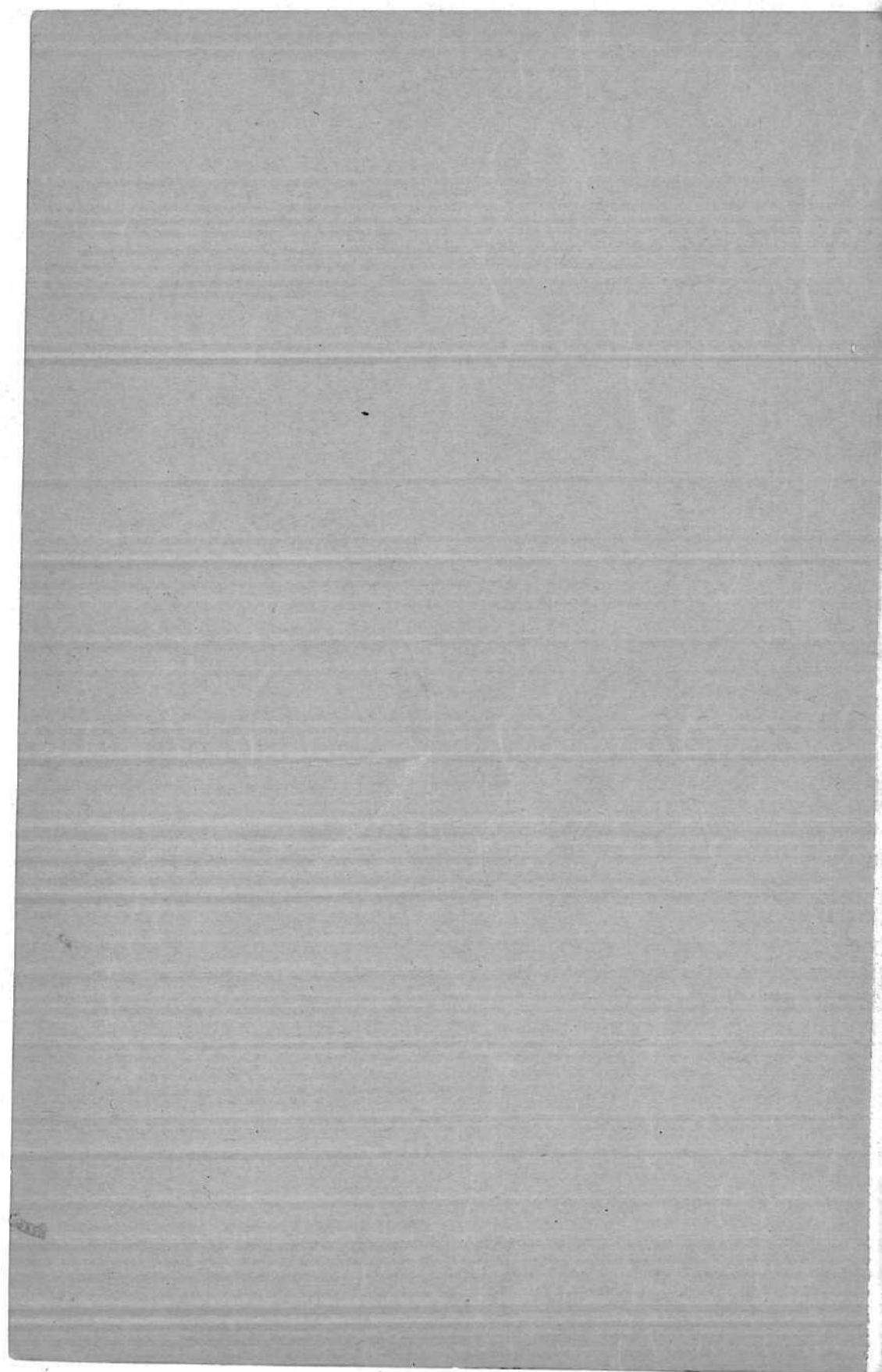


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TOWN WARRANT.

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 fifth day of February, 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, town treasurer, collector of taxes, auditor, five constables, tree warden, and one assessor of taxes (to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Frank E. Lyford), all for one year; one cemetery commissioner, (to fill a vacancy caused by Leslie C. Childs' removal from town), for two years; town clerk, one assessor of taxes, one overseer of the poor, one cemetery commissioner, 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 Section 1, Article 1, of the by-laws of the town of Upton, the remaining articles of this warrant will be acted upon at an adjourned meeting of the town held on Monday evening, February 12, at 7.45 o'clock.

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, 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 install nine (9) additional electric street lights on Elm street, between the residences of Harry M. Jordan and George H. Evans, as petitioned for by W. L. Wood and others, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of four hundred (\$400.00) dollars for repairs and changes at High and Centre schools, as ordered by the State Building Inspector, and act thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights on Mendon road from the terminal of Pleasant street on Mendon road to the terminal of Grove street, near the residence of E. T. Hall, as petitioned for by William O. Perkins and others, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of four hundred (\$400.00) dollars to purchase hose for the fire department, and act thereon.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty (\$150.00) dollars to make certain repairs on the barn at the town farm, 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 twenty-second day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ARTHUR W. FRAIL,
FRANK P. DECROW,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, January 27, 1917.

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 February, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within warrant, in each of the post offices of the town and on the Town House, seven days before the 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 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,
FEBRUARY 5, 1917.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the town of Upton met in Town Hall, in said Upton, on Monday, the fifth day of February, A. D. 1917.

The meeting was called to order and the warrant read by the town clerk.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 1: The selectmen having appointed Roger Shaughnessy, Frank E. Lyford, Daniel W. Holbrook and Edwin A. Chamberlain election officers, they were sworn to faithfully perform the duties of their office by the town clerk.

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots having been posted as the law directs, a package of official ballots were delivered to the ballot clerks, and their receipt given to the town clerk.

The ballot-box was then shown to the voters present to be empty, 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 check-list at the ballot-box in charge of Frank E. Lyford.

The polls were declared open at six o'clock A. M.

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

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

During the voting 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, James F. Sheehan, Walter E. Sadler, Frank L. Brewer and Clifton A. Temple, they were duly sworn by the town clerk.

At the close of the polls the register on the ballot-box stood at 224

The check lists were compared and showed that 222 males and 2 females had voted; the remaining ballots were taken out, making 224 cast.

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

FOR MODERATOR, (One Year)

David J. Moroney	59
J. Plummer Taft	153

Blanks	10
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Whole number of votes cast for moderator	222
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FOR TOWN CLERK, (Three Years).

Francis T. Nelson	194
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Blanks	28
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Whole number of votes cast for town clerk	222
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FOR TOWN TREASURER, (One Year).

Fred W. Wood	184
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Blanks	38
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Whole number of votes cast for town treasurer	222
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FOR SELECTMEN, (One Year).

Frank P. Decrow	159
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George R. Fisher	103
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Arthur W. Frail	167
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William H. Miskell	124
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Blanks	113
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Whole number of votes cast for selectmen	666
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FOR ASSESSOR OF TAXES (Three Years).

Herbert M. Buck	174
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Blanks	48
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Whole number of votes cast for assessor	222
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FOR ASSESSOR OF TAXES, (To fill vacancy, One Year).

George F. Briggs	157
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Scattering	2
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Blanks	63
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Whole number of votes cast for assessor	222
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FOR OVERSEER OF POOR, (Three Years).

George O. Tait	170
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Joseph W. Glöbs	1
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Blanks	51
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Whole number of votes cast for overseer	222
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FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE, (Three Years).

Samuel R. Capen	161
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Blanks	63
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Whole number of votes cast for school committee	224
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FOR COLLECTOR OF TAXES, (One Year).

Charles W. Childs	69
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Leo F. Murphy	119
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Blanks	34
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Whole number of votes cast for collector	222
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FOR AUDITOR, (One Year)

Frank O. Ogden	162
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Joseph W. Gibbs	1
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Blanks	59
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Whole number of votes cast for auditor	222
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FOR CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, (Three Years).

Fred W. Wood	162
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Blanks	60
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Whole number of votes cast for cemetery commissioner	222
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FOR CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, (To fill vacancy, Two Years).

Julian H. Brooks	103
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George Z. Williams	95
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Blanks	24
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Whole number of votes cast for cemetery commissioner	222
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FOR CONSTABLES, (One Year).

Henry D. Aldrich	152
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Herbert A. Bagley	157
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Charles H. Marshall	154
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Michael Murphy	151
William F. Parshley	163
Joseph W. Gibbs	1
Blanks	332

Whole number of votes cast for constables . . . 1110

FOR TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, (Three Years).

Dora M. Whitney	146
Edward E. Whiting	142
Samuel R. Capen	148
Scattering	2
Blanks	228

Whole number of votes cast for trustees . . . 666

FOR TREE WARDEN, (One Year).

Clarence L. Goodrich	158
Blanks	64

Whole number of votes cast for tree warden . . . 222

FOR LICENSE.

Yes	56
No	112
Blanks	54

Whole number of votes cast for license . . . 222

The ballots cast, the check-lists used at this election, were then sealed up and delivered into the custody of the town clerk as the law directs.

Adjourned to Monday, February 12, at 7.45 p. m.

A true record.

Attest :

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING,
FEBRUARY 12, 1917.

The meeting was called to order by I. Plummer Taft, 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 was taken up and acted upon separately.

D. S. R. Capen of the school committee explained to the voters why they asked for the \$1000 00 additional for support of schools. He said in part that the school supplies would be at least \$200 00 more, that the fuel and transportation bills would be \$240 00 more, and the rest be used to pay our teachers, as it was impossible to keep some of the teachers, as they could do better elsewhere. They asked for this increase that the children might have better service.

Notes and interest	\$1,500 00
Support of schools	8,500 00
Roads and bridges	2,800 00
Support of poor	2,500 00
Fire department	750 00
Forest fires	300 00
Town library	365 00
Carpenter fund	60 00
Gypsy moth	400 00
Industrial school	200 00
Town officers	1,500 00
Bonding town officers	100 00
Incidentals	1,500 00
State aid	200 00
Soldiers' relief	800 00
Street lights	1,845 00
Memorial day	125 00
Suppression of illegal sale of liquor	50 00
Sidewalks	100 00

Board of health	\$ 400 00
School physician	15 00
Tree warden	100 00
Cemeteries	800 00
Removing snow	200 00
School repairs	400 00
Hose for fire department	400 00
Appropriated November 7, 1916 :—	
Industrial school	100 00
Howe fire apparatus	1,800 00
Barn repairs at Town Farm	150 00
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	\$27,460 00

Voted: To raise \$27,460.00 by taxation.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Article 4. Voted: That the care and repairs of roads and bridges be left in the hands of the 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, 1917, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$12,000.00, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of said municipal year.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON ELM STREET.

Article 6. Voted: To pass over this article.

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL BUILDING.

Article 7. Mr. E. E. Whiting of the school committee said in part: That the state inspector demanded some changes relative to the heaters in the school buildings, and that there were some repairs needed about the buildings, was the reason the committee asked for the appropriation.

Voted: To appropriate four hundred (\$400.00) dollars for

repairs and changes to be made on the High and Centre school buildings.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON MENDON ROAD.

Article 8. Voted: To dismiss this article from the warrant.

HOSE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Article 9. Voted: To appropriate four hundred (\$400.00) dollars to purchase hose for the fire department.

REPAIRS AT TOWN FARM.

Article 10. Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty (\$150.00) dollars for repairs on the barn at the Town Farm.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

A true record.

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1917.

MODERATOR.

I. Plummer Taft.

TOWN CLERK.

Francis T. Nelson, term expires 1920.

TREASURER.

Fred W. Wood.

SELECTMEN.

William H. Miskell, Arthur W. Frail, Frank P. Decrow.

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

George F. Briggs, term expires 1918,
Walter E. Sadler, term expires 1919,
Herbert M. Buck, term expires 1920.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Henry D. Aldrich, term expires 1918,
 Edward B. Newton, term expires 1919,
 George O. Taft, term expires 1920.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Charles A. Whitney, resigned.
 George E. Russell, term expires 1918,
 Edward E. Whiting, term expires 1919,
 Samuel R. Capen, term expires 1920.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Leo F. Murphy.

AUDITOR.

Frank O. Ogden. (Resigned.)
 Frank D. Aldrich.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Charles Barbour, term expires 1918,
 Julian H. Brooks, term expires 1919,
 Fred W. Wood, term expires 1920.

CONSTABLES.

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

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

John B. Fay,	Charlotte A. Batchelor,	I. Plummer Taft,
	Term expires 1918.	
Edward C. Traver,	Herbert W. Nye,	Frank O. Ogden,
	Term expires 1919.	
Dora M. Whitney,	Edward E. Whiting,	Samuel R. Capen,
	Term expires 1920.	

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.

Z. B. Grandy.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Wilbur G. Taft.

WEIGHERS.

Leander A. Snow, Harry C. Snow, George Harper,
Frank P. Decrow, Charles L. Aldrich, Adam Robson.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Charles L. Aldrich, Frank P. Decrow, William B. Fiske,
Benjamin C. Wood, Edgar A. Willard, Joseph A. Carroll,
Fred W. Fiske.

INSPECTOR OF COAL OIL.

Edgar A. Willard.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Francis T. Nelson.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Benjamin C. Wood, Walter E. Hopkins, Fred W. Fiske,
William B. Fiske, Edgar A. Willard.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

William H. Miskell, Frank P. Decrow, Arthur W. Frail,
William F. Parshley, Clerk,
Francis T. Nelson, Agent to issue Burial Permits.

CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Joseph A. Carroll.

SPECIAL POLICE.

Henry A. Stearns, Dwight R. Bowker, Joseph W. Gibbs,
Leslie W. Gould, Wm. F. Parshley, Henry D. Aldrich,
Herbert A. Bagley, William F. Parshley, Jr.

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT TO SUPPRESS THE GYPSY MOTH.

Clarence L. Goodrich.

FOREST WARDEN.

George Z. Williams.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Harry M. Jordan, resigned,

Daniel A. Gorman, term expires 1918,

Stedman C. Brown, term expires 1919,

Patrick Shaughnessy, term expires 1920.

Francis T. Nelson, ex officio.

FIRE ENGINEERS.

Edward M. Baker, Henry E. Allard, Fred W. Fiske, resigned,

Herbert M. Buck, resigned, Thomas J. Gorman,

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

APPOINTED BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

William F. Parshley,

Sumner Wood.

APPOINTED BY BOARD OF HEALTH.

INSPECTORS OF PROVISIONS AND SLAUGHTERING.

Walter E. Sadler,

W. L. Wood.

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 dates set against their names, all in the year 1917.

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

Moderator: I. Plummer Taft, February 6.

Selectmen: William H. Miskell, February 6, Arthur W. Frail,

Frank P. Decrow, February 9.

- Overseer of Poor: George O. Taft, Feb. 8.
- Assessors of Taxes: Herbert M. Buck, Geo. F. Briggs, Feb. 7.
- Constables: William F. Parshley, Feb. 5, H. A. Bagley, M. Murphy, Feb. 6, H. D. Aldrich, C. H. Marshall, Feb. 12.
- Collector of Taxes: Leo. F. Murphy, Feb. 8.
- Auditor: Frank O. Ogden, Feb. 7, Frank D. Aldrich, Dec. 3.
- Treasurer: Fred W. Wood, Feb. 12.
- School Committee: Samuel R. Capen, Feb. 7, George E. Russell, June 9.
- Cemetery Commissioners: Julian H. Brooks, Feb. 9, F. W. Wood, Feb. 12.
- Board of Health: William F. Parshley, Feb. 16.
- Tree Warden: Clarence L. Goodrich, Feb. 9.
- Measurers of Wood: Charles L. Aldrich, Feb. 14, F. P. Decrow, Feb. 15, F. W. Fiske, William B. Fiske, Feb. 20, Benjamin C. Wood, Apr. 12.
- Truant Officers: William F. Parshley, Feb. 16, Sumner Wood, Feb. 20.
- Fence Viewers: F. P. Decrow, C. L. Goodrich, Feb. 15, George H. Evans, Feb. 19.
- Pound Keeper and Field Driver: Ziba B. Grandy, Apr. 3.
- Sealer of Weights and Measures: Wilbur G. Taft, Feb. 29.
- Weighers: Leander A. Snow, F. P. Decrow, Feb. 15, George Harper, Charles L. Aldrich, Adam Robson, Feb. 14.
- Measurers of Lumber: Walter E. Hopkins, March 9, Fred W. Fiske, William B. Fiske, Feb. 20, Benjamin C. Wood, April 12.
- Special Police: H. A. Bagley, D. R. Bowker, Feb. 15, H. A. Stearns, William F. Parshley, Feb. 16, Joseph W. Gibbs, Feb. 20, Leslie W. Gould, Feb. 24, Henry D. Aldrich, William F. Parshley, Jr., March 10, R. N. Mowry, July 5.
- Inspectors of Provisions and Slaughtering: Walter E. Sadler, W. L. Wood, April 2.
- Inspector of Cattle: Joseph A. Carroll, April 3.
- Fire Engineers: George A. Dipper, E. M. Baker, Henry Allard, May 1.
- Superintendent to Suppress Gypsy Moth: Clarence L. Goodrich, Feb. 15.

