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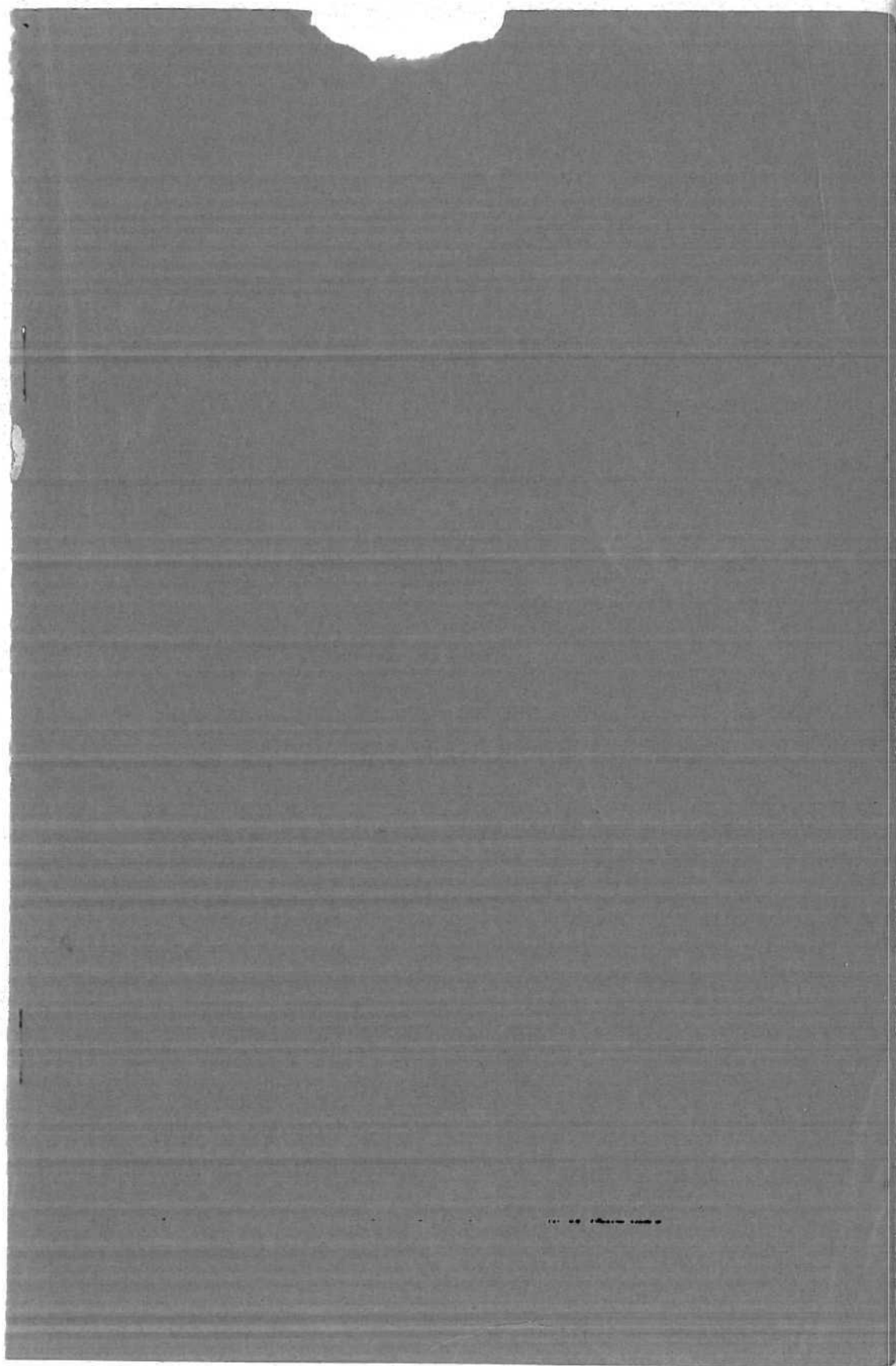
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MILFORD, MASS.:

G. M. BILLINGS, PRINTER, GAZETTE OFFICE.

1924.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1923.

MODERATOR.

Samuel B. Young.

TOWN CLERK.

John B. Fay, term expires 1926.

TREASURER.

Fred W. Wood.

SELECTMEN.

George W. Knowlton, Jr., Henry A. Tuttle, Alvrado Henry.

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

George F. Briggs, term expires 1924.

William B. Walker, term expires 1925.

George E. Bradley, term expires 1926.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Henry D. Aldrich, term expires 1924.

Edward B. Newton, term expires 1925.

Frank O. Wadman, term expires 1926.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Gwendolyn B. Knowlton, term expires 1924.

Benjamin C. Wood, term expires 1925.

Frank O. Ogden, term expires 1926.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

LeRoy W. Prentiss.

AUDITOR.

Charles A. Barton.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Charles E. Barbour, term expires 1924.

Julian H. Brooks, term expires 1925.

Fred W. Wood, term expires 1926.

CONSTABLES.

Herbert A. Bagley, Daniel H. Bates, Benj. C. Crooker,
William F. Parshley, Frank Wellman.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

John B. Fay, Lizzie H. Ball, J. Frank Despeaux,
Terms expire 1924.
Frank P. Decrow, Alice M. Hall, Fred C. Newcombe,
Terms expire 1925.
Samuel R. Capen, Edward E. Whiting, Dora M. Whitney,
Terms expire 1926.

TREE WARDEN.

Clarence L. Goodrich.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN.

POUND KEEPER.

Livingstone G. Fiske.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Charles A. Barton, Frank P. Decrow, Clarence L. Goodrich.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Benjamin C. Crooker.

WEIGHERS.

Leander A. Snow, Harry C. Snow, Frank P. Decrow,
Adam Robson, Everett Price.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Benjamin C. Wood, Frank P. Decrow, William B. Fiske,
Malcolm C. Temple, Fred W. Fiske, Charles C. Congdon.

INSPECTOR OF COAL OIL.

Edgar A. Willard.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Benjamin C. Wood, Walter E. Hopkins, Fred W. Fiske,
William B. Fiske, Malcolm C. Temple.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

George W. Knowlton, Jr., Henry W. Tattle, Alvrado Henry,
William F. Parshley.

John B. Fay, Agent to issue Burial Permits.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

John B. Fay.

CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Samuel B. Colcord.

CHIEF OF POLICE.

Benjamin C. Crooker.

SPECIAL POLICE.

Herbert A. Bagley,	Daniel H. Bates,	George Fred Welch,
Joseph W. Gibbs,	E. B. Houghton,	Charles H. Marshall,
Wm F. Parshley,	W. F. Parshley, Jr.	Henry A. Stearns,
Lawrence Snow,	Frank Wellman,	Everett Price,
LeRoy G. Colcord,	Leo F. Murphy.	

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT TO SUPPRESS THE GYPSY MOTH.

Clarence L. Goodrich.

FOREST WARDEN.

Henry E. Allard.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Alvrado Henry.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Daniel A. Gorman, term expires 1924.

Stedman C. Brown, term expires 1925,

Leo F. Murphy, term expires 1926.

John B. Fay, ex-officio.

FIRE ENGINEERS.

Edward M. Baker,	Henry E. Allard,	Thomas J. Gorman.
George A. Dipper, special fire engineer for the Knowlton fire department and plant.		

APPOINTED BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

Dr. Samuel R. Capen.

TRUANT OFFICER.

Benjamin C. Crooker.

APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

INSPECTORS OF PROVISIONS AND SLAUGHTERING.

Walter E. Sadler,

Willard L. Wood.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Upton Records, 1923.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, FEBRUARY 5, 1923.

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 and Tree Warden, all for one year; 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 following questions: 1. "Shall the town petition for the installation of an accounting system by the Commonwealth? (This question is submitted under the Provisions of Chapter 516, Acts of 1922.)" 2. "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?" all on one ballot.

The polls shall be closed at four 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 12th 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 place one additional light on the west side of Pearl Street and appropriate twenty (\$20.00) dollars for the same, as petitioned for by Frank P. Thompson and others, or act thereon.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to place fourteen lights on Mendon Street from the railroad crossing to the residence of Charles E. Brooks and appropriate two hundred and eighty (\$280.00) dollars for the same, as petitioned for by Alvin E. Nichols and others, or act thereon.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate one hundred and fifty (\$150.00) dollars to buy rubber boots and coats for the fire department, this sum to be taken from the free and unappropriated money in the town treasury.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a Committee of five to get options on suitable sites and estimates of cost for the erection of a four-room school building to take the place of the Center School and report at some future town meeting, or act thereon.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate twelve hundred (\$1,200.00) dollars for damages awarded abutters on State Road, this sum to be taken from free and unappropriated money in the town treasury.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate twenty-one hundred (\$2,100.00) dollars for street lights, this sum to be taken from free and unappropriated money in the town treasury.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend Sec-

tion 1, Article 1 of the By-laws of the town so as to read, "All business of the annual meeting, etc.——shall be considered at an adjournment thereof, which adjournment shall be held at two o'clock P. M. on the Saturday following the first Monday in February."

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to appoint a committee of citizens to investigate and report at the next town meeting on the possibility of establishing a town forest.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the selectmen to purchase a new piano for the Town Hall and appropriate a sum not to exceed five hundred (\$500.00) dollars for the same, as petitioned for by Lora D. Dearth and others, or 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 twenty-three.

GEORGE W. KNOWLTON, JR.,
HENRY A. TUTTLE,
ALVARADO HENRY,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., January 27, 1923.

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

and on the Town House ten days before the meeting aforesaid

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,

Constable.

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

Attest:

JOHN B. FAY,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,
FEBRUARY 5, 1923.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the town of Upton met in the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Monday, the fifth day of February, 1923. The meeting was called to order at six o'clock A. M. by the town clerk, who then read the warrant and the officer's return thereon.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Article I. The selectmen having appointed Roger Shaughnessy, William F. Parshley, Jr., Michael Murphy and Edwin A. Chamberlain, election officers, they were duly sworn to faithfully perform the duties of the office by the town clerk.

Cards of instruction and specimen ballots having been posted as the law directs, a package said to contain 800 official ballots, to be used at this election, was delivered to the ballot clerks.

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 given to William F. Parshley, constable in attendance at said meeting.

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

The following persons having been appointed by the selectmen to canvass the vote, Grace Murphy, Bertha Williams,

Henry E. Allard and Windsor Brooks, they were duly sworn by the town clerk.

At the close of the polls, the register on the ballot box stood at 286. The check lists were compared and showed that 286 had voted.

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

MODERATOR (One Year).

Samuel B. Young	240
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TOWN CLERK (Three Years).

John B. Fay	266
Blanks	20
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TREASURER (One Year).

Fred W. Wood	245
Blanks	41
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SELECTMEN (One Year).

Alvrado Henry	181
George W. Knowlton, Jr.	228
Leo F. Murphy	132
Henry A. Tuttle	187
Blanks	130
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	858

ASSESSOR (Three Years).

George E. Bradley	225
Blanks	61
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OVERSEER OF POOR (Three Years).

Frank O. Wadman	227
Blanks	59
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Three Years).

Frank O. Ogden	232
Blanks	54
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES (One Year).

Donald P. Lyford	29
LeRoy W. Prentiss	243
Blanks	14
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AUDITOR (One Year).

Charles A. Barton	217
Blanks	69
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CONSTABLES (One Year).

Herbert A. Bagley	225
Daniel H. Bates	207
Benjamin C. Crooker	232
William F. Parshley	229
Frank Wellman	224
Orrin G. Newton	1
Blanks	312
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CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (Three Years).

Fred W. Wood	230
Blanks	56
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TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY (Three Years).

Samuel R. Capen	224
Edward E. Whiting	220
Dora M. Whitney	222
Blanks	192
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	858

TREE WARDEN (One Year).

Clarence L. Goodrich	207
Edwin Clafin	1
Blanks	78
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ACCOUNTING SYSTEM.

Yes	71
No	75
Blanks	140
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LICENSE.

Yes	87
No.	134
Blanks	65
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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:

JOHN B. FAY,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING,
FEBRUARY 12, 1928.

The meeting was called to order by Samuel B. Young, 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:—

Board of Health	\$ 400 00
Bonding town officers	100 00
Cemeteries	500 00
Fire Department	850 00
Forest warden	800 00
Gypsy Moth suppression	400 00
Highways	4,450 00
Bridges	200 00
Incidentals	1,500 00
Insurance	650 00
Suppression of illegal sale of liquor	50 00
Memorial Day	200 00
Mothers' Aid	1,000 00
Notes and interest	500 00
Support of poor	3,500 00
Removing snow	2,000 00
Support of schools	21,500 00
Industrial school	200 00
Sidewalks	200 00
Signboards	25 00
Soldiers' relief	500 00
State and Military aid	200 00
Town library	465 00
Carpenter fund	60 00
Town officers	2,000 00
Tree warden	200 00

Additional street lights	\$300 00
Piano for Town Hall	500 00
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					\$42,850 00

Voted to raise the sum of \$42,850.00 by taxation.

HIGHWAYS.

Article 4. Voted: That the care and repairs of the highways 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, 1923, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$18,000.00 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 LIGHT ON PEARL STREET.

Article 6. A motion to pass over was lost. Voted: On motion of Edwin A. Chamberlain, to place one additional light on the west side of Pearl street, and appropriate twenty (\$20 00) dollars for the same.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON MENDON STREET.

Article 7. Voted: On motion of Walter E. Curley, to place fourteen lights on Mendon street from the railroad crossing to the residence of Charles E. Brooks, and appropriate two hundred and eighty (\$280.00) dollars for the same.

COATS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Article 8. Voted: To appropriate one hundred and fifty (\$150.00) dollars to buy rubber boots and coats for the fire department, this sum to be taken from the free and unappropriated money in the town treasury.

COMMITTEE FOR NEW CENTER SCHOOL.

Article 9. A motion to pass over was lost. Voted: That the moderator appoint a committee of five to get options on suitable sites and estimates of cost for the erection of a four-

room school building to take the place of the Center school, and report at some future meeting. The following committee was appointed February 14: Frank O. Ogden, George W. Knowlton, Jr., Thomas Gorman, Leo F. Murphy and Thomas J. Harper.

DAMAGES FOR ABUTTERS ON STATE ROAD.

Article 10. Voted: To appropriate twelve hundred (\$1,200.00) dollars for damages awarded abutters on State Road, this sum to be taken from free and unappropriated money in the town treasury.

APPROPRIATION FOR STREET LIGHTS.

Article 11. Voted: To appropriate twenty-one hundred (\$2,100.00) dollars for street lights, this sum to be taken from free and unappropriated money in the town treasury.

BY-LAWS AMENDED.

Article 12. Voted: On motion of Stedman C. Brown to amend Section 1, Article 1, of the By-laws of the town so as to read "All business of the annual meeting, etc.,—shall be considered at an adjournment thereof, which adjournment shall be held at two o'clock P. M. on the Saturday following the first Monday in February."

COMMITTEE FOR TOWN FOREST.

Article 13. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to appoint a committee of citizens to investigate and report at the next town meeting on the possibility of establishing a town forest. The following committee was appointed: Taylor C. Lyford, Benjamin C. Wood and Frank P. Decrow.

PIANO FOR TOWN HALL.

Article 14. Voted: To instruct the selectmen to purchase a new piano for the Town Hall and appropriate a sum not to exceed five hundred (\$500.00) dollars for the same.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

A true record. Attest:

JOHN B. FAY,
Town Clerk.

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 1923.

JOHN B. FAY,

Town Clerk.

