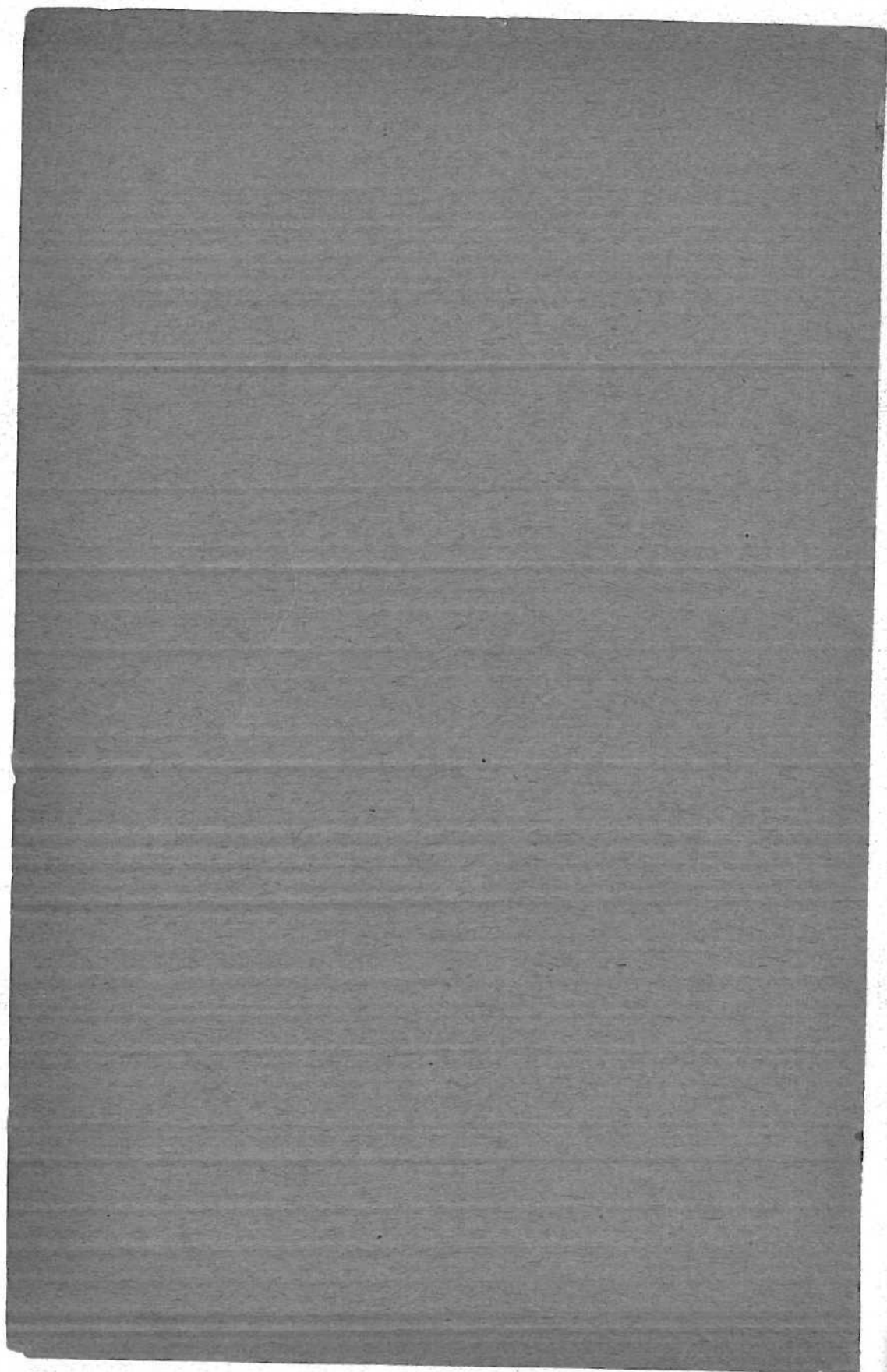


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TOWN WARRANT.

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Upton, in the County of Worcester,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Upton, on Monday the first day of March, punctually, at six o'clock forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year: Moderator, three Selectmen, three Overseers of the poor, town treasurer, collector of taxes, auditor, five constables, three fence viewers, and a tree warden, all for one year; one cemetery commissioner (to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of George E Childs) for one year; one cemetery commissioner, one assessor of taxes, one school committee, and three trustees for 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.

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

In accordance with a vote passed at the annual meeting of the town, held March 7, 1910, the remaining articles of this warrant will be acted upon at an adjourned meeting of the town held on some evening within ten days of the above date.

Article 2. To hear the reports of all town officers, and act thereon.

Article 3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, make appropriations of the same, and act thereon.

Article 4. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges the ensuing year, and act thereon.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the present municipal year.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize their Assessors to have their valuation of the Town for the year 1915 printed, and appropriate money for the same.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept and adopt the Code of By-Laws as presented by the committee appointed (at a special meeting of the Town held Dec. 15, 1913,) to revise the Code of By-Laws now in use, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to install (30) thirty additional electric lights, to be located where the Selectmen think they are needed, raise and appropriate money for the same, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to change the day of the annual Town Meeting from the first Monday in March to the first Monday in February of each year.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to give the Farmers' Rural Exchange of East Upton the free use of the school building in that part of the Town for one year, providing they keep it in repair.

Article 11. 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 406, Chapter 835, Acts of 1913, to take effect at the next annual meeting of the town.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars to paint the three school buildings 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 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 sixteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ALFRED YOUNG,
I. PLUMMER TAFT,

Selectmen of Upton.

February 19, 1915.

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 first day of March, 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 seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,
Constable.

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

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,
MARCH 1, 1915.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Worcester, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the town of Upton, met in small hall, town building in said Upton, on Monday, the first day of March A. D. 1915.

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.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 1. The selectmen having appointed Roger Shaughnessy, Owen Donnelly, Jefferson H. Lyford and Leslie W. Gould election officers, they were sworn to faithfully perform the duties of their office by the town clerk.

The cards of instructions and specimen ballots having been posted, a package containing the official ballots were delivered to the proper officers and their receipt given to the town clerk.

The ballot-box having been publicly examined, the index being set on 0000 it 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 Roger Shaughnessy and the the check-list at the ballot-box in charge of Jefferson H. Lyford.

The polls were declared open for the reception of ballots for town officers at 6.05 o'clock a. m.

The meeting was in charge of moderator Appleton P. Williams.

Voted: To close the polls at four o'clock P. M.

Voted: That when we adjourn, that it will be to Monday evening, March 8, at 7.45 o'clock.

During the voting by the unanimous consent of the election officers, the ballot-box was opened and ballots were taken out for the purpose of counting.

The following named persons having been appointed by the selectmen to canvass the vote Frank O. Ogden, Frank D. Aldrich, J. Edward Murphy and John Carmody, they were duly sworn by the moderator.

At the close of the polls the register on the ballot-box stood at 357 showing that 357 ballots had been cast therein, the check-lists were compared and showed that 331 males and 26 females had voted, the remaining ballots were taken out making 357.

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

FOR MODERATOR (One Year).

Appleton P. Williams.....	250
Blanks	81
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Whole number of votes cast for moderator.....	331

FOR TREASURER (One Year).

Fred W. Wood.....	252
Blanks	79
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Whole number of votes cast for treasurer.....	331

FOR SELECTMEN (One Year).

Arthur Lamson.....	195
William H. Miskell.....	178
I. Plummer Taft.....	214
Alfred Young.....	203
Blanks	203
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Whole number of votes cast for selectmen.....	993

FOR ASSESSOR OF TAXES (Three Years).

Frank E. Lyford.....	187
Walter E. Sadler.....	114
Blanks	30
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Whole number of votes cast for assessor.....	331

FOR OVERSEERS OF THE POOR (One Year).

Henry D. Aldrich.....	197
Joseph A. Carroll	149
Frank P. Decrow	231
Edward B. Newton	224
Blanks	192
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Whole number of votes cast for Overseers	993

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Three Years)

Lizzie H. Ball	120
William H. Walker	17
Charles A. Whitney.....	208
Blanks	12
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Whole number of votes cast for school committee	357

FOR COLLECTOR OF TAXES (One Year)

Charles W. Childs	72
Daniel A. Gorman	118
George E. Prentiss	61
William Wrenn.....	68
Blanks	12
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Whole number of votes cast for collector	331

FOR AUDITOR (One Year)

George E. Ambler	224
Blanks	107
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Whole number of votes cast for auditor.....	331

FOR CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (Three Years)

Charles E. Barbour	191
Blanks	140
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Whole number of votes cast for commissioner	331

FOR CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (To Fill Vacancy)

Leslie C. Childs	174
Blanks	157
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Whole number of votes cast for commissioner	331

FOR CONSTABLES (One Year)

Henry D. Aldrich	219
Herbert A. Bagley	234
Charles H. Marshall.....	225
Michael Murphy	215
William F. Parshley	249
Charles Salisbury	1
Blanks	512
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Whole number of votes cast for constables	1655

FOR TRUSTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY (Three Years).

Charlotte A. Batchelor	223
John B. Fay	224

I. Plummer Taft.....	230
Blanks	316
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Whole number of votes cast for trustees	993

FOR TREE WARDEN (One Year)

Clarence L. Goodrich	234
Blanks	97
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Whole number of votes cast for tree warden.....	331

FOR LICENSE

Yes	97
No	181
Blanks	53
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Whole number of votes cast for license.....	331

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.

Voted: That all town officers not elected, be appointed by the selectmen.

Voted: To adjourn to Monday evening, March 8th, at 7.45 o'clock.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING,
MARCH 8, 1915.

The meeting was called to order by Appleton P. Williams moderator.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 2. Voted: To accept the reports of town officers as printed.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Article 3. Voted: To make the following appropriations, each item to be taken up separately:

Notes and interest.....	\$3,000 00
Support of schools.....	7,000 00
Roads and bridges.....	2,500 00
Support of poor	2,000 00
Removing snow.....	200 00
Fire department	750 00
Forest warden	250 00
Town library	365 00
Carpenter fund	60 00
Suppression of gypsy moth	150 00
Industrial school.....	100 00
Town officers	1,300 00
Bonding town officers	50 00
Incidentals	1,200 00
Military aid.....	250 00
State aid.....	200 00
Soldiers' relief	800 00
Street lighting	1,650 00
Memorial day	125 00
Suppress illegal sale of liquors.....	50 00

Sidewalks	100 00	
Board of Health	400 00	
Care of cemeteries.....	300 00	
School physician	15 00	
Tree Warden.....	100 00	
Print valuation reports 1915.....	75 00	
Painting three school houses.....	300 00	
Appropriated Nov. 3, 1914	1,350 00	
		<hr/> \$24,640 00

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Article 4 Voted: That the repairs of the highways and bridges be left in the hands of the Board of Selectmen.

BORROWING MONEY.

Article 5. Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year, beginning January 1, 1915, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$12,000.00, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of said municipal year.

PRINTING VALUATION REPORTS.

Article 6 Voted: To instruct the assessors to have their valuation of the town for 1915 printed, and Seventy-five (\$75.00) Dollars was appropriated to pay for the same.

BY-LAWS.

Article 7. Voted: To accept and adopt the code of by-laws as presented by the committee appointed at a special meeting of the inhabitants of the town held Dec. 15, 1913.

ELECTRIC STREET LIGHTS.

Article 8. A motion to install 30 electric lights to be located where the selectmen think they are needed.

A motion to pass over this article was lost.

As the original motion if carried, would require an appropriation larger than the by-laws would allow unless recommended by some town officer or committee, it was voted; to refer the matter to the Board of Selectmen, they to investigate and report at the next meeting.

DATE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

Article 9. Voted: To pass over this article. See by-laws.

EAST UPTON SCHOOL HOUSE.

Article 10. Voted: To grant the Farmers' Rural Exchange of East Upton, the free use of the school building in that part of the town for one year, provided they keep it in repair.

ELECTION OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Article 11. Voted: 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 406, chapter 835, Acts of 1913, to take effect at the next annual election of town officers.

PAINTING SCHOOL HOUSES.

Article 12. Voted: To appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars to paint the three school buildings.

Article 4. Voted: To raise the sum of (\$24,640.00) by taxation.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MONDAY,
APRIL 5, 1915.

Worcester, ss.

To the constable of the town of Upton, in the County of Worcester,
Greeting:

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

Article 1. To choose by ballot, an Assessor of Taxes to fill a vacancy caused by the death of Alex Barton.

The polls will be opened at 4 o'clock P. M. and remain open until 8 o'clock P. M.

Pursuant to the within warrant, notice is hereby given that there will be a special town meeting held at 8.15 o'clock in the evening on the above named day and place, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 2. To hear the report of the committee elected at the adjourned town meeting March 8, 1915, to investigate the need of 30 additional electric street lights, and make what recommendations they thought were for the best interests of the town, raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars, additional to suppress the Gypsy Moth.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars to paint and repair the G. A. R. Hall building, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting; at each of the postoffices 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 March in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,
I. PLUMMER TAFT,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, March 24, 1915.

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 fifth day of April A. D., 1915, 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, seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,
Constable.

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

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
APRIL 5, 1915.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Worcester, ss

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in Caucus Hall in said Upton, on Monday, the fifth day of April A. D. 1915, and proceeded as follows:—

The meeting was called to order by the moderator Appleton P. Williams at 4 o'clock P. M.; the warrant and officer's return was read by the town clerk.

The Selectmen having appointed Roger Shaughnessy, Owen Donnelly, George E. Ambler and Frank D. Aldrich, they were duly sworn by the town clerk.

The specimen ballots and cards of instruction having been posted as the law directs, the ballot-box was shown to the voters present to be empty; it was locked and the keys thereof were given to William F. Parshley, constable in attendance at said meeting.

A package of official ballots were delivered to the ballot-clerks and their receipt thereof given to the town clerk.

The ballot-box was in charge of Roger Shaughnessy and the check-list in charge of Frank D. Aldrich.

Due notice having been given the polls at eight o'clock P. M. were declared closed.

The names of those on the list of voters, both at the polls and at the table of the ballot clerks, that had been checked as voted were compared and were as follows:—

List at polls	199
List at table	199

The ballots were then taken out and counted and found to be 199.

At 8.15 P. M. it was voted to adjourn to the large hall.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Article 2. The Board of Selectmen who comprised the said committee asked for further time which was granted.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR GYPSY MOTH.

Article 3. Voted: To pass over this article.

PAINT AND REPAIR G. A. R. BUILDING.

Article 4. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars to paint and repair G. A. R. Hall Building.

Alfred Young Chairman of the Board of Selectmen stated that Deputy State Forest Warden John P. Crowe of Westboro was present and wished the consent of the voters to speak to them for a few minutes.

It was voted unanimously to grant his request.

He said in part that he knew he was late in asking for an appropriation at this meeting but thought he would state his case and get the sentiment of the town in regard to an appropriation at some future meeting.

The observation tower at Westboro is 30 feet high, but there are so many high hills heavily wooded between the tower and some parts of Upton that it is impossible to accurately locate small fires; the same conditions exist between the tower and Grafton and Northboro, places that the man at the tower is supposed to cover.

It is the plan for the State Commission to ask Upton to appropriate \$75.00, Grafton \$75.00, Northboro \$50.00, and Westboro \$100.00 towards the expense of building the tower thirty feet higher.

An informal vote was called for by the Moderator and it was a unanimous vote that the town appropriate \$75.00 towards the expense of raising the tower, at some future meeting.

The votes having been counted, declaration thereof was made in open meeting and recorded as follows:—

FOR ASSESSOR (One Year).

Stedman C. Brown had	24
Leslie W. Gould, had	50
Walter E. Sadler, had	84
George Z. Williams, had	41
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	199

Walter E. Sadler was declared elected.

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 1915.

TOWN CLERK.

Francis T. Nelson, term expires 1917.

TREASURER.

Fred W. Wood.

SELECTMEN.

Alfred Young, Arthur Lamson, I. Plummer Taft.

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

Alex Barton, deceased.
 Walter E. Sadler to fill vacancy, term expires 1916.
 Herbert M. Buck, term expires 1917.
 Frank E. Lyford, term expires 1918.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Frank P. Decrow, Edward B. Newton, Henry D. Aldrich.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

I. Plummer Taft, term expires 1916.
 Samuel R. Capen, term expires 1917.
 Charles A. Whitney, term expires 1918

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Daniel A. Gorman.

AUDITOR.

George E. Ambler.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Leslie C. Childs, term expires 1916.
 Fred W. Wood, term expires 1917.
 Charles E. Barbour, term expires 1918.

CONSTABLES.

Henry D. Aldrich, Herbert A. Bagley, Charles H. Marshall,
 Michael Murphy, William F. Parshley.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Edward C. Traver, Herbert W. Nye, Appleton P. Williams.
Terms expire 1916.

Frank D. Aldrich, Dora M. Whitney, Samuel R. Capen.
Terms expire 1917.

John B. Fay, Charlotte A. Batchelor, I. Plummer Taft.
Terms expire 1918.

TREE WARDEN.

Clarence L. Goodrich.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN.

FENCE VIEWERS.

George H. Evans, Clarence L. Goodrich, Frank P. Decrow.

FIELD DRIVER AND POUND KEEPER.

Ziba B. Grandy.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Wilbur G. Taft.

WEIGHERS.

Waldo E. Carter, Frank P. Decrow, Leander A. Snow,
William C. Carroll.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Charles L. Aldrich, Frank P. Decrow, William B. Fiske,
Benj. C. Wood, Irving H. Whiting, Joseph A. Carroll,
Edgar A. Willard, Lloyd E. Willard.

INSPECTOR OF COAL OIL.

Edgar A. Willard.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Francis T. Nelson.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Benj. C. Wood, Walter E. Hopkins, Fred W. Fiske,
William B. Fiske, Walter L. Brousseau, Edgar A. Willard.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Alfred Young, I. Plummer Taft, Arthur Lamson,
William F. Parshley.

Francis T. Nelson, Agent to issue Burial Permits.

CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Joseph A. Carroll.

SPECIAL POLICE.

Henry A. Stearns, Joseph W. Gibbs, Leslie W. Gould,
Dwight R. Bowker, Arthur E. Titus, William F. Parshley,
Herbert A. Bagley, Henry D. Aldrich, Edwin B. Houghton.

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT TO SUPPRESS THE GYPSY MOTH.

George H. Evans.

FOREST WARDEN.

Charles H. Marshall.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Stedman C. Brown, term expires 1916.

Patrick Shaughnessy, term expires 1917.

Harry M. Jordan, term expires 1918.

Francis T. Nelson, ex-officio.

FIRE ENGINEERS.

Fred B. Sanford, Leslie W. Gould, Charles H. Marshall.

George A. Dipper, special fire engineer for the Knowlton fire department and plant.

APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

INSPECTORS OF MEATS, PROVISIONS AND SLAUGHTERING.

