Daily Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance to Membership.	Number Enrolled.
High	9-10-11-12	54.3	51.56	95.1	59
Grammar	7-8	38.2	36.35	95.16	38
Grammar	5-6	58.	54.	92.	64
Center	3-4	40.6	37.65	91.42	40
West	3-4	30.3	28.59	94.1	31
Center	1-2	25.7	23.54	91.38	34
West	1-2	28.	23.	86.7	34
East Part	1-9	29.7	27.13	91.	33
Totals and Averages.		305.1	281.82	95.1	333

EXPENSES.

Teachers	\$4,432 50
Transportation	700 50
Fuel	689 48
Repairs	228 89

Books, Supplies	485 64
Janitors	567 92
Miscellaneous	162 45
Superintendent	410 41

Total expenses \$7,677 79

Expense per pupil, based on enrolment	23.05
Expense per pupil, based on average membership	25.16

Attendance. Few towns in the Commonwealth can stand more favorably, a comparison of the school enrolment and the school census. Every child in Upton, of legal school age, listed in the school census book, is enrolled in some school, excused from attendance, or at work with the proper certificate. All of those enrolled do not attend school as regularly as they should. In a majority of cases it is not the fault of the child, but is the fault of the parent or guardian. Excerpts from the school laws, pertinent to this phase of Upton schools are included in this report. Parents and guardians should become familiar with them, and the laws should be enforced with a broad application of common sense, or they should be repealed.

[REVISED LAWS, CHAPTER 44.]

OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Law regarding Attendance. "SECTION 1. Every child between seven and fourteen years of age shall attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides during the entire time the public day schools are in session." (Subject to legal exceptions as to children, places of attendance, and schools.)

"Every person having under his control a child as described in this section shall cause him to attend school as herein required; and if he fails for five day sessions or ten half day sessions within any period of six months while under such control to cause such child, whose physical or mental condition is not such as to render his attendance at school harmful or impracticable, so to attend school, he shall, upon complaint by a truant officer and conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

Whoever induces or attempts to induce a child to absent himself unlawfully from school, or employs or harbors a child who, while school is in session, is absent unlawfully from school shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars."

"SECTION 6. A child who has not been vaccinated shall not be admitted to a public school except upon presentation of a certificate signed by a regular practising physician that he is not a fit subject for vaccination. A child who is a member of a household in which a person is ill with smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever or measles, or of a household exposed to such contagion from another household as aforesaid, shall not attend any public school during such illness or until the teacher of the school has been furnished with a certificate from the board of health of the city or town, or from the attending physician of such person, stating that, in a case of smallpox, diphtheria or scarlet fever, at least two weeks, and in a case of measles, at least three days, have elapsed since the recovery, removal or death of such person, and that danger of conveying such disease by such child has passed."

[REVISED LAWS, CHAPTER 46.]

OF TRUANTS AND TRUANT SCHOOLS.

Truants.

"SECTION 3. A child between seven and fourteen years of age who wilfully and habitually absents himself from school shall be deemed to be an habitual truant."

"SECTION 4. A child between seven and sixteen years of age who may be found wandering about in the streets or public places of any city or town, having no lawful occupation, habitually not attending school and growing up in idleness and ignorance, shall be deemed to be an habitual absentee."

"SECTION 5. A child under fourteen years of age who persistently violates the reasonable regulations of the school which he attends, or otherwise persistently misbehaves therein, so as to render himself a fit subject for exclusion therefrom, shall be deemed to be an habitual school offender, and"—for offences of sections 3, 4 and 5—"upon complaint by a truant officer and conviction thereof, may, if a boy, be committed to a county truant school or to the Lyman school for boys, and, if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls."

"SECTION 13. A truant officer may apprehend and take to school, without a warrant, any truant or absentee found wandering about in the streets or public places thereof."

EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

Employment. "SECTION 28. No child under the age of fourteen years shall be employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment."

"SECTION 29. No child under sixteen years of age shall be employed in a factory, workshop or mercantile establishment unless his employer procures and keeps on file an age and schooling certificate."

"SECTION 30. An age and schooling certificate shall be approved only by the superintendent of schools, or by a person authorized by him in writing, or, if there is no superintendent of schools, by a person authorized by the school committee."

"SECTION 31. An age and schooling certificate shall not be approved unless satisfactory evidence is furnished by the last school census, the certificate of birth or baptism of such minor, the register of birth of such minor, with a city or town clerk, or in some other manner, that such minor is of the age stated in the certificate."