- Moderator:* Samuel B. Young, February 9.
Selectmen: George W. Knowlton, Jr., February 9, Henry A. Tuttle, Alvrado Henry, February 12.
Treasurer: Fred W. Wood, February 9.
Assessor of Taxes: George E. Bradley, February 12.
Overseer of Poor: Frank O. Wadman, February 10.
School Committee: Frank O. Ogden, February 8.
Collector of Taxes: LeRoy W. Prentiss, February 13.
Auditor: Charles A. Barton, February 9.
Cemetery Commissioner: Fred W. Wood, February 9.
Constables: Benj. C. Crooker, February 7, Herbert A. Bagley, Daniel H. Bates, William F. Parshley, February 9, Frank Wellman, February 8.
Tree Warden: Clarence L. Goodrich, February 12.
Fence Viewers: Charles A. Barton, February 20.
Sealer of Weights and Measures: Benjamin C. Crooker, February 15.
Weighers: Leander A. Snow, Adam Robson, February 17, Everett Price, February 19.
Measurers of Wood: Malcolm C. Temple, February 23, Fred W. Fiske, March 7, William B. Fiske, May 18, Charles C. Congdon, December 11.
Inspector of Coal Oil: Edgar A. Willard, April 4.
Measurers of Lumber: Malcolm C. Temple, February 23, Fred W. Fiske, March 7, Walter E. Hopkins, March 26, William B. Fiske, May 18.
Board of Health: William F. Parshley, February 27.
Special Police: LeRoy G. Colcord, February 14, Benjamin C. Crooker, William F. Parshley, Henry A. Stearns, February 15, Herbert A. Bagley, Charles H. Marshall, February

17, Daniel H Bates, Everett Price, Lawrence Snow, Frank Wellman, February 19, E. B. Houghton, February 24, George Fred Welch, Wm. F. Parshley, Jr., February 27, Leo F. Murphy, April 4, Joseph W. Gibbs, May 18.

Forest Warden: Henry E. Allard, May 22.

Fire Engineers: Edward M. Baker, Henry E. Allard, Thomas J. Gorman, May 22.

Inspectors of Provisions and Slaughtering: Walter E. Sadler, March 31, Willard L. Wood, April 6.

JURY LIST, 1923—1924.

Upton, Mass., July 2, 1923.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 234, Sections 4 and 5 of the General Laws, 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, Henry D.	Nelson	Shoe Repairer
Aldrich, Theron A.	Mechanic	Farmer
Barbour, Charles E.	Glen Ave.	Painter
Barton Charles A.	Nelson	Farmer
Batchelor, Henry J.	Hartford Av.	Straw Worker
Bates, Frank P.	Pleasant	Real Estate Agt.
Brewer, Frank L.	Pleasant	Cemetery Supt.
Brown, Stedman C.	Pleasant	Straw Worker
Chamberlain, Henry A.	Pleasant	Straw Worker
Claffin, Edwin W.	Grove	Farmer
Dwyer, John	Main	Straw Worker
Dearth, John E.	Main	Salesman
Fay, John B.	Main	Straw Worker
Gould, Leslie W.	Grove	Straw Worker
Henry Alvrado	Main	Road Supt.
Miskell, William H.	Mendon	Farmer
Moroney, David J.	North Main	Mail Carrier
Murphy, John	Picadilly	Straw Worker
Murphy, Leo F.	Picadilly	Clerk

Name.	Street.	Occupation.
Parshley, William F.	Maple Ave.	Painter
Salisbury, Charles	Central Sq.	Painter
Shaughnessy, Roger	Grove	Straw Worker
Sheehan, James F.	Maple	Straw Worker
Smith, George F.	Pleasant	Retired
Taft, Wilbur G.	Hopkinton	Farmer

JURORS DRAWN DURING 1923.

May 21, George H. Smith, Superior Court at Worcester.

June 21, Reuben E. Fiske, Superior Court at Worcester.

August 28, Wilbur G. Taft, Superior Court at Worcester.

October 8, Theron A. Aldrich, Superior Court at Worcester.

VITAL STATISTICS **FOR THE YEAR 1923.**

Number of births recorded	.	.	.	.	39
Number of marriages recorded	.	.	.	.	16
Number of deaths recorded	.	.	.	.	33

BIRTHS.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.
January	2. Alice Rita Capistran.
January	5. Frederick W. Gorton.
January	18. Dorothy Ellen Stuart.
February	13. Louise Gertrude Swanson.
February	28. Shirley Arline Higgins.
March	1. Eleanor Frances Wentworth.
March	4. Betty Naomi Blake.
March	31. Anita Pearl Stuart.
April	2. Raymond Joseph Gaucher.
April	5. Sanborn.
April	7. Barbara Louise Taft.
April	30. John Brewster Robinson.
May	9. Henry Whitney.
May	25. George Wendell Fiske.
May	26. Norma Louise Hopkins.
June	11. Raymond V. Haglund.
June	20. Forest Wilder Temple, Jr.
July	13. Philip Henry Spaulding.
August	5. Wanetta Louise Sadler.
August	9. James Harry Shears.
August	14. Glenie Bernice Chapdelaine.
August	14. Gracia Kinney Chapdelaine.
August	14. Evelyn Mildred Bartlett.
August	23. Camella Lamanozzi.
August	25. Charlotte Singesen.
August	29. Andre Leo Paille.

September	15.	Everett Harold Pierce.
September	19.	Muriel Allen.
September	25.	Ruth E. Wood.
October	1.	Vivian Irene Bates.
October	20.	Alfred Herman Aldrich, Jr.
October	29.	Eleanor Mae Fenner.
November	1.	Florence Helen Mowry.
November	7.	Donald Allan Wellman.
November	11.	Harold Freeman Francis.
November	14.	Elaine Sibley Strout.
November	17.	Paul Francis Lyons.
December	16.	Mary Louise Macker.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1923.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	BY WHOM AND WHERE MARRIED.
January	10, Edward Clement Moroney,	26	Upton,	Rev. James J. Fitzgibbon,
	Margaret Helen Foley,	29	Milford,	Milford
May	7, William Edward Haley,	35	Northbridge,	Rev. Michael T. Slattery,
	Etta Isabelle Rawson,	19	Upton,	Northbridge
May	27, Edwin Lassell Wheelock,	22	West Upton,	Rev. Robert Allen Singen,
	Flavilla Marguerite Trask,	19	West Upton,	West Upton
June	12, Charles Winfield Russell,	27	West Upton,	Rev. Albert H. Wheelock,
	Reina Maybell Mitchell,	24	Auburn,	Auburn
June	18, Dswey Harry Larive,	24	Farmingtonville,	Rev. A. E. Dwyer,
	Berthena May Pierce,	18	Upton,	Grafton
July	14, Benjamin Charles Crooker,	34	Upton,	Rev. William G. Poor,
	Ruth Evelyn True,	22	Upton,	Upton
July	28, Charles H. James,	44	Upton,	Rev. Henry H. French,
	Nettie B. Freeman,	42	Upton,	Nashua, N. H.
August	6, Merrill Steaven White,	23	Orange,	Rev. William G. Poor,
	Ada Viola Walker,	22	Upton,	Upton
August	21, David Edward Thompson,	29	Westboro,	Rev. William G. Poor,
	Sara M. (Alexander) Smith,	31	Upton,	Upton
August	23, William Harper,	60	Barre,	Rev. William G. Poor,
	Bertha M. (Baldwin) Williams,	46	West Upton,	Upton
September	3, Kaobig Mtelian,	45	Upton,	Rev. Atig Dzotsikian,
	Gooubhizar, (Emaliau) Handian,	36	Upton,	Upton
September	17, Alfred Herman Aldrich,	52	Upton,	Rev. Francis J. Marsh,
	Carrie Isabelle Walker,	21	Upton,	Upton

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1923—CONTINUED.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	BY WHOM AND WHERE MARRIED.
October 30.	John Franklin Alger,	63	Upton,	Rev. D. Paul Jefferson,
	Lena Orville Smith,	40	Providence, R. I.	Framingham
November 15.	Raymond Franklin Lyford,	30	West Upton,	Rev. Christopher R. Eliot,
	Lylla Belle Hoar,	26	East Machias, Me.,	Boston
November 26.	John Edward Murphy,	32	Upton,	Rev. Stephen C. Hallisey,
	Margaret Frances DeConroy	33	Dorchester,	Clinton
December 20.	Herbert Curtis Marshall,	19	West Upton,	Rev. William G. Poor,
	Vera Florence Norman,	22	Upton,	Upton

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1923.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			WHERE BURIED.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 1.	Margaret M. Hegarty,	23	4	1	St. Mary's, Holden.
Jan. 2.	Catherine Jordan,	59	4	11	St. Mary's, Milford.
Jan. 11.	James Edward Deunen,	38			Lakeview, Upton.
Jan. 12.	Frank Edward Morse,	66	11	3	Pine Grove, Waitinsville
Jan. 15.	James McVeigh Bailey,	59	3	9	Maplewood, West Upton
Jan. 24.	Hannah (Galvin) Clifford,	76	2	14	Lakeview, Upton.
Feb. 6.	Ellen A. (Nourse) Whitney,	38	3	9	Eastwood, Lancaster.
Mar. 4.	Daniel Waldo Holbrook,	75	7	29	Lakeview, Upton.
Mar. 8.	Lowell Jordan,	74	7	9	Lakeview, Upton.
Mar. 14.	Annie E. (Bernard) Noe,	36	8	6	Lakeview, Upton.
Mar. 23.	Henry Orinolo Harrington,	91	8	11	Lakeview, Upton.
Apr. 20.	Harriet J. (Oook) Symonds,	73	11	28	Lakeview, Upton.
May 28.	George Archer Clark,	51	10	5	Moshasuck, Pawtucket, R. I.
June 10.	Janet (Weir) Shambow,	74	2	3	Union, No. Smithfield, R. I.
June 23.	Frank Andrew Young,	62	11	5	Hope, Worcester.
July 7.	John J. McManus,	54	0	27	Calvary, Brooklyn, N.Y.
July 7.	Margaret (Foley) Moroney,	31	3	29	St. Mary's, Milford.
July 11.	John Spevak,	51	0	17	Lakeview, Upton.
Aug. 5.	Otto A. Keson,				Lakeview, Upton.
Aug. 22.	Sarah J. (Taft) Batchelor,	80	10	24	Lakeview, Upton.
Sept. 1.	Dorothy Ellen Stuart,		7	13	Lakeview, Upton.
Sept. 5.	John S. Flanders,	74	8	3	Pine Grove, Westboro.
Sept. 14.	Lydia Bodmer,	56	6	1	Fairview, Grafton.
Sept. 17.	Joseph Edw. Chapdelaine,	35	4	19	St. Mary's, Milford.
Oct. 2.	Michael F. Maloy,	63	0	5	Lakeview, Upton.
Oct. 17.	Mary A. (Winslow) Towne,	85	6	18	Lakeview, Upton.
Oct. 17.	Clarence Edgar Church,	69	2	2	Lakeview, Upton.
Oct. 20.	Abbie A. (Smith) Corbett,	88	3	27	Lakeview, Upton.
Oct. 21.	Samner Ball Wood,	37	11	26	Maplewood, West Upton
Nov. 2.	Florence M. (Orchard) Mowry,	33	4	1	Lakeview, Upton.
Nov. 17.	Lawrence Frederick Hol- brook,		1	7	Vernon Grove, Milford
Dec. 13.	Henry St. Peter,	58	9	12	Lakeview, Upton.
Dec. 25.	Matilda Rivers,	76	7	25	Lakeview, Upton.

THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS DIED ELSEWHERE AND WERE
BROUGHT TO UPTON FOR BURIAL.

DATE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF DEATH.	NAME.	AGE. Y. M. D.	PLACE OF BURIAL
Mar. 2.	Haverhill,	William W. Houghton,	60 0 8	Lakeview
Mar. 13.	Boston,	Walter E. Williams,	36 4	Maplewood
Mar. 18.	Bellingham,	Loella O. Mansfield,	64 9 15	Lakeview
May 28.	Boston,	Joseph E. Walker,	81 7 13	Maplewood
July 2.	Worcester,	Horace Burr Long,	69 1 28	Lakeview
July 29.	Bridgewater,	John A. Spencer,	79	Lakeview
Aug. 20.	Medway,	Wealthy J. Gay,	75 11 15	Lakeview
Sept. 23.	Lynn,	Lillian A. Thatcher,	55 5 7	Lakeview
Sept. 30.	Attleboro,	Nelson Hagar,	73 10 21	Lakeview
Nov. 6.	Brockton,	William E. Stone,	74 0 15	Lakeview
Nov. 18.	Mendon,	Ethel Mary Montani,	0 0 7	Lakeview
Dec. 8.	Saugus,	Lacy Kimball Eames,	91 1 18	Lakeview

NOTICE.

Parents, householders, physicians and midwives, are hereby notified that blanks for the return of births, as provided in Sections 3 and 6 of Chapter 46 of the General Laws, will be furnished upon application at the Town Clerk's office.

JOHN B. FAY,
Town Clerk.

DOGS.

Dog licenses have been issued to the following persons:—

Name,	Male.	Female.	Name.	Male.	Female.
Aldrich, Alfred H.		1	Baker, William H.		1
Aldrich, Chas. E.	1		Balcom, Walter E.		1
Aldrich, C. Samuel	1		Ballou, Morris		1
Aldrich, Francis E.		1	Barden, Leon		1
Aldrich, George E.		1	Barton, Charles A.		1
Aldrich, Henry D.	4		Boucher, J. S.		1
Alexander, Raymond	1		Bradley, George E.		1
Allard, Henry E.	1		Brewer, Frank L.		1
Allen, G. R.	1		Briggs, George		1
Austin, Charles W.	1		Brooks, Windsor B.		1
Babbitt, Charles G.	1		Brownly, Albert		1

Name.	Male.	Female.	Name.	Male.	Female.
Brousseau, Walter	2		Kentel, Elizabeth	1	
Childs, Charles W.	1		Kinsley, F. B.	1	
Childs, Leon D.	1		Knowlton, Mrs. F.	1	
Clapp, Frank M.	1		Lambert, Clement J.	1	
Clark, Carroll C.		1	Lawrence, Mrs. E. S.	1	
Clifford, William	1		Leland, Charles	1	
Colcord, Samuel	1		Lessard, Joseph	1	
Collins, Laura	1		Loconsolo, Angelo	1	
Comstock, Fred J.	1		Luksys, Samuel	1	
Cook, John H.	1	1	Lyford, Donald	1	
Cooley, T. Arthur	1		Lyford, Taylor	1	
Cooper, Chester L.	1		Mahood, John	1	1
Corbett, Thomas F.	1		Martin, Alonzo	1	
Cranston, Fred	1		Martin, Joseph	1	
Crooker, Frank	1		Marshall, Charles	1	
Davis, George		1	Mazza, Alonzo		1
Dearth, John E.	1		McCarty, A. Kleber	1	
Decrow, Ralph C.	1		McCraith, A. E.	1	
Despeaux, J. Frank	1	1	McKinley, David A.	2	
Donais, Mrs. Alma	1		McBurney, William		1
Dunn, Mrs. W. A.	1		Merrifield, Mrs. A. M.	1	
Gibbs, J. W.	1		Maskell, William	1	
Gorman, Joseph	1		Moroney, John L.	1	
Gould, Fred H.	1		Moroney, Maurice	1	
Greenman, F. H.	1		Moroney, Thomas F.		1
Hall, Eben T.	1		Morrison, Arthur	2	
Harper, T. J.	1		Morse, Clinton D.	1	
Henault, A. P.	1		Mowry, Jerome	1	
Hopkins, Harold S.	1		Negus, Harry E.	1	
Hopkins, Walter E.	1		Nichols, Alvin E.	1	
Hoyle, Henry	1		Noe, Victor	1	
Huff, Arthur	1		Noe, William H.	1	
Hultman, Henry	1		O'Connell, E. J.	1	
Hutchinson, Wm.	1		Ogden, Frank O.	1	
James, Charles H.	1		Ogden, Mrs. R. P.	1	
Jones, N. S.	1		Olney, George	1	
Kenniston, Robert	1		Orff, Austin	1	

Name.	Male.	Female.	Name.	Male.	Female.
Orff, Edward	1		Snow, Harry C.		1
Page, Dominic	1		Southland, Chas. H.	1	
Page, Israel	1		Stank, Walter	1	
Palmer, Robert P.	1		Stearns, Henry J.	1	
Perkins, William	1		Stuart, Mrs. Joseph	1	
Pierce, Ellsworth		1	Sweet, Harry J.		1
Pierce, Harold	1	1	Temple, Mrs. Harriet	2	
Poirier, Joseph		1	Temple, Mrs. M. W.		1
Prentiss, George F.	1		Thompson, Mrs. M.	1	
Prentiss, LeRoy W.	1		Tilton, George	2	
Rafter, John C.	1		Tornwall, Victor	1	
Ray, Al. T.	1		Travers, John		1
Reed, Ellery		1	Tuttle, Henry	1	1
Richardson, Harriet	1		Usher, Frank	1	
Robida, Albert	1		Victor, Geo. J.	1	
Rodman, James	1		Wadman, Frank	1	
Rockwood, Perley	1		Walker, Carrie	1	
Rowe, Bertrand G.	1		Walker, William B.	1	
Ruggles, Charles W.	1		Walters, Wm. E.		1
Rupprecht, George	1		Warren, Francis	1	
Sadler, Edwin	1		Welch, Geo. Fred		1
Sadler, Henry S.	1		Whitcomb, Edgar		1
Sadler, Mrs. S. F.	1		Whiting, Clarence E.	1	
Sadler, Walter E.		1	Whiting, Irving	1	
Scholl, Emelia	1		Wichucky, John	1	1
Shlora, Walter	1		Willard, Lloyd E.	2	
Shaughnessy, Harold	1		Wood, Henry	1	1
Simon, Daniel	1		Wood, Sumner	1	
Slocum, Albert	1		Wood, Willard	2	
Smith, Francis	1		Young, Frank A.	1	
Smith, Harold	1				

Paid Edgar L. Ramsdell, county treasurer:—

June 1, 1923	.	.	.	.	\$266 40
December 1, 1923	.	.	.	.	126 00

HUNTERS' AND FISHERMEN'S LICENSES.