Willard L. Wood,

Walter E. Sadler.

APPOINTED BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

William F. Parshley,

Dwight R. Bowker.

OATH OF OFFICE.

I have administered the oath of office to the following named persons (they having been elected or appointed to town office within the year) on the date set against their names, all in the year 1915.

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

Moderator.—Appleton P. Williams, April 5.

Selectmen.—Alfred Young, Arthur Lamson and I Plummer Taft, March 2.

Overseers of Poor.—Frank P. Decrow, Edward B. Newton, Henry D. Aldrich, March 2.

Assessors.—Frank E. Lyford, March 11, Walter E. Sadler, April 7.

Constables.—Herbert A. Bagley, March 1, William F. Parshley, Henry D. Aldrich, Michael Murphy, March 2, Charles H. Marshall, March 19.

Collector of Taxes.—Daniel A. Gorman, March 2.

Auditor.—George E. Ambler, March 2.

Cemetery Commissioners.—Leslie C. Childs, March 3, Charles E. Barbour, March 4.

Board of Health.—William F. Parshley, March 4.

Treasurer.—Fred W. Wood, March 5.

School Committee.—Charles A. Whitney, March 8.

Tree Warden.—Clarence L. Goodrich, March 4.

Fence Viewers.—Frank Decrow, March 6 Clarence L. Goodrich and George H. Evans, March 8.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.—Charles L. Aldrich, March 4, Edgar A. Willard, March 5, Frank P. Decrow, March 6, William B. Fiske, March 11, Joseph A. Carroll, March 16, Edwin W. Claffin, April 7.

Measurers of Lumber.—Edgar A. Willard, March 5, Walter E. Hopkins, March 8, William B. Fiske, March 11, Fred W. Fiske, April 24, Walter L. Brousseau, July 12.

Inspector of Coal Oil.—Edgar A. Willard, March 5.

Weighers.—Waldo E. Carter, Frank P. Decrow, March 6, William C. Carroll, March 5, Leander A. Snow, March 19, Charles L. Aldrich, Oct. 30.

Special Police.—Arthur E. Titus, March 8, Herbert A. Bagley, March 9, Wm. F. Parshley, March 4, Joseph W. Gibbs, March 11, Dwight R. Bowker, March 11, Leslie W. Gould, March 16, Henry A. Stearns, March 22, Edwin B. Houghton, Dec. 7.

Truant Officers.—William F. Parshley March 9, Dwight R. Bowker, March 11.

Supt. Suppress Gypsy Moths.—George H. Evans, March 8.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.—Wilbur G. Taft, March 8.

Field Driver and Pound Keeper.—Ziba B. Grandy, April 2.

Forest Warden.—Charles H. Marshall, March 23.

Inspectors of Meats, Provisions and Slaughtering.—Willard L. Wood, March 19, Walter E. Sadler, March 22.

Fire Engineers.—Leslie W. Gould, Fred B. Sanford, Chas. H. Marshall, April 30.

Special Fire Engineer.—George A. Dipper, May 5.

Registrar of Voters.—Harry M. Jordan, May 1.

BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF UPTON.

MAY 7, 1915.

In compliance with Chapter 344, Acts of 1904, I hereby Certify that, the following is a true copy of the By-Laws adopted by the town of Upton, at a legal meeting held March 8, 1915, and that they have been approved by the Attorney General.

I also Certify that, I have caused the said By-Laws and approval of the Attorney General to be published in three issues of the Milford Daily Journal, as the law directs, on May 5th, 6th, and 7th, 1915.

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1.

TOWN MEETINGS AND THE PROCEDURE THEREAT.

Section 1. The annual meeting for the election of town officers, shall be held on the first Monday in February in each year. The polls shall be open at six o'clock in the forenoon and shall remain open until four o'clock in the afternoon, when they shall be closed, and it shall be so stated in the warrant calling said meeting.

All business of the annual meeting (except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined at such meeting), and the raising and appropriating of money in anticipation of the payment of taxes, shall be considered at an adjournment thereof, which adjournment shall be held on the second Monday of February at seven forty-five o'clock P. M.

Section 2. Warrants for all town meetings shall be directed to either of the constables of the town, and the meeting shall be notified by posting attested copies of the warrant in each of the post-offices of the town and on the town hall building, seven days at least, before the day of such meeting.

Section 3. No grant of a sum of money exceeding Two Hundred Dollars shall be made until the subject matter thereof has been considered and estimates reported to the town either by the selectmen, school committee, engineers of the fire department, or other town officers, or by some committee chosen for that purpose in pursuance of a vote of the town.

Section 4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except a motion to adjourn, to lie on the table, to commit or amend, to refer or to postpone to a day certain, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence, in the order in which they are arranged.

Section 5. Upon taking a vote upon any question, if the decision of the moderator is doubted, or a division of the house called for, the moderator shall request the house to be seated, and shall appoint tellers. The question shall then be distinctly stated and those in the affirmative and negative respectively shall be requested to rise and stand in their places until they are counted by the tellers, who shall count each side and make report thereof to the moderator.

Section 6. No vote shall be reconsidered at the same meeting, or any adjournment thereof, except upon a motion made within one hour of the adoption of such vote, or unless ordered by two-thirds of the voters present and voting.

Section 7. The duties of the moderator not prescribed by the statutes, or these by-laws, shall be determined by the general rules of parliamentary law so far as they may be adapted to town meetings.

ARTICLE 2.

DUTIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Section 1. The Selectmen shall have full authority, as agents of the town, to institute and prosecute suits in the name of the town, and may appear either personally or by counsel before any court,

committee of the legislature, or any state or county board or commission, to protect the interest of the town, but are not authorized by these by-laws to commit the Town to any course of action.

Section 2. Whenever it shall be necessary to execute any deed conveying land, or any other instrument required to carry into effect any vote of the town, the same shall be executed by the selectmen or a majority thereof, in the name of the town, unless otherwise provided by law or by vote of the town, and shall be sealed with the town seal.

Section 3. The selectmen shall furnish for the use of the voters at the annual town meeting and adjournment thereof, copies of the town warrant for that meeting.

Section 4. The selectmen shall cause an annual report to be printed and ready for distribution among the voters of the town at the annual town meeting.

Section 5. All town officers required by law or requested by the selectmen to submit a written annual report, shall prepare and submit the same to the board of selectmen before the fifth of January in each year.

TOWN CLERK.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the town clerk to see that every conveyance to the town of any interest in land is properly recorded in the Registry of Deeds.

Section 7. The town clerk shall furnish all boards, committees and officers with a copy of all votes affecting them.

Section 8. The town clerk shall furnish the selectmen for publication in the annual printed report of the town, a copy of his record of all town meetings that have been held during the preceding year also the vital statistics recorded during the preceding year.

TOWN TREASURER.

Section 9. The town treasurer shall have the custody of all insurance policies, and he shall publish the same in the annual report, which report shall include a statement of the property covered, the names of the companies, the date of expiration of each, and the amount of each policy.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Section 10. The collector of taxes shall have all the powers conferred by law on a town treasurer when acting as collector.

ARTICLE 3.

FINANCIAL.

Section 1. The financial year shall begin with the first day of January in each year, and end with the last day of December.

Section 2. Funds given to the town in trust or otherwise for specific purposes, shall not be mingled with other funds of the town but shall be kept and invested separately, and used only in accordance with the terms of the gift.

Section 3. The money received each year from dog licenses, shall be used for the support of the schools.

ARTICLE 4.

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

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

Section 2. Every shop keeper shall keep a book in which shall be written, at the time of every purchase of any such article, a de-

scription thereof, the name, age and residence of the person from whom, and the day and hour when such purchase is made; that such book shall, at all times, be open to the inspection of the selectmen, constables and police officers of the town; that every keeper of such shop shall put, in some suitable and conspicuous place on his shop, a sign having his name and occupation legibly inscribed thereon in large letters; that such shop and all articles of merchandise therein may be, at all times examined by the selectmen, constables, and police officers of the town; and that no keeper of such shop shall directly or indirectly, either purchase or receive, by the way of barter or exchange, any of the articles aforesaid of a minor or apprentice, knowing or having reason to believe him to be such.

Section 3. Every person owning or having the care, or driving of a cart, wagon, dray, truck, hand-cart, sleigh, sled, hand-sled or other vehicle which shall be used in the town for or in the collection of junk, old metals, rags, paper or second-hand articles shall be licensed by the selectmen; and each of said vehicles shall have placed upon the outside and upon each side of the same the name of the licensee and the number of the license in plain, legible letters and figures of not less than three inches in length, and so that the same may be distinctly seen and read; and any person owning, having the care, or driving of any of the above described vehicles, shall wear a badge on some conspicuous part of his clothing, with the number of his license thereon in plain legible figures of not less than one inch in length.

Section 4. Any person who shall collect junk, old metals, rags, paper, or second-hand articles without a wagon, cart, dray, truck, hand-cart, sleigh, sled, hand-sled or other vehicle, shall be licensed by the board of selectmen, and shall wear a badge on some conspicuous part of his clothing with the number of his license thereon in plain legible figures of not less than one inch in length.

Section 5. For every license so granted there shall be paid to the town treasurer the sum of ten dollars for the use of the town.

ARTICLE 5.

Section 1. Whosoever shall behave in any indecent or disorderly manner, or use profane, indecent or insulting language in any public place or on any sidewalk or street in the town, to the annoyance or disturbance of any other person there being or passing in a peaceable manner, shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than one dollar, nor more than twenty dollars for each offence.

Section 2. Three or more persons shall not continue to stand, or remain in a group, or near to each other, on any sidewalk, or in any public place, in such a manner as to obstruct a free passage for foot passengers, after having been requested by a constable or police officer to move on; and any person who shall violate the provisions of this by-law, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding five dollars.

Section 3. Whosoever by any means or in any manner shall wilfully frighten any horse, or play at any game in which a ball is used, or shoot with bows and arrows or throw stones or other missiles, in any street, or on any sidewalk, shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than one dollar, nor more than ten dollars, for each offence.

Section 4. Whosoever shall drive any horse, cattle or swine or permit any horse, cattle or swine under his care to go upon and over any sidewalk, or suffer any horse to remain hitched across any sidewalk, or hitch his horse to any ornamental tree standing or growing upon any sidewalk, or draw or propel any hand-cart over any sidewalk so as thereby to cause any injury, either to person or property of others, or to obstruct the safe and convenient passing of persons lawfully using the same, shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars, for each offence.

ARTICLE 6.

Section 1. These by-laws may be amended at any annual town meeting, an article or articles for that purpose having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

Section 2. All town by-laws heretofore existing are repealed upon the taking effect of these by-laws.

Section 3. These by-laws shall remain in full force and effect until duly repealed by vote of the town, or until amendments or alterations therein, or until other by-laws in substitution therefor shall take effect.

April 14, 1915.

Approved:

HENRY C. ATTWILL,
Attorney General.

A true copy,

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION
NOVEMBER 2, 1915.

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 second day of November, punctually, at six o'clock forenoon, at which time the polls will be opened for said voters to give in their ballots to the selectmen of said town, for:—

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, Councillor (for the seventh Councillor District), Senator (for

the fourth Worcester Senatorial District), two Representatives in the General Court (for the ninth Worcester Representative District), for said Commonwealth.

One County Commissioner for three years, County Treasurer for three years, Sheriff for five years, for the County of Worcester, all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for, as provided for under the provisions of Chapter 835, Acts of 1913 and acts in amendment thereto.

Also upon said ballots the voter shall give in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the following questions:—

Shall Chapter 129, Resolves of 1915, entitled "Resolves to provide for submitting to the people the article of amendment of the constitution empowering the general court to authorize the taking of land to relieve congestion of population and to provide homes for citizens," be approved and ratified?

Shall Chapter 130, Resolves of 1915, entitled "Resolves to provide for submitting to the people the article of amendment of the constitution striking the word "male" from the qualification of voters," be approved and ratified?

Shall Chapter 140, Resolves of 1915, entitled "Resolves to provide for submitting to the people the article of amendment of the constitution relative to the authority of the general court to impose taxes," be approved and ratified?

The polls may be closed at four o'clock P.M.

Pursuant to the within warrant, notice is hereby given that there will be a special town meeting held at 7. 45 o'clock in the evening, on the above named day and place, to act on the following articles, to wit:—

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred (\$900.00) Dollars additional, for the support of the poor, and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Seventy-five (\$75.00) Dollars to pay Upton's share of the expense of raising the Fire Tower in Westboro, 30 feet higher, and act thereon.

Article 3. To hear the report of the committee elected at the meeting of the town March 8, 1915, to investigate the need of 30 additional electric street lights, appropriate money for the same.

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to make a contract with the Worcester Suburban Electric Company *for lighting the streets of the town by electricity for a term of years, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.*

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said town, 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 eighteenth day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,
I. PLUMMER TAFT,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., October 20, 1915.

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 second 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, seven 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.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATE ELECTION NOVEMBER 2, 1915.

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 second day of November A. D. 1915, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday, punctually at six o'clock forenoon.

The meeting 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 835, Acts of 1913, a sealed package said to contain 600 official ballots was delivered to the proper officers and a receipt therefor given to the town clerk.

The cards of instruction, amendments of the constitution to be voted for, and specimen ballots all having been posted as the law directs. The ballot-box required by law to be used in elections was then publicly opened and shown to be empty, the register of the box was set at 0000, the box was locked and the keys delivered to William F. Parshley, constable in attendance at said meeting.

Thomas J. Gorman, Stedman C. Brown, Jefferson H. Lyford and Roger Shaughnessy having been appointed election officers by the selectmen for this meeting, were duly sworn to perform the duties of their office by the town Clerk.

The package of ballots was delivered to Thomas J. Gorman and Stedman C. Brown, ballot clerks, who then publicly broke the seals of said package.

Roger Shaughnessy had charge of the ballot-box.

Jefferson H. Lyford had charge of the voting list at the ballot-box.

The polls were declared open at 6.05 o'clock A. M. for the reception of ballots for State and County Officers.

Frank O. Ogden, Charles W. Childs, William J. Gorman and James F. Sheehan having been appointed by the selectmen, Tellers to canvass the vote, they were duly sworn to perform the duties of their office by the town clerk.

At 9.05 A. M., the ballot-box, by unanimous consent of the election officers was opened, the register standing at 208 and two hundred ballots were taken therefrom for the purpose of counting the same, again at 1.30 P. M., when the register stood at 315 and one hundred were taken therefrom, also at 3 P. M. when the index registered 351 and fifty were taken out.

Voted: To close the polls at four o'clock 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 368. 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 counted and found as follows:

At the polls, three hundred sixty-eight.....	368
At the table, three hundred sixty-eight.....	368

The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot-box and audibly counted making the total number of votes cast three hundred sixty-eight.

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

FOR GOVERNOR.

Nelson B. Clark of Beverly, Progressive Party.....	12
Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield, Socialist.....	5
Samuel W. McCall of Winchester, Republican.....	237
Peter O'Rourke of Medford, Socialist Labor.....	0
William Shaw of Andover, Prohibition.....	11
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg, Democratic.....	98
Blanks.....	5
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Whole number of votes	368

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Edward P. Barry of Boston, Democratic.....	84
Calvin Coolidge of Northhampton, Republican.....	243
Alfred H. Evans of Hadley, Prohibition.....	10
James Hayes of Plymouth, Socialist Labor.....	1
Chester R. Lawrence of Boston, Progressive Party.....	6
Samuel P. Levenberg of Boston, Socialist.....	4
Blanks	20
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Edwin A. Grosvenor of Amherst, Democratic.....	82
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield, Republican.....	247
Thomas J. Maher of Medford, Socialist Labor.....	3
Marion E. Sproule of Lowell, Socialist.....	6
Willard O. Wylie of Beverly, Prohibition.....	7
Blanks	23
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL

Henry L. Bowles of Springfield, Democratic.....	81
Charles L. Burrill of Boston, Republican.....	248
Charles E. Fenner of Worcester, Socialist.....	7
William E. Marks of Worcester, Prohibition.....	6
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem, Socialist Labor.....	1
Blanks	25
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR AUDITOR.

Alonzo B. Cook of Boston, Republican.....	240
James W. Holden of New Bedford, Socialist Labor.....	3
Henry C. Iram of Warwick, Socialist.....	9
Jacob C. Morse of Brookline, Democratic.....	82
William G. Rogers of Wilbraham, Prohibition.....	7
Blanks	27
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Henry C. Attwill of Lynn, Republican.....	249
Frank Auchter of Boston, Prohibition.....	7
Joseph Joyce Donahue of Medford, Democratic.....	80
John McCarthy of Abington, Socialist.....	6
William Taylor of Worcester, Socialist Labor.....	2
Blanks	24
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR COUNCILLOR (Seventh District).

Channing Smith of Leicester, Republican.....	258
Blanks	110
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR SENATOR (Fourth Worcester District).

William A. L. Bazeley of Uxbridge, Republican.....	252
John F. Hoolahan of Uxbridge, Nom. Paper.....	80
Blanks	36
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR REPRESENTATIVES (Ninth Worcester District).

Dennis F. Duggan of Northbridge, Democratic.....	75
Arthur W. Frail of Upton, Republican.....	277
Winfield S. Lapworth of Hopedale, Republican.....	223
William A. Murray of Milford, Democratic.....	84
Blanks	77
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Whole number of votes.....	736

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Arthur C. Moore of Southbridge, Republican.....	248
James F. Power of Worcester, Nom. Paper.....	73
Blanks	47
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

Edgar L. Ramsdell of Worcester, Republican.....	257
Blanks	111
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Whole number of votes.....	368

FOR SHERIFF.

Albert F. Richardson of Worcester, Republican.....	262
Blanks	106
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Whole number of votes.....	368

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution, empowering the general court to authorize the taking of land to relieve congestion of population and to provide homes for citizens, be approved and ratified?

Yes	159
No	82
Blanks	127

Whole number of votes.....	368
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Shall the following proposed amendment to the constitution, enabling women to vote, be approved and ratified?

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

(Article three of the articles of amendment to the constitution of the commonwealth is hereby amended by striking out in the first line thereof the word "male").

Yes	100
No	229
Blanks	39

Whole number of votes.....	368
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Shall the following proposed amendment to the constitution, relative to the taxation of incomes and the granting of reasonable exemptions, be approved and ratified?

ARTICLE of AMENDMENT.

(Full power and authority are hereby given and granted to the general court to impose and levy a tax on income in the manner hereinafter provided. Such tax may be at different rates upon income derived from different classes of property, but shall be levied at a uniform rate throughout the commonwealth upon incomes derived from the same class of property. The general court may tax income not derived from property at a lower rate than income de-

rived from property, and may grant reasonable exemptions and abatements. Any class of property, the income from which is taxed under the provisions of this article may be exempted from the imposition and levying proportional and reasonable assessments, rates and taxes as at present authorized by the constitution. This article shall not be construed to limit the power of the general court to impose and levy reasonable duties and excises.)