Registrar of Voters: Patrick Shaughnessy, May 5.

Forest Warden: George Z. Williams, May 7.

WARRANT FOR DELEGATES FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
CONVENTION, MAY 1, 1917.

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 first day of May, punctually at six o'clock forenoon, at which time the polls will be open for said voters to give in their votes to the selectmen of said town, for:

Delegates to the Constitutional Convention to be held in Boston June next.

16 Delegates at Large,

4 Delegates from the Fourth Massachusetts Congressional District,

2 Delegates from the Ninth Worcester Representative District.

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

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 the warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

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

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,

ARTHUR W. FRAIL,

FRANK P. DECROW,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., April 24, 1917.

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 first day of May, 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 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MAY 1, 1917.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections, met in the Town Hall and at 6 A. M., were called to order and the warrant and officer's return thereon was read by the town clerk.

Selectman Arthur W. Frail had charge of the meeting. The board of selectmen having appointed Roger Shaughnessy, Frank E. Lyford, Stedman C. Brown and Daniel W. Holbrook election officers and Frank O. Ogden, James F. Sheehan, William J. Gorman and Charles W. Childs tellers to canvass the vote, they were all duly sworn by the town clerk. The polls were declared open at 6.05 A. M.

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.

At 9.15 A. M. index stood at 100, there were taken out 100.

At 2.20 P. M. index stood at 191, there were taken out 50.

At 2.50 P. M. index stood at 200, there were taken out 50.

At 4 P. M., close of polls, index stood at 227, there were taken out 27.

At the close of the polls the register on the ballot box stood at 227, showing that 227 ballots had been cast, the check-lists were compared and showed that 227 had voted and been checked.

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

Delegates at Large :—

Charles Francis Adams of Concord	145
George W. Anderson of Brookline	83
Albert S. Apsey of Cambridge	93
Charles J. Barton of Melrose	117
John L. Bates of Brookline	148
William H. Brooks of Holyoke	111
Walter A. Buie of Boston	37
Charles F. Choate, Jr., of Southborough	109
Charles W. Clifford of New Bedford	73
George W. Coleman of Boston	76
Louis A. Coolidge of Milton	109
John W. Cummings of Fall River	119
Edwin U. Curtis of Boston	127
Daniel R. Donovan of Springfield	41
Frank E. Dunbar of Lowell	74
Samuel J. Elder of Winchester	97
Wilmot R. Evans of Everett	84
Eugene N. Foss of Boston	69
Matthew Hale of Boston	92
Arthur D. Hill of Boston	68
Patrick H. Jennings of Boston	39
Abbott Lawrence Lowell of Cambridge	92
Nathan Matthews of Boston	82
James T. Moriarty of Boston	36
Joseph C. Pelletier of Boston	58
Josiah Quincy of Boston	77
Moorfield Storey of Lincoln	89

Charles B. Strecker of Boston	25
Joseph Walker of Brookline	102
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg	66
Sherman L. Whipple of Brookline	76
George H. Wrenn of Springfield	54
Blanks	964

Whole number of votes 3632

Delegates from Fourth Congressional District:—

Zelotes W. Coombs of Worcester	90
Julius Garst of Worcester	71
James Logan of Worcester	110
William W. Nash of Westborough	47
Arthur E. Seagrave of Uxbridge	82
John E. Swift of Milford	64
Charles T. Tatman of Worcester	84
Charles G. Washburn of Worcester	128
Blanks	232

Whole number of votes 908

Delegates from Ninth Worcester Representative District:—

Joseph S. Gates of Westborough	122
John C. Lynch of Milford	56
John W. Slattery of Westborough	63
Appleton P. Williams of Upton	174
Blanks	39

Whole number of votes 454

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 to dissolve the warrant at 5 p. m.

A true record.

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, AUGUST
24, 1917.

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 Friday, the twenty-fourth day of August, punctually at 7.45 o'clock evening, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:—

Article 1. To see if the town will authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow Five Thousand (\$5000 00) Dollars, in addition to the amount authorized at the annual meeting in anticipation of the revenue of the present municipal year.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (\$400.00) Dollars to install a new steam boiler in the High School Building, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty (\$350.00) Dollars to install a steam boiler in the Waverly Building or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars to be used for Soldiers' Relief 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 fifteenth day of

August in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ARTHUR W. FRAIL,
FRANK P. DECROW,
Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, August 17, 1917.

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 Friday, the twenty-fourth day of August, 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.

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING AUGUST 24, 1917.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, about thirty legal voters of the town of Upton, met in the Town Hall on Friday, the twenty-fourth day of August, A. D. 1917, and proceeded as follows:—

The meeting was called to order by I. Plummer Taft, moderator.

The warrant and officer's return was then read by the town clerk.

BORROWING MONEY.

Article 1. Voted: that the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is, authorized to bor-

row Five Thousand (\$5000.00) Dollars in addition to the Twelve Thousand (\$12,000.00) Dollars authorized at the annual town meeting held February 12, 1917, in anticipation of the revenue of the present municipal year, beginning January 1, 1917, and issue a note therefor payable within one year, the debt incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of said municipal year.

BOILER FOR HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Article 2. Voted: On a motion by Edward E. Whiting that the town appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (\$400.00) Dollars to install a new steam boiler in the High School Building.

HEATER FOR WAVERLY BUILDING.

Article 3. Voted: On a motion by Edward M. Baker that the town appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty (\$350.00) Dollars to install a steam boiler in Waverly Building.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Article 4. Voted: To appropriate the sum of Three Hundred (\$300 00) Dollars to be used for Soldiers' Relief.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 6, 1917.

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 sixth day of November, punctually, at six o'clock forenoon, at which time

the polls will be open for said voters to give in their votes 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 to the general court, to represent the ninth Worcester representative district, for said Commonwealth, one county commissioner for three years for the county of Worcester.

The said voters will give in their votes for or against the following articles of Amendments, to the Constitution of Massachusetts :—

Shall the Article of Amendment No. 1, to the Constitution of Massachusetts, be approved and ratified ?

“The General Court shall have power to provide by law for voting by qualified voters of the Commonwealth who, at the time of an election, are absent from the city or town of which they are inhabitants in the choice of any officer to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election.”

Shall the Article of Amendment No. 2, to the Constitution of Massachusetts, be approved and ratified ?

“Article 18. Section 1. No law shall be passed prohibiting the free exercise of religion.

“Section 2. All moneys raised by taxation in the towns and cities for the support of public schools, and all moneys which may be appropriated by the Commonwealth for the support of common schools shall be applied to, and expended in, no other schools than those which are conducted according to law, under the order and superintendence of the authorities of the town or city in which the money is expended ; and no grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized by the Commonwealth or any political division thereof for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any school or institution of learning, whether under public control or otherwise, wherein any denominational doctrine is inculcated, or any other school, or any college, infirmary, hospital, institution, or edu-

educational, charitable or religious undertaking which is not publicly owned and under the exclusive control, order and superintendence of public officers or public agents authorized by the Commonwealth or federal authority or both, except that appropriations may be made for the maintenance and support of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts and for free public libraries in any city or town, and to carry out legal obligations, if any, already entered into; and no such grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any church, religious denomination or society.

"Section 3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the Commonwealth, or any political division thereof, from paying to privately controlled hospitals, infirmaries, or institutions for the deaf, dumb or blind not more than the ordinary and reasonable compensation for care or support actually rendered or furnished by such hospitals, infirmaries or institutions to such persons as may be in whole or in part unable to support or care for themselves.

"Section 4. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive any inmate of a publicly controlled reformatory, penal or charitable institution of the opportunity of religious exercises therein of his own faith; but no inmate of such institution shall be compelled to attend religious services or receive religious instruction against his will, or, if a minor, without the consent of his parent or guardian.

"Section 5. This amendment shall not take effect until the October first next succeeding its ratification and adoption by the people"

Shall the Article of Amendment No. 3, to the Constitution of Massachusetts, be approved and ratified?

"The maintenance and distribution at reasonable rates, during time of war, public exigency, emergency or distress of a sufficient supply of food and other common necessities of life and the providing of shelter, and public functions, and the Commonwealth and the cities and towns therein may take

and may provide the same for their inhabitants in such manner as the General Court shall determine."

All on one ballot.

The polls may be closed at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of said day of meeting.

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

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ARTHUR W. FRAIL,
FRANK P. DECROW,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., October 26, 1917.

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

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,

Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 6, 1917.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the town of Upton met in Caucus Hall in said Upton, on Tuesday, the sixth day of November, A. D. 1917, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday of the month, punctually at six o'clock forenoon.

The meeting was called to order and the warrant read by Selectman Arthur W. Frail.

In accordance with law a sealed package said to contain 550 official ballots was delivered to the proper officers and a receipt therefor was returned to the town clerk.

The cards of instruction, specimen ballots and the proposed amendments to the Constitution of Massachusetts, having been posted as the law directs, the ballot box to be used at this election was shown to the voters present to be empty, the index 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, were duly sworn by the town clerk.

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.

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

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

At the close of the polls the index on the ballot box stood at 294. The names of those on the list of voters, both at the

polls and at the table of the ballots clerks which had been checked, were counted and found as follows :

At the polls, 294.

At the table, 294.

The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot box and audibly counted, making the total number of votes cast, 294

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

FOR GOVERNOR.

James Hayes of Plymouth, Socialist Labor . . .	3
Chester R. Lawrence of Boston, Prohibition . . .	8
Frederick W. Mansfield of Boston, Democratic . . .	54
Samuel W. McCall of Winchester, Republican . . .	226
John McCarty of Abington, Socialist . . .	8
Blanks	5

Whole number of votes	294
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FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Calvin Coolidge of Northampton, Republican . . .	225
Matthew Hale of Boston, Democratic, Prohibition . . .	48
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown, Socialist . . .	3
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody, Socialist Labor . . .	5
Blanks	13

Whole number of votes	294
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FOR SECRETARY.

Herbert S. Brown of Greenfield, Prohibition . . .	4
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield, Republican . . .	220
Ingvar Paulsen of Boston, Socialist Labor . . .	3
Arthur B. Reed of Abington, Democratic . . .	58
Marion E. Sproule of Lowell, Socialist . . .	2
Blanks	12

Whole number of votes	294
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FOR TREASURER.

Charles L. Burrill of Boston, Republican . . .	223
Solon Lovett of Beverly, Prohibition . . .	2
Joseph A. Murphy of Lowell, Socialist . . .	2
Humphrey O'Sullivan of Lowell, Democratic . . .	50
Mary E. Peterson of Somerville, Socialist Labor . . .	8
Blanks	14
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Whole number of votes	294

FOR AUDITOR.

Elzear H. Choquette of New Bedford, Democratic . . .	49
Alonzo B. Cook of Boston, Republican . . .	213
David Craig of Milford, Socialist Labor . . .	3
Walter S. Peck of Stockbridge, Socialist . . .	3
Henry G. Smith, Jr., of Somerville, Prohibition . . .	4
Blanks	22
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Whole number of votes	294

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Henry C. Attwill of Lynn, Republican . . .	218
Frank Auchter of Belmont, Prohibition . . .	3
William R. Henry of Lynn, Socialist . . .	3
Thomas J. Maher of Medford, Socialist Labor . . .	3
Josiah Quincy of Boston, Democratic . . .	51
Blanks	16
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Whole number of votes	294

FOR COUNCILLOR.

Antti J. Partan of Fitchburg, Socialist . . .	10
Matthew J. Whittall of Worcester, Republican . . .	229
Blanks	55
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Whole number of votes	294

FOR SENATOR.

George Fred Hart of Webster, Republican	228
Blanks	66
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Whole number of votes	294

FOR REPRESENTATIVES.

Charles W. Gould of Milford, Republican	206
William A. Murray of Milford, Democratic	70
Francis Prescott of Grafton, Republican	205
John J. Sheehan of Westborough, Democratic	40
Blanks	67
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Whole number of votes	588

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Warren Goodale of Clinton, Republican	204
Blanks	90
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Whole number of votes	294

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION No. 1.

Relative to absentees voting.

Yes	171
No	31
Blanks	92
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Whole number of votes	294

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION No. 2.

Relative to appropriations for educational and benevolent purposes.

Yes	195
No	26
Blanks	73
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Whole number of votes	294

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION No. 3.

Relative to the taking and distribution by the Commonwealth
of the common necessities of life.

Yes	195
No	16
Blanks	88
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Whole number of votes	294

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 check lists used were sealed up and given into the custody of the town clerk.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant at 5 o'clock P. M.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERKS' MEETING AT GRAFTON, NOVEMBER 16, 1917.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Grafton, Mass., Nov. 16, 1917.

In compliance with sections 322-325 inclusive of Chapter 935, Acts of 1913, we, the town clerks of the towns of Grafton, Milford, Shrewsbury, Southborough, Upton and Westborough, which towns comprise the Ninth Worcester Representative District, this day met at the office of the town clerk in said Grafton 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 sixth day of November, A. D. 1917, and was shown by the following tabular statement:—

	Charles W. Gould.	William A. Murray.	Francis Prescott.	John J. Sheehan.	Blanks.	Totals.
Grafton,	426	196	564	120	228	1534
Milford,	697	1238	529	854	858	3674
Shrewsbury,	262	50	251	38	65	606
Southborough,	187	70	159	65	69	550
Upton,	206	70	205	40	67	588
Westborough,	449	180	440	222	141	1432
Totals,	2227	1802	2148	1339	928	8444

Charles W. Gould of Milford, and Francis Prescott of Grafton having received the largest number of votes, were declared elected, and to them 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 Grafton, Milford, Shrewsbury, Southborough, Upton and Westborough, hereunto set our names this sixteenth day of November A. D. 1917.

Attest:

EDWIN A. HOWE, Town Clerk of Grafton,
 DENNIS J. SULLIVAN, Town Clerk of Milford,
 GEORGE E. STONE, Town Clerk of Shrewsbury,
 CHARLES H. NEWTON, Town Clerk of Southborough,
 FRANCIS T. NELSON, Town Clerk of Upton,
 JOSEPH S. GATES, Town Clerk of Westborough.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
 Town Clerk.

JURY LIST, 1917-1918.

Upton, Mass., August 6, 1917.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 348, Acts of 1907, the selectmen of the town of Upton met on the above date and prepared a list of names of persons, residing in this town, to be placed in the Jury Box for the year ensuing.

Name.	Street.	Occupation.
Aldrich, C. Samuel	Grove,	Painter.
Buck, Herbert M.	Main,	Inspector.
Carmody, John	Williams,	Straw Worker.
Cooley, Matthew	Mendon,	Mechanic.
Cooley, Arthur T.	Brooks,	Mechanic.
Childs, Leon D.	Westboro,	Mechanic.
Decrow, Frank P.	Main,	Farm Supt.
Frail, Arthur W.	Grove,	Tool Maker.
Gorman, Thomas J.	Main,	Box Maker.
King, Arthur E.	Grove,	Teamster.
Lyford, Frank E.	Main,	Carpenter.
Murphy, Leo F.	Picadilly,	Mechanic.
Murphy, J. Edward	Picadilly,	Clerk.
Newton, Orin G.	West Main,	Straw Worker.
Ogden, Frank O.	Main,	Reporter.
Parshley, William F. Jr.,	Maple Ave.,	Musician.
Parshley, William F.	Maple Ave.,	Painter.
Salisbury, Charles A.	Central,	Painter.
Sanford, Fred B.	Plain,	Straw Worker.
Shaughnessy, Roger	Grove,	Straw Worker.
Sheehan, James F.	Maple,	Straw Worker.
Slocumb, Albert F.	West Main,	Carpenter.
Smith, George H.	Main,	Inspector.
Taft, Wilbur G.	Hopkinton,	Farmer.
Walker, William H.	Main,	Clerk.

JURORS DRAWN DURING 1917.

May 7, Leslie W. Gould, Superior Court at Worcester.

September 10, Frank O. Ogden, Superior Court at Worcester.

October 8, Leon D. Childs, Superior Court at Worcester.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1917.

Jan.	1.	Lois Virginia Wood.
Jan.	28.	Sybil Margaret Graham MacKinlay.
Feb.	5.	Elida May Sadler.
Feb.	6.	Hortense Myrtle Spellman.
Feb.	19.	Howard Arthur Cobbett.
Feb.	19.	Ruth Cherry Seymour.
Feb.	19.	Evelyn May Fiske.
Mar.	3.	Douglas Haig Merchant.
Mar.	13.	William Henry Nason.
Mar.	21.	John Edward Craib.
Apr.	7.	William F. Wood.
Apr.	19.	Alfred Hawkes.
May	3.	Pearl Davenport.
July	25.	Kenneth Earle Usher.
July	29.	Mary Mouradian.
Aug.	10.	Paul Henry Boucher.
Aug.	17.	Jeremiah Halloran.
Aug.	25.	Noe.
Aug.	30.	Donald Jencks Aldrich.
Sept.	26.	Emma Nelson.
Oct.	12.	Inez Roslyn Marion Salkin.
Oct.	19.	Philip Frank Dearth.
Oct.	26.	Elmer Donias.
Nov.	2.	Lois Gaudette.
Nov.	4.	George Earle Hopkins.
Nov.	10.	George Frank Nadeau.
Nov.	29.	Carl Wilhelm Porter.
Dec.	3.	Oscar Kenneth Bates.
Dec.	4.	Jane Irene Macdonald.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1917.