Resident citizens' combination	58
Resident citizens' hunting and trapping	37
Resident fishermen	47
Alien fishermen	2
Non-resident citizen combination	1
Non-resident citizen fisherman	1
Minor trappers	8
Cash sent to Division of Fisheries and Game	\$205 40

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. FAY,
Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1923.

Number of horses assessed	.	.	.	89
Cows assessed	.	.	.	303
Sheep assessed	.	.	.	0
Neat cattle assessed	.	.	.	92
Swine assessed	.	.	.	55
Houses assessed	.	.	.	478
Acres of land assessed	.	.	.	12,976
Fowls assessed	.	.	.	4,460
Value of fowls	.	.	.	\$4,460.00
Valuation of real estate assessed	\$1,074,306	00		
Valuation of personal estate as- sessed		440,605	00	
Total valuation	.	.	.	\$1,514,911 00
Tax for state, county and town purposes, including overlay- ings for abatements only ;—				
On real estate	.	\$29,008	77	
On personal estate	.	11,896	34	
On polls	.	2,760	00	
Total	.	.	.	\$43,665 11
Rate per thousand, \$27.00.				
Persons assessed on property	.	.	.	658
Persons assessed for poll	.	.	.	299
Number of assessed polls	.	.	.	543
Number of exempted polls	.	.	.	14
State tax for 1922	.	.	.	\$8,378 70
State tax for 1923	.	.	.	\$8,378 70
County tax for 1922	.	.	.	\$2,037 00
County tax for 1923	.	.	.	\$2,057 00
Town appropriations for 1922	.	.	.	\$43,355 00

Town appropriations for 1923 . . .	\$42,850 00
Total individual exemptions . . .	\$24,500 00
Cash balance on hand, January 1, 1922 . .	\$0 00
Cash balance on hand January 1, 1923 . .	\$0 00

GEORGE E. BRADLEY,
 GEORGE F. BRIGGS,
 WILLIAM B. WALKER,
 Assessors of Upton.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTS.

Due Jan. 1, 1924, on 1920 Book . . . \$18 59

Book 1921.

Due Jan. 1, 1923 on 1921 book . . . \$2,049 00

Abated . . . \$ 59 85

Collected . . . 1,909 86

Due Jan. 1, 1924 . . . 79 29

\$2,049 00

Interest collected . . . \$191 29

Book 1922.

Due Jan. 1, 1923 on 1922 book . . . \$8,046 53

Abated . . . \$ 281 25

Collected . . . 5,078 56

Due Jan. 1, 1924 . . . 2,691 72

\$8,046 53

Interest collected . . . \$105 91

Book 1923.

Tax levy for 1923 . . . \$43,665 11

Abated . . . \$ 205 90

Collected . . . 37,446 07

Due Jan. 1, 1924 . . . 6,013 14

\$43,665 11

Interest collected . . . \$24 26

LEROY W. PRENTISS,
Tax Collector.

I have examined these reports and find them correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,
Auditor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FRED W. WOOD, Treasurer,

In account with the Town of Upton.

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Received from State Treasurer:—

State highway commission	\$3,825 78
State vocational and educational department, Industrial school	75 00
State department, corporation tax, public service	642 41
State department, corporation tax, business	22 05
State department, corporation tax, B. 1923	8 60
State department, income tax, year 1921	109 50
State department, income tax, year 1922	126 00
State department, income tax, year 1923	1,401 93
State department, income general school fund, Part I, Chapter 20, General Laws	1,964 60
State department, income Mass. school fund	2,929 43
State department, Superintendent's fund, small towns	479 42
State department, school tuition	747 36
State department, compensation, inspection of animals	40 00
State department, national bank tax, General Laws, Section 1, Chapter 63	13 21
State department, national bank tax under 10 A. Chapter 63, General Laws	8 18
State department, high school tuition, special cases	847 50
State department, burial of indigent soldiers	60 00
State department, military aid	82 50
State department, state aid	966 00
State department, soldiers' exemption, Sec- tions 11 and 12, Chapter 58	123 87
State department, bureau of standards, licenses	12 00

Knowlton and Batchelor trust deed, income . . .	\$ 595 99
Masury and Young, freight rebate, school department . . .	2 10
Charlotte A. Batchelor school fund, income . . .	75 00
Home Literary club for manual training . . .	100 00
County treasurer, county dog fund . . .	335 30
LeRoy W. Prentiss, tax collector, cash for 1921 taxes . . .	1,909 86
LeRoy W. Prentiss, tax collector, cash for 1922 taxes . . .	5,078 56
LeRoy W. Prentiss, tax collector, cash for 1923 taxes . . .	37,446 07
LeRoy W. Prentiss, tax collector, interest collected on 1921 taxes . . .	191 29
LeRoy W. Prentiss, tax collector, interest collected on 1922 taxes . . .	105 91
LeRoy W. Prentiss, tax collector, interest collected on 1923 taxes . . .	24 26
Worcester County Institution for Savings, interest on Dr. Carpenter fund to July, 1923 . . .	45 50
Charlotte A. Batchelor library fund, income 1923 . . .	181 25
Town of Hopkinton, fire warden department . . .	49 50
D. H. Bates, auctioneer's license . . .	2 00
Third district court, Milford, fines . . .	15 00
Max Pressman, junk license . . .	10 00
Louis Vilensky, junk license . . .	10 00
W. H. Holbrook, Sunday ice cream license . . .	2 00
H. L. Hillard, Sunday ice cream license . . .	2 00
Clarence L. Marvel, Sunday ice cream license . . .	2 00
George F. Briggs, Sunday ice cream license . . .	2 00
A. C. Gaucher, Sunday ice cream license . . .	2 00
A. C. Gaucher, victualer's license . . .	2 00
C. L. Marvel, victualer's license . . .	2 00
Ferdinand Lehr, license to deal in second hand autos . . .	5 00
D. J. Moroney, auctioneer's license . . .	2 00
William Craib, Sunday ice cream license . . .	2 00

Columbian Chapter, O. E. S., rent of G. A. R. hall	\$	10 00
Post 105, G. A. R., rent of G. A. R. hall		1 00
B. C Crooker, sealer's fees, weights and measures		36 81
Milford Savings Bank, Town Notes		16,000 00
Milford National Bank, interest on deposits		81 67
State department, temporary aid, poor department		448 13
Town of Northboro, town aid		109 58
Edward B. Newton, cash from poor department		2,247 43
Rent of Town Hall as follows:—		
Upton High school	\$	8 00
Upton Grange		50 00
Republican Town Committee		1 00
Upton Lead Aqueduct Society		2 00
Walker Bros.		168 00
Foresters of America		64 00
		<u>293 00</u>
State department, mothers with dependent children		350 67
		<u>\$80,204 22</u>

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Total amount of Pay Rolls drawn on Treasurer for payment during 1923	\$79,055 80
By cash balance on hand January 1, 1924	1,148 42
	<u>\$80,204 22</u>

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,
Town Treasurer.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,
Auditor.

TOWN TREASURER'S STATEMENTS.

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.

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings known as the Charlotte A. Batchelor School Fund in trust with Town Treasurer as trustee, Five thousand (\$5,000 00) Dollars, the income to be used for the Public Schools. Seventy-five dollars of this income was used this year.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, known as Charlotte A. Batchelor Library Fund, in trust with the Town Treasurer, as trustee, Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00) the income to be used for the Public Library. One hundred thirty one dollars and twenty-five cents of this income was used this year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,

Town Treasurer.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Ordered paid for notes and interest:—

Milford Savings bank, money in anticipation of taxes	\$16,000 00
Milford Savings bank, interest on the above	507 78
	————— \$16,507 78

Ordered paid for state and county tax:—

James Jackson, state treasurer	\$5,534 70
Edgar L. Ramsdell, county treasurer	2,037 00
	————— \$7,571 70

Ordered paid for board of health:—

Bills as reported by board of health	\$158 00
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Ordered paid for bonding town officers:—

Collector's bond	\$50 00
Treasurer's bond	25 00
	————— \$75 00

Ordered paid for care of cemeteries:—

F. W. Wood, treasurer of cemetery commission	\$500 00
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Ordered paid for fire department:—

Bills as reported by fire engineers	\$1,076 33
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Ordered paid for fighting forest fires:—

Bills as reported by forest warden	\$173 00
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Ordered paid for suppression of gypsy moth:—

Bills as reported by local superintendent	\$333 00
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Ordered paid for repair of roads:—

Bills as reported by highway surveyors	\$8,872 00
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Ordered paid for repair of bridges:—

Bills as reported by highway surveyors	\$164 80
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Ordered paid for sidewalk repairs:—

Bills as reported by highway surveyors	\$196 00
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Ordered paid for removing snow and ice:—

Bills as reported by highway surveyors	\$2,369 13
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Ordered paid for expense of Memorial Day . . .	\$199 50
Ordered paid for support of poor :—	
Bills as reported by overseers of poor . . .	\$6,176 01
Ordered paid for mothers' aid :—	
Bills as reported by overseers of poor . . .	\$1,206 00
Ordered paid for support of schools :—	
Bills as reported by school committee . . .	\$22,457 92
Ordered paid for industrial school :—	
City of Worcester . . .	\$89 27
Ordered paid for soldiers' relief :—	
Aid to various persons . . .	\$398 00
Ordered paid for state aid :—	
Aid to various persons . . .	\$852 00
Ordered paid for military aid :—	
Aid to various persons . . .	\$300 00
Ordered paid for street lighting :—	
Worcester Suburban Electric Co. . .	\$2,085 77
Ordered paid for town library :—	
Bills as reported by treasurer of trustees . . .	\$637 28
Ordered paid for trimming trees :—	
Bills as reported by tree warden . . .	\$186 00
Ordered paid for insurance :—	
R. F. & A. A. Lyford . . .	\$626 02
Ordered paid for signboards :—	
Bills as reported by highway surveyors . . .	\$10 25
Ordered paid unpaid bills of 1922 . . .	\$224 27
Ordered paid for piano for Town Hall . . .	\$500 00
Ordered paid for damages awarded abutters on state road :—	
David A. Farrington . . .	\$700 00
A. A. Lyford and Ella Adair . . .	500 00
	<hr/> \$1,200 00
Ordered paid for incidentals :—	
Town Hall :—	
Worcester Suburban Electric Co. . .	\$145 90
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, coal . . .	188 10
School department, coal . . .	150 00
G. W. Fiske, wood . . .	17 00

W. G. Fiske, glass, etc.	\$ 8 30
B. C. Crooker, janitor	300 00
B. C. Crooker, repairs	6 80
B. C. Crooker, removing ashes	14 00
D. R. Bowker, grate and supplies	25 45
D. R. Bowker, repairs	25 75
W. C. Huse & Sons, repairs	12 04
Fred W. Wood, floor wax, etc.	6 40
King & Co., decorations	5 81
Lilla B. Brown, decorations	4 50
John A. Caswell, repairs	75 00
Printing:—	
Charlescraft Press, tax bills, etc.	22 30
Charlescraft Press, ballots and warrants	23 75
Charlescraft Press, envelopes, etc., for collector	24 34
G. M. Billings, town reports	256 00
G. M. Billings, voting lists	16 50
G. M. Billings, pay rolls	9 00
Wright & Potter Co., for selectmen	1 31
H. G. Atwood, for treasurer	2 00
H. G. Atwood, for selectmen	1 00
Milford Daily News, collector's advertisement	5 10
Davol Co., for assessors	11 50
Sanford Putnam Co., books for assessors	6 50
Davis Press, envelopes for treasurer	31 47
P. B. Murphy, for town clerk	4 85
Hobbs & Warren Co., for sealer	2 06
Hobbs & Warren Co., for collector	1 91
Services at court:—	
Benjamin C. Crooker	36 53
Herbert A. Bagley	3 45
Clark Ellis & Sons, keys for lockup	12 00
J. M. Hardy, police badges	18 75
Worcester Abstract Co., for assessors	33 40

W. & L. E. Gurley, sealers' supplies .	\$11 83
Dover Stamping Co., sealers' measures .	32 25
B. C. Crooker, express	66
Wm G Seaver, express	1 25
Daniel H. Bates, killing dog . . .	2 00
B. C Crooker, killing dogs	4 50
L. Lawrence Snow, killing dog . . .	2 00
LeRoy W. Prentiss, postage	2 00
Fred W. Wood, postage, etc. . . .	34 70
Fred W. Wood, certifying notes . .	4 00
Edgar F. Bemis, care of town clock .	15 00
Edgar F. Bemis, repairs on town clock	9 60
Chester F. Williams, legal services .	25 00
George S. Taft, legal services . . .	13 00
John B. Fay, vital records	42 00
John B. Fay, administering oaths to town officers	11 75
John B. Fay, postage and supplies .	14 55
Physicians' birth returns	4 25
Undertakers' death returns	5 75
	<hr/> \$1,714 36

Ordered paid to town officers for services:—

George W. Knowlton, Jr, selectman and surveyor	\$100 00
Henry A. Tuttle, selectman and sur- veyor	75 00
Alvrado Henry, selectman and surveyor	75 00
John B. Fay, clerk	35 00
Fred W. Wood, treasurer	175 00
John B. Fay, town clerk	150 00
George E. Bradley, assessor	170 00
George F. Briggs, assessor	90 00
William B. Walker, assessor	90 00
Henry D. Aldrich, overseer	40 00
Frank O. Wadman, overseer	40 00
Edward B. Newton, overseer, clerk .	65 00
Gwendolyn B. Knowlton, member of school committee	40 00

Benjamin C. Wood, member school committee	\$ 40 00
Frank O. Ogden, member school committee, clerk	50 00
LeRoy W. Prentiss, collector	447 51
Charles A. Barton, auditor	35 00
Walter E. Sadler, inspector	25 00
Willard L. Wood, inspector	18 75
John H. Scott, inspector	6 25
Leroy G. Colcord, cattle inspector	80 00
George E. Bradley, appraiser	6 00
William B. Walker, appraiser	4 00
George F. Briggs, appraiser	4 00
A. A. Bowker, collector	8 35
Benj. C. Crooker, sealer	75 00
Board of Registrars	70 00
William F. Parsbley, posting warrant	1 50
B. C. Crooker, notifying town officers	5 00
Election officers	45 00
Benj. C. Crooker, police duty	15 00
Herbert A. Bagley, police duty	10 00
Frank Wellman, police duty	10 00
Daniel H. Bates, police duty	5 00
Edwin B. Houghton, police duty	5 00
Lawrence Snow, police duty	5 00
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	\$2,116 36
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	\$79,055 80

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Departments.	Appropriations.	Income.	Total Receipts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended.	Overdrawn.
Board of health,	\$ 400 00		\$ 400 00	\$ 158 00	\$242 00	
Bonding town officers,	100 00		100 00	75 00	25 00	
Cemeteries,	500 00		500 00	500 00		
County tax,			2,037 00			
Fire department,	1,000 00		1,000 00	1,076 38		76 38
Forest warden,	300 00	49 50	349 50	178 00	176 50	
Suppression of gypsy moth,	400 00		400 00	388 00	17 00	
Highways,	4,450 00	4,425 00	8,875 00	8,872 00	3 00	
Bridges,	200 00		200 00	164 80	35 20	
Incidentals,	1,500 00	308 00	1,808 00	1,744 36	63 64	
Insurance,	650 00		650 00	626 02	23 98	
Suppression of illegal sale of liquor,	50 00		50 00		50 00	
Memorial Day,	200 00		200 00	199 50	50	
Mothers' Aid,	1,000 00	350 67	1,350 67	1,206 00	144 67	
Notes and interest,	600 00	16,000 00	16,000 00	16,507 78	92 22	
Poor department,	3,500 00	2,805 14	6,305 14	6,176 01	129 18	
Removing snow,	2,000 00		2,000 00	2,369 13		369 13
School department,	21,500 00	1,108 39	22,608 39	22,457 92	150 47	
School, industrial,	200 00	75 00	275 00	89 27	185 73	

Sidewalks,	200 00		200 00	196 00	4 00
Signboards,	25 00		25 00	10 25	14 75
Soldiers' Relief,	500 00		500 00	398 00	102 00
State and Military aid,	200 00	1,048 50	1,248 50	1,152 00	96 50
State tax,				5,534 70	
Street lights,	2,400 00		2,400 00	2,085 77	314 23
Town Library,	525 00	181 25	656 25	637 28	18 97
Tree warden,	200 00		200 00	186 00	14 00
Town officers,	2,000 00	76 81	2,076 81	2,116 36	39 55
Piano for town hall,	500 00		500 00	500 00	
Damages awarded abut-					
tors,	1,200 00		1,200 00	1,200 00	

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF TOWN OF UPTON, DE- CEMBER 31, 1923.