Yes	179
No	69
Blanks	120
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Whole number of votes.....	368

The result of the election was declared at 4.30 P. M.

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

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

Adjourned to 7.45 o'clock in the evening.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

At 7.45 o'clock in the evening of the above mentioned second day of November, at the same place the above described legal voters acted upon the following articles in the warrant.

The moderator Appleton P. Williams, called the meeting to order; the town clerk read that part of the warrant that related to town affairs.

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Article 1. Mr. E. B. Newton clerk of the Overseers said in part, that the appropriation made in the spring had been used up and he thought the appropriation asked for would carry them through to the annual meeting.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred (\$900.00) Dollars additional, for the support of the poor.

FIRE TOWER AT WESTBORO.

Article 2. As an informal vote was passed at a special town meeting on April 5, 1915 in favor of this article, it was voted: To appropriate the sum of Seventy-five (\$75.00) Dollars to pay Upton's share in raising the fire tower in Westboro, thirty feet higher.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON 30 ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTS.

Article 3. Mr. Alfred Young chairman of the committee said in part, that they had looked over the ground relative to adding thirty more electric street lights to the present system, they would recommend the addition and would suggest they be placed as follows:

Grove Street	3600 feet	9 lights.
Christian Hill	1645 feet	4 lights.
Hartford Avenue	3535 feet	8 lights.
Mechanic Street	2935 feet	7 lights.
Grafton Road near P. Dwyer		1 light.
William Street		1 light.

The cost of 130, 60 candle power lights at \$16.50 would be \$2145.00, also the committee recommended that if the town would make it up to 160 lights that they thought it would forever

settle the lighting question in the town, as it would cover all streets where lights might ever be expected to be asked for.

Voted: To add thirty (60 candle power) electric street lights to the present system.

CONTRACT FOR STREET LIGHTING.

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Mr. Eben T. Hall that the selectmen be, and that they hereby are, authorized to sign, on the part of the town, a contract with the Worcester Suburban Electric Company for lighting the streets of the town for one year, said contract to contain the furnishing of 100 (32 candle power) electric lights at \$13.50 each per year, and 30 (60 candle power) electric lights at \$16.50 each per year; and that said selectmen shall have the power to locate said lights where in their judgment it will be for the best interest of the town.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

A true record.

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S MEETING AT MILFORD, NOV. 12, 1915.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Milford, November 12, 1915.

In compliance with Sections 322-325 inclusive, of Chapter 935, Acts of 1913, 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 return 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 second day of November, A. D. 1915, and was shown by the following tabular statement.

	Hopedale	Mendon	Milford	Northbridge	Upton	Totals
Dennis F. Duggan of Northbridge had	67	49	1069	590	75	1850
Arthur W. Frail of Upton	424	104	744	575	277	2123
Winfield S. Lapworth of Hopedale	371	86	640	477	223	1797
William A. Murray of Milford	96	43	1244	393	84	1860
Blanks	76	40	441	312	77	946
Totals,	1034	322	4138	2346	736	8576

Arthur W. Frail of Upton and William A. Murray 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 twelfth day of November, A. D. 1915.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN, Town Clerk of Hopedale.

CHARLES H. ALLEN, 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.

HUNTERS' LICENSES ISSUED IN 1915.

Patrick Shaughnessy,
Elias Smith,
Benjamin C. Crooker,
Erwin P. Alger,
George F. Briggs,

Harry C. Snow,
Chester R. Seymour,
Stephen O. Inman,
Ralph G. Briggs,
C. Samuel Aldrich,

Charles E. Aldrich,
 J. Frank Despeaux,
 Walter E. Balcom,
 Alfred Young,
 Edward J. Smith,
 Edwin B. Houghton,
 I. Plummer Taft,
 Daniel J. Sheehan,
 Eben T. Hall,
 John Bailey,
 Henry D. Blake,
 Harold C. Carter,
 William F. Parshley, Jr.
 Walter G. Bailey,
 Edward A. Paille,
 Fred J. Alexander,
 Edwin W. Sadler,
 Raymond E. Childs,
 George H. Southland,
 Harold E. Pierce,
 Grover C. Twiss,
 F. Leroy Eames,
 Jefferson H. Lyford,
 Daniel A. Warren,
 Raymond A. Fenner,
 Carl N. Davison,
 Edward F. Judge,
 Harry E. Turner,
 Malcom T. Temple,
 Louis M. Gaudette,
 William B. Walker,
 Everett H. Skinner,
 William J. Clifford,
 William H. Nason,
 Herman F. Temple,
 Albert Rand,
 Clarence Aldrich,
 Eben E. King,
 Harry M. Jordan,
 Edson J. Sadler,
 George E. Salisbury,
 Frank H. Bowker,
 William Smith,
 Samuel J. Willis,
 Walter E. Sadler,

Henry D. Aldrich,
 Andrew Gauthier,
 Walter W. Benson,
 Henry W. Rogers,
 Samuel B. Young,
 Clifton G. Marshall,
 Henry W. McBride,
 Edward E. Whiting,
 Dwight R. Bowker,
 Levi Austin Gleason,
 Michael Maloy,
 Leroy W. Prentiss,
 Albert F. Slocumb,
 Albert Hobbs,
 Chester L. Cooper,
 H. Daniel Fay,
 L. Lawrence Snow,
 Charles A. Salisbury,
 Ellsworth E. Pierce,
 William G. Hobbs,
 Stephen H. Eames,
 Fred E. Mason,
 Edward C. Childs,
 Edward C. Traver,
 William O. Perkins,
 William Hartwell,
 Charles H. Fitts,
 Leroy G. Colcord,
 Charles E. Robbins,
 Fred J. Comstock,
 Louis N. Harper,
 Henry J. Batchelor,
 Arthur E. Titus,
 Frank Smith,
 Charles L. Aldrich,
 Albert H. Jones,
 Alonzo C. Southland,
 Arthur E. Erickson,
 Harold Knowlton,
 Harry Lapan,
 William Kempton,
 Arthur L. Stuart,
 Leslie C. Childs,
 William H. Baker,
 Harry E. Follett,

Lester N. Hunter,
John Dwyer,
Harold S. Goodrich,
Leroy G. Newton,
Clifton A. Temple,
William B. Walker.

Charles E. Chamberlain,
Raymond E. Chamberlain,
Michael Murphy,
Nathaniel S. Jones,
Charles H. Marshall,

DOG LICENSES ISSUED TO THE FOLLOWING PER-
SONS DURING 1915.

	male	female.
Charles H. Houghton.....	1	
Mrs. T. A. Freeman.....	1	
Walter L. Brousseau.....	2	
George O. Taft.....		1
Arthur E. Erickson.....	1	
William Kempton.....	1	
Henry J. Batchelor.....	1	
Arthur E. Cullinan.....	1	
Jerome Mowry.....	1	
Windsor B. Brooks.....	1	
Harriet L. Temple.....	1	1
George F. Prentiss.....	1	
Frank O. Odgen.....	1	
Henry D. Aldrich.....	1	
Harriet J. Richardson.....	1	
Lester Sanford.....	1	
Albert L. Nason.....	1	
U. P. Loïselle.....	1	
Nelson Peterson.....	1	
Cromwell E. Fairbanks.....	1	
Fred E. Williams.....	1	
Thomas F. Moroney, Jr.....		1
Harold E. Wood.....	1	
J. B. McCraith.....	1	

	male	female.
Eben T. Hall.....	1	1
Joseph A. Carroll.....	2	
Ernest Page.....	1	
Mrs. R. B. Baldwin.....	1	
E. A. Chamberlain.....	1	
Sumner B. Wood.....	1	
Lloyd E. Willard.....	1	
Raymond Alexander.....	1	
Henry T. Seaver.....	1	
Charles W. Childs.....	1	
Ellsworth E. Pierce.....		1
Irving H. Whiting.....	1	
Mrs. F. B. Kinsley.....		1
Joseph H. Martin.....	1	
Ellen J. Wood.....	1	
J. Frank Despeaux.....	1	
Chester R. Seymour.....	2	
Elmer L. Huff.....	1	
Elsie W. Carter.....	1	
Grover C. Twiss.....	1	
Mrs. John Bailey.....	1	
Henry S. Sadler.....	1	
Edwin B. Houghton.....	1	
Harold S. Hopkins.....	1	
George F. Briggs.....	1	
William F. Kirby.....	1	
Mrs Alice Harrison.....	1	
John Swinarsky.....	1	
Harry O. Wilson.....	2	
Charles Cote.....	1	
Fred J. Alexander.....		1
Robert L. Keniston.....	1	
Andrew Gauthier.....	1	
Walter E. Balcom.....		1
Charles W. Pierce.....	1	
Robert W. Dexter.....	1	

	male	female.
Edmond J. O'Connell.....	1	
Martin Shaughnessy.....	1	
Stephen O Inman.....	1	
William H. Baker.....	1	
Frank A. Usher.....	1	
Alonzo C. Southland.....	1	
Herbert W. Seymour.....	1	
Asa D. Graffam	1	
Patrick Shaughnessy.....	1	
Robert P. Odgen.....	1	
Felix J. Coty.....	1	
Albert F. Slocomb.....	3	
George W. Knowlton, 3rd.....	1	
Joseph Donoues.....	1	
Bernard Kaplen.....	1	
Willard L. Wood.....	1	
Daniel A. Warren.....	1	
Joseph Lwandowski.....	1	
Charles A. Salisbury.....	1	
George Moroney.....		1
A. Kleber McCarty.....	1	
Taylor C. Lyford.....	1	
James P. Richardson.....	1	
Mrs. J. S. Crooker.....	1	
Arthur Morrison.....	1	
John McQuade.....	1	
E. Percy Alger.....		1
Henry O. Rawson.....	1	
William H. Miskell	1	
Joseph Poirier.....	1	
Halbert K. Struthers.....	1	
Fred E. Burnham.....	1	
Susan M. Clapp.....	1	
Arthur H. Huff.....	1	
Henry H. Wood.....	1	
F. J. Comstock.....	1	

	male	female.
Charles E. Aldrich.....	2	1
Walter E. Sadler.....	1	
William O. Perkins.....	1	
Edward E. Whiting.....	1	
Charles A. Barton.....	1	
Thomas Bailey.....	1	
Myron W. Forbush.....	1	
Fred E. Hapgood.....	1	
Erwin A. Bates.....	1	
Orlando F. Taft.....	1	
Perley W. Rockwood.....	1	
Thomas J. Harper.....	1	
Harold C. Carter.....	1	
Victor Noe, Jr.....	1	
Frederick B. Barker.....	1	
Samuel J. Willis.....	1	
Albert C. Hobbs.....	1	
Edward J. Smith.....	1	
Harry E. Follett.....	1	
C. Samuel Aldrich.....	1	
Albert Clark.....	1	
H. M. Curtis.....	1	
Michael F. Maloy.....	1	
Frank H. Bliss.....	1	
Mrs. Gertrude Potter.....	1	
Ellery A. Reed.....	1	1
Edward D. Smith.....	1	
Michael Murphy.....	1	
Edwin W. Claffin.....	1	
Charles E. Braman.....	1	
Charles H. Fitts.....	1	
Lydia S. Temple.....	1	
Samuel A. Colcord.....	1	
Alvin E. Nichols.....	1	
Wilbur G. Taft.....	1	
Richard Lee, Jr.....	1	

	male	female.
George R. King.....	1	
Sewell Pugsley.....	1	

JURY LIST 1915-1916.

Upton, Mass., July 12, 1915.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 348, Acts of 1917, the Selectmen of the Town of Upton, met on the above date to be placed in the Jury Box for the ensuing year.

and prepared a list of names of persons residing in this town,

Barbour, Charles E.	Glen Ave.,	Painter
Batchelor, Henry J.	Hartford Ave.,	Farmer.
Cooley, Matthew	Mendon St.,	Straw-worker.
Davis, Otis H.	No. Main St.,	Mechanic.
Frail, Arthur W.	Nelson St.,	Mechanic.
Gorman, Thomas J.	Main St.,	Box-maker.
Gould, Leslie W.	Grove St.,	Straw-worker.
Jacobs, Fred	Plain St.,	Inspector.
Lyford, Frank E.	Main St.,	Carpenter.
Newton, Orrin G.	Fiske Ave.,	Straw-worker.
Noe, Jr. Victor	Picadilly	Inspector,
Ogden, Frank O.	Main St.,	Reporter.
Parshley, William F.	Maple Ave.,	Painter.
Parshley, William F. Jr	Maple Ave.,	Musician.
Salisbury, Charles A.	Grove St.,	Painter.
Sanford, Fred B.	Plain St.,	Straw-worker.
Shaughnessy, Roger	Grove St.,	Retired.
Sheehan, James F.	Maple St.,	Straw-worker.
Slocomb, Albert F.	Glen Ave.,	Carpenter.
Smith, George H.	Main St.,	Inspector,
Taft, Wilbur G.	Hopkinton	Farmer.
Walker, William H.	Main St.,	Clerk.
Whitney, Alfred L.	Main St.,	Inspector.
Whitney, Charles A.	No. Main St.,	Carpenter.

JURORS DRAWN DURING 1915.

March 16, George H. Butterfield, U. S. District Court at Boston.

March 27, Stephen H. Jencks, Supreme Court at Worcester.

October, Alfred L. Whitney, U. S. District Court at Boston.

Nov. 19, Henry J. Batchelor, U. S. District Court at Boston.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1915.

Jan.	1.	Mildred Vera Davis.
	10.	Frank Melvin Robinson.
Mar.	8.	Geraldine Chadwick.
	10.	Thomas Swinarski.
	12.	Edward Leroy Prentiss.
	16.	Hector Arthur Henchey.
	24.	Richard Joseph Moroney.
May	2.	Joseph Vincent Ettinger.
	2.	Arline Frances Wood.
	25.	Usher.
	26.	Frances Calnan.
	26.	Laurence Henry Atwood.
June	9.	John Alexander Smith.
	20.	William Millburn Whiting.
	27.	Ruth Winifred Wood.
July	15.	Marjorie Alice Aldrich.
Aug.	5.	Raymond Kendall Smith.
	10.	Mary Taft.
Sept.	5.	Allen Joseph Boucher.
	14.	Leo Amos Lassard.
	25.	John Carroll.
	30.	Harland Charles Seymour.
Oct.	23.	Linwood Francis Foster.
Nov.	1.	Richard Paul Halloran.
Dec.	3.	Mary Ann Dwyer.
	14.	Roland Robinson.
	16.	Donais.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1915.

Date.	Where Married.	Names.	Age.	Residence.	By Whom Married.
Feb. 10.	Hyde Park, Mass.,	Kirby Snow Hall,	18	West Upton	Rev. George W. Owen,
		Charlotte Elizabeth Armstrong,	18	Hyde Park, Mass.	Hyde Park, Mass.
Feb. 14.	Upton,	Irving Washington Fuller,	28	West Upton,	Rev. Osmond J. Billings,
		Dixie Bessie Glynn,	22	West Upton,	Upton, Mass.
Apr. 10.	Upton,	Arthur Leslie,	30	West Upton,	Rev. Osmond J. Billings,
		Florence M. Ryder,	22	West Upton,	Upton, Mass.
Apr. 17.	Upton,	Charles Frederick Foley,	48	Upton,	Rev. Osmond J. Billings,
		Ida Maria (Pickett) Sweeney,	41	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
Apr. 17.	Upton,	Theodore Henry Stone,	27	Worcester,	Rev. Osmond J. Billings,
		Jane Elizabeth Sweeney,	23	Worcester,	Upton, Mass.
Apr. 28.	Westboro, Mass.	George Albert Davenport,	33	Upton,	Rev. Thomas C. Richards,
		Hazel Barbour,	29	East Boothbay, Me.	Westboro, Mass.
June 23.	Arrowsic, Me.	Arthur Raymond Cobbett,	37	Upton,	Rev. Mabel N. Eismor,
		Olive Alice Robbins,	26	Upton,	Arrowsic, Me.
June 30.	Upton,	Leslie Cullen Childs,	23	Upton,	Rev. Francis J. Marsh,
		Mima Jane Sanborn,	27	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
Aug. 25.	Bellows Falls,	James Charles Davis,	19	Upton,	Thos. E. O'Brien, J. P.,
		Florence Elizabeth Hewitt,	21	Groton, Conn.	Bellows Falls, Vt.
Sept. 14.	Framingham, Mass.	Frank Masterson Shea,	30	Framingham, Mass.	Rev. Chester H. Howe,
		Lucy Estelle Carter,	24	Upton, Mass.	Framingham, Mass.
Sept. 23.	Uxbridge, Mass.	Henry Wallace McBride,	54	West Upton,	Rev. Alex. Wiswall,
		Jennie Amy (Taft) Bradish,	42	West Upton,	Uxbridge, Mass.
Sept. 30.	Upton,	William Henry Nason,	18	Upton,	Rev. George F. Flynn,
		Blanche R. Foley,	18	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
Oct. 25.	Worcester,	Arthur Leroy Slocomb,	26	Hartford, Conn.,	Rev. Henry S. Bradley,
		Edith Blanche Nelson,	24	West Upton,	Worcester, Mass.
Nov. 4.	Brookline, Mass.	Harold Irving Fiske,	23	Upton,	Rev. W. W. Iliffe,
		Josie Elizabeth Bennett,	28	Brookline,	Brookline, Mass.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1915. (Continued)

Date.	Where Married.	Names.	Age.	Residence.	By Whom Married.
Nov. 10.	Hubbardston,	Carleton Houghton Chapman,	28	West Upton,	Rev. Horace R. Hubbard,
		Marion Hazel Murdock,	27	Hubbardston, Mass.	Hubbardston, Mass.
Nov. 22.	Upton.	Michael Marchand,	24	Upton,	Rev. George F. Flynn,
		Eva Bissonnette,	19	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
Dec. 30.	Upton.	Frederick Joseph Mitchell,	29	Framingham,	Rev. Andrew L. Bixler,
		Agnes Gammell Young Nelson,	21	Upton, Mass.	Beverly, Mass.

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1915.