DATE.	WHERE MARRIED.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	BY WHOM MARRIED.
January 1,	Uxbridge,	Ernest Raymond Taft,	30,	Upton,	Rev. Alex. Wiswall,
		Hortense Adelaide Nason,	31,	Upton,	Uxbridge, Mass.
February 3,	Upton,	Matthew Cameron Bradley,	39,	Concord, N. H.,	Rev. George E. Russell,
		Hazel Maxine Conklin,	17,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
February 10,	Upton,	Arthur Hooper Gerald,	24,	Upton,	Rev. George E. Russell,
		Evelyn Viletta Lyford,	23,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
April 6,	Upton,	Raymond Allen Hawkes,	22,	Oakland, Me.,	Rev. George E. Russell,
		Millicent Genevieve Fisher,	21,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
April 14,	Palmer, Mass.,	Rowland Chester Hill,	21,	Upton,	Rev. Osmond J. Billings,
		Mildred May Newton,	22,	Upton,	Palmer, Mass.
May 9,	Upton,	Charles A. Guild,	40,	Attleboro,	Rev. Oscar L. Simpson,
		Nellie M. MacOord,	43,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
May 16,	Upton,	T. Arthur Cooley,	27,	Upton,	Rev. F. A. Lane,
		Ida O. Kirby,	27,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
May 16,	Barre, Mass.,	Frank Perl Brown,	22,	Upton,	Rev. Edward B. Blanchard,
		Carolyn Vilinda Austin,	22,	Upton,	Barre, Mass.
June 16,	Gloucester, Mass.	George Ernest Russell,	33,	Upton,	Rev. Albert A. Madson,
		Annie Gaffney Hartwell,	24,	Gloucester,	Gloucester, Mass.
June 26,	Upton,	Fred Lenwood Kempton,	23,	Milford,	Rev. F. A. Lane,
		Lucy Mary Cote,	22,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
June 27,	Milford,	Albert Hill Jones,	19,	Upton,	Rev. Allen E. Cross,
		Effie Mildred Briggs,	21,	Upton,	Milford, Mass.
June 28,	Upton,	Howard Atwood Hopkins,	23,	Milford,	Rev. A. D. Graffam,
		Marjorie Irene Russell,	16,	Upton,	West Upton, Mass.

June	30,	Grafton,	Charles Willard Belyea,	29,	Upton,	Rev. J. Alfred Jacques,
			Ethel Evelyn Doucet,	20,	No. Grafton,	Grafton, Mass.
July	21,	Upton,	Chester Raymond Seymour,	20,	Upton,	Rev. George E. Russell,
			Marion Estelle Walker,	18,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
August	5,	Uxbridge,	William Henry Ogden,	20,	Upton,	Rev. Alex. Wiswall,
			Marion Alice Young,	18,	Upton,	Uxbridge, Mass.
August	8,	Claremont, N. H.,	Vance Whiting Batchelor,	23,	Upton,	Rev. Elwin Hitchcock,
			Beatrice Reed,	23,	Durham, N. H.,	Newport, N. H.
August	18,	Milford, Mass.,	Samuel Fraser,	41,	Upton,	Rev. Samuel Dupertuis,
			Christine Matheson,	32,	Brookline,	Milford, Mass.
August	19,	Hopkinton, Mass.,	Chester Edison Sadler,	24,	Upton,	Rev. James B. King,
			Edith Emelia Quist,	22,	Hopkinton,	Hopkinton, Mass.
Sept.	21,	Upton,	Milo Warren Jaquith,	29,	N. Ipswich,	Rev. Francis J. Marsh,
			Helen Frances Evans,	23,	Upton,	Upton, Mass. 5
October	19,	Worcester,	Stephen H. Jencks,	62,	Upton,	Rev. Charles A. Fisher,
			Carrie G. Pierce,	51,	Upton,	Worcester, Mass.
October	27,	Upton,	Edward Mayhew Murray,	24,	Worcester,	Rev. F. A. Lane,
			Evelina Paille,	21,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.
Dec.	5,	Woodville,	Donald Pierce Lyford,	23,	Upton,	Rev. George E. Russell,
		Hopkinton,	Mary Ethel Kimball,	28,	Hopkinton,	Upton, Mass.
Dec.	15,	Framingham, Mass.,	Charles Albert Wallace,	21,	Grafton,	Rev. Charles Tilton,
			Cora Minerva Twiss,	22,	Upton,	Framingham, Mass.
Dec.	26,	Upton, Mass.,	Alexie Biro,	29,	Natick, R. I.,	Rev. F. A. Lane,
			Mary E. Varney,	21,	Upton,	Upton, Mass.

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1917.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			WHERE BURIED.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 17.	William Walker,	72	8	1	Lakeview, Upton.
" 21.	Myron W. Forbush,	64	0	23	Lakeview, Upton.
" 27.	Arthur Lamson,	44	0	20	Lakeview, Upton.
" 29.	Jennie S. Davenport,	68	3	30	Lakeview, Upton.
Feb. 23.	Theophilus F. Boyd,	63	1	19	Lakeview, Upton.
Mar. 5.	Ora S. Gibbs,	86	4	10	Woodville, Hopkinton
" 12.	Ruth O. Seymour,	0	0	21	Lakeview, Upton.
" 26.	Charles F. Kimball,	68	11	26	Lakeview, Upton.
" 30.	Henry W. Burrill,	68	3	6	Lakeview, Upton.
April 2.	Jane Enington,	82	3	29	Maplewood, Upton.
" 13.	Harris J. Potter,	73	4	13	Maplewood, Upton.
" 16.	Robert T. Chandler,	16	11	13	Maplewood, Upton.
" 17.	Sarah S. Pierce,	66	10	25	Lakeview, Upton.
" 26.	Anna B. Haley,	85	0	2	Lakeview, Upton.
May 4.	Martha P. Wiswell,	76	7	0	Castleton, Vt.
" 23.	Sophia S. Garfield,	90	2	1	Woodville, Hopkinton
June 4.	Annie M. Cheney,	52	2	15	Lakeview, Upton.
" 8.	Abbie E. Alger,	62	4	23	East Foxboro, Mass.
" 17.	Margaret Louise Pillion,	41	7	0	Lakeview, Upton.
" 17.	Ida E. Hobbs,	65	8	6	Lakeview, Upton.
" 29.	Savene Romaguole,	26	0	0	St. Mary's, Milford.
July 5.	Augusta M. Farrington,	71	0	8	Lakeview, Upton.
" 21.	Annie E. Freeman,	83	6	29	Lakeview, Upton.
Aug. 6.	Napoleon Oliver,	77	4	24	Lakeview, Upton.
" 9.	John G. Burrucher,	64	7	8	Shrewsbury, Mass.
" 10.	Dolly W. Walker,	83	1	2	Lakeview, Upton.
" 24.	Olive M. Johnson,	59	7	29	Lakeview, Upton.
Sept. 24.	Sarah J. Putnam,	92	10	7	Lakeview, Upton.
Oct. 17.	Adelaide E. Aldrich,	55	6	12	Lakeview, Upton.
" 20.	Katherine P. Fuller,	67	4	18	Pine Grove, Whitinsville.
" 23.	Sanford J. Bruce,	78	11	24	Lakeview, Upton.
Nov. 8.	Ruth Winnifred Wood,	2	4	10	Lakeview, Upton.
" 8.	William H. Skinner,	71	11	2	Maplewood, Upton.
" 23.	Fleming Hunter,	82	2	18	Maplewood, Upton.
" 25.	George E. Hopkins,	0	0	30	Lakeview, Upton.
Dec. 6.	Emma H. Whiting,	83	7	24	Lakeview, Upton.
" 13.	Alonzo Fisk,	67	10	0	Lakeview.
" 18.	John Gates Fales,	64	0	0	Meredith, N. H.

BODIES BROUGHT FROM OTHER TOWNS AND CITIES FOR INTERMENT IN
UPTON DURING 1917.

Date of Death.	Place of Death.	Name.	Age			Place of Interment
			Y	M	D	
April 16, 1916.	New Haven, Ct.,	Warren S. Bacon,	56	10	25	Lakeview
" 15, 1917.	Worcester,	George N. Inman,	52	8	0	Lakeview
May 22, 1917	Worcester,	George L. Cham- berlain	44	5	24	Lakeview
" 29 1917.	Attleborough,	Josephine Page,	75	6	7	Lakeview
June 14, 1917.	Lowell.	Addie R. Bishop,	44	5	3	Lakeview
Oct. 17, 1917.	Worcester,	Adelaide Aldrich,	55	6	12	Lakeview
" 30, 1917.	Westborough,	Minerva Jones,	79	6	20	Lakeview
Dec. 13, 1917.	Mendon,	Willis M. Nichols,	63	6	26	Lakeview

DOG LICENSES.

Males and spayed females issued	.	.	.	124
Females	.	.	.	17
Cash sent to County Treasurer	.	.	.	\$804 80

HUNTERS' LICENSES.

Resident hunters	.	.	.	67
Cash sent to Commissioners	.	.	.	\$56 95

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1917.

Number of Horses assessed	.	.	.	202
Cows assessed	.	.	.	278
Sheep assessed	.	.	.	16
Neat cattle assessed	.	.	.	136
Swine assessed	.	.	.	61
Houses assessed	.	.	.	478
Acres of land assessed	.	.	.	12,976
Fowls assessed	.	.	.	8,655
Value of fowls	.	.	.	\$6,491 25
Valuation of real estate assessed	\$960,560	00		
Valuation of personal estate as- sessed	.	.	291,716	00
Total valuation	.	.		\$1,252,276 00
Tax for state, county and town purposes, including overlay- ings for abatements only:—				
On real estate	.	.	\$20,411	90
On personal estate	.	.	6,198	97
On polls	.	.	1,024	00
Total	.	.		\$27,634 87
Rate per thousand, \$21.25.				
Persons assessed on property	.	.	.	641
Persons assessed for a poll tax only	.	.	.	272
Number of assessed polls	.	.	.	512
Number of exempted polls	.	.	.	34
State tax for 1916	.	.	.	\$2,400 00
State tax for 1917	.	.	.	\$3,300 00
County tax for 1916	.	.	.	\$1,832 00
County tax for 1917	.	.	.	\$1,471 00
Town appropriations for 1916	.	.	.	\$25,735 00
Town appropriations for 1917	.	.	.	\$27,460 00

Total individual exemptions . . .	\$31,800 00
By cash balance on hand January 1, 1916 .	\$2,671 00
By cash balance on hand January 1, 1917 .	\$712 35

HERBERT M. BUCK,
WALTER E. SADLER,
GEORGE F. BRIGGS,
Assessors of Upton, 1917.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Book 1916.

Due Jan. 1, 1917	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,864 95
Abated	.	.	.	\$	40 39	
Collected	.	.	.		2,824 56	
						\$2,864 95
Interest collected	.	.	.		\$77 20	

LEO F. MURPHY,
Collector.

August 1, 1917.

Book 1917.

Tax levied	.	.	.	.	.	\$27,634 87
Abated	.	.	.	\$	83 11	
Collected	.	.	.		24,324 56	
Due Jan 1, 1918	.	.	.		3,227 20	
						\$27,634 87
Interest collected	.	.	.		\$14 11	

LEO F. MURPHY,
Collector.

MISS GRACE M. MURPHY,
Deputy.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,
Auditor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FRED W. WOOD, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF UPTON.

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Cash balance from last year, 1916	\$ 712 35
Received from Milford National Bank	17,015 76
State treasurer, national bank tax	63 14
State treasurer, corporation tax, public service	670 14
State treasurer, compensation for inspection of animals	26 25
State treasurer, state and military aid	1,834 50
State treasurer, industrial schools	109 29
State treasurer, superintendency fund	312 50
State treasurer, tuition, school children	171 75
State treasurer, income Mass. school fund	968 92
State treasurer, exemption of soldiers	127 59
State treasurer, mother's aid, with dependent children	366 51
State treasurer, temporary aid, poor department	467 45
State treasurer, corporation tax, business	53 78
State treasurer, income tax	2,194 06
State treasurer, support of sick paupers	28 58
Rebate from state on revenue overpaid	12 50
Leo F. Murphy, taxes collected to Jan. 1, 1918, on account of 1916 taxes	2,824 56

Leo F. Murphy, as interest collected during 1917 on account of 1916 taxes	\$ 77 20
Leo F. Murphy, taxes collected to Jan. 1, 1918, on account of 1917 taxes .	24,324 56
Leo F. Murphy, as interest collected on account of 1917 taxes	14 11
Town of Milford, poor department .	493 10
Edward B. Newton, cash received by poor department	1,382 64
Batchelor & Knowlton trust deed .	453 48
City of Boston, tuition of children .	68 25
County treasurer, dog fund	270 51
Max Pressman, junk license	25 00
Max Bean, junk license	25 00
Aaron Pressman, junk license	25 00
Wrenn Brothers, Sunday ice cream license	2 00
Frank Smith, Sunday ice cream license	2 00
Whitman H. Holbrook, Sunday ice cream license	2 00
Bernard Kaplan, slaughter license .	25 00
Wilbur G. Taft, sealing fees	21 51
School Committee, junk sold	4 05
Columbian Chapter, O. E. S., rent G. A. R. Hall	10 00
Post 105, G. A. R., rent of G. A. R. Hall	1 00
School Committee, school tickets and books sold	10 00
G. Z. Williams, forest warden department	35 55
E. B. Houghton, 1911 and 1912 taxes	373 01
E. B. Houghton, interest collected .	30 39
Charles E. Horne, reimbursement for town labor on state highway	34 91

Rent for Town Hall as follows :—

Henry E. Allard . . .	\$199 50
Foresters of America . . .	75 00
Grange . . .	86 00
Social Whist Club . . .	15 00
Congregational church . . .	8 00
Sullivan Brothers . . .	8 00
Church of Holy Angels . . .	16 00
Lead Aqueduct society . . .	1 00
	<hr/> \$56,078 40

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By cash paid out on selectmen's orders

by pay rolls . . . \$51,961 02

By cash balance on hand Jan. 1, 1918 . 4,117 38

\$56,078 40

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,

Town Treasurer.

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.

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,

Auditor.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Ordered paid for notes and interest :—	
Treasurer and Receiver General, school house bond and interest . . .	\$ 1,040 00
Milford National Bank, money in anticipation of taxes . . .	12,000 00
Milford National Bank, interest on the above . . .	817 92
	\$13,357 92
Ordered paid for State and County tax :—	
Charles I. Burrill, State Treasurer . .	\$3,300 00
Edgar L. Ramsdell, County Treasurer . .	1,471 00
	\$4,371 00
Ordered paid for town library :—	
Bills as reported by treasurer of trustees . .	\$424 25
Ordered paid for support of schools :—	
Bills as reported by school committee . .	\$10,751 92
Ordered paid for schoolhouse repairs :—	
Bills as reported by school committee . .	\$386 77
Ordered paid for heater for high school building :—	
Bills as reported by school committee . .	\$400 00
Ordered paid for Industrial school :—	
Bills as reported by school committee . .	\$279 61
Ordered paid school physician :—	
Edward C. Traver . . .	\$15 00
Ordered paid for support of poor :—	
Bills reported by overseers of poor . .	\$5,887 18
Ordered paid for town farm repairs :—	
Bills reported by overseers of poor . .	\$156 90
Ordered paid for repairs, roads and bridges :—	
Bills as reported by highway surveyors . .	\$2,800 97
Ordered paid for removing snow :—	
Bills as reported by highway surveyors . .	\$226 80

Ordered paid for fire department:—		
Bills as reported by fire engineers . . .		\$751 98
Ordered paid for forest fires:—		
Bills as reported by forest warden . . .		\$155 83
Ordered paid for fire apparatus:—		
Bills as reported by fire engineers . . .		\$1,733 71
Ordered paid for fire hose:—		
Bills as reported by fire engineers . . .		\$400 00
Ordered paid for expense of Memorial Day:—		
Treasurer of Post 105, G. A. R. . . .		\$125 00
Ordered paid for state aid:—		
Aid to various persons		\$1,636 00
Ordered paid for bonding town officers:—		
Treasurer bond	\$25 00	
Collector bond	25 00	
		<hr/> \$50 00
Ordered paid for board of health:—		
Bills as reported by board of health . . .		\$183 14
Ordered paid for care of cemeteries:—		
F. W. Wood, treasurer of cemetery		
commission		\$300 00
Ordered paid for heater in Waverly building:—		
Dwight R. Bowker		\$348 00
Ordered paid for street lighting:—		
Worcester Suburban Electric Co. . . .		\$1,798 86
Ordered paid for soldiers' relief:—		
Aid to various persons		\$955 18
Ordered paid for trimming trees:—		
Bills as reported by tree warden		\$100 25
Ordered paid for sidewalk repairs:—		
Bills as reported by highway surveyors .		\$100 00
Ordered paid for suppression of gypsy moth:—		
Bills as reported by local superintendent .		\$404 52
Ordered paid for incidentals:—		
G. M. Billings, printing town reports .	\$144 00	
G. M. Billings, other printing	20 25	
Milford Journal Co, printing	35 43	
Davis Press, printing	40 00	

