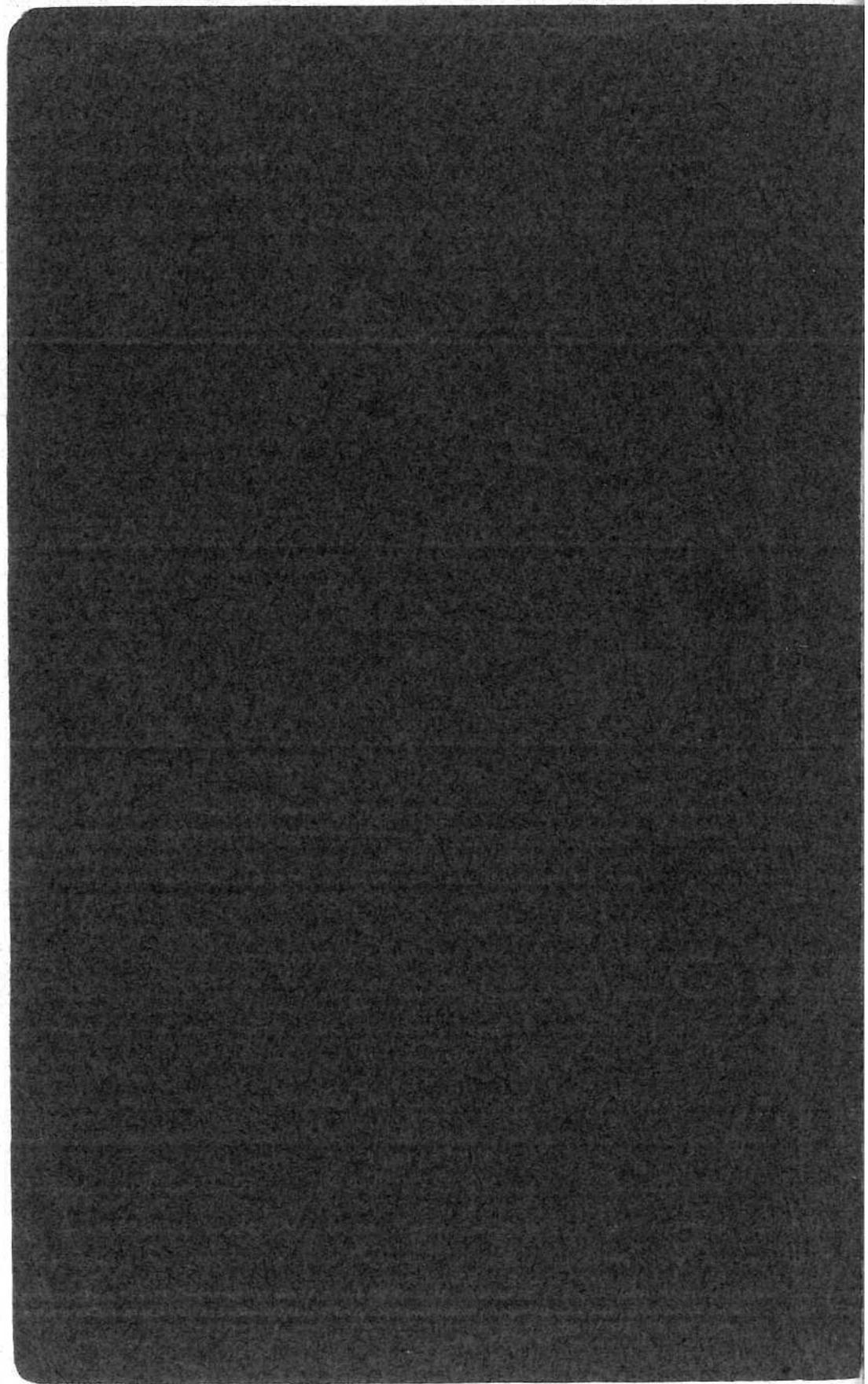


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REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

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WARRANT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 2nd, 1908.

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 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 Overseers of the Poor, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, five Constables, three Fence Viewers and one Tree Warden, all for one year. Three Assessors, one for three years, one for two years, one for one year, Town Clerk, one School Committee, one Cemetery Commissioner and three Trustees of the Public Library, all for three years, also for said voters to give in their votes, Yes or No, in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted to sell intoxicating liquors in this Town the ensuing year?" all on one ballot.

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

Article 5. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges the year ensuing, and act thereon.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to defray in part the expense of Memorial Day.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in regard to lighting its streets, and appropriate money for the same.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to build a gravel sidewalk on North Main street, from the Common to the Cemetery, and to pave the gutters from the culvert north of G. W. Wood's shop to south entrance of F. W. Clark's stable, and appropriate money for the same, or act in any manner thereto.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to elect its board of Overseers of the Poor, to serve as follows: One member to serve one year, one member to serve two years, one member to serve three years, and thereafter a member to be elected to serve three years, as provided in section 339, chapter 11, Revised Laws, to take effect March, 1909.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to remove and repair the Watering Trough and connecting pipes, or take any action relating to the same.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to suppress the Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth in this town, or act thereon.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to pay Albert L. Nason Twenty-five Dollars for his alleged claim against the town for damage to his wagon, caused by reason of a defect in the highway on April 13, 1907, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, 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 Town Clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

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

DAVID A. FARRINGTON,

EDWARD C. LYFORD,

BENJ. C. WOOD,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Feb. 22, 1908.

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, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within warrant, in each of the Post-offices of the town, and on the Town House, ten days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,
Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON.
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 2nd,
1908.

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 at their Town Hall, in said Upton, on Monday, March 2nd, 1908.

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

MODERATOR.

Article 1. The meeting made choice of Roy R. Johnson for Moderator, by ballot, the check-list being used, he was duly sworn to faithfully perform the duties of the office, by the Town Clerk.

Article 2. Voted: to lay on the table until two o'clock P. M.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 3. The Selectmen having appointed Roger Shaughnessy, J. Albert Temple, Frank A. Brown and George F. Prentiss for Ballot Clerks and Inspectors, they were sworn to faithfully perform the duties of their respective offices, by the Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk then delivered to the Ballot Clerks, a package containing the official ballots properly sealed as by law required, and their receipt taken for the same.

The cards of instruction having been posted in the marking shelves, and outside of the guard-rail as the law directs, also the specimen ballots were posted outside of the guard-rail.

The ballot-box provided by the Commonwealth to be used at elections, was publicly opened and shown to the voters present, to be empty, and was examined by the Moderator and Town Clerk and found to be empty; the register being set at 000, said box was locked, and the keys thereof were delivered to William F. Parshley, Constable in attendance at said meeting.

The ballot-box was in charge of Frank A. Brown, and the check-list at the box in charge of George F. Prentiss.

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

The polls were declared open for the reception of votes for Town Officers at 6.10 A. M.

Voted: to close the polls at 4 o'clock P. M.

Voted: that the remaining articles of the Warrant be not acted upon until 2 o'clock P. M.

At 2 P. M. the Moderator called the meeting to order and proceeded as follows:

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 2. Voted: to accept the reports as printed.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Article 4. Voted: to take up the appropriation of each department, as recommended by the Selectmen separately.

The following is a list of the appropriations made.

App. Sept. 11, '07.	Military Aid.....	\$ 175 00
" " " "	Soldiers' Relief.....	300 00
" " " "	Reservoir at West Upton.....	400 00
	Notes and Interest.....	3,000 00
	Support of Schools.....	5,900 00
	Road and Bridges.....	2,000 00
	Support of Poor.....	1,400 00
	Removing snow.....	200 00
	Fire Department.....	700 00
	Fire Warden.....	50 00
	Public Library.....	400 00
	Carpenter Fund.....	60 00
	Care of Cemeteries.....	300 00
	Suppress Gypsy & Brown-tail Moths..	400 00
	Town Officers.....	1,200 00

Incidentals	1,200 00
Military Aid.....	250 00
State Aid.....	600 00
Soldiers' Relief.....	1,000 00
Care of street lights.....	700 00
Memorial Day.....	125 00
Suppress illegal sale of liquor.....	50 00
Care of sidewalks.....	100 00
Board of Health.....	100 00
School physician.....	15 00
Watering trough.....	300 00
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	\$20,925 00

HIGHWAYS SURVEYORS.

Article 5. Voted: to leave the repairing of the highways and bridges for the ensuing year, in the hands of the Selectmen.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Article 6. Voted: to pass over, having been previously acted upon.

BORROWING MONEY.

Article 7. 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, such sum or sums of money so borrowed not to exceed in the aggregate \$12,000.00, and the said sum or sums to be paid from said taxes.

STREET LIGHTING.

Article 8. A sum of money having been appropriated for the street lights the ensuing year, it was voted: that a committee of five be appointed to look into the matter of a suitable system of street lighting, to replace the present system, as most of the lamps are badly out of repair, and to report at some future meeting.

The Moderator appointed the following named persons as that committee: J. Albert Temple, George W. Knowlton, Jr., Edgar A. Willard, Alvrado Henry, George E. Childs.

SIDEWALK TO LAKEVIEW CEMETERY.

Article 9. Voted: that a sidewalk be built, that a committee of five be chosen, to examine into the cost of building a gravel sidewalk on the east side of North Main street, from the Common to the entrance of Lakeview Cemetery, and of building gutters on either

side of the street, from near George W. Wood's shop to the Perry Adams property, and to report at some future meeting.

The following named persons were elected as that committee: George E. Childs, Edwin W. Clafin, Charles M. Wood, Charles E. Brooks, Stedman C. Brown.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Article 10. Voted: to pass over this article relating to the election of the Board of Overseers of the Poor.

WATERING TROUGH.

Article 11. Mr. David A. Farrington, chairman of Board of Selectmen, said in part, that he had looked into the matter of repairing and removing the Watering Trough, and had found that it would take about five hundred feet of one-inch pipe, that lead pipe had been quoted to him that morning for six cents per pound, the pipe that should be used should weigh two pounds to the foot, in addition to that would be the laying of the pipe.

Mr. George E. Southland, Superintendant of the Waterworks, thought $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch pipe would be better and cheaper, that new pipe should be laid from near the residence of J. S. LeSure to the trough.

Voted: on a motion by Mr. Charles W. Childs, that the town appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to repair and move the Watering Trough in Central Square.

GYPSY AND BROWN-TAIL MOTHS.

Article 12. Voted: to pass over, as it had been previously acted upon.

CLAIM OF ALBERT L. NASON.

Article 13. Voted: to instruct the Selectmen to pay Albert L. Nason, the sum of twenty-five dollars for damage caused by a defect in the highway.

SUPPRESS THE ILLEGAL SALE OF LIQUORS.

Article 14. Voted: to pass over, as it had been previously acted upon.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Article 4. Voted: to raise the sum of (\$20,925.00) twenty thousand nine hundred twenty-five dollars by taxation.

Voted: that all taxes be paid on or before November 15th, 1908, that on all taxes unpaid after that date, interest be added at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

TOWN EXTENDS A VOTE OF THANKS.

On a motion by Mr. Tom J. Harper, it was voted: that the town extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Eben J. Knowlton of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mr. George W. Knowlton of West Upton, for the gift of a fully equipped grammer school building situated in West Upton.

It was a unanimous vote and several spoke of their appreciation for the valuable gift.

Voted: that all town officers not elected today be appointed by the incoming Board of Selectmen.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 3. The Selectmen having appointed the following named persons to act as Tellers to canvas the vote: George E. Ambler, Fred Jacobs, George W. Donnelly and Owen Donnelly, they were sworn to faithfully perform the duties of the office, by the Town Clerk.

During the voting, the ballot-box was opened, by the unanimous consent of the election officers, at 9.15 A. M., and 200 ballots taken therefrom for the purpose of counting the same, at which time the register on said box showed that 207 ballots had been cast therein, again at 12.10 M. when 50 ballots were taken therefrom, the index showing that 253 had been cast therein, again at 2 P. M., when 100 ballots were taken therefrom, the index showing that 362 ballots had been cast therein.

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

At the close of the polls, the register on said box showed that 390 ballots had been cast therein, and the names checked as voted on each list were then counted in a distinct and audible tone of voice, and the number checked on each list was 390.

The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot-box and audibly counted, making the total number of ballots cast therein 390.

All of said ballots and check-lists were kept within the unobstructed view of the voters present, as the law directs.

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

FOR TOWN CLERK, THREE YEARS.

Francis T. Nelson,	323
Joseph W. Gibbs,	1
Blanks,	66
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Whole number of votes,	390

Francis T. Nelson was declared elected, sworn by the Moderator.

FOR TREASURER, ONE YEAR.

Fred W. Wood,	327
Joseph W. Gibbs,	1
Blanks,	62
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Whole number of votes,	390

Fred W. Wood was declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk,
March 4th.

FOR SELECTMEN, ONE YEAR.

George E. Childs,	280
Edward C. Lyford,	210
William H. Miskell,	244
Charles A. Whitney,	197
Blanks,	239
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Whole number of votes,	1170

George E. Childs, Edward C. Lyford, and William H. Miskell
were declared elected, were sworn by the Town Clerk as follows:
William H. Miskell, Mar. 3rd; George E. Childs and Edward C.
Lyford, Mar. 4th.

FOR ASSESSOR OF TAXES.

For Three Years.

Herbert M. Buck,	296
Blanks,	94
Whole number of votes,	390

For Two Years.

Alex Barton,	302
Blanks,	88
Whole number of votes,	390

For One Year.

Frank E. Lyford,	289
Blanks,	101
Whole number of votes,	390

Herbert M. Buck was declared elected for three years.
Alex Barton was declared elected for two years.
Frank E. Lyford was declared elected for one year.

Were sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Herbert M. Buck, Mar. 3rd; Frank E. Lyford, Mar. 6th; Alex Barton, Mar. 7th.

FOR OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Frank L. Brewer,	235
Stedman C. Brown,	206
Dennis T. Fiske,	248
Leslie W. Gould,	201
Blanks,	280
Whole number of votes,	1170

Frank L. Brewer, Stedman C. Brown and Dennis T. Fiske were declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Frank L. Brewer, Stedman C. Brown, Mar. 3rd; Dennis T. Fiske, Mar. 4th.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE, THREE YEARS.

George H. Stoddard,	207
Walter W. True,	166
Blanks,	17
Whole number of votes,	390

George H. Stoddard was declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk March 9th.

FOR COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Henry J. Batchelor,	319
Blanks,	71
Whole number of votes,	390

Henry J. Batchelor was declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk March 7th.

FOR AUDITOR.

Edwin B. Houghton,	335
Blanks,	55
Whole number of votes,	390

Edwin B. Houghton was declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk March 3rd.

FOR CONSTABLES.

Henry D. Aldrich,	251
Herbert A. Bagley,	253
Wilbur W. Goodridge,	254
Israel I. Harper,	263
William F. Parshley,	286
Scattering,	4
Blanks,	639
Whole number of votes,	1950

Henry D. Aldrich, Herbert A. Bagley, Wilbur W. Goodridge, Israel I. Harper and William F. Parshley were declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Henry D. Aldrich, Herbert A. Bagley, Wilbur W. Goodridge and William F. Parshley, March 2nd; Israel I. Harper, March 3rd.

FOR TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, THREE YEARS

Samuel R. Capen,	277
Carl G. Horst,	182
Dora M. Whitney,	280
William J. Pillion,	93
Blanks,	337
Whole number of votes,	1170

Samuel R. Capen, Carl G. Horst and Dora M. Whitney were declared elected.

FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

Edwin A. Chamberlain,	274
Wilbur G. Taft,	272
Irving H. Whiting,	264
Joseph W. Gibbs,	1
Blanks,	359
Whole number of votes,	1170

Edwin A. Chamberlain, Wilbur G. Taft and Irving H. Whiting were declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk as follows: Edwin A. Chamberlain and Wilbur G. Taft, March 4th.

FOR CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, THREE YEARS.

Charles M. Wood,	258
George Z. Williams,	1
Blanks,	131
Whole number of votes,	390

Charles M. Wood was declared elected, sworn by Town Clerk March 2nd.

FOR TREE WARDEN.

Charles E. Brooks,	277
Scattering,	2
Blanks,	111
Whole number of votes,	390

Charles E. Brooks was declared elected, sworn by the Town Clerk March 4th.

FOR LICENSE.

Yes,	118
No,	214
Blanks,	58
Whole number of votes,	390

The ballots cast and the 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.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1908.

TOWN CLERK.

Francis T. Nelson, term expires 1911.

TOWN TREASURER.

Fred W. Wood.

SELECTMEN.

Edward C. Lyford, ch., George E. Childs, William H. Miskell.

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

Herbert M. Buck, term expires 1911.

Alex Barton, term expires 1910.

Frank E. Lyford, term expires 1909.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Frank L. Brewer, Stedman C. Brown, Dennis T. Fiske.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

George W. Knowlton, Jr., term expires 1909.

Appleton P. Williams, term expires 1910.

George H. Stoddard, term expires 1911.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Henry J. Batchelor.

AUDITOR.

Edwin B. Houghton.

CONSTABLES.

Henry D. Aldrich, Herbert A. Bagley, Wilbur G. Goodridge,
Israel I. Harper, William F. Parshley.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Livingstone C. Fiske, term expires 1909.

George E. Childs, term expires 1910.

Charles M. Wood, term expires 1911.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Stephen H. Eames, Mrs. Charlotte A. Batchelor, John B. Fay,
Term expires 1909.Edward C. Traver, Miss Hannah N. Johnson, Appleton P. Williams,
Term expires 1910.Samuel P. Capen, Miss Dora M. Whitney, Carl G. Horst,
Term expires 1911.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Edwin A. Chamberlain, Wilbur G. Taft, Irving H. Whiting, resigned,
THERON A. ALDRICH elected in joint meeting of Selectmen
and Fence Viewers.

TREE WARDEN.

Charles E. Brooks.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, FIELD
DRIVER, POUND KEEPER.

Ziba B. Grandby.

WEIGHERS.

Frank Page, Orrin F. Fiske, Leander A. Snow.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Charles M. Wood, Edward B. Newton, Charles T. Potter,
Orrin F. Fiske, Elisha Bradish, Benjamin C. Wood.

INSPECTOR OF COAL OIL.

Edgar A. Willard.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Edward B. Newton, Benjamin C. Wood, Joseph Page, Dennis Clifford.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Edward C. Lyford.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Edward C. Lyford, George E. Childs, William H. Miskell,
Samuel R. Capen.

Francis T. Nelson, Agent to issue Burial Permits.

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE.

George D. Whitney, resigned.

Orlando F. Taft.

INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

Willard L. Wood.

FIRE ENGINEERS.

Alvrado Henry, Herbert M. Buck, J. Frank Despeaux.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN.

Alvrado Henry.

SPECIAL POLICE.

Henry A. Stearns, Leslie W. Gould, George H. Clapp,
Joseph W. Gibbs.

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT, GYPSY MOTH.

George H. Evans.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Daniel Gorman, term expires 1909.

Walter F. Partridge, term expires 1910.

Grovelon D. Richardson, term expires 1911.

Francis T. Nelson, ex-officio.

APPOINTED BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

Henry D. Aldrich, William F. Parshley.