"SECTION 32. The age and schooling certificate of a minor under sixteen years of age shall not be approved and signed until he presents to the person who is authorized to approve and sign it an employment ticket duly filled out and signed. Whoever, being authorized to sign the certificate, knowingly certifies to any materially false statement therein shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars."

"SECTION 33. Whoever employs a minor under sixteen years of age, and whoever having under his control a minor under such age permits such minor to be employed in violation of the provisions of sections twenty-eight and twenty-nine, shall for such offence be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars."

Records. The school records, data concerning Upton schools, and school reports, which had accumulated at the Grafton office, I have had removed to the office in the High School building, and placed where they are more easily accessible. This institutes a policy which should be beneficial to the schools. Definite accessible data, covering essential points, is a prime requisite to understanding what has been accomplished and what is needed.

CONCERNING THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

The Work. The work done in the Upton common schools, compared with work done under similar conditions, is very creditable. Upton citizens should not be content with the present standard. Conditions should be made such that a higher standard may be easily attained.

Teachers. Upton citizens may feel confident that their schools are in charge of industrious and conscientious teachers. They are a hard working, and faithful body of public servants, doing their work under conditions which give unequalled opportunity for criticism. They need the support of the citizens more than their criticism: criticism, when just, is beneficial, and so is praise.

Changes in Teaching Corps. Miss Nellie A. Snow resigned: Miss Claire W. Hastings transferred to the West Upton building: Miss Margaret I. Wood elected at the Center building: Miss Annie P. Gerald transferred to the Center building. The remainder of the corps of teachers is as last year: the table shows the grades which each teacher has charge of.

Change in Organization. The most important and significant change of the year is the opening of a fifth grade at Upton Center, for pupils living near the center of the town. It is important, since it relieved the congestion in the fifth and sixth grades school at the high school building: it is significant, because it denotes the progress and increased usefulness of our schools. I shall call your attention to other changes which would make our schools more efficient.

Additions and Repairs. The usual minor repairs have been attended to as they have appeared necessary. The largest item under this head is the painting of the exterior of the Center building, and the fitting up of a room for a fifth grade in this same building. The building needed painting: it needs a properly graded yard now.

Subjects. Writing is not taught in a systematic, developing way. It is too often a task of copying a set model for a certain length of time. I shall try to suggest to the individual teachers ways of correcting this weakness. I am confident that uniformly excellent writing is well nigh impossible, where there is no special teacher for the subject, and the teaching corps is often changed.

Geography should be taught in the eighth grade the entire year: it has not been.

The work in drawing and music is reported by the supervisor.

Text-Books. The text-books in Arithmetic and Geography are not suitable texts, they are old and worn. A change should be made in the books used, and new books should be supplied at the earliest possible date. The text-books in Language and Grammar will soon need to be discarded, and new ones bought to replace them.

New American History text-books have been provided the pupils of the eighth grade.

CONCERNING THE HIGH SCHOOL.

The Work. The work done in the Upton High School is commensurate with the money expended upon it, and the conditions under which the work is done. I have an intimate knowledge of this school and may be expected to speak understandingly regarding it. The work done by the present corps of teachers, in many respects, is superior to any work ever done in the school and the following remarks cannot be construed to reflect upon their service.

I submit three reasons why the high school has not yet reached the degree of efficiency which it should be supported to reach.

First: The pupils come to the school immature in development and in years.

Second: There is not the stimulating environment, which many larger schools have, prompting the pupils to do that which they undertake for definite and well planned ends.

Third: There has been a constant change in the teaching force of this school, or a feeling of unrest on the part of the teachers, largely due to their ambitions, which Upton conditions do not meet.

These are vital causes for the retarded development in our High School. These conditions will long confront high schools in small towns. Upton citizens can do much to make them less operative upon their High School. *

The environment is improving; as the school sends successful pupils to higher educational institutions, and as a greater number of the pupils realize that they should work with some definite aim in view, this environment will become equal to that of larger schools.

Changes in Teaching Corps. Miss Annabel C. Roe resigned: Miss Anna Burnside was elected to fill the vacancy. The other teachers remain as last year.

Course of Study. The Course of Study should be revised, so that three teachers can do the work to better advantage. The three years' English Course should be changed to a four years' course. Pupils who elect this course rarely get any further school training. They need four years in the High School. It is not fair to rate a three years' graduate with one who has taken a four years' course.