Milford News, printing	\$ 10 75
Thomas Groom Co.	1 59
W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer	3 45
Fairbanks Co., sealer	6 75
D. R. Bowker, janitor	247 50
D. R. Bowker, repairs	23 18
D. R. Bowker, water tank	290 00
D. R. Bowker, erecting flag pole	82 55
D. R. Bowker, waterworks	22 27
D. R. Bowker, service at court	5 28
Wm. F. Parshley, service at court	19 21
H. A. Bagley, service at court	6 76
H. D. Aldrich, service at court	8 16
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, coal	230 50
Worcester Suburban Electric Co., town hall	104 01
W. G. Fiske, town hall	25 98
Z. B. Grandy, carting ashes	17 25
E. A. Bates, wood for town hall	22 00
W. L. Wood, ink for inspectors	1 00
L. A. Snow, supplies	1 05
Samuel J. Willis, labor	5 25
Library Bureau, supplies	50
F. W. Wood, supplies	36 59
Frost Stamp Co.	52
J. E. Swift, legal services	15 00
E. B. Johnson, legal services	3 00
F. T. Nelson, supplies, etc.	24 50
Certifying notes	6 00
Flag for town hall	27 00
King & Co.	1 07
Merrill W. Allen, inspector	6 00
L. D. Childs, labor	2 00
Mr. Cook, tuning piano	2 00
Gustav B. Holl, tuning piano	4 00
F. S. Webster	4 50
F. E. Lyford, insurance	224 10
State burial of two	100 00

A. W. Brownell, printing . . .	\$26 00
Hobb Warren Co., assessors . . .	8 12
Leo Murphy, supplies . . .	1 47
H. M. Buck, supplies for assessors . . .	5 29
C. W. Comstock, labor . . .	3 25
E. M. Baker, supplies . . .	8 19
G. F. Briggs, team for assessors . . .	14 00
G. H. Southland, labor . . .	1 25
F. D. White, M. D. . . .	8 00
W. G. Taft, sundries for sealer . . .	10 87
Alfred Prescott, care of clock . . .	8 00
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	\$1,915 39

Ordered paid to town officers for services :—

William H. Miskell, selectman and surveyor . . .	\$ 65 00
Arthur W. Frail, selectman and surveyor . . .	40 00
Frank P. Decrow, selectman and surveyor . . .	40 00
Francis T. Nelson, clerk . . .	35 00
Henry D. Aldrich, overseer . . .	25 00
George O. Taft, overseer . . .	25 00
Edward B. Newton, overseer, clerk . . .	50 00
Wm. F. Parshley, board of health . . .	30 00
Frank D. Aldrich, auditor . . .	12 50
Frank O. Ogden, auditor . . .	25 00
Fred W. Wood, treasurer . . .	125 00
Francis T. Nelson, town clerk . . .	143 40
Wilbur G. Taft, sealer . . .	40 00
Board of registrars . . .	70 00
Willard L. Wood, inspector two years . . .	60 25
Walter E. Sadler, inspector . . .	27 50
Election officers . . .	101 00
Wilbur G. Taft, balance from last year . . .	11 42
Wm. F. Parshley, posting warrants . . .	6 00
Leo Murphy, salary . . .	280 27
G. Z. Williams, appraiser . . .	3 00
R. Shaughnessy, appraiser . . .	8 00

H. A. Chamberlain, appraiser . . .	\$ 3 00
Joseph A. Carroll, inspector of cattle . .	52 50
Wm. F. Parshley, notifying town officers . . .	5 00
H. M. Buck, assessor . . .	112 50
W. E. Sadler, assessor . . .	85 00
G. F. Briggs, assessor . . .	82 50
H. D. Aldrich, police duty . . .	6 00
H. A. Bagley, police duty . . .	6 00
C. H. Marshall, police duty . . .	6 00
M. Murphy, police duty . . .	6 00
Wm. F. Parshley, police duty . . .	6 00
E. B. Houghton, police duty . . .	3 00
D. R. Bowker, police duty . . .	3 00
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	\$1,544 84
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	\$51,961 02

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Departments	Appropriations.	Income.	Total Receipts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended.	Overdrawn.
Bonding town officers, . . .	\$ 100 00		\$ 100 00	\$ 50 00	\$ 50 00	
Board of health . . .	400 00		400 00	188 14	216 86	
County tax . . .				1,471 00		
Cemeteries . . .	300 00		300 00	300 00		
Fire hose . . .	400 00		400 00	400 00		
Fire apparatus . . .	1,800 00		1,800 00	1,723 71	66 29	
Forest warden . . .	300 00	\$ 35 55	335 55	155 83	179 72	
Fire department . . .	750 00		750 00	751 98		\$ 1 98
Heater to Waverly Building . .	350 00		350 00	348 00	2 00	
Suppression of gypsy moth . .	400 00		400 00	404 52		4 52
Highways . . .	2,800 00	34 91	2,834 91	2,800 97	33 94	
Incidentals . . .	1,500 00	525 50	2,025 50	1,915 39	110 11	
Town library . . .	425 00		425 00	424 25	75	
Memorial day . . .	125 00		125 00	125 00		
State aid . . .	200 00	1,686 00	1,886 00	1,636 00	250 00	
Notes and interest . . .	1,500 00	12,000 00	13,500 00	13,357 92	142 08	
Town officers . . .	1,500 00	47 76	1,547 76	1,544 84	2 92	
Town farm repairs . . .	150 00		150 00	156 90		6 90
Support of poor . . .	2,500 00	2,738 28	5,238 28	5,887 18		648 90

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES—Continued.

Departments.	Appropriations.	Income.	Total Receipts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended.	Overdrawn.
Street lighting . . .	1,845 00		1,845 00	1,798 86	46 14	
Schools . . .	8,500 00	2,255 41	10,755 41	10,751 92	3 49	
School industrial . . .	200 00	109 29	309 29	279 61	29 68	
School physician . . .	15 00		15 00	15 00		
School-house repairs . . .	400 00		400 00	386 77	13 23	
School-house heater . . .	400 00		400 00	400 00		
State tax . . .				3,300 00		
Soldiers' relief . . .	1,100 00		1,100 00	955 18	144 82	
Sidewalks . . .	100 00		100 00	100 00		
Removing snow . . .	200 00		200 00	226 80		26 80
Tree warden . . .	100 00		100 00	100 25		25

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FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF UPTON,
DECEMBER 31, 1917.

LIABILITIES.

Town owes Milford National Bank	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
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ASSETS.

Due the town for taxes of 1917	\$3,227 20	
Due the town for state aid	1,636 00	
Due the town for burial two persons	100 00	
Due the town for produce at Town Farm	116 30	
Due the town for temporary aid State Bd. Charity	466 37	
Due the town for mothers' aid, State Bd. Charity	679 60	
Cash in hands of treasurer	4,117 38	
		\$10,343 35
Balance in favor of the town Dec. 31, 1917		\$5,343 35
Balance in favor of the town Dec. 31, 1916		\$4,832 94

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings, known as the Carpenter Fund, (\$1000.00) 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.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ARTHUR W. FRAIL,
FRANK P. DECROW,

Selectmen of Upton.

I have examined the foregoing report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,

Auditor.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Cr. by appropriation	\$2,800 00
Cr. by Charles E. Horn's check	34 91
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	\$2,834 91
Dr. to cash paid by orders on treasurer.	\$2,800 97
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Unexpended	\$33 94

Cash paid labor on highways:—

Joseph H. Martin, superintendent	\$400 68
Joseph H. Martin, team and labor	706 14
A. Barton estate, team and labor	586 67
I. H. Whiting, team and labor	9 75
Benj C. Wood, team and labor	37 00
James Boland, labor	281 26
A. Gauthier, labor	86 25
John Wrenn, labor	74 51
Eldred H. Prentiss, labor	246 05
Samuel Willis, labor	12 00
Fred Alexander, labor	43 50
Raymond Childs, labor	8 00
William Struthers, labor	109 17
Willard L. Wood, labor	8 50
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	\$2,609 49

Cash paid for incidentals:—

Philip Bray, painting signs	\$ 5 00
L. Austin, paints	1 07
John Wrenn, use of auto	24 00
Ross Bros, plow beam	2 00
Good Road Mch'y Co., scraper	27 32
W. G. Fiske, supplies	2 80
C. Fisk estate, plank	58 22
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, supplies	7 00
Drain pipe	10 73

L. A. Snow, supplies	\$ 1 25	
Express	50	
Edson J. Sadler, blacksmith	14 00	
A. L. Whitney, gravel	1 40	
Mrs. C. A. Batchelor, gravel	7 40	
F. E. Lyford, gravel	2 45	
Theodore Porter, gravel	95	
W. Whitney, gravel	1 20	
A. Morrison, gravel	3 10	
Irving Whiting, gravel	1 60	
E. T. Hall, gravel	5 10	
J. Carroll, gravel	4 30	
J. ———, gravel	2 90	
F. Lassard, stone	3 00	
A. E. King, stone	1 20	
A. Pilkington, stone	3 00	
		\$191 49
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		\$2,800 97

SIDEWALKS.

Appropriation	\$100 00
Cash paid Joseph H. Martin, superintendent	\$16 75
Joseph H. Martin, team	29 75
James Boland, labor	13 75
A. Barton estate, team	24 00
E. H. Prentiss, labor	9 00
William Struthers, labor	6 75
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	\$100 00

TOOLS AND SUPPLIES ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1918.

1 Road scraper,	1 Stump puller,
3 Snow plows,	3 Contractors' picks,
3 Long-handle shovels sq	1 Striking hammer,
5 Steel rakes,	1 Road plow,
1 16 lb. steel bar,	1 Side-hill plow,
9 Short-handle shovels,	2 Long-handle shovels rd,
5 Shank hoes,	2 14 lb. steel bars.

REPORT ON GUIDE BOARDS.

2 near box mill,	2 near George Kings',
2 near W. Upton fountain,	1 near Sadler bridge,
2 near Connelly's corner,	1 near W. H. Miskell's,
2 near J. Aldrich place,	1 near Warren corner,
2 near E. T. Hall's corner,	1 near O'Connell place,
3 near A. A. Bowker's,	1 near C. H. Johnson's,
2 near E. W. Bradish place,	1 near G. A. R. Hall,
2 near D. W. Whitney's,	1 near Methodist church,
1 near Dandro place,	1 near C. Dana place,
2 near M. Bailey place,	1 near R. Baldwin place,
1 near Chamberlain market,	1 near D. A. Mackinlay's,
5 near O. G. Newton place,	2 near O. F. Taft place,
2 near the Curtiss place,	1 near G. H. Evans place,
2 near J. Ballou's place,	2 near P. P. Taft place.

REMOVING SNOW.

Appropriation	\$200 00
Cash paid :—	
Joseph H. Martin	\$53 23
Irving H. Whiting	21 82
T. J. Harper	23 06
A. Barton est.	5 00
E. W. Claffin	8 23
Albert Rand	1 40
E. A. Bates	6 00
S. J. Willis	6 00
Raymond Childs	2 00
Joseph Carroll	33 78
C. E. Avery	2 00
Harold Hopkins	2 50
Mr. Riley	3 25
O. F. Taft	16 88
S. Pugsley	15 65
E. R. Taft	7 50
Percy Alger	7 00
G. H. Evans	4 50
Wm. Carroll	4 00

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Elmer Taft	\$2 50	
S. A. Colcord	50	
	<hr/>	\$226 80
Overdrawn		\$26 80

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ARTHUR W. FRAIL,
FRANK P. DECROW,
Highway Surveyors.

I have examined the above account and found it correct.
FRANK D. ALDRICH,
Auditor.

LAKEVIEW CEMETERY COMMISSION.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

Jan. 1, 1917.

To cash balance from 1916	\$83 00
Patrick Pillion, care 1916	1 00
Charles Marshall, care '16	1 00
Joseph Chapin, Hopedale, care '15 and '16	2 00
A C Southland, lot	5 00
Harold Carter, lot	5 00
Mrs. Arthur Titus, lot	5 00
Irving Whiting, care '16	1 00
Mattie Houghton, care '16	1 00
John Perry, care '16	1 00
George T. Hutchings, foundation	3 00
Mrs. Ellen Taft, Brooklyn, care '16	1 00
William LeSure, care '16	1 00
Mrs. Delia Barron, care '11, '12, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17	7 00
Mrs. Mary Nichols, lot	5 00
Mrs Emma Watson, care Otis Aldrich lot, '17	1 00
William Haley, lot	5 00
Frank Brewer, care '16	1 00
Mrs. Charles Kimball, lot	5 00
Mrs Rufus Whitten, care '17	1 00
Emily Cahoone, care '17	1 00
Mrs. James Smart, care '17	1 00
E. E. Aldrich, jr., balance due on lot	3 00
Alexander Nelson, lot	5 00
Marion King, care '17	1 00
John Alexander, care '17	1 00

Emma Watson, care Charles Leland lot, '17	\$ 1 00
G. Z. Williams, opening grave	4 00
Teresa Chamberlain, lot	5 00
Teresa Chamberlain, opening grave	3 00
G. W. Wood, Milford, opening grave	4 00
Mrs. O. A. Martindale, care '16 and '17	2 00
Warren Keith, Worcester, care '17	1 00
Eugene Hall, care '17	1 00
M. Louise Cheney, care '17	1 00
Town appropriation	800 00
Mrs. Harry W. Butler, lot	5 00
Mrs. Harry W. Butler, opening grave	3 00
G. Z. Williams, opening grave, Bishop	3 00
Mrs. Frank Bannister, care '17	1 00
Mrs. Arthur Titus, care '17	1 00
Burt Hobbs, lot	5 00
Charles Braman, care '17	1 00
Frank Page, opening grave, J. Page	3 00
Moore Bros., foundation	6 50
Lizzie Hart, labor on lot	1 00
Benj. Bishop, foundation	2 00
Mrs. Putnam, care '17	1 50
Max Pressman, bags	66
G. H. Schultz, care '17	1 00
Charles W. Pierce, opening grave	3 00
Fred W. Wood, care '17, double	1 50
Max Pressman, old hearse	10 00
Max Pressman, junk	50
Margaret Pillion, opening grave	3 00
Mrs. Mary Nichols, opening grave	3 00
Worcester County Institution, inter- est to July '17	88 58
Mrs. Charles Kimball, opening grave	3 00
Mrs. Myron Forbush, care '17	1 00
William Haley, opening grave	3 00

Mrs. Albert Clark, lot . . .	\$5 00
Mrs. Martha Eames, care '17 . . .	1 00
G. Z. Williams, opening grave, Cheney . . .	3 00
Mrs. Patrick Slattery, care '17, double . . .	1 50
F. G. Kerr Monument Co., foundation . . .	8 50
Edith Lamson, opening grave . . .	3 00
Ella Batchelor, care '17 . . .	1 00
Margaret Layin, care '16 and '17 . . .	2 00
Charles Barton, care '17 . . .	1 00
Mary Brown, care '17 . . .	1 00
Myron Clafin, care '17 . . .	1 00
Fred Luzerne, Philadelphia, care '17 . . .	1 00
George Buck, care '17 . . .	1 00
Thomas Gorman, care '17 . . .	1 00
Theophilus Bissonette, care '17 . . .	1 00
H. A. Bagley, care '17 . . .	1 00
S. J. Batchelor, care '17 . . .	1 00
Jenner Aldrich, care '17 . . .	1 00
James Boland, care '17 . . .	1 00
Walter G. Bailey, care '17, double . . .	1 50
Henry Rogers, care '16 . . .	1 00
Mrs. George Bruder, care '17 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Edwin Nelson, care '17 . . .	1 00
Adelia Sheehan, care '16 and '17, double . . .	3 00
Jane Olney, care '17 . . .	1 00
E. H. Prentiss, care '17 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Henry McBride, care '17 . . .	1 00
Victor Noe, Sr., care '16 and '17 . . .	2 00
H. D. Aldrich, opening grave . . .	3 00
Michael Reynolds, care '17, double . . .	1 50
Henry Rogers, care '17, double . . .	1 50
Henry Rogers, repairs . . .	1 50
Mathew Cooley, care '17 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Laura Sadler, care '17 . . .	1 00
L. Phillips Conant, opening grave . . .	3 00
Edson Jones, labor . . .	5 00

Alfred Whitney, care '17 . . .	\$1 00
C. H. Bull, lot . . .	5 00
Ida Lease, care '17 . . .	1 00
Ellen O'Connell, care '17 . . .	1 00
Mrs I. E. H. Pierce, care '17 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Sanford Bruce, lot . . .	5 00
Mrs. Sanford Bruce, opening grave . . .	3 00
Mary Walker, care '17 . . .	1 00
John Fay, care '17, double . . .	1 50
Fred Humes, for labor . . .	2 00
Mary and Rose Dwyer, care '17, double . . .	1 50
Helen M. C. Lamb, Westboro, care '17 . . .	1 00
Lydia Chamberlain, care '17 . . .	1 00
Patrick Pillion, care '17, double . . .	1 50
Walter True, care '17 . . .	1 00
Miss Myra Rawson, care '17 . . .	2 00
W. H. Blake, care '17 . . .	1 00
D. A. Farrington, opening grave . . .	3 00
J. H. Brooks, care '17, double . . .	1 50
Mrs. Rosa Baldwin, care '17, double . . .	1 50
A. T. Wood, Est., care '17, double . . .	1 50
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	\$724 24

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By cash paid Frank Brewer for labor . . .	\$382 47
Gardner Brewer, labor . . .	10 63
Charles H. Bull, labor . . .	188 00
Herbert S. Bull, labor . . .	6 87
Edward Aldrich, labor . . .	1 60
Walter P. Grandy, labor . . .	19 75
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, sharpening lawn mower . . .	3 00
Milford Journal, printing . . .	4 20
W. G. Fiske, supplies . . .	4 70
Millbury Scouring Co., sheep manure . . .	18 11
A. A. Bowker, flowers . . .	4 20

Arthur Corbett, surveying . . .	3 00
W. J. Seaver, trucking . . .	7 00
Milford News, printing . . .	4 20
G. H. Southland, labor . . .	1 50
E. T. Hall, lawn mower . . .	5 50
J. H. Brooks, stationery and postage .	1 23
F. W. Wood, stationery and postage .	2 05
J. H. Brooks, salary as secretary .	10 00
F. W. Wood, salary as treasurer .	10 00
Charles Barbour, salary as chairman .	5 00
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	\$693 01
Total received	\$724 24
Total paid out	693 01
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Cash balance January 1, 1918 . . .	\$81 23

FRED W. WOOD,
Treasurer.