I have administered the oath of office to the following named persons (they having been appointed to office by the Selectmen), on the date set against their respective names, all in the year 1908:

Special Police, H. A. Stearns, March 7; L. W. Gould, March 9; Geo. H. Clapp, April 9; Joseph W. Gibbs, April 10.

Board of Health, Samuel R. Capen, March 9.

Truant Officers, W. F. Parshley, March 10; H. D. Aldrich, March 12.

Inspector of Coal Oil, Edgar A. Willard, March 11.

Inspector of Meats and Provisions, Willard L. Wood, March 12.

Measurers of Lumber, Joseph Page, March 12; B. C. Wood, March 21; D. Clifford, April 13.

Measurers of Wood and Bark, Benj. C. Wood, March 21; Elisha Bradish, March 14; Orrin F. Fiske, March 31.

Weighers, Leander A. Snow, March 19; Orrin F. Fiske, March 31.

Inspector of Cattle, George D. Whitney, April 2; Orlando F. Taft, November 10.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, Ziba B. Grandy, June 1.

Field Driver and Pound-Keeper, Ziba B. Grandy, June 1.

Fence Viewer, Theron A. Aldrich, June 13.

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MAY 14, 1908.

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 Election and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Upton, on Thursday the fourteenth day of May, punctually at seven-thirty o'clock afternoon, 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 vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$600.00) six hundred dollars, to maintain their schools for the ensuing year, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$400.00) four hundred dollars to build the sidewalk and pave the gutters on North Main Street, as asked for, by the committee elected at the annual town meeting for that purpose, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$250.00) two hundred and fifty dollars, to pay for a road Scraper, or act thereon.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of section 17 of chapter 25, section 24 of chapter 32, and section 9 of chapter 208 of the Revised Laws, relating to setting of fires, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to purchase 1000 Cement Lot Markers, to be used in their Cemeteries, and appropriate money for the same, or act thereon.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$100.00) one hundred dollars to pay in part the expense of removing and setting the furnace formerly used in the school-house in West Upton, to the Town Hall building, for the use of the Public Library, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 8. To hear the report of the committee appointed at the annual town meeting, to look into the matter of a suitable system of street lighting, to replace the present system.

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

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

Given under our hands at Upton, this fourth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

EDWARD C. LYFORD,
WM. H. MISKELL,
GEO. E. CHILDS,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, May 5th, 1908.

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 Thursday, the fourteenth day of May, 1908, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-offices of the town, and on the Town House, seven days before the day of meeting.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,
Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MAY 14th, 1908.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs met in their Town Hall on Thursday, the fourteenth day of May, A. D. 1908, 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. David J. Moroney was elected Moderator, by ballot, the check-list being used, he was sworn to faithfully perform the duties of the office by the Town Clerk.

EXTRA APPROPRIATION FOR SCHOOLS.

Article 2. Voted: on a motion by Mr. George W. Knowlton, Jr., that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of (\$600.00) six hundred dollars to maintain our schools the ensuing year.

SIDEWALK, NORTH MAIN STREET.

Article 3. Voted: on a motion by Mr. Stedman C. Brown, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of (\$400.00) four hundred dollars to build the sidewalk and pave the gutters on North Main Street, from Common to Lakeview Cemetery, as asked for by the committee.

ROAD SCRAPER.

Article 4. Voted: on a motion by Mr. Appleton P. Williams, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of (\$215.00) two hundred fifteen dollars to pay for a Road Scraper.

SETTING FIRES.

Article 5. Voted: that the Town accept the provisions of Section 17, Chapter 25, Section 24, Chapter 32 and Section 9, Chapter 208 of the Revised Laws relating to setting fires.

MARKERS FOR CEMETERIES.

Article 6. Voted: on motion by Mr. L. C. Fiske, that the town appropriate the sum of (\$60.00) sixty dollars to purchase 1,000 markers for the Cemeteries.

FURNACE FOR LIBRARY ROOM.

Article 7. A motion to appropriate (\$100.00) one hundred dollars for the expense of moving and setting up the furnace for the Library Room was lost. 28 Yeas. 28 Nays.

A motion to appropriate (\$99.00) ninety-nine dollars for the same purpose was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STREET LIGHTING.

Article 8. Mr. J. Albert Temple of the committee said in part, that upon investigation he found that the Upton Electric Company had been granted a franchise some time ago and still held the privilege, therefore what arrangements were made would have to be made with them. He thought the streets could be properly lighted with seventeen lights to the mile, at a distance of 300 feet apart, covering the same streets as are now lighted, he thought it could be done for \$13.50 per light for the year.

The Upton Electric Company made contracts for terms of three years each, and he estimated the cost about \$900.00 per year for the streets that are now lighted, he thought it would cost about \$500.00 to light the main street from Box Mill hill to the Elm Tree.

Mr. George W. Knowlton, Jr., of the committee had looked up the Globe Gas Light, similar to lamps used in Milford, but did not recommend them.

Voted: to accept the report and to discharge the committee.

Voted: to dissolve the Warrant.

A true record,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE AND NATIONAL ELECTION,
NOVEMBER 3rd, 1908.

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 the town of Upton:

For Electors of President and Vice-President, one Representative in Congress for the Twelfth Congressional District, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, Councillor for the Seventh Councillor District, Senator for the Fourth Worcester Senatorial District, Two Representatives to the General Court, to represent the Ninth Worcester Representative District, for said Commonwealth.

One County Commissioner for three years, one County Commissioner to fill vacancy caused by the death of George L. Clemence for the remainder of the term of three years from the first Wednesday in January, 1907; one Associate Commissioner to fill vacancy caused by the death of S. Augustus Howe, for the remainder of the term of three years from the first Wednesday in January, 1908; and one Register of Probate and Insolvency, for the County of Worcester.

All on one ballot.

The polls may be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon of 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 eight.

EDWARD C. LYFORD,
WM. H. MISKELL,
GEO. E. CHILDS,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, October 22, 1908.

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, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House, ten days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,
Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

STATE AND NATIONAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 3rd, 1908.

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, the third day of November A. D., 1908, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday, punctually at six o'clock forenoon, and was called to order by the Town Clerk, who then read the Warrant and the officer's return thereon.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 560 Acts of 1907, the cards of instructions and specimen ballots having been posted, a package of ballots (said to contain 600) were delivered to Edward C. Lyford, Chairman of Selectmen, acting presiding officer of this meeting, and his receipt therefor given to the Town Clerk.

The ballot-box furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to be used at this election was then opened in public meeting and shown to the voters present to be empty. The register of the box being set on 000 the box was then locked and the keys thereof

were delivered to William F. Parshley, Constable in attendance at said meeting.

J. Albert Temple, Michael Murphy, Frank A. Brown and Jefferson H. Lyford having been appointed election officers for this meeting, they were sworn to perform the duties of their office by the Town Clerk.

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

The polls at 6.06 A. M. were then declared open for the reception of ballots for State, National and County Officers.

At 9. A. M. the ballot-box, by the unanimous consent of the election officers was opened, the register standing at 201 and two hundred ballots were taken therefrom for the purpose of counting the same.

George E. Ambler, George F. Prentiss, George W. Donnelly and Arthur E. King having been appointed by the Selectmen, Tellers to canvass the vote, were duly sworn to perform the duties of their office by the Town Clerk, after which the first block of ballots were given to them.

At 12.30 M. the ballot-box was again opened, the register standing at 306, and one hundred ballots taken therefrom, again at 2.08 P. M. the index standing at 378 and fifty ballots taken therefrom, again at 3 P. M. index standing at 412 and fifty ballots 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 434. 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 as follows:

At the polls, four hundred thirty-four,	434
At the table, four hundred thirty-four,	434

The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot-box and audibly counted making the total number of votes cast four hundred thirty-four. The Tellers having sorted and counted the votes given in, public declaration thereof was made in open meeting and recorded as follows:

FOR ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.

ELECTORS AT LARGE.

Richard Olney of Boston, Democratic,	108
James E. Cotter of Hyde Park, Democratic,	108
Harvey S. Cowell of Ashburnham, Prohibition,	6

John M. Fisher of Attleborough, Prohibition,	6
Patrick Mahoney of Boston, Socialist,	4
Eliot White of Worcester, Socialist,	4
Thomas F. Brennan of Salem, Socialist Labor	0
Herman Keopke of Pittsfield, Socialist Labor	0
Michael C. O'Neill of Boston, Independence League	15
William F. Aiken of Greenfield, Independence League	15
John L. Bates of Boston, Republican,	272
August H. Goetting of Springfield, Republican,	272

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.

Luke J. Minahan of Pittsfield, Democratic,	108
Wilbur M. Purrington of Williamsburg, Prohibition,	6
Henry O. Brigham of Westfield, Socialist,	4
Henry Noffke of Holyoke, Socialist Labor,	0
Simon J. Griffin of West Springfield, Independence League	15
Charles S. Shattuck of Hatfield, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29

Whole number of ballots, 434

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER TWO.

Theobald M. Connor of Northampton, Democratic,	108
Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton, Prohibition,	6
Alya E. Fenton of Springfield, Socialist,	4
Frederick A. Nalger of Springfield, Socialist Labor,	0
Charles F. Warner of Northampton, Independence League,	15
Almond Smith of Athol, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29

Whole number of ballots, 434

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER THREE.

John O'Gara of Spencer, Democratic,	108
Chresten Peterson of Worcester, Prohibition,	6
James Cronin of Worcester, Socialist,	4
Gustave S. Peterson of Worcester, Socialist Labor,	0
William Crosbie of Worcester, Independence League,	15
Frank Hartley of Webster, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29

Whole number of ballots, 434

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER FOUR.

Charles A. Babbitt of Fitchburg, Democratic,	108
Quincy Adams of Townsend, Prohibition,	6
Timothy Richardson of Leominster, Socialist,	4
James Hayes of Leominster, Socialist Labor,	0
William A. Pierson of Hudson, Independence League,	15
Allan G. Buttrick of Lancaster, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29

Whole number of ballots,	434
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FOR DISTRICT NUMBER FIVE.

Humphrey O'Sullivan of Lowell, Democratic,	108
John B. Lewis of Reading, Prohibition,	6
William E. Sproule of Lowell, Socialist,	4
Gilbert G. Smith of Lawrence, Socialist Labor,	0
Michael A. Lee of Lowell, Independence League,	15
James R. Berwick of Methuen, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29

Whole number of ballots,	434
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FOR DISTRICT NUMBER SIX.

William Stopford of Beverly, Democratic,	108
Robert M. Martin of Salem, Prohibition,	6
John Quincy Adams of Amesbury, Socialist,	4
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem, Socialist Labor,	0
Roland D. Sawyer of Haverhill, Independence League,	15
Ulysses G. Haskell of Beverly, Republican	272
Blanks,	29

Whole number of ballots,	434
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FOR DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN.

Dennis H. Tyrrell of Chelsea, Democratic,	108
Jonathan S. Lewis of Stoneham, Prohibition,	6
Ambrose Miles of Lynn, Socialist,	4
Michael J. Quirk of Saugus, Socialist Labor,	0
George W. Casavant of Saugus, Independence League,	15
Charles N. Barney of Lynn, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29

Whole number of ballots,	434
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FOR DISTRICT NUMBER EIGHT.

Warren T. Morse of Medford, Democratic,	108
Alfred A. Wright of Cambridge, Prohibition,	6
Clayton S. Hunt of Somerville, Socialist,	4
Andrew Mortenson of Somerville, Socialist Labor,	0
Granville S. MacFarland of Cambridge, Indep'e. League	15
John Read of Cambridge, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29
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Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER NINE.

William F. McClellan of Boston, Democratic,	108
Charles E. Eaton of Boston, Prohibition,	6
Samuel Zorn of Boston, Socialist,	4
Joseph C. Dunnack of Boston, Socialist Labor,	0
James P. Hayes of Boston, Independence League,	15
Jerome A. Petitti of Boston, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29
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Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER TEN.

William T. Shea of Quincy, Democratic,	108
Moses D. Monroe of Milton, Prohibition,	6
A. Hale Kingsley of Quincy, Socialist,	4
Andreas L. Wallin of Quincy, Socialist Labor,	0
Charles O. Power of Boston, Independence League,	15
Milton C. Paige of Boston, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29
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Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER ELEVEN.

Josiah Quincy of Boston, Democratic,	108
Solon W. Brigham of Boston, Prohibition,	6
George W. Galvin of Boston, Socialist,	4
Patrick Mulligan of Boston, Socialist Labor,	0
John A. Coulthurst of Boston, Independence League,	15
James N. Thompson of Boston, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29
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Whole number of ballots,	434
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FOR DISTRICT NUMBER TWELVE.

Jeremiah J. Comba of Milford, Democratic,	108
Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford, Prohibition,	6
Michael J. Moore of Newton, Socialist,	4
Carl F. Fredrikson of Hyde Park, Socialist Labor,	0
Eugene L. Murphy of Norwood, Independence League,	15
Jesse S. Wiley of Brookline, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER THIRTEEN.

John W. Coughlin of Fall River, Democratic,	108
David Morrison of Fall River, Prohibition,	6
William Ohnesorge of New Bedford, Socialist,	4
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford, Socialist Labor.	0
Matthew Hart of New Bedford, Independence League,	15
Benjamin H. Anthony of New Bedford, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR DISTRICT NUMBER FOURTEEN.

Charles C. Paine of Barnstable, Democratic,	108
Herbert L. Chipman of Sandwich, Prohibition,	6
George A. Beedem of Brockton, Socialist,	4
Charles H. Tobin of North Attleborough, Socialist Labor,	0
Herbert E. Bryant of Kingston, Independence League,	15
Alfred B. Williams of Taunton, Republican,	272
Blanks,	29
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR GOVERNOR.

James F. Carey of Haverhill, Socialist,	6
Eben S. Draper of Hopedale, Republican,	237
Walter J. Hoar of Worcester, Socialist Labor,	1
William N. Osgood of Lowell, Independence League,	13
James H. Vahey of Watertown, Democratic.	140
Willard O. Wylie of Beverly, Prohibition,	8
Blanks,	29
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Charles J. Barton of Melrose, Democratic,	107
Joao Claudino of New Bedford, Socialist Labor,	1
Louis A. Frothingham of Boston, Republican,	256
John Hall, Jr. of West Springfield, Socialist,	4
Robert J. McCartney of Kingston, Independence League,	10
Frank Rand of Haverhill, Prohibition,	8
Blanks,	48
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

James F. Aylward of Cambridge, Democratic,	87
Herbert B. Griffin of Boston, Prohibition,	5
George Nelson of Boston, Socialist Labor,	4
William N. Olin of Boston, Republican,	268
Squire E. Putney of Somerville, Socialist,	5
John F. Williams of Waltham, Independence League,	3
Blanks,	62
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Charles E. Butterworth of Somerville, Indep'ce. League	5
Arthur B. Chapin of Holyoke, Republican,	259
Henry C. Hess of Boston, Socialist Labor,	2
Charles C. Hitchcock of Ware, Socialist,	4
Edward Kendall of Cambridge, Prohibition,	7
Erwin H. Kennedy of Pittsfield, Democratic,	85
Blanks,	72
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR AUDITOR.

Frank Bohmbach of Boston, Socialist Labor	1
John E. Dempsey of Fall River, Independence League,	4
George G. Hall of Boston, Socialist,	6
Wilbur D. Moon of Lynn, Prohibition,	8
Henry E. Turner of Malden, Republican,	253
Simeon Viger of Lawrence, Democratic,	82
Blanks,	80
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Henry M. Dean of Hyde Park, Prohibition,	5
Elliot C. Harding of Tisbury, Socialist Labor,	3
Dana Malone of Greenfield, Republican,	253
John McCarthy of Abington, Socialist,	5
Richard J. Talbot of Springfield, Independence League,	5
John Alden Thayer of Worcester, Democratic,	90
Blanks,	73
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, TWELFTH DISTRICT.

Albert E. George of Walpole, Independence League,	7
Jesse C. Ivy of Newton, Democratic,	86
John W. Weeks of Newton, Republican,	271
Blanks,	70
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR COUNCILLOR, SEVENTH DISTRICT.

J. Lovell Johnson of Fitchburg, Republican,	249
Arthur E. Seagrave of Uxbridge, Democratic,	100
Blanks,	85
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR SENATOR, FOURTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.

George F. Birch of Milford, Republican,	153
John F. Meaney of Blackstone, Democratic,	208
Appleton P. Williams of Upton,	1
Blanks,	72
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL COURT, NINTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.

William R. Burke of Milford, Democratic,	163
S. Alden Eastman of Milford, Republican,	226
Frank Goodhue of Northbridge, Democratic ,	174
Blanks,	200
Whole number of ballots,	868

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Warren Goodale of Clinton, Republican,	274
Nicholas J. Mooney of Worcester, Democratic,	84
Blanks,	76
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, (TO FILL VACANCY.)

Edward A. Harris of Worcester, Democratic,	92
Arthur C. Moore of Southbridge, Republican,	265
Blanks,	77
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

John H. S. Hunt of Worcester, Democratic,	88
John W. Mawbey of Worcester, Republican,	257
Blanks,	89
Whole number of ballots,	434

FOR ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER, (TO FILL VACANCY.)

Thomas C. Sheldon of Fitchburg, Republican,	271
Blanks,	163
Whole number of ballots,	434

The returns were then filled out, signed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the law directs.

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

Voted : to dissolve the Warrant at 6.15 P. M.

A true record,

Attest :

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

RECOUNT OF VOTES FOR SENATOR FOURTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.

To the Town Clerk of Upton,

Respectfully represents the undersigned voters of the town Upton, that they have reason to believe and do believe that the records, or copies of records, made by the election officers of said town at the state election November 3, 1908, are erroneous, in that certain votes cast for John F. Meaney for senator, 4th Worcester district were counted for George F. Birch also candidate for senator, and they further believe that a recount of the votes cast for senator in said town will so affect the result that said John F. Meaney instead of George F. Birch will be found to have been elected senator in said district, and said petitioners hereby ask that the votes cast for senator be recounted.

Signed by Edward M. Baker and eleven other registered voters.

Mr. Clarence A. Sumner of Milford, represented Mr. George F. Birch. John F. Meaney had no representative.

The following is the result of a recount of votes for Senator to represent the Fourth Worcester District:

	George F. Birch, of Milford.	John F. Meaney, of Blackstone.	Appleton P. Williams, of Upton.	Blanks.
Block 1.	25	17		8
" 2.	16	26		8
" 3.	19	25		6
" 4.	12	26		12
" 5.	18	21		11
" 6.	21	25		4
" 7.	21	19		10
" 8.	13	27	1	9
" 9.	8	22		4
	<hr/> 153	<hr/> 208	<hr/> 1	<hr/> 72

The ballots were properly sealed and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk.

Attest:

DANIEL GORMAN,
WALTER F. PARTRIDGE,
WILLIAM H. WALKER, pro tem,
FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Registrars of Upton.

Upton, November 9, 1908.

TOWN CLERK'S MEETING AT MILFORD, NOVEMBER 13, 1908.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS.