ASSETS.

Due the town for taxes, 1920 . . .	\$ 18 59	
Due the town for taxes, 1921 . . .	79 29	
Due the town for taxes, 1922 . . .	2,691 72	
Due the town for taxes, 1923 . . .	6,013 14	
Due the town for state aid . . .	852 00	
Due the town for military aid . . .	150 00	
Due the town for temporary aid, De- partment of Public Welfare . . .	571 00	
Due the town for mothers' aid, De- partment of Public Welfare . . .	280 00	
Cash in hands of treasurer . . .	1,148 42	
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		\$11,804 16
Balance in favor of the town, Dec. 31, 1922		\$11,668 16
Balance in favor of the town, Dec. 31, 1923		\$11,804 16

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings, known as the Carpenter Fund, (\$1,000 00) from which the town receives the income so long as certain conditions are fulfilled. This has been done the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE W. KNOWLTON, JR.,
HENRY A. TUTTLE,
ALVRADO HENRY,

Selectmen of Upton.

I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,
Auditor.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

ROADS.

Town appropriation	\$4,450 00
State allotment	4,425 00
	\$8,875 00
Cash paid by orders on treasurer	8,872 00

Unexpended \$3 00

Cash paid for labor on highways: —

Joseph H. Martin	\$2,225 80
Charles A. Barton	967 70
Alvrado Henry, superintendent	1,144 00
Samuel Babbitt	20 00
James Boland	524 00
Walter Burnham	340 20
Guy Colcord	56 00
Samuel Colcord	113 20
Andrew Gaultier	486 50
Henry Hultman	397 70
William Hultman	438 50
Dennis McNally	525 80
Sewell Pugsley	34 00
H. B. Temple & Sons	49 50
	\$7,322 90

Cash paid for incidentals:—

The Texaco Co., oil	\$1,169 44
Grafton & Upton R. R. Co., demurrage	4 00
Wm. Craib, blacksmithing	29 13
Draper Corporation, dynamite	2 97
Edson Sadler, repairs	1 25
Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies	10 05
N. E. Road Mach. Co., scraper blades	16 80
Grafton & Upton R. R., freight	50

W. G. Fiske, lumber . . .	\$ 25 19
N. E. Metal Culvert Co. . .	185 47
L. A. Snow, supplies . . .	21 60
	<hr/> \$1,416 40

Cash paid for gravel:—

Arthur King . . .	\$61 50
Joseph H. Martin . . .	10 80
Thomas Moroney . . .	14 40
Arthur Morrison . . .	7 60
George Tilton . . .	81 40
Irving Whiting . . .	7 00
	<hr/> \$132 70

\$8,872 00

BRIDGES.

Appropriation . . .	\$200 00
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Cash paid:—

B. C. Wood, lumber . . .	\$129 80
W. G. Fiske, nails . . .	6 00
Guy Colcord . . .	8 00
Andrew Gaultier . . .	4 00
Alvrado Henry . . .	5 00
William Hultman . . .	12 00
	<hr/> \$164 80

Unexpended . . .	\$35 20
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SIDEWALKS.

Appropriation . . .	\$200 00
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Cash paid:—

Jule Dupuis, 196 yards concrete . . .	\$196 00
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Unexpended . . .	\$4 00
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REMOVING SNOW.

Appropriation . . .	\$2,000 00
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Cash paid:—

Otto Akerson . . .	\$ 29 25
Walter L. Brousseau & Sons . . .	82 68

William Carroll & Son	.	.	.	\$ 47 63
G. L. Colcord	.	.	.	70 51
Samuel Colcord	.	.	.	109 75
Clarence L. Goodrich	.	.	.	23 25
Harold S. Goodrich	.	.	.	69 00
H. E. Gorton	.	.	.	11 25
Fred H. Gould	.	.	.	13 88
Alvrado Henry	.	.	.	50 40
Clarence Hobbs	.	.	.	18 00
James A. Holmes	.	.	.	38 00
John Holmes	.	.	.	13 44
N. S. Jones	.	.	.	77 29
Wm. Knowlton & Sons	.	.	.	45 00
Alfred LeClaire	.	.	.	100 00
Samuel Luksys	.	.	.	2 63
John Mahood	.	.	.	51 73
Joseph H. Martin	.	.	.	317 24
Arthur W. Morrison	.	.	.	29 00
Allen T. Morse	.	.	.	32 99
Harry Murphy	.	.	.	13 50
Alvin Nichols	.	.	.	7 13
Overseers of Poor	.	.	.	11 28
Alton Page	.	.	.	1 12
George Poirier	.	.	.	28 13
Henry Poirier	.	.	.	29 06
Joseph Poirier	.	.	.	99 00
Sewell Pugsley	.	.	.	87 63
Ruel Ritz	.	.	.	38 43
Frederick Southland	.	.	.	24 37
Arthur Stuart	.	.	.	38 62
Joseph Stuart	.	.	.	42 37
Arthur Sullivan	.	.	.	24 36
Elmer Taft	.	.	.	9 88
O. F. Taft	.	.	.	74 50
Raymond Taft	.	.	.	12 75
H. B. Temple & Sons	.	.	.	272 75
Milton Temple	.	.	.	1 69
Owen Travers	.	.	.	1 50

Irving H. Whiting	\$184 92	
Edgar A. Willard	21 20	
Samuel Willis	48 12	
William Craib, repairing plows	64 40	
	<hr/>	\$2,369 13
Overdrawn		\$369 13

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. KNOWLTON, JR.

HENRY A. TUTTLE,

ALVRADO HENRY,

Highway Surveyors.

I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,

Auditor.

REPORT OF STATE WORK

DONE ON UPTON ROADS DURING THE YEAR 1923 —UNDER CHAPTER 81.

WORK BEGAN APRIL 2, 1923.

Pleasant Street:

Scraped twice. Oiled .5 miles 16 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application, 1700 gals. Cut brush. Laid 1 12 in. corrugated pipe 36 feet long and 1 12 in. corrugated pipe 24 feet long.

Williams Street:

Scraped. Oiled .5 miles 12 ft. wide, 1-3 gallon application, 900 gals.

West Street:

Scraped.

Maple Avenue:

Scraped. Dragged. Oiled .6 miles 16 ft. wide, 1 3 gal. application, 1700 gals. Gravelled 550 ft. long, 4 inches deep, 10 feet wide.

Depot Street:

Scraped. Oiled .4 miles 16 ft. wide 1-4 gal. application, 727 gals.

Hartford Avenue:

Scraped.

High Street:

Scraped twice. Dragged. Gravelled 550 ft. long, 10 ft. wide, 4 inches deep. Oiled .5 miles long, 16 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application, using 1600 gals.

Westboro Road:

Scraped 3 times. Dragged. Graveled 2825 ft. 4 inches deep, 10 ft. wide. Installed 12 inch corrugated pipe culvert 24 ft. long. Cleaned stone culverts. Oiled .5 miles long, 9 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application 950 gals. Cut brush.

Ridge Road:

Scraped and cut brush.

Southboro Road :

Scraped and cut brush.

Eames Lane :

Scraped.

North Street :

Scraped. Gravelled 785 ft. long, 10 ft. wide, 4 in. deep.

Merriam Road :

Scraped.

Grafton Road :

Scraped and cut brush.

Orchard Street :

Scraped and cut brush.

Fowler Road :

Scraped and cut brush.

Old Grafton Road :

Scraped and cut brush.

Mechanic Street :

Scraped. Dragged twice. Gravelled 1640 ft. long, 4 in. deep, 10 ft. wide. Oiled .6 miles, 8 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application, 816 gals. Cut brush.

Warren Street :

Scraped. Cut brush. Cleaned culverts, and oiled to Nelson Hill.

Church Street :

Scraped. Dragged. Gravelled 10 ft. long, 10 ft wide, 4 inches deep. Oiled .1 miles 12 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application, 250 gals.

Stoddard Street :

Scraped.

Maple Street :

Scraped. Oiled .1 mile 12 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application, 250 gals.

Cross Street :

Scraped.

Bliss Road :

Scraped. Gravelled 40 ft. long, 9 ft. wide, 3 inches deep.

School Street :

Scraped. Dragged. Oiled .7 miles, 12 ft. wide. 1-3 gal. application, 1800 gals.

Nelson Street :

Scraped and oiled.

North Main Street :

Scraped twice. Gravelled 1200 ft. long, 12 ft. wide,, 4 in. deep. Oiled .5 miles, 16 ft. wide, 1-8 gal. application, 1700 gals.

Hopkinton Road :

Scraped. Cut brush. Gravelled 1416 ft., 9 ft. wide, 4 in. deep. Removed stone.

Elm Street :

Scraped and cut brush. Gravelled 300 feet long, 12 ft. wide, 4 in. deep, and oiled.

Old Dam Road :

Scraped and cut brush.

Fisk Avenue :

Scraped. Gravelled 80 ft. long, 9 ft. wide, 4 in. deep.

Walnut Street :

Scraped. Gravelled 400 ft. long, 9 ft. wide, 3 in. deep. Cut brush. Cleaned culverts. Removed stone.

East Street :

Scraped. Cut brush. Cleaned culverts.

Pearl Street :

Scraped. Gravelled 300 ft. long, 9 ft. wide, 4 in. deep. Cut brush.

Taft Street :

Scraped. Gravelled 175 ft. long, 9 ft. wide, 4 in. deep.

Fisk Mill Road :

Scraped. Gravelled 1425 ft. long, 10 feet wide, 4 in. deep. Installed 12 in. corrugated pipe culvert 24 ft. long.

Pond Street :

Scraped.

Glen View Avenue:

Scraped. Put in stone fill 1000 ft. long, 18 ft. wide, 2 ft. deep, and covered with 6 in. of gravel. Cut brush. Built stone culvert 24 ft. long, with 2 ft. wide by 2 ft deep opening.

Christian Hill Road :

Scraped and cut brush.

Prospect Street :

Scraped and cut brush.

Gable Street :

Scraped.

Chestnut Street :

Scraped and cut brush.—Gravelled 80 ft. long, 10 ft. wide, 4 in. deep.

West River Road :

Scraped and cut brush.

Snake Road :

Scraped and cut brush.

South Street :

Scraped. Gravelled 1625 ft. long, 9 ft. wide, 3 in. deep. Cut brush.

Mendon Street :

Scraped twice. Gravelled 3050 ft. long, 10 ft. wide, 4 in. deep. Oiled .2 miles, 16 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application, using 1894 gals. Cut brush. Cleaned culverts. Laid one 12 in. corrugated pipe 24 feet long.

Plain Street :

Scraped.

Station Street :

Scraped. Gravelled 410 ft. in length, 12 ft. wide, 4 in. deep. Cleaned culverts.

Grove Street :

Scraped. Gravelled 1000 ft. in length, 12 ft. wide, 3 in. deep. Oiled .5 miles 16 ft. wide, 1-3 gal. application, using 1700 gals.

Brooks Street :

Scraped.

School House Road :

Gravelled 170 ft. in length, 9 ft. wide, 4 in. deep. Removed stone and cut brush.

REMARKS.

The road work this year was very satisfactory. A piece

of permanent work was done on Glen View Avenue, 1000 feet long, which greatly improved that section of the road.

On a number of the main streets, road oil was applied, using 15,987 gallons. This oil not only laid the dust, but helped to maintain the road surface during the long, dry summer months.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. VESPER,

Engineer Chapter 81 Work.

TOOLS.

On hand in the town of Upton December 1, 1923.

Name.	No.	Name.	No.
Iron bars,	4	Road machine, American	
Stone forks,	6	Champion,	2
Stone hammers,	2	Sand screens,	2
Hoes,	6	Scythes,	8
Mattocks,	3	Snaths,	8
Picks,	4	Shovels, Short Rd.,	7
Rake handles,	2	Shovels, Short Sq.,	1
Rakes,	2	Road plow,	2
Chap. 81 Split Log Road		Long handle R. P. shovels,	5
drag,	4	Whetstones,	2
		Long Handle S. P. Shovels	1

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. VESPER,

Engineer Chapter 81 Work.

AMOUNTS EXPENDED ON ROADS IN THE TOWN OF UPTON IN 1923 UNDER CHAPTER 81.

Name of Road.	Amount.	Name of Road.	Amount.
Pleasant,	\$302 30	Ridge or Old Partridge,	\$52 25
Williams,	134 53	Southboro or Woodville,	29 25
West. No. 1 and 2,	64 25	Eames Lane,	10 00
Maple avenue,	218 84	North,	271 50
Depot,	73 76	Merriam,	37 00
Hartford,	12 60	Grafton,	23 00
High,	364 62	Orchard,	47 25
Westboro,	923 60	Fowler,	42 25

Name of Road.	Amount	Name of Road.	Amount.
Old Grafton,	\$ 10 25	South,	\$ 419 15
Mechanic,	466 22	Mendon,	818 16
Warren,	82 09	Plain,	18 50
Church,	29 24	Station,	143 45
Stoddard,	10 75	Grove,	268 64
Cross,	1 75	Brooks,	7 63
Bliss,	24 90	Piccadilly,	6 87
School,	213 56	Schoolhouse,	1 70
No. Main,	296 01	Culverts not distributed,	11 39
Hopkinton,	312 40	Machinery repairs,	39 38
Hager,	35 50	Tools,	31 65
Elm,	88 80	Tool repairs,	12 02
Old Dam,	15 73		
Fisk avenue,	17 50	Total,	\$8,858 00
Warren,	40 50	Town allotment,	\$4,425 00
Walnut,	136 00	State allotment,	4,425 00
East,	30 35		
Pearl,	107 35		\$8,850 00
Taft,	109 30	Ex. Chapter 81,	25 00
Fisk Rd.	344 36		
Pond,	10 00	Total,	\$8,875 00
Glen View,	1,663 35	Total payrolls,	\$8,482 34
Christian Hill,	65 50	Total material,	375 66
Prospect,	491 25		
Gable,	10 00		\$8,858 00
Chestnut,	97 05	Bal. unexpended,	17 00
West River,	99 00		
Snake,	5 75	Total,	\$8,875 00

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. VESPER,

Engineer Chapter 81 Work.