Date.	Name.	Age.		Where Buried.
		Y.	M. D.	
Jan. 3.	Charles M. Wood,	79	5	13 Pine Grove, Upton.
23.	Ann (Bray) McTague,	84	0	28 Lakeview, Upton.
24.	Harry Vincent Noe,	1	0	4 Lakeview, Upton.
26.	Margaret McCraith,	83	0	0 Lakeview, Upton.
Feb. 10.	Sarah Elizabeth Pratt,	70	2	2 Pleasant View, Arlington.
14.	Charles Henry Rogers,	65	2	5 Lakeview, Upton.
22.	Aline Margarite Loiselle,	15	2	8 St. Joseph, Biddeford, Me.
Mar. 1.	Lillian Elizabeth Sears,	0	2	9 Lakeview, Upton.
7.	Charles Wales Phipps,	67	8	26 Hopkinton.
15.	Alex. Barton,	60	7	17 Lakeview, Upton.
17.	Bridget Condon,	74	7	4 St. Mary's, Milford.
24.	Sarah E. Coffin,	84	5	3 Maplewood, West Upton.
Apr. 8.	Emma L. Jepherson,	42	11	24 Maplewood, West Upton.
13.	Stanley C. Brooks,	65	5	18 Lakeview, Upton.
13.	Julia A. Aldrich,	80	7	0 Maplewood, West Upton.
14.	Sarah R. Millner,	80	3	13 Lakeview, Upton.
18.	George E. Southland,	62	6	1 Lakeview, Upton.
25.	Thomas T. Brewer,	85	8	20 Lakeview, Upton.
30.	Addie J. Spaulding,	72	11	0 City Mills Cemetery, Franklin.
May 3.	Joseph Vincent Ettinger,	0	0	1 Lakeview, Upton.
13.	Mary R. S. Collicott,	82	10	0 Lakeview, Upton.
15.	Mary J. Anderson,	40	1	22 Lakeview, Upton.
16.	Florian G. Church,	68	8	6 Lakeview, Upton.
19.	Betsey Jane Aldrich,	73	2	19 Pine Grove, Whitinsville.
June 4.	George Emerson Childs,	72	6	21 Lakeview, Upton.
6.	Rachel Fletcher,	73	2	18 Vernon Grove, Milford.
20.	Ethel Snow,	24	7	19 Hope, Worcester.
27.	James H. Lee,	55	5	12 Lakeview, Upton.
July 11.	Samantha E. Coggeshall,	82	11	27 Sutton.
13.	Charles A. Haynes,	46	0	0 Lakeview, Upton.
19.	Helen B. Marshall,	7	7	5 Lakeview, Upton.
Aug. 7.	Walter B. Clapp,	83	9	19 Lakeview, Upton.
13.	Mary E. Ellis,	72	10	17 Woodville, Hopkinton.
24.	Nancy L. Carlin,	82	2	5 South Sutton.
Sept. 7.	George McDonald,	0	5	18 Lakeview, Upton.
23.	Sarah Jane Covell,	65	1	15 West Medway.
24.	Ellen L. Daniels,	68	7	21 Pine Grove, Milford.
27.	Francis E. Wood,	71	7	19 Lakeview, Upton.
Oct. 10.	Frank M. Robinson,	0	9	21 Lakeview, Upton.
24.	Linwood F. Foster,	0	0	1 Lakeview, Upton.
Nov. 12.	Gelispie C. Wood,	78	1	14 Pine Grove, Upton.
14.	Laura E. Balcome,	76	11	20 Douglas.
17.	Lillian I. Crooker,	23	8	30 Lakeview, Upton.
21.	Nancy Leland,	86	7	13 Lakeview, Upton.
25.	James S. LeSure,	71	8	22 Pine Grove, Upton.
Dec. 10.	Mary Ann Dwyer,	0	0	2 St. Mary's, Milford.
14.	Nettie E. Jones,	69	6	4 Lakeview, Upton.
16.	Mary S. Sadler,	71	6	24 Lakeview, Upton.

**BODIES BROUGHT FROM OTHER TOWNS AND CITIES FOR
INTERMENT IN UPTON DURING 1915.**

Date of Death.	Place of Death.	Name.	Age. Y. M. D.	Place of Interment.
Jan. 16.	Boston.	Augusta M. Aldrich,	70 4 8	Lakeview
Feb. 14.	Westboro.	Ella Russell Thayer,	55 10 12	Lakeview
Feb. 17.	Worcester.	Maria E. Ruggles,	82 1 22	Lakeview
Feb. 28.	Worcester.	Mary L. Rawson,	50 10 0	Lakeview
April 4.	Worcester.	May B. Howe,	46 7 4	Lakeview
July 11.	Worcester.	Edna L. Shultis,	30	Maplewood
Sept. 11.	Beverly.	Walter S. Ball,	45 5 25	Maplewood
Oct. 18.	Milford.	Eliza W. Bradish,	80 10 28	Lakeview
Nov. 7.	No. Grafton.	Orson A. Martindale,	62 3 3	Lakeview

Births recorded	27
Marriage Intentions issued	14
Marriage Intentions returned	1
Marriages recorded	17
Deaths recorded	48

MORTGAGE RECORDS.

Assignment of Personal Mortgage recorded.....	2
Personal Mortgages recorded	18
Bill of Sale recorded	2
Discharge of Mortgages	4

DOGS LICENSED.

Males and spayed females	134
Females	12
June 1. Paid Edgar L. Ramsdell Co. Treasurer....	\$210 00
Dec. 1. Paid Edgar L. Ramsdell Co. Treasurer... ..	88 80

HUNTERS LICENSED.

Resident Hunters	111
Paid Commissioners on Fisheries and Game.....	\$94 35

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1915.

Number of horses assessed	226
Number of cows assessed	289
Number of sheep assessed	2
Number of neat cattle assessed	129
Number of swine assessed	53
Number of houses assessed	471
Number of acres of land assessed.....	12976
Number of fowls assessed	7080
Value of fowls	\$3,540
Valuation of real estate assessed...	\$946,210 00
Valuation of personal estate assessed	361,279 00

Total valuation \$1,307,489 00

Tax for state, county and town purpose, including overlayings
for abatements only:—

On real estate	\$17,410 26
On personal estate	6,647 52
On polls	1,102 00

Totals \$25,159 78

Rate per thousand, \$18.40.

Persons assessed on property	656
Persons assessed for poll tax only	302
Number of assessed polls	551

Number of exempted polls	37
Gypsy moth assessment	\$ 43 00
State tax for 1914	\$2,887 50
State tax for 1915	\$3,217 50
County tax for 1914	\$1,329 00
County tax for 1915	\$1,459 00
Town appropriations for 1914	\$23,165 00
Town appropriations for 1915.....	\$24,840 00
Total individual exemptions	\$32,200 00

HERBERT M. BUCK,

FRANK E. LYFORD,

WALTER E. SADLER,

Assessors of Upton.

1915.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Book 1911.

Tax levied		\$23,399 05
Abated	\$126 86	
Collected	\$23,125 50	
Due Jan. 1, 1916	\$146 69	
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		\$23,399 05
Interest collected	\$389 49	

Book 1912.

Tax levied		\$27,971 23
Abated	\$185 78	
Collected	27,511 00	
Due Jan. 1, 1916	274 45	
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		\$27,971 23
Interest collected	\$134 33	

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,

Collector.

Book 1914.

Due Jan. 1, 1915.....		\$1746 77
Abated	\$15 85	
Collected	1730 92	
	<hr/>	\$1746 77
Interest collected	\$36 63	

SAMUEL B. YOUNG.

Collector.

I have examined the above account and found it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

Auditor.

 Book 1915.

Tax levied		\$25,202 78
Abated	\$63 14	
Collected	\$22,891 07	
Due Jan. 1, 1916.....	\$2248 57	
	<hr/>	\$25,202 78
Interest Collected.....	\$23 35	

DANIEL A. GORMAN,

Collector.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

Auditor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FRED W. WOOD, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF UPTON.

Dr.

Cash balance from last year	\$4,576 35
Received from Milford National Bank	
Bank	8,003 55
State Treasurer, National Bank tax.	57 35
State Treasurer, corporation tax	
business	22 01
State Treasurer, corporation tax,	
public service	403 33
State Treasurer, military aid.....	228 00
State Treasurer, State aid.....	1,709 00
State Treasurer, Industrial schools..	120 54
State Treasurer, superintendency fund	312 50
State Treasurer, tuition school	
children	133 00
State Treasurer, burial of indigent	
soldiers	150 00
State Treasurer, income Massachusetts	
school fund.....	921 61
Grafton & Upton R. R. on acct.	
forest fires.....	615 28
Town of Grafton on acct. forest	
fires	63 13
Fred Sanford Supt. Highway	
Dept. gravel.....	1 25
Edw. B. Houghton, taxes collected.	1,016 50

Third District Court Milford, fines	
collected	25 00
Max Pressman, junk license.....	10 00
Aaron Pressman, junk license.....	10 00
K. Bergen, junk license.....	10 00
B. Kaplan, slaughter license.....	1 00
Wrenn Bros., ice cream license....	2 00
Salvatore Testa, Milford, peddler's license	8 00
G. & U. R. R. excise tax.....	82 92
C. E. Fairbanks, auctioneer's license	2 00
D. A. Gorman, taxes collected in 1915	22,891 07
D. A. Gorman, interest collected in 1915	23 35
Support of poor dept.....	1476 35
Knowlton and Batchelor, trust deed.	451 26
City of Boston, tuition.....	35 50
Knowlton school fund.....	18 00
County dog fund.....	258 42
S. B. Young, taxes collected.....	1730 92
S. B. Young, interest collected....	36 63
Columbian Chapter O. E. S., rent of G. A. R. Hall.....	10 00
Post 105 G. A. R. rent of G. A. R. Hall	1 00
Interest on Dr. Carpenter fund....	40 40
Rent of Town Hall as follows:	
H. E. Allard.....	244 50
Cranes Minstrels	8 00
Sullivan Bros.	8 00
Foresters of America.....	62 00
Republican Town committee.....	11 00
Church of the Holy Angels.....	19 00
Grange	65 50
Farmers Club.....	3 00
Lead Aqueduct Society	4 00

Rev. G. F. Flynn	8 00	
Congregational Church	8 00	
Democrat Town com.	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$45,901 22

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By cash paid out on Selectmen's orders by	
pay rolls	\$43,229 60
By cash, balance on hand Jan. 1, 1916.....	\$2,671 62

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,

Town Treasurer.

I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

Auditor.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, known as the Knowlton School Fund, in trust, with the Town Treasurer as trustee, \$14.12 to be used by the School Committee to defray the extraordinary expenses of the Knowlton School Building.

FRED W. WOOD,

Town Treasurer.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Ordered paid for notes and interest:—

Treasurer and Receiver General, school-house bond and interest.....	\$1,040 00	
Treasurer and Receiver General, interest on remaining bonds.....	80 00	
Worcester County Institution for Savings, municipal bond...	1,200 00	
Worcester County Institution for Savings, interest on bonds.....	96 00	
Milford National Bank, money borrowed in anticipation of taxes.....	8,000 00	
Milford National Bank, interest on the above.....	160 00	
	<hr/>	\$10,576 00

Ordered paid for State and County tax:—

Charles I. Burrill Treasurer and Receiver General, state tax.....	\$3,217 50	
Interest	85	
	<hr/>	\$3,218 35
Edgar L. Ramsdell, County Treasurer county tax.....	\$1,459 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,677 35

Ordered paid for town library:—

Bills as reported by treasurer of trustees	\$425 15	
Ordered paid for support of schools:—		
Bills as reported by school committee.....	\$9,624 63	

Ordered paid for support of poor:—	
Bills as reported by overseers of poor.....	\$4,626 90
Ordered paid for painting school-houses:—	
Bills as reported by school committee.....	\$318 00
Ordered paid for highways and bridges:—	
Bills as reported by highway surveyors.....	\$2,541 16
Ordered paid for removing snow:—	
Bills as reported by highway surveyors.....	\$55 25
Ordered paid for fire department:—	
Bills as reported by fire engineers.....	\$758 75
Ordered paid for forest fires:—	
Bills as reported by Forest Warden.....	\$650 12
Ordered paid for expense of Memorial Day:—	
Treasurer of Post 105 G. A R.	\$125 00
Ordered paid for military aid:—	
Aid to two persons	\$432 00
Ordered paid for state aid:—	
Aid to various persons	\$1,654 00
Ordered paid for suppression of gypsy moth:—	
Bills as reported by local superintendent.....	\$149 05
Ordered paid for street lighting:—	
Worcester Suburban Electric Co.	\$1,632 25
Ordered paid school physician:—	
Edward C. Traver, M. D.	\$15 00
Ordered paid for soldiers' relief:—	
Aid to various persons	\$638 42
Ordered paid for side walks:—	
Bills as reported by highway surveyors.....	\$55 88
Ordered paid for trimming trees:—	
Bills as reported by tree warden.....	\$99 50
Ordered paid for bonding town officers:—	
Treasurer's bond	\$20 00
Collector's bond	\$25 00
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	\$45 00

Ordered paid for board of health:—

Marion E. Gould, quarantine.....	\$18 00	
Laura Sears, quarantine	12 00	
Chas. H. Marshall, quarantine	16 50	
Estella G. Marshall, quarantine	9 00	
Moroney Bros, supplies	1 05	
King Co. supplies	75	
W. W. Claffin, supplies	90	
Werber & Rose, supplies	2 78	
Mary A. Towne, services	75	
W. P. Grandy, services	21 76	
A. Lamson, supplies	9 10	
E. C. Traver, M. D. services	7 50	
E. M. Baker, supplies	3 23	
Hobbs Warren Co. record book	4 14	
G. Z. Williams.....	25 00	
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		\$132 46

Ordered paid for cemeteries:—

Fred W. Wood, treasurer of commis-	
sioners	\$300 00

Ordered paid for painting on G. A. R. Building:—

Stephen O. Inman, labor and supplies	\$198 00	
Milford Journal Co. printing	1 40	
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		\$199 40

Ordered paid for printing valuation reports:—

Milford Journal Co.	\$66 42	
C. E. Fairbanks, express	75	
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		67 17

Ordered paid for repairs on Westboro Fire Tower:—

75 00

Ordered paid town officers for services:—

Alfred Young, selectman and surveyor	\$65 00
Arthur Lamson, selectman and surveyor	40 00
I. Plummer Taft, selectman and surveyor	40 00
Francis T. Nelson, clerk of board....	25 00
Frank P. Decrow, overseer	25 00
Henry D. Aldrich, overseer	25 00
Edward B. Newton, overseer clerk	50 00
Wm. F. Parshley, clerk, board of health	30 00
Registrars	70 00
George E. Ambler, Auditor.....	25 00
Fred W. Wood, Treasurer	125 00
Francis T. Nelson, Town Clerk	128 00
W. G. Taft, Sealer	9 24
W. L. Wood, inspector of slaughtering	15 00
Walter E. Sadler, inspector of slaughtering	15 00
Alex Barton, appraiser	3 00
George Z. Williams, appraiser	3 00
Roger Shaughnessy, appraiser.....	3 00
Election officers	74 00
Herbert A. Bagley, notifying town officers	5 00
Edwin B. Houghton, collector	106 60
Samuel B. Young, collector	17 30
Daniel A. Gorman, collector	228 91
Frank E. Lyford, assessor	100 00
Herbert M. Buck assessor	117 50
Walter E. Sadler, assessor	90 00
Henry D. Aldrich, police duty	6 00
Herbert A. Bagley, police duty	6 00
Charles H. Marshall, police duty....	6 00

Michael Murphy, police duty	6 00
Wm. F. Parshley, police duty	6 00
Wm. F. Parshley, posting warrants ..	6 00

\$1,471 55

Ordered paid for incidentals:—

D. R. Bowker, janitor	\$224 00
D. R. Bowker, repairs	50 86
D. R. Bowker, water works	13 63
D. R. Bowker, grate	12 15
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, coal for town building	196 25
Worcester Suburban Electric Co. lighting building	89 58
W. P. Grandy, carting ashes	9 00
Z. B. Grandy, carting ashes	2 00
T. Groom Co., book for treasurer	1 25
J. C. Lynch, legal services	26 00
Williams & Vincent, legal services.....	35 00
Wilbur G. Taft, sup. & expense, sealer..	7 48
Carter Ink Co. standard ink	1 25
Burial of soldier's widow	50 00
Milford Journal Co. printing town reports	138 24
Milford Journal Co. printing warrants, ballots, etc.,	22 90
Milford Journal Co. printing proposed by-laws	8 00
Milford Journal Co. publishing by- laws	27 00
Chas. L. Aldrich, wood for town bldg.	13 25
John Bailey, wood for town bldg.	18 00
J. Wakup, sawing above wood	3 00
W. G. Fiske, wood for town bldg.	2 75
W. S. Cooke, tuning and repairing piano	3 50
S. B. Lyon, tuning piano	2 50
W. F. Parshley, killing dog	1 50

Certifying note	2 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 1-4 druggist license	25
S. J. Willis, labor on G. A. R. Bldg.	67 50
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, bolts for G. A. R. Bldg.	5 50
G. H. Locke, shingles for G. A. R. Bldg.	142 50
Staples & Gould supplies for G. A. R. Bldg.	4 99
Arthur P. Clarridge, labor on G. A. R. Bldg.	11 10
L. A. Snow, supplies for G. A. R. Bldg.	12 19
C. H. Marshall, services at court.	13 82
J. O'Neal, services at court.	24 13
Wm. F. Parshley, services at court. .	17 36
H. D. Aldrich, services at court.	24 28
H. A. Bagley, services at court.	14 52
E. M. Baker, supplies for town bldg. .	5 10
A. Lamson, supplies for town bldg. ...	7 73
A. Lamson, use of auto for perambu- lations	10 00
Alfred Prescott, care of town clock. ...	8 00
C. A. Cook, legal advice	3 00
Remick Fur. Co., curtains for town bldg.	29 73
Fred W. Wood, supplies for treasurer.	17 30
Sanford Putnam Co. supplies for asses- sors	4 10
H. M. Buck, supplies for assessors ..	3 25
F. E. Lyford, use of auto for asses- sors	10 00
Worcester Abstract Co. assessors.	34 12
A. W. Brownell, printing	12 87
R. Lyford, ins. on town bldg.	86 10
R. Lyford, ins. on school bldg.	184 61

Alfred Young, petition to Co. Com. state road	1 50	
F. S. Webster, supplies for town clerk .	4 50	
Worcester Suburban Electric Co. 1 doz. electric lamps	3 90	
D. Gorman, taxes on straw shop.....	82 80	
Town of Hopedale, changing bounds .	9 50	
Edward C. Traver, M. D. returning 15 births	3 75	
George Z. Williams, returning 34 deaths	8 50	
F. T. Nelson, money paid out, etc.	20 72	
Town of Hopkinton, one-half expense of auto perambulating	5 00	
Daniel A. Gorman, supplies for col- lector	29 30	
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		\$1,884 61

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Departments.	Appropriations.	Income.	Total Receipts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended.	Overdrawn.
Notes and interest,	\$3,000 00	\$ 8,000 00	\$11,000 00	\$10,576 00	\$424 00	\$
School, industrial and common,	7,100 00	2,232 83	9,332 83	9,624 63		291 80
Incidentals,	1,200 00	605 92	1,805 92	1,884 61		78 69
Support of Poor,	2,900 00	1,476 35	4,376 35	4,626 90		250 55
Soldiers' Relief,	800 00		800 00	638 42	161 58	
Highways,	2,500 00		2,500 00	2,541 16		41 16
Removing Snow,	200 00		200 00	55 25	144 75	
Fire Department,	750 00		750 00	758 75		8 75
Forest Fire Warden,	250 00	678 41	928 41	650 12	278 29	89
Library and Carpenter Fund,	425 00		425 00	425 15		15
Suppression Gypsy Moth,	150 00		150 00	149 05	95	
Town Officers,	1,300 00		1,300 00	1,471 55		171 55
Military Aid,	250 00	210 00	460 00	432 00	28 00	
State Aid,	200 00	1,545 00	1,745 00	1,654 00	91 00	
Street Lighting,	1,650 00		1,650 00	1,632 25	17 75	
Suppress Illegal Sale of Liquor,	50 00		50 00		50 00	
Sidewalks,	100 00		100 00	55 88	44 12	
Tree Warden,	100 00		100 00	99 50	50	
Board of Health,	400 00		400 00	132 46	267 54	
School Physician,	15 00		15 00	15 00		

Bonding Town Officers,	50 00		50 00	45 00	5 00
Memorial Day,	125 00		125 00	125 00	
Cemeteries,	300 00		300 00	300 00	
Painting G. A. R. building,	200 00		200 00	199 40	60
Painting Schoolhouses,	300 00	18 00	318 00	318 00	
Printing Valuation Reports,	75 00		75 00	67 17	7 83
Westboro Fire Tower,	75 00		75 00	75 00	
County Tax,				1,459 00	
State Tax,				3,218 35	
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				\$43,229 60	

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF UPTON,
DECEMBER 31, 1915.