I have examined the foregoing report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,
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. Fiske, 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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	75 00
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 Nel- son 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
Sarah L. Bradish, fund	100 00
Lucy K. Eames, fund	50 00
Mrs. David Brown estate, fund	50 00
Nathan H. Holbrook, fund	50 00
Calista A. Fiske, fund	50 00
W. F. Rogers, fund	50 00

G. P. Harrington, fund	.	.	\$50 00
Addie Bishop, by will	.	.	50 00
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			\$4,310 00

FRED W. WOOD,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

RECEIPTS.

Annual appropriation, February, 1917 . . .	\$750 00
Special appropriation, February, 1917, for hose . . .	400 00
	\$1,150 00

EXPENSES.

J. M. Hardy, 500 ft. of hose . . .	\$400 00
J. M. Hardy, calcium chloride . . .	7 00
J. M. Hardy, locomotive bell . . .	16 50
Grafton & Upton R. R, freight . . .	1 50
E. A. Chamberlain, chimney fire . . .	1 00
D. R. Bowker, labor and merchandise . . .	55 88
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, 2 tons of coal . . .	17 50
Clark Ellis & Sons, stove pipe, 3 elbows . . .	2 37
E. J. Sadler, labor and merchandise . . .	18 70
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone to December 1, 1917 . . .	12 90
Worcester Suburban Electric Light Co., for light to December 1, 1917 . . .	13 10
W. G. Fiske, labor and merchandise . . .	43 55
E. M. Baker, 1 new auto tire, team, auto and mer- chandise . . .	52 61
Standard Oil Co., 15 gals. motor gasoline . . .	8 75
Leroy Prentiss, salary as janitor, chimney fire . . .	21 00
E. A. Fiske, chimney fire . . .	1 00
Joseph Carroll, hauling steamer, chimney fire . . .	6 00
Adams Express Co, express on bell for auto truck . . .	37
Young Bros. Co., 1 extension ladder for hose auto . . .	14 00
C. E. Fairbanks, services as stoker . . .	20 00
Henry E. Allard, 1 second-hand Ford auto . . .	110 00
Henry E. Allard, labor, supplies, chimney fires . . .	22 25
Arthur Frail, 1 pr. Weed chains . . .	5 00

George Walker, ringing fire alarm.	1 00
Karl S. Whitten, treasurer of Steamer Co.	255 00
Walter P. Grandy, steward of Steamer Co.	10 00
E. M. Baker, salary as engineer	15 00
H. E. Allard, salary as engineer	15 00
Fred W. Fiske, salary as engineer	15 00
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	\$1,151 98
	1150 00
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Overdrawn	\$1 98
Special appropriation to install heater in fire headquarters	\$850 00
D. R. Bowker, for installing and furnishing heater	348 00
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Balance due the town	\$2 00
Chimney fires attended	11
General alarms	6

E. M. BAKER,
HENRY E. ALLARD,
THOMAS J. GORMAN,
Board of Engineers.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

By appropriation	\$300 00
Cash received from Town of Northbridge	20 55
Cash received from Grafton & Upton R. R.	15 00
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	\$335 55

EXPENSES.

To cash paid by order on treasurer	\$155 83
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Unexpended balance 1917	\$179 72
Cash paid for labor at fires March 30 to July 31 and supplies	\$155 83
Number of alarms from Fay Mountain	4
Number of alarms from town	11
False alarms from Fay Mountain	3
Number attended	12

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE Z. WILLIAMS,
Forest Warden.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,
Auditor.

REPORT OF APPRAISERS.

Upton, Mass., January 1, 1918.

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, 1918, and we beg leave to submit the following report:—

Two horses	.	.	.	.	\$400 00
Eight cows	.	.	.	.	750 00
Three heifers	.	.	.	.	105 00
Two calves	.	.	.	.	50 00
Pigs	.	.	.	.	85 00
Thirteen tons of hay	.	.	.	.	260 00
Six tons oat fodder	.	.	.	.	48 00
Eight hundred lbs. rye straw	.	.	.	.	8 00
Grain	.	.	.	.	33 98
One bag cement	.	.	.	.	80
Five cords wood	.	.	.	.	45 00
Wagons and carts	.	.	.	.	200 00
Harnesses	.	.	.	.	65 00
Sled, pung and drag	.	.	.	.	22 00
Farming tools	.	.	.	.	250 00
Two fire extinguishers	.	.	.	.	16 00
Tobacco	.	.	.	.	50
Sprayers	.	.	.	.	3 25
Groceries and provisions	.	.	.	.	40 00
Eighty bushels No. 1 potatoes	.	.	.	.	148 00
Thirty bushels No. 2 potatoes	.	.	.	.	37 50
Vegetables	.	.	.	.	5 00
One hundred ten gallons vinegar	.	.	.	.	33 00
Crockery	.	.	.	.	15 00
Cooking utensils	.	.	.	.	15 50
Kitchen furnishings	.	.	.	.	99 00

Dining room furniture	\$ 18 00	
Rubber mat	2 50	
Sitting room furniture	12 00	
Bathroom furniture and furnishings . .	5 00	
Furniture and furnishings for sleeping rooms	225 00	
Laundry furnishings and supplies . .	65 00	
Ash can and sifter	5 00	
Piccalilli and preserves	12 00	
Ten tons coal	95 00	
Thirty tons ensilage	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,325 03
Total personal, 1918		\$3,325 03
Farm and buildings		4,500 00
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Total appraisal January 1, 1918 . .		\$7,825 03
Farm as appraised January 2, 1917 . .	\$4,200 00	
Personal property January 2, 1917 . .	2,980 13	
	<hr/>	\$7,180 13
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Increase in valuation Jan. 1, 1918 . .		\$ 694 90

GEORGE Z. WILLIAMS,
HENRY A. CHAMBERLAIN,
ROGER SHAUGHNESSY,
Appraisers of Town Farm.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

EXPENSES AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1917.

To cash paid :—

Superintendent's and matron's salary	\$500 04
Labor on the farm	378 05
Groceries and meats	843 63
Fish and oysters	31 64
Grain	763 70
Seed plants and hardware	156 23
Repairs and harness supplies	103 03
Clothes and shoes	28 80
Dry goods and dishes	39 86
Telephone	33 97
Blacksmithing	43 65
Fuel	40 80
Medical service	33 25
Barbering	1 65
Auto hire	2 50
Tobacco and medicine	26 57
Fertilizer	39 83
Silo and express	267 06
Stock bought	19 00
Veterinary	4 50
Burials	50 00
	\$3,407 76

EXPENSES AWAY FROM THE FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1917.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts or

State Board of Charity	\$685 95
Town of Milford	57 00

Town of Upton	\$410 51	
Hospital cases	12 00	
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Clerk supplies		\$3 58

EXPENSES FOR MOTHERS' AID.

State Board of Charity	\$860 51	
Town of Milford	116 82	
Town of Upton	333 05	
	<hr/>	\$1,310 38

RECEIPTS AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1917.

Milk sold	\$661 58	
Eggs sold	58 56	
Board money	161 50	
Telephone receipts	7 50	
Service of bull	16 00	
Stock sold	143 00	
Pork sold	94 60	
Vegetables	74	
Reimbursements	235 66	
	<hr/>	\$1,379 14

RECEIPTS AWAY FROM THE FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1917.

State Board of Charity	\$496 03	
Town of Milford	57 00	
Town of Upton, reimbursed for aid rendered	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$556 53

RECEIPTS FOR MOTHERS' AID.

State Board of Charity	\$366 51	
Town of Milford	436 10	
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OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
TOWN OF UPTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1917.

Received from the Town Farm . . .	\$1,379 14	
Received from temporary aid . . .	556 53	
Received from mothers' aid . . .	302 61	
Appropriations of the town of Upton . . .	2,500 00	
Overdrawn . . .	648 90	
	<hr/>	\$5,887 18
Expenses at the Town Farm . . .	\$3,407 76	
Expenses away for temporary aid . . .	1,165 46	
Expenses for mothers' aid . . .	1,310 38	
Expenses for clerk supplies . . .	3 58	
	<hr/>	\$5,887 18
Money due the town for produce at the farm		\$116 80

MONEY DUE THE TOWN FOR TEMPORARY AID.

State Board of Charity	\$466 87
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MONEY DUE THE TOWN FOR MOTHERS' AID.

State Board of Charity	\$679 60
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PERSONS SUPPORTED AT THE TOWN FARM FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1917.

Lucius E. Austin, superintendent . . .	52 1-7 weeks
Mrs. Lucius E. Austin, matron . . .	52 1-7 weeks
Superintendent's daughter . . .	52 1-7 weeks
Superintendent's daughter . . .	52 1-7 weeks
Superintendent's daughter . . .	23 weeks
Superintendent's daughter . . .	9 weeks
Gilbert Austin, laborer . . .	10 4-7 weeks
William P. Riley, laborer . . .	2-7 weeks
Frank Tatro, laborer . . .	11 2-7 weeks
Edward Sweeney, laborer . . .	2 2-7 weeks
Boarder	23 weeks
Boarder	38 weeks
Boarder	26 weeks

Boarder	3-7 weeks
Inmate No. 1	50 3-7 weeks
Inmate No. 2	52 1 7 weeks
Inmate No. 3	52 1-7 weeks
Inmate No. 4	21 1-7 weeks

 528 2-7 weeks

The expense for each person supported at the Town Farm for the year ending December 31, 1917, was \$3.84 per week over the income.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
TOWN OF UPTON FOR REPAIRS AT THE
TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1917.

H. M. Curtiss, shingles, lumber and nails	\$115 28	
William B. Wales, labor	41 62	
	<hr/>	\$156 90
Appropriation		150 00
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Overdrawn		\$6 90

EXPENSES FOR OUTSIDE AID CLASSIFIED.

Supplies for food	\$632 33
Supplies for fuel	61 00
Medical aid and nursing	173 50
Shoes	4 60
Hospital cases	12 00
Cash	45 00
Rent	198 33
Clothes	18 50
Transportation	11 20
Repairs on stoves and pipe	9 00
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	\$1,165 46

EXPENSE FOR MOTHERS' AID CLASSIFIED.

Supplies for food	\$356 43
Rent	162 75

Cash	.	.	.	.	\$633 80
Medical service	.	.	.	.	101 25
Fuel	.	.	.	.	48 75
Clothes	.	.	.	.	7 40
					<hr/> \$1,310 38

NUMBER OF PERSONS SUPPORTED OR AIDED FOR
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1917.

Town Farm, five persons.

Temporary aid, forty persons.

Mothers aid, sixteen persons.

Total, sixty-one persons.

HENRY D ALDRICH,
EDWARD B. NEWTON,
GEORGE O. TAFT,
Overseers of the Poor.

I have examined the foregoing report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,
Auditor.

REPORT OF LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR SUP- PRESSING THE GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTH.

Appropriation	\$400 00
Paid C. L. Goodrich, team and labor	\$255 17
Supplies	2 43
Charles Stuart, labor	94 50
Milford Daily News, printing	8 10
Milford Daily Journal, printing	4 32
H. S. Goodrich, labor	40 00
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	\$404 52
Appropriation	400 00
Overdrawn	<hr/>
	\$ 4 52

TOOLS ON HAND.

- 1 brush 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 tinning snips.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE L. GOODRICH.

I have examined the foregoing report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,
Auditor.

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

Appropriation	\$100 00
Paid C. L. Goodrich, team and labor	\$65 25
H. S. Goodrich, labor	35 00
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Overdrawn	\$100 25
	25

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. GOODRICH,
Tree Warden.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,
Auditor.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Number of platform scales over 5000 lbs. sealed	3
Number of platform scales under 5000 lbs. sealed	16
Number of platform scales adjusted	1
Number of computing scales sealed	13
Number of all other scales sealed	31
Number of weights sealed	136
Number of weights adjusted	2
Number of oil pumps sealed	2
Number of gas pumps sealed	2
Number of liquid measures sealed	32
Number of milk cans sealed	2
Number of milk jars sealed	1
Number of yard measures sealed	3
Number of tin ice cream molds sealed	56
Number of tin ice cream molds condemned	8

Also tested paper ice cream molds.

Test weighings have been made in stores.

Old scales have been replaced by modern ones.

Amount collected and turned over to town for sealing.

\$19.85.

Respectfully submitted,

WILBUR G. TAFT,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

TOWN LIBRARY.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

Cash on hand January 8, 1917 . . .	\$ 1 55
Received by selectmen's pay roll orders . . .	424 25
Received for fines . . .	6 35
	\$432 15

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Paid for books . . .	\$153 00
Books for Carpenter alcove . . .	60 34
Magazines and periodicals . . .	47 80
Librarian's salary . . .	130 00
Library supplies . . .	7 57
Binding . . .	19 94
Express . . .	2 07
Cleaning library room . . .	8 80
	\$429 52
Balance, cash in treasurer's hands . . .	\$2 63

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. FAY,

Treasurer Library Trustees.

Upton, Mass, January 5, 1918.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,

Auditor.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To TRUSTEES OF UPTON TOWN LIBRARY:—

The librarian herewith submits the annual report for the library year ending July 1, 1917:—

The library was open 103 days.

Whole number of volumes to date, Jan. 1, 1917, 7,134.

The usual amount was added from the Dr. Carpenter fund.

Whole number of volumes circulated during the year,
11,803 vol.

The largest daily circulation was 197 volumes.

The smallest daily circulation was June 20, 1917, 17
volumes.

Largest monthly circulation was 1,205 volumes.

BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, ETC.

Journal of the Senate, extra session, 1916.

Journal of the House of Representatives, 1916, 1917.

Special Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts, 1916.

General Acts of Massachusetts, 1916.

Manual for the General Court, 1916.

Report of the Librarian of Congress, 1916.

Rockefeller Foundation, Annual Report, 1915.

Statistics of Municipal Finances of Massachusetts.

Report of the Special Milk Board.

Official report of the Annual Encampment.

Proceedings of Encampment Department Massachusetts, 1916.

Public Health Bulletin, August and September, 1916.

Soil Improvement Committee of the National Fertilizer Association. Bulletins, 14.

United States National Herbarium, Vol. 18, Part 5.

United States National Museum Bulletin, No. 93.

INDIVIDUAL GIFTS.

From Department of the Interior:

“National Parks” Portfolio.

From Julian K. Smyth:

“Christian Certainties of Belief.”

From A. P. Williams:

“Every land.” “Happy land.”

“Collection of Children’s Magazines.”

“Collection of 42 Souvenir Booklets.”

From Mrs. E. C. Traver:

By William J. Hull:

“Preparedness, American Versus Military Program.”

From Hudson Maxim :

"Leading opinions both for and against National Defense." Defenceless America.

From Charles Leland :

By Edwin Emerson :

"History of the Nineteenth Century, Year by Year."

Three volumes

From R. O. L. Simpson :

By H. G. Wells :

"Mr Britling sees it through."

From United Shoe Machinery Co., Boston, Mass. :

Portfolio of Views.

From Albert R. Langtry, Secretary of Commonwealth :

"Our Flag."

From Woman's Education Society, Boston, Mass. :

Pictures loaned to library for three weeks each.

"Pictures and Library of 30 volumes on Greece."

"Pictures on California."

LAURA COPELAND SADLER,

Librarian.

Upton, July 1, 1917.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE UPTON TOWN LIBRARY :—

I herewith present the following report for the six months July 1917, to January, 1918.

The library has been open 51 days.

Volumes loaned July 1, 1917-January 1, 1918	4727
Volumes loaned from fiction	2824
Volumes loaned from non-fiction	635
Volumes loaned from juvenile books	1268
Largest number delivered in one day	160
Average number delivered on Saturday	131
Average number delivered on Wednesday	51
Number of volumes in the library January 1, 1917	7322

Books and magazines have been added to the "Dr. Carpenter alcove" as required.

All new books are displayed on the table for a week before going into circulation.

One hundred pictures of apples loaned by the Woman's Education Association were shown at the library in October.

Three boxes of books and magazines have been sent to the soldiers at Ayer. Over \$93 was raised and sent to Washington for the Camp Library War Fund.