LAKEVIEW CEMETERY COMMISSION.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

Received cash balance from 1922 . . .	\$ 22 72
Maria Ellison, care Elbridge Sadler lot for 1922	1 00
Mrs. Frank Lamb, Westboro, care 1918- '19-'20-'21-'22	5 00
Mrs. Fred Kempton, lot	20 00
Henry McBride, care for 1922	1 00
Stephen H. Eames, care for 1922	1 00
Worcester County Institution for Sav- ings, interest to January, 1923 . . .	133 46
Charles Marshall, care for 1922	1 00
Mrs. Fiske Batchelor, repairs on lot . . .	3 00
Samuel Aldrich, care 1922	1 00
Charles Leland, opening grave (Harvey) . .	4 00
Worcester Monument Co., foundation . .	4 00
Mrs. Sadie Smith, foundation	4 00
Victor Noe, two lots, care for 1922 . . .	2 00
Charles Noe, lot	10 00
Charles Noe, opening grave	5 00
John Hines, opening grave	4 00
John Hines, lot	20 00
John Hines, care for 1923	1 00
Joshua Ballou, repairs on lot	1 50
Emma Waldron, care of Otis D. Aldrich lot	1 00
Harry Jordan, opening grave	5 00
Charles Ormes, opening grave	5 00
Victor Noe, Jr., repairs on lot	3 00
Mrs. Matthew Cooley, care for 1922 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Allison Smart, care for 1923	1 00

Edward F. Fowler, lot	\$ 10 00
William Pillion, double lot, care 1922-1923	3 00
Thomas J. Gorman, care 1922-'23	2 00
Town of Upton, town appropriation	500 00
Burt Hobbs, care for 1923	1 00
Warren B Keith, care for 1923	1 00
Mrs. Nettie Wood, (Stoddard lot) care	1 00
Elizabeth Brooks, care for 1923	1 00
Margaret Gorman, care for 1922-'23	2 00
M. Louise Cheney, care for 1923	1 00
George W. Wood, Milford, opening grave, Lackey	4 00
George W. Wood, Milford, opening grave, Mansfield	4 00
George W. Wood, Milford, opening grave, White	10 00
Davis Monument Co., Worcester, foundation	2 01
Mrs. Hazen Leighton, care for 1923	1 00
Mrs. J. H. Brooks, double lot, care 1923	1 50
Mrs. Jesse B. Warren, lot	20 00
Mrs. Jesse B. Warren, opening grave	5 00
Mrs. Horace B. Long, opening grave	4 00
Herman Aldrich, foundation	7 75
F. G. Kerr Co., foundation	17 75
J. E. Moore, foundation	11 55
Mrs. Isabelle Walker, care for 1923	1 00
Raymond O'Connell, care for 1923	1 00
Milton Farley, opening grave, John Spence	7 00
Worcester County Inst. for Savings, interest to July 1923	138 24
Mrs. John Spivak, lot	10 00
Mrs. John Spivak, opening grave	4 00
Martha Eames, care for 1923	1 00
Mrs. Celia Wellington, (double), care for 1923	1 50

Walter True, care for 1923 . . .	\$ 1 00
Emana Dipper, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Charles Barbour, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Rose Metreau, (double), care for '23 . . .	1 50
B C Wood, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
James Boland, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Annie Nelson, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Charles Braman, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Henry J. Batchelor, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Arthur Bartlett, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. William Henchey, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
William Anderson, foundation . . .	8 00
Herman Aldrich, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Frank Rollins, repairs on lot . . .	2 00
George Davenport, repairs on lot . . .	2 00
Dr. Le Sieur Weir, repairs on lot . . .	5 00
George Shultz, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
John Hapstra, opening grave, Gay . . .	5 00
Isabel Maloy, opening grave and lot . . .	14 00
Francis Smith, opening grave(Holbrook) . . .	4 00
Eugene Hall, care for 1922-'23 . . .	2 00
George R. Fisher, Worcester, repairs . . .	5 00
Dora B. Traver, repairs on lot . . .	20 00
Lizzie Hart, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Katherine Shaughnessy, repairs on lot . . .	2 50
George Davenport, foundation . . .	6 50
Charles Temple, opening grave (John- son) . . .	4 00
Buraglio and Monti, foundation . . .	6 65
A. C. Southland, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
W. W. Watson, Milford, opening grave, (Thatcher) . . .	5 00
George Bradley, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Edward Aldrich, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Myron Forbush, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Charles Houghton, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Henry A. Tuttle, (double) care for 1923 . . .	1 50
Mrs. Arthur Titus, care for 1923 . . .	1 00

Mrs. Clarence Church, care for 1923 . . .	\$1 00
Herbert Kentfield (double) care for 1923 . . .	1 50
Theophilus Bissonette, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mattie Houghton, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Fred Sanford, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
E. A. Phipps, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs Charles Irving, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs Nelson Brown (double), care for 1923 . . .	1 50
John Lyons, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Patrick Ford, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Nettie Holbrook, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Addie Boyd, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs E. A. Bates, (double), care for 1923 . . .	1 50
Mrs. Willis Nichols, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Miss Effie Hill, (double), care for 1923 . . .	1 50
Mr. R. S. Whitten, care for 1923-24 . . .	2 00
E Maud Eynon, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Frank Banister, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
George R. Fisher (double), care for 1923 . . .	1 50
Leon Childs, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mary Walker, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Alexander Nelson, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs Henry Morse, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Mrs. Alfred Whitney, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Harrison Johnson, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Stephen Smith, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Stephen H. Eames, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Kate Clifford, (double), care for 1923 . . .	1 50
Felix Kearnan, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
George W. Wood, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Edwin Claffin, care for 1923 . . .	1 00
Margaret Slattery (double), care for 1923 . . .	1 50
Fred W. Wood (double), care for 1923 . . .	1 50
John B. Fay (double), care for 1923 . . .	1 50
	<hr/> \$1,188 12

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By cash paid:—

Frank Brewer, superintendent, labor	\$191 14
Charles Barton, labor	9 00
W. G. Fiske, cement and supplies .	5 50
F. W. Wood, stationery, postage and supplies	4 80
L. A. Snow, supplies	4 05
Carl Swanson, labor	197 34
G. & U. Railroad, freight . . .	1 50
The Quadriga Mfg. Co., care markers	76 30
Curtiss Coal Co., cement . . .	22 50
Howard Bull, labor	268 34
American Express Co., express .	2 91
Amos Austin, labor	23 80
W. H. Holbrook, paint supplies .	8 29
Clark Ellis & Sons, lawn mower .	18 00
George Varney, grind stone . . .	3 00
J. H. Brooks, postage and stationery	3 42
J. H. Brooks, salary as secretary .	10 00
Charles Barbour, salary as chairman	5 00
Fred W. Wood, salary as treasurer .	10 00
Perkins & Butler, Worcester, record book and seals	2 75
Edson Sadler, repairs on lawn mower	1 80
Joseph Page, labor sawing lumber .	2 60
F. M. Burhoe, repairs on pump . .	1 25
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Total amount paid out	\$1,173 29
Jan. 1, 1924, by cash to balance .	14 83
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	\$1,188 12

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,

Treasurer.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,

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 Ora 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	87 50
	<hr/> 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 Nelson fund	100 00
Elizabeth E. Holbrook fund . . .	50 00
Mrs. J. H. LeSure, by will . . .	50 00
Mrs. Mary A. Whitney, by will . .	50 00
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
Arba T. Wood, heirs	50 00
Baldwin and Wilson fund	50 00
Albert Pierce, by will	100 00
George E. Childs estate fund . . .	50 00
Angie Davis, by will	50 00
David F. Eames fund	50 00
John A. Spencer, by will	50 00
James A. Rockwood fund	50 00
Amanda Madden, by will	100 00
Miss Mary Dwyer fund	75 00
Emily Cahoon and Alice E. Titus fund	50 00
Olive A. Monroe fund	50 00
Myron W. Claflin fund	50 00
M. L. Saunders fund	50 00
Margaret Lavin and Mary G. Hart fund	50 00
Sidney Carpenter fund	100 00
Elisha Chapin fund	100 00
Dr. LeSieur Wier fund for the Gordon	
Hayward lot	50 00
LeSieur Wier lot	50 00
Caroline Clark fund, John Hunt lot .	50 00

Frank W. Clark fund, Henry Clark lot	\$ 50 00
Mrs. E. C. Traver fund, Dr. E. C.	
Traver lot	50 00
Elzie Struthers fund	50 00
John S. McCauslin fund	50 00
Levi Taft fund	50 00
Nahum B. Hall (double lot)	75 00
Wilson Rawson fund	50 00
Batchelor and Jones lot, by will	100 00
Gardner P. Harrington, by will	100 00
Stearns and Hagar lot	75 00
George Bruder fund	50 00
Goldthwaite and Ormes fund	75 00
John Cyrus Sweet fund	50 00
Mary Anna Clark fund	50 00
Mary Baker (double lot)	75 00
Ellen O'Connell fund	50 00
John Walkup, by will	100 00
Abbie A. Kimball, by will	50 00
Alice A. Wood, by will	50 00
Clara A. Porter and Jonathan	
Bradish lot	50 00
	<hr/> \$6,785 00

FRED W. WOOD,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

RECEIPTS.

Annual appropriation, Feb. 12	\$850 00
Special appropriation, Feb. 12	150 00
	\$1,000 00

EXPENSES.

E. M. Baker, salary as engineer and supplies	\$ 27 44
H. E. Allard, salary as engineer and supplies	47 50
T. J. Gorman, salary as engineer and supplies	28 25
B. C. Crooker, janitor 12 months, labor and supplies	137 65
W. K. & Sons, coal	138 94
J. F. Damon, repairs on motor pump	105 00
Leo F. Murphy, treasurer of fire company	308 34
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone for twelve months	29 65
Worcester Suburban Electric Co., lighting engine house twelve months	12 63
Ernest Wellman, labor at chimney fires	6 00
A. A. Bowker, 1 pair rubber boots and gas	16 08
Clyde Brown, labor at chimney fires	4 00
J. H. Scott, use of horse at chimney fire Feb 6	3 00
Harry C. Snow, chimney fires and special duty	4 00
G. H. Southland, labor and stock	4 25
W. G. Fiske, lumber	1 00
Edwin Sadler, labor at Warren fire May 30	2 00
Raymond Brown, labor at Warren fire May 30	2 00
Sydney Williams, labor at Warren fire May 30	2 00
U. S. Rubber Co., supplies	4 62
Daniel Fay, labor	2 50
American Railway Express	1 96

G. F. Welch, labor	\$ 75
J. M. Hardy, 1 3½x4 connection	10 00
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Total expense for fire company	\$899 56
Overdrawn	\$49 56
Number of chimney fires	12
General alarms	3

SPECIAL EXPENSE.

J. M. Hardy, 13 Hardy special fire coats, 5 helmets, 8 pairs rubber boots, 8 Sou-wester hats	\$176 82
Special appropriation	150 00
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Overdrawn	\$26 82
Total expense	\$1,076 88
Total receipts	1,000 00
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Total overdrawn	\$76 88

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

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,
Auditor.

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN.

RECEIPTS.

By appropriation	\$300 00
Received from town of Hopkinton for aid	49 50
	\$349 50

EXPENSES.

April 12, Fire near old Westboro road	\$ 3 00
April 20, Fire near W. H. Reynolds'	30 50
May 20, Aid to Town of Hopkinton	49 50
May 30, Fire near Warren place	2 00
June 1, Fire near T. J. Harper's.	3 50
July 1, Fire near Milford road	2 00
July 28, Fire near playgrounds	5 25
Sept. 15, Fire near Riverdale road	21 00
3 false alarms	6 00
Cleaning slash	8 00
B. C. Crooker, police duty	2 00
Brewer & Co, 1 bbl. soda	14 00
W. J. Seaver, express	1 50
Posting fire notices	5 00
W. P. Grandy, charging extinguishers	75
Henry E. Allard, services as warden	19 00
Total expense	\$173 00
Unexpended balance	\$176 50
Number of alarms	8
Number of false alarms	3
Number of permits granted	378

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY E. ALLARD,
Forest Warden.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON.
Auditor.

REPORT OF THE APPRAISERS.

We, the undersigned, appraisers of the Town Farm and personal property thereon, hereby certify that we met at said Farm on the fourth day of January, 1924, and we beg leave to submit the following report:—

Farm and buildings:—

House and barn, garage, ice house,		
hen house, sheds		\$1,800 00
Nine cows	\$900 00	
Two calves	50 00	
Two farm horses	300 00	
One driving horse	50 00	
Two pigs	20 00	
Seventeen hens	34 00	
Wagons and carts, tip cart, two farm		
wagons	175 00	
Milk wagon	40 00	
Sled and drag	25 00	
One pung	23 00	
Horse blankets	33 50	
Harnesses:—		
One double, one single	25 00	
Farm tools and sundries:—		
Hand tools	25 00	
One mowing machine	25 00	
One plow	25 00	
One plow	8 00	
One harrow	30 00	
One spring tooth harrow	5 00	
One cultivator	5 00	
One horse rake	20 00	
One corn planter	8 00	
One seeder	3 00	
Hay cutter	2 00	

Horse hoe	\$ 8 00
One spreader	125 00
One tackle block and rope	5 00
One sprayer	3 25
One corn sheller	3 00
One roll barb wire	3 00
One extension ladder	5 00
One ladder	2 00
One and a half tons oat fodder	30 00
Eight tons hay	240 00
Fifteen tons ensilage	300 00
Meat scraps	1 75
Six bags fertilizer	12 00
One hundred lbs. clover seed	15 00
Two feed bags	3 50
Three bags meal	5 76
Tenbags oats	13 90
Four bags bran	8 00
Four bags ground oats	5 96
Two bags gluten	5 60
Three bags mixed feed	6 36
Two bags cotton seed	6 00
Two bags oil meal	6 00
Seventeen bags	2 55
Potatoes	25 00
One bushel beans	2 50
Twenty-five lbs. cabbage	50
Fifty lbs. squash	2 50
Twenty and a half cords of wood	164 00
Ten cords cut and split wood	100 00
Lumber	100 00
Three thousand ft. logs	60 00
Dairy :—	
Sixteen dozen bottles	19 50
Five milk cans	10 00
One mixing tank	5 00
Six creamers	12 00

Sleeping room furnishings:—

Seven iron beds, 14 chairs, 7 bureaus, 18 sheets, 34 pillow cases, 5 blank- ets	\$270 00
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Sitting room furniture:—

Men's	6 00
Women's	6 00

Bath room furniture:—

Tub, set bowl, stool, chest	5 00
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Laundry furnishings:—

Tank, heater, set tubs, oil stove, washing machine, chair, boiler	41 00
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Kitchen furnishings:—

Stove, table, 4 chairs, table	175 00
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Pantry furnishings:—

Groceries and provisions	25 00
Ninety-five lbs salt pork	14 25
Canned fruit	30 00

Cooking utensils:—

3 spiders, doughnut kettle, tea pot, 2 jugs, 2 bean pots, 3 kettles, 6 bread tins, griddle, 6 milk pans, coffee pot, 2 colanders, 1 clock, 2 platters	26 50
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Dining room furnishings	18 00
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Crockery and silver	55 00
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Four lanterns	3 00
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Two fire extinguishers	16 00
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One gallon vinegar	50
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Ash can and sifter	5 00
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Grind stone	20 00
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Ice saw	5 00
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Cross cut saw	3 00
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Door mat	1 00
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Force pump	2 00
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Seven tons coal	\$112 00
Total personal	\$3,983 38
Total appraisal January 1, 1924	\$8,783 38
Farm as appraised January 1, 1923	\$1,800 00
Personal property January 1, 1923	3,364 25
Total appraisal January 1, 1923	\$8,164 25
Increase in valuation	\$619 13

FRED E. WILLIAMS,
H. A. CHAMBERLAIN,
GEORGE F. BRIGGS,
Appraisers of Town Farm.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR **FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.**

To cash paid for mothers' aid for the		
Department of Public Welfare .	\$401 68	
Town of Upton .	808 32	
		<u>\$1,205 00</u>
Clerk's supplies .		1 00
		<u>\$1,206 00</u>
Receipts for mothers' aid from Depart-		
ment of Public Welfare .	\$ 350 67	
Appropriations of the town of Upton	1,000 00	
		<u>\$1,350 67</u>

EXPENSES OF MOTHERS' AID CLASSIFIED.