LIABILITIES.

Town owes Treasurer and Receiver- General, School-house bond....	\$2,000 00	
Town owes Worcester County Institu- tion for Savings, municipal bond.	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,200 00

ASSETS.

Due the town for taxes of 1911....	\$146 69	
Due the town for taxes of 1912.....	274 45	
Due the town for taxes of 1915.....	2,248 57	
Due the town for burial of soldier's widow.....	50 00	
Due the town for state aid.....	1,654 00	
Due the town for military aid.....	216 00	
Cash in hands of Treasurer.....	2,671 62	
	<hr/>	\$7,261 33
Balance in favor of the town Dec. 31, 1915		\$4,061 33
Balance in favor of the town Dec. 31, 1914		\$3,716 83

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings, known as the Carpenter Fund, (\$1,000.00) from which the town receives the income so long as certain conditions are fulfilled. This has been done the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,
I. PLUMMER TAFT,
Selectmen of Upton.

I have examined the foregoing report and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,
Auditor.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Cr. by appropriation from town.....	\$2,500 00
Dr. to cash paid by orders on the Treasurer.....	2,541 16

Overdrawn	\$41 16
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Cash paid for labor on highways:—

Joseph H. Martin, team and labor	\$425 15
A. Barton estate team and labor.....	398 25
Charles R. Aldrich, team and labor....	9 00
N. Palm, team and labor.....	13 50
Sewell Pugsley, team and labor.....	8 75
James Boland, labor.....	224 75
Eldred H. Prentiss, labor.....	219 63
A. Gauthier, labor.....	162 50
C. Hobbs, labor.....	151 75
Wm. F. Wood, labor.....	197 75
F. Hapgood, labor.....	6 75
A. Pilkington, labor.....	2 00
John Smith, labor.....	1 50
Harold Cox, labor.....	1 00
Arthur E. King, labor.....	101 50
E. D. Walker, labor.....	10 00
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, labor and supplies	21 50
Fred B. Sanford, Supt.	314 38
	<hr/> \$2,269 66

Cash paid for incidentals:—

Benj. C. Wood, plank	\$17 44
E. J. Sadler, blacksmith.....	2 45
H. B. Temple, lumber.....	22 08
Barton estate, plank.....	15 00
Staples & Gould, supplies.....	56 65
Oiling Main Street.....	50 00
W.G. Fiske, lumber.....	80
L. A. Snow, supplies.....	4 93
Scraper blade.....	8 50
Telephone & Grate.....	1 20
Express	1 96
Tools	21 61
Use of Fred Sanford's team.....	21 45
Cemetery Commission, gravel.....	1 80
Mrs. C. A. Bachelor, gravel.....	8 15
Arthur E. King, gravel.....	8 55
Irving H. Whiting, gravel.....	2 35
Joseph Stewart, gravel.....	20
John Bailey, gravel.....	4 15
Arthur Morrison, gravel.....	55
Geo. H. Stoddard, gravel.....	1 60
Fred B. Sanford, gravel.....	7 40
Theodore P. Porter, gravel.....	25
Chas. E. Barbour, gravel.....	1 50
William Carroll, gravel	25
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, plank.....	10 68
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	\$271 50
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	\$2,541 16

CASH EXPENDED ON THE HIGHWAYS IN UPTON
DURING THE YEAR 1915

Milford road,	\$77 87	No. Main street	\$59 18
Center Depot street,	13 00	Mendon street,	42 00
P. P. Taft road,	42 10	Prospect street,	42 68
Fiske street,	38 01	Winter street,	74 56
Walnut street,	58 93	Pearl street,	60 02
West River street,	37 37	Pleasant street,	17 12
Farnumsville road,	29 13	Grafton road,	28 75
Mechanic street,	52 62	Old Westboro road,	49 52
D. Eames road,	11 20	Hartford avenue,	34 75
Old Warren road,	73 70	Hopkinton road,	72 10
Elm street,	18 22	B. C. Wood road,	18 51
Glen avenue,	25 37	Westboro road,	111 60
Brooks street,	11 20	Wm. Carroll road,	28 75
Northbridge road,	69 95	School street,	81 74
Mendon road,	87 31	Chas. Leland road,	49 56
South street,	70 27	Glenview street,	78 93
Smith White road,	20 71	Taft street,	58 98
Carroll road,	29 00	East River street,	26 01
Plain street,	31 02	Maple avenue,	39 32
West Depot street,	52 00	Old Grafton road,	37 45
Main street,	159 22	Packard road,	22 20
High street,	34 77	Church street,	10 80
Morrison road,	21 02	Grove street,	50 58
Warren street,	17 12	Picadilly,	42 30
Merriam Dist. road	14 40	Seaver road	25 00
N. Hager road,	11 75		
			<hr/> \$2,269 66

FRED B. SANFORD,
Superintendent.

REMOVING SNOW.

Cr. by appropriation.....	\$200 00
Cash paid:—	
Charles L. Aldrich, team and labor..	\$29 50
Tom. J. Harper, team and labor....	4 75
Joseph A. Carroll, team and labor..	3 50
Orlando F. Taft, team and labor..	17 50
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	55 25
Unexpended	\$144 75

TOOLS AND SUPPLIES ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1916

1 Road scraper,	2 Contractors picks,
3 Snow plows,	1 Striking hammer,
2 Long-handle shovels sq.,	1 Road plow,
3 Steel rakes,	
1 16 lb. Steel bar,	14 feet 6 inch tile pipe, \$1 82
2 Handles,	22 feet 8 inch tile pipe, 3 52
1 Side-hill plow,	40 feet 10 inch tile pipe, 8 60
9 Short-handle shovels,	52 feet 12 inch tile pipe, 14 30
3 Long-handle shovels rd.,	616 feet Chestnut plank, 16 60
4 Shank hoes,	1 keg of 6 inch spikes 2 20
1 14 lb. Steel bar,	<hr/>
	\$47 04

REPORT OF GUIDE BOARDS.

2	near box mill.	1	near Chamberlain's market.
2	near fountain W. Upton.	5	near O. G. Newton place.
2	near Connelly's corner.	2	near N. H. Holbrook place.
2	near Joshua Aldrich place.	2	near Joshua Ballou's.
2	near George King's.	1	near O'Connell place.
1	near Sadler bridge.	1	near C. H. Johnson's.
1	near W. H. Miskell's.	1	near G. A. R. hall.
1	near Warren corner.	1	near Methodist Church.
2	near E. T. Hall's corner.	1	near Chas. Dana place.
3	near A. A. Bowker's.	1	near Mrs. R. Baldwin's.
2	near E. W. Bradish place.	1	near D. A. McKinley's.
2	near D. W. Whitney's.	2	near O. F. Taft's.
1	near Moses Dandro place.	2	near G. H. Evan's.
2	near M. Bailey place.	2	near P. P. Taft place.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED YOUNG,
I. PLUMMER TAFT,
ARTHUR LAMSON,
Highway Surveyors.

I have examined the above account and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,
Auditor.

LAKEVIEW CEMETERY COMMISSION.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

To cash balance from 1914	\$1 85
To cash balance from Leroy S. Wood, opening grave	5 00
Thomas Cullinan, Prov. R. I., care '13-'14	2 00
F. Jennie Batchelor Est., opening grave	3 00
Walter Butler, lot	5 00
Walter Butler, opening grave	3 00
Emma Freeman, care of lot, 1914 ..	1 00
Myrtice S. King, care of lot 1914 ..	1 00
G. Z. Williams, opening grave	5 00
Fred Humes, care of lot '13 and '14.	2 00
Ellen M. Taft, care of lot, '14.....	1 00
Ellen O'Connell, care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Hannah Johnson, care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Otis Sears, opening grave and pay- ment on lot.....	3 00
John Alexander, care of lot '15....	1 00
O. A. Martindale, care of lot '14, '15	2 00
Alex Barton Est., opening grave....	4 00
Mrs. Allison Smart, care of lot '15..	1 00
Emily Cahoone, care of lot '15.....	1 00
Louise Cheney, (Brockton) care '15	1 00

Town appropriation	300 00
G. Z. Williams, opening graves....	12 50
G. Z. Williams, opening graves....	9 00
G. Z. Williams, lot for Mrs. Bray...	5 00
Myrtice King, care of lot '15....	1 00
Fred Foley, care of lot '15	1 00
Fred Luzerne, care of lot '15.....	1 00
Mrs. Rufus Whitten, care of lot '15.	1 00
Marion King, care of lot '15.....	1 00
Warren B. Keith, (Worcester), care of lot '15.....	1 00
C. W. Linnell (Worcester), care of lot '15.....	3 00
Albert Pierce (Worcester), care of lot '15.....	1 50
Mrs. David Brown, care of lot '14 and '15.....	2 00
Mrs. J. J. Waldron, care of Otis Aldrich lot '15.....	1 00
Emerson & Co. Barre Vt., (founda- tion)	5 75
George Dwinnell (Westboro) care '15	3 00
G. Jenner Aldrich, care of lot '14..	1 00
Mr. Herrick (Whitinsville), labor..	1 00
Emerson & Co., Barre Vt., labor....	1 50
G. Z. Williams, opening grave.....	3 00
Mrs. Martha Eames, care of lot 1915	1 00
H. O. Harrington, fertilizer.....	45
George E. Session Sons Co. (Wor- cester), opening grave	5 00
Mrs. Jennie Bradish, care of lot 1915	1 00
John Swinarski, care of lot 1915..	1 00
Henry Rogers, repairs on lot.....	50

Mrs. Sylvester Madden, repairs on lot	50
Laura Sadler, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Wm. LeSure, repairs on lot.....	9 00
Emma Wood, cleaning stone.....	1 00
Susan Chamberlain, care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Eva Holbrook, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Chas. Marshall, one lot.....	5 00
Chas. Marshall, opening grave....	2 00
Chas. Braman, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Jas. LeSure, care of Kent lot '15...	1 00
Esther Clark, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
G. Z. Williams, opening grave.....	3 00
G. Z. Williams, opening grave.....	3 00
Worc. Co. Inst. for Savings, dividends to July, 1915.....	169 40
Fred W. Wood, care double lot '14 and '15.....	1 50
Frank Bannister, care of lot 1915..	1 00
Mrs. Stephen Jencks, repairs of lot..	3 00
Elizabeth Allison, lot.....	5 00
Town of Upton (Highway Dept.) gravel	1 80
Fred B. Putnam, grass and hay....	5 00
Fred Humes, repairs on lot.....	50
Celia Wellington, double lot care '14 and '15	3 00
Mrs. Mathew Cooley care of lot 1915	1 00
Mrs. Nettie Jones, care of lot 1915..	1 00
Mrs. B. A. Jourdan (Grafton), care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Mrs. Patrick Slattery and Connelly lot, double care.....	1 50
Eugene Hall, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Ellen Goddard (Worcester), care of lot 1915	1 00

Mrs. Abbie Morse, care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Mrs. Benj. Crooker, care of lot 1915	1 00
Walter G. Bailey, care of double lot	1 50
Elizabeth Allison, opening grave...	2 00
Frank Davenport, care of lot '13, '14 and '15	3 00
Alice A. Wood, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Ursula Taylor, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Jennie Allen, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Mrs. G. H. Peavey (Worcester), care of lot 1915.....	2 00
Mrs. I. E. H. Pierce, care of lot 1915	1 00
Patrick Pillion, care of lot 1915...	1 00
Henry Rogers, care of lot 1915...	1 00
John Perry, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Mrs. Fiske Batchelor, care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Irving Whiting, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Mrs. Jane Olney, care of lot 1915..	1 00
Margaret Lavin, care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Benj. C. Wood, care of lot 1915..	1 00
Lucy Eames, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Mrs. Edwin Nelson, care of lot 1915	1 00
Mrs. J. M. Ruggles, care of lot 1915	1 00
Dolly Walker, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Josephine Fiske, care of lot 1915..	1 00
James Smart, lot repairs	75
Myron Claffin, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Jas. Boland, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Mrs. Grace Houghton, care of lot '13, '14 and '15.....	3 00
Wm. Struthers, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Clarence Church, care of lot 1915..	1 00

Chas. Porter (Worcester), care of lot	
1915	1 00
Eldred Prentiss, care of lot 1915..	1 00
Mrs. Emma Wood, care of lot 1915.	1 00
Nathan Holbrook, care of lot 1915..	1 00
Lydia Chamberlain, care of lot 1915.	1 00
H. M. Aldrich (Boston), care of lots	
1915	12 00
O. F. Taft, care of Fisher and Taft,	
lot	1 00
O. F. Taft, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Mrs. Katherine Gorman, care of lot	
1915	1 00
Joshua Ballou, care of lot 1915....	1 00
W. L. Wood, care of lot '14 and	
'15	2 00
Delia Sheehan, care of double lot	
'14 and '15	3 00
Mary Dwyer, care of double lot '15.	1 50
F. W. Kerr Monument Co. founda-	
tion	3 00
E. I. Aldrich (Boston), care of 4 lots	4 00
Grace Hatch, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Martin Donnelly, care of lot 1915..	1 00
Mrs. Clara Porter, foundation.....	1 50
Mrs. Geo. Bruder, care of lot 1915.	1 00
Mrs. Frank Lamb (Westboro), care	
of lot 1915	1 00
Mrs. Mary J. Brown, care of lot 1915	1 00
G. Z. Williams, opening graves....	6 00
John Robinson, cash on acct.	2 00
W. W. Watson (Milford), opening	
grave	3 00
S. H. Eames, care of lot '13 '14 and	
'15	3 00
A. A. Ballou, (Holliston) care of lot	
1915	1 00

Myra Rawson, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Geo. Salisbury, care of lot 1915....	1 00
Victor Noe Sr., care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Mrs. Enos Taft Est., foundation..	4 00
Chas Barton, care of lot 1915....	1 00
H. A. Bagley, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Myra Rawson, repairs.....	6 00
Effie Hill, care of 2 lots 1915.....	2 00
George Church, care of F. G. Church lot '15.....	1 00
Mrs. H. Blake, care of lot 1915....	1 00
John B. Fay, care double lot 1915..	1 50
Arthur Struthers, care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Anna Davis, care of lot 1915.....	1 00
Kerr Monument Co., foundations..	12 45
Chas. Houghton, care of David Stearns' lot '15	1 00
Mrs. S. C. Brooks, lot.....	5 00
Mrs. Alba Stearns, care of lot '14 and '15	2 00
Thos. Gorman, care of lot 1915....	1 00
G. Jenner Aldrich, care of lot 1915.	1 00
Miss Florence O'Connell, care of lot 1915	1 00
Miss Grace Murphy, one lot.....	5 00
Miss Grace Murphy, care of lot 1915	1 00
Mrs. Dennis McNally, care of lot 1915	1 00
Walter True, care of lot 1915.....	1 00

 \$788 45

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By cash paid:—

Frank Davenport, labor and stock..	\$5 90
Leslie Childs, labor.....	9 20
Jas. R. Beck, labor.....	2 00

William Walker, labor.....	2 00	
Frank Brewer, labor with team....	5 25	
Fred Alexander, labor.....	3 20	
George Salisbury, labor.....	2 25	
W. G. Fiske, lumber.....	1 00	
Edward Bernard, labor.....	228 30	
Jas. Bigelow, labor.....	279 70	
L. A. Snow, supplies, cement and fertilizer	37 94	
A. A. Bowker, flowers.....	3 25	
Alfred Whitney, labor.....	12 80	
H. M. Waite Hardware Co. Wor- cester (lawn mower).....	9 50	
Chas L. Aldrich, labor with team..	17 95	
G. & U. R. R. freight and express..	7 30	
Clinton Ball, labor with team.....	1 05	
S. O. Inman, labor.....	6 80	
Fred Mason, labor.....	28 80	
Millbury Scouring Co. sheep manure	16 55	
Z.B. Grandy, labor with team.....	1 50	
Arthur Lamson, paint.....	90	
Leslie Childs, services as Secretary..	10 00	
Chas. Barbour, services as chairman..	5 00	
Arthur Corbett, survey and plan....	17 00	
W. P. Grandy, labor.....	8 00	
Fred W. Wood, services as treasurer	10 00	
Fred W. Wood, supplies, telephone, stationery and postage.....	7 25	
		\$740 39
		48 06
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I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

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, by will	200 00
Delucia Ward, by will	100 00
Calvin H. Ruggles, by will	50 00
Melinda 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	
Miss Eleanor B. Adair, fund	\$37 50	
Mrs. Myra Wadman, fund	37 50	
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Almira Durand and Stoddard lot, fund	200 00	
James E. Walker, fund	100 00	
Mrs. J. B. Mansfield, fund.....	75 00	
George I. Aldrich, by will	75 00	
Granville B. Nelson estate, Elijah Nelson, fund	100 00	
Elizabeth E. Holbrook, fund	50 00	
Mrs. J. H. LeSure, by will	50 00	
Mrs. Mary A. Whitney, by will	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,860 00
Sarah L. Bradish, fund		100 00
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		\$3,960 00

FRED. W. WOOD,

Secretary and Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

RECEIPTS.

Town appropriations Mar. 8, 1915.....	\$750 00
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EXPENSES.