GIFTS.

From A. P. Williams:

"My home in the field of honour."

From the National Security League:

"Out of their own mouths."

From the Regimental Association:

"First regiment of heavy artillery, Mass. Volunteers
'61-'65."

Journal of the House of Representatives, 1917.

Journal of the Senate, 1917.

Proceedings of the United States National Museum, Vol. 51.

Proceedings of the Encampment Mass. G. A. R., 1917.

Proceedings of the encampment Mass. U. S. W. V., 1917.

Vital Records to 1850—East Bridgewater.

Vital Records to 1850—Gloucester.

PAMPHLETS.

From Otto H. Kahn:

Prussianized Germany.

War Taxation.

From Austin L. Wittey, M. A.:

Selected list of books on the present war.

From the American Red Cross:

Work of the American Red Cross.

From General Education Board:

Occasional Papers No. 5 and No. 6.

From Massachusetts State Department of Health:

Public Health Bulletins (monthly).

From Massachusetts Board of Education:

Bulletin—Correspondence instruction.

Bulletin—Coal Thrift.
 From United States National Museum :
 Ten Bulletins.
 Catalogues for 1917-1918 from the following schools and colleges :
 Boston University.
 Columbia University.
 Massachusetts Agricultural College.
 Worcester State Normal School.
 Worcester Art Museum.
 National Service Handbook.
 The Official Bulletin, a daily paper published under order of the President by the Committee on Public Information.
 Annual Report of the Rockefeller Foundation.
 Annual Report of the Worcester Art Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN A. FAY,
 Librarian.

Upton, Mass., January 4, 1918.

BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR.

January, 1917—January, 1918.

MAGAZINES BOUND.

051 C83	Century Magazine. May 1916—April 1917. Vols. 70-71.
051 H32	Harper's Magazine. June 1916—May 1917. Vols. 133-134.
051 O82	Outlook. May 1916—April 1917. Vols. 113-115.
051 R32	Review of Reviews. July 1916—June 1917. Vols. 54-55.
051 Sci2	Scientific American. July 1916—June 1917. Vols. 115-116.
051 W89	World's Work. May 1916—April 1916. Vols. 32-33.

100-200—PHILOSOPHY—RELIGION.

- 170 B28 Barton, Bruce. More power to you.
 174 M78 Moore, Harry H. Youth and the nation.
 178 F54 Fisk, Eugene Lyman. Alcohol.
 234 H662 Hodges, George. Religion in a world at war.

300—SOCIOLOGY.

- 304 R67 Roosevelt, Theodore. Foes of our own household.
 328 Sh92 Shurter, Edward D. How to debate.
 331 Ove2. Overlock, M. G. Working people, their health and how to protect it.
 341 B97 Butler, Nicholas M. World in ferment.

500—NATURAL SCIENCE.

- 540.9 T453 Tilden, Sir W. A. Chemical discovery and invention in the twentieth century.

600—USEFUL ARTS.

- 623 9 H822 Hay, Marley F. Secrets of the submarine.
 629.1 C69 Collins, Archie F. How to fly.
 629.1 C691 Collins, Francis A. The airman.
 630 T453 Tilden, Freeman. Second wind.
 640 F84 Franks, Mrs. Thetta. Household organization for war service.
 641 G82 Green, Mary. Better meals for less money.
 641 Ob62 O'Brien, Charles. Food preparedness for the United States.
 643 H19 Handy, Amy L. War food.
 643 R72 Rose, Mary S. Feeding the family.
 645 R64 Rolfe, Amy L. Interior decoration for the small home.
 680 B852 Buchanan, Florence. Home crafts of today and yesterday.

700—FINE ARTS.

- 716 D911 Duncan, Frances. Joyous art of gardening.
 720.9 C114 Caffin, Charles H. How to study architecture.

- 735 C512 Cladel, Judith. Rodin, the man and his art.
 793 C541 Clark, Barrett H. How to produce amateur plays.

800—LITERATURE.

- 814 B176 Baker, Ray S. Great possessions.
 821 M172 Macgill, Patrick. Soldier songs.
 822 M192 Mackaye, Percy. Caliban by the yellow sands.

900—HISTORY.

- 940.9 Ac52 Ackerman, Carl W. Germany, the next republic?
 940.9 At4 Atherton, Gertrude. The living present.
 940.9 B164 Bairnsfather, Bruce. Bullets and billets.
 940.9 B395a Beith, John Hay. All in it.
 940.9 B395f Beith, John Hay. First hundred thousand.
 940.9 Em7 Empey, Arthur G. Over the top.
 940.9 H143 Hall, James N. Kitchener's mob.
 940.9 H862 Huard, Frances W. My home in the field of honour.
 940.9 M84 Mortimer, Maud. Green tent in Flanders.
 940.9 Ou82 Out of their own mouths.
 940.9 P18 Palmer, Frederick. With our faces in the light.
 940.9 R47 Rinehart, Mary R. Kings, queens and pawns.
 940.9 R63 Rogers, Lindsay. America's case against Germany.
 940.9 Sh46 Shepherd, William G. Confessions of a war correspondent.
 940.9 St49 Stevenson, William Y. At the front in a flivver.
 973.3 P35 Peixotto, Ernest. A revolutionary pilgrimage.
 973.7 M83r2 Roe, A. S. and Nutt, C. First regiment of heavy artillery, Mass. Volunteers, '61-'65.
 976.4 B124 Batchelder, Roger. Watching and waiting on the border.

GENEALOGY.

- 929 C42 Chelsea, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 Ea73 East Bridgewater, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 G51 Gloucester, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 G76 Granville, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 G83 Greenfield, Mass. Vital records to 1850.

910 GEOGRAPHY AND TRAVEL.

- 910 F63 Fletcher, A. C. B. From job to job around the world.
 914.3 G31 Gerard, James W. My four years in Germany.
 915 6 H484 Heusser, Albert B. Land of the prophets.
 917.1 H31 Haworth, Paul L. On the head waters of Peace River.
 917.1 W59 Whiting, Lillian. Canada, the spellbinder.
 917.2 L97 Humboldt, Carl. New trails in Mexico.
 917.8 M619 Mills, Enos A. Your national parks.
 918 F85 Franck, Harry A. Vagabonding down the Andes.

B. BIOGRAPHY.

- B G18 Garland, Hamlin. Son of the middle border.
 B G29 Dilnot, Frank. Lloyd George.
 B In62 Inness, George, Jr. Life, art and letters of George Inness.
 B M43 Matthews, Brander. These many years.
 B Sh2 Shaw, Anna Howard. Story of a pioneer.

FICTION.

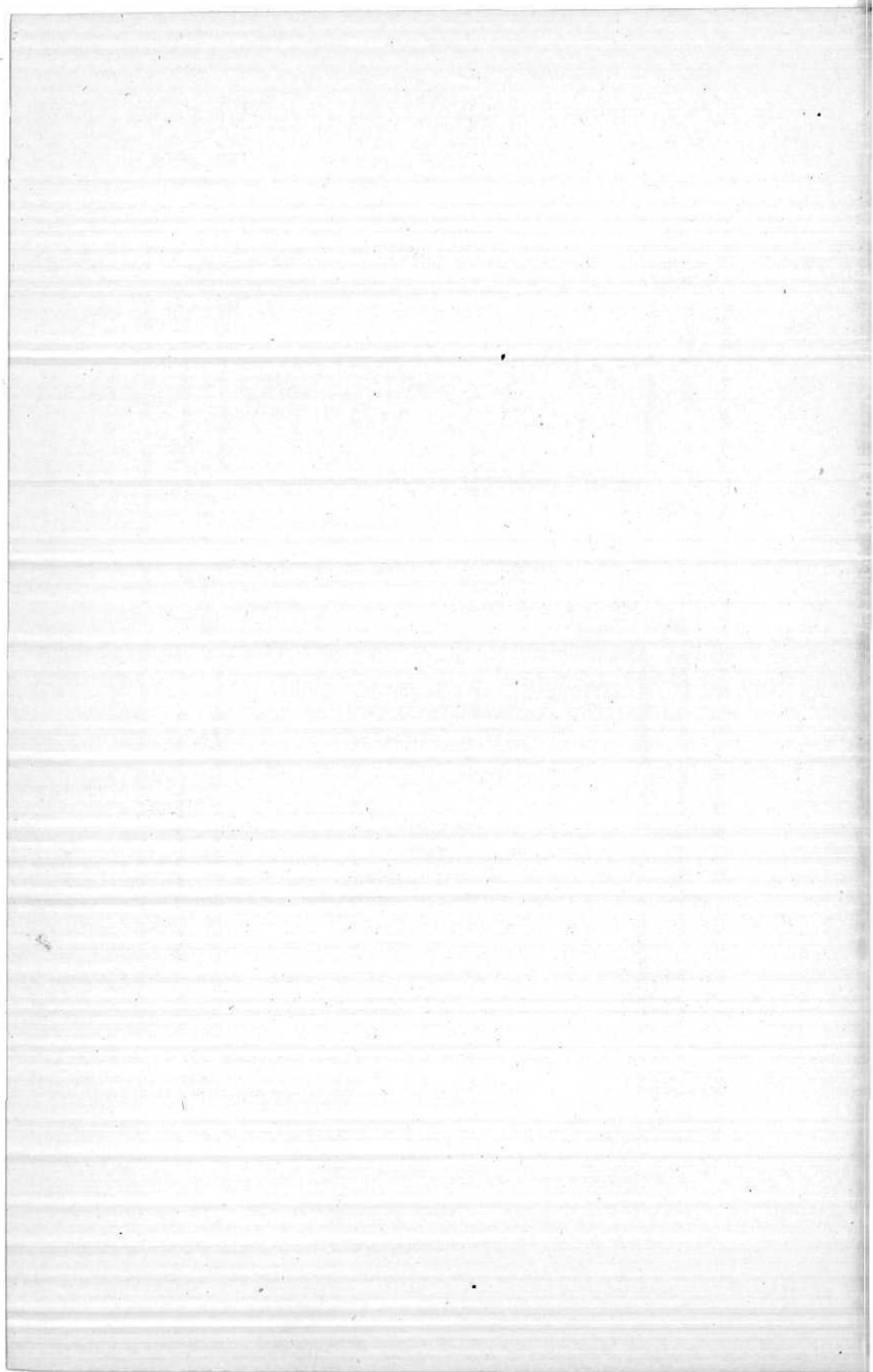
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 B 12L Bacheller, Irving. Light in the clearing.
 B 152m Bailey, Temple. Mistress Anne.
 B 23wh Barclay, Florence L. White ladies of Worcester.
 B 278p Bartley, Nalbro. Paradise auction.
 B 29w Bassett, Sara W. Wayfarers at the Angels.
 B 395p Beith, John Hay. "Pip."
 B 442m Benson, E. F. Michael.

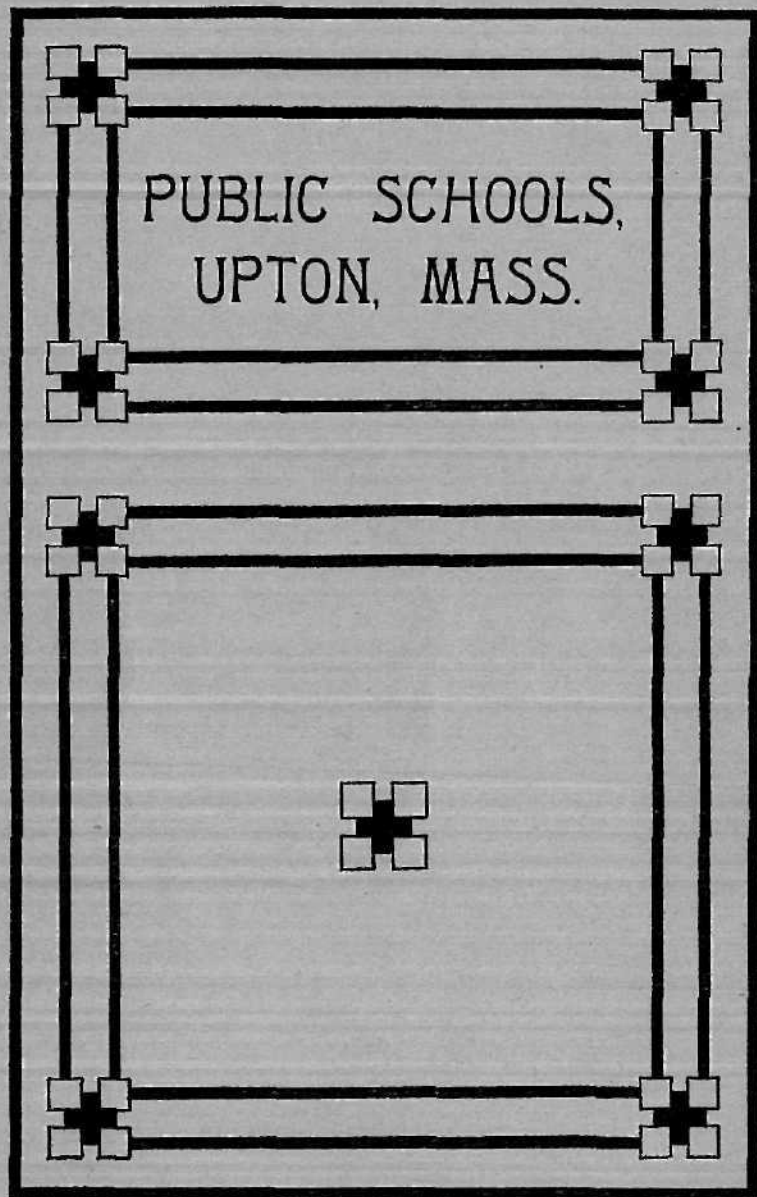
B 49m	Bilbro, Mathilde. Middle pasture.
B 67L	Bower, B. M. The lookout Man.
B 67s	Bower, B. M. Starr of the desert.
B 72we	Brady, Cyrus Townsend and C. T. Brady, Jr. Web of steel.
B 72wh	Brady, Cyrus T. When the sun stood still.
B 73h	Brainerd, Eleanor H. How could you, Jean?
B 81b	Brown, Alice. Bromley neighborhood.
B 94p	Burroughs, Edgar R. Princess of Mars.
C 35b	Chambers, Robert W. Barbarians.
C 35d	Chambers, Robert W. Dark star.
C 455c	Cholmondeley, Alice. Christine.
C 73m	Comstock, Harriet T. Man thou gavest.
C 76ma	Connor, Ralph. The major.
C 761r	Connolly, James B. Running free.
C 773r	Coolidge, Dane. Rimrock Jones.
C 782c	Cooper, James A. Cap'n Abe, storekeeper.
C 91s	Cullum, Ridgewell. Son of the father.
D 33w	Day, Holman. Where your treasure is.
D 372t	Delano, Edith B. Tomorrow morning.
D 447u	Dery, D. George. Under the Big Dipper.
D 64u	Diver, Maud. Unconquered.
D 77hi	Doyle, A. Conan. His last bow.
Em 3b	Emerson, Willis George. Builders.
Em 3bu	Emerson, Willis George. Buell Hampton.
F 22d	Farnol, Jeffery. The definite object.
F 37f	Ferber, Edna. Fanny herself.
F 83i	Fox, John Jr. In Happy Valley.
G 35s	Gibbs, George. Secret witness.
H 12f	Haggard, H. Rider. Finished.
H 142w	Hall, Holworthy. What he least expected.
H 241t	Harris, Garrard. Treasure of the land.
H 556m	Hill, Marion. McAllister's grove.
H 869i	Hughes, Rupert. In a little town.
J 642L	Johnston, William. "Limpy."
K 466b	Kerr, Sophie. Blue envelope.
K 58h	King, Basil. High heart.
K 622di	Kipling, Rudyard. Diversity of creatures.

K 99w	Kyne, Peter B. Webster—man's man.
L 51g	Lee, Jennette. Green jacket.
L 632e	Lincoln, Joseph C. Extricating Obadiah.
L 792r	Locke, William J. Red planet
M 17Lu	MacGrath, Harold. Luck of the Irish.
M 181i	MacHarg, William and Balmer, Edwin. The Indian drum.
M 19u	MacKay, Isabel E. Up the hill and over.
M 122v	McCarter, Margaret Hill. Vanguard of the plains.
M 38fo	Mason, A. E. W. Four corners of the world.
P 256s	Partridge, Edward B. Sube Cane.
R 19mu	Rath, E. J. Too much efficiency.
R 36c	Rice, Alice Hegan. Calvary Alley.
R 39p	Richards, Laura E. Pippin.
R 41b	Richmond, Grace S. Brown study.
R 41re	Richmond, Grace S. Red Pepper's patients.
R 47b	Rinehart, Mary R. Bab
R 47L	Rinehart, Mary R. Long live the king!
R 525L	Rives, Hallie E. Long lane's turning.
R 83g	Ruck, Bertha. Girls at his billet
Sa 9h	Sawyer, Ruth. Herself, himself and myself.
Scs 81m	Scott, John Reed. Man in evening clothes.
Se 7p	Seton, Ernest Thompson. Preacher of Cedar Mountain
Sh 3g	Skinner, Constance. "Good morning, Rosamond!"
Sh 84c	Showerman, Grant. A country child.
Si 64k	Sinclair, Upton. King Coal.
St 12s	Stackpoole, Henry DeVere. Sea plunder.
St 44r	Sterne, Elaine. Road of ambition.
V 38t	Van Schaick, George. Top-floor idyl.
W 465m	Wells, H. G. Mr. Britling sees it through.
W 475p	Wemyss, Mrs. George. Petunia.
W 615wi	Widdemer, Margaret. The wishing ring man.
W 65a	Wilkins, Mary E. and Kingsley, Florence M. Alabaster box.