In compliance with section 290, chapter 560 of the Acts of 1907, we, the Town Clerks of the towns of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, which towns comprise the Ninth Worcester Representative District, this day met at the office of the Town Clerk in said Milford, and canvassed the returns of votes in said towns for two Representatives in 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 a legal meeting held in each of said towns for that purpose, on the third day of November A. D. 1908, and are shown by the following tabular statement:

	Hope- dale	Men- don	Mil- ford	North- bridge	Upton	Total
William R. Burke, Milford	115	55	1276	332	163	1941
S. Alden Eastman, Milford	348	104	732	522	226	1932
Frank Goodhue, Northbridge	37	33	748	397	105	1320
Wilmarth A. Westcott, Hopedale	330	83	566	449	174	1602
Michael S. McMahon, Milford				1		1
Blanks	152	71	861	454	200	1738
	982	346	4184	2154	868	8534

William R. Burke of Milford, and S. Alden Eastman of Milford, having received the largest number of votes, were declared elected, and to them were certificates issued, also a duplicate certificate sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the law requires.

In Witness Whereof, WE, the Town Clerks of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, have hereunto set our names this 13th day of November, A. D. 1908.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk of Hopedale,
HORACE C. ADAMS,*Town Clerk of Mendon,*
DENNIS J. SULLIVAN,*Town Clerk of Milford,*
JOSEPH A. JOHNSTON,*Town Clerk of Northbridge,*
FRANCIS T. NELSON,*Town Clerk of Upton.*

A true record,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1908.

Jan. 5. Delvira Jessie Southland.
 " 9. Thelma Josephine White.
 " 22. William Francis Noe.
 Feb. 4. Flora Mellette.
 " 7. Jessie Ulgar Gilks.
 " 25. Delvina Herrick.
 Mar. 3. Allen Joseph Foley.
 " 22. Joseph Charles Noe.
 " 23. Stanley Frank Wrenn.
 " 24. Manton Traver Williams.
 May 12. Charlotte Hope Jenner.
 " 24. Adelaide Victoria Williams.
 " 28. Clement Lambert.
 June 9. Everett Edward Wellman.
 " 30. Mary Martin.
 July 25. Mary Isabelle Blodgett.
 Aug. 2. Grace Viola Aldrich.
 " 11. Leroy Theodore Holland.
 " 18. Infant Fisher.
 " 28. Ruth Angeline Henry.
 Sept. 17. William Anis Lapierre.
 " 21. William Henry Kempton.
 " 21. James Bradshaw.
 " 22. William Francis Russell Farrar.
 " 24. Eileen Gertrude Shaughnessy.
 " 24. George Joseph Victor.
 Oct. 9. Jennie Swinarsky.
 " 17. Amos Tilliston Humphrey.
 Nov. 2. Florence McKnight.
 " 5. Lillian Marchand.
 " 6. Ruth French Kingsbury.
 " 25. Frederick Bicknell Rawson.
 " 29. Dorothy Hadley.
 Dec. 23. *Pearl* — Usher.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1908.

Date.	Name.	Residence.	Age.	By whom married.
Jan. 1.	George G. Whitney, Blanche B. Goldthwaite,	Upton Saco, Me.	23 25	Rev. Carl M. Gates. Saco, Maine.
Feb. 5.	John A. Welch, Mary A. McAllister,	Upton Northbridge	29 32	Rev. Alexander Mitchell, Providence, R. I.
" 22.	George D. Rokes,	Upton	32	Rev. Harrison L. Packard,

Date.	Name.	Residence.	Age.	By whom married.
	Gertrude L. Howe,	Upton	32	Kingston, Mass.
Mar. 1.	Harry G. Dodge,	Leicester	18	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	Mildred V. Warren,	Upton	18	
" 12.	Edward G. Spicer, Welsford, N. S.	Upton	31	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	Sarah K. Wrenn,	Upton	26	
" 21.	Carl W. Andrews,	Milford	21	Rev. Elbert W. Whitney,
	Frances L. Spellman,	Upton	18	Milford, Mass.
May 16.	Charles L. Crane,	Upton	35	Rev. Frank Wright Pratt,
	Fanny J. Leonard,	Upton	40	Hopedale, Mass.
June 4.	Louis F. Allard,	Upton	23	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Elizabeth C. Donahue,	Upton	22	
" 10.	Holly W. Snow,	Upton	24	Rev. F. A. Warfield,
	Vida F. Leland,	Milford	20	Milford, Mass.
" 10.	Joseph W. Gibbs,	Upton	28	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	Juliet V. Fisk,	Upton	28	
" 10.	Frank H. Covell,	Upton	27	Rev. Charles F. Noyes,
	Ada Grace Bliss,	Somerville	22	Somerville, Mass.
" 17.	Edward M. Baker, Jr.,	Upton	41	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Mary E. O'Connell,	Upton	34	
" 24.	William J. Gorman,	Upton	28	Rev. John E. Cronley,
	Sara A. Gorman,	Hopkinton	30	Hopkinton, Mass.
" 24.	Arthur L. Newton,	Upton	26	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	Josie S. Walker,	Upton	52	
" 25.	George T. Atchue,	Grafton	25	Rev. Wilbur T. Rice,
	Jesse M. Southland,	Upton	21	North Grafton, Mass.
Sept. 10.	Everett E. Fitts,	Charlton	22	Rev. George O. Jenness,
	Clara A. Bruce,	Upton	18	Charlton, Mass.
" 14.	Rollin H. Mansfield,	Upton	19	Rev. Francis H. Spear,
	Alice Robertson Olney,	Upton	18	Woonsocket, R. I.
" 16.	Walter W. Scott,	Grafton	26	Rev. Carl G. Horst,
	Ethel E. Martindale,	Upton	24	
" 23.	Albert V. Belland,	Milford	26	Rev. James M. Cruse,
	Mary G. Moore,	Upton	22	
Oct. 5.	John Spellman,	Upton	21	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	Ella Bruce,	Upton	22	
" 14.	George A. Hall,	Upton	29	Rev. Alex. Wiswall.
	Gertrude M. Taft,	Milford	32	
" 15.	Andrew Loy Bixler,	Upton	28	Rev. R. A. Kreidler,
	Carolyn M. Moore, Lebanon, Pa.	Upton	26	Lebanon, Pa.
" 20.	Camille Metras,	Upton	55	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Rose Morrison,	Upton	48	
" 21.	Harry E. Negus,	Milford	28	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Julia Noe,	Upton	30	
" 27.	Arthur W. Morrison,	Upton	22	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Margaret F. Varney, Pontiac, R. I.	Upton	20	
" 28.	Arthur Bartlett,	Upton	22	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Armonza Roberts,	Upton	21	
Nov. 5.	Joseph J. Driscoll,	Upton	21	Rev. James M. Cruse.
	Harriet M. Clark,	Upton	19	

Date.	Name.	Residence.	Age.	By whom married.
" 17.	Rolland E. A. Bates,	Upton	25	Rev. Charles L. Snow,
	Josephine L. Putnam,	Hopkinton	21	West Medway, Mass.
Dec. 9.	George F. Morse,	Upton	21	Rev. H. G. Buckingham,
	Maude A. Clark,	Worcester	19	Worcester, Mass.
" 24.	Daniel A. Benson,	Upton	39	Rev. Osmond J. Billings.
	Lucille N. Campbell,	Upton	33	
" 31.	Edward W. Simmons,	Hopedale	25	Rev. T. Corwin Watkins,
	Jennie L. Morse,	Upton	22	Milford, Mass.

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1908.

Date.							
Jan. 7.	Mary M. Walker.....	Bronchitis, old age	84	6	21		
" 9.	Thomas Cullinan.....	Cerebral apoplexy	73	0	16		
" 12.	Sarah Johnson.....	Old age	82	8	11		
" 15.	Hannah W. Bradish..	Old age	91	5	9		
" 28.	Alonzo M. Perham...	Septicemia	73	2	25		
" 28.	Eleanor Gould.....	Cerebral apoplexy	68	6	22		
" 30.	Christina Campbell...	Phthisis,	66	8	13		
Feb. 12.	Levi Bennett.....	Pneumonia	69	7	11		
" 19.	Ellen M. McIntire....	Pleuro-pneumonia	76	1	28		
Mar. 5.	Anna M. Inman.....	Tubercular meningitis	3	5	3		
" 25.	A. Augusta Taft.....	Paresis	56	4	6		
" 28.	Cora E. Mowry.....	Septicemia	23	8	29		
Apr. 2.	Julia Shaughnessy...	Heart disease	85	0	0		
" 3.	Eben S. Streeter.....	Ptomaine poison	4	8	13		
" 12.	Mary A. Metcalf.....	Disease of the heart,	68	1	14		
" 19.	John Gorman.....	General Paresis	32	0	0		
" 21.	Samuel Walker.....	Cerebral apoplexy	46	2	20		
May 8.	Lucy Kaczta.....	Asphyxia accidental	20	0	0		
" 13.	Mary R. Despeaux....	Old age	87	1	27		
June 11.	Alice M. Benson.....	Papilloma	57	2	8		
July 12.	Oliver G. Cahoonne....	Cerebral sclerosis	77	6	23		
" 14.	John F. Kernan.....	Heart failure	6	9	1		
Aug. 7.	John W. Martin.....	Convulsions	1	5	30		
" 20.	Infant Fisher.....	Premature birth	0	0	2		
" 23.	Hannah Sullivan.....	Exhaustion of Senile Dementia	80	0	0		
" 25.	Albert Davis.....	Uraemic coma	66	0	13		
" 27.	Elizabeth A. Beaman	Colitis	40	10	16		
Sept. 5.	Rudolph J. Victor.....	Cholera infantum	1	0	1		
" 17.	Charles Leland.....	Old age	83	11	27		
" 24.	Raymond B. Houghton	Endocarditis	5	3	11		
" 26.	Alphonse Paille.....	Typhoid fever	5	6	17		
" 27.	Harriet J. King.....	Strangulated hernia	77	0	20		
Oct. 4.	Eliza L. Struthers...	Old age	79	7	19		
" 10.	Bernard B. Carroll...	Acute tuberculosis	24	0	0		
" 23.	Byron E. Hill.....	Tetanus	16	5	25		

" 26. Eli W. Batchelor.....Cerebral apoplexy	67	3	26
" 28. Gwendolyn Knowlton Convulsions	2	0	10
Nov. 25. Elsie S. Wood.....Brights disease	67	5	24
Dec. 12. Francis H. Seaver...Peritonitis	17	2	0
" 31. Charles Whiting.....Uremia	80	7	21

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

	Y. M. D.
Nov. 20. Bessie C. Beck, East Haddam, Ct, heart disease, 29	8 10
1882	
Mar. 23. Elizabeth Larvin, Worcester, abscess of brain, 28	0 0
1908	
Apr. 25. Bridget Sheahan, Tewksbury, mitral insufficiency,	72 0 0
Mar. 16. Jennie Ballou, Boston, chronic nephritis,	54 0 13
July 9. Everd C. Handy, Providence, R. I., meningitis,	48 0 24
Aug. 22. Betsey A. Thompson, Milford, chronic nephritis, 67	4 14
" 29. Isaac Alexander, Northboro, varicose ulcer,	84 0 15
Sept. 10. Charlotte M. Mowry, Springfield, senility,	83 7 1
Oct. 3. Sadie C. Morse, Sudbury, Brights disease,	35 0 0
" 10. Ruth Lincoln Blake, Medway, cancer	38 1 15
Dec. 2. Sarah M. Taft, Milford, cerebral apoplexy,	77 7 21
" 14. Charles D. Holmes, Westboro, senile debility,	80 7 0
1909.	
Jan. 3. Susan I. Mowry, Worcester, carcinoma,	74 2 18
" 31. Wm. A. Vinal, Portage Lake, Me., consumption,	73 5 6
Births recorded.....	34
Deaths recorded.....	41
Marriage intentions issued.....	26
Marriages recorded.....	31

MORTGAGES RECORDED.

Married woman's certificate.....	1
Chattel mortgages.....	5
Bill of sale.....	1

Dogs licensed.....	191
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June 1—Paid Edward A. Brown, County Treasurer,	\$255.60
Aug. 8—Paid Edward A. Brown, County Treasurer,	\$133.80
Dec. 1—Paid Edward A. Brown, County Treasurer,	5.40
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	\$394.80

JURORS DRAWN.

Walter H. Fiske, Superior Court.....Feb. 19, 1908
Edward C. Lyford, Grand Jury.....Jan. 4, 1909

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

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ASSESSORS' REPORT OF 1908.

Number of horses assessed	278
Cows assessed	358
Neat cattle assessed	87
Swine assessed	64
Dwelling houses	458
Acres of land	12,976
Fowls assessed	6,396

Rate per thousand, \$20.00.

Value of real estate assessed	\$840,998 00
Personal estate assessed	261,810 00
Total valuation of assessed estate	\$1,102,808 00

Tax for State, County and Town purposes including over-layings:

On real estate	\$16,819 96
On personal estate	5,236 20
On Polls	1,108 00
Total	\$23,164 16

Persons assessed on property	600
Persons assessed for poll tax only	314
Number of assessed polls	554
Number of exempted polls	36
State tax for 1908	\$1,815 00
County tax for 1908	1,181 00
Total individual exemptions	34,755 00
Gypsy Moth assessment	36 69

HERBERT M. BUCK,
ALEX BARTON,
FRANK E. LYFORD,
Assessors of Upton.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1905 BOOK.

Due Feb. 2, 1908		\$147 20
Abated by Assessors	\$25 30	
Collected	121 90	
		\$147 20
Interest collected	\$30 26	

1906 BOOK.

Due Feb. 2, 1908		\$2,114 50
Abated by Assessors	\$80 32	
Collected	1,799 63	
Due Feb. 11, 1909	234 55	
		\$2,114 50
Interest collected	\$154 65	

1907 BOOK.

Due Feb. 2, 1908		\$6,559 95
Abated by Assessors	\$15 20	
Collected	4,312 63	
Due Feb. 11, 1909	2,232 12	
		\$6,559 95
Interest collected	\$125 51	

1908 BOOK.

Tax levied		\$23,164 16
Abated by Assessors	\$131 70	
Collected	16,501 96	
Due Feb. 11, 1909	6,530 50	
		\$23,164 16
Interest collected	\$37 29	

H. J. BATCHELOR,
Collector.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FRED W. WOOD, Treasurer,
In account with the TOWN OF UPTON.

DR.	
Cash balance received from Selectmen	\$74 62
Received from Overseers of Poor, on	
account Town Farm	1,457 93
Rent of Town Hall	161 50
Third District Court, fines	7 09
Milford National Bank	8,500 00
Samuel Miller, junk license	5 00
H. F. Pellett, pool license	2 00
James Birmingham, junk license	5 00
Peter McGowan, junk license	5 00
Society Prevention Cruelty to	
Animals	20 00
Walter Brousseau, license	1 00
R. H. Chamberlain, jail keeper,	
Worcester	12 00
G. & U. R. R., excise tax	51 15
State, compensation, inspection of	
animals	33 25
State Treas., corporation tax	661 93
State Treas., National Bank tax	57 95
State Treas., Military Aid, Chap.	
79, R. L.	219 00
State Treas., State Aid, Chap. 79,	
R. L.	2,218 00
State Treas., burial of indigent	
soldiers	107 00
Interest on Dr. Carpenter Fund,	
Library	40 20
State Board of Charity, School tui-	
tion	388 50

Boston City Auditor, school tuition,	34 00
State Superintendency Fund . . .	312 50
Worcester County Dog Fund . . .	351 37
Income Massachusetts School Fund,	868 80
Town of Oxford, for Soldiers Relief,	152 70
Alex Barton, gravel	50
T. J. Harper, stone trough . . .	12 00
Sarah L. Bradish, resetting curb stones	4 00
Bridget Condon, gravel	50
H. J. Batchelor, Collector of Taxes,	23,073 83
G. A. R. Post No. 105, rent of hall,	1 00
Columbia Chapter, O.E.S., rent of G. A. R. hall	10 00
Knowlton school fund	400 00
	————— \$39,249 32

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By cash paid on Selectmen's orders . . .	\$39,083 78
By cash paid Selectmen to balance . . .	165 54
	————— \$39,249 32

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,
Treasurer.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, known as the Knowlton School Fund in trust, with the Town Treasurer as trustee, \$25.00 to be used by the School Committee to defray extraordinary expenses of the Knowlton School Building.

FRED W. WOOD,
Treasurer.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,

Auditor.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Cash paid for Notes and Interest:—	
Treasurer and Receiver General, schoolhouse bond and interest	\$1,040 00
Treasurer and Receiver General, Interest on schoolhouse bonds	360 00
Worcester Co. Institution for Savings, Interest and bond	1,200 00
Worcester Co. Institution for Savings, Interest	432 00
Milford National Bank, money borrowed in anticipation of taxes	8,000 00
Interest	270 00
	————— \$11,302 00
Cash paid State and County tax:—	
Edward A. Brown, County Treasurer, County tax	\$1,181 00
Arthur R. Chapin, Treasurer of the Commonwealth, State tax	1,815 00
	————— \$2,996 00
Cash paid for Town Library:—	
Bills as reported by Treasurer of Trustees	\$460 00
Cash paid for Support of Schools:—	
Bills as reported by School Committee	\$8,854 66
Cash paid for Support of Poor:—	
Bills as reported by Overseers	\$2,793 52
Cash paid for Highways and Bridges:—	
Bills as reported by Highway Surveyors	\$1,999 84
Cash paid for Removing Snow:—	
Bills as reported by Highway Surveyors	\$6 35
Cash paid for Fire Department:—	
Bills as reported by Engineers	\$699 68
Cash paid for Fire Wardens:—	
Bills as reported by Forest Warden	\$477 82

Cash paid for expense of Memorial Day:—	
C. Henry Johnson, Treasurer of G. A. R. Post	\$125 00
Cash paid for Cemeteries:—	
F. W. Wood, Treasurer of Cemetery Commission	\$300 00
Cash paid for Military Aid:—	
Aid to two parties	\$432 00
Cash paid for State Aid:—	
Aid paid various persons	\$2,348 00
Cash paid for Road Scraper:—	
John L. Smith	\$212 90
Cash paid for Cemetery Markers:—	
Albright & Lightcap	\$60 00
Cash paid for Board of Health:—	
Lakeview Press, printing	\$1 75
A. Lamson, supplies	1 40
H. A. Bagley, Nason Horse	1 00
Worcester Hospital, Malvina Maynard	18 57
Charles Farrar, Quarantine	26 25
Harry Jordan, Quarantine	3 00
G. M. Billings, printing	3 50
Town of Grafton, conveying a Maynard child to Hospital	3 00
	—————
	\$58 47
Cash paid for Sidewalks:—	
Alex Barton, labor and team	\$17 62
A. E. King, labor and team	17 62
James Walker, labor	10 75
Frank Wellman, labor	12 13
Wm. F. Wood, labor	11 93
Frank Morse, labor	2 60
James Boland, labor	9 98
M. Murphy, Supt.	17 12
	—————
	\$99 75
Cash paid for Suppression of Gypsp Moth:—	
Bills as reported by Superintendent	\$399 81
Cash paid for North Main Street Sidewalk:—	
Romeo E. Allen, surveyor	\$11 90
L. A. Snow, gravel	3 34
G. H. Stoddard, gravel	1 40
R. E. Aldrich, paving gutters	102 50

A. E. King, labor and team	57 15
Alex Barton, labor and team	54 15
J. H. Martin, labor and team	14 00
J. Boland, labor	29 43
F. Wellman, labor	25 43
J. Walker, labor	28 43
Wm. F. Wood, labor	21 38
P. Dennen, labor	9 28
H. Butler, labor	8 00
M. Murphy, Supt.	38 11
	—————
	\$404 50