E. M. Baker, services as engineer and extra labor.		19 97
Alex Barton, services as engineer.....		10 00
H. M. Buck, services as engineer and postage....		7 80
D. R. Bowker, salary as engineer of steamer and other labor.....		119 79
Geo. H. Southland, two months' care of steamer rooms		20 00
Wm. Clifford, services as stoker and labor.....		13 50
Wm. H. Noe, treasurer of Steamer Co., pay for members		139 17
Daniel Fay, treasurer of H. & L. Co. pay for mem- bers		150 00
Ernest Wellman, steward of H. & L. Co.		12 00
Worcester Sub. Elec. Co., for light.....		12 28
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., for use of telephone..		19 40
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, four tons of coal.....		31 90
Wm. F. Wood, labor.....		2 50
H. Daniel Fay, repairs of bell.....		2 20
E. J. Sadler, labor.....		1 15
L. W. Gould, for supplies.....		7 30
A. A. Bowker, rubber boots for Fire Dep't.		45 00

Geo. A. Walker, ringing fire alarm.....	2 00
Samuel Willis, for labor on towers.....	42 00
N. Palm, for use of teams at fires.....	4 00
J. H. Martin, for use of teams at fires.....	2 00
Estate of Alex Barton, for use of teams at fires..	4 00
W. G. Fiske; use of truck at fires, and supplies...	5 10
Peter Robson, watching at Fay fire.....	2 00
Leslie Childs, watching at Fay fire.....	2 00
Harry Whitney, watching at Fay fire.....	1 25
Ernest Wellman, watching at Fay fire.....	1 25
Nahum Bates, labor at chimney fire.....	1 00
John Crowell, fifteen straps at \$.15.....	3 75
Standard Extinguisher Co. for supplies.....	5 10
Geo. H. Locke, lumber for hose tower.....	39 90
Staples & Gould, hardware.....	3 53
Arthur Lamson supplies.....	50
Fred Sanford, carfare and telephone.....	1 30
E. M. Baker, supplies.....	91
A. A. Bowker, one pair of rubber boots.....	4 00
Willard A. Wood, labor on hose tower.....	19 20

Total expense	\$758 75
Overdrawn	\$8 75
Number of fires for the year ending Dec. 31, 1915	2
Number of chimney fires attended.....	8

FRED B. SANFORD,
CHAS. MARSHALL,
L. W. GOULD,
Board of Engineers.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

Auditor.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT.

Cr. by appropriation	\$200 00
Cr. by cash received, G. & U. R. R. Co. fire Oct. 12, 1914.	615 28
Cr. by cash received from Town of Grafton.....	63 13
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.Dr. to cash paid by orders on Treasurer.....	650 12
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Unexpended	\$228 29
Cash paid for labor and teams at fires:—	
Mar. 8.	67 75
Mar. 17 Jourdan's Crossing fire..	4 05
Mar. 19 Jourdan's Crossing fire..	7 51
Mar. 19. Bradish place fire.....	11 75
Mar. 22. Bradish place fire.....	66 36
Mar. 27. Perry fire.....	18 00
Mar. 30. Mahon fire.....	9 20
Mar. 30. North Upton fire.....	59 51
Mar. 30. North Upton fire.....	68 00
Apr. 8. Perry fire.....	14 10
Apr. 21. South Upton fire.....	13 05
Apr. 22. Riverdale road fire.....	59 60
Apr. 25. Westboro road fire.....	20 30
May 12. Seymour fire.....	4 20
June 4. Robbins fire.....	7 35
Oct. 3. Rockdale hill fire.....	7 75
Standard Extinguisher Co., supplies	11 88
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, supplies	9 12
Freight	73

D. R. Bowker, repairs on Extinguisher	75	
Moroney Bros., night lunches.....	3 91	
Town of Grafton for fighting fires	185 25	
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		\$650 12
Number of alarms from Fay Hill		14
False alarms		6
Number attended		8

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. MARSHALL,

Forest Warden.

I have examined the foregoing account and found it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

Auditor.

REPORT OF APPRAISERS.

Upton, Mass, Jan. 1, 1916.

We the undersigned appraisers of the Town Farm and personal property thereon, hereby certify that we met at said Farm on the first day of January 1916, and we beg leave to submit the following report:

2 horses	\$500 00
3 cows	225 00
2 heifers	60 00
4 calves	50 00
1 bull	55 00
75 fowls	52 00
3 pigs	40 00
6 tons Hungarian hay	90 00
12 tons hay	264 00
1 ton meadow hay	10 00
Oat straw	5 00
3 tons corn fodder	18 00
Grain	42 65
Corn on ear	10 00
1 bag cement	75
3 1-2 cords wood	15 00
Small wood	8 00
Slab wood	12 00
Wagons and carts	200 00
Harnesses	65 00
Sleds and pungs	15 00
Farming tools	250 00
2 fire extinguishers	16 00
Tobacco and drugs	40
2 sprayers	50

Groceries and provisions	18 00	
50 bu. number one potatoes	55 00	
30 bu. small potatoes	7 50	
Vegetables	3 00	
85 gal. vinegar	12 75	
1 bu. shell beans	3 00	
19 qts. tomato catsup	7 60	
Crockery	10 00	
Cooking articles	15 00	
Kitchen furnishings	80 00	
Dining room furniture	18 00	
Rubber mat	3 00	
Sitting room furniture	12 00	
Furniture in attic	8 00	
Bathroom furniture	5 00	
Furniture and furnishings for sleeping..		
rooms	200 00	
Laundry furnishings and supplies	45 00	
		<hr/> \$2,507 15
Total personal, 1916.....		\$2,507 15
Farm and buildings		3,500 00
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Total appraisal Jan. 1, 1916.....		\$6,007 15
Farm as appraised Jan. 1, 1915		4,000 00
Personal property, Jan. 1, 1915.....		2,580 76
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		\$6,580 76
Decrease in valuation, Jan. 1, 1916..		\$573 61

WILLIAM WALKER,
 GEORGE Z. WILLIAMS,
 ROGER SHAUGHNESSY,
 Appraisers of Town Farm.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

EXPENSES AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1915.

To cash paid:—

Superintendent and matron salary	\$409 29
Labor on the farm	174 36
Labor in the house	140 94
Groceries	520 22
Meat and fish	189 96
Clothing and shoes	45 24
Drugs and tobacco	18 65
Dry goods and dishes	100 06
Grain	542 28
Seeds and hardware	78 80
Blacksmithing	31 75
Fertilizer	93 75
Medical aid and nurse	46 50
Telephone	32 29
Repairs at the Farm	26 89
1 heifer bought	20 50
Fruit trees	5 20
George Z. Williams, burial	25 00
H. D. Aldrich, city employment office	1 00
Milford Journal Co., printing.. ..	1 31
D. R. Bowker, auto hire	1 75
H. E. Allard, barbering	2 60
H. Nelson, for use of barge	8 00

J. T. Crowell, harness and repair- ing	41 15	
Traveling and telephone expense.	2 20	
W. L. Stowe, making cider.....	96	
	<hr/>	\$2,560 65

EXPENSES AWAY FROM THE FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DEC. 31, 1915.

City of Worcester.....	\$176 64	
Town of Milford	74 54	
State Board of Charity.....	69 92	
Town of Sterling.....	33 00	
Town of Upton	802 56	
Town of Upton at City Hospital ..	61 43	
	<hr/>	\$1,218 09
Clerk supplies	1 75	
Legal advice	5 00	
	<hr/>	6 75

EXPENSES FOR MOTHERS' AID.

State Board of Charity.....	\$280 47	
Town of Milford	277 93	
Town of Upton	283 01	
	<hr/>	\$841 41

RECEIPTS AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DEC. 31, 1915.

Milk sold	\$441 74
Eggs sold	51 47
Poultry sold	47 83
Service of bull	25 00
Vegetables sold	51 26
Telephone receipts	2 92

Labor with team	102 30	
Money received for board	23 50	
Premium money	1 00	
Selectmen dept., money received.....	15 80	
Pigs sold	68 30	
	<hr/>	\$831 12

RECEIPTS AWAY FROM THE FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DEC. 31, 1915.

State Board of Charity.....	16 55	
City of Worcester	134 12	
Town of Milford	74 73	
Town of Sterling	32 86	
	<hr/>	\$258 26

RECEIPTS FOR THE MOTHERS' AID.

State Board of Charity	\$122 57	
Town of Milford	264 40	
	<hr/>	\$386 97

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
TOWN OF UPTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DEC. 31, 1915.

Received from the Town Farm	\$831 12	
Received away from the Town Farm..	258 26	
Received, Mothers' Aid.....	386 97	
Appropriation	2,900 00	
Overdrawn	250 55	
	<hr/>	\$4,626 90
Expense at the Town Farm	\$2,560 65	
Expense away from the Town Farm	1,218 09	
Expense for Mothers' Aid	841 41	
Legal advice and printed slips.....	6 75	
	<hr/>	\$4,626 90

Money due the Town in account with:—

State Board of Charity	69 92	
Town of Milford	8 81	
City of Worcester	96 81	
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		\$175 54

Money due the Town for Mothers' Aid:—

State Board of Charity	196 76	
Town of Milford	56 45	
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		\$253 21

PERSONS SUPPORTED AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1915.

George H. Clapp, superintendent.....	12	4-7	weeks.
Mrs. George H. Clapp, matron.....	12	4-7	weeks.
Dorothy Clapp, supt. child	12	4-7	weeks.
Hermon D. Fields, superintendent	32		weeks.
Mrs. Hermon D. Fields, matron.....	32		weeks.
Superintendent's child	32		weeks.
Lucius E. Austin, superintendent.....	7	2-7	weeks.
Mrs. Lucius E. Austin, matron	7	2-7	weeks.
Superintendent's child	7	2-7	weeks.
Superintendent's child	7	2-7	weeks.
Corrine Nichols, assistant matron.....	8	2-7	weeks.
Mrs. C. M. Gustafson, assistant matron....	5	1-7	weeks.
Lena Paige, assistant matron.....	5		weeks.
Lena Webb, assistant matron.....	7		weeks.
Dennis McQuade, laborer.....	4	3-7	weeks.
Carl Perry, laborer	6		weeks.
Arthur Howard, laborer		3-7	weeks.
Mrs. Arthur Howard, assistant matron.....		3-7	weeks.
Walter Hunt, laborer	2	4-7	weeks.
Mrs. Walter Hunt assistant matron.....	2	4-7	weeks.
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	204	5-7	
D. M. McHenry, laborer.....	16		weeks.
Katherine O'Malley, assistant matron....		2-7	weeks.
Inmate No.1	52		weeks.

Inmate No. 2	52	weeks.
Inmate No. 3	3	weeks.
Inmate No. 4	14	5-7 weeks.
Inmate No. 5	46	2-7 weeks.
Inmate No. 6	9	1-7 weeks.
Inmate No. 7	52	weeks.
Inmate No. 8	13	weeks.
Boarder	3	weeks.

The cost for board for each person living at the Farm is \$3.72 per week for the year ending Dec. 31, 1915.

FRANK P. DECROW,
HENRY D. ALDRICH,
EDWARD B. NEWTON,
Overseers of the Poor.

I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,
Auditor.

REPORT OF LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT For Suppressing the Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths, in the Town of Upton for the Year Ending Jan. 1, 1916.

Appropriation		\$150 00
Paid George H. Evans for labor and express	\$59 27	
H. S. Goodrich for labor.....	30 25	
John W. Smith for labor	26 00	
William Wood for labor.....	19 50	
Willis Chamberlain for labor.....	7 25	
Milford Journal for printing.....	5 70	
Commonwealth of Mass. for creosote	1 08	
		\$149 05

TOOLS ON HAND.

1 bush scythe and snath.
1 pair Clyde pruners.
2 bill hooks.
2 saws.
2 tree scrapers.
1 12-foot pruner
1 16-foot pruner.
1 pair tinner's snips.
5 gallons creosote.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. EVANS.

I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

Auditor.

TOWN LIBRARY.

TREASURER'S REPORT

DR.

Cash on hand April 1, 1915.....	\$3 21	
Received by Selectmen's pay roll orders	425 15	
Received for fines	2 43	
		<hr/> \$430 79

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Paid for books	\$124 10	
Books for Carpenter alcove.....	60 54	
Magazines and periodicals.....	43 92	
Librarian's salary	130 00	
Printing	4 07	
Binding	42 63	
Library cards	8 24	
Supplies	2 47	
Express	3 50	
Cleaning library room.....	7 25	
		<hr/> \$426 72

Balance cash in Treasurer's hands.... \$4 07

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. FAY,

Treasurer Town Library.

Upton, Mass., Jan. 6, 1916.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

Auditor.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

TO TRUSTEES OF UPTON TOWN LIBRARY:—

The Librarian herewith submits the following report for the library year ending July 1, 1915:—

Number of volumes in library July 1, 1915, 6,763.

The library was open for distribution of books one hundred days.

Number of volumes loaned from July 1, 1914 to July 1, 1915 was 16,237.

The required number of books and magazines have been added to the "Dr. Carpenter" alcove.

The largest daily circulation was 304 volumes, Jan. 30, 1915.

The smallest daily circulation was 40 volumes June 25, 1915.

Volumes loaned from adult fiction, 9,099.

Volumes loaned from juvenile fiction, 5,274.

GIFTS IN BOOKS AND PHAMPHLETS.

Statistics of Municipal Finance of Massachusetts.

Railway Library and Statistics, 1913.

Statistics of Railways in United States.

Proceedings of U. S. National Museum. V. 45-47.

United States National Herbarium. V. 18, Part 1.

United States Bulletin. No. 71.

United States Bulletin. No. 88.

Smithsonian Bulletin. Special.

Bulletin American Hydroids. Part 3.

United States National Museum. V. 90

Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts. 1914

Journal of the House of Representatives. 1914.

Journal of the Senate. 1914.

Library of Congress Report 1914.

Twenty eighth report of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Forty-eighth Annual Encampment, Department of Mass. Grand Army of the Republic, Faneuil Hall 1914.

Records of the Massachusetts Militia in the War of 1812-14.

Sixty-third Annual report of the Trustees of the Public Library
Boston, Mass.

General Education Board 1902-1914.

Manual for the General Court 1915.

Department reports of the Commonwealth of Mass.

Trial of Bertram G. Spencer for murder.

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Pamphlet 4-21.

INDIVIDUAL GIFTS.

Pope, Mrs. Ella.—Cambridge, Mass. The Broken Lance.

Williams, A. P.—Upton, Mass. Geographical Reviews, etc.

Mathews, George, Mr. and Mrs.—Worcester, Mass. Forty Volumes
in Fiction.

Bjoreman, Frances M. Woman Suffrage.

LAURA COPELAND SADLER,
Librarian.

January, 1, 1916.

BOOKS ADDED THROUGH THE YEAR.

MAGAZINES BOUND.

051	Sci2	Scientific American, July 1909—June 1915. Vols. 101-112.
051	O82	Outlook. May, 1909—April, 1915. Vols 97-110.
051	C33	Century Illustrated Magazine. Nov. 1881— April, 1915. Vols. 1-67, new series.
051	R32	Review of Reviews. July, 1909—June, 1915. Vols. 40-51.
051	W89	World's Work. May, 1909—1915. Vols. 18-29.
051	H32	Harper's Monthly Magazine. June, 1850— May, 1915. Vols. 1-130.

REFERENCE.

Reader's guide to periodical literature, from Jan.
to Dec. 1915.

RELIGION.

- 200 E151 Ellis, William T. "Billy Sunday", the Man,
and his Message.

NATURAL SCIENCE.

- 580 B89 Burbank, Luther. Life and Work.

FINE ARTS.

- 720 B27 Barry, John D. City of Domes.

LITERATURE.

- 814 D43 Benson, Arthur C. Escape, and other Essays.
821 B79 Brooks, Robert. Collected Poems.

GEOGRAPHY AND TRAVEL.

- 910 P87 Powell, E. Alexander. Road to Glory.
917.4 J62 Johnson, Clifton. Highways and By-ways of
New England.
917.28 P98 Putnam, George Palmer. Southland of
North America.

COLLECTED BIOGRAPHY.

- 920 J62 Johnson, B. B. Abraham Lincoln and Boston
Corbett. John Wilkes Booth, and Jeffer-
son Davis.
920 St47 Stevenson, Burton E. American men of
Action.
923 R47 Rinehart, Mary Roberts. Kings, Queens and
Pawns. An American woman at the front
in European War.

GENEALOGY.

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| 929 Am3 | Amesbury, Mass. Vital records to 1850. |
| 929 C14 | Cambridge, Mass. Vital records to 1850. |
| 929 C41 | Chelmsford, Mass. Vital records to 1850. |
| 929 H35 | Heath, Mass. Vital records to 1850. |
| 929 R58 | Rochester, Mass. Vital records to 1850. |
| 929 T97 | Tyngsborough, Mass. Vital records to 1850. |

BIOGRAPHY.

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| B B28 | Barton, Clara. Life of Epler, Percy H. |
| B H34 | Hay, John. Life of Thayer, John Roscoe. |

HISTORY.

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| 900 W844 | Wood, Elsie Fisher. Note book of an Attache. |
| 943 C12 | Caine, Hall. Drama of three hundred and sixty-five days. |
| 943 F83 | Fox, Edward Lyell. Behind the scenes in warring Germany. |
| 943 G79 | Gray, Alexander. I accuse! |
| 943 P18 | Palmer, Frederick. My year of the Great War. |
| 943 P222 | Parker, Gilbert. World in the crucible. |
| 943 W762 | Wister, Owen. Pentecost of calamity. |
| 944 A124 | Aldrich, Mildred. Hill-top on the Marne. |
| 949.3 P87 | Powell, E. Alexander. Fighting in Flanders. |
| 973 Hui87 | Huidekoper, Fredric Louis. Military Unpreparedness of the United States. |
| 973 Ush3 | Usher, Roland G. Pan-Americanism. |

FICTION.