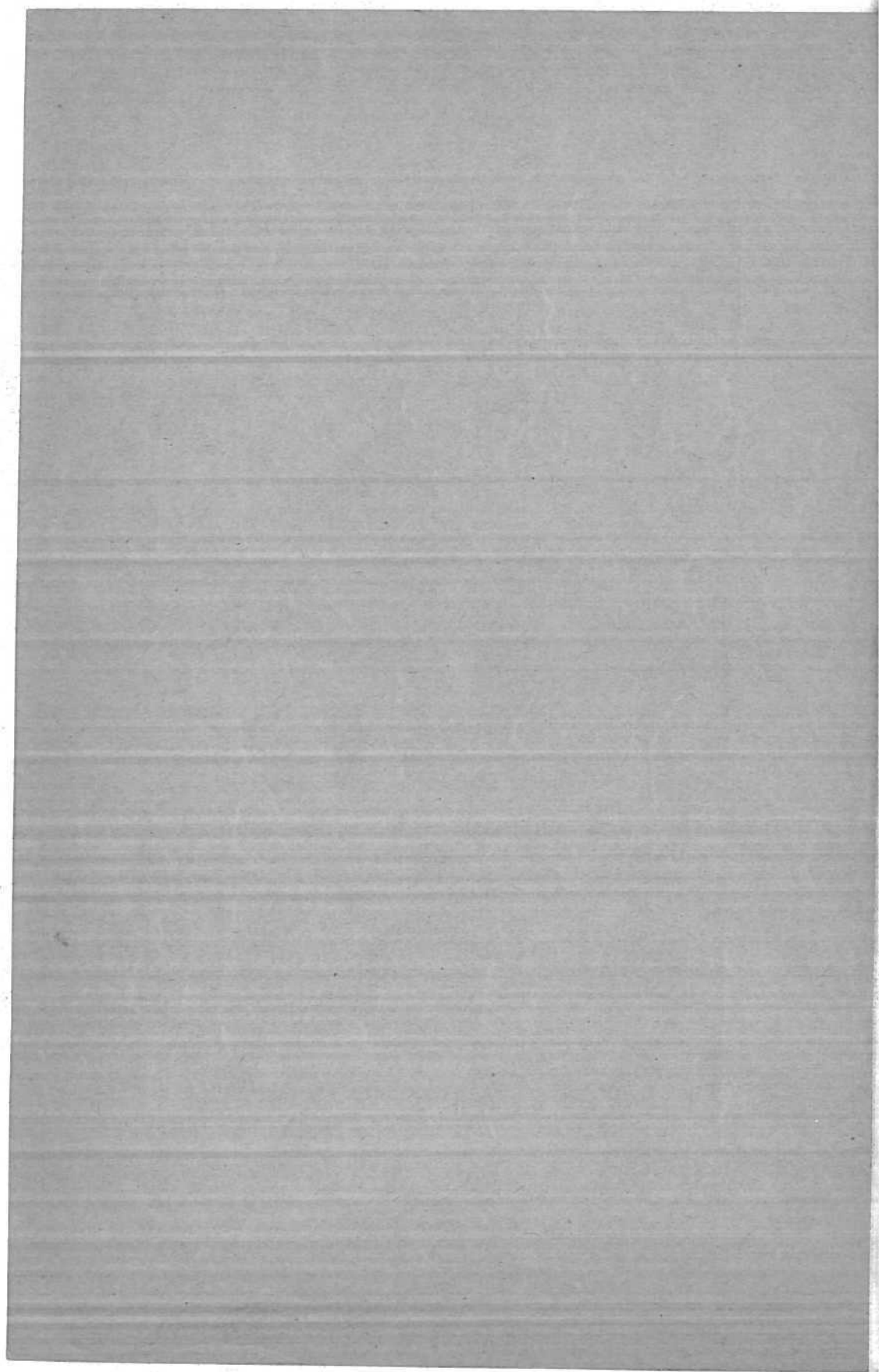
JUVENILE BOOKS.

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| jAl 3ma | Alger, Horatio. Mark Mason's victory. |
| jAp 54a | Appleton, Victor. Tom Swift and his aerial warship. |
| jAp 54c | Tom Swift in the caves of ice. |
| jAp 54ca | Tom Swift in captivity. |
| jAp 54ci | Tom Swift in the city of gold. |
| jAp 54d | Tom Swift among the diamond makers. |
| jAp 54e | Tom Swift and his electric rifle. |
| jAp 54g | Tom Swift and his great search light. |
| jAp 54gi | Tom Swift and his giant cannon. |
| jAp 54p | Tom Swift and his photo telephone. |
| jAp 54w | Tom Swift and his wireless message. |
| jAp 54wi | Tom Swift and his wizard camera. |
| jF 87g | French, Allen. Golden eagle. |
| jJ 151d | Jacobs, Caroline E. Blue Bonnet debutante. |
| jK 282ma | Kelland, Clarence B. Mark Tidd. |
| jM 11c | Macaulay, Fanny C. Camp Jolly. |
| jM 762ah | Montgomery, L. M. Anne's house of dreams. |
| jP 322n | Peattie, Elia W. Newcomers. |
| jP 762w | Pollock, Frank L. Wilderness honey. |
| jSe 12g | Seaman, Augusta H. The girl next door. |
| j372 H523 | Hickman, E. A. Soft toys and how to make them. |
| j393 OL14 | Olcott, Frances J. Red Indian fairy book |
| j398 R175 | Ransome, Arthur. Old Peter's Russian tales. |
| j684 Ad15 | Adams, John D. Carpentry for beginners. |
| j812 Sm63 | Smith, Nora A. Plays, pantomimes and tableaux for children. |
| j929 St34 | Stewart, Charles W. Stars and stripes. |





Designed by Louis L. Kaplan, Grade VIII.



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND
Superintendent of Schools

OF THE
TOWN OF UPTON

**For the One Hundred and Eighty-third
Municipal Year Ending December 31, 1917.**



MANUAL
OF
PUBLIC SCHOOLS,
UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS,

January First, Nineteen Hundred and Eighteen.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY,

School Office, High School Building, Main Street.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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

Edward E. Whiting; term expires 1919.

Rev. G. E. Russell; term expires 1918.

Chester D. Stiles, Superintendent of Schools.

Grafton, Mass.

Office telephone, 49-2 Grafton. House telephone, 51-2 Grafton.

OFFICE HOURS FOR SCHOOL BUSINESS.

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Regular meeting in school office, last Wednesday of each month in term time.

THE SUPERINTENDENT.

At school office 8.45-9.45 A. M., Wednesdays in term time.

At Grafton Town House, Tuesdays 7-8 P. M., and Thursdays 4.30-5.30 P. M. in term time. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday A. M., 8.30-9.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Number of school houses (in use)	3
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SCHOOLS.

High school	1
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Grammar schools:—

At High School building	2
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At Center Building	1
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At Knowlton Building	1
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Primary schools:—

At Center Building	2
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At Knowlton Building	2
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Total number of public schools	9
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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 1 2

Total instructors 13

LIST OF TEACHERS JANUARY 1, 1918.

Name	Grade	Home Address	Educated	Year of Service
A. R. O. Cole	Prim. High	Lewiston, Maine	Bates College	Third
Ruth Werner	Asst. High	Worcester	Mt. Holyoke College	First
Helen J. Nutter	Asst. High	Newton	Mt. Holyoke College	First
Katherine Kelley	Grade VIII	Upton	Worcester Normal	First
Ella J. Drohan	Grade VII	Worcester	Worcester Normal	Second
Mary MacGregor	Grades V-VI	West Wrentham	Framingham Normal	First
Susan Urban	Grades III-IV	Upton	Fitchburg Normal	Fifth
Florence E. Walker	Grades I-II	Upton	Fisher Kindergarten	Fourth
Lillian Picture	Grades V-VI	Grafton	Framingham Normal	Second
Annie True	Grades III-IV	Upton	Framingham Normal	Third
E. Louise Harris	Grades I-II	Foxboro	Framingham Normal	First

CALENDAR.

Jan. 7, 1918, Monday, Winter term begins in High School.

Jan. 14, 1918, Monday, Winter term begins in Grades.

Feb. 22, Friday, Washington's Birthday.

March 22, Friday, Winter terms ends in all schools. School.

April 1, Monday,	Spring term begins in High School.
April 8, Monday,	Spring term begins in Grades.
April 19, Friday,	Patriots' Day, Holiday.
May 30, Thursday,	Memorial Day, Holiday.
June 14, Friday,	Spring term ends in Grades.
June 28, Friday,	Spring term ends in High School.

SUMMER VACATION.

September 3, Tuesday,	Fall term begins in all schools.
November 28, Thursday,	Thanksgiving Day, Holiday.
November 29, Friday,	Special Holiday.
December 20, Friday,	Fall term ends in all schools.

CHRISTMAS VACATION.

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.

UPTON ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1917.

SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	GRADE	Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Aggregate Attendance	5-7		7-14		14-16		Over 16	
							Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
High			59	53.07	50.64	9481	0	9	8	8	14	12	3	18
H. S. B.	Alice G. Murphy	8	27	18.10	17.95	2975	0	0	9	6	2	3	1	0
H. S. B.	Ella Drohan	7	27	21.90	23.35	3884	0	0	15	10	2	1	0	0
Center	Lillian Picture	5-6	32	30.87	28.62	4734	0	0	19	11	1	1	0	0
Center	Annie True	3-4	29	25.73	24.28	4022	0	0	15	12	2	0	0	0
Center	Dardana Lewis	2	18	17.18	15.21	2555	8	6	2	1	0	0	0	0
Center	Dardana Lewis	1	15	14.77	13.55	2208	8	3	4	12	0	0	0	0
Knowlton	Edith Johnson	5-6	23	21.84	23.627	3428	0	0	9	12	0	0	0	0
Knowlton	Susan Urban	3-4	31	29.26	27.55	4576.5	0	0	18	13	0	0	0	0
Knowlton	Florence Walker	1-2	34	28.44	25.61	4931	7	14	3	3	0	0	0	0
			21	18.90	17.61	2901	4	4	7	5	0	0	0	0
			303	283.18	265.04	45021	25	27	109	92	21	17	4	13

SCHOOL CENSUS FOR UPTON, SEPT. 1, 1917.

Number of boys between 5 and 7	.	.	24
Number of girls between 5 and 7	.	.	29
Total	.	.	53
Number of boys between 7 and 14	.	.	114
Number of girls between 7 and 14	.	.	84
Total	.	.	198
Number of boys between 14 and 16	.	.	36
Number of girls between 14 and 16	.	.	32
Total	.	.	68
Number of male illiterate minors between 16 and 21	.	.	1
Number of female illiterate minors between 16 and 21	.	.	7
Total	.	.	8
Total of the above	.	.	327

SARAH J. BATCHELOR.
School Census Enumerator.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE :—

I hereby submit my second annual report as Superintendent of the public schools of Upton. It is the twenty-seventh report in the series since the formation of the Grafton and Upton Superintendency Union. The past year has been a period of maximum variation. At the present writing a commendable report on the progress and success of all the schools in the town is justifiable. Conditions formerly existing, which were responsible for some of the chaos of the past year, have been completely changed. I believe that the town is to be congratulated on the efficiency of the schools as now in operation. Not claiming perfection, a wholesome interest on the part of the teachers and the pupils in taking advantage of the opportunities that present themselves, is apparent.

The aim of elementary education is a much debated question. When a man of the prominence of the former Commissioner of Education, Dr. Snedden, states that when it comes to the aim of elementary education, educators must hold up their hands in evidence that the purpose for which the elementary school is conducted, admits of many interpretations. My ideal or aim for elementary education is to provide an opportunity for every child in the public schools of making himself a responsible citizen and a credit to the community. My aim also involves, beside the power to grasp the opportunity, a desire to do so. In individual conferences I have tried to impress upon those who have a careless attitude toward the school the value of the opportunities presented in school. There will always be those who lack ambition, and with those it will be necessary to do the best we can, but may no one be able to say that the opportunity for improvement has been lacking. I submit at the beginning of the school report a series of charts prepared by the Federal Education Bureau

showing the money value of an education. These charts eloquently proclaim the advantage to be gained by attendance upon school.

CURRICULUM.

It is my purpose during the year to determine as carefully as possible how closely we approximate the standard accomplishment in the various subjects in the school. Investigation has already been conducted by the Ayres scale in the subject of spelling. The first test given shows the grades in Upton ranging from six to thirty per cent below the standard for those grades. The second test showed an improvement in all but one room. The continuation of the tests through the year will, I believe, show a general improvement throughout all the schools.

The Courtis arithmetic test should produce the same results in the subject of arithmetic. Cities where the tests have been used show improvement both in accuracy and in speed in the fundamental processes of from ten to twenty per cent. Although it is too early to report on the success of these tests in the Upton schools it will be safe to expect a fair improvement in the work of this important subject.

Courtis tests, of course, do not make mathematicians, neither do the Ayres tests make champion spellers, but they do help teachers find the weak spots with the result that they can, if they are willing to do the work, strengthen these weak points and send their children up to the next grade more uniformly developed in arithmetical and spelling ability. According to Dr. Daniel Starch of the University of Wisconsin, "It is unnecessary to point out the scientific and practical value of such investigations for all who are connected with the schools—administrators, supervisors, teachers, pupils and students of educational problems. These tests will furnish tools for evaluating quantitatively the results of methods and factors in teaching and learning, and for examining various aspects of efficiency of instruction and administration of school systems."

A committee of teachers appointed by the superintendent

has been testing out a half dozen different language and grammar books for the seventh and eighth grades. An informal report from them indicates what book is to be used as a text book and these grades will be equipped with the same at the opening of the winter term. Emphasis is placed also upon the correct use of oral and written English. Penmanship should be given more attention and as a means of encouraging teachers to prepare themselves for the better teaching of this subject I should like to recommend an increase of fifty cents per week for any teacher who will secure a Palmer certificate in writing. A recent law makes teaching the duties of citizenship compulsory. This course is already in effect in the High school and to a certain extent in connection with the history work of the seventh and eighth grades. A definite program will be submitted by the state officials which will be a basis for the work in this subject.

SCHOOL HYGIENE.

National physique has become the watchword of the hour. The teaching of hygiene in schools has been emphasized more since the opening of war than ever before in the history of education. An appalling amount of physical unfitness, uncovered by the examination of the exemption boards, brings home the importance of early physical training. During the past three months this work has been emphasized with the teachers. A system in use in Newark, N. J., has been used as a basis on which to develop the work here. One of the features of this work is the attention given to faults in posture. A special exercise is suggested for the correction of many of the more common forms of incorrect position.

Special attention has been given to care of the teeth. I made a personal investigation of all the children in town and found by actual count that of 222 pupils 39 only used a toothbrush regularly. Since that time there has been a very decided improvement in this particular so that the majority is now in favor of those who do use a toothbrush and not in favor of those who do not. Parents should realize the importance of the teeth in the healthy development of their children. It is

so obvious that it needs no arguments to substantiate the truth of this statement. They should also know that the first molars are permanent teeth and should be looked after very carefully. It is a common experience among the dental profession to discover the so-called six-year molars too far gone to save. This is due, I believe, to a certain extent to the fact that these six-year molars are generally considered as first teeth.

During the coming term arrangements are being completed for a health exhibit under the direction of the state board of health. These exhibits have been held in several towns in the county and the instructions given to both pupils and parents are well worth what little interference they cause to the regular work of the school. Public school officials could do worse in view of the above-mentioned uncertain aim of elementary education to adopt as an aim for school work in the early years the hygienic development of the child. Too often tuberculosis steals the child or spinal curvature deforms him while we are wrangling over the rival methods of teaching grammar, arithmetic or writing, and only those who have had experience know the tragedy of this statement.

Medical inspection, which now specifies not only testing of the ears and eyes, inspection of the teeth and a superficial examination for skin diseases and throat troubles, should include the prescription of an adequate diet where children are conspicuously under-nourished. If the state may dictate a special course in the training of citizenship it certainly should have the power to dictate also that those who are being taught the duties of citizenship should grow up to be physically able to assume such duties. A more thorough examination of the throats of children is advisable, for recent investigation has shown that apparently healthy children are sometimes distributors of virulent diphtheria germs. In many cases an epidemic of these diseases has been traced to an apparently healthy child in the school room.

As a further aid to physical development all the various schools should be equipped with up-to-date playground apparatus. I should like to suggest a special appropriation to

cover the purchase of giant strides and swings for all the schools.