Cash paid for Watering Trough:—

J. L. Mott Iron Works	\$129 50
W. G. Fiske, box	1 90
George E. Southland, labor	32 50
George E. Southland, pipe	10 00
C. W. Childs, cups and express	1 50
Alex Barton, labor and team	4 00
J. Walker, labor	10 60
F. Wellman, labor	10 60
D. McNally, labor	4 50
M. Murphy, Supt.	10 00
A. Lamson, supplies	22
G & U. R. R., freight	3 67
Staples & Gould, supplies	24 81
George Bailey, painting	2 50
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	\$246 30

Cash paid for School Physician:—

Edward C. Traver, M.D.	\$15 00
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Cash paid for Soldiers' Relief:—

E. W. Harback	\$53 00
Sarah J. Tenney	48 00
Sarah J. Potter	91 00
E. E. Holbrook	220 00
G. E. Hatch	136 48
George Harback	104 00
George E. Aldrich	25 00
Samuel P. Hall	148 30

John P. Saunders	21 00
C. H. Burnham	73 00
Calvin A. Taft	18 00
Susan Bates	1 80
	—————
	\$939 58

Cash paid for Street Lights:—

L. N. Harper, supplies	\$37 75
Clark Ellis & Sons, oil can	5 50
J. H. Martin, express	75
Thomas F. Moroney, salary	133 36
C. S. Temple, supplies	1 05
A. A. Bowker, supplies	1 85
E. J. Hall, supplies	33 45
George E Southland, repairs	8 00
E. M. Baker, supplies	6 84
Standard Oil Co., supplies	130 15
A. Lamson, supplies	13 07
B. C. Crooker, salary	297 50
B. C. Crooker, repairs	4 00
Clark Sawyer Co., supplies	30 54
	—————
	\$703 81

Cash paid Town Officers:—

George D. Whitney, Cattle Inspector	\$66 50
Alex Barton, Appraiser	3 00
Henry A. Cobbett, Appraiser	3 00
Stedman C. Brown, Appraiser	3 00
Herbert M. Buck, Assessor	75 25
Alex Barton, Assessor	65 00
Frank E. Lyford, Assessor	60 00
Herbert A. Bagley, Constable	11 00
William F. Parshley, Constable	6 00
Israel I. Harper, Constable	6 00
Wilbur W. Goodridge, Constable	6 00
Henry D. Aldrich, Constable	6 00
Roy R. Johnson, Moderator	3 00
Election Officers	54 00
Edward C. Lyford, Selectman and Surveyor	65 00

William H. Miskell, Selectman and Surveyor	40 00
Geo. E. Childs, Selectman and Surveyor	40 00
Francis T. Nelson, Clerk of Selectmen	25 00
Stedman C. Brown, Overseer of Poor	25 00
Dennis T. Fiske, Overseer of Poor	25 00
Frank L. Brewer, Overseer of Poor	25 00
Samuel R. Capen, M.D., Board of Health,	20 00
Edwin B. Houghton, Auditor	25 00
Fred W. Wood, Treasurer	125 00
Francis T. Nelson, Town Clerk	99 15
Board of Registrars	70 00
Henry J. Batchelor, Collector	228 36
Willard L. Wood, Inspector of Meats and Provisions	10 00
Ziba Grandy, Sealer of Weights and Measures	54 41
	—————
	\$1,244 67

Cash paid for Incidentals:—

Milford Journal, print for Collector	\$3 50
Standard Oil, oil for Town Hall	35 53
W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer	44 58
Burial of Levi Bennett	37 00
Milford Journal Co., print official ballots	17 75
A. L. Nason, damage granted by town	25 00
Lakeview Press, printing Town Reports, Sanford, Putnam Co., supplies for Assessors	156 15
Hobbs Warren Co., supplies for Assessors	3 00
F. W. Draper, supplies for Treasurer	11 72
F. L. Brewer, use of team	75
Recording School-house deed	67
J. H. Martin, keys for lockup	2 55
Benj. C. Wood, lumber for reservoir	9 70
W. W. Goodridge, repairs on reservoir	1 70
F. W. Clark, team to Northbridge	1 50
A. H. Bartlett, printing blanks	2 05

A. Pilkington	10 00
H. C. Buck, supplies for Assessors	2 77
E. A. Willard, Insurance	275 88
C. W. Comstock, painting signs	1 30
G. M. Billings, printing Assessor's list	10 00
W. A. Humes, repairs	50
George A. Barnard, repairs on roof Town Hall	394 41
Clark Ellis & Sons, lawn mower	6 50
J. J. Hargraves, ink for Sealer	4 00
Davis Press, supplies for Treasurer	2 25
Burial of Albert Davis	37 00
O. E. Lincoln, repairs on Town Hall	2 00
A. Jackson, repairs on Town Hall	1 28
George I. Aldrich, step-ladder	1 00
Painting Town Clock	20 00
Sanitary repairs, Town Hall	20 28
W. F. Parshley, posting warrants	4 50
Clifford A. Cook, legal advice	7 00
Badge for Sealer	1 65
Est. of E. W. Batchelor, coal for Town Hall	72 50
C. E. Brooks, services as Tree Warden	43 70
C. E. Brooks, setting glass	1 40
G. E. Southland, repairs in Town Hall	1 25
C. W. Childs, express and salt	1 80
L. A. Snow, supplies	2 02
H. D. Aldrich, services at Court	20 90
H. C. Snell, services at Court	9 45
H. A. Bagley, services at Court	45 42
W. F. Parshley, services at Court	4 80
A. Lamson, supplies Town Hall	15 57
G. E. Southland, janitor	36 00
E. M. Baker, supplies	6 35
A. Barton, wood for Town Hall	40 25
A. W. Brownell, printing	5 88
B. C. Crooker, Janitor	90 00
B. C. Crooker, repairs in Town Hall	2 40
B. C. Crooker, care of Common	12 00
G. E. Southland, labor on Waterworks	77 15

Clarence Whiting, labor on Waterworks	8 05
H. Butler, labor on Waterworks	88
J. Walker, labor on Waterworks	2 80
P. Dennen, labor on Waterworks	4 13
G. H. Southland, labor on Waterworks	9 25
G. A. Walker, labor on Waterworks	7 76
H. E. Follett, labor on Waterworks	75
Abstract Co., for Assessors	26 35
J. S. LeSure, Express	8 81
W. G. Fiske, glass	1 95
A Lamson, paint	26 71
George Bailey, painting Town Bldg.	97 99
E. C. Traver, M.D., returning 29 births	7 25
G. Z. Williams, returning 21 deaths	5 25
F. T. Nelson, supplies for Town Clerk for the year	21 42
E. Sadler, stone for a foundation	1 00
C. W. Comstock, care of town clock	6 00
Clark Ellis & Sons, eve trough for town building	9 86
F. W. Wood, supplies for Treasurer	11 10
	————— \$1,904 12
	————— \$39,083 78

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Departments	Appropriations	Income	Total Receipts	Expenditures	Balance
					Unexpended Overdrawn
Notes and Interest.....	\$3,000.00	\$8,500.00	\$11,500.00	\$11,302.00	\$198.00
County Tax.....				1,181.00	
State Tax.....				1,815.00	
Town Library, Carpenter Fund.....	460.00		460.00	460.00	
Support of Schools.....	6,500.00	2,355.17	8,855.17	8,854.66	.51
Support of Poor.....	1,400.00	1,457.93	2,857.93	2,793.52	64.41
Highways.....	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,999.84	.16
Removing Snow.....	200.00		200.00	6.35	193.65
Fire Department.....	700.00		700.00	699.68	.32
Fire Wardens.....	50.00		50.00	477.82	\$427.82
Memorial Day.....	125.00		125.00	125.00	
Cemeteries.....	300.00		300.00	300.00	
Street Lights.....	700.00		700.00	703.81	3.81
Soldiers' Relief.....	1,000.00	152.70	1,152.70	939.58	213.12
Board of Health.....	100.00		100.00	58.47	41.53
School Physician.....	15.00		15.00	15.00	
Sidewalks.....	100.00		100.00	99.75	.25
Sidewalk, North Main St.....	400.00	4.50	404.50	404.50	
Incidentals.....	1,200.00	399.74	1,599.74	1,904.12	304.38
Town Officers.....	1,200.00	33.25	1,233.25	1,244.67	11.42
Military Aid.....	250.00	219.00	469.00	432.00	37.00
State Aid.....	600.00	2,218.00	2,818.00	2,348.00	470.00
Suppress Gypsy Moth.....	400.00	36.93	436.93	399.81	37.12
Road Scraper.....	215.00		215.00	212.90	2.10
Cemetery Lot Markers.....	60.00		60.00	60.00	
Watering Trough.....	300.00		300.00	246.30	53.70

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF UPTON
FEBRUARY 1st, 1909.

LIABILITIES.

Town owes Treasurer and Receiver General, Schoolhouse bonds . . .	\$9,000 00
Town owes Worcester Co. Inst. for Savings, Municipal bonds . . .	9,600 00
Town owes Milford National Bank, Note, . . .	500 00
	————— \$19,100 00

ASSETS.

Due the Town for taxes of 1906 . . .	\$234 55
Due the Town for taxes of 1907 . . .	2,232 12
Due the Town for taxes of 1908 . . .	6,530 50
Due the Town for State Aid . . .	2,348 00
Due the Town for Military Aid . . .	216 00
Due the Town for the burial of two soldiers	74 00
Cash in the hands of Selectmen . . .	165 54
	————— \$11,800 71
Balance against the Town February 1st, 1909,	\$7,299 29
Balance against the Town February 1st, 1908,	9,283 73
Decrease of net debt	1,984 44

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.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDWARD C. LYFORD,
WM. H. MISKELL,
GEO. E. CHILDS,
Selectmen of Upton.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

JURY LIST.

In accordance with chapter 348, Acts of 1907, the Selectmen met and prepared a list of names of persons residing in this town to be placed in the Jury Box for the ensuing year, as follows:—

Aldrich, Theron A., Mechanic St.	Farmer.
Batchelor, Henry J., Hartford Ave.	Farmer.
Barton, Alex, Nelson St.	Farmer.
Boyd, Theophilus F., Williams St.	Provision dealer.
Brooks, Charles E., Pearl St.	Farmer.
Butterfield, George H., Main St.	Box-maker.
Cooley, Matthew, Mendon St.	Straw-worker.
Davenport, Frank E., Maple Ave.	Carpenter.
Davis, Otis H., Elm St.	Farmer.
Despeaux, J. Frank, Hartford Ave.	Hat-packer.
Fiske, Livingstone C., Elm St.	Machinist.
Gorman, Thomas J., Main St.	Box-maker.
Gould, Leslie W., Grove St.	Hat-finisher.
Jencks, Stephen H., School St.	Wood-worker.
Johnson, Charles H., Pearl St.	Hat-blocker.
Lincoln, Oscar E., North Main St.	Carpenter.
Lyford, Edward C., Depot St.	Carpenter.
Lyford, Frank E., Main St.	Carpenter.
Miskell, William H., Mendon St.	Hat-blocker.
Murphy, Michael, Main St.	Hat-blocker.
Nelson, Francis T., Main St.	Hat-packer.
Ormes, Charles A., Taft St.	Hat-blocker.
Shaughnessy, Patrick, Church St.	Hat-packer.
Taft, Orlando F., Taft St.	Farmer.
Taft, Wilbur G., Hopkinton St.	Farmer

Thayer, Orestes S., Prospect St.	Farmer.
Temple, J. Albert, Main St.	Carpenter.
Walker, William H., Main St.	Clerk.
Whitney, Alfred L., Main St.	Hat-blocker.

EDWARD C. LYFORD,
WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
GEORGE E. CHILDS,
Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., Feb. 1, 1909.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Cr. by appropriation	\$2,000 00
Dr. to cash paid by orders on Treasurer	1,999 84
Unexpended balance . . . . .	.16

Cash paid for labor on highways:—

Alex Barton, team and labor	\$396 23
A. E. King, team and labor	359 85
J. H. Martin, team and labor	22 00
James Boland, labor	210 84
James Walker, labor	157 33
Samuel Walker, labor	10 35
Frank Wellman, labor	155 48
Frank Morse, labor	98 75
Wm. F. Wood, labor	152 70
Peter Dennen, labor	7 50
Daniel Warren, labor	1 75
Michael Murphy, Supt.	235 60
F. H. Bowker, labor	1 00
C. W. Childs, labor	1 00
L. D. Childs, labor	2 00
W. L. Wood, labor	7 58
	\$1,819 96

Cash paid for incidentals:—

W. G. Fiske, lumber	17 53
Ross Bros.	10 05
M. Murphy, express	50
Benj. C. Wood, lumber	56 03

L. A. Snow, supplies	5 64
C. W. Childs, express	1 16
George W. Wood, blacksmith	2 65
A. Lamson, paint	6 60
Clark Ellis & Sons,	5 12
P. Shaughnessy's estate, gravel	25
Wm. H. Miskell, gravel	60
J. Bailey, gravel	9 10
George Z. Williams, gravel	8 40
Henry A. Symonds, gravel	1 00
Mrs. Rose Morrison, gravel	45
C. C. Fiske's estate, gravel	90
H. P. Gerald, gravel	25
A. P. Williams, gravel	40
G. & U. R. R. Cō., gravel	26 45
George Jenner, gravel	30
John Viall, gravel	80
Otis C. Lackey, gravel	5 00
Walter F. Partridge, gravel	16 35
Charles Whiting, gravel	3 35
A. P. Lassell, gravel	90
James E. Hildreth, gravel	10
	—————
	\$179 88
	—————
	\$1,999 84

REMOVING SNOW.

Appropriation	\$200 00
Cash paid:—	
Frank W. Clark	\$6 00
Frank H. Russell	35
	—————
	6 35
Unexpended	\$193 65

TOOLS ON HAND FEBRUARY 1, 1909.

- 1 New Road Scraper.
- 1 Old Road Scraper.
- 3 Long-handle Shovels.

- 6 Short-handle Shovels.
- 3 Pickaxes.
- 6 Forks.
- 2 Hoes.
- 2 Iron Bars.
- 2 Chains.
- 3 Long Drills.
- 5 Short Drills.
- 3 Bog Hoes.
- 1 Axe.
- 1 Crosscut Saw.

REPORT OF GUIDE-BOARDS.

- 2 near Box Mill.
- 2 near Fountain.
- 2 near Connelly's Corner.
- 2 near Joshua Aldrich's.
- 1 near Sadler's Bridge.
- 1 near Charles Keniston's.
- 2 near Charles Leland's.
- 1 near Wm. H. Miskell's.
- 1 near Warren Corner.
- 2 near C. F. Kimball's.
- 3 near A. A. Bowker's.
- 2 near E. W. Bradish's.
- 2 near D. W. Whitney's.
- 2 near D. J. Moroney's.
- 1 near W. H. Wellington's.
- 2 near H. P. Gerald's.
- 5 near O. G. Newton's.
- 2 near N. H. Holbrook's.
- 2 near Mrs. D. W. Morse's.
- 1 near Mrs. O'Connoll's.
- 1 near C. H. Johnson's.
- 1 near Waverly Hall.
- 1 near Methodist Church.
- 1 near C. W. Dana's.
- 1 near Mrs. R. Baldwin's.
- 1 near Charles Phipps'.

- 1 near O. F. Taft's.
- 2 near G. H. Evans'.
- 1 near Chamberlain's Market.
- 1 near P. P. Taft's Place.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. LYFORD,
WM. H. MISKELL,
GEO. E. CHILDS,

Highway Surveyors.

I have examined the above account and find it correct.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

LAKEVIEW
CEMETERY COMMISSION.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

To cash, balance last year	\$23 08
Charles Porter (Worcester), lot	10 00
Alfred T. Wood, double lot, care 1907	1 50
Mrs. E. A. Baldwin, double lot, care 1907	1 50
Jas. R. Beck, cash for grass	7 00
George H. Stoddard, lot	5 00
Adin Goldthwaite, double lot, care 1908	1 50
Mrs. Abbie Morse, care 1908	1 00
J. J. Waldron, care 1908	1 00
Mrs. A. Smart, care 1908	1 00
Miss C. Campbell, lot	5 00
Frank Holbrook, care 1907	1 00
Mrs. Josephine Mansfield, care 1908	1 00
Mrs. Josephine Fiske, care 1908	1 00
Mrs. George H. Perry (Worcester), care and repairs	2 50
Mrs. Margaret Rawson, care 1907 and 1908	2 00
B. A. Jourdan, care 1908	1 00
Miss Effie Hill, two lots, care 1908,	2 00
Fred Luzerne, care 1908	1 00
Miss Margaret Lavin, care 1908	1 00
Myron Clafin, repairs on lot	6 00
Mrs. Eugene Wallace, care 1908	1 00

Mrs. Eva Holbrook, care 1907 and 1908	2 00
Frank D. Holbrook, care 1907 and 1908	2 00
W. B. Keith, care 1908	1 00
Miss Marion King, Davis King lot, care 1908	1 00
Fred W. Wood, double lot, care 1908	1 50
Mrs. Mary Whitney, care 1908 . . .	1 00
William Fisher, repairs on lot . . .	2 00
J. H. Brooks, repairs on lot	50
C. F. Clark (Worcester), care 1908, .	1 00
S. Aldrich (Worcester), care 1908 . .	2 00
E. F. Aldrich, care 1908	1 00
John Tuttle, care 1908	1 00
Albert Pierce, care 1908	1 50
Town of Upton, town appropria- tion	300 00
Mrs. Margaret Rawson, repairs on Spencer lot	6 00
J. J. Kittridge (Worcester), founda- tion	4 50
John W. Alexander, care 1908 . . .	1 00
Lydia Chamberlain, care 1908 . . .	1 00
Martin C. Donnelly, care 1907 and 1908	2 00
F. E. Green (Norwich, Conn.), care 1908	1 00
A. D. Forbush, repairs on lot . . .	10 90
I. E. H. Pierce Estate, care and repairs	7 00
John W. Kittridge, foundation . . .	6 40
Worcester County Institution for Savings, Int. on legacies	119 40
Town of Upton, special appropria- tion, markers	60 00
Mrs. A. P. Taft, care 1908	1 00
Mrs. Ida Wood, repairs on lot . . .	6 00
Mrs. Mathew Cooley, care 1908 . . .	1 00

Joseph Martin, grass	. . .	10 00
Mrs. David Brown, care 1908	. .	1 00
Joseph Page, lot	. . .	5 00
A. L. Struthers, lot	. . .	10 00
A. J. Struthers, lot	. . .	10 00
W. N. Struthers, lot	. . .	5 00
Mrs. Edwin Nelson, care 1908	. .	1 00
A. C. Kinney, foundation	. .	15 60
Miss Mary Dwyer, double lot, care		
1908	. . . .	1 50
Sarah J. Batchelor, care 1908	. .	1 00
Frank Bannister, lot	. . .	5 00
Nelson Hagar, repairs on lot	. .	7 00
Mrs. George W. Wood, care and		
repairs on lot	. . . .	8 00
Logan & Judge, foundation	. .	6 40
Dolly Walker, care 1908	. .	1 00
Mrs. Jas. LeSure, care of Kent lot,		1 00
Mrs. Gertrude Rogers, foundation,		4 00
Anne Chamberlain, care 1908	. .	1 00
Mrs. Ellen O'Connell, care 1908	. .	1 00
Henry Rogers, care 1908	. .	1 00
John Viall, care 1908	. .	1 00
Miss Sarah Bradish, care 1908	. .	1 00
Miss Grace Hatch, care 1908	. .	1 00
Mrs. Benj. F. Crooker, care 1908	. .	1 00
Mrs. L. C. Fiske, care 1908	. .	1 00
George F. White, care 1908	. .	1 00
Mrs. Moses Eames, care 1908	. .	1 00
Jas. Connolly, care 1908	. .	1 00
Emma Wood, care 1908	. .	1 00
Mrs. Milton Ruggles, care 1908	. .	1 00
Samuel Temple, care 1908	. .	1 00
Herbert A. Bagley, care of lot 1904,		
1905, 1906, 1907, 1908	. . . .	5 00
George Salisbury, care 1908	. .	1 00
A. A. Ballou, care 1908	. . .	1 00
Mrs. F. E. Green (Norwich, Conn.),		
repairs	. . . .	1 00

Mrs. E. F. Aldrich, care and flowers,	
1908	2 00
Clarence Church, care 1908	1 00
Miss Annie Freeman, care 1906,	
1907, 1908	3 00
Jane Rockwood, care 1908	1 00
Emily Cahoon, care 1908	1 00
Anna Davis, care 1908	1 00
Samuel Willis, care 1908	1 00
Felix Kearnan, lot	5 00
Mrs. Marion (Colby) Button, care	
1908	1 00
Mrs. Ursula Taylor, care 1908	1 00
William Davenport, care 1908	1 00
Wm. H. Walker, care and repairs,	
1908	3 00
Sarah J. Hall, two lots, care 1908,	2 00
Francis T. Nelson, care 1908	1 00
E. T. Hall, double lot, care 1908	1 50
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	\$761 78

Cr.