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| Ad 12f | Adams, Frank R. Five Fridays. |
| Al 24h | Allen, Emma S. House of gladness. |
| An 24r | Anderson, Ada Woodruff. Rim of the Desert. |
| An 8p | Austin, Mary. Promised Land. |
| Au 8t | Aunt Sarah and the War. Tale of Transformations. |

B 152c	Bailey, Temple. <i>Contrary Mary.</i>
B 29t	Bassett, Sara Ware. <i>Taming of Zenas Henry.</i>
B 36h	Beach, Rex. <i>Heart of the Sunset.</i>
B 51h	Bindloss, Harold. <i>Harding of Allenwood.</i>
B 51Se	<i>Secret of the Reef.</i>
B 67j	Bower, B. M. <i>Jean of the Lazy A.</i>
B 72ba	Brady, Cyrus Townsend. <i>Baby of the Frontier.</i>
B 722s	Bradley, Mary Hastings. <i>Splendid chance.</i>
B 85co	Buck, Charles Neville. <i>Code of the Mountains.</i>
B 93Los	Burnett, Francis Hodgson. <i>Lost Prince.</i>
C 11g	Cable, George W. <i>Gideon's Band.</i>
C 35w	Chambers, Robert W. <i>Who goes There?</i>
C 42e	Chester, George Randolph. <i>Enemy.</i>
C 47f	Churchill, Winston. <i>Far Country.</i>
C 91l	Cullum, Ridgway. <i>Law Breakers.</i>
C 94l	Curtise, Phillips. <i>Ladder.</i>
D 15l	Dalrymple, Leona. <i>Lovable Meddler.</i>
D 33l	Day, Holman. <i>Landloper.</i>
D 37a	Deland, Margaret. <i>Around Old Chester.</i>
D 38k	Dell, Ethel M. <i>Keeper of the door.</i>
D 77v	Doyle, A. Conan. <i>Valley of Fear.</i>
Em 3t	Emerson, Willis George. <i>Treasurer of Hidden Valley.</i>
Er 8g	Erskine, Payne. <i>Girl of the Blue Ridge.</i>
Ev 1t	Evans, Larry. <i>Then I'll come back to you.</i>
F 22be	Farnol, Jeffery. <i>Belthane the Smith.</i>
F 55h	Fitch, George. <i>Homeburg Memories.</i>
F 742v	Foote, Mary Hallock. <i>Valley Road.</i>
G 13f	Galsworthy, John. <i>Freeland.</i>
G 86lo	Grèy, Zane. <i>Lone Star Ranger.</i>
G 86r	<i>Rainbow Trail.</i>

H 151	Hallet, Richard Mathews. Lady Aft.
H 38p	Hendryx, James B. Promise.
J 64f	Johnston, Mary. Fortunes of Garin.
K 74s	Knibbs, Henry Herbert. Sundown Slim.
L 47m	Leacock, Stephen. Moonbeams from the larger lunacy.
L 51a	Lee, Jennette. Aunt Jane.
L 66b	Lippman, Julie. "Bushes Amy."
L 792	Locke, William J. Jafferay.
L 972mi	Lutz, Grace Livingston Hill. Miranda.
L 972o	Obsessions of Victoria Gracen.
L 983c	Lynde, Francis. City of numbered days.
M 115st	McCall, Sidney. Stirrup Latch.
M 134m	McCutcheon, George Barr. Mr. Bingle.
M 31a	Mainates, Belle K. Amarilly of clothes line alley.
M 342w	Marriot, Crittenden. Ward of Tecumseh.
M 83w	Morris, Gouverneur. When my ship comes in.
Op 4m	Oppenhiem, E. Phillips. Mr. Grex of Monte Carlo.
P 222m	Parker, Gilbert. Money Master.
P 821po	Porter, Eleanor H. Pollyanna grown up.
R 47k	Rinehart, Mary Roberts. K.
R 83w	Ruch, Berta. Winning of Rosamond Fayre.
R 87s	Runkle, Bertha. Straight down the crooked lane.
T 17tu	Tarkington, Booth. Turmoil.
W 392de	Webster, Jean. Dear Enemy.

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| W 465r | Wells, H. G. Research Magnificent. |
| W 615r | Widdemer, Margaret. Rose Garden Husband. |
| W 662s | Willsie, Honore. Still Jim. |
| W 67se | Williamson, C. N. and A. M. Secret History. |
| W 82s | Wodehouse, Pelham Grenville. Something new. |

JUVENILE WORKS.

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| j 398 sm5 | Smith, Elva and others. Christmas in Legend and story. |
| j 590 L85 | Long, William. Brier Patch Philosophy. |
| j 598 M61 | Miller, Olive Thorne. Children's book of Birds. |
| j 790 H14 | Hall, A. Neely. Home made toys for Boys and Girls. |
| j 920 B58 | Blaisdell, Albert F. and F. A. Ball. Heroic deeds of American Sailors. |
| j 920St5 | Stimpson, Mary Stoyell. Child's book of American Biography. |

JUVENILE FICTION.

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| jA1 7ho | Altsheler, Joseph A. Host of the Air. |
| jA1 7r | Rock of Chickamauga. |
| jB 23d | Barbour, Ralph Henry. Danforth plays the game. |
| jB 23le | Left tackle Thayer. |
| jB 23se | Secret Play. |
| jB 267d | Barnum, Richard. Don, the runaway dog. |
| jB 267m | Mappo the Merry Monkey. |
| jB 267s | Squinty the Comical Pig. |
| jB 267sl | Slicko the Jumping Squirrel. |
| jB 267t | Tum Tum the Jolly Elephant. |
| jB 62s | Blodgett, Mabel Fuller. Strange story of Mr. Dog and Mr. Bear. |
| jB 784do | Brooks, Amy. Dorothy. Dainty at Crestville. |

- jB 812t Brown, Ethel C. Three Gays.
 jB 91ad Burgess, Thornton W. Adventures of Chatterer
 the red squirrel.
 jB 91adv Adventures of Sammy Jay.
 jB 91m Mother West Wind "Why Stories."
 jB 91t Tommy and the wishing stone.
 jC 544ch Clarke, J. Erskine. Chatterbox.
 jC 94lm Curtis, Alice Turner. Little Maid of Nara-
 gansett Bay.
 jD 27bu Davidson, Edith B. Bunnikins.
 Bunnies Christmas Tree.
 jD 76d Dowd, Emma C. Doodles—Sunshine Boy.
 jEl 22th Elderdice, Raymond J. T. Haviland Hicks
 Freshman.
 jF 88l Frees, Harry Whittier. Little folks of Animal
 land.
 jG 18r Garland, John, Ross Grant, Tenderfoot.
 jG 36he Gilchrist, Beth Bradford. Helen and the
 fifth cousins.
 jG 41o Gillmore, Inez Haynes. Ollivant Orphans.
 jG 43b Ginther, Pemberton. Beth Anne Herself.
 jG 63w Gordon, Elizabeth. What we saw at Madame
 Worlds' Fair.
 jG 78l Gray, Phoebe. Little Sir Galahad.
 jG 86r Gregor, Elmer Russell. Red Arrow, an Indian
 story.
 jG 88d Griswold, Lotta. Deal Woods.
 jH 312l Hawkins, Chauncey J. Little Red Doe.
 jH 554c Hill, Grace Brooks. Corner house girls.
 jH 554co Corner house girls at school.
 jH 554cor Corner house girls under canvas.
 jH 87p Hueston, Ethel. Prudence of the Parsonage.
 jH 92y Hunting, Gardner. Young rival inventors.
 jH 942a Heyliger, William. Against odds.
 jK 18a Kay, Ross. Air scout.

jK 18d	Dodging the North Mine.
jK 18s	Search for the spy.
jK 18w	With Jeffre on the Battle Line.
jK 56an	Kilbourne, C. E. An army boy in Alaska.
jK 74p	Knipe, Emilie Benson and A. A. Peg O' the Ring.
jM 762ann	Montgomery, L. M. Anne of the Island.
jN 52m	Nichols, W. T. Making good.
jP 16t	Paine, Ralph D. Twisted skein.
jP 826m	Porter, Gene Stratton. Michael O'Halloran.
jQui 6b	Quirk, Leslie W. Boy Scouts of Black Eagle Patrol.
jR 28ja	Remick, Grace M. Jane Stuart at River-croft.
jR 342re	Rhoades, Nina. Real Cinderella.
jSa 4s	Samuel, Elizabeth I. Story of Iron.
jSt 3o	Stein, Evaleen. Our Little Norman Cousins of Long Ago.
jSt 8be	Stratemyer, Edward. Dave Porter at Bear Camp.
jSe 12b	Seaman, Augusta Hurill. Boarded Up House.
jSco 8j	Scott, Gertrude Fisher. Jean Cabot at the House with the Blue Shutters..
jT 592t	Tomlinson, Paul G. Trail of Black Hawk.
jV 26w	Vanderbilt, Sarah Sanderson. Who's Who in the Land of Nod.
jW 13a	Waitt, Paul. Adventures of Mollie, Waddy and Tony.
jW 16p	Walsh, George Ethelbert. Polly Comes to Woodbine.
jW 46p	Wells, Carolyn. Patty's Romance.
jW 57bs	Wheeler, Francis-Rolt. Boy with the United States Life Savers.
jW 673j	Williams, Irving. Joe Manning.
jW 677f	Williams, Hanley. Fair Play.
jW 722ou	Winslow, Clara Vostrovsky. Our Little Carthaginian Cousins of Long Ago.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Number of Platform scales over 5,000 lbs. sealed.....	3
Number of Platform scales under 5,000 lbs. sealed.....	14
Number of Platform scales adjusted.....	3
Number of computing scales sealed.....	11
Number of computing scales adjusted.....	1
Number of all other scales sealed.....	36
Number of all other scales adjusted.....	2
Number of weights sealed.....	156
Number of weights adjusted.....	5
Number of liquid measures sealed.....	35
Number of milk and cream jars sealed.....	269
Number of milk and cream jars condemned.....	19
Number of yard measures sealed.....	2
Number of oil pumps sealed.....	2
Number of tin ice cream molds sealed.....	40
Number of tin ice cream molds condemned.....	1

Tested the paper ice cream molds also.

Three new computing scales have been purchased and the old scales set one side.

One large platform scale was sent to the maker and made in good repair.

Test weighing have been made in stores.

Hawkers and peddlers looked after to see that they had licenses.

Respectfully submitted,

WILBUR G. TAFT,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

Appropriation	\$100 00
Expended in the care of trees.....	99 50
	<hr/>
Balance	50

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE L. GOODRICH.

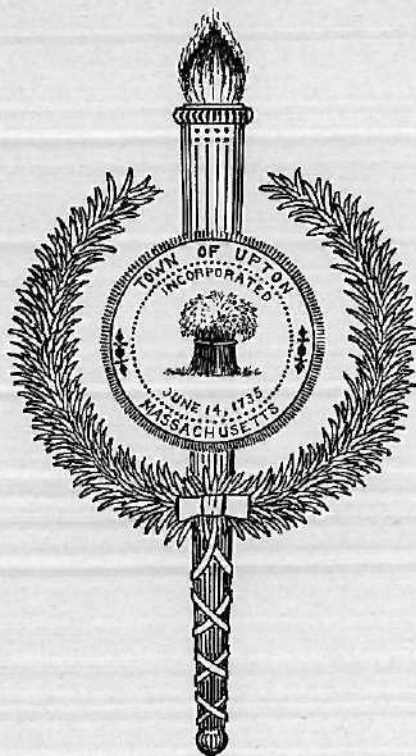
Tree Warden.

I have examined the above and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,

Auditor.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS
UPTON, MASS.
1915



Designed by Lloyd Kentfield
U. H. S., 1915.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
Superintendent of Schools
OF THE
TOWN OF UPTON

**For the One Hundred and Eighty-first
Municipal Year Ending December 31, 1915**



IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Jan. 4, 1916.

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

MANUAL
OF
PUBLIC SCHOOLS
UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

January First, Nineteen Hundred and Sixteen.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.
School Office, High School Building, Main St.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Samuel R. Capen, M. D., Chairman ; term expires 1917.

I. Plummer Taft, Secretary ; term expires 1916.

Charles A. Whitney ; term expires 1918.

Thos. H. DeCoudres, Superintendent of Schools.
Grafton, Mass.

Office telephone, 49-2 Grafton.

OFFICE HOURS FOR SCHOOL BUSINESS.

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Regular meeting in school office, 2 P. M., last Tuesday of each month in term time.

THE SUPERINTENDENT.

At school office 8.45—9.30 A. M., Tuesdays in term time.

At Grafton Town House, Mondays 7—8 P. M., and Thursdays 4.30—5.30 P. M. in term time.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Number of school houses (in use)	3
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SCHOOLS

High school	1
Grammar schools:	
At High School Building	2
At Center Building	1
At Knowlton Building	1
	— 4
Primary schools:	
At Center Building	2
At Knowlton Building	2
	— 4
	—
Total number of public schools	9

TEACHERS.

Number of teachers in high school:	
Male 1; Female 2	3
Number of teachers in elementary schools:	
Female 8	8
Number of special teachers:	
Male 1; Female 2	3
	—
Total instructors	14

LIST OF TEACHERS JANUARY 1, 1916.

Name	Grade	Home address	Educated	Year of Service
*Roy V. Swain	Prin. High	Portsmouth, N. H.	N. H. College	Second
Arthur Cole	Acting Prin. High	Lewiston, Me.	Bates College	First
Ruth Besson	Asst. High	Lynn	Boston University	First
Florence Hopkins	Asst. High	Foster, R. I.	Brown University	First
Alice Farnan	Grade VIII	Worcester	Worcester Normal	Third
Ada Melvin	Grade VII	Milford	Framingham Normal	Second
Grace O'Hara	Grades V-VI	Grafton	Worcester Normal	First
Susan Urban	Grades III-IV	Upton	Fitchburg Normal	Third
Florence Walker	Grades I-II	Upton	Fisher Kindergarten	Second
Helen Kiley	Grades V-VI	Milford	Framingham Normal	Second
Annie True	Grades III-IV	Upton	Framingham Normal	First
Ruth Chandler	Grades I-II	Hudson	Perry Kindergarten	First
			Normal	

*On leave of absence.

CALENDAR.

Dec. 27, 1915, Monday,	Winter term begins in High School.
Jan. 3, 1916, Monday,	Winter term begins in grades.
Feb. 22, Tuesday,	Washington's Birthday, Holiday.
March 17, Friday	Winter term ends in grades.
March 24, Friday,	Winter term ends in High School.
April 3, Monday,	Spring term begins in all schools.
April 19, Wednesday,	Patriots' Day, Holiday.
May 30, Tuesday,	Memorial Day, Holiday.
June 9, Friday,	Spring term ends in grades.
June 23, Friday,	Spring term ends in High School.

Summer Vacation.

September 5 Tuesday,	Fall term opens in all schools.
October 12, Thursday,	Columbus Day, Holiday.
Nov. 30, Thursday,	Thanksgiving Day, Holiday.
December 1, Friday,	Special Holiday.
December 22, Friday,	Fall term ends in all schools.

Vacation.

Jan. 2, 1917, Tuesday,	Winter term begins in High School.
Jan. 8, Monday,	Winter term begins in grades.

Schools may be closed at the end of the Fall, Winter and Spring terms at noon; at the Thanksgiving recess at noon Wednesday. On any days when special exercises are held in the afternoon and visitors are present, at the close of the exercises.

If any exigency arises which necessitates other closing, notice must be sent to the school office and this regardless of who authorizes the closing.

If at any time a teacher is unavoidably absent, immediate report should be made to the school office at town expense. A substitute will be provided if possible.

SCHOOL SESSIONS AND RECESSES.

High School, 8 a. m. to 1 p. m., with 15 minutes recess.

Common Schools, 9 to 11.45 a.m., and 1 to 3.45 p.m., with

15 minutes recess each session.

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL FOR COMMON SCHOOLS.

The signal is given at 7.30 a.m., by ringing the Congregational Church bell at Upton Centre and the Unitarian Church bell at West Upton at half minute intervals.

There is no no-school signal for the high school.

ATTENDANCE TABLE.

SCHOOL.	GRADE.	ENROLLMENT.							Total membership	Average membership	Average attendance	Per Cent. of attendance	Half days absent	Tardiness	Dismissals
		Boys	Girls	Total	Under 5	5-7	7-14	14-16							
High	9-12	23	44	67	0	0	9	43	15	67	58.6	95.	308	331	45
Grammar	8	13	15	28	0	0	20	7	1	30	28.4	93.9	606	48	3
Grammar	7	16	13	29	0	0	23	1	0	30	28.9	95.5	476	54	6
Centre	5-6	13	13	26	0	0	25	1	0	27	23.5	94.	455	56	7
Centre	3-4	22	14	36	0	0	36	0	0	39	35.4	91.9	940	76	5
Centre	2	9	5	14	0	4	10	0	0	15	14.4	92.7	187	39	2
Centre	1	12	10	22	0	15	7	0	0	22	19.7	87.2	433	24	1
Knowlton	5-6	24	15	39	0	0	39	0	0	41	36.2	91.3	939	11	3
Knowlton	3-4	10	11	21	0	0	21	0	0	28	22.4	90.3	750	8	5
Knowlton	2	8	15	23	0	7	16	0	0	26	22.5	91.2	339	1	0
Knowlton	1	17	14	31	2	24	5	0	0	36	31.3	89.7	618	1	1
Totals.		167	169	336	2	50	216	52	16	361	321.3	92.8	6066	549	79

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY.

Rank	School	Per Cent. of attendance	Rank	School	Pupils tardy per session
1	Grammar 7	95.52	1	Knowlton 1	.02
2	High School	95.04	2	Knowlton 2	.03
3	Centre 5-6	94.	3	Knowlton 5-6	.26
4	Grammar 8	93.89	4	Knowlton 3-4	.28
5	Centre 2	92.7	5	Centre 1	1.21
6	Centre 3-4	91.9	6	Grammar 8	1.52
7	Knowlton 5-6	91.75	7	Grammar 7	1.82
8	Knowlton 2	91.23	8	Centre 3-4	2.14
9	Knowlton 3-4	90.34	9	Centre 2	2.7
10	Knowlton 1	89.66	10	Centre 5-6	2.9
11	Centre L	87.2	11	High School	5.64

STATISTICS.

Population of Upton, 1915.....	2036
Children between five and seven years of age Sept. 1, 1915, males 36, females 30.....	66
Children between seven and fourteen years of age Sept. 1, 1915, males 120, females 103.....	223
Children between fourteen and sixteen years of age males 33, females 33	66
Number illiterate minors over sixteen yearsof age males 0, females 3.....	3
Valuation of town, 1915.....	\$1,307,489 00
Tax rate for 1915.....	18 50
*Total cost for support of schools.....	9,381 14
*Total cost for repairs and improvements.....	621 19
*Received from outside sources and expended for schools:	

Knowlton fund	\$451 26
Tuition State Wards	133 00
Tuition City of Boston	35 50
State Superintendency apportionment	312 50
Dog fund	258 42
Discount on coal.....	11 91
School physician	15 00
Home Literary Club	224 70

\$1,442 29

Amount raised by taxation and expended for support of schools	\$6,945 66
Amount per thousand of valuation raised by taxation and expended for support of schools.....	5 31
Amount per thousand of valuation raised by taxation and expended for repairs and improvements	46
*Total expenditure per pupil based on year ending June 30, 1915	30 84
Total cost to town per pupil for support of schools based on year ending June 30, 1915.....	24 39

*These items are on the basis of State system of accounting and accordingly do not agree with those of the secretary of the school committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF UPTON :—
GENTLEMEN.

Herewith is presented my fourth annual report as superintendent of your schools it being the twenty-fifth since the formation of the union with Grafton.

The work has been along the same general lines as last year, with a healthy progress in all departments.

The new course of study in the high school is now in full operation ; the pupils have adjusted themselves to it, and the teachers are enabled to do better work since their energies are not scattered over so wide a field and they have more time for preparation. By the law of the state we are compelled to "fit for college" and for a small country school Upton sends an unusually large proportion of its graduates to higher institutions. It is said that a school is judged not by its teachers, buildings or course of study but by the record made by its graduates after they leave the school.