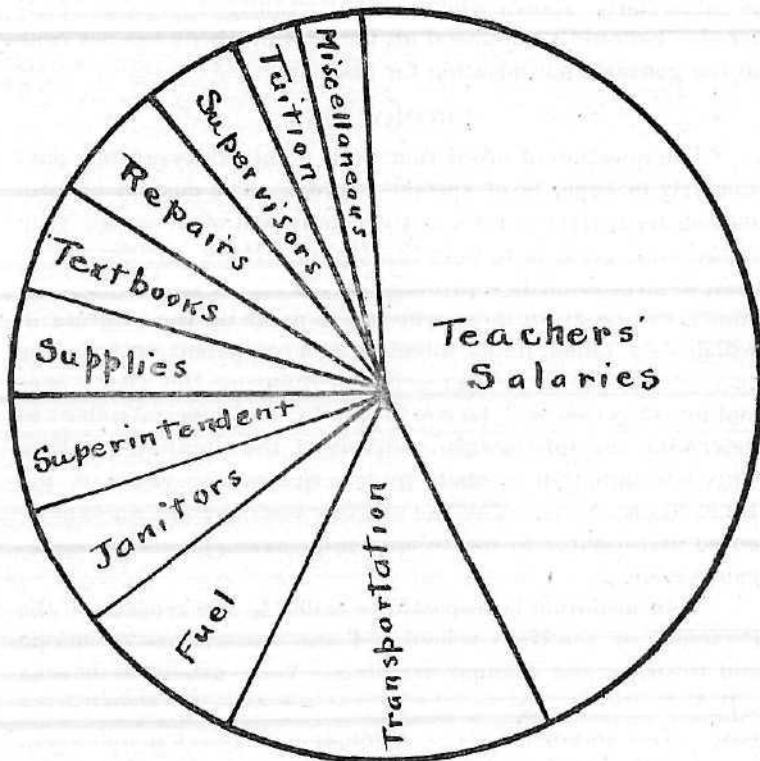
JUNIOR^{RED} CROSS.

The national crisis has thrown upon the schools, among other things, the Junior Red Cross work. This has been effectively carried out in the town of Upton by organization for all the separate school buildings. Money has been raised in various ways so that each pupil in school has, or will within a few weeks, contribute the sum of twenty-five cents, which entitles the contributor to a badge and membership in the Junior Red Cross organization. The Federal and State educational authorities have impressed upon us the necessity of allowing no interference with the regular work of the school. We have endeavored to make the time spent in Red Cross work a sacrifice on the part of the children, believing that in this way the duties of citizenship and the meaning of Red Cross work are the better taught. Representatives of the town met in Worcester on the eighth of December, at a meeting which was held under the direction of the American Red Cross, for the purpose of organizing the various units in the town.

REORGANIZATION OF THE PRIMARY GRADES.

Recently a change in the organization of grades one and two has been made. For the past seven or eight years grades one and two have been having a half session daily. I am informed that this was originally done to save money, as it enabled one teacher to handle both grades. A questionnaire was sent out to the parents of the children in the first and second grades to ascertain their attitude in regard to double session daily for both grades, and the number reporting in favor, although not unanimous, was nearly enough so to warrant the immediate change. This has been done with no additional expense to the town outside the cost of some seat work devised to profitably occupy the children of one grade while the other grade is reciting. The entering age of six years (which age I may state for the benefit of parents is to be construed as six years of age by January first following the opening of

school) brings us children who, in my opinion, will not suffer physically from double session daily. Results already seem to indicate the wisdom of the change and an increase in the amount of work done by these grades.



The accompanying chart will show how the money spent on the schools during the past year has been distributed. It will be necessary to further increase the appropriation for teachers for the ensuing year in order to maintain the high standard which we have enjoyed, at least since the opening of school in September. We have been indeed fortunate to keep all of the teachers who began with us at the opening of this school year. Other places are experiencing much difficulty in keeping teachers while there have been such attrac-

tive propositions inviting the teachers into other fields. It is inevitable that teachers should become restless in their vocation if they realize that those who have grown up with them are receiving greater remuneration in other fields, and this is particularly shown when an opportunity to change is offered. I should recommend an increase of about ten per cent in the general appropriation for teachers.

PROMOTION.

The question of promotion both within the year and particularly in June, is of special interest. The custom of promoting regardless of rank at the completion of a second year in the same grade is followed in Upton. Rank entitling children to advancement is printed in the report cards. Opportunity will be given those who fail to make up the subjects in which they failed, under direction of a competent tutor. For those whose promotion is recommended during the year a special investigation will be conducted by the superintendent to determine the intelligence quotient of the pupil in question. This determination is made by the Stanford revision of the Binet-Simon tests. The use of these tests enables an experienced investigator to locate any child exactly in the intelligence scale.

Your attention is respectfully called to the reports of the Principal of the High school and the supervisors of music and drawing and manual training. Your attention is also called to the change in the school calendar for the ensuing year. The following is a summary of recommendations: 1. *More thorough medical inspection.* 2. *Appropriation for play ground apparatus.* 3. *A ten per cent increase in the appropriation for teachers' salaries.* 4. *Independent increase of fifty cents for teachers securing Palmer certificate in writing.* 5. *Special attention to school hygiene.* In conclusion may I thank you for your cordial support and encouragement during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER D. STILES,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL.

West Upton, Mass.

MR. CHESTER D. STILES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

Dear Sir:—

I have the honor to submit to you my second annual report as principal of the Upton High School.

During the past year a slight change has been made in the course of study. Algebra has been taken from the Sophomore course of study and placed in the Freshman course of study. General Science has been taken from the Freshman course of study and placed in the Sophomore course of study. These changes will, in this and following years, make it possible for pupils to begin and complete their courses in Science and Mathematics without a year's intervention. The course in American Government has been made a full year subject instead of a half year subject. Rhetoricals learned and delivered twice each year before the school are required of all pupils. In the study of English, in addition to the general practice of essay writing, themes selected and fully developed, consisting of twelve hundred words or over, are required of all Juniors and Seniors at the end of the first half year.

An increased interest in athletic sports has been manifested by the school during the past year. Through the thoughtfulness and generosity of the Wm. Knowlton & Sons Base Ball Organization we were able to fully equip our base ball team and continue through a successful season. We also participated in an outdoor triangular track meet.

The members of the school gave a play during the winter term from which a sum sufficiently adequate to support a base ball team and to meet other expenditures was realized.

There are each year one or more pupils who leave school because they fail to maintain a standing in their work sufficient to warrant their continuance in the school. The majori-

ty of these cases I believe could be avoided by a co-operation of the parent with the teacher. If a pupil enters the high school properly prepared, is attentive during the recitation periods and studious during the brief time left him to study while in school, and fails to obtain a passing grade in his subjects it is obvious that co-operation of parent and teacher is lacking. Home study is essential. I believe it a right and duty of parents when John or Mary brings home a report card showing low grades in his or her subjects to interview the teacher and discuss the cause, and means by which he or she may bring those subjects up to a more satisfactory mark.

I wish to thank you, Superintendent, for your helpful suggestions, and for the sincere co operation which you and the members of the school board have given us in the performance of our work, and through you I would like to express our appreciation to the citizens and people of the town who have helped us to make the past school year a successful one.

I am, with respect,

A. RUSSELL C. COLE,

Principal.

January 7, 1918.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING AND MUSIC.

MR. C. D. STILES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS :

DEAR SIR:—

The work in both departments under my supervision has made the usual progress in all the schools.

At the beginning of the fall term new outlines in drawing were prepared for the more definite arrangement of the various problems that had been introduced during the year. While the drawing course as a whole has not materially changed, certain phases of the work have been emphasized in problems that are more intimately related to the various things pertaining to child life, at school, at home and in the community. For example, under color study, we have made practical applications of color theories and harmonies in the proper arrangement of flowers in the schoolroom, and also in studying matters of dress and home furnishings.

In representative and constructive drawing the chief tool of expression has been the pencil. In the lower grades colored crayons have been used quite extensively in the story telling. The work of budding up a vocabulary of graphic symbols mentioned in my last report has been continued, the little people learning a number of them yearly—symbols of animals, the human figure, constructed objects, etc. In the succeeding years fewer are required as the old symbols are added to and perfected and new ideas are formed in proportion. The study of the third dimension is left for the seventh and eighth years.

Very little nature work has been taught and this largely in outline to gain material for use in design. The principles of design relate to all forms of lettering. Considerable time

has been given to this last exercise in all the grades with results that are gratifying to both teachers and pupils.

In the constructed articles the same processes have been continued in the making of useful things that have been described in previous reports, with the exception of some work by the boys of Grades V. and VI. This was practice in the use of the coping-saw in making toys and other objects from thin wood. Some examples of this work were on exhibition with other constructed articles at the Upton Fair in September.

At the beginning of the year the music was made a subject of especial consideration in all the grades. Careful comparisons were made with one course for the first six grades and that published by the State Board of Education, with results that showed our aims, purposes and methods to be identical with those of the committee for the State Board. In order to provide each teacher with a copy of the state outlines, which were difficult to obtain in sufficient numbers, hektographed copies were made and distributed.

In Grade VII. music books of the Progressive Series were selected to supplant those of the Harmonic Course which were discarded as unfit for further use. During the fall term books of the same series were also supplied Grades V. and VI. As this is the lowest book of the series that can be used without having first prepared a foundation for sight singing by methods wholly different from those of the Harmonic course, I decided, after much consideration, to begin initiative work in the first and second grades, and obtained permission to have the Teachers' Manuals placed in those grades. Though in use but a short time, thus far the "song method" is making satisfactory progress, and will, I am confident, prove entirely successful if the work of the first four years is carefully accomplished as outlined.

In introducing this change of methods it will necessitate the purchase of more books as soon as the second year pupils are ready for them. The combining of the first and second grades has proved helpful in the singing lessons, as the

songs are learned by both grades at the same time, thereby giving us a little more time for the lessons which is so necessary at the start.

I wish, through the medium of this report, to thank you for so carefully considering all my requirements, and also the teachers for the work accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORA M. RANDALL.

Grafton, Mass., Dec. 15, 1917.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MANUAL TRAINING.

West Medway, Mass., January 10, 1918.

MR. CHESTER D. STILES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

Dear Sir:—I herewith present my report concerning Manual Training as carried on in the public schools of Upton.

Much fine work has been accomplished during the past year, due largely to the ability of the boys rather than to my instruction. All boys in the advanced class have constructed large pieces, among them being bookcases, pedestals, stools, a desk, and centre table. The boys have shown unusual interest in the work and have put their best work into their individual pieces. These things were on exhibition at the town fair in September, and I am sure showed the practicability of the work.

The boys in the seventh grade, or beginners, are farther advanced at this time of year than any previous class. This is due to their ability to concentrate—fewer pieces being spoiled.

Two pieces of equipment have been added during the past year, an electric glue pot, purchased by the boys, and a grinder, purchased with money taken in prizes at the fair.

I feel that the outlook for the coming year is encouraging. I wish, however, the work might be extended into the high school. As it is now, as soon as a boy is able to accomplish good work, he has to drop the subject. I would not place the burden on the Home Literary Club as they have been and are doing more than their part as it is. I do think, however, that the town should see that this course is added to the high school curriculum.

I wish to thank those who have carried out the drawing connected with our work.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. STANLEY.

Upton High School
GRADUATING EXERCISES
 OF THE
CLASS OF 1917
 AT THE
Town Hall, Upton, Massachusetts
Wednesday Evening, June Twentieth
 at 7.45 o'clock.

PROGRAM

March	
Invocation	Rev. George E. Russell.
Salutatory and Essay—"Purpose, Persistency and Effort,"	
	Ada Viola Walker.
Essay—"The Mexicans and Their Detractors"	
	Hazel Louise Smith.
Essay—"The Scenic Beauty of British Columbia"	
	Florence Caroline Brown.
Essay—"The Value of Scientific Research"	
	Gertrude Isabelle Fiske.
Vocal March—"The Call to Arms"	<i>Veazie</i>
	School.
Class Prophecy	
	Doris Esther Guild.
Essay—"Woman in the Industries"	
	Helen Christiana Brewer.

Essay—"The Mission of the Red Cross"	Edna Leslie Potter.	
Presentation of Gifts	Amy Pearl Stearns.	
Class Motto and Valedictory	Ruth Evelyn True.	
Music—"Merry June"	School.	Vincent
Conferring of Diplomas	Superintendent Chester D. Stiles.	

GRADUATES.

SCIENTIFIC COURSE

Helen Christiana Brewer,	Edna Leslie Potter,
Florence Caroline Brown,	Amy Pearl Stearns,
Gertrude Isabelle Fiske,	Ruth Evelyn True,
Doris Esther Guild,	Ada Viola Walker.

GENERAL COURSE.

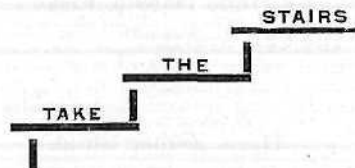
Hazel Louise Smith.

CLASS OFFICERS.

President, Doris Esther Guild.
Vice-President, Helen Christiana Brewer.
Secretary and Treasurer, Ada Viola Walker.

Class Colors—Garnet and Gold. Class Flower—The Rose.

Class Motto—"The Elevator to Success is Not Running."



FINANCIAL REPORT

OF UPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE, JANUARY 1, 1918.

RESOURCES.

Appropriation	\$8,500 00
Income from Knowlton & Batchelor fund	453 48
State superintendency fund	312 50
Massachusetts school fund	968 92
County dog fund	270 51
Schooling state wards	240 00
School tickets and books sold	10 00
	—————\$10,755 41

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers :—	
Salaries	\$5,595 50
Superintendent :—	
Chester D. Stiles	462 50
Fuel :—	
William Knowlton & Sons	\$967 39
W. G. Fiske	49 25
	—————\$1,016 64
Care of schools :—	
Sumner B. Wood	\$627 48
LeRoy Prentiss	144 00
	—————\$771 48
Transportation :—	
Hilbert Nelson	\$540 00
Arthur Stewart	458 00
Henry Seaver	458 00
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co.	162 81
Grafton & Upton Ry. Co.	25 00
	—————\$1,643 81

Supplies:—

Fred W. Wood . . .	\$ 5 64	
J. L. Hammett Co. . .	460 81	
R. H. Rivenberg . . .	3 00	
University Publishing Co. . .	2 84	
Wright & Potter . . .	4 83	
Ginn & Co. . .	36 68	
Chronotype Printing Co. . .	2 00	
Forbes & Wallace . . .	1 00	
H. S. Chadbourne . . .	95	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co. . .	53 30	
Edward E. Babb & Co. . .	17 16	
Silver, Burdett & Co. . .	95 85	
Little, Brown & Co. . .	78	
Milton Bradley Co. . .	2 55	
Houghton Mifflin Co. . .	6 53	
The Macmillan Co. . .	3 29	
American Book Co. . .	2 08	
World Book Co. . .	46 03	
Commonwealth Press . . .	18 25	
D. Appleton & Co. . .	23 34	
Allyn & Bacon . . .	59 28	
Public School Publishing Co. . .	4 33	
	<hr/>	\$845 52

Repairs:—

Clark Ellis & Sons . . .	\$ 31 35	
Staples & Gould . . .	27 17	
D. R. Bowker . . .	4 40	
E. M. Baker . . .	19 91	
W. G. Fiske . . .	1 05	
	<hr/>	\$83 88

Miscellaneous:—

S. B. Wood . . .	\$ 7 25	
F. E. Lyford . . .	29 62	
G. M. Billings . . .	10 50	
Wm. Knowlton & Sons . . .	10 00	
W. J. Seaver . . .	1 25	
Standard Oil Co. . .	10 40	

E. T. Hall	\$ 8 55	
Milford Journal Co.	8 13	
Denholm & McKay Co.	10 00	
Alfred S. Prescott	3 00	
C. D. Stiles	36 31	
Worcester Suburban Elec- tric Co.	10 50	
George Walker	50	
A. R. C. Cole	9 56	
W. G. Fiske	15	
Grafton, Upton R. R. Co.	1 00	
Adams Express Co.	4 66	
Gustav B. Holl	2 00	
Worcester Business Insti- tute	2 25	
King & Co.	6 11	
Merrill W. Allen	4 00	
L. A. Snow	1 13	
Fred W. Wood	1 49	
Sarah J. Batchelor	13 08	
D. R. Bowker	107 15	
F. E. Davenport	5 50	
E. M. Baker	11 75	
Barnard, Sumner, Putnam Co.	15 00	
Clark Ellis & Sons	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$382 59
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Total expenditure		\$10,751 92
Balance unexpended		3 49
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		\$10,755 41

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$100 00	
From State of Massachusetts	109 29	
	<hr/>	\$309 29

EXPENSES.

Paid to City of Worcester	\$279 61	
Balance unexpended	\$29 68	

STEAM BOILER HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Appropriation	\$400 00
D. R. Bowker	\$400 00

SPECIAL SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$400 00
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EXPENSES.

W. G. Fiske	\$ 10 55	
Samuel Willis	5 50	
Coburn Trolley Track Co.	43 00	
C. W. Comstock	2 60	
H. G. Ramsey	59 10	
L. A. Snow	1 25	
G & U. R. R. Co.	94	
W. W. Aldrich	219 83	
S. O. Inman	44 00	
	<hr/>	\$386 77
Balance unexpended	13 23	
	<hr/>	\$400 00

SAMUEL R. CAPEN,
EDWARD E. WHITING,
GEORGE E. RUSSELL,

School Committee of Upton.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

FRANK D. ALDRICH,
Auditor.

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