By cash paid James Walker, labor	\$6 50
W. P. Grandy, labor	15 65
Alex Pilkington, labor	13 50
G. & U. R. R., freight on markers,	16 00
William Fisher, labor	3 75
John Wrenn, labor	5 25
H. O. Harrington, flowers	4 61
Arthur Lamson, paint and oil	4 41
Alex Barton, labor with team	56 90
Davis Press (Worcester), printing	5 00
C. M. Wood, labor and team	2 00
Allbright & Lightcap, markers for lots	91 25
C. M. Wood, stationary and postage,	3 75
George W. Wood, blacksmithing	1 05
Harrington, King & Co., duck (canvas)	9 60
C. W. Childs, cement and express,	4 90

C. H. Rogers, labor	166 65
James R. Beck, labor	301 80
L. A. Snow, seed and fertilizer	26 17
G. D. Richardson, supplies	24
Fred W. Wood, rubber stamps, stationery and express	6 10
C. M. Wood, services as secretary	10 00
Jas. R. Beck, flowers	6 62
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	\$761 70
Cash balance on hand	08
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	\$761 78

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,
Treasurer.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

LEGACIES.

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

Alfred Whitney and Mrs. Walter B.	
Clapp for Sylvester Whitney fund	\$60 00
Mrs. Lucy Gould, fund	50 00
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
S. B. Fiske, by will	50 00
Nahum W Holbrook, fund	50 00
Susan M. Mason, fund	100 00
Anna L. Plummer, Hale lot fund	100 00
Maria B. Aldrich, Clark Aldrich and John Sadler, by will	100 00
Sylvanus B. Aldrich, fund	100 00
Col. Elijah Stoddard, fund	100 00
Joseph T. McFarland, fund	100 00
Mrs. Joseph Taft, fund	50 00
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	\$3,085 00

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,

Treasurer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1909.

H. M. Buck, services as engineer	\$10 00
J. F. Despeaux, services as engineer	10 00
Alvrado Henry, services as engineer	10 00
William Wrenn, salary of Steamer Co. No. 3	139 16
Arthur Titus, salary of Hook and Ladder Co.	116 57
Geo. E. Southland, services as engineer of steamer	30 00
Frank E. Wellman, asst. engineer of steamer from May 1, 1907, to May 1, 1908	40 00
Fred Whitney, steward of Hook and Ladder Co.	12 00
G. D. Richardson, oil and supplies	3 80
H. M. Buck, express	90
A. Henry, 2 wrenches and supplies	3 15
Leon D. Childs, labor	10 00
Geo. E. Southland, chimney fires and labor	11 00
Alex Barton, wood and team to fire of 21st	9 50
Mrs. Carrie S. Wood (Boston), rent for 38 months	38 00
E. M. Baker, Jr., supplies	79
L. A. Snow, supplies	65
Chas W. Childs, express	1 60
J. B. DeShazo, State Inspector of Boil- ers	5 00

H. K. Barnes (Boston), supplies	2 25
Arthur Lamson, supplies	3 24
Adams Express Co., express	1 00
John F. Damon, repairs on eight extinguishers and engine and supplies,	47 98
W. G. Fisk, cylinder oil and supplies	1 85
Geo. A. Walker, ring fire alarm Oct. 21	1 00
O. E. Donnelly, supplies	1 90
Eli W. Batchelor Estate, 2 tons of stove coal	14 50
Joseph H. Martin, team, fire of Oct. 21	2 00
Eben T. Hall, coal hod	33
Benj. C. Crocker, labor at chimney fire, care of rooms and services as asst. engineer, May 1, 1908, to Feb. 1909,	64 00
Frank Wellman, engineer of steamer from May 1, 1908, to Feb. 1, 1909,	90 00
Mary J. Brown, rent for handtub	10 00
William Knowlton & Sons, one ton of coal	7 50
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	\$699 68
Number of chimney fires for the year	10
General alarms	1
Total expenses for year ending Jan. 31, 1909,	\$699 68

ALVRADO HENRY,
J. FRANK DESPEAUX,
HERBERT M. BUCK,
Board of Engineers.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN.

Number of forest fires for the year	19
Amount for teams, labor and supplies for 8 fires in April	\$237 40

Amount for teams, labor and supplies for	
4 fires in May	194 90
Amount for teams, labor and supplies for	
7 fires in October	45 52

Appropriation	\$477 82
Overdrawn	\$50 00
	\$427 82

ALVRADO HENRY,
Forest Warden.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

From Nov. 1st, 1908, to February 1st, 1909.

Upton, February 1st, 1909.

Number of neat cattle inspected	540
Number of cattle quarantined	2
Number killed by order cattle bureau	2
Number of swine inspected	175

O. F. TAFT,
Inspector.

TOWN LIBRARY.

TOWN LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

Cash on hand April 1, 1908	\$9 72
Rec'd. by Selectmen's pay-roll orders	460 00
For fines and catalogues	5 48
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	\$475 20

Cr.

Paid Davis & Banister, books	\$59 61
The Pilgrim Press, books	20 74
Denholm & McKay Co., books for Carpenter alcove	64 00
Denholm & McKay Co., books	30 81
Wm. H. Guild & Co., magazines	23 75
The Outlook	2 00
Funk & Wagnalls, books	19 80
Preston, Rounds & Co., books	10 52
J. B. Townley, binding books	27 10
Carl G. Horst, book on Hymn- ology	6 00
G. E. Southland, janitor, etc.	10 50
W. G. Fiske, shelves, etc.	6 63
Arthur Lamson, varnish, etc.	87
Edgar V. Stone, cleaning library	5 25
B. C. Crooker, janitor	20 00
Globe Gas Light Co., lamp globes, Avery & Woodbury Co., window shades, etc.	2 80
	10 82
Library bureau cards	3 00
J. H. Martin, express	2 50
Adams Express Co., express	2 65

W. W. Goodridge, repairs	75
Mrs. L. C. Sadler, services as librarian	125 00
Mrs. L. C. Sadler, extra labor . .	9 16
Mrs. L. C. Sadler, library expenses,	6 58
	—————
	\$470 84
Balance, cash in Treasurer's hands,	\$4 36

JOHN B. FAY,
Treasurer of Town Library.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

Upton, Mass., Feb'y 3, 1909.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of Upton Town Library:

The Librarian herewith submits the following annual report for the Library year ending July 1st, 1908.

After the annual inspection the library was reopened July 27, 1907.

The accession number at close of year, was 5,419 volumes. The usual number of books have been added to the "Dr. Carpenter Alcove," which consists of "biography," "history," "juvenile," "fiction" and "non-fiction", and all of the monthly magazines.

There was loaned from the library during the year, 9,567 volumes, of these, 6,067 were circulated on Saturdays.

There were ninety-nine library days, and the largest weekly circulation was 211 volumes, and the smallest, 11 volumes.

Books rebound, sixty-eight volumes.

From the following classes were loaned: in Fiction, 5782 vols.; Fiction, 2,523; Travel, 39 vols.; History, 121 vols.; Literature, 130 vols.; monthly magazines, 557 copies.

INDIVIDUAL GIFTS TO LIBRARY.

From Williams, A. P.—Oppenheim, Phillip, "The Great Secret;"
 McLaws, Lafayette, "The Welding;" Steiner, Edward A.,
 "The Mediator."
 From Aldrich, Hon. S. N.—"Biographies and Portraits;" Queen
 of the Drama V. 1. Queen of Song V. 2.

GIFTS OF PAMPHLETS, BOOKS, REPORTS, ETC., ETC.

Smithsonian Institute, Birds of North and Middle America, V.
 58-9.
 Smithsonian Institute, Bulletin, No. 50.
 United States, National Museum, V. 32, 1907.
 Department Mass. G. A. R., 1908.
 History 15th Regiment of Infantry M. V. M., late War of
 Rebellion.
 70th annual report of Board of Education, 1905-'06.
 71st annual report of Board of Education, 1906-'07.
 21st annual report of Interstate Commerce, 1907.
 Capitalization and estimated value of American Railways.
 Journal of House of Representatives, 1907.
 Trial of Tucker.
 26th annual report, Board Trustees of Soldiers' Home in Mass-
 achusetts, at Chelsea, Vital records to 1850, 12 vols.

LAURA C. SADLER,

Librarian.

Upton, Mass., Feb. 1, 1908.

THE FOLLOWING BOOKS HAVE BEEN ADDED:

MAGAZINES, BOUND.

051 H32. Harper's Monthly Magazine, June, 1850.—May,
 1908, V. 1—116.
 051 C33. Century's Illustrated Magazine, Nov., 1881—
 April, 1908, V, 1-53.
 051. New England Magazine, Sept. 1889—Feb. 1907,
 V. 1-36.

REFERENCE.

912. Harbor and Land Commission. *Atlas of the boundaries of the city of Worcester, and towns in Worcester County.*

PHILOSOPHY.

133 H22. Harland, Marion. *Where Ghosts walk. The haunts of familiar characters in History and Literature.*

RELIGION.

218 L82. Lodge, Sir Oliver, *Science and Immortality.*
 233 J76. Jordan, David Starr, *Human Harvest, Study of the decay of Races, through the survival of the unfit.*
 245 J94. Julian, John. *Dictionary of Hymnology.*
 246 J23. Jameson, Anna. *Sacred and Legendary Art, 2v.*
 260 C87. Crooker, Joseph Henry. *The Church of Today.*

NATURAL SCIENCE.

520 Ser7. Serviss, Garett P. *Astronomy with the naked eye.*
 523 L96. Lowell, Percival. *Mars, as the abode of Life.*
 551 H87. Hornaday, William T. *Camp-fires on Desert and Lava.*
 55 Sin66. Singleton, Esther. *Wonders of nature, as seen and described by famous writers.*

USEFUL ARTS.

625 F13c. Fagan, J. O. *Confessions of a railroad signal man.*
 630 B79. Butterfield, Kenyon L. *Chapters in Rural progress.*
 639 Sp3. Spears, John R. *Story of New England Whalers.*

FINE ARTS.

726 Sin66. Singleton, Esther. *Turrets, Towers, and Temples. Great buildings of the world.*

LITERATURE.

811 R212Ib. Raymond, George Lansing. Ballads and other Poems.
 811 R212L. Life in song.
 812 R212a. Aztec God, and other drama.
 814 B43a. Benson, Arthur C. At Large.
 814 C88b. Crothers, Samuel Mehoid. By the Christmas Fire.
 824 L17t. Lamb, Charles and Mary. Tales from Shakespeare.
 824 M22. Maclaren Jan. St. Jude's.

TRAVEL.

910 W65. Wilder, Marshall P. Smiling 'Round the World.
 914 M95. Murphy, Thos. D. British Highways and Byways from a motor car.
 914.2 W24. Warner, Anna. Seeing England with Uncle John.
 915.2 L12. Ladd, George Trumbull. In Korea with Marquis Ito.
 915.6 V280. Van Dyke, Henry. Out-of-doors in the Holy Land.

COLLECTED BIOGRAPHY.

920 B99. Byington, Ezra Hoyt. Puritan in England and New England.
 920 D79. Draper, William F. Recollections of a varied career.
 920.7 St42d. Stephen, Robert N. "Biographies and Portraits." Queen of the Drama, v. 1.
 920.7 St42s. Queen of Song, v. 2.

BIOGRAPHY.

B H832. Howard, Oliver Otis. Autobiography, v. 2.
 B L63R. Lincoln, Abraham. Master of Men, Rothschild, Alonzo.
 B L63T. Lincoln, Abraham. Tarbell, Ida M. 2 v.
 B P18P. Palmer, Alice Freeman. Palmer, George H.

GENEALOGY.

929 D86. Dudley, Mass. Vital records, to 1850.
 929 E2. Essex, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 H78. Hamilton, Mass. Vital records, to 1850.
 929 H72. Holliston, Mass. Vital records, to 1850.
 929 M33. Marblehead, Mass. Vital records, to 1850, v. 3.

HISTORY.

944 W59. Whiting, Lillian. Paris, The beautiful.
 945 W59. Italy. The magic land.
 946 H836. Howe, Maud. Sun and shadow in Spain.
 973 C77. Coolidge, Archibald Cary. United States as a world power.
 973 Sin66. Singleton, Esther. Historic Landmarks of America, as seen and described by famous writers.
 974.A J23. James, George Wharton. Through Romana's country.
 979 J62. Johnson, Clifton. Highways and Byways of the Pacific Coast.

FICTION.

B 36 b. Beach, Rex E. Barriers.
 B 51 w. Bindloss, Harold. Winston of the Prairie.
 B 582 s. Blake, Katherine Evans. Stuff of a man.
 B 642 p. Booth, Edward C. Post-Girl.
 B 72 b. Brand, Capt. Jack. By wild waves tossed.
 B 74 v. Brebner, Percy. Vayenne.
 B 81 r. Brown, Alice. Rose, Macleoid.
 B 934 j. Burnham, Clara Louise. Jewel; chapter in her life.
 B 952 t. Burton, Richard. Three of a kind.
 C11 k. Cable, George Washington. Kincaid's battery.
 C 35 f. Chambers, Robert W. Firing line.
 C 35t. Tree of Heaven.
 C 47m. Churchill, Winston. Mr. Crewe's Career.
 C 73j. Comstock, Harriet T. Janet of the Dunes.
 C 97w. Cutting, Mary Stewart. Wayfarers.

D- 33k. Day, Holman. King Spruce.
 D 37 r. Deland, Margaret. R. J's. Mother, and some other people.
 D 44 g. De La Pasture, Mrs. Henry. Grey Knight.
 D 71 L. Donworth, Grace. Letters of Jennie Allen, to her friend, Miss Musgrove.
 D 741h. Doubleday, Romen. Hemlock Avenue Mystery.
 El 52 f. Ellis Elizabeth. Fair Moon of Bath.
 F 83 t. Fox, John, Jr. Trail of the Lonesome Pine.
 G 17 p. Gardenhire, Samuel M. Purple and Homespun.
 G 18l. Garland, Hamlin. Long Trail.
 G 37a. Gilbert, Nelson Rust. Affair at Pine Court.
 G 46a. Glasgow, Ellen. Ancient Law.
 G 92h. Grundy-Barnes, Mabel. Hilary on her own.
 H 170 o. Hamblen, Herbert Elliott. On many seas.
 Is 3l. Isham, Frederick S. Lady of the mount.
 J 64l. Johnston, Mary. Lewis, Rand.
 L 632c. Lincoln, Joseph C. Cy Whittaker's place.
 L 632m. Mr. Pratt.
 L 792s. Locke, William J. Septimus.
 L 84 i. London, Jack. Iron Heel.
 M 134m. McCutcheon, George Barr. Man from Brodney's.
 M 17 h. McGrath, Harold. Half a rogue.
 M 17l. Lure of the Mask.
 M 221w. McLaw, Lafayette. Welding.
 M 696r. Mitchell, S. Weir. Red City.
 M 89a. Muhlbach, Luise. Andreas Hofer.
 M 89 b. Berlin and sans-souci or, Frederick The Great, and his friends.
 M 89 d. Daughter of an Empress.
 M 89 e. Empress Josephine.
 M 89 fc. Frederick the Great and His Court.
 M 89 ff. Frederick the Great and His Family.
 M 89 g. Goethe and Schiller.
 M 89 h. Henry the eight and His Court.
 M 89 j. Joseph the second, and His Court.
 M 89 l. Louisa of Prussia, and Her Times.
 M 89 ma. Marie Antoinette, and her son.
 M 89 me. Merchant of Berlin.
 M 89 mo. Mohammed Ali and his house.

M 89 n. Napoleon and Blucher.
 M 89 nq. Napoleon and the Queen of Prussia.
 M 89o. Old Fitz, and the New Era.
 M 89 p. Prince Eugene, and his times.
 M 89 q. Queen Hortense.
 N 52 r. Nicholson, Meredith. Rosalind at Redgate.
 Op 4a. Oppenheim, E. Phillips. Avenger.
 Op 4g. Great Secret.
 Op 4l. Long Arm of Maninster.
 P 18 b. Palmer, Frederick. Big Fellow.
 P 24l. Parrish, Randall. Last voyage of the Donna
 Isabel.
 P 24 w. Prisoners, of chance.
 P 542f. Phillips, David Graham. Fashionable Advent-
 ures of Joshua Craig.
 R 47e. Rinehart, Mary Roberts. Circular Staircase.
 R 562c. Robins, Elizabeth. Come and find me.
 R 672u. Root, Edward Chary. Unseen jury.
 St 32m. Steinee, Edward. A Mediator.
 Sm 5p. Smith, Hopkinson F. Peter.
 T 17gu. Tarkington, Booth. Guest of Quesnay.
 T 58d. Thompkins, Juliet Wilber. Dr. Ellen.
 V 27b. Vance, Louis Joseph. Black bag.
 V 91b. Varse, Mary Heaton. Breaking in of a yacht-
 man's wife.
 W 252l. Warren, Maude Radford. Land of the Living.
 W 586r. White, Stewart. Edward, Riverman.
 W 588f. White, Fred M. Five Knots.
 W 63a. Wiggin, Kate Douglas. Affair at the Inn.
 W 65s. Wilkins, Mary E. Shoulders of Atlas.
 W 67ch. Williamson, C. N. and A. M. Chaperon.
 W 93s. Wright, Harold Bell. Shepherd of the Hills.
 W93t. That Printer of Udell's.