If that is so, then Upton has reason to have faith in its high school since the reports from colleges and other schools, attended by our graduates, are such that we can not but take pride in the work that they are doing in such institutions.

But a large majority of the graduates remain in Upton and in justice to the taxpayers who provide the school, there should be given some training in subjects that they can make direct use of in the town. As far as possible the material in the different subjects is adapted to use in Upton but either more time or more teachers must be provided if we do work that will have an immediate value to the graduate as he leaves the school to take up his life in this, his own community. If it were possible I would like to see established a course in elementary agriculture for the boys and one in

domestic science for the girls. Our girls and boys have made good use of the opportunities afforded them by the Home Literary Club and I regret that we can not follow up the course further.

Last year there was given in the high school a very valuable course in community civics which has done much to arouse in the minds of the pupils a more accurate conception of their rights and duties in the political life of the town, state and nation. We need however, a higher appreciation of the importance of little things as showing the degree of citizenship to which the boys and girls have attained.

For instance:—By looking at the attendance table given elsewhere in this report one will see that there were three hundred and eight cases of absence from the high school. In other words each pupil, on an average, was absent five whole days or one week during the year. In the year 1913-14 the number was thirteen and this year Mr. Swain tells me it will be below five. Each pupil in 1914-15 was tardy five and six-tenths times; in 1913-14 eight and two-tenths and that also will be less this year if the present rate is kept through the session. In 1914-15 there were 46 dismissals; in 1913-14 ninety five. This improvement is gratifying but the school is a long way from where it might and ought to be. In 1913-14 every child was absent some part of twenty three and three-tenths sessions out of one hundred eighty four; in 1914-15 eleven and seven-tenths out of one hundred and ninety six.

This all means extra work for the teachers, less thorough work on the part of the pupils and a resulting lower standard for the whole school. Can not the parents see that their children attend with a greater degree of regularity and assist the teachers in their efforts to raise the rank of the school? It is difficult work at best and especially so when a parent says "Your stand is right and I think you are right but I won't back you up in it to my child", or when a parent comes to the office of the superintendent, makes a complaint that is just, and then before leaving withdraws the complaint and asks that nothing be done about it.

Just criticism of our schools is welcome by all officially connected with their administration. Our great regret is that the townspeople do not visit them oftener. In the year ending June

1915 exclusive of attendance at the time of "exercises" there were one hundred and ninety-seven visits paid to the schools by one hundred and eleven different people. The schools are one of the great industries of the towns and why should not the citizens or stockholders see how the money is spent and the class of employees at work. The more a school is visited the better school will it be. If the pupils know a visitor may be expected at any time they will always be on the alert to do a higher grade of work. On account of the seasonable work of the straw shop the fathers in one way are to be envied for they have more time and opportunity than most fathers to see what the children are doing in the schools. The fact is though that only four did so during the last school year. If they were having a colt or hunting dog trained they would visit the trainer, inquire into his methods and examine the result. Are not the children worthy of as much attention? It is sometimes said and without justice too I believe, "That the schools have drawn away from the people and are not close enough to the citizens." If it is so the fault is not with the teachers or school authorities who will be only too glad to welcome any interested in the welfare of the children, and only too willing to receive and act upon any criticism that is offered in the true spirit of helpfulness to the schools.

If parents and teachers could only meet upon some common ground of interest and talk over Johnny and Mary, then when trouble did come the matter could be settled without resentment on either side. The strong probability is though that trouble would not arise at all if parents and teachers understood each other at the beginning. The pupil is proud to have the teacher call at his home on a purely social errand. Do townspeople in general find themselves as ready to call upon the new teachers as upon other newcomers of equal social rank?

In October the grange gave a reception to teachers and strangers in town which was an enjoyable occasion and I believe it will react in the form of better and more interested work on the part of those in whose honor it was given. It means much to have your labors recognized by those in authority. Any thing which tends to bind a teacher to a town by interest tends to make the schools so much better because the teacher is ready and willing to

stay with her pupils more than one year and thus secure a better understanding of their capabilities. It is a pleasure to report that five of our eight grade teachers are in either their second or third year of service in Upton. It has been many years since the work started forward in September with so little lost time because of the necessity of the teacher becoming acquainted with local conditions.

I give below some statistics from the last report of the State Board of Education for the year ending June 30, 1914.

		Towns of population under	
	Upton	5000	State
Length of school year	9 mo. 4 days	9 mo. 7 days	9 mo. 9 days
Average pay per teacher excluding superintendent and supervisors	\$424 54	\$504 70	\$884 12
Cost per pupil for text books and supplies	1 67	2 25	2 11

There are in the state 353 towns and cities. In 1912-13 261 raised more by taxation per pupil for school expense. In 1913-14 278 did so.

In amount of tax appropriated for school purposes 97 paid more in 1912-13 and 136 in 1913-14.

The returns for 1914-15 are not available now but the fact is the town has probably not improved its standing in the commonwealth in the past year.

Below is given an analysis of expenses for school year ending June 30, 1915.

General Control:—

School Comm. Supt. and enforcement of law.....	\$526 16
Operation of plant, janitors, fuel and miscellaneous	1,502 75
Maintenance of plant.....	429 56
Auxiliary agencies, libraries, health, transportation, miscellaneous	1,491 81

Instruction:—

Teachers	\$5,011 50	
Text books and supplies	563 08	
		\$5,574 58
Total for support of schools.....		\$9,524 86
New equipment.....		30 95
Total school expense		\$9,555 81

From the above one can see that only a little over one half of the amount appropriated for schools is available for the primary purpose of instructing the children. And there seems to be no way in which the large proportion of overhead expense can be reduced. As the pay of plumbers, painters and carpenters raises, repairs must cost more. Wood is no lower in price and coal has a gradual advance and will probably take a sharp one this year. Hay and grain are high and barge drivers can not afford to take a contract at loss.

The same problem is present in every town and if Upton wishes to retain the rank she has held in the past a larger amount

must be placed at the disposal of the school committee. For the actual money spent I believe the town can show results that compare favorably with others in the vicinity and we know that there is a demand for teachers who have had experience in Upton.

If the town does see fit to give a larger amount I am sure that the school committee will spend it with that careful and conservative judgment which it has shown in the past and that the better results produced will be observed with pleasure by the citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. DeCOUDRES.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL

MR. T. H. DeCOUDRES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

Dear Sir:—I have the honor of submitting my second report as Principal of the Upton High School.

The total registration for the year ending June 25, 1915 was sixty-seven. The registration of the first year has reached seventy-three. This slight increase is due largely to the small graduating class of last June.

The following is the enrollment of the present year by classes:

Class	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Seniors	2	8	10
Juniors	2	13	15
Sophomores	10	6	16
Freshmen	16	16	32
	—	—	—
	30	43	73

Three pupils have left since the opening of school in September. One is attending school elsewhere and the other two are working.

The plan adopted last year of exempting from final examinations all pupils who maintained an average of 90 per cent. in any

study has encouraged many to do their best. In the mid-year examinations four pupils were exempted from every subject while several others were exempted from one or two subjects. In the June examinations eight pupils were exempted from every subject and there was a small increase in the number who are exempted from one or two subjects. The results show that the plan was well worth trying.

The percentage of attendance thus far this year has been somewhat larger than last year. The percentage of tardiness has decreased. I wish to urge the parents to co-operate with the school in *making the attendance as nearly perfect as possible.*

The magazine club which was formed last year has been a benefit to all of the pupils. We have seven periodicals, two weeklies, and five monthlies. From these, the English classes obtain current events and topics for oral compositions and discussions.

The social gatherings of the school have not been frequent enough to distract the interest of the pupils from their school work. A play was given the latter part of last year which was beneficial socially as well as educationally. The proceeds were used to purchase books for our school library.

Through the generosity of Mr. A. P. Williams of Upton, we received sixty-two volumes. Mr. Walter F. Partridge of Framingham presented the school library with a volume of *The Noted Men of Worcester County*. This gives our library a total increase during the past year of one hundred and five volumes.

There have been several changes in the text books which have proved satisfactory. There is need of a few more changes before another year. I think the new song book has aroused a great interest in the music department.

During the summer the outside woodwork was painted. A few repairs were made inside and more are needed for the preservation and appearance of the building.

I wish to express my appreciation of the interest the parents and towns people have shown in the school. I wish to thank the school committee for their interest and support, and you, Mr. DeCoudres for your ever ready suggestion and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY V. SWAIN.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC AND DRAWING

MR. THOMAS H. DE COUDRES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

Dear Sir:—I am pleased to report that the work in both departments under my supervision is making more satisfactory progress than for several years. It is largely due to the fact that a greater per cent. of the teachers returned in September, equipped with the knowledge and experience of the previous year's work. This has enabled them to teach with greater confidence and skill, and the work has gone forward accordingly.

The aim in drawing and handwork has been to develop self-activity in the pupils and a keener appreciation of the world of industry and art in which they live, so that they may be helped, on leaving school, to find that life occupation for which they are best fitted. To this end the work throughout the grades has been planned to show an increased facility in the use of simple tools, and a development of good taste in working out original ideas in line, form and color, as applied to the arts and industries.

The exhibition of school craft at the annual fair held in the Town Hall in September spoke for itself. Not all of the projects could be obtained, for some had been appropriated for school purposes and others spoiled by home use.

In the shop drawings for the eighth grade boys we have been unable to produce finished working drawings ahead of the constructed objects in the manual training room, owing to the great variety of objects selected. Rough sketches have been made and dimensioned, which are being used until time can be given to a careful study of each object, which, with the other necessary work will occupy the remainder of the year. While this will not be

as helpful in the construction of the different models as we desire, on the other hand a knowledge of the construction will gain a much clearer understanding of the drawings to be made.

In music especial emphasis has been placed upon the necessity of securing light head tones, and singing with a free voice and distinct enunciation. In the rooms where this has been accomplished the results are delightful. It is of the utmost importance that the work of the first three or four years is carefully accomplished as outlined, for, with the very limited time at our disposal any failure to produce the desired results at this formative period often means defeat for a pupil later on.

The "High School Song Book", which was placed in the High School last year still continues in popularity with the pupils, and has furnished us so far with an inexhaustible supply of music. The condition of the boys' voices is not much improved, consequently unison singing has proved the most beneficial for them.

I desire, through the medium of this report, to thank all with whom I am associated, for the generous assistance given me at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORA M. RANDALL.

Grafton, Mass., Dec. 24, 1915.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR MANUAL TRAINING

MR. THOMAS H. DE COUDRES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

Dear Sir:—This is my fifth report concerning the work accomplished by the boys in the Manual Training department of the Upton public schools.

The special kind of Manual Training work carried on in your schools has been fully explained in my reports of previous years. Therefore it does not seem advisable for me to take the space in this report to enlarge upon it. The new class, or seventh grade, are, at present, making separable book racks for use in the schools. The old class, or eighth grade, are making a pedestal, three book cases, a book case and desk combined, a large foot stool and a medicine chest. This, of course, takes the entire time given during the year, but I find that the interest in the work and the results obtained more than compensate for the giving of so much time to one large project.

We have 19 boys in the seventh grade and our room only accommodates 8 boys. We have to crowd 10 into some classes. Of course 10 is a small number with proper equipment and floor space, but a large class if crowded.

We are sorely in need of more time, three fourths of an hour a week is not enough for good results. I would suggest, as in my report of a year ago, that we either give one and one half hours per week to each class, or extend the work into the freshman class of high school and give three hours per week there, where we could carry on the work along more advanced lines.

We have much to encourage us as the boys are interested in the work and strive to do their best.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Miss Randall and the teachers for their hearty co-operation and assistance with the drawing.

Respectfully submitted,
DANA A. STANLEY.

REPORT OF SEWING TEACHER

MR. THOMAS H. DE COUDRES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:—

Dear Sir:—I herewith present my first report of sewing in the public schools of Upton.

More time is needed for the lesson, no class should have less than an hour.

I find the pupils much interested in their work.

Elements of sewing:—

Grades five and six: Canvas sampler with stitches of even and uneven basting, running stitch, back-stitching, half back-stitching, overcasting, overhanding, catch stitching, button hole stitch and blanket stitch.

Articles: Pin holder, sewing bag, dust bag, dish towel, apron.
Sewing on lace:—

Grades seven and eight: Hemstitching, crocheting, French seam, bias facing, sewing on buttons, placket, bands and tucks.

Articles: Crocheted insertion and edge, middy blouse, kimono, skirt, towels and pillow case.

As good results depend upon the pupils having their materials at the time needed I wish to express my appreciation to the parents for their assistance and co-operation in providing the materials asked for.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA M. WILLIAMS,

Sewing Instructor.

UPTON HIGH SCHOOL
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

OF THE
CLASS OF 1915

AT THE
TOWN HALL

Wednesday Evening, June Twenty-third

At 7.45 O'clock.

GRADUATES

SCIENTIFIC COURSE.

Dorothy Mae Decrow, William Henry Ogden,
Josephine Priscilla Whiting.

GENERAL COURSE.

Laurence Stedman Brown, Windsor Boone Brooks,
Evelyn Mae Wellman.

CLASS OFFICERS.

President, William Henry Ogden,
Vice President, Windsor Boone Brooks,
Secretary-Treasurer, Evelyn Mae Wellman.

Class Colors, Light Green and Gold. Class Flower, Yellow Rose.
Class Motto, Tachons Reussir, Try to Succeed.

PROGRAM

March

Invocation

Rev. Osmond J. Billings.

Salutatory and Essay—Niagara Falls

William Henry Ogden.

Essay—Settlement Work

Dorothy Mae Decrow.

Essay—Should We Be Prepared For War?

Windsor Boone Brooks.

Music—When All The World Is Young

School Chorus

Essay—Thomas Alva Edison

Laurence Stedman Brown.

Class Prophecy

Josephine Priscilla Whiting.

Essay and Valedictory—The Working Girl

Evelyn Mae Wellman.

Music—Trip Along, Bright Feet Of May

School Chorus.

Presentation of Diplomas

Samuel R. Capen, M. D.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF UPTON'S SCHOOL COM-
MITTEE, JANUARY 1, 1916.

TEACHERS.

Salaries	\$5050 50	\$5050 50
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SUPERINTENDENT.

T. H. De Coudres	475 00	475 00
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FUEL.

William Kowlton & Sons	766 61	
W. G. Fiske	35 50	
Charles L. Aldrich	38 75	
		840 86

CARE OF SCHOOLS.

E. B. Houghton	594 96	
D. R. Bowker	83 36	
William Walker	41 68	
		720 00

TRANSPORTATION.

C. P. Desjarlais	252 00	
Hilbert Nelson	252 00	
Henry Seaver	416 00	
Mary Carroll	180 00	
Martine Yankowski	60 00	
Overseers of the Poor	120 00	
Milford & Uxbridge Rwy. Co.	154 00	
		1434 00

SUPPLIES.

J. L. Hammet Co.	13 80	
C. E. Babb & Co.	233 21	
Milton Bradley Co.	5 07	
American Book Co.	42 00	

L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.	8 24
Wm. Knowlton & Sons	1 25
Silver, Burdette & Co.	1 33
W. G. Fiske	50
Oval & Costa	22 00
Kenny Bros. & Wolkins	2 85
Standard Oil Co.	3 50
Harry Houston	5 62
MacMillan Co.	8 65
Henry Holt Co.	13 33
Commonwealth Press	7 25
Wadsworth, Howland Co.	11 66
Ginn & Co.	25 20
E. T. Hall	1 25
Milford Journal Co.	9 60
Rand, McNally & Co.	6 94
E. H. Sanborn & Co.	27 62

450 87

REPAIRS.

Wm. Knowlton & Sons.	64 33
Arthur Lamson	35
W. G. Fiske	1 30
D. R. Bowker	25 45
Stone, Underhill Heating & Ven. Co. .	67 80
E. E. Babb & Co.	92
G. W. Lewis	33 24
A. G. Brigham	5 00
Willis Chamberlain	60 75
E. B. Houghton	17 75
Barstow & Co.	25 00
C. W. Comstock	1 00
T. H. De Coudres	30

\$303 19

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. B. Dolge Co.	\$30 00
Commonwealth Press	5 50
Standard Oil Co.	5 10

Samuel Willis	1 75	
T. H. De Coudres	44 04	
Adams Express Co.	4 30	
Grafton & Upton R. R. Co.	2 70	
Worcester Suburban Elec. Co.	11 31	
E. A. Willard	2 58	
Milford Journal Co.	19 55	
I. P. Taft	1 41	
E. E. Babb & Co.	6 45	
E. T. Hall	2 00	
Wm. Knowlton & Sons	3 25	
Mrs. Sarah J. Batchelor	14 32	
Direct Sales Co.	1 80	
Z. B. Grandy	2 00	
Arthur Lamson	10 15	
C. E. Steere	2 00	
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		\$170 21

\$9444 63

RESOURCES.

Appropriation	\$7000 00	
Income from Knowlton Fund	451 26	
Schooling Boston & State Wards	168 50	
State Superintendency Fund	312 50	
Massachusetts School Fund	921 61	
County Dog Fund	258 42	
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		\$9112 29

EXPENSE.

Over draft	<hr/>	\$332 34
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INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Appropriation	\$100 00	
From State of Mass.	120 54	
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		220 54

EXPENSE.

Paid to City of Worcester	180 00
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Balance not expended		40 54

Received from outside sources for six years:—

	1910-11	1911-12	1912-13	1913-14	1914	1915
Mass. School fund	\$ 938 42	\$ 907 10	\$ 952 55	\$1,022 51		\$921 61
Schooling state wards	298 00	229 10	245 50	240 50	\$ 194 50	133
County dog fund	359 60	326 77	271 93	291 93	275 74	258 42
Tuition, City of Boston	10 00	16 50	37 00	115 00	40 00	35 50
Tuition, Town of Grafton	37 50					
State Superintendency fund	312 50	312 50	312 50	312 50	312 50	312 50
Income from Knowlton fund	370 00	380 00	380 00	345 01	225 62	451 26
	\$2,326 02	\$2,171 97	\$2,199 48	\$2,327 45	\$1,048 86	\$2,112 29

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Expenditures for eight years:

	1908-09	1909-10	1910-11	1911-12	1912-13	1913-14	11 months 1914	1915
Teachers	\$4,720 90	\$4,824 50	\$4,983 50	\$5,030 50	\$5,163 50	\$4,998 50	\$4,465 50	\$5,050 50
Other expenses	4,133 76	4,086 21	4,182 71	3,952 15	4,222 91	4,335 89	4,481 83	4,394 13
	\$8,854 66	\$8,910 71	\$9,166 21	\$8,982 65	\$9,386 41	\$9,334 39	\$8,947 33	\$9,444 63

SAMUEL R. CAPEN,
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I have examined the above report and find it correct.

GEORGE E. AMBLER,
Auditor.

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