The demands made upon those who present themselves for college are so exacting, that pupils who expect to qualify themselves to meet them should plan to take five years in doing the preparatory work. Large high schools find this necessary: evidently small ones must in many instances. The post-graduate so often found in our school bears testimony to this necessity. Any false pride in this matter, on the part of parent or pupil, should be overcome. It is not how quickly, but how quickly the work can be done well, which concerns

our pupils and especially our college candidates. Those who are able to do the work in four years will have the opportunity to do so, if others spend a longer period in preparing themselves. The skimming process, which short time combined with limited equipment induces, is bad.

**College
Certification.**

It has seemed advisable to attempt to secure certificate rights to the New England colleges. The required blank has been filled out and presented to the proper authorities for their consideration.

Repairs.

Minor repairs have been made as needed. The High School has never been completed, in-as-much as the grounds have not been graded to a proper setting for the building. An effort to bring about the grading of these grounds and those about the Center building is rapidly taking form. This effort should receive your ready support when opportunity presents. We hope to gain support in this project of every official, citizen, pupil and graduate of Upton.

I call your attention to the report of the High School Principal which is appended.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

RELATIVE TO THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

Repairs.

1. Double windows should be placed upon the West Upton building.
2. Slate black-boards should replace the wooden ones whenever it is necessary to repair them.
3. The out-houses at the Center and West Upton buildings should be made more sanitary.

**Teachers'
Salaries.**

An increased maximum and minimum salary schedule should be established and maintained. (The constant change of teachers will be remedied by this). This recommendation should apply to all teachers' salaries.

Upton pays as low as eight dollars a week for a teacher's services. This is \$288.00 to provide for 365 days. Is it enough? Can't you afford more? A progressive teacher, if employment could be found, needs the vacation time for rest and further fitting for the profession.

**Improvement of
Organization.**

The pupils of the East Part school could be better provided for and more carefully instructed, if this school were closed and they were transported to the other schools. They would receive their share of one-half a teacher's time instead of one-eighth of it.

1. I recommend that the sentiment of the families interested in the school be ascertained, and free expression of that sentiment encouraged, in order that the propriety of making the change suggested may be established, and, if established, that the change be effected at an early date.

Provision should be made to instruct the fifth grade pupils, coming from West Upton, at that village. This provision would place the grades, above the fifth and below the high school, under two teachers. These children would then receive two-thirds of a teacher's time instead of one-half of it, and they would come to the High School more mature in mental development.

2. I recommend that this proposition be brought before the citizens of Upton at the earliest possible date. The proposition entails a new building, or an addition to the present West Upton building.

In a system of common schools upon an eight-grade basis, with two grades to a teacher, a certain maturity of the pupils is necessary, if satisfactory results are to be attained.

3. I recommend that the age of entrance to grade I. be placed at six years. This change would stimulate the work from the first grade through the twelfth.

RELATIVE TO THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Course of Study. 1. The Course of Study for the High School should be revised.

2. The three years' English Course should be increased to a four years' course; this should take effect with the class of 1907 (the class which enters the High School next September.) A certificate may be granted pupils who attend the High School three years and complete the work declared a minimum for those years.

College Candidates. Pupils who expect to enter college should be advised to spend five years in preparation.

Length of Year. The scholastic year for the High School should be forty weeks.

SUMMARY.

As to the Recommendations. I have submitted recommendations and suggestions which are impracticable with any means now at the command of your board. To carry them out more money must be appropriated for the schools by the citizens. I have submitted these recommendations with the conviction that they are expedient and deserve careful thought. I have not attempted lengthy pedagogical defenses for my recommendations. Your board is conversant with their merits; if they appeal to the intelligent knowledge of Upton citizens, I am sure of their support. Endorsement by the good common sense of a community is the strongest argument a cause can have. Consider the following comparative statement taken from the last Report of the Massachusetts State Board of Education. Upton stands 200 in a list of 353 towns in Massachusetts, in the table showing for the several towns and cities of the State the comparative amounts of money expended for the support of public schools per child, as determined, (1) by the number of children between five and fifteen years of age in the town or city, and, (2) by

the number of children in the average membership of the public schools.

Conclusion. I have been connected with your schools as Superintendent five working months. My task has been to discover the needs of schools which have had the careful direction of a competent committee and the thorough supervision of two able Superintendents. Much foundation work has been done and done well. I recognize the responsibility placed upon me of building upon this with whatever means are placed at my disposal. I accept the responsibility.