JUVENILE WORKS.

j790 Ad1. Adams, Joseph H. Harper's indoor book for boys.
 j790 H14. Hall, A. Meely. Boy Craftsman.

j BIOGRAPHY.

jb L63m. Lincoln, Abraham. The boy and the man. Morgan, James.

COLLECTED BIOGRAPHY.

j920 H832. Howard, Oliver Otis, U. S. Army. Famous Indian chiefs I have known.

JUVENILE FICTION.

jb23for. Barbour, Ralph Henry. Forward Pass.
 jb41k. Bell, Adelaze Fuller. King's Rubies.
 jb792h. Brooks, Louise. Heidi.
 jb812g. Browne, Frances. Granny's Wonderful Chair.
 jb84c. Bryce, Catherine T. Child-Lore, dramatic reader.
 jb93c. Burnett, Frances Hodgson. Cozy Lion.
 jb93g. Good Wolfe.
 jb93sp. Spring Cleaning.
 jc15s. Camp, Walter. Substitute, foot ball story.
 jc24b. Carter, M. H. Bear stories.
 jc24c. Cat stories.
 jc77t. Cooke, Edmund Vance. Told to the Little Tots.
 jd37mi. Deland, Ellen Douglass. Miss Betty of New York.
 jd86g. Dudley, A. T. Great Year.
 jg32t. Gerry, Margarita Spaulding. Toy shop.
 jg91s. Grover, Eulalie Osgood. Sunbonnet, Babies book.
 jh121l. Haines, Alice Calhoun. Luck of the Dudley Grav-
 hams.
 jh18n. Hamlin, Myra Sawyer. Nan's Chicago Children.
 jh87ff. Hornibrook, Isabel. From Keel to Kite.
 jj621a. Johnston, Annie Fellows. Little Colonel in
 Arizona.
 jj621bs. Little Colonel at Boarding School.
 jj621ch. Little Colonel's Hero.
 jj621eo. Little Colonel's Holidays.
 jj621ev. Little Colonel's Christmas Vacation.
 jj621hp. Little Colonel's House Party.
 jj621k. Little Colonel's Knight Comes Riding.
 jj621m. Little Colonel's Maid of Honor.

jJ621ma. Little Colonel's Chum, Mary Ware.
 jJ621s. Little Colonel Stories.
 jJ62w. Johnson, Hugh S. Williams of West Point.
 jM29w. Malone, Paul B. West Point Cadet.
 jM61k. Miller, Olive Thorne. Kristy's Queen Christmas.
 jM763a. Montgomery, L. M. Anne of Green Gables.
 jM91p. Mulets, Lenore Elizabeth. Philli's Field Friends.
 jN44h. Newell, Peter. Hole Book.
 jOt4c. Otis, James. Cruise of the Phoebe; story of lobster buying.
 jOt4w. Wreck of the "Ocean Queen."
 jP74o. Plympton, A. G. Old home day at Hazeltown.
 jP28m. Potter, Beatrix. Mrs. Tiggy Winkle.
 jP82r. Roly-Poly Pudding.
 jP82t. Tale of Jemima Puddle-Duck.
 jP82ta. Tailor of Gloucester.
 jP82to. Tom Kitten, Tale of
 jR21j. Ray, Anna Chapin. Janet; Her Winter in Quebec.
 jR213bra. Raymond, Evelyn. Brass bound box.
 jSilfb. Sidney, Margaret. Five little peppers, in The little brown house.
 jSt21c. Standish, Winn. Captain Jack Lorimer.
 jSt21ja. Jack Lorimer's Holidays.
 jSt47y. Stevenson, Burton E. Young train dispatcher.
 jT49er. Tomlinson, Everett T. Cruising on the St. Lawrence.
 jT75s. Trowbridge, John. Story of a Wireless Telegraph Boy.
 jW11lf. Wade, Mary Hazelton. Indian fairy tales.
 jW51r. Wesselhoeft, Lily F. Rover, the farm dog.

REPORT OF APPRAISERS

We, the undersigned Appraisers of Town Farm and personal property thereon, hereby certify that we met at said Farm, on the first day of February, 1909, and beg leave to submit the following report:—

3 horses	.	.	.	.	.	\$250 00
10 cows	.	.	.	.	.	450 00
1 yearling heifer	.	.	.	.	.	20 00
1 calf	.	.	.	.	.	12 00
1 bull	.	.	.	.	.	35 00
3 tons English hay	.	.	.	.	.	54 00
3 tons meadow hay	.	.	.	.	.	25 00
3½ tons swail hay	.	.	.	.	.	42 00
1400 hundred rye straw	.	.	.	.	.	13 50
1 ton oat fodder	.	.	.	.	.	12 00
¾ ton corn fodder	.	.	.	.	.	7 50
¾ ton hungarian hay	.	.	.	.	.	11 50
1970 grain	.	.	.	.	.	33 45
4 bu. pop corn (ears)	.	.	.	.	.	8 00
3 bu. field corn seed	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
2 bu. sweet corn (seed)	.	.	.	.	.	4 00
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
90 fowls	.	.	.	.	.	70 00
6 pigs	.	.	.	.	.	18 00
1 breeding sow	.	.	.	.	.	15 00
28 cords (small) cut wood	.	.	.	.	.	140 00
2½ cords chestnut wood	.	.	.	.	.	7 50
7½ cords hard wood	.	.	.	.	.	37 50
4½ cords furnace wood	.	.	.	.	.	18 00
Wagons and carts	.	.	.	.	.	250 00
Harnesses	.	.	.	.	.	25 00
Farming tools	.	.	.	.	.	275 00
Sleigh and pung	.	.	.	.	.	15 00

2 fire extinguishers	16 00
Tobacco	1 00
Provisions	45 00
55 bu. potatoes	46 75
9 bu. small potatoes	2 25
Vegetables	5 00
175 pounds pork	22 00
143 gal. vinegar	21 50
Crockery	20 00
Cooking utensils	25 00
Towels and linen	6 50
Kitchen furniture	97 00
Dining room furniture	20 00
Sitting room furniture	15 00
Furniture in attic	10 00
Bath room furniture	5 00
Furnishings of sleeping rooms	145 00
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	\$2,386 95
Total personal	\$2,386 95
Farm and buildings	5,000 00
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Total appraised, February 1, 1909 . . .	\$7,386 95
Farm, as appraised Feb 1, 1908 . . .	\$5,000 00
Personal property, Feb. 1, 1908 . . .	2,315 00
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Increase in valuation, Feb. 1, 1909 . . .	\$71 95

H. A. COBBETT,
 ALEX BARTON,
 GEORGE Z. WILLIAMS,
Appraisers of Town Farm.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR

EXPENSES AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1st, 1909.

To cash paid:—

Superintendent	.	.	.	\$400 00
Labor in house	.	.	.	114 00
Labor on farm	.	.	.	153 00
Labor on ice	.	.	.	11 55
Groceries	.	.	.	370 36
Meat and fish	.	.	.	198 17
Clothing and shoes	.	.	.	40 33
Dry goods	.	.	.	33 84
Drugs and tobacco	.	.	.	34 07
Grain	.	.	.	712 99
Hay	.	.	.	30 00
Soap	.	.	.	18 75
Sundries	.	.	.	29 17
Seeds and tools	.	.	.	44 79
Blacksmithing	.	.	.	25 85
Hardware	.	.	.	24 49
Medical aid	.	.	.	3 50
Fowls	.	.	.	23 25
Fertilizer	.	.	.	33 50
Exchanging cows	.	.	.	15 00
Repairs on buildings	.	.	.	83 37
				\$2,399 98

EXPENSES AWAY FROM THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1st, 1909.

Jessie B. Leonard for the town of Sutton	.	.	.	\$65 00
Edna French for the town of Mendon,				81 17
A. W. Perham for the town of Milford,				20 50
John King, for the town of Milford	.	.	.	6 00
Sarah J. Potter, for the town of Grafton,				36 82

Clara A. West, for the city of Boston	23 94
Thomas St. Thomas for the State	5 00
Town of Grafton for Maynard family	85 60
Town of Grafton for burial of Maynard child	15 00
Elizabeth Warren, for aid	37 00
J. William Bowker, for milk	2 20
	—————
	\$378 23

RECEIPTS AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR END-
ING FEBRUARY 1st, 1909.

Milk sold	\$879 44
Cows and calves	111 15
Eggs	25 20
Services of bull	22 00
Poultry	39 00
Board for C H. Burnham and son	45 00
Vegetables	11 36
Rye	6 00
Rye straw	2 35
Bags	2 00
Tobacco	85
Use of corn planter	50
Labor with team	4 00
Premium money	5 50
	—————
	\$1,154 35

RECEIPTS AWAY FROM TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING FEBRUARY 1st, 1909.

Received from town of Mendon	\$84 17
Town of Milford	54 54
Town of Sutton	52 34
Town of Millis	28 00
Town of Hopkinton	7 50
From State	37 78
From city of Boston	23 94
	—————
	\$288 27

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

Received from the farm	\$1,154 35
Received away from farm	288 27
Appropriation	1,400 00
	————— \$2,842 62
Expenses at the farm	\$2,399 98
Expenses away from farm	378 23
Balance in hands of treasurer	64 41
	————— \$2,842 62

Due the town in account with the:

City of Boston	\$83 50
State	5 00
Town of Grafton	36 51
Town of Sutton	32 50
Town of Milford	20 00
Town of Mendon	5 50
J. William Bowker	14 20
Selectmen of Upton	7 00
	————— \$204 21

NAMES OF PERSONS SUPPORTED AT THE TOWN FARM
FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1st, 1909.

Geo. H. Clapp, superintendent	52 2-7 weeks.
Mrs. Geo. H. Clapp, matron	52 2-7 weeks.
Dorothy Clapp, superintendent's child	42 2-7 weeks.
Geo. H. Fisk, inmate	52 2-7 weeks.
Alonzo Fisk, inmate	52 2-7 weeks.
Dennis Garry, inmate	52 2-7 weeks.
Fred H. Harback, inmate	33 weeks.
John King, inmate	4 weeks.
C. H. Burnham, boarder	11 weeks.
George Burnham, boarder	5 weeks.
J. William Bowker, boarder	4 weeks.
Laborers at farm	116 4-7 weeks.

STEDMAN C. BROWN,
FRANK L. BREWER,
DENNIS T. FISKE,

Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF THE LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT

Report of the local superintendent for suppressing the gypsy and brown tail moths in the town of Upton for the year ending February 1, 1909.

Appropriation	\$400 00
Due the town from property owners	36 93
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Paid George H. Evans for labor	\$230 84
Supplies	1 80
Express	65
Filing saws	30
Car fare and expenses to field day,	3 78
Postage	24
C. L. Goodrich for labor	121 86
Use of horse	24 40
Supplies	1 05
Burlap and twine	5 29
Printing notices	1 35
Francis T. Nelson for sending notices and stationary	8 25
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	399 81

Tools on hand:—

- 2 pair pruning shears.
- 2 bill hooks.
- 2 axes.
- 2 saws.
- 2 hunter's axes.
- 1 pair tinner's snips.
- 2 tree scrapers.
- 1 12-foot Waters pruner.
- 4 lbs. tacks.
- 2 gallons coal tar.

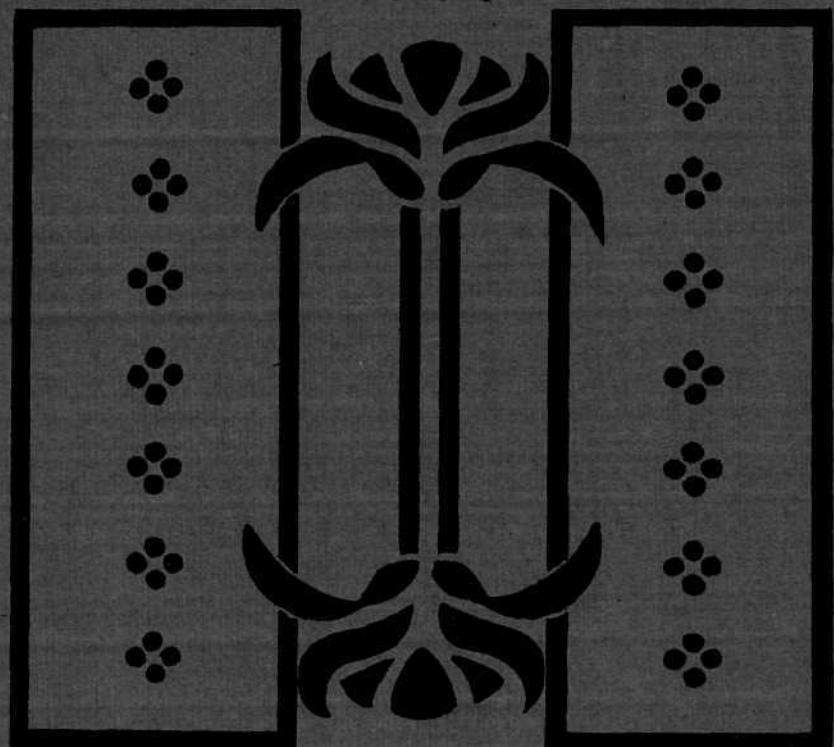
Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. EVANS,
Local Superintendent.
EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Auditor.

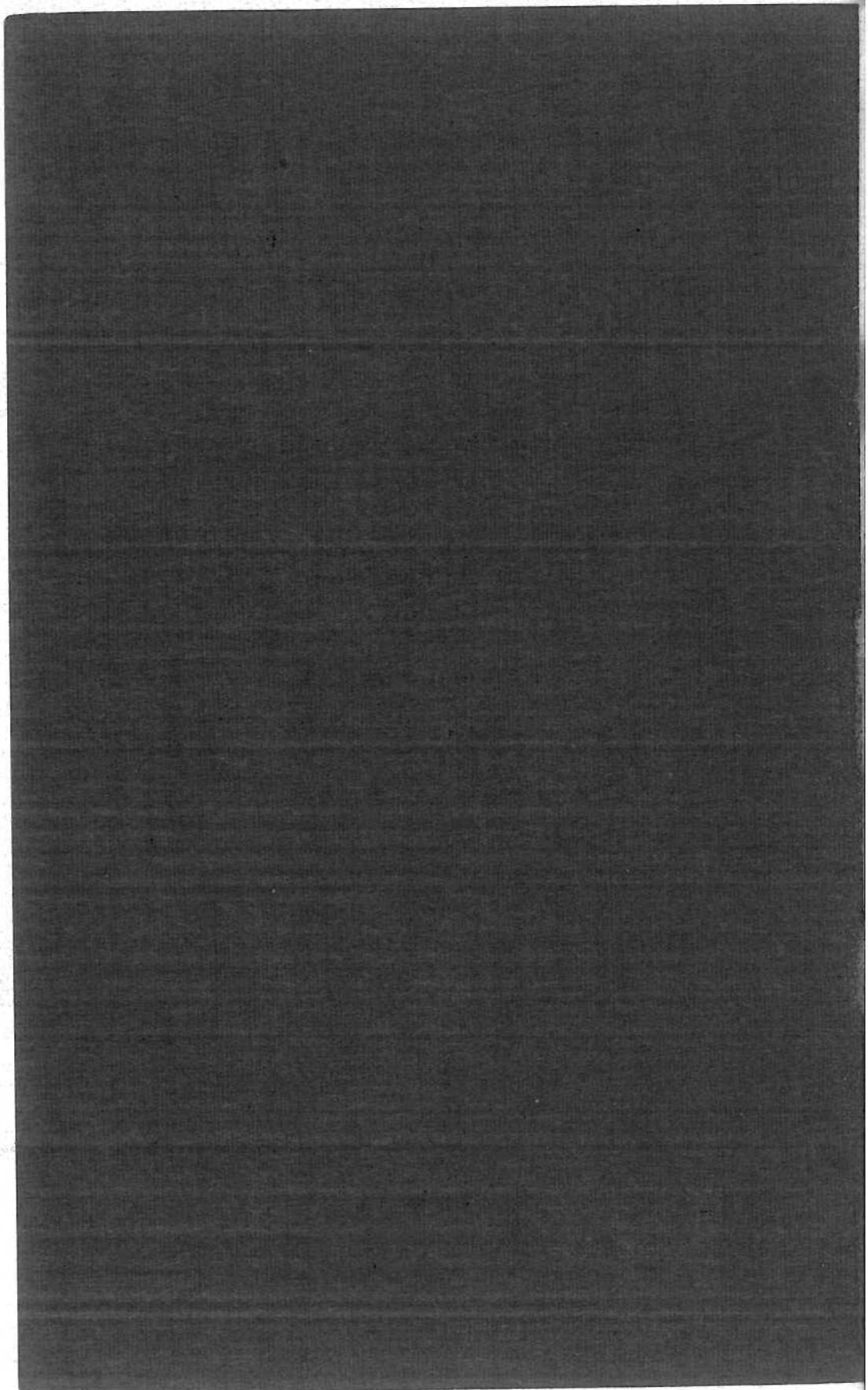
Public Schools

Apton
Massachusetts

1908



Designed by GLADYS JACOBS, Grade VIII.



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
OF THE
TOWN OF UPTON

For the One Hundred and Seventy-Fourth Municipal
Year Ending February 1, 1909



1909
Belisle Printing and Publishing Co.,
Worcester, Mass.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

February 2, 1909.

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, MASSACHUSETTS

FEBRUARY FIRST, NINETEEN HUNDRED NINE

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

SCHOOL OFFICE, HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING, MAIN STREET.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ORGANIZATION FOR 1908.

Appleton P. Williams, *Chairman* term expires 1910.
West Upton.

George W. Knowlton, Jr., *Secretary* term expires 1909.
West Upton.

George H. Stoddard, term expires 1911.
Upton Centre.

Robert Orange Small, *Superintendent* of Schools.

Local Office, High School Building, Main Street,
P. O. Address, Grafton, Massachusetts.
Residence, Oak Street, Grafton.
Telephone, (office) 15-13, Grafton.

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 Centre, Mondays in term time, 7 to 8 P. M.; Thursdays in term time, 4.30 to 5.30 P. M.

CALENDAR 1909-1910.

HIGH SCHOOL.

1909. Winter Term (11 weeks), Jan. 4—March 19, 1909.
 Vacation of two weeks.
 Spring Term (12 weeks), April 5—June 25, 1909.
 Vacation of ten weeks.
 1909. Fall Term (15 weeks), Sept. 7—Dec. 17, 1909.
 Vacation of two weeks.
 Winter Term (11 weeks), Jan. 3—March 18, 1910.
 Vacation of two weeks.
 1910. Spring Term (12 weeks), April 4—June 24, 1910.
 Vacation of ten weeks.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

1909. Winter Term (11 weeks), Jan. 4—March 19, 1909.
 Vacation of two weeks.
 Spring Term (11 weeks), April 5—June 18, 1909.
 Vacation of thirteen weeks.
 1909. Fall Term (14 weeks), Sept. 13—Dec. 17, 1910.
 Vacation of two weeks.
 Winter Term (11 weeks), Jan. 3—March 18, 1910.
 Vacation of two weeks.
 1910. Spring Term (11 weeks), April 4—June 17, 1910.
 Vacation of twelve weeks.

HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME.

Every Saturday; February 22; April 19; May 30; November 26 and 27.

SCHOOL SESSIONS AND RECESSSES.

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, 1909.