To cash from town treasurer .	\$1,098 00	
To rent .	78 00	
To medical attendance .	29 00	
		<u>\$1,205 00</u>
Clerk's supplies .		1 00
		<u>\$1,206 00</u>

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN ACCOUNT WITH THE **TOWN OF UPTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING** **DECEMBER 31, 1923.**

To cash received from the Department		
of Public Welfare .	\$ 350 67	
Appropriations of the town of Upton .	1,000 00	
		<u>\$1,350 67</u>
Expenses of mothers' aid .	\$1,206 00	
Cash in the hands of the Treasurer .	144 67	
		<u>\$1,350 67</u>

Money due the town for mothers' aid
from Department of Public Welfare \$280 00
Number of persons aided under this report, thirteen.

HENRY D. ALDRICH,
FRANK O. WADMAN,
EDWARD B. NEWTON,
Overseers of the Poor.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,
Auditor.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

EXPENSES AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

To cash paid :—

Superintendent and Matron, salary .	\$581 76
Labor on the farm	814 58
Labor in the house	225 17
Groceries and meats	901 68
Fish and oysters	48 94
Grain and feed	827 41
Tobacco	5 80
Supplies for the house	86 35
Supplies for the barn	33 35
Telephone	39 67
Coal	269 11
Stock bought	248 50
Horse shoeing and repairing	118 73
Hardware and repairs	93 14
Milk supplies	30 93
Medical attendance	15 00
Drugs and medicine	10 95
Clothes and shoes	21 39
Farming tools	17 29
Garden seeds and seed potatoes	63 30
Pasture	2 00
Sawing lumber	33 10
Fertilizer	61 25
Wagons	75 00
Transportation	2 00
Barbering	5 05
Engine and cutter for use with supplies	22 30
	<hr/> \$4,648 70

EXPENSES FOR OUTSIDE AID FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Department of Public Welfare	\$577 96
Town of Northboro	109 58
Town of Upton	836 06
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	\$1,523 60
Clerk's supplies	\$3 71

RECEIPTS AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Milk sold	\$1,324 77
Hay and ensilage sold	71 00
Team work and sand	21 28
Wagon	2 00
Board and care	288 00
Beef sold	40 95
Pork sold	49 12
Stock sold	50 00
Vegetables sold	21 11
Wood sold	49 00
Telephone receipts	2 60
Lumber sold	304 80
Cash returned from Treasurer	22 80
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	\$2,247 43

EXPENSE FOR OUTSIDE AID CLASSIFIED.

Cash	\$667 00
Medical attendance	123 00
Fuel	59 40
Food supplies	268 52
Rent	44 00
Stove repairs	7 35
Shoes repaired	12 25
City of Worcester	5 90
Milford hospital	181 50
Town of Northboro	109 58
Burial	45 00
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	\$1,523 60

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN ACCOUNT WITH
THE TOWN OF UPTON FOR THE YEAR END-
ING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Received from the town farm . . .	\$2,247 43	
Received from the Department of Public Welfare . . .	448 13	
Received from town of Northboro . . .	109 58	
Appropriation of the town of Upton . . .	3,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,305 14
Expenses at the town farm . . .	\$4,648 70	
Expenses temporary aid in town . . .	1,386 20	
Expenses temporary aid out of town . . .	187 40	
Expenses clerk's supplies . . .	8 71	
Cash in the hands of the treasurer . . .	129 13	
	<hr/>	\$6,305 14
Money due the town for temporary aid from Department of Public Welfare . . .	\$571 00	
Due the town farm . . .	45 70	
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PERSONS SUPPORTED AT THE TOWN FARM FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Mr. Charles A. Hart, superintendent . . .	31 weeks
Mrs. Charles A. Hart, matron . . .	31 weeks
Mr. Hart's daughter . . .	31 weeks
Mr. O. E. Stygles, superintendent . . .	18 weeks
Mrs. O. E. Stygles, matron . . .	13 weeks
Mr. Stygles' daughter . . .	13 weeks
Mr. Charles Congdon, superintendent . . .	10 weeks
Mrs. Charles Congdon, matron . . .	10 weeks
Mr. Congdon's child . . .	10 weeks
Mr. Congdon's child . . .	10 weeks
Frank W. Rice, laborer . . .	19 weeks
Silas Day, laborer . . .	4 weeks
Mike Smith, laborer . . .	3 weeks
Wm Eastman, laborer . . .	2 weeks
Ida Cutting, maid . . .	2 weeks

Ethel Pool, maid	.	.	.	.	8 weeks
Eva Boudreau	.	.	.	.	19 weeks
Carrie Prentiss	.	.	.	.	2 weeks
Olive Houghton	.	.	.	.	13 weeks
Boarder No. 1	.	.	.	.	52 weeks
Inmate No. 1	.	.	.	.	52 weeks
Inmate No. 2	.	.	.	.	52 weeks
Inmate No. 3	.	.	.	.	52 weeks

 446 weeks

Persons aided at the farm in this report	.	.	.	4
Persons aided, temporary aid	.	.	.	21

HENRY D. ALDRICH,
FRANK O. WADMAN,
EDWARD B. NEWTON,
Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Number of platform scales over 5000 lbs. sealed	.	3
Number of platform scales under 5000 lbs. sealed	.	24
Number of counter scales sealed	.	1
Number of beam scales sealed	.	13
Number of spring balances sealed	.	15
Number of computing scales sealed	.	13
Number of prescription scales sealed	.	1
Number of avoirdupois weights sealed	.	147
Number of apothecary weights sealed	.	19
Number of liquid measures sealed	.	69
Number of kerosene measuring pumps sealed	.	2
Number of oil measuring pumps sealed	.	4
Number of gasoline measuring pumps sealed	.	11
Number of yard measures sealed	.	2

Tested Mass. sealed milk and cream jars.

Hawkers and peddlers required to have licenses.

Amount collected and turned over to town for sealing,
\$36.81.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN C. CROOKER,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

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

Appropriation	\$400 00
Expended for labor and supplies	383 00
Unexpended balance	\$17 00

TOOLS ON HAND.

- 1 brush scythe and snath.
- 1 pair Clyde pruners.
- 2 bill hooks.
- 1 tree scraper.
- 1 pruner.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE L. GOODRICH.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,

Auditor.

REPORT OF THE AL SUPERINTENDENT FOR SUP
PRESSING THE GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL
NOTES
Estimated for labor and supplies
\$200 00
\$88 00

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

Appropriation	\$200 00
Expended in the care of trees and supplies	186 00
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Unexpended balance	\$14 00

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE L. GOODRICH,

Tree Warden.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,

Auditor.

TOWN LIBRARY.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RESOURCES.

Cash on hand, January 1, 1923	\$ 11 03
Town appropriation	465 00
Town appropriation (Carpenter fund)	60 00
Charlotte A. Batchelor fund	131 25
Received for fines, etc.	11 69
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	\$678 97

EXPENDITURES.

Books	\$193 21
Books for Carpenter alcove	64 18
Magazines and periodicals	61 00
Librarian's salary	200 00
Library assistant	9 30
Library supplies	14 71
New shelves	3 00
Cleaning library room	5 00
Binding books	64 13
Express and parcel post	3 50
Fuel for Branch at West Upton	16 50
Rent and furnishings for Branch	17 50
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	\$652 03
Cash in hands of treasurer	7 97
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	\$660 00
Unexpended balance	18 97
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	\$678 97

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. FAY,

Treasurer Library Trustees.

Upton, Mass., January 10, 1924.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,

Auditor.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE UPTON LIBRARY :—

The librarian herewith submits her sixth annual report, following which are library statistics and catalogue of new books.

During the year books have been purchased and added to the "Dr. Carpenter Alcove" as required.

In April one hundred books donated by townspeople for the Merchant Marine were forwarded to the Boston Public Library.

Sixty photographs of "Our National Parks" loaned by the Woman's Education Association were on exhibition during the month of July.

In August a reading club met each Wednesday afternoon at the library. The total attendance was 48; total number of books read by the members 59.

During "Children's Book Week" in November, the new books purchased for boys and girls were on display. Thursday afternoon of that week the Superintendent and teachers visited the library. At the suggestion of Mr. Cole, lists of the library's resources in literature, history, biography and travel were made for use at the High School. This work was done by Emma Bowker, Sylvia Hall and Helen Nelson.

State Certificates for reading five books have been given to the following: Shirley Fiske, Edith J. Hilliard, Beatrice Jefferson, William Mack, E. Hamblin Thompson and W. Erben Walters. Honor Certificates for reading twenty books, five of which were non-fiction, have been given to Aubrey Ballou and Lillian Crooker.

The book deposit in the store of Mrs. Beaman has been much used and Mrs. Beaman's kindness has been greatly appreciated by the residents of West Upton.

During December plans were completed for opening a branch library in West Upton to take the place of the deposit.

A room was rented in Sharpe's block and a new electric light installed. About two hundred volumes were taken from the Main Library and some new ones purchased. This branch will be open on Tuesday and Friday from four to eight o'clock p. m. and the librarian will be in charge. It is hoped that in this way the resources of the Main Library may be made more nearly available to all residents of the town.

During the year gifts have been received from the following named persons and organizations:—

Alpha Portland Cement Co., American Woolen Co., Wilmer Atkinson Co., Bancroft Memorial Library, Misses Lizzie and Lydia Ball, 2 books, Miss Antoinette Batchelor, 2 books, Boston Chamber of Commerce, Boston Public Library, Columbia University, Elbert H. Gary, Otto H. Kahn, Mrs. Harold Knowlton, magazine subscription, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Near East Relief, Northeastern University, Our Dumb Animals, Rev. William G. Poor, 10 books; Mrs. Mary W. Tileston, Salvation Army, United States Government, United States Shipping Board, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

In closing, the librarian would express her grateful appreciation to the trustees for their continued help and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN A. FAY,

Librarian.

January 10, 1924.

102	.	.	.	Days library open
10,142	.	.	.	Total number of books circulated
179	.	.	.	Largest circulation on December 8
25	.	.	.	Smallest circulation on September 26
114	.	.	.	Average Saturday circulation
84	.	.	.	Average Wednesday circulation
8,125	.	.	.	Volumes in library January 1, 1923
				Volumes added during the year:—
				By purchase
164	.	.	.	By gift
190	—			
8,315	.	.	.	Volumes in library December 31, 1923
96	.	.	.	Volumes rebound
470	.	.	.	Number of registered borrowers

LIBRARY HOURS.

MAIN LIBRARY, UPTON CENTER.

Wednesday and Saturday, four to six and seven to nine p. m.

BRANCH LIBRARY, WEST UPTON.

Tuesday and Friday, four to eight p. m.

PERIODICALS.

MONTEITH.

American Boy,
American Magazine,
Boys' Life,
Century,
Everybody's,
Good Housekeeping,
Harper's Magazine,
Ladies' Home Journal,
Little Folks' Magazine,
McClure's,
Munsey,
National Geographic,
New Near East,*
Our Dumb Animals,*
Popular Magazine,
Popular Mechanics,
Review of Reviews,
St. Nicholas,
Scientific American,
Scribner's Magazine,
Trail Maker,*
World's Work,
Readers' Guide.

WEEKLIES.

American Issue,*	|	Outlook,
National Republican,*		Youth's Companion

BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR.

1923.

(Gifts marked with an asterisk).

Ref. 920 M34	Marquis, Albert N.	Who's who in America.
028 Ov19	Overton, Grant.	American nights' entertainment.*

PHILOSOPHY.

170 B42h	Bennett, Arnold.	How to live on 24 hours a day.*
170 B42m	Bennett, Arnold.	Mental efficiency.*
170 B42s	Bennett, Arnold.	Self and self management.*
170 K16	Kaufman, Herbert.	Do something, be something.*
327 W762	Wister, Owen.	Straight deal or ancient grudge.*
385 M144	McDougall, William.	Is America safe for democracy?*
370 St3	Stearns, Alfred E.	Challenge of youth.
372 P27	Patri, Angelo.	Child training.
395 P84	Post, Emily.	Etiquette.

SCIENCE AND ARTS.

519 B72	Bragdon, Claude.	Four-dimentional vistas.
550 G866	Grew, E. S.	Marvels of geology.*
630 P88	Pratt, Alice D.	Homesteader's portfolio.
640 Ab3	Abel, Mary H.	Successful family life on a moderate income.
641 M95	Murphy, Claudia Q.	A collation of cakes.*
656 B64	Bone, David W.	Lookout man.
744 G95	Guptill, Arthur L.	Sketching and rendering in pencil.
791 C778	Cooper, Courtney R.	Under the big top.

LITERATURE AND TRAVEL.

- 814 V28c Van Dyke, Henry. Companionable books.
 821 K622v Kipling, Rudyard. Verse.
 910 H89 Hungerford, Edward. Planning a trip
 abroad.*
 917.8 G86 Grey, Zane. Tales of lonely trails.
 917.98 C22 Carpenter, Frank G. Alaska.
 919.9 Sm58 Smith, Charles E. From the deep of the sea.
 919.8 St3 Stefansson, Vilhjalmur. Hunters of the great
 North.

BIOGRAPHY AND HISTORY.

- 923 K82 Kohlsaat, H. H. From McKinley to Harding.
 928 C768 Cook, Howard W. Our poets of today.
 B At5 Atkinson, Wilmer. Autobiography.*
 B C942 Bok, Edward W. Man from Maine.
 B M17 McGraw, John J. My thirty years in baseball.
 B St7s Stowe, Charles E. Life of Harriet Beecher
 Stowe.*
 B T45 Tileston, Mary W. Amelia Peabody Tileston.*
 B W63 Wiggin, Kate Douglas. My garden of mem-
 ory.
 940.2 G35 Gibbons, Herbert A. Europe since 1918.
 940.9 T38 Thomson, Basil. My experiences at Scotland
 Yard.
 970.1 M78 Moorehead, Warren K. American Indian.
 973.4 P16 Paine, Ralph D. Ships and sailors of Old
 Salem.
 978 B385 Bechdolt, Frederick R. When the West was
 young.

GENEALOGY.

- 929 Ac8 Acton, Vital records to 1850.*
 929 D36 Deerfield, Vital records to 1850.*
 929 G51 Gloucester, Vital records to 1850.*
 929 M52 Mendon, Vital records to 1850.*
 929 P74 Plympton, Vital records to 1850.*

FICTION.

- Ab 22m Abbott, Jane. Minglestreams.
 An 26h Andrews, Mary R. S. His soul goes marching on.
 An 26p The perfect tribute.
 B 115s Babcock, Bernie. Soul of Abe Lincoln.
 B 152d Bailey, Temple. Dim lantern.
 B 192L Baldwin, Faith. Laurel of Stoney stream.
 B 51Li Bindloss, Harold. Lister's great adventure.
 B 442mi Benson, E. F. Miss Mapp.
 B 67p Bower, B. M. Parowan bonanza.
 B 67v Voice at Johnny water.
 C 162r Canfield, Dorothy. Rough hewn.
 C 28o Cather, Willa. One of ours.
 C 644k Cody, H. A. King's arrow.
 C 73te Comstock, Harriet T. Tenth woman.
 C 76ga Connor, Ralph. Gaspards of Pinecroft.
 C 778L Cooper, Courtney R. Last frontier.
 C 91L Callum, Ridgewell. Luck of the Kid.
 C 942a Curwood, James O. Alaskan.
 C 942w Wolf hunters.
 D 32k Dawson, Coningsby. Kingdom round the corner.
 D 362r Dejeans, Elizabeth. Romance of a million dollars.
 F 22s Farnol, Jeffery. Sir John Dering.
 F 75h Ford, James L. Hot corn Ike.
 F 762e Forman, Henry J. Enchanted garden.
 F 913p Friel, Arthur C. Pathless trail.
 G 132fa Gale, Zona. Faint perfume.
 G 82s Green, Anna K. Step on the stairs.
 G 86t Grey, Zane. To the last man.
 G 86w Wanderer of the wasteland.
 H 19h Hankins, Arthur P. Heritage of the hills.
 H 226r Harker, L. Allen. Really romantic age.
 H 312 Hawthorne, Nathaniel. Works, 10 vols.
 H 81n Hough, Emerson. North of 36.