I thank you for your harmonious assistance and support.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT ORANGE SMALL.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. R. O. Small, Superintendent of Schools,

DEAR SIR:

The growing desire for a higher education, which is becoming very apparent among our students, brings with it, on their part, a closer application, a more determined ambition, and a more definite and decided purpose.

That our High School has been successful during the past year, the results themselves show better than words.

Four young men, graduates of the Upton High School, entered some of our leading colleges and technical schools last fall: and I have yet to learn of one of the four who has failed in a single subject. On the other hand, I have been informed by the faculty of one of these institutions that one of the Upton boys won special honors in his work for the fall term.

The complete preparation these young men received was only made possible by the intelligent supervision of our worthy School Board and Superintendent, and by the untiring efforts of our first assistant who labored in and out of school, often doing unnecessary work that these young men might succeed.

Next fall we plan to send four more students to college, and we do not hesitate in the least to say that some of these also will prove to be honor students.

The true success of a school does not appear on the athletic field nor in the rhetorical exercises, but in the work of the classroom. And to see this work we not only welcome you, but feel it your duty as parents to be present.

Again we wish to thank our School Board and Superintendent for their hearty interest in us and for their manifest belief in our ability.

One suggestion to the parents and I am done. If parents, instead of threatening to put their boys to work, would strive to hold before them bright prospects of a college course the boys would be more studious and kind, and the parents wiser and happier.

I am, with respect,

WM. M. MARR,

Principal.

Upton, Jan. 25, 1904.

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE CLASS OF 1903. UPTON HIGH SCHOOL.

TOWN HALL, UPTON, MASS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 17, 1903.

PROGRAMME.

MUSIC.

INVOCATION,	REV. ALEXANDER WISWELL
SINGING,	THE SCHOOL
SALUTATORY AND ESSAY, "Ambition,"	GEORGE G. WHITNEY
ESSAY, "Heroism,"	BERTHA L. HOUGHTON
MUSIC,	CORA WHITNEY DAVIS
ESSAY, "Uses of Great Men,"	HARRY E. TURNER
ESSAY, "Power of Music,"	MINNIE A. KAY
ESSAY, "Demands of the Age,"	FRANCIS M. BALDWIN
MUSIC,	CORA WHITNEY DAVIS
ESSAY, "The Reward of Effort,"	EMMA M. CROOKER
ESSAY AND VALEDICTORY, "Education, Past and Present,"	RALPH W. YOUNG
MUSIC,	CORA WHITNEY DAVIS
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.	
SINGING,	THE SCHOOL

GRADUATES.

FOUR YEARS' COURSE.

Ralph W. Young,	Minnie A. Kay,
Bertha L. Houghton,	Francis M. Baldwin,
Harry E. Turner,	Emma M. Crooker,
	George G. Whitney.

Class Colors—Purple and Gold.

Class Motto—"Through Toil We Conquer."

Class Flower—Wistaria.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC AND DRAWING.

Mr. R. O. Small, Superintendent of Schools,

DEAR SIR:

In accordance with your request I present to you my annual report of Music and Drawing in the schools of Upton.

The fact that both of these subjects are now everywhere recognized as a vital part of the school curriculum, leads us to a thoughtful consideration of the importance of securing as good results in these as are obtained in the teaching of other subjects.

In giving you a just estimate of the results of the year's work, I have endeavored to carefully consider the conditions favorable and otherwise to the accomplishment of good work in both departments.

While I acknowledge it to be impossible to secure the same results in the two-grade rooms that can be obtained in rooms of one grade, I feel that the music and drawing lessons are periods of such deep interest to both teachers and pupils that the results are necessarily good. In fact they are all that we can reasonably expect in the time allotted to the teaching of these subjects.

Much thought has been given to the work of the primary grades to have the drawings free and spontaneous in character. Children are full of imagination, especially in the earlier years, and this will continue, I believe, if we but know how to preserve and develop it.

Pose drawings and action studies have been continued with good results. These drawings, although often grotesque and out of proportion, are, nevertheless, of value to the teacher in showing how much the child has learned to observe, as here he is easily led to express the full power of his ability.

Memory work occupies an important place, as it enables pupils to make use of previously studied objects in their imaginative and illustrative work.

Picture study has accomplished a great deal for the pupils in all the grades.

Considerable time has also been given to the study of composition and design. The pupils have manifested a great deal of interest in this work, and have shown considerable ability in making original designs for useful articles.

The work in vocal music has been conducted upon the same general lines as last year. All the schools are now supplied with the books of the Natural Course. These books have proved well graded, and contain exercises so carefully and logically arranged that pupils can readily comprehend each new step taken. We need, however, Book No. 3 to complete the set.