Name	Grades	School	Home Resid'ce	Where Educat'd
Robert I. Bramhall	Principal	High	Worcester, Mass.	Clark College
Winifred C. Baker	Assistant	High	Somerville, Mass.	Wellesley College
Rachel A. Dodge .	Assistant	High	Grafton, Mass.	Mount Holyoke College
Abbie Dillingham	8	Grammar	Northfield, Vt.	Tilton Seminary
Emily E. Pond . .	7	Grammar	Shrewsbury, Mass.	Worcerter Normal
Sarah T. Britton .	5 and 6	Centre	Linwood, Mass.	Framingham Normal
Joanna M. Kilmain	3 and 4	Centre	Newton Lower Falls, Mass.	Framingham Normal
Majorie Rich . .	1 and 2	Centre	North Orange, Mass.	Hyannis Normal
Anna E. Lally . .	5 and 6	Knowlton	Waltham, Mass.	Framingham Normal
Ruth A. Bruce . .	3 and 4	Knowlton	Gardner, Mass.	Fitchburg Normal
Bertha Ainsworth	1 and 2	Knowlton	Grafton, Mass.	Framingham Normal

Truant Officers—Henry D. Aldrich, Upton Centre; William F. Parshley, West Upton.

REPORT
OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Committee of Upton, Massachusetts:—

This report is submitted for your consideration. The financial statements are for the year ending January thirty-first, 1909. Except as indicated the other statistics are those of the school year ending June thirtieth, 1908.

CONCERNING THE SCHOOLS IN GENERAL.

Statistics	Population of Upton (census of 1905	2,024
	Number of public day schools based on the single class room as the unit	9
	Number of persons between five and fifteen years of age in the town on the first of September, 1908, males 165, females 142	307
	Number of persons between seven and fourteen years of age in the town on the first of Sep- tember, 1908, males 116, females 106	222
	Number of illiterate minors over fourteen years of age in the town on the first of September, 1908, males 1, females 0	1
	Number of pupils in total membership of all the schools, June 30, 1908	386
	Number of pupils in total membership of all the schools at the last monthly reporting, January 16, 1909	347
	Number of pupils enrolled during the school year ending June 30th, 1908	345
	Number attending within the school year under five years of age	0

Number attending within the school year over fifteen years of age	47
Number attending within the school year between seven and fourteen years of age	266
Average membership of all the public day schools	317.23
Average attendance in all the public day schools	297.81
The percentage of attendance based upon the average membership	93.75
Number of pupils graduated from grammar schools in June, 1908, boys 13, girls 8	21
Number of those graduated in June who entered the high school in September, boys 13, girls 8	21
Number of teachers required by the public day schools, men 1, women 10	11
Number of teachers who have graduated from or attended college, or normal school, men 1, women 9	10
Average wages per month of actual teaching:	
Of men in the public high school	100 00
Of women in the public high school	44 44
Of women in other public schools	40 59
Of women in the public schools	40 92
In the State, for men it was \$153.02; for women	58 62
Aggregate of months all the public day schools have been kept during the year	74m., 3da.
Average number of months the public day schools have been kept during the year	8m., 5da.
Number of months and days the high school was kept during the year	9m., 3da.
Number of different pupils at the high school	78
Number of pupils graduated from the high school in June, 1908	7
Went to higher institutions	1
Number admitted to the high school during the school year	23

***Distribution of
Pupils***

The enrolled pupils and membership is shown to have been distributed as follows during the year ending June 30th, 1908, and the present year.

Year 1907-08	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	P.G	Total
Total Enrolment	44	28	39	32	39	27	33	25	30	22	13	13	0	345
Jan. 1, 1908														
Membership	39	26	39	29	38	26	31	25	28	21	11	10	0	323
Jan. 1, 1909														
Membership	42	34	32	35	30	36	22	28	22	18	21	11	0	331

The per cent. of high school pupils to the entire number of pupils is .217; for the State, according to last report, it was .096.

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOLS	Grades	Average Membership	Average Daily Attendance	Per Cent of Attendance to Membership
High,	IX-XII	68.29	65.74	96.23
Grammar,	VII-VIII	28.95	27.49	95.29
Knowlton and Grammar,	V-VI-VII	31.28	31.12	93.35
Grammar and Centre,	V-VI-VII	36.02	34.44	95.59
Centre,	III-IV	33.41	31.92	95.78
Centre,	I-II	31.05	29.22	93.02
Knowlton,	III-IV	32.65	29.94	91.42
Knowlton,	I-II	35.52	31.15	88.63

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE MEMBERSHIP BY BUILDINGS IN JANUARY.

	P.G.	XII	XI	X	IX	VIII	VII	VI	V	IV	III	II	I	Total
High, last year	0	10	11	21	28									70
High, this year	0	11	21	18	22									72
Grammar, last year						25	31							56
Grammar, this year						28	22							50
Centre, last year								16	22	12	21	11	24	106
Centre, this year								22	18	15	16	15	22	108
Knowlton, last year								10	16	17	18	15	15	91
Knowlton, this year								14	12	20	16	19	20	101

EXPENSES.

Teachers	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$4,720	90
Fuel	.	.	.	.	.	.	732	31
Care of schools	.	.	.	.	.	.	697	03
Transportation	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,347	58
Supplies	.	.	.	.	.	.	541	96
Repairs	.	.	.	.	.	.	212	02
Supervision	.	.	.	.	.	.	504	16
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	98	70
Total expenses			\$8,854	66
Less State and other aid			2,355	17
Taxation cost			\$6,449	49

Expense for support, including all items of expenditure except those for repairs, less State aid	\$6,287 47
Taxation expense per pupil based on enrolment	18 22
Taxation expense per pupil based on average membership	19 82
Expense per pupil, being the average amount spent on each pupil, from all sources, except that spent for repairs, based on enrolment	25 05
Expense per pupil, being the average amount spent on each pupil, from all sources, except that spent for repairs, based on average membership	27 24
Expense per pupil as determined by the number of children in the average membership of the public schools of the State	30 53

Organization Since the last report there has been no change in the organization of our school system. The present organization is highly satisfactory, and the experiences of the year have justified our claims in its favor. My knowledge of school administration in Upton covers no period more harmonious. Numerous difficulties incident to the administration of former years have been minimized and an appreciable advantage gained by the present organization.

Teachers Four teachers have changed from our corps since our last report. Each of them is teaching in a more remunerative position. When schools opened in September seventy-five per cent. of our corps of teachers were experienced in our schools.

We shall never be able to command for a long time the services of exceptional teachers who are free to avail themselves of opportunities offered by larger and wealthier municipalities. If we can secure the services of this type of teacher for a few years and continue to secure the type we shall do well by our schools.

Desirable teachers can be retained only for a minimum length of time, and to encourage such teachers coming to our service we should frankly recognize their ambition to serve us well that they may qualify for better positions.

A fair consideration of worthy ambition and the interests of the schools would seem to dictate the following conditions as a basis for agreement between teacher and employer.

1. A teacher should not leave a position within four weeks before the beginning of the fall term, nor during the first or last month of the school year.

2. A teacher should not leave a position until at least a year of service has been given, unless the privilege of shorter service, upon proper notice being given, has been made a condition of acceptance.

3. A teacher should not leave a position at any time whatever without giving a notice of four weeks.

These conditions would operate to deprive a teacher of no reasonable opportunity, and the mutual understanding of such relations and obligations would be beneficial.

Two classes of teachers should be defined as "temporary" and "permanent". All new teachers should be elected as temporary teachers at a minimum salary. After three years of service, or upon recommendation of the superintendent of schools, a teacher could be elected a permanent teacher, provided, however, that the contract may be terminated upon thirty days' notice from either party.

Salaries should be increased only upon evidence of increased efficiency on the part of teachers, and salaries may be increased beyond the regular salary if deemed advisable.

Teachers should be rated by the superintendent according to their efficiency in the following points:—

1. Control of room.
2. Teaching ability.
3. Spirit of room.
4. Work of pupils.
5. Professional spirit.
6. General scholarship and culture.

Attainments in these lines should be rated by the superintendent as "excellent", "very good", "good", "fair", and "passing".

A teacher having ratings in any line below "good" should not be considered eligible for selection as a permanent teacher, and any teacher who after three years of service with us fails to attain election as a permanent teacher, should be dropped from the teaching corps.

Buildings The beautiful and well appointed Knowlton Building emphasizes the need of similar school accommodation at Upton Centre. The method of heating the Centre building, the lack of sanitary closets, lack of hall room, and the other innumerable details of an old building, are glaringly noticeable now that the contrast with conditions at West Upton and the High School building is constantly before us.

It may be a number of years before you are ready to ask the citizens to provide extensively altered conditions at this point, but it should be constant food for thought that conditions there are not those which a progressive community should continue. A proper consideration of the welfare of the children at the Centre building demands our recognition of this, and prompts a consistent presentation of the need to the attention of the citizens.

The recent epidemic of Scarlet Fever brings some of the disadvantages of this building so much to the front that I present these for special consideration.

1. The use of a common pail for drinking water.
2. The old type of closets which cannot be flushed or kept sanitary, and which are outside the building.
3. The insufficient accommodations for hanging up the clothing and the impossibility of ventilating or drying it. The clothing is hung in halls without heat or ventilation and so closely compacted together that much confusion results at the time of distribution.
4. Old and splintered floors with large cracks and ill fitted joints.
5. No heated indoor space except that constantly in use as a class room.

All of these disadvantages present fruitful sources of danger. Germs of infectious diseases are easily retained, multiplied, and transmitted under these conditions and remedial measures are much reduced in effectiveness.

Decoration A modest beginning has been made toward the adornment of the walls of the Knowlton Building. The present plan is one which enlists the pupils who are at the building as well as the community

it serves. It has been commenced and devised by the teachers in charge.

One picture has been placed upon the walls of the room occupied by grades one and two. The title of the picture is "Village Choir", by Lins, and it was chosen by the children themselves from a list of pictures for adornment of the walls of primary rooms. Each of the other rooms at this building has a fund for this purpose.

**Sight and
Hearing**

The result of the sight and hearing tests conducted in the various rooms in accordance with the State requirements, has been reported to me as follows:—

	Number of Pupils Examined	Defective in Eyesight	Defective in Hearing	Parents Notified
Number of pupils examined			314	
Number found defective in eyesight		55	(17.51%)	
Number found defective in hearing		38	(12.10%)	
Number of parents or guardians notified		60		
1907.	285	62 (21.75%)	21 (7.51%)	64
Totals for three years	941	196 (20.82%)	76 (8.07%)	201

Manual Work

As a result of an active interest on the part of the members of the Home Literary Club there was placed in my hands early in the fall term the sum of seventy-eight dollars and fifty cents to be used for the support of manual work in the schools.

In accordance with the vote of the School Committee which authorized me to introduce the simpler forms of manual work and to correlate it with the drawing, all of the grades below the High School have been engaged in a very modest way with various forms of manual work.

This work has been very closely correlated with the work in drawing and it has been under the direction of the supervisor of drawing. I make the following report of what has been attempted and planned, and tender it as a report of progress not alone to your board and the citizens of Upton, but especially to the members of the Home Literary Club, to whom we hereby express our appreciation.

The following forms of manual work have been introduced in the following grades.

GRAMMAR BUILDING.

Grades VII and VIII.—Girls, sewing. Boys, basketry; caning chairs.

CENTRE, AND KNOWLTON BUILDINGS.

Grades V and VI.—Basketry and raffia work.

Grades III and IV.—Raffia and hand loom weaving.

Grades I and II.—Plasticine moulding.

No attempt has been made to do work in sloyd at the benches because of the lack of money to equip a room even partially. It has been our aim to reach all of the children in the grades mentioned above with some form of manual work rather than to use all of our funds in any one expensive outlay.

Scissors and needles have been provided at all buildings. Awls, knives, and cutters at all buildings. Todd hand looms for the third and fourth grades, and plasticine for the first and second grades.

The supervisor of drawing has been instructed to take from the time which had regularly been assigned to her work such an amount of time as in her judgment could be profitably taken. In addition to this one hour per week has been taken from the regular school work and the teachers have been instructed to take the time variously from the science, history, and geography time, in such a way that no one of these subjects would lose all of the time taken. Careful instruction has been given not to take more time or time from other subjects for this work.

The expense of this work divides into that incurred for equipment and that for material. The equipment installed this year has cost \$16.14, the material used and now in stock, \$38.60. I have on hand a balance of \$23.76.

Aim

The aim of such work as has been presented, is to make things of durable material; things which may be taken to the homes of the children and used. It is our policy to encourage the children to make things for their homes, to pay for the material used, and to secure orders for some of their product, at a price covering the cost of the material.

At this experimental stage it is not possible to put this policy into general operation. After selections have been made for school use, the children will be allowed to take home the productions of their labor.

I give a partial list of things which have been made or will be undertaken by the pupils.

Grades VII and VIII.—Aprons, sleeve protectors, sweeping caps, sewing bags; cane seating of chairs; table mats.

Grades V and VI.—Work baskets; woven mats.

Grades III and IV.—Mats; picture frames; doll-house furnishings; boxes; holders.

The pupils work without urging and apply themselves assiduously to their other tasks to get time for manual work. I have seen a class in sloyd (in Grafton) manifest the most earnest desire to get possession of corrected drawings that they might correct mistakes in the arithmetic involved, complete the working drawing, and get to the bench to work out the problem.

Properly directed, this work opens up possibilities for correlated instruction unequalled by any other work we are doing. Some attempt has been made to connect this work with the written and oral language work. The application of the instruction in drawing is constantly made.

**High School
Pupils,
Courses, etc.** Pupils leaving the grammar school and entering the high school are subjected to a change of method in discipline and freedom of action. Unavoidably and advisedly the pupil is called upon to exercise independent control where often before the observation and direction of the teacher was depended upon.

It is not to be expected that these changed conditions will be free from correction and discipline, but in a minimum of time pupils should learn to exercise the additional control of themselves, and such failures as occur should be dealt with directly and forcefully to the end that self reliance and good order shall be developed and maintained.

There is a minimum correctness of deportment, industry, and scholarship, below which a pupil should not habitually fall and still be continued a member of any ordinary school. This minimum is not easily determined. Various elements enter into any consideration of cases covered by this general statement, and a

desire to be just to pupil and school contributes a seeming conflict of interest, which often results in inaction. By reason of this very inaction I am convinced that there has been created an erroneous estimate of the part which a high school should take in the scheme of education. It is my experience that some parents and many pupils consider that the high school is a kind of "continuation" school; a school in which the membership is continuous at the pupils' pleasure.

It is an opportune time to indicate relatively our policy concerning membership in our high school and the three essential qualifications, industry, deportment, and scholarship. The following directions as a guide to action would seem none too drastic.

1. A pupil whose conduct, industry, and scholarship is continuously unsatisfactory should be required to withdraw from the school.
2. A pupil whose conduct is satisfactory but whose industry and scholarship is not, should be continued a member of the school until it has been demonstrated that the pupil will not work, and should not be continued beyond this point. To do so is to confirm the pupil in habits of laziness and inattention.
3. A pupil whose deportment and industry are satisfactory but whose scholarship is not, should be encouraged to try harder, and then to keep on trying. Every effort should be made to adapt the labors to the qualifications of this pupil, and if it should be impossible to find in the school work a fruitful field for labor, and the pupil should withdraw, encouragement should be given to the pursuit of success along other than scholastic lines.

To summarize; continued misbehavior or lack of application cannot be tolerated. Continued lack of scholarship unaccompanied by the other factors must be treated at a considerate length. In the entering class the following rule passed by the School Committee shall apply.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, NOV. 29, 1908.

Voted: that first year pupils in the High School not attaining one-half credit in two subjects by end of mid-year, shall be required to return to the eighth grade of the Grammar School.

I am very much of the opinion that pupils in the upper grades (X, XI, XII) should also be subjected to some more definite rules as to freedom of electives when they have failed to secure credits in their previous years.

Pupils who have failed in elementary mathematics or languages should not be allowed to encumber advanced classes in those subjects. Pupils who at the end of any year have failed to secure the total number of credits which they should have had at the beginning of that year should not be considered eligible for class honors, and during the senior year, class officers should be members who are destined to graduate with the class.

Small and unimportant though these last matters may appear to non-participants, in view of the relative importance attached to them by the pupils themselves, the control of them by the school authorities, within the limits indicated, becomes a very potent force in creating an "esprit de corps".

While believing thoroughly in the elective system, an experience of many years in watching its administration and interpretation by various principals and teachers, leads me to the conclusion that some restraints must be placed upon the freedom which we have seen practiced. A high school course must be definite or it will be destructive; it must start somewhere with a purpose, and pursue a line of well developed and correlated progress or it will not be effective.

High School Athletics This is one of the least understood and most misleading of the practices in which the small high school participates. Fruitful alike in good and evil, often that which is bad is evident and that which is beneficial is very obscure.

Some of the less desirable features which attend the practice of athletics in small schools have become manifest during the last year. Attention is called to the following statute.

ACTS OF 1906, CHAPTER 251.

An Act relative to the Authority of School Committees over
Organizations of School Pupils.

Section 1. The school committee may supervise and control all athletic organizations composed of pupils of the public schools and bearing the name of the school.

Section 2. It may directly or through an authorized representative determine under what conditions such organizations may enter into competition with similar organizations, in other schools. (Approved April 5, 1906.)

It should be our business to see that all teams representing our high school come strictly under such guiding rules and regulations as this law gives us authority to make. Athletic games should be encouraged and patronized by us, they should also be controlled. The following rule has been passed by the School Committee.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, NOV. 29, 1908.

Voted: that the Superintendent of Schools and Principal of the High School have authority to control athletics in the High School.

**High School
Curriculum**

The State law relative to the establishment and maintenance of high schools is given below.

HIGH SCHOOLS.

Section 2. Every city and every town, containing, according to the latest census, state or national, five hundred families or householders, shall, and any other town may, maintain a high school, adequately equipped, which shall be kept by a principal and such assistants as may be needed, of competent ability and good morals, who shall give instruction in such subjects designated in the preceding section as the school committee consider expedient to be taught in the high school, and in such additional subjects as may be required for the general purpose of training and culture, AS WELL AS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREPARING PUPILS FOR ADMISSION TO STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS, TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES. One or more courses of study, at least four years in length, shall be maintained in each such high school and it shall be kept open for the benefit of all the inhabitants of the city or town for at least forty weeks, exclusive of vacations, in each year. A town may cause instruction to be given in a portion only of the foregoing requirements if it makes adequate provision for instruction in the others in the high school of another city or town.

This law assures all children in the Commonwealth an opportunity to prepare for colleges, normal schools, or technical schools. How well we have met this requirement is set forth by the retention of our school on the list of schools accorded certificate rights, and the long list of alumni who have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded. Long as this list is, it is a very small percentage of the membership of our school.

Only a small percentage of our pupils are able to avail themselves of such a preparation. The great majority of our boys and girls are not candidates to enter colleges, normal schools, or technical schools; they are soon to enter the school of life as bread winners.

After we have assigned the necessary time for proper preparatory work in the subjects required in the clause of the law which relates to preparation for higher institutions of learning, the balance is assigned to studies which should be of advantage to pupils who are going to work. A large percentage of the time is given in the interest of a small number of the pupils; a small percentage of the time is devoted to a large number of pupils. So far as college preparatory work is of value, because of the training, all pupils profit from it, but I am convinced that courses could be introduced for this large percentage of our pupils, which would give an equally valuable training and yield a practical result much more real and lasting.