H 87m	Hueston, Ethel. Merry O.
J 61c	Johnston, Mary. Croatan.
J 64f	Johnston, Mary. 1492.
K 263b	Keith, Marian. Bells of St. Stephens.
K 282c	Kelland, Clarence B. Contraband.
L 49s	LeBlanc, Maurice. Secret tomb.
L 58w	Lewis, Alfred A. Wolfville.
L 632do	Lincoln, Joseph C. Doctor Nye.
L 768u	Livingston, Florence B. Under a thousand eyes.
L 792L	Locke, William J. Lengthened shadow.
L 964g	Lucas, E. V. Geneva's money.
L 972L	Lutz, Grace L. H. Lo, Michael.
L 972m	Marcia Schuyler.
L 972to	Tomorrow about this time.
M 134o	McCutcheon, George B. Oliver October.
M 163m	MacFarlane, Peter C. Man's country.
M 17w	MacGrath, Harold. World outside.
M 182b	McIntyre, John T. Blowing weather.
M 362ch	Martin, Helen R. Church on the avenue.
M 38wi	Mason, A. E. W. Winding stair.
M 695c	Mitchell, Ruth C. Corduroy.
M 762e	Montgomery, L. M. Emily of New Moon.
M 82w	Morley, Christopher. Where the blue begins.
M 927a	Munsterberg, Margaret. Anna Borden's career.*
Op 4my	Oppenheim, E. Phillips. Mystery road.
P 343v	Pedler, Margaret. Vision of desire.
P 826	Porter, Gene Stratton. Works. 8 Vols.
P 826w	White flag.
Qu 4h	Quick, Herbert. Hawkeye.
R 132ma	Raine, W. M. Man-size.
R 19n	Rath, E. J. Nervous wreck.
R 41red	Richmond, Grace S. Red and black.
R 47br	Rinehart, Mary R. Breaking point.
R 561s	Robinson, Eliot H. Smiles.*
R 561si	Smiling pass.*
R 795m	Rowland, Henry C. Mile high.

R 88si	Ruck, Berta. Sir or Madam.
R 91e	Russell, M. A. Enchanted April.
Sa 1s	Sabatini, Rafael. Scaramouche.
Sa 9g	Sawyer, Ruth. Gladiola Murphy.
Se 5b	Seltzer, Charles A. Brass commandments.
Sp 3L	Spearman, Frank H. Laramie holds the range.
St 45n	Sterrett, Frances R. Nancy goes to town.
Su 82e	Sutherland, Joan. Enchanted country.
T 376p	Thompson, Vance. Pointed tower.
T 68c	Tracy, Louis. Captain of the Kansas.*
W 143s	Waldo, Harold. Stash of the marsh country
W 46f	Wells, Carolyn. Feathers left around.
W 46r	Raspberry jam.
W 46s	Spooky hollow.
W 519g	West, V. Sackville. Gray wethers.
W 584d	White, Hervey. Differences.*
W 668ex	Willsie, Honore. Exile of the lariat.
W 671a	Williamson, C. N. & A. M. The lady from the air.
W 98 u	Wright, Harold B. Mine with the iron door.

JUVENILE.

j398 P87	Powers, Mabel. Around an Iroquois story fire.
j590 M16	McFee, Inez N. Nature's craftsmen.
j920 B77	Britt, Albert. Boys' own book of adventurers.
j978 B15	Bailey, Carolyn S. Broad stripes and bright stars.*
j973.3 D55	Dickinson, A D & H. W. Childrens' book of patriotic stories.
j973.3 L	Lamprey, L. Days of the commanders
jAb 22f	Abbott, Jane. Fidelis.
jB 180	Baldwin, May. Only Pat.
jB 23g	Barbour, Ralph H. For the good of the team.
jB 29w	Bassett, Sara W. Walter and the wireless.
jB 48m	Bennett, John. Master Skylark.
jB 54L	Bishop, Giles. Lieut. Comstock, U. S. Marine.
jB 81j	Brown, Abbie F. John of the woods.
jB 81Lo	Lonesomest doll.

- jC 81d Craig, James. Desert patrol.
 jF 872L French, Harry W. Lance of Kanana.
 jG 86j Gregor, Elmer R. Jim Mason, scout.
 jH 515o Heyliger, William. Off side.
 jH 515s Spirit of the leader.
 jH 515c Hill, H. & Maxwell, V. Charlie and his pup-
 py Bingo.
 jH 92m Hunt, Clara W. Memoirs of a London doll.
 jI 29m Jarnagin, Dorothy. Murdee Gray's choice.
 jK 622L Kipling, Rudyard. Land and sea tales for
 boys and girls.
 jK 622p Pack of Pook's Hill.
 jK 861k Krapp, George P. Kitchen porch.
 jL 132w Lagerlof, Selma. Wonderful adventure of
 Nils.
 jL 823s Lofting, Hugh. Story of Doctor Dolittle.
 jL 823m Story of Mrs. Tubbs.
 jM 14a MacDonald, George. At the back of the
 North wind.
 jM 14p Princess and the goblin.
 jM 826c Moroso, John A. Cap Fallon, fire fighter.
 jP 415f Perkins, Lucy F. Filipino twins.
 jP 61d Pier, Arthur S. David Ives.
 jR 392c Richards, Lela H. Caroline's career.
 jSi 1w Sidney, Margaret. What the seven did.*
 jSi 5a Silvers, Earl R. At Hillsdale High.
 jSm 5f Smith, E. Boyd. Farm book.
 jSm 52p Smith, Harriet L. Peggy Raymond's way.
 jSe 61c Stoddard, William O. Two arrows.
 jV 27L Van Beek, Frank. Little bear who ran away.
 jZ 9f Zwilgmeyer, Dikken. Four cousins.
 jZ 9w What happened to Inger Johannes.

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

For the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth Municipal
Year Ending December 31, 1923.



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
Superintendent of Schools
IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

January 11, 1924.

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

GWENDOLYN B. KNOWLTON,
FRANK O. OGDEN,
BENJ. C. WOOD.



SCHOOL DIRECTORY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Mrs. George W. Knowlton, Jr., Chairman, Term expires 1924.

Frank O. Ogden, Secretary, Term expires 1926.

Benjamin C. Wood, Term expires 1925.

Regular meeting Wednesday preceding the first Monday of each month at 8 p. m.

SUPERINTENDENT.

Albert S. Cole, Grafton, Mass.

Office hours: At Upton High School, Tuesday, 4-5 p. m., on school days.

Telephone, Grafton: Office 49-2 Home 3.

DIRECTORY OF TEACHERS, JANUARY 1924.

School,	Name.	Preparation.	Years of Service.
High School.			
Prin. Science, Math. Hist.	Everett L. Wentworth	Mass. Agri. Col.	2nd
Latin, French.	Mary E. Hickey	Boston Univ'sty	6th
English, Biology,	Mrs. Lora E. Dearth	Framingh'm N S	5th
Geography, Grade VII.,	M. Irene Shiley	Framingh'm N S	1st
Commercial Subjects,			
Arith. Gen. History,	Dorothy M. Clapp	Simmons Col.	1st
Knowlton School.			
Prin. Grades V. VI.,	Mrs. Virginia S. Swett	Danbury Tr. Sch	4th
Grades III. IV.,	Mrs. Alice Alexander	Framingh'm N S	4th
Grades I. II.,	Florence E. Walker	Fisher K N S	10th
Center School.			
Prin. Grades III. IV.,	Susan W. Urban	Fitchburg N S	11th
Grades V. VI.,	Ruth O. Goodrich	Bridgewater N S	2nd
Grades I. II.,	Elizabeth H. Brokaw	Lowell N S	3rd
Supervisors and Special:			
Drawing*	Elsie L. Ball	Pratt Institute	2nd
Music*	Mary T. Bergin	Am. Inst. Nor	2nd
		Methods	
Manual Arts*	Dana A. Stanley	Sloyd Tr. Sch.	11th

*Part time.

School Physician, Samuel R. Capen, M. D.

School Nurse, Margaret Hutton, R. N.

Janitor and Attendance Officer, Benjamin C. Crooker.

CALENDAR, 1924.

Winter Term, 12 weeks.

Term begins Wednesday, January 2.

Term ends Friday afternoon, March 21.

Holiday, Washington's Birthday, Friday, February 22.

Spring Term, 12 weeks.

Term begins Monday, March 31.

Elementary School term ends Thursday afternoon, June 19.

High School term ends Thursday evening, June 19.

Holiday, Memorial Day, Friday, May 30.

Fall Term, 16 weeks.

Term begins Tuesday, September 2.

Term ends Friday afternoon, December 19.

Holidays, Columbus Day, Monday, October 13.

Thanksgiving recess from noon Wednesday, November 26,
for remainder of the week.

1925.

Winter Term begins January 5.

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL FOR ALL SCHOOLS.

Given at 7.30 A. M. by the siren fire alarm.

TEACHER CHANGES, 1923.

Schools	Teacher Resigning.	Date of Ending Service.	Teacher Appointed.
High School,	Helen C. Gooch,	June 29,	Dorothy M. Clapp
High School,	Ruth E. Crooker,	Dec. 31,	M. Irene Slincy

STATISTICS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF UPTON
FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 1923.

	Schools.	A.	B	C	D	E	F
F	High,	129	118.6	108.7	272.6	513	1.86
	Center 5 and 6,	36	32.	29.5	92.2	57	.53
T	Center 3 and 4,	30	27.6	25.1	90.9	47	.52
	Center 1 and 2,	43	33.4	31.	92.8	34	.30
it	Knowlton 5 and 6,	46	37.3	34.8	93.3	34	.27
a	Knowlton 3 and 4,	40	30.5	28.5	93.4	51	.49
	Knowlton 1 and 2,	46	36.7	31.6	86.1	33	.29
	Totals,	370	311.1	284.2	91.4	769	.74

Column A, total enrolment; column B, average membership; column C, average attendance; Column D, per cent of attendance; column E, number of tardinesses; column F, per cent of tardiness.

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ENROLLMENT BY AGE AND GRADE, APRIL 1, 1923, UPTON SCHOOLS.

Age	6*	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
Grade 1	21	18	4													43
2		11	14	3												28
3		2	14	4	5	3										28
4			1	18	9	1	1									30
5				1	13	7	5	3	2	1						32
6						17	9	10	4							40
7						3	17	7		1			1			29
8							2	12	11	6						31
IX									10	6	4					20
X									4	10	3					17
XI										2	7	2	1	1		13
XII											2		2	1		5
Totals	21	31	33	26	27	31	34	32	31	26	16	2	4	2		316

*Six years up to seven, seven years up to eight, etc.

Those within the rectangles are of normal age for their grades.

Those to the left of the rectangles are below normal age for their grades.

Those at the right of the broken lines are three years or more over normal age for their grades.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF UPTON:—

I am pleased to present my third annual report, and with it reports of the Principal of the High School, Supervisors and School Nurse.

SCHOOL COSTS.

A recent report of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching has caused much discussion of the costs of public education. The following table regarding public education in the country as a whole is taken from the above-mentioned report:—

	1890.	1920.
Total cost of public education,	140 million	1 billion dollars
Total teachers' salaries,	98 million	486 million dollars
Total enrollment,	13 million	22 million dollars
Total high school enrollment,	200,000	2,000,000 plus
Total national income,	12 billion	68 billion
		(38 billion in 1890 values)

The above shows that in thirty years the cost of public schools increased 614 per cent, while the enrollment as a whole increased 69 per cent, and the national income increased 450 per cent. The statement given above should be explained in the light of the three main causes of increased costs. They are:—

1. Increased enrollment, particularly in the high schools, which is ten times as great as in 1890, and where costs of instruction are at least twice those in elementary schools
2. Increased costs due to the depreciation of the dollar. Since 1890 the depreciation of the dollar, as measured by its ability to purchase labor and commodities, is variously estimated at from 50 per cent to 67 per cent. George D. Strayer of Columbia, who has made an exhaustive study of school

costs, has stated that, so far as the costs of education go, a dollar now will purchase not more than one-third what it would in 1890.

3. Increased efficiency due to

- a. Better trained and better paid teachers; fewer pupils per teacher and consolidation of schools.
- b. Better buildings.
- c. Additions to curriculum—courses in business, sciences, domestic arts, drawing, music, shop-work, etc., trade and industrial schools.
- d. Various agencies to safeguard the health and promote the physical development of the pupils.

The following table is given on the authority of Payson Smith, and shows that when the above factors are taken into consideration the costs in 1920 were not greater than in 1890:—

Year.	Cost of public education— elementary and high schools.	Increase over 1890	Amount of increase chargeable to Increased Attendance. Depreciation of dollar. Increased efficiency.		
1890.	\$ 140,000,000				
1900.	214,964,618	\$ 74,457,903	\$ 56,202,686		\$18,255,217
1910.	426,250,434	285,743,719	116,620,573	\$ 82,280,732	86,842,414
1920.	1,045,053,830	904,546,830	105,304,333	638,040,991	71,201,506

The following comparison of costs and enrollment in Upton schools, 1914-1922 may be of interest:—

	1914.	1922.	Percent of increase 1914-1922.
Total cost,	\$9,000	\$22,393	126
Transportation,	1,235	3,092	150
Repairs,	365	436	19
Fuel and Janitors,	1,645	2,787	69
Teachers,	4,466	12,400	178
Books—supplies	548	1,563	185
Health,		525	
Average membership	314	307	
Number of weeks per year:			
H. S.	40	40	
Elem.	36	40	8.2
Av. weekly salary of all teachers,	10.85	27.27	151

There has been a great increase in the cost of our schools since 1914, the year of the beginning of the World War. At that time the schools had been consolidated for many years and there has been no fundamental reorganization since. During that time the percentage of increased cost has been 126 per cent. The number of weeks per year increased 8 per cent, so that on the basis of cost per pupil per week the increase has been 116 per cent. During that time prices in general have increased about 100 per cent. The cost for nurse and physician accounts for a part of the remainder of the increase.

Over half the increase in school costs since 1914 has been for increase in teachers' salaries, the need of which has been before the public for some time and needs no further discussion at this time. If it were possible to secure teachers on a salary basis bearing the same relation to pay of other workers as the salaries of 1914 bore to the pay of other workers at that time; if our schoolhouses were returned to the condition in which they were then; if we were to eliminate the additional things we are doing now to safeguard the health and increase the educational opportunities of our pupils, the present cost of our schools would be greater than that of 1914 only so much as is accounted for by the decreased purchasing power of the dollar.

We do not wish to return to conditions as they were. After all the true basis for determining the amount to be spent for public education is not by a comparison of costs, since changed conditions make it impossible to do this in a way that convinces everyone, but by an inquiry into the efficiency and practicability of present day education. To quote from the Carnegie report: "A democracy ought to supply generously the funds for the support of its system of education. It needs, however, at each step to assure itself that the education which it is giving its children and youth through its tax-supported system is sincere and adapted to the training of citizens."

CENTER SCHOOL.

The need of a better schoolhouse for the Center, which

has been under discussion for two or three years, is emphasized by the following letter from Burr F. Jones of the State Department of Education, dated December 22, 1923.

"I was glad of the opportunity to make a brief visit to the schools of Upton. It was gratifying to find the schools so well consolidated, well organized and in the hands of well-trained teachers. All of these conditions make for effective work.

"It is apparent that the outstanding need in the elementary schools is better housing conditions for the children at the Center. I understand that this situation has already been taken under consideration by the town.

"The Center building is old and falls far short of meeting modern sanitary requirements. The lighting provisions are atrocious, not only from the standpoint of the location of windows in the class rooms, but from the standpoint of the amount of light admitted to each room. In the two rooms down stairs there is less than one-half of the amount of light required, and in the upstairs room, hardly more than one-third.

"The toilet conditions are primitive and unwholesome. There is no running water available for cleansing or drinking purposes. The upstairs room has no adequate means of ventilation.

"I think the decision not to remodel this building was eminently wise. Laying out large sums of money on old school buildings is, in my opinion, an uneconomical use of public funds if the long-run results are to be considered. In my opinion it will require a new building to meet the situation adequately. I am sure your committee is right in placing before the citizens of Upton a new building at the Center as the most important and immediate need of your schools. With this need supplied, Upton would have excellent accommodations for its elementary school pupils."