The work in the High School continues to improve. A number of difficult choruses have been mastered during the year, and the singing period is one of great pleasure as well as profit to all.

I feel confident in saying that graduates of this school who complete the course of study in music will not only be able to read difficult music with quite a degree of accuracy, but will have cultivated a taste for, and be able to appreciate the highest order of musical composition.

I desire to express my thanks to all who have assisted me in the work of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORA M. RANDALL,

No. Grafton, Jan. 23, 1904.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

SUPERINTENDENCY.

W. H. Holmes, Jr.	\$191 66
Robert Orange Small.	218 75

\$410 41

TEACHERS.

William M. Marr.	\$875 00
Anna L. Metcalf.	375 00
Annabel Roe	180 00
Anna Burnside.	180 00
Ella C. Elderkin.	387 00
Helen Benson	360 00
Alice R. Barton	350 00
Claire Hastings	315 50
Charlotte Skinner	27 00
Nellie A. Snow	144 50
Margaret Wood	171 00
Lillian G. Hunter	288 50
Annie P. Gerald	254 00
Florence Gilbert	325 00
Flora M. Randall	200 00

\$4,432 50

FUEL.

Eli W. Batchelor	\$338 58
O. F. Taft	39 15
W. G. Fiske.	44 25
Alex Barton.	60 50
Upton Town Farm.	30 00
Frank Aldrich.	5 00

 \$517 48

CARE OF SCHOOLS.

Henry D. Aldrich	\$541 67
Elmer Taft	13 50
George Fisher.	6 00
George Walker.	6 75

 \$567 92

TRANSPORTATION.

J. J. Gould	\$184 25
T. A. Aldrich	288 00
P. W. Rockwood.	183 25
George Z. Williams.	9 00
Milford & Uxbridge R. R. Co.	36 00

 \$700 50

SUPPLIES.

G. G. Davis.	\$16 35
Sanford-Putnam Co.	3 58
Ginn & Co.	73 06
E. E. Babb.	134 91
Beale Press	7 45
G. & C. Merriam Co..	6 80
Chas. C. Lowell	24 47

Atkinson & Mentzer	10 22
Silver, Burdett & Co.	3 50
J. C. Hammett Co..	79 58
Prang Educational Co.	4 16
D. C. Heath Co..	28 20
American Book Co..	35 63
Safety Bottle Ink Co.	8 08
Milton Bradley Co..	7 50
Rand & McNally Co.	5 25
Houghton & Mifflin Co..	5 84
J. B. Townley	12 80
Davis & Banister	7 56

\$474 94

REPAIRS.

E. T. Hall	\$16 41
W. G. Fiske.	1 88
Phelps & Porter.	4 76
R. C. Eldredge	6 50
A. A. Bowker	6 50
R. E. Aldrich	3 00
Clark, Ellis & Sons	43 02
Geo. W. Wood	2 85
C. W. Comstock	11 45
G. E. Stimpson	6 15
Amos Austin	100 00
A. L. Brown.	2 25
Leon D. Childs	4 00
A. A. Jackson.	4 10
Milton Bradley Co..	8 52
O. F. Taft	4 50
Geo. E. Southland	3 00

\$228 89

MISCELLANEOUS.

H. D. Aldrich	\$20 83
J. E. McClellan	1 05
J. F. Gorman	3 65
W. P. Clarke	6 50
C. M. Whitney	10 50
George Pease	1 00
Windham County Transcript	1 88
Upton Dry Goods Co.	2 87
S. B. Fiske	74 41
J. S. Lesure	24 44
Alex Barton	3 00
S. J. Batchelor	12 32

 \$162 45

RECAPITULATION.

RESOURCES.

Appropriation for Schools	\$5,800 00
Appropriation for Superintendent	200 00
Schooling State Wards	193 50
Schooling Boston Wards	34 00
State Superintendent's Fund	312 50
County Dog Fund	341 11
Massachusetts School Fund	622 39

 \$7,503 50

EXPENDITURES.

Superintendency	\$410 41
Teachers	4,432 50
Fuel	517 48
Care of Schools	567 92
Transportation	700 50
Supplies	474 94

Repairs	228 89
Miscellaneous	162 45
Unexpended Balance.	8 41
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	\$7,503 50

LIABILITIES.

Fuel	\$172 00
Supplies	10 70
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	\$182 70

APPLETON P. WILLIAMS,
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Upton School Committee.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

CHAS. A. ORMES,

Auditor.