Pupils go on electing algebra (advanced), geometry (advanced), latin, and other subjects, because there is nothing else offered. They elect these studies to their own confusion and the disadvantage of the pupils who have a real reason for electing them.

While realizing all this for many years, I have refrained from the criticism in which I here indulge, because it was destructive criticism; I had nothing constructive and practical to offer.

**Senate Bill
No. 113**

By reason of recent developments, I believe that the time is at hand when a way out of the difficulty described above is opening. The way is pointed by the appended bill which has been introduced in the Massachusetts Senate. A similar bill was introduced last year but failed to pass. It was never given proper consideration as an independent educational measure but became meshed with other considerations.

SENATE No. 113

To accompany the petition of George H. Martin that the efficiency of the public schools be increased. Education.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nine.

AN ACT

To increase the Efficiency of the Public Schools.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 1. Any city or town maintaining a public high school established under the provisions of section two of chapter forty-two of the Revised Laws and section three of chapter forty-two of the Revised Laws as amended by chapter four hundred and thirty-three of the acts of nineteen hundred and two and chapter two hundred of the acts of nineteen hundred and six, which maintains in such school courses in practical arts which include the elements of agriculture, mechanic arts or domestic science approved as to equipment, instruction and expenditure by the state board of education, shall be aided by the commonwealth in the support of such courses under the following conditions: Cities or towns raising by taxation and expending for the support of public schools more than five dollars for each thousand dollars of their valuation, to be reimbursed by the commonwealth

19 to the amount of one half the cost of these courses;
20 those expending four dollars and less than five
21 dollars for each thousand dollars of valuation to
22 be reimbursed to the amount of one third the cost;
23 and those expending less than four dollars for each
24 thousand dollars of valuation to be reimbursed to
25 the amount of one fifth the cost. The cost of these
26 courses may include new equipment but not cost
27 of buildings or of land or of rent of rooms. The
28 aid rendered by the commonwealth under this law
29 shall be in addition to the state aid furnished under
30 the provisions of section three of chapter forty-
31 two of the Revised Laws as amended by chapter
32 four hundred and thirty-three of the acts of nine-
33 teen hundred and two and chapter two hundred
34 of the acts of nineteen hundred and six, but not
35 more than two thousand dollars shall be paid in
36 any one year in aid of such courses in any one
37 town or city.

1 Section 2. The board of education is hereby di-
2 rected to include in its estimates for educational
3 purposes for the year nineteen hundred and ten
4 and thereafter annually a sum necessary to carry
5 out the provisions of this act, provided that not
6 more than twenty-five thousand dollars shall be
7 expended in any one year.

1 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the first
2 day of September in the year nineteen hundred and
3 nine.

The present high school course could be strengthened by a departure of this kind. I believe that by this or similar legislation, existing high schools may be strengthened. If the outcome of the work of the industrial commission should result in trade schools being located in Milford, or Worcester, to which our boys and girls could go at a nominal expense, a long step in advance would have been made in making the school system of the Commonwealth more efficient.

The reports of the High School Principal, and the Supervisor of Drawing and Music are appended. I refer you to them for a report of the work done in those departments.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT ORANGE SMALL,

Superintendent of Schools.

Upton, Massachusetts,
Feb. 1st, 1909.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL.

January 25, 1909.

Mr. Robert O. Small, Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:—In submitting this, my first annual report as principal of the Upton High School, I wish to touch briefly upon some of the more important matters which have come to my attention during the past five months. Considering the short time I have been here, I have thought it best to pass over pedagogical questions for the present, and to consider the school in a few of its more general aspects.

Thus far I have taken great pleasure in my work here. The school is in good condition, with a pleasant student body, and good facilities for a school of its size. Its standards of scholarship compare favorably with the other high schools of the state. The text-books have been well chosen and are on the whole in excellent condition. Like every other high school, we still need many books for the reference library, especially books on literature, history, and science.

The school opened on September 8 with an enrolment of seventy-four. Since then five have entered the school and eight have left, so that our enrolment at present is seventy-one.

	IX	X	XI	XII
English course	11	8	8	6
Scientific course	5	7	7	3
Latin course	5	3	6	2
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	21	18	21	11

The attendance has been very satisfactory, for the average for the first four months was 96.5 per cent. Up to the present date there have been thirty-five cases of tardiness, a number which I hope to see reduced for the next semester. I feel that many of the cases of absence are unnecessary and so I hope the parents will realize the importance of attendance at every session and send their children to school. During this first semester there have been eight boys and six girls who have taken such an interest and pride in their school work that they have been neither absent nor tardy.

I wish to discuss briefly two other matters, namely athletics and the social life of the school. Last fall there were not enough candidates to form a foot-ball team, but this winter a hockey team has been organized, and it has established a creditable record, both as to skill and as to the true, gentlemanly conduct of a sport. It seems probable that a good base-ball team will be organized next spring. In order that the sports may be kept in their proper place and not usurp the time of the school, I have thought it best to limit the number of contests to three in any period of two weeks, and to require that all members of the teams be regularly registered members of the school who are giving satisfaction in their deportment and scholarship. When properly regulated the sports may do much to develop the strength of the young men and to foster and maintain a healthy school spirit.

In regard to the social functions of the school I think it is proper that I should take this opportunity to define my position, for there may have been some misunderstandings in this respect. When we consider the tendency of so many schools to become mere social centers, and when we see other schools striving to throw off some of the too numerous social diversions which custom has fastened upon them, I think we are justified in taking a firm, conservative position, and carefully restricting such functions. No high school can afford to allow too many social functions to be conducted under its auspices, for they always detract the interest of the pupils from matters of far more vital interest. Moreover, such functions as are given by the school must be carefully planned, closely supervised, and well conducted, if they are not to detract from the high standing of the school in the community. None of those restraints

upon individual action which custom and society have fastened upon us ought to be disregarded. The presence of some of the parents not only exercises an easy and wholesome restraint and gives a good tone to the function, but also helps to bridge the gap which everywhere exists between the home and the school. This year the school has made a departure by presenting a play to help the senior class defray the expenses of a trip to Washington. Whether or not this has been a wise departure is open to discussion. But if I find that it detracts from the primary interests of the school I shall feel obliged another year to weigh the matter very carefully before I consent to its repetition. I wish that every senior class might take such a trip, but I have grave doubts whether the school can afford to take the time necessary to prepare to present a play. We must remember that with five members of the graduating class planning to enter college next fall, the school must prepare its graduates to meet the college entrance requirements, and so to train them that in their work in college they may reflect credit upon their high school.

I wish to take this opportunity to urge the parents to cooperate with us in our work. I have had many very helpful visits from parents, but I wish that many more would call and talk over the work of their children. We are always pleased to welcome visitors and we hope that during the coming months many more will find it convenient to visit the school. I hope that all the parents will examine carefully the report cards as they are sent home each month, and will communicate with me whenever they find unsatisfactory marks in either deportment or scholarship. I wish to call the attention of such parents to the fact that the teachers are at the school on certain afternoons each week to help any who may need individual assistance.

In concluding I wish to thank the School Committee for their kind support and assistance, and you, Mr. Small, for your ever helpful advice and suggestions. I wish to also thank the assistants, Miss Baker and Miss Dodge, for their many kind favors and their ready cooperation with me in the administration of the school.

Respectfully,

ROBERT IRVING BRAMHALL.

UPTON HIGH SCHOOL.

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE CLASS OF 1908,
Town Hall, Thursday Eve., June 18, 8 o'clock.

PROGRAM.

MARCH.....	
INVOCATION.....	Rev. Carl G. Horst.
SALUTATORY AND ESSAY,—Success Through Drudgery.....	Bertha J. Hall.
ESSAY,—International Arbitration.....	Roland E. Reynolds.
ESSAY,—Progress in Education.....	Edith B. Nelson.
MUSIC,—“Bridal Chorus”.....	School.
ESSAY,—Government Preservation of Forests.....	John E. Murphy.
CLASS HISTORY.....	Ethel J. Humes.
ESSAY,—The Panama Canal.....	Richard B. Penzotti.
ESSAY AND VALEDICTORY,—The Hudson in Legend and History	
Marietta Stearns.	
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.	
CHORUS,—“The Monarch of the Woods”.....	School.

Class Motto—Row, Not Drift.

Class Color: Gold with Garnet—the School Color.

Flower—Garnet Carnation.

GRADUATES.

English Course—John Edward Murphy.

Scientific Course—Ethel Josephine Humes, Edith Blanche Nelson,
Marietta Stearns, Richard Benjamin Penzotti, Roland
Edward Reynolds, Bertha Josephine Hall.

CLASS OFFICERS.

President, Roland E. Reynolds.

Vice-President, Marietta Stearns.

Secretary and Treasurer, Edith B. Nelson.

REPORT OF DRAWING AND MUSIC TEACHER.

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

Dear Sir:—It gives me pleasure to report progress in both departments under my supervision during the past year. In both subjects some changes in the methods of presenting the lessons have been made in the hope of securing more intelligent and independent work on the part of the individual pupil.

In the study of the rudiments of music special effort has been made to develop more carefully the different rhythm forms in each grade through a series of exercises which are addressed first to the ear alone, so that such forms are memorized and described before they are represented by notes. Frequent exercises at the seats with the large staff and paper notes, which each child makes for himself, have proved a valuable aid in eye training and sight reading. In the rooms where these exercises have been given considerable attention the improvement has been very marked. Thoughtful consideration has also been given to tone quality with good results.

The new "Harmonic Readers" of the Natural Music Course which have been supplied to Grades III and IV at the Center school, are proving to be much better graded and more satisfactory than the old books which are in use throughout the schools. I suggest that these books be introduced into all the schools as soon as it is possible to do so.

The usual interest has been maintained in the High School chorus during the year, and the boys have been able to sustain their parts notwithstanding the fact that a larger number than usual are unable to sing. The problem of the changing voice must always be met here, and while many of the pupils must sit in silence during this period they manifest a deep interest in the work providing the training of the previous years has been of the right sort.

The work of the last half of the year has been the reviving of several choruses which were popular in the schools seven or eight years ago. It has been interesting to note the facility with which these selections have been acquired compared with the work of those earlier years. It will be safe to say that less

than half the time that was necessary then is now required to accomplish the effective rendering of a four-part selection.

The drawing has maintained its usual standard in all the schools, and some improvement has been made in securing light lines with free movement. Less color work has been done and more attention has been paid to pencil rendering.

In order to find time for the manual work which was introduced into all the schools last fall (a description of which will be found in the Superintendent's report), it was necessary to revise the drawing schedule somewhat. The present scheme allows two half-hour periods per week for actual drawing under the regular teacher, and one with the special teacher every other week.

I feel that the introduction of hand work this year will give a new impetus to the drawing and vice versa. The child must be led to see that the object he wishes to make must be carefully thought out and planned before it can be successfully made, and that the surest way to think out this plan is by means of drawings on paper. Objects are not made without first being planned any more than, as some one has said, "roofs of houses are made by throwing shingles into the air."

The work with reed in basketry calls for less correlation with drawing, perhaps, than other materials, but even a basket should be planned for some special use, and a drawing would be helpful in showing the size and shape desired.

At no time have the conditions seemed as favorable to the interests of drawing in the schools as the present, and I am forming many plans for the work of the coming year.

I wish to express my appreciation of the efforts of all who are connected with the schools in helping to make the past year's work successful.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORA M. RANDALL,

Supervisor of Drawing and Music.

North Grafton, January 29, 1909.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

TEACHERS.

Salaries	\$4,720 90
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FUEL.

W. G. Fiske	54 50
Alex Barton	59 75
E. W. Batchelor	509 31
Wm. Knowlton & Sons	108 75
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	\$732 31

JANITORS.

H. D. Aldrich	425 00
W. J. Johnson	212 50
Edward Bernard	12 00
Charles Austin	12 00
Clarence Hobbs	13 03
William Hatch	22 50
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	\$697 03

TRANSPORTATION.

F. W. Clark	\$170 00
J. J. Gould	262 50
H. T. Seaver	202 50
F. B. Grandy	328 50
Sewall Pugsley	289 00
John Turtle	72 00
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co.	5 08
W. H. Cullinan	18 00
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	\$1,347 58

SUPPLIES.

E. E. Babb Co.	\$356 76
Clark, Sawyer Co.	5 70
Duncan, Goodell Co.	1 05
Geo. A. Dearborn	4 95

Davis & Banister	5 37
D. C. Heath & Co.	2 66
Silver, Burdett Co.	5 50
Eagle Pencil Co.	6 60
Ginn & Co.	29 34
The Davis Press	23 50
Denholm & McKay Co.	5 00
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	24 47
J. B. Townley	15 25
American Book Co.	16 56
Arthur Lamson	11 89
Perkins & Butler	3 50
McKinley Publishing Co.	1 75
C. E. Merrill	13 20
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.	5 79
Charities Publishing Co.	1 00
Educational Press Co.	1 20
D. Appleton & Co.	92

	\$541 96

REPAIRS.

I. N. Harper	\$2 75
Clark Ellis & Sons	85
Geo. K. Nichols & Son	6 95
Staples and Gould	85
E. A. Willard	3 00
Arthur Lamson	11 77
W. G. Fiske	16 65
O. E. Lincoln	43 56
Geo. A. Dearborn	6 15
E. T. Hall	3 15
L. E. Pattison	34 00
R. E. Aldrich	3 00
B. C. Wood	2 40
C. W. Childs	1 00
H. T. Dalman & Co.	5 84
Masury Young & Co.	3 00
L. A. Snow	2 10
Geo. E. Southland	9 25

Avery & Woodbury Co.	8 00
J. B. Seabury	4 00
F. W. Wood, Town Treasurer	25 00
William Knowlton & Sons	13 80
G. D. Richardson	4 95
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	\$212 02

SUPERVISION.

R. O. Small	\$504 16
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MISCELLANEOUS.

H. D. Aldrich	\$28 95
Lakeside Press	4 50
Geo. G. Sampson	6 56
Educational Review Co	3 00
E. A. Willard	7 04
Arthur Lamson	7 05
Gross & Straus Co.	3 88
Milford Journal Co.	11 05
Davis Press	5 10
Geo. H. Stoddard	12 32
William Parshley	5 25
R. O. Small	4 00
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	\$98 70

RECAPITULATION.

RESOURCES.

Appropriation	\$6,500 00
Schooling State Wards	388 50
Schooling City of Boston Wards	34 00
State Superintendency Fund	312 50
Knowlton School Fund	400 00
County Dog Fund	351 37
Mass. School Fund	868 80
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	\$8,855 17

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers	\$4,720	90	
Fuel	732	31	
Janitors	697	03	
Transportation	1,347	58	
Supplies	.	.	.	.	.	541	96
Repairs	.	.	.	.	.	212	02
Superintendency	.	.	.	.	.	504	16
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	98	70
Unexpended balance	.	.	.	.	.	51	
							\$8,855	17

The committee have expended the Knowlton School Fund of \$400.00 as follows:—

Care of school	.	.	.	.	.	\$183	00
Fuel	.	.	.	.	.	175	00
Fire extinguishers	.	.	.	.	.	17	00
Deposited with the Town Treasurer as a fund for extraordinary repairs	.	.	.	.	.	25	00
							\$400	00

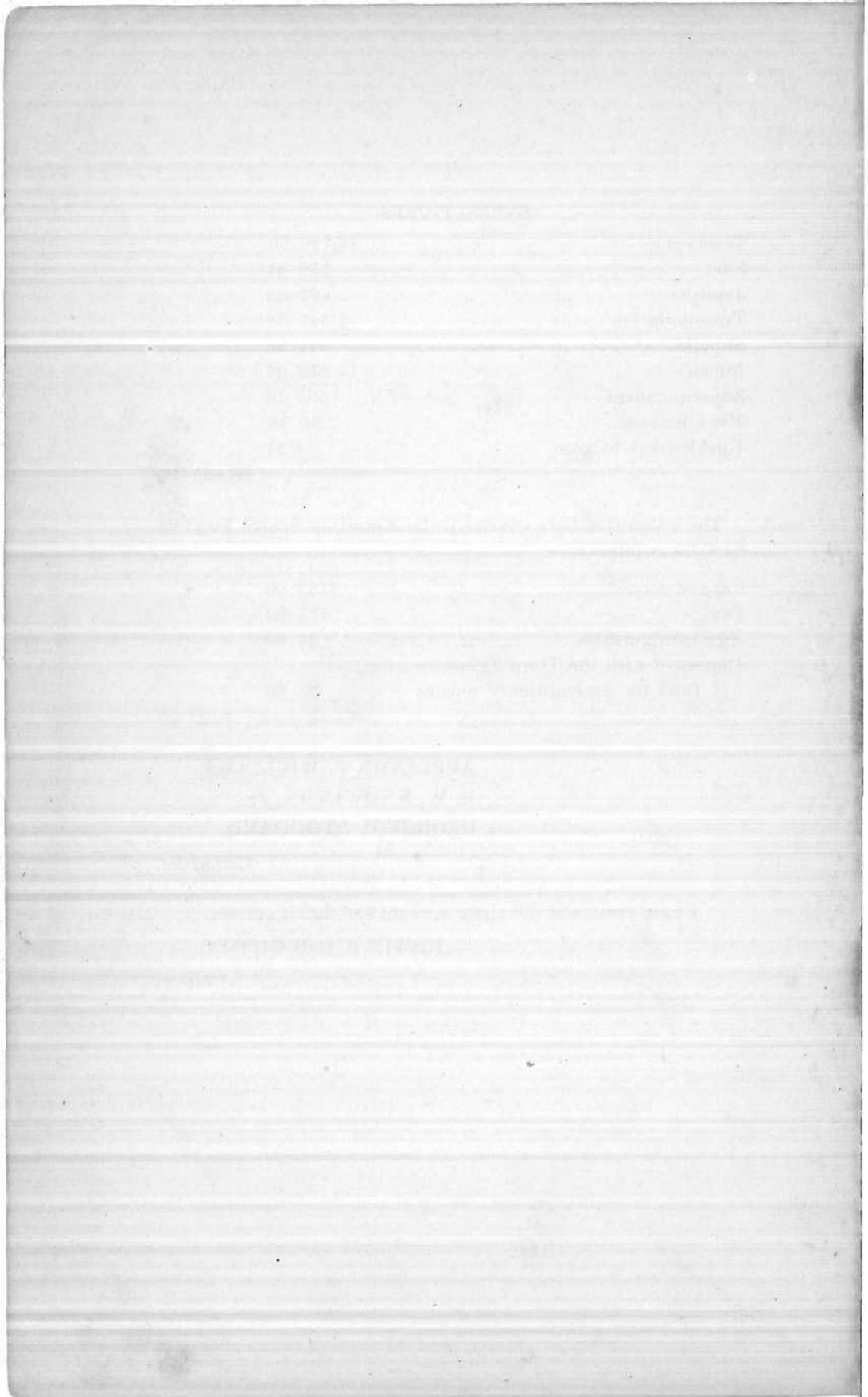
APPLETON P. WILLIAMS,
G. W. KNOWLTON, Jr.,
GEORGE H. STODDARD,

Committee.

I have examined the above account and find it correct.

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,

Auditor.



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