ATTENDANCE.

In the year ending in June, 1921, the percentage of attendance was 89.3; for the year ending June, 1922, 90.47, and in the year ending June, 1923, 91.4, the latter percentage be-

ing somewhat better than the average for the State in similar towns. There has also been a decided decrease in the number of tardinesses, particularly in the High school, the latter having fallen from about 4 per cent to less than 2 per cent.

RETARDED PUPILS.

The 1922 report called attention to the percentage of retarded pupils in the elementary grades and the state law which requires that any town having ten or more pupils three years or more retarded in mental development shall establish special classes for their instruction. Since the 1922 report was written we have received the findings of the examiners from Worcester State Hospital, who have examined 13 over-age pupils in the Upton schools. They reported that of those examined 9 pupils were three years or more retarded in mental development. Under the law, the town is not required to establish special classes.

STANDARD TESTS.

In the appendix I give a summary of Standard Tests given in May, 1922, and May and June, 1923. These show very satisfactory progress but I wish to call attention, particularly to the progress shown in ability to spell. In the fall of 1922 spelling tests were given from grade II through grade VIII, the words being selected from the Iowa spelling scale; 125 words were dictated—25 words each day for 5 days,—to pupils in grades II-IV inclusive; 250 from the same scale were dictated, 50 words each day for five days to pupils in grades V-VIII inclusive. The words given to grades II-VII were of 63 per cent difficulty. That is to say that pupils in the schools where these tests have been given have obtained an average of 63 per cent on these same words in their various grades. The words given to the VIIIth grade were of 73 per cent difficulty for that grade. In May and June 1923, another test of words of the same difficulty was given in the same way. The test given in June, 1923, was a decided gain over the one given in the fall of 1922, the average per cent gained being 44 in grade II, 22 in grade III, 20 in grade IV, 16 in grade V, 11 in grade VI, 15 in grade VII and 16 in

grade VIII. While the majority of pupils are not yet up to standard the progress made is to me very gratifying.

HEALTH.

Last year during the winter months, cocoa was served pupils at each of the schools under the general direction of Miss Hutton, school nurse. A play was given to raise funds, the charge for the cocoa being not enough to pay the expense. The total expense of serving cocoa for supplies and expense of making was \$127.95, total receipts from schools, \$56.06—making a deficit of \$71.89. The receipts from the entertainment were sufficient to cover this and leave a balance of \$21.47. For the present year we are modifying the plan somewhat, to see if it cannot be made self-supporting.

Miss Hutton reports:

Visits to schools	89
Follow up visits	64
Number of children advised to see doctor	44
Number of children advised to see dentist	164
Number of children excluded because of:	
Pediculosis	6
Impetigo	31
Conjunctivitis	2
Cold with severe cough	25
Coryza	14

Number of treatments in school 69

Pupils examined by school physician results as follows:

Pupils with decayed teeth	87
Pupils with enlarged tonsils and adenoids	41
Pupils with anemia	23
Pupils with malnutrition	25
Pupils with strabismus	2
Pupils with enlarged cervical glands	3
Pupils with apparent defective mentality	2
Pupils with defective vision	21
Pupils with defective hearing	2

"The first aid kits have been equipped with all necessary

articles, and prophylactic tooth brushes may be obtained at all schools by the pupils."

MUSIC.

Miss Bergin reports :

"The work for the past year has been very satisfactory, All grades are doing practically the required work.

"The first aim in the development of music, is to arouse the children's interest in music. To obtain this result an abundance and variety of song material is indispensable. In selecting songs special attention has been given, not only to the attractive elements of the melody, but to the subject matter of the poem, which should appeal to the child's imaginative nature, and be within his comprehension.

"In the first year the work is confined wholly to the singing of songs of this nature, and all are taught by imitation.

"In the second and third years this work continues with a slight introduction to a few technical points in sight reading.

"The real theory begins in the fourth year, also two-part songs, when conditions will permit.

"Throughout the fifth and sixth years, the independent power in sight reading and interpretation is to be realized. Here the children are ready for drill, and application of the theoretical principles. Three part songs are begun at the end of the sixth year.

"The seventh year work involves the higher steps in music, namely major and minor mode distinguished in songs, scale building and key relations. Musical interpretation is emphasized.

"In the High School the work which consists of chorus singing of fifty minutes a week, deserves the highest praise. The spirit and response given are gratifying."

DRAWING.

Miss Ball reports :

"My previous report could cover only the work of a few months, but this my second, is for the school year, forty weeks.

"We did no extra work, call it show work if you will, for the school exhibit which was placed on the walls of the small hall at the time of the Fair held in September. With assistance, the best work done through the year in Grades I-VII inclusive was mounted on large sheets of card board and hung as best it could be for the visitors of the hall to see. Each child was not represented because the space would not permit it.

"The sewing of the seventh grade, which consisted of bags, pin cushions and needle books, were displayed on a table. There was also displayed a unique alphabet crib quilt which had been made by the combined efforts of the pupils and myself.

"The actual visits made by me are only twenty in each building, Knowlton and Centre. Twenty drawing lessons and twenty sewing lessons in the seventh grade.

"A day's work for a drawing teacher could be well spent each week visiting each building once a week or extending the work into the eighth grade."

MANUAL TRAINING.

Mr. Stanley reports :

"Manual training is offered as usual to the seventh and eighth grades and we have been able, by having a few extra benches, during the eighth grade period, to allow some of those most interested in this work in the ninth grade to take this subject.

"There are seventeen boys in the seventh grade. These boys have Manual Training every other Monday morning. They are interested and are working on the third problem which is as far advanced as they should be at this time of the school year.

"The eighth grade are working on the following projects: Bookcases, curved leg tables, foot stools, costumers and some new projects. They are working hard and show good ability. This class receives instruction every other Monday afternoon. Since there are only eight boys in this class, some of the ninth grade boys take this subject during

the same period. They are working on more advanced problems and are doing well.

"This work should be offered to the high school but in order to do this, more time will have to be given."

CONCLUSION.

I wish to thank the Committee and the town's people generally for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLE.

Upton, January 11, 1924.

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

Mr. Albert S. Cole, Superintendent of Schools :

Dear Sir :

I take pleasure at this time in submitting to you my second annual report.

The total membership in the senior high school has become sixty-five which makes six more pupils than have been present at any period since I came here. Only three members have left school this fall. Two of these intend to return in the near future. Every seat in the main room is occupied at the present time.

The teachers have worked incessantly toward a more perfect attendance in the high school. The way in which most of the pupils and parents have responded to their efforts is very gratifying. Last year in spite of an unusually severe winter, Christine Pirie, Emma Bowker and Dorothy Young had a perfect record of attendance for the year. At graduation, last June, the members of the School Board presented to Miss Pirie a gift in appreciation of her unusual record which included a perfect attendance for the entire four years of her high school course.

This fall a large number have had a perfect attendance record to date. The list according to classes is as follows :

Emma Bowker	Helen Fitzpatrick
Dorothy Young	William Nelson
Eileen Corbett	Gladys Orff
Sylvia Hall	Ardell Page
Robert Dearth	Louise Monroe
Helen Crooker	Lillian Nelson
Allan Donham	Geraldine Ogden
Margaret Fitzpatrick	Ona Rawson

In the last few years Upton, like many other towns is paying more attention to vocational training in the high

school. The commercial course which was started two years ago is developing satisfactorily and should help many worthy pupils who cannot obtain a higher education. Mr. Stanley, who has charge of the manual training, although spending but one day in two weeks here is doing an unbelievable amount of good by training the younger pupils to make articles quickly and skillfully, while Miss Ball is a very efficient instructor of drawing to the seventh grade girls. Miss Bergin, too, in slightly over a year has had remarkable success in welding the high school pupils into a responsive and commendable Glee Club.

It seems to me that this success which is the result of earnest efforts on such a small scale would be even more satisfactory if a little additional time could be spent on this work. If the town could secure Mr. Stanley and Miss Ball for longer periods of time, the manual training could be extended to include the ninth grade while another class in drawing could be arranged which would be elective to high school pupils. It is my belief that the slight extra expense which this arrangement would require would be money well invested.

In addition to baseball last spring the boys participated in a cross country run at Hopedale. Last September an invitation was extended to this high school to become a member of the tri-county league which includes Hopedale and Holliston. Later in the fall the girls competed in a track meet at Sherborn—the first time that girls from this school have taken part in an interscholastic contest for several years. The school has hoped to compete in basketball, but thus far has been unable to do so through lack of a building in which to play. The town hall at Upton Center would be an excellent place and recently the selectmen have given their consent to use it for this purpose.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the people of Upton for their increased interest in the schools. During Education Week many people took the opportunity to call at the

various schools. We hope that they will plan to come again and that others will follow their example.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT L. WENTWORTH,

Principal.

UPTON HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATING EXERCISES
OF THE
CLASS OF 1923

AT THE
Town Hall, Upton, Massachusetts
Thursday Evening, June Twenty-Eighth
AT 8 O'CLOCK.

PROGRAM

Invocation	Rev. William G. Poor.	
Song—"The Man of War's Man"	Glee Club.	Marchant
Essay—"A Glance at the Development of Music"	Charlotte Frances Murphy.	
Essay—"The Need for a State University"	Robert Keniston Sweet.	
Song—"To a Wild Rose"	Girls' Chorus.	MacDowell
Class History and Will	Christina MacDonald Pirie.	
Essay—"The Origin of the Drama"	Rose Lucy Childs.	
Class Prophecy	Alice Evelyn Nelson.	
Song—"Morning Invitation"	Glee Club.	Veazie

Trio { Alice Nelson,
Emma Bowker,
Emily Scholl.

Address
Robert O. Small,
Director, Division of Vocational Education.

Conferring of Diplomas
Mrs. George W. Knowlton, Jr.,
Chairman of School Committee.

Accompanist, John Dearth.
Violinist, Norry Lessard.

GRADUATES.

Rose Lucy Childs,
Charlotte Frances Murphy,
Alice Evelyn Nelson,
Christina MacDonald Pirie,
Robert Keniston Sweet.

CLASS OFFICERS.

President, Robert Keniston Sweet,
Vice-President, Charlotte Frances Murphy,
Secretary and Treasurer, Christine MacDonald Pirie.

Class Colors—Blue and Gold. Class Flower—Pansy.
Class Motto—"Knowledge Is the Key to Success."

COMPARISON OF RESULTS OF TESTS GIVEN IN UPTON SCHOOLS MAY 1922 TO JUNE 1923.

	Grade 2		Grade 3		Grade 4		Grade 5		Grade 6		Grade 7		Grade 8	
	1922	1923	1922	1923	1922	1923	1922	1923	1922	1923	1922	1923	1922	1923
Arithmetic A				11.4	17.3	17.7	22.0	20.6	27.3	25.4	24.2	27.2	27.3	25.4
" B									12.0	13.1	13.5	20.6	11.3	9.0
" C									10.5	10.2	9.8	11.0	2.7	3.0
Reading—Comprehension			3.9	4.9	4.2	6.9	6.9	6.3	10.0	16.5	10.4	11.5	10.4	12.0
Spelling	37	81	37	59	37	57	23	39	29	40	38	53	38	54

Arithmetic A—Woody-McCall, Form II.; fundamental processes.

" B—Monroe's Reasoning Test: correct principles.

" C—Monroe's Reasoning Test: correct answer.

Reading—Monroe's Silent Reading Test, revised.

Spelling—From Iowa Spelling Scale, 125 words in grades 2-4.
250 words in grades 5-8.

FINANCIAL REPORT **OF UPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE JANUARY 1, 1924.**

RESOURCES.

Appropriation	\$21,500 00
Income, Knowlton-Batchelor fund	595 99
County dog fund	335 30
Income, Charlotte A. Batchelor school fund	75 00
Home Literary club	100 00
Masury & Young, express rebate	2 10
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	\$22,608 39

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers:

Everett L. Wentworth	\$2,000 00
Mary E. Hickey	1,300 00
Lora Dearth	1,236 50
Helen Gootch	660 00
Dorothy Clapp	440 00
Ruth T. Crooker	1,000 00
Susan Urban	1,000 00
Ruth Goodrich	900 00
Elizabeth Brokaw	894 75
Virginia Swett	984 80
Alice Alexander	892 50
Florence Walker	900 00
Mary Bergin	202 50
Elsie Ball	158 75
Margaret Hutton	400 00
Eunice Leland	19 00
Rachael Dodge	8 50
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	\$12,992 50

Superintendent:—

Albert S. Cole, salary	\$841 69
Albert S. Cole, expenses	166 90
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	\$1,008 59

Fuel:—

Wm. Knowlton & Sons	.	.	\$1,413 12	
Joseph Poirier	.	.	12 00	
			<hr/>	\$1,425 12

Care of Schools:—

Benjamin C. Crooker	.	.	\$1,200 00	
			<hr/>	\$1,200 00

Transportation:—

Mrs. William Carroll	.	.	\$1,218 00	
Hilbert Nelson	.	.	1,015 00	
Joseph Poirier	.	.	913 50	
Grafton & Upton R. R.	.	.	12 50	
B. C. Crooker	.	.	3 00	
Fred W. Wood	.	.	30 00	
			<hr/>	\$3,192 00

Repairs:—

Avery & Woodbury Co.	.	.	\$110 07	
Wilbur G. Fiske	.	.	83 07	
Dwight R. Bowker	.	.	117 70	
Frank Wadman	.	.	27 90	
N. E. Steel Roofing Co.	.	.	120 00	
Edward Powers	.	.	32 00	
George H. Southland	.	.	3 50	
Charles Stuart	.	.	1 50	
Raymond Lyford	.	.	1 50	
Eben T. Hall	.	.	2 80	
E. J. Sadler	.	.	1 50	
Jule Dupuis	.	.	2 00	
Benjamin C. Crooker	.	.	32 25	
Edward E. Aldrich	.	.	2 25	
			<hr/>	\$538 04

Manual Training:—

Dana Stanley	.	.	\$180 00	
William Seaver	.	.	6 00	
Baker Lumber Co.	.	.	123 34	
H. S. Chadbourne	.	.	8 75	
			<hr/>	\$318 09

Supplies :—

J. L. Hammett	\$122 64
Babb & Co.	270 52
Dowling School Supply Co.	131 67
American Book Co.	71 61
D. C. Heath	65 29
David Farquahar	55 50
Ryan & Buker	48 67
Lyons & Carnahan	44 43
Success Shorthand School	43 01
Masury & Young	39 15
Benjamin Sanborn	35 58
Milton Bradley Co.	34 94
Ginn & Co.	23 12
World Book Co.	27 11
Dolge Co.	27 00
Silver Burdett Co.	25 96
D. McNetton	24 25
Allyn & Bacon	15 26
Mittag & Volger	15 20
Chronotype Press	14 54
Wright & Potter	12 92
Rumford Supply Co.	10 17
Eben T. Hall	6 48
H. A. Wales	7 00
Young Bros.	6 40
University Publishing Co.	6 00
Public School Publishing Co.	5 32
Benjamin C. Crooker	5 00
Macmillan Co.	3 74
Lippincott	3 60
Fred W. Wood	3 23
Library Bureau	3 10
Grafton & Upton R. R.	2 02
Royal Typewriter Co.	70 00
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins	80 00
	<hr/> \$1,365 43

Miscellaneous:

Dr. Samuel R. Capen	\$100 00
M. Steinert & Sons	120 00
Worcester Sub. Elec. Co.	27 63
George Walker	2 00
Jefferson H. Lyford	2 00
Eben T. Hall	1 69
Worcester Market	16 50
Brewer & Co.	5 37
Everett Wentworth	20 22
George Poirier	4 00
Frank O. Ogden	12 03
W. A. Hennig	1 75
John Wellspeak	8 40
Charlescraft Press	8 50
Agnes Glancy	12 00
Edward M. Baker	2 46
George W. Knowlton, Jr.	24 50
Clark Ellis & Sons	24 60
Benjamin C. Crooker	24 50
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	\$418 15
Total expenditures	\$22,457 92
Unexpended balance	150 47
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	\$22,608 39

I have examined this report and find it correct.

CHARLES A. BARTON,

Auditor